

Northeast Lion

MARCH 2021



From the pen of our District Governor

Happy March everyone!!!

We are now in the final swing for planning our annual district convention. Towards the end of last month, club Presidents received phone calls for a quick survey to see if there is any interest in having members attend. We need to know immediately if we will have enough attendees to make this worthwhile.

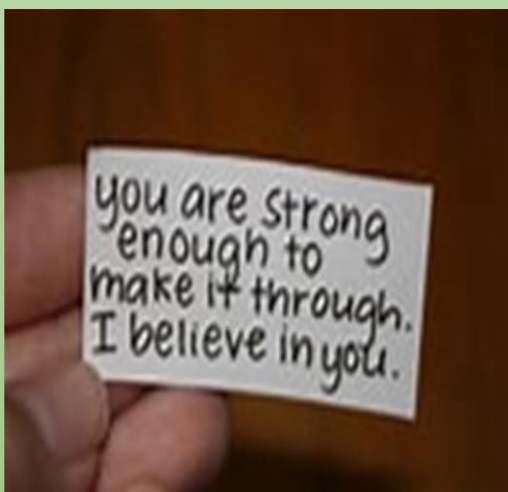
We will be having current International Director Justin Faber as our guest speaker and this year we will be having a casual luncheon tied in with the business meeting. There will not be a formal banquet at night. April 10th will be here before we know it.

The Melvin Jones Raffle is going well with ticket sales but we still have a good portion to sell by the convention. At only \$1 each, it's one of the greatest deals of the year!!! I can take payments through PayPal and/or Venmo then I will fill out your ticket and email you a copy of the filled-out stub with your number(s). This method worked very well with my club raffles as a safety precaution to allow contact.

Spring is also going to make an appearance soon and I hope to see clubs at least plan some fundraising ideas. Drive-thru dinners, online raffles, lottery number raffles, etc. There are still many things to do while keeping ourselves and our communities safe.

In closing, please consider purchasing a few Melvin Jones raffle tickets, let us know if there is interest in attending the district convention, and have a happy and safe Saint Patrick's Day!!!

☘ DG Dave



Lions Clubs International District 14-H Melvin Jones Fellowship Raffle

**Winner will be based off of the evening drawing
of the Pennsylvania Lottery "Pick Three"
on Saturday, April 10, 2021
(District Convention)**

Proceeds benefit the Lions Clubs International Foundation

Donation: \$1.00 per ticket

Winner need not be present to win

From the pen of our 1st Vice District Governor

Hello NEPA Lions!

I wonder if it will ever stop snowing...do you? Here is Madison Twp. we have accumulated well over 40's and it just keeps snowing. So, between the Co-Vid and the snow we have had our challenges. And here comes the famous word, BUT, that never stopped a Lion from serving its community. I have been told about the different ways they are serving from Drive-Thru means to Drive-Thru Santa's and now I just heard about a Drive-Thru Easter Bunny!

I commend all of those Lions that are keeping our motto alive "WE SERVE". Our district participated in our State Disaster Relief Chair Lion Jim Groff's project of distributing goggles and hand sanitizer to deliver to various health facilities. Please mark your calendar for April 10th for our annual District Convention. This year we are doing it a little different, where the event is done as a luncheon. We would love to see your smiling faces and be able to fellowship, as it has been too long!

I continue to do my 1st Vice District Governor studies online. My class of fellow 1st VDG's have had zoom meetings in place of in person training. Doing my studies this way is something new to me, but I am adapting and have a real sense of empathy for our school aged children. Not having a teacher on hand and completing so many studies on their own is a great challenge. Encourage our youth because they are our future. LCI has many programs for our youth, you and/or your club have many opportunities to affect our youth, I challenge you!

Well, until next month, please keep warm and keep safe.

