

NORTHEAST LION

District 14H

Lions Clubs International

September, 2023

Edition 3



Lions are the star of the show when WE SERVE



From The Desk of District Governor

September, 2023

Thank you for all the support that I have received! It is really exciting to see the enthusiasm starting to build in District 14H!

The District 14 Fundraiser is up and running. 10 \$25 Tickets are being mailed to each club that has not already picked up their tickets! Please sell the tickets as the selling club gets \$3 per ticket! The funds are needed to support of the Hospitality Suite that District 14H is hosting in 2025! As in past years, Lion Barbara Taylor and PDG Gene Scaglotti will be chairing this fundraiser project. Don't feel limited, we have to try to sell 1000 tickets! Additional tickets can be requested from Lion Barbara Taylor.

The PA State Council Meeting will take place at the Hilton Scranton! On October 27-29th, The District 14H Hospitality Night is Friday October 27 from 9- 11 PM. It will feature a Halloween Party with Post Oktoberfest Entertainment by Schnutzengiggles Oompah Band. A special thank you to PDG Lion Dave Barrett for Chairing this endeavor. Please come and support your District!

We are completing our visitation schedule. Please request and send me your proposed visitation date so that we can put your Club on the list!

Enjoy your Labor Day Holiday weekend! I know the Abington Lions Club will be busy with their road stop event on Rt 81 North of the Clarks Summit Exit. Stop over and say "Hi" to your fellow lions!

Keep Serving,

Dave

Lion David P Rudis DG

District 14 H Cabinet Meeting and District Convention

Cabinet #1

8/13/2023 Scranton Canoe Club
408 Point Road,
Lake Winola, PA 18625

Cabinet #2

11/5/2023 Glenmarua National Golf Club
100 Glenmaura National Blvd,
Moosic, PA 18507

Cabinet #3

2/18/2024 Scranton Club
400 Dix Court,
Rear 404 N Washington Ave,
Scranton, PA 18503

District Convention

4/27/2024 Fiorelli's Catering
1501 Main St,
Peckville, PA 18452

Cabinet # 4

6/2/2024 Cooper's Seafood House
701 N. Washington Ave,
Scranton PA 18509



Hi!

I hope everyone had a great summer. This weekend is Labor Day, and I am looking forward to attending the LaFesta Italiana Festival in Scranton.

Today begins September, and autumn is in the air. With District Governor Dave, we will start the club visitations beginning with Falls Lions Club on September 11, Tunkhannock Lions Club on September 19, Abington Lions Club on September 20, and Olyphant Lions Club on September 26.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone attending these meetings and future club meetings.

Yours in Service and Friendship,

1nd VDG Sandy Thubborn

District 14H



International News

Being a Lion means you're part of a compassionate community

When selfless, like-minded people gather together, beautiful things happen. From facilitating health screenings and feeding the hungry to cleaning up local parks and helping rebuild communities after disaster, Lions are ready and willing to jump in wherever there's a need.

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Our Brand Inspires the World

See what Lions International means to our members and the people we serve.

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Apply for the Club Excellence Award

Clubs excelling in the areas of membership, service, leadership and marketing are encouraged to learn more and apply for this prestigious award.

[LEARN MORE](#)

See How We Serve in Style

Add some extra flair to your service with items from our new We Serve Lions Shop collection.

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Stories at the Heart of Service

Behind every LCIF grant, there's a story filled with inspiration, impact and kindness.

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The Foundation of Service

Our mission is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding.

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State News



As the new school year starts, consider sponsoring a band member from your school district. To see if there is a student or two from your district, please contact Lion Vince LoRusso from the Abington Lions Club at vincelorusso@gmail.com or PDG Cathy Metschulat at c.metschulat@outlook.com Thank You!

Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs

Should anyone wish to receive a copy of the Mane Connection, please contact PDG Deb Burkholder at the contact information below.

Lions All,

Attached is the latest edition of the "Mane Connection" Lots of valuable information! Thanks to PDG Cheryl Wilbur for again doing such a great job!

Enjoy!

