



# Northeast Lion

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## From the District's Governors Pen

## Happy October Everyone!

I want to begin by saying that I am proud to see clubs starting their activities again this past month. Even if we have to modify how we can pull it off, it is still important for our communities to know that we are still here. Whether it's an annual Chicken BBQ that has been switched to a drive-thru style or a golf tournament where you have to skip the dinner, we can still hold our fundraisers even though parts of it may be an inconvenience.

VDG Dan and myself were able to make a few visitations this past month. Like some club fundraisers, meetings have had to be modified (larger spaces, no meals, etc...) but it is nice to see clubs getting together once again. I still have not heard back from many clubs about visiting. To ease



an agenda, a visitation can even be at a club event or fundraiser where a couple extra hands can be thrown in to help out. My email and contact information is listed on the letters I have sent out to each club.

Our next sight/hearing meeting will be on October 8th hosted by the Eynon/Archbald Lions Club at the AC Field Pavilion (turn off of Main St. onto Harrison St. and follow the road to the end). I will have information on the upcoming cabinet meeting as well as tickets for the Melvin Jones Fellowship Raffle and an update on my Governors project.

The next cabinet meeting will be Sunday, November 15, 2020 at the Happy Valley Sports Bar in Dickson City. Notices should be arriving to club Presidents with menu and information to RSVP. Topics will include international and state information, district convention planning, and future activities that clubs have planned. As always, all members are encouraged and invited to attend.

As always, I look forward to seeing/hearing from clubs and during the last week of this month everyone is reminded to keep the toilet paper in the bathroom and don't throw pumpkins!!!!

DG Dave

### INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14 GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM

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#### Fellow Lions

I received a call for help from MD-14 Disaster Chairperson Lion Jim Groff. The Lions of Louisiana need supplies because of the hurricane a couple of weeks ago. Below is a list of items that have been requested by DG Gerard Credeur, Jr. He is governor of District 8-O

What we are asking for your willingness to help out with these items. When we have the items, they will be shipped in one of our wrapped trailers to his district. Here are some guidelines:

- 1. When possible, the items should be packed in 12x12 boxes that are sealed and labeled with the contents.
- 2. Larger items should be wrapped together in a bundle.
- 3. Boxes are available from either the Lions office in Harrisburg or from Lion Jim Groff. Please help with the shipping
- 4. Financial donations can be made to either LCIF or the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation. Please mark on the memo line that the donation id for the Louisiana Hurricane.

### Timeline is as follows:

- 1. The collection dates should fall between October 5 and 8
- 2. The truck will be scheduled to pick up at regional sites between October 9 and 11
- 3. The loaded truck will leave for Louisiana on October 12th.

The exact pickup dates and locations have yet to be set. DG or GST PDG will let you know.

Below is the list of needed items from DG Credeur...

Good morning sir. Here is a list of items we are having issues getting.

Powerade/Gatorade **Work Gloves** Mops **Clothes Pins Cleaning Supplies Toilet Paper Toothbrushes Feminine Products** Sunscreen **Batteries** Towels, Pillows, Blankets

337 658 4201

Yours in Service, PDG Tom Grega MD-14 GST Coordinator

Thanks for the help. DG Gerard J Credeur Jr **Flashlights** Mosquito Spray **Laundry Detergent** Bleach **Paper Towels** Paper Plates, Plastic Forks and Spoons **Toothpaste Small First Aid Kits** Aloe Vera Gel for Sunburn **Ant Poison** 

Lion Jim Groff has around 1075 12 x 12 boxes and the State office has around 450 boxes. They will ship the boxes but ask that you help with the cost. The boxes should be sealed and contents labeled.

Items that don't fit in the boxes should be bundled together such as mops.

There will be 3 pickup locations to help the trucking company. Where and when has not been determined as yet, but help will be needed at each of the spots.

Financial donations can be made either at LCIF or the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation. Please write on the memo line Louisiana Hurricane

Please keep a record of what your district collects and send that to me. Be sure your clubs report this service in MyLion and I will report the totals for the State.