In Friendship & In Service,

1st VDG/PDG Cathy of the Jefferson Twp. Lions Club

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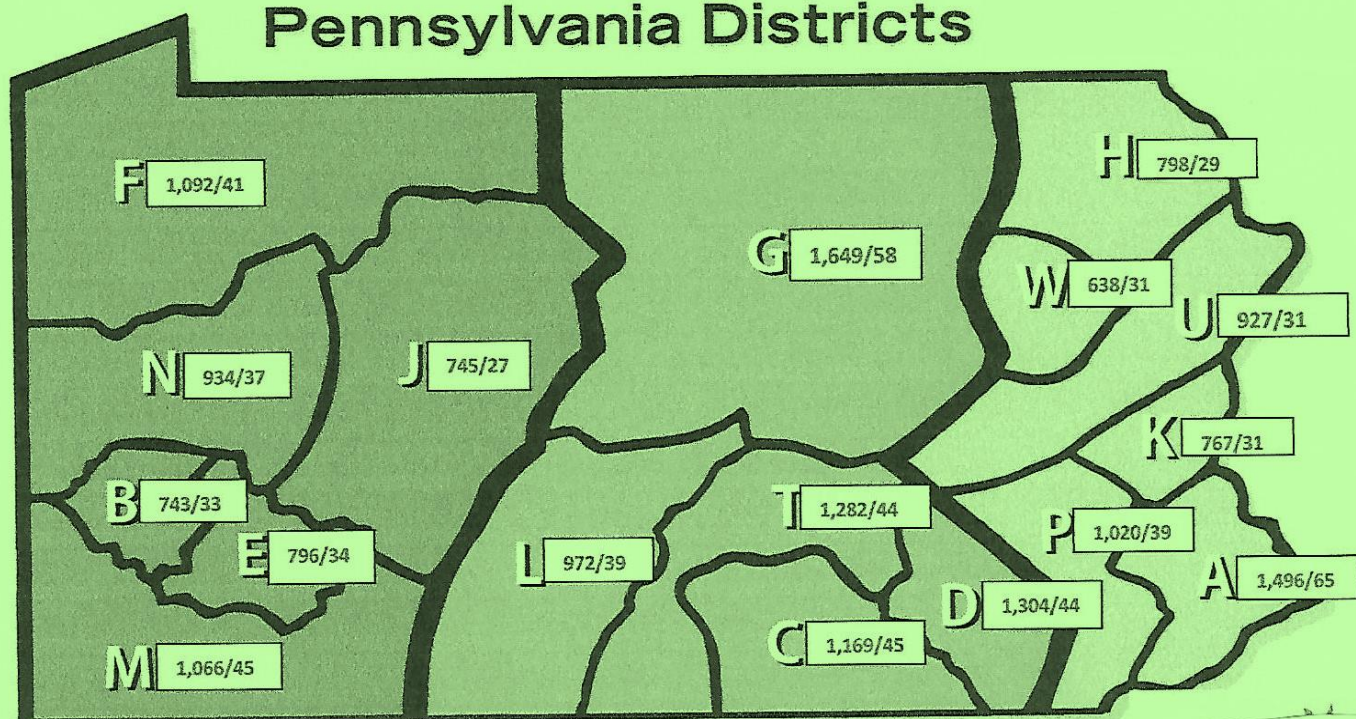
Scranton Times / Community Snapshot

Submit Photos JPG or PDF

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Total Membership/Clubs on January 11, 2021

Pennsylvania Districts



1 District: 638 Members

5 Districts Below 800 Members

8 Districts over 1,000 Members

Membership District 14H

Abington	36	Jefferson Township	35	Olyphant	30
Benton	15	Jermyn	13	Ransom	11
Blakely / Peckville	15	Jessup	15	Scott Township	31
Dalton	8	Lake Ariel	17	Scranton Central	21
Dunmore	21	Mayfield	17	South Abington	10
Eynon / Archbald	99	Minisink	25	Stonebridge /	
				Susquehanna	25
Falls	44	Minooka	50	Taylor	27
Forest City	22	Montrose	39	Tunkhannock	14
Hawley / Lake					
Wallenpaupack	15	Moosic	20	Waymart	20
Honesdale	68	Old Forge	29		