Deb

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TO: 2023-2024 State Council of Governors, Lions of Pennsylvania International Family,
Vice District Governors, MD-14 Committees and Coordinators and interested Lions

Multiple District 14 Council Chairperson Linda Zaneski has issued a call for the **2023-2024 Council of Governors** to hold its **second meeting Saturday, October 28, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. at the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center, 100 Adams Ave., Scranton, PA.**

The Council of Governors will hold a Preliminary Meeting Friday, October 27, 2023, at the Pittsburgh Marriott North Hotel at 1:30 p.m.

If your committee needs a room to meet on Saturday morning, please notify me by Wednesday, October 11, 2023. Meeting rooms will be given out on a first come first served basis. There are a limited number of rooms available.

A Reservation form for the International Banquet to be held Saturday, October 28, 2023, as an official part of the Council of Governors weekend, is included in the packet of information that accompanies this Call of the meeting.

The annual Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation (LOPF) Banquet will be held Friday, October 27, 2023 at the Hilton Scranton Hotel. A reservation form for the banquet accompanies this Call of the meeting.

Discounted sleeping rooms are available at the Hilton Scranton Hotel for **\$149 plus tax and are available through Friday, October 6, 2023**. To reserve a sleeping room at the **Hilton Scranton** please click on the link to make a reservation. The link is <https://>

www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/lionsclubstatecouncilmeeting/. You may also call the hotel at 844-201-5497 and you must tell them you are with the PA State Council of Lions Clubs to get the discounted rate of \$149 plus tax per night.

Committee chairpersons/coordinators who have an **Action Item** for State Council to consider during the October 28, 2023 meeting **must** submit that item in written form to the State Office **no later than Wednesday, October 11, 2023**. Any Action Item proposal received by the State Office less than 14 days prior to a State Council meeting must be approved by a two-thirds vote (12 of 18) of the Council of Governors before it may be presented for consideration. An Action Item that does not receive the needed two-thirds vote for consideration will be tabled until the next State Council meeting. Committee chairpersons/coordinators with Action Items must be present or have a representative at both the Preliminary and Regular State Council meetings. ***Council Chair Zaneski reminds everyone: Oral committee reports to State Council will be subject to a three-minute time limit.***

State committee chairs and coordinators who do not have an Action Item for Council to consider are also asked to submit written reports to the State Office prior to October 11, 2023 so they may be included in the packet of information for the State Council to review prior to the meeting.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation.

Lion Deb Burkholder

MD-14 State Administrator

- Second Chance Raffle -

All basket raffle tickets not picked will be consolidated to one bucket after winners are picked. From this bucket, one ticket will be picked at the International Banquet and the winner will receive a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

(or progressive if applicable)

YOU ARE INVITED TO
The Annual



Lions of PA Foundation Banquet

Friday, October 27, 2023 at 6pm

**Lions State Council Meeting
Hilton Scranton Hotel & Conference Center
100 Adams Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503**

**Social Hour: 5pm to 6pm
Cash Bar**

Cost of Dinner: \$36.00

Reservations Needed By October 19th

**Please Mail Reservations to:
PDG William Metschulat
9 Elmdale Court
Jefferson Township, PA 18436**


Checks made out to: The Lions of PA Foundation

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Reservations for LOPF Banquet (Mail to: PDG William Metschulat)

Name: _____

Address: _____ **Dist. 14 -** _____

Number Attending: _____ **@\$36.00 = \$** _____



District 14-H Halloween Party

THE LIONS CLUBS OF DISTRICT 14-H WELCOME YOU
TO ENJOY A SPOOKY NIGHT OF FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT.