## 2nd Cabinet Meeting of 2020-2021 DISTRICT 14-H

District Governor 2nd Vice District Governor

Dave Barrett
Dan Lake

## Sunday, November 15, 2020 at

Happy Valley Sports Bar, 516 Storrs St., Dickson City, PA 18519



## Cost is \$18.00 per person;

reservations are due no later than

## **November 6, 2020**

## MAIL to PO Box 4071 Scranton, PA 18505

If you have something you would like placed on the agenda, please notify District Secretary Lion Joy Lewis via e-mail at <a href="dutchsdoll2@gmail.com">dutchsdoll2@gmail.com</a> or District Governor PDG Dave Barrett also by that date.

Registration will begin at 12 noon

Meeting will begin at 1:00

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## BUFFET MENU

Chicken Marsala Sausage & Peppers Penne Ala Vodka Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Tossed Salad

Cash bar

## District 14-H







Bags for Beads Outdoor Bingo - a great time by all on 8/23 at AC Field in Archbald. Everyone enjoyed their day out - playing regular and special games bingo, basket raffles, 50/50 and the mystery purse raffle.

I was introduced to the beads of courage program by a friend and also heard about it at the Pa Lions State Convention at Kalahari, met with Palermo Heart to Heart, they took me to visit Janet Weis Children's Hospital to see how the program works, and are also affiliated with Hershey Children's, Lehigh Children's & 2 Pittsburg Children's hospitals.

Can't thank everyone who helped in any way, setting up, taking down, donating, playing bingo, donating food or baskets, helping with selling chances...........

There was plenty of room to social distance, attendance was near 200, honored to have Sheriff Mark McAndrew and Lion Louis Rapoch calling the games. Dj Mary was fantastic, Barrett's donated food, I couldn't have done it without the help of my co-chair Karen Spataro who is always outstanding, as well as all her family helping out. Karen was able to get us tents, tables & chairs, many donated baskets, food and much more. Thank you thank you

Thanks to Guest speakers Stacy and Tim O'Connor for their amazing story and how they treasure their Beads of Courage for their son Colden.

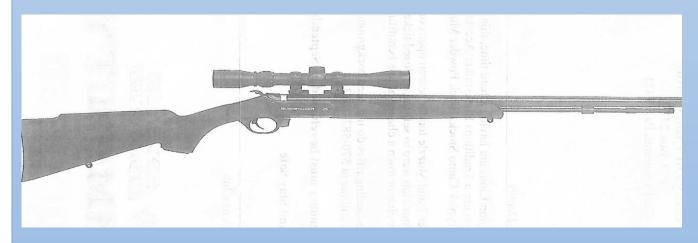
Thanks to all District 14H lions for all your support throughout the year, presented Palermo Heart to Heart Beads of Courage, \$9,590 total.

\$5500 from bingo and \$4,090 from the generous donations throughout My 2019-2020 DG year, lions, and selling of the Carry A bead packets. Again - thank you very much. It is such a wonderful program, encouraging children on their journey to recovery, as they go through their treatments from cancer or any serious illness.

Where there is a need there is a Lion We Serve IPDG Fran

## **ABINGTON LIONS CLUB**

Successful Gun Raffle – Winner will be drawn on October 7th



Traditions Buckstalker Accelerator

Black Powder – Muzzle loading – 50 cal.

with scope Bronze Cerakote – Kryptec Camo Stock

Abington Lions Club is currently Collecting plastic bags to acquire A recycled plastic, park bench.

The idea came from Jefferson Twp. Lions club, who are on their 2<sup>nd</sup> bench.





IPDG Fran played in the Minisink Lions Club golf tournament. On a per 3 she entered the "Circle of Gold", where, on your tee shot, you must put your ball in the chalk circle. She did, and ended up with a triple bogey on the hole. Hey! "she slipped" —"It was cold" — "someone made a noise" — "the green was slow".



At the **Eynon-Archbald club** meeting on September 2 Lion Mark Maslar was presented with the "Lions of Pennsylvania" award, by IPDG Fran Stepkovitch

## Minisink Lions Club

2020 Calendar Raffle is still ongoing.

The Club is holding it's bi-monthly meetings in various places, both indoors and outdoors and also held (2) virtual meetings.