Total Members 792 -8



JEFFERSON TWP. LIONS FRIDAY LENTEN DINNERS



LIONS HALL, LIONS ROAD, JEFFERSON TWP., PA 18436

FROM 4 PM to 7 PM

BAKED POTATO
DINNER →

Stop in to see our
Fabulous
Basket Raffle



FEBRUARY	19, 2021
FEBRUARY	26, 2021
MARCH	5, 2021
MARCH	12, 2021
MARCH	19, 2021
MARCH	26, 2021
APRIL	2, 2021

BOY SCOUTS #133
FUNDRAISER

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CHOICES INCLUDE:

FISH AND FRIES, COLE SLAW, AND DESSERT
MARKET FRESH FISH, BAKED POTATO, SNAP PEAS
FRIED SHRIMP, HALUSKI, PIEROGIES,
HOME MADE CAKES

ALL AT REASONABLE PRICES

TAKE-OUT ONLY

Dunmore Lions Club

The Dunmore Lions Club congratulates the following winners in our Valentine's Day fifty-fifty Raffle:

Michael Colangelo \$500.00, Richard Green 250.00, Mike Cummings, \$100.00, Chris Iezzi, \$50.00, Dave Colangelo, \$50.00, and Cookie Jimmie, \$50. Thanks to all who supported us in this fundraiser.

DUNMORE LIONS CLUB



Even through a pandemic tradition carries on! The 2021 Intra Borough Boys Basketball Championship game between the Dunmore and Holy Cross High Schools was held on February 21st at Dunmore High School. The game is sponsored by the Dunmore Lions Club to help defray the costs of their college scholarship programs, now in its 40th year. This year the Dunmore Boys upset the Holy Cross team by a score of 64-60. The Bucks are now 5-4 on the season while the Crusaders are 9-2. Both teams are hoping to compete in District Playoffs.

Pictured below are the coaches and members of the Dunmore Bucks:
Front Row :(L to R) Hunter Robertson, Frankie Ruggiero, Christian Buckley, Zack Cruser, & Nico Ruggiero
Back Row : (L to R) Assistant Coach Pat Clark, Jeffery Walsh, Dom Temperino, Adriel DeNaples, Tyler Maciejewski, Coach Kevin Clark, Kevin Walsh, Peyton Badykra, & Assistant Coach Paul Biagioli.

ABINGTON LIONS CLUB

Holding our monthly Board of Directors meetings on Zoom

Received our bench from TREX to be placed in Lewis Lane Part this Spring

Setting up our annual Abington Lions Club Scholarship committee.

Donated 4 cases of canned fruit to the Clarks Summit Fire Company Auxiliary's campaign to help the Dalton Food Pantry

MINISINK - NORTH POCONO LIONS CLUB



The High Bridge House, Springbrook Twp., was the setting of the Club's last meeting on Feb. 4, 2021. The guest speaker for the meeting was Chris Kelly, Development Director for the North Pocono Public Library. Chris gave a presentation of all services available at the Library and provided a list of funding programs. Chris also explained the purpose and goals of the Library.

After the presentation the Club presented a \$500 donation check to the North Pocono Public Library.

In the photo left to right: Jim Strempek Lions Club Secretary, Frank Bonacci Lions Club Treasurer presenting the check, Chris Kelly NP Public Library and Ron Donati Lions Club President.

FALLS LIONS CLUB

We will continue with Zoom meeting at least until April

Boot drop for Carol Bardzel hopefully the first weekend in March from 10-2

March 28th Falls Lions volunteers at Seven Loaves

Events committee planning on a Chicken Bar b que on June 6th

Ammunition raffle in the planning stages

1st Annual Membership Connections



\$5 per 10 tickets

7 Baskets

Sponsored by PA State Lions
Council of Governors for the
Global Membership Team

Seminars



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We can only accept 70 Lions at
this time; 23 per session with 3
sessions running at one time
frame, separate rooms!!!!
CALL EARLY TO GET A SEAT!!