DRESS IN YOUR BEST AND SOCIALIZE
WITH OTHERS WHILE ENJOYING:

- OLD FORGE STYLE PIZZA
- AWARDS FOR BEST COSTUME
- AWARDS FOR BEST PUMPKIN CARVING

**Enjoy Post-Oktoberfest
Entertainment from:**

Schutzengiggles Oompah Band

Friday, October 27 9pm to 11pm
Hilton Scranton Hotel and Conference Center

PA STATE COUNCIL OF LIONS CLUBS
2023-2024 STATE COUNCIL MEETING #2
Hilton Scranton
Meal Reservation Form

Saturday Banquet
BBQ Pit Buffet

Social Hour with Cash Bar 6:00-7:00
Dinner 7:00 - 9:00

Warm Rolls, Coleslaw, Smoked Corn Salad, Potato and Bacon Salad
Memphis Pulled Pork, Texas BBQ Beef, Blackened Chicken
Steak Fries and Baked Beans
Jack Daniels Warm Bread Pudding and Chocolate Chipotle Cake
Coffee and Iced Tea
\$38 / person

RESERVATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Name _____ District _____ Telephone # _____

Saturday Dinner Banquet Buffet

_____ Meals X \$38.00 per person = \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to **PA Lions** and write **Council Meeting Meals** on the memo line.
Mail Reservations to **State Administrator, 949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111.**





Your board members for the camp are PDG's Cathy & Bill Metschulat. Please contact either one of them, should you want to help volunteer at the camp. Besides work weekends, you can also volunteer for the Project Hope program for veterans and their families. Thank you!

DOG GUIDE UPDATES



A NEWSLETTER OF PENNSYLVANIA LIONS FOR DOG GUIDES, INC.

VOLUME (2), EDITION (1)

August 9, 2023

Editor: PDG Linda Gibala lindakay46@yahoo.com

WELCOME TO A NEW DOG GUIDES FISCAL YEAR: PA Lions for Dog Guides, Inc. would like to take this moment to thank our Immediate Past District Governors of Pennsylvania Multiple District -14 for all your hard work and guidance this past year in leading our Pennsylvania Lions through another successful year of Lionism. We hope for your continued health and leadership in your new roles as Immediate Past District Governors.

To our new District Governors, welcome to your new roles as you take the reins of leadership in each of our 17 districts throughout the Commonwealth. Thank you all for taking on this very critical and accountable position in each of your districts, and for assuming the administrative, management, and participative faces of volunteerism in the delivery of humanitarian services to our local communities statewide. We wish you all a fruitful year of meeting all your district-wide goals and doing your share of "CHANGING THE WORLD" one step at a time in 2023-2024. Our best wishes to all our new IPDGs and DGs of PA Lions Multiple District-14.

SO, WHAT IS A "PL4DG"? We are constantly looking for new ways to increase our ability to contact and communicate with our stakeholder audiences. We are presently opening new doors to follow us and learn more about PA Lions for Dog Guides (PL4DG). Thanks to Dog Guide Life Member, Lion Melinda Hill, we have very recently opened our new Facebook page, www.facebook.com/PL4DG. Lion Mindy is also presently developing our new website at this time, and we plan to go live shortly down the road. Stay tuned. We hope that you will all become frequent visitors to our new Facebook page, and we hope that you all will look forward to our website information as well, after we have made all the updates and construction of the site is completed.



PL4DG AT OUR PA LIONS STATE CONVENTION: Once again, Dog Guides was well represented at our PA Lions State Convention in Indiana, PA this year. Special congratulations and a thank you are in order for District 14-J for hosting this fantastic convention... ending in a tremendous and most colorful fireworks show. PL4DG set up their organizational table display at the vendor hall again this year, where we were able to share our story, provide vendor information and certainly enjoy meeting our old and new friends. We received many new and renewal memberships to Dog Guides throughout the course of the convention. We also held our PL4DG Annual Membership Meeting, where we discussed several issue areas, made substantial and needed by-laws changes, and held our election of officers and directors.

EXPANSION OF OUR VETERINARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES: After much research, discussion, and extensive due diligence, several changes in our bylaws were made at our annual meeting in May 2023. Generally, we have needed to expand our emergency veterinary services program to include additional working dogs other than only vision canines. We have also needed to increase the maximum stipend offered to clients who are approved applicants, and we have relaxed some of our previously held limitations and restrictions on service dog training and certifications we had previously

required for applicant eligibility. With by-laws revisions now in place, we encourage you to seek applicants on our behalf and to advise our stakeholder population in Pennsylvania by letting them know more about us and the services we can offer to help them.