We installed 2 new Vice Presidents for 20/21 year.

1st VP is Tony Seidita. 2nd VP is Joe Sabie.

Minisink Lions recently donated scholarships for 20 North Pocono seniors. Presentations and Awards were given during a virtual program. That's it for now. Thanks



Lion Art Coolbaugh, (right) from the **Falls Lions Club** is awarded the "Lion of the Year", from Lion President Dale Ferguson, for his years of contributing to the activities of the club. Lion Art has been a member of the Falls Lions Club since March 1, 1996. District Governor Dave Barrett (center) was invited to the club meeting to assist in the presentation.



Ashley Michelle Wilson, and Bambi Linn Wilson, from the **Jermyn Lions Club** Receive a Lackawanna County Community Service
awards for helping those in need during this pandemic, making and
donating masks to many locally organizations and in other states. **Ashley is the one in bare feet!** 

FALLS LIONS CLUB
FALLS, PA
EST. 1978

Falls Lions Club bought a brick From Patriots Cove a Veterans organization that gives disable veterans a chance to enjoy the outdoors the bricks line the side walk for wheelchairs are able to enter the building without difficulty.



The Stone Bridge Lions raised over \$900 providing coffee and hotdogs at the I-81 south rest stop in Great Bend over Labor Day.





Hot dog buns, Light enough to walk across the figment of your imagination

Coffee darker than 6 feet down



## COME JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FALL FUN!

THE FALLS LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

## FALLS CHILDREN SAFETY AWARENESS FAIR

(CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)

Children Halloween Costume Contest--Parade for All

Car Seat Safety Check--Vison Test--Bring a Small Pumpkin to Decorate

Touch A Truck--Bike Helmet Drawing for Kids

Various Kids Games and Prizes

Raffle Baskets--Food--Bake Sale

& Much More!

Please respect all CDC Guidelines and Social Distancing

Saturday, October 24, 2020

For Additional Information call: Ida Ferguson at: (607) 742-2179

2pm-5pm Hock Memorial Park



The **Honesdale Lions Club** has not met as a full club since the pandemic, respecting "social distancing" protocol. We did have a meeting recently to discuss and organize our **Annual Bonanza**, however we will not be having it in person this year.

The date for the virtual event is November 14th, 2020, to be consistent with prior years. There is really no actual in person or, at this point, online events. We are sending money in as members and hoping some supporters from past years, who have bought non-attending tickets, will do the same. We are planning to do a small raffle, as we did last year, however there will be nobody physical to attend. Our president, Bill O'Neill, and a few members will pick the winning tickets to the raffle.

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FYI - November 14<sup>th</sup> is the birthday of PDG Joe Skinner, PDG Gene Scagliotti, and current Governor Dave Barrett.

## We currently have about 30 lbs.

on our goal of 100 lbs. for Ronald McDonald House

**Kidney Dialysis** 

Send them to PDG Joe Skinner



## District 14-H Zone Chairs

Zone 1

Ian Montoro 3220 Vipond Ave. Scranton, Pa. 18505

Montoro97@yahoo.com

570 - 906 - 0656

Dunmore

Minooka\* Moosic Taylor Old Forge

Scranton Central Minisink

Zone 2 Jefferson Twp. Jessup

Kristen Travis Jermyn Lake Ariel

210 White oak Dr. Mayfield Blakely / Peckville Olyphant, Pa. 18447 Eynon / Archbald\* Waymart

Travisk31@gmail.com

570 - 280 - 5034

Abington South Abington

Zone 3 Michael Gerrity (Mary) Dalton Benton\* 124 Cobb Hill Rd. **Olyphant** Scott Twp.

Ransom

Nicholson, Pa. 18446 Michael.T.Gerrity3.civ@mail.mil

570 - 650 - 3452

Zone 4 Tunkhannock Falls

Michelle Lake (2VDG Dan) Stone Bridge\* Montrose 290 Washington St. Forest City Honesdale

Susquehanna, Pa. 18847 Hawley / Lake Wallenpaupack MickeyLeeLake@aim.com

570 - 853 - 4316

## Spontaneous Sputtering

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If tomatoes are technically a fruit, does that make ketchup a smoothie?