Saturday, May 22, 2021

Wyndham Garden State College Mountain View Country Club, 310 Elks Club Road, Boalsburg, PA

Cost: Lunch Only \$15.00

Seminar Reservations: cawilbur65@gmail.com or 607-738-6909

Topics of Interest

Members: A, B, C Acronyms New members arrive with heads turning and twirling in all directions: what to do, what does that mean, what did she/he just say? *PID Cindy Gregg* will put a spin on those initials for better understanding!

Members: Boosting Satisfaction Additional ways to encourage Lions to step-up; keeping seasoned members active; and handling conflicts with resolutions. A *Leading Lion* will guide us to the future in Lionism.

Members: Fun(ds) Raising-FUN & Games Bored with same 'ole, same 'ole? Creating ways to add enjoyment and excitement to the traditional meetings. Co-Instructors *Lions Dorothy Daugherty and Debra Bieber* will entertain new ideas.

Members: Grants-Funding Awards An alternative to gaining access to funds to keep serving those in need. *IPDG Jim Wilbur* will provide Guidance with access and applications to assist with providing members and clubs more financial opportunities.

Members: Membership: Panel of Young Lions What do they want to do; how can they add energy to your club; and they will answer your questions, with steps to recruiting and enticing the next generation. *Lions representing the Mansfield Lions Club*

Members: Service: More Opportunities Lions are always looking for new ways to provide service to those in need. With the leadership of our Multiple District *PDG GST Tom Gregg*, you will need to bring a book to make a list!

Members: Technology: Taking It Forward The pandemic has us adapting ways to meet, conducting services, and fund-raising. *PDG John Mallonee*, LCI Certified Instructor, will show new tools assisting our members with new applications in technology.

Dear Lions,

The corona virus (COVID-19) pandemic is continuing to impact the work of Lions around the world. As you know, it has also created financial hardships for our Lions and the people for whom we care.

To support the incredible men and women serving with us, the International Board of Directors unanimously passed another resolution to help our clubs.

Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the Board of Directors:

- Charter and entrance fees waiver – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from January 1 through June 30, 2021.
- Flexible payments – No clubs in good standing on December 31, 2020 will be suspended or canceled through June 30, 2021 for late payment of dues. Full payment is required to be received before June 30, 2021 to avoid suspension or cancellation.
 - Please note that clubs placed on financial suspension on December 31, 2020 will remain on suspension until the full balance is paid. Those clubs will still need to address their outstanding dues or make arrangements for repayment with the Accounts Receivable Department at Lions Clubs International to avoid cancellation scheduled for March 1, 2021.

These additional measures will help Lions facing financial hardships and give our clubs the support and encouragement they need during these challenging times. For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity, and together, we will overcome this.

The world needs Lions now more than ever, so thank you for your outstanding service and commitment to our communities and the world.

Regards,
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President

Lions Clubs International will extend the waive of the \$35 fee for new members and will hold back on the clubs of ‘Status Quo’ We NOW have 4 months to continue to recruit new members with no entrance fee! Can each district add 10 more new Lions? Take a look at page 4 to see where your district stands and decide the direction your district needs.

Let's Energize and Gear-Up to recruit, recruit, recruit!

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the ***2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention*** to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- **Everyone's invited** – Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- **Registration fees** – The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.
- **Current registrants** – Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.
- **Elections** – Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.
- **Convention updates** – Check our convention website LCIcon for convention updates and details as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

International President

What is the Lions Club, and who are they?

First of all we know that the Lions club is an extended family of 1.4 million men and women, from your town, your state, your country, and 210 other countries around the world. Lions are in more countries than the United Nations. We know that we all have our own religion and political views, but we are **NOT** a religious or political organization.

We are a service organization. Our entire function is to serve our fellow man, regardless of religion, race, sex, color, location, or political affiliation; because when you look at your own club you will likely see many of these criteria met by your own club members.

We follow the motto **WE SERVE** period.

The acronym LIONS stand's for **Liberty Intelligence Our Nations Safety**

Lions were formed by Melvin Jones, a Chicago businessman in 1917. In 1925 Helen Keller challenged the lions to take up the cause of the visually impaired, to become "Knights of the Blind", and that is what started the Lions on our path to eye sight preservation, which is what we are mostly known for, to this day.