PL4DG BY-LAWS CHANGES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

SECTION A-1...shall read... "Locate qualified visually impaired and /or other disabled persons and assist those individuals in obtaining a leader dog, dog guide, or medical alert, medical assistance, medical detection dog from a dog guide school or training facility approved by the present officers and board of directors".

SECTION A-3a...shall read... "Render emergency veterinarian financial assistance to any active, working canine graduate, trained and issued by an officers and board-approved dog guide school or training facility program, and to a visually impaired or other disabled Pennsylvania resident under certain specific circumstances. Such circumstances shall be limited to: working, career-threatening illness or working, career-threatening accidents in which the canine in question has been severely injured. An amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 US currency shall be awarded at the discretion of the Board of Directors in each case."

SECTION A-3b...shall read... "Veterinary financial assistance shall be limited to trained guidance, medical alert assistance and illness detection canines to include visual and hearing impairment, diabetes, stroke, seizure, physical disability, and other illness detection canines. Companion pets, search and rescue dogs and K-9 crime enforcement dogs are not considered applicable working professions for financial assistance under this program."

SECTION A-3c...shall read... "Render emergency veterinarian financial assistance to any 'Leader Dog Puppy Raiser' or other officer and board-approved puppy raiser in Pennsylvania whose puppy incurs a working, career-threatening accident or working, career-threatening illness while in said puppy raiser's care. An amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 US currency shall be awarded at the discretion of the board of directors in each case."

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

SECTION A-1...shall read... "Any Lion, Past Lioness, Leo, or Associate member who shall be assessed \$10.00 annual membership or be assessed \$25.00 for a three-year membership."

SECTION A-2...shall read... "Life membership to the corporation may be obtained by contributing a one-time \$100.00 membership fee."

ARTICLE X---ADOPTION

SECTION A...shall read... "The by-laws shall become effective May 19, 2023, when adopted by a simple majority vote of the members of the corporation present at the meeting where the revised bylaws are presented for adoption."

YOUR DOG GUIDE SUPPORT TEAM, 2023-2024: At our recent Annual Membership Meeting in May, PL4DG held its annual election of officers and directors. The following Lions have been re-elected to serve the Corporation and the Lions Districts throughout the Commonwealth.

PDG DON GIBALA, President..... 724-287-8037..... dgibala@zoominternet.net

PDG LINDA GIBALA, Vice President.....724-355-0570..... lindakay46@yahoo.com

LION MIKE WINKLER, Secretary.....724-285-4304..... lionwink@zoominternet.net

PDG TOM TOLAND, Treasurer.....724-787-1431..... ttoland@windstream.net

PDG MARNI LATTERMAN, Director West..... 412-519-8771..... lionmarni14b@gmail.com

PDG BERNADETTE HOLZER, Director West.....814-755-4424..... holzerbk@zoominternet.net

LION SCOTT LYONS, Director Central.....717-867-0735..... werthelyons@verizon.net

LION CASEY CARVER, Director Central.....814-506-2027..... lioncaseycarver@gmail.com

PDG DON RICHARDSON, Director East..... 215-896-1721..... donald.richardson@verizon.net

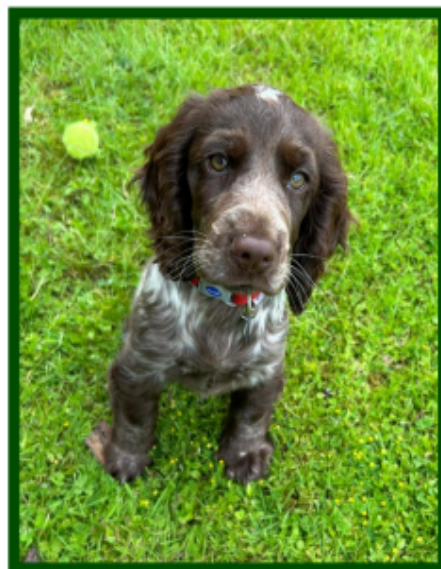
PDG ANDY PISKEL, Director East.....570-956-1245..... ajpiskel@gmail.com