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Flexibility - the art of keeping both feet firmly planted on the ground, and still being able to put on your pants.

#### 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

Scranton Times	letters@timesshamrock.com
Wayne Independent	mlee@tricountyindependent.com
Times Leader	shando@timesleader.com

Times Leader Weekender

	indynews@indepenentweekender.com
Valley Advantage	advantage@timesshamrock.com
Moscow Villager	kedwards@eayneindependent.com
Triboro Banner	triborobanner@timesshamrock.com
Carbondale News	kedwards@wayneindependent.com

Forest City News fcnews@nep.net

Susquehanna County Independent

indynews@indepenentweekender.com

Susquehanna Transcript susqtran@epix.net (Melanie Barrett)

Dunmorean dpi22news@gmail.com

Citizens Voice lifestyles@citizensvoice.com

towncrier@citizensvoice.com

Wyoming County Examiner news@wcexaminer.com

News Eagle kcollins@neagle.com

Abington Journal dmartin@timesleader.com

## Pennsylvania Lions Pride Magazine

Betty Lou Ivel 2142 Clintonville Rd. Harrisville, Pa. 16038 Nectarine1@zoominternet.net

## Did you wash your paws?



### MINOOKA LIONS 300 CLUB DRAWING 10 WEEKLY DRAWINGS





SUNDAY OCTOBER 18

**NOON - 4:00PM** 

TICKETS PRE\*SALE ONLY

YMS of R KANE STREET | SCRANTON DINNERS TAKEOUT ONLY

\$12 1 DINNER

\$20 2 DINNERS

Tickets available at Castaldi's Market, Joyce's Cafe and from any Minooka Lions Club Member, or call 570-241-7528





## Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs

949 East Park Drive \* Harrisburg, PA 17111-2810 \* Phone (717) 564 2586 \* Fax (717) 564-2880

#### PA State Council of Lions Clubs Special Election.

Date: September 28, 2020

The Special Election, due at the November State Council Meeting on November 6 thru 8, 2020 will still take place.

The necessity of this Special Election is to complete the two outstanding Ballot Questions, originally scheduled for a vote at the May 2020 State Convention.

The Council of Governors, at a Zoom Meeting on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> approved the Multiple District hold an Electronic Election and selected Election Runner as the application of choice.

This letter will now serve as the official notice of the manner and timing of an Electronic Special Election, using electionrunner.com to be conducted by the MD14 Lions of Pennsylvania on Sunday, November 8, 2020 – between the hours of 12 noon and 8pm.

An election packet will be mailed to each District Governor in time for inclusion in their Newsletters and for distribution by their District Secretary/Certification Chair to Club Presidents and Secretaries containing the following documentation to guide them through the process:

- Election Process sets forth the steps and timing of the election to ensure its successful completion.
- Delegate Collection Spreadsheet an excel spreadsheet to enter the Delegate names, member numbers (for certification purposes only) and email addresses to be uploaded to electionrunner.com.
- Official Delegate Certification Form each Club Secretary and/or President
  must complete and return this and the Delegate Collection Spreadsheet to the
  State Office, preferably by email, by <u>Friday October 23, 2020</u>.
- Sample Letter to Clubs including the Potential Delegate Count showing simplified process and the number of delegates that each club in each District is entitled to.
- 5. Ballot Questions copies of the two Ballot Questions.
- Unpaid Dues Schedule Dues must be paid to Lions Clubs International no later than <u>Monday October 14, 2020</u> for a club to be entitled to have their nominated delegates to vote in this election. (Each District receives their own District Recap Report to be included in this packet).

It is very important that all delegates have a correct email address as the election will be conducted electronically (no paper ballots will be sent.)

It is especially important that the timeframes set forth in the Election Process document are adhered to for the election to be completed and it is imperative that Clubs notify their delegates of this process, so they know what to expect.

Once all delegates have been certified by the Districts and sent to the State Office, 17 sub elections will be set up and delegate information uploaded into electionrunner.com.