Pennsylvania Lions are broken up into 17 Districts, we are 14 – H. "14" refers to Pa. and "H" refers to our District, which is Wayne, Susquehanna, Wyoming, and Lackawanna counties. Each district has it's own Governor and all 17 Governors together make up the State Council, which meets 4 times a year. We have our State Administration Building and Administrator in Harrisburg. Under the Lion Governor's responsibilities are all the clubs along with many committees such as Hearing & Sight, Leader Dog, (no longer known as "seeing eye dogs"), Environmental, Kid's Sight & Hearing, Youth Exchange, Culture & community, Women and Family, Peace Poster, United Nation Day, Youth Outreach, Food pantries, Diabetes awareness programs, blood drives, Public Relations, and of course MEMBERSHIP GROWTH.

In order to serve people in need, the Lions branched out into other types of community service, which we will not try to elaborate on, because there are simply too many projects taken up by various clubs, but you will learn about many of them as your time in Lionism increases, so let us just consider what YOU do.

We currently have about 50 lbs.

on our goal of 100 lbs. for

Ronald McDonald House

Or

Kidney Dialysis

Saving these is a small thing with very
big consequences

Send them to PDG Joe Skinner



Spontaneous Sputtering

I never finish anything – I have a black belt in the partial arts

Ghosts like to ride elevators, because it lifts their spirits

Would you really want to eat at Sam & Ella's diner?

People were lined up for blocks, when the LEGO store opened

I'd grow my own food if only I could find bacon seeds.

The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed
entirely of lost airline luggage.

From Days Gone By -- 2015



Submitted by **DG Gene Scagliotti and Lion Dave Nicoteri**

Members of the **Scott Township Lions Club (14-H)** recently presented a check for \$5,000.00 to the township supervisors for installation of handicapped bathrooms in the newly built pavilion at Scott Park. This was the second check for \$5,000.00 that was donated. The land where the park is located was given to the Lions by the County Commissioners in 1972. The Lions cleared the land and turned it over to the township. Thanks to grants available they now have two ballfields and playground area for the community.



LION JOSEPH RENALDI – TAYLOR LIONS CLUB

Lion Joseph Renaldi was an active member of the Club since January 1, 2008. Joe actively participated in the Club activities and events. For example, Joe would have his pick-up truck be decorated with the Taylor Lions Club Banner during the annual Memorial Day Parade. With his friendly demeanor and active participation in the Taylor Lions Club, Joe will be missed.

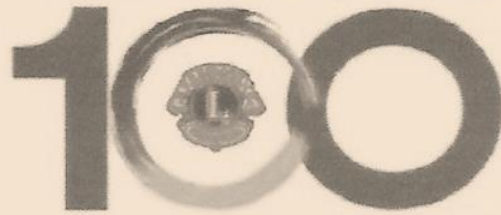


LION JAMES BLACK III – SCOTT LIONS CLUB

Lion James Black III was a member of the Scott Lions Club since March 2003. He will be missed for his great humor and willingness to be a part in all of the club projects.

In Memory

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Pittsburgh Professional Sports Teams Raffle

Contents:

Mark Recchi – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Jersey

Joe Mullen – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Jersey

Evgeni Malkin – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Puck

Paul Coffey – Pittsburgh Penguins Autographed Puck

Jarvis Jones – Pittsburgh Steelers Autographed Mini Helmet

Kris Benson – Pittsburgh Pirates Autographed Baseball

Pittsburgh Pirates Mini Louisville Slugger Bat

Pittsburgh Penguins Sweater Tumbler

Blanket / 6 Pack Cooler / 2 Custom Masks / Steelers Keystrap

(Approx Value: \$1,250)

All items donated by Lions Jason & Trisha Radmann

Drawing at the 2021 PA Lions State Convention – May 16, 2021

Donation: \$5.00 – (Not deductible as a charitable donation)

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