On **Sunday, November 8, 2020** an Invitation to Vote will be issued to every certified delegate from **electionrunner.com** and will contain:

- a link to access the system to record your vote
- a Unique Voter ID and Voter Key. The use of these ensures the ballots remain secret.

Voting must be completed no later than <u>Sunday November 8, 2020 at 8pm</u>.

Any questions regarding this process can be directed to:

CC Marilyn Wagner - marilynwagner23@gmail.com or 484-557-8168.

SA Bob McComas - bobmccomas@palions.org

Sincerely,

Marilyn Wagner Council Chairperson Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs



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#### **Ballot Question 1**

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CONCERNS AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS MULTIPLE DISTRICT-14 (PENNSYLVANIA) CONSTITUTION. TO BE ADOPTED, THIS AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION REQUIRES AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE CERTIFIED DELEGATES CASTING A VOTE.

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4, COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON.

THE RESOLUTION ADDS LANGUAGE TO CLARIFY: 1) THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON; 2) THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTING A REPLACEMENT IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON POSITION; AND 3) THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON ROTATION.

BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2021, Article VII, Section 4, will read as follows:

"Section 4: COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON. The Chairperson of the State Council shall be the Immediate Past District Governor who had served in the capacity of Vice-Chairperson during the preceding year, who for the year 2020-2021 shall be from Sub-District P. The Council Chairperson shall serve for a one-year term only and cannot serve in that capacity again.

In the event, either before or after becoming the Chairperson, if unable or refuses to serve, or having accepted, resigns or dies, then the District Governor of that sub-district shall appoint a Past-District Governor who is resident in and a member in good standing of a Lions Club in that sub-district to serve out the term of office. If no Past District Governor from the sub-district is willing to serve, then the sitting Council of Governors will appoint a Past District Governor from the two preceding State Councils who is a resident in and member in good standing of a Lions Club in Pennsylvania to serve the remaining term of office. The normal Council Chairperson rotation will resume when the replacement Council Chairperson's term of office is completed.



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### **Ballot Question 2**

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CONCERNS AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS MULTIPLE DISTRICT-14 (PENNSYLVANIA) BY-LAWS. TO BE ADOPTED, THIS AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS REQUIRES AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE CERTIFIED DELEGATES CASTING A VOTE.

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE CHANGES TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2, DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.

THE RESOLUTION MODIFIES THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE CURRENT \$16 PER-CAPITA DUES AS FOLLOWS, STARTING JULY 1 2021:

- ELIMINATES THE "PROMOTION FUND" OF \$0.35
- INCREASES THE "STATE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE FUND" FROM \$8.50 TO \$9.60
- INCREASES THE "SUB-DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE FUND" FROM \$2.50 TO \$3.00
- REPLACES THE "PENNSYLVANIA NEWS PUBLICATION FUND" WITH THE "COMMUNICATION/WEB/PRIDE FUND" AND REDUCES THE ALLOCATION FROM \$1.50 TO \$0.25

THE RESOLUTION **DOES NOT** INCREASE OR DECREASE THE CURRENT OVERALL DUES

BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2021, Article VI, Section 2, will read as follows:

Section 2. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS. The funds so collected shall be used, distributed, and credited as follows:

- a. State Convention Administrative fund \$0.45
- b. International Convention Fund \$0.85
- c. District Governors International Convention Expense Fund \$0.35
- d. State Council Administrative Fund \$9.60
- e. Sub-Districts Administrative Fund \$3.00
- f. Communication/Web/PRIDE Fund \$0.25
- g. All-State Band \$1.50



## Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs Special Election OFFICIAL DELEGATE CERTIFICATION FORM

Online Voting via electionrunner.com: Sunday November 8, 2020

Please type or print neatly

Completed forms must be received at the District Secretary/Certification Chair by Friday, October 23, 2020

istrict:	
ELEGATES: based on 7/01/2020 member	rship count – 1 delegate for every 10 members or major fraction thereof:
Name and Member#	E-Mail
1.	
2.	
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DISTRICT GOVERNORS/PAST DISTRICT  addition to your Club/s LCI defined delenated and Member #  1.	Email:
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