PL4DG AND DESIGNATED DOG GUIDE LIAISONS ARE STEPPING UP TO ASSIST: As you may recall in our last newsletter, we encouraged Pennsylvania Lions Districts to consider designating a Lion in each district to serve as Liaisons to help us better connect with the numerous clubs and Lions and communities in each of our 17 districts of MD-14. It is without doubt that the closer we are to our communities across this Commonwealth, the better we will remain to serve them. Local advocates can help us considerably to create greater awareness of DOG GUIDES as an organization and its mission to serve working dogs in need of care. With local Liaisons working in conjunction with Lions district and club leaders, our corporate officers, directors and members, we can better coordinate and offer a most effective communication to facilitate our humanitarian mission and service at the local level. We are pleased to have Lions always rise to the occasion by volunteering and advocating locally for PL4DG. Special thanks to all our numerous members who represent us well, and to those Lions who serve locally in a liaison capacity. Special thanks to Lion Louise Hanson(14-A), Lion Hunter McVey (14-L), PDG Tom Toland(14-N), PDG Keith Shoaf (14-C), PDG Geri Towson (14-A), Lion Amanda Remic(14-E), Lions Mindy Hill, Carolyn and Mike Winkler(14-N) who have been running the extra mile for us this past quarter.



[Facebook.com/Canine Companions](https://www.facebook.com/CanineCompanions)

Congratulations to this group of dogs entering Team Training in the Northeast Region the week of July 31,



[Facebook.com/Hearing Dogs for Deaf People](https://www.facebook.com/HearingDogsforDeafPeople)

Cocker spaniel Hannah has some great news to tell you as she is celebrating passing the first stage of her hearing dog training.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Many thanks to all of you who support our worthy mission of service. We appreciate you and your service to Pennsylvania Lions for Dog Guides, Inc. To contact an officer or board director of our organization, we would be happy to assist and forward your message to them.

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MD-14 REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

MARCH 8-10, 2024 Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg, PA

CANDIDATE'S REGISTRATION FORM

Cost \$175.00 (includes Institute, lodging and meals)

Checks should accompany this form and be made out to "PA State Council of Lions Clubs" & Mail to: PDG Kerry McKnight, 6 Mulberry Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349

Questions to PDG Kerry McKnight at klm52@aol.com or 717-235-2790

(Past participants, District Governors, Past District Governors ineligible)

Submission Deadline Date: January 31, 2024 (No refunds after deadline) Maximum 40 attendees
Please type or print

First Name _____ Last Name _____

District Number _____ Member Number _____

Highest Lions Office Held _____ Current Lion's Title _____

Email** _____ Preferred Telephone # _____

****Please Type or Print CLEARLY! Will be used for ALL Communication regarding the institute**

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Club Name/Number _____ Month/Year Joined _____

Offices Held Within Lions Club _____

Committee Positions Held Within Club _____

Why is this institute of interest to you? _____

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By signing below I hereby commit to the conditions of attending the 2024 MD-14 RLLI

- Participants must arrive at the hotel on the arrival time & date indicated in their acceptance email.
- Participants are responsible for arranging their own travel to and from the institute.
- Participants must stay at the hotel throughout the institute.
- MD-14 GLT will make all hotel reservations.
- Participants are required to stay through 3:00 p.m. on the last day of the institute.
- If they depart prior to 3:00 p.m. on the last day, they will not receive acknowledgement or their RLLI participation certificate.
- Participants may bring a laptop, if available, for use outside of the classroom.
- Participants are required to complete pre-assignments prior to arrival at the institute.

Candidate's Signature _____ Date _____

District Governor Must also Complete and Sign this Form

In what ways will this candidate benefit from attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute

District Governor Member Number _____

Name of District Governor _____

Signature of District Governor _____

Email (Please print) _____

Date _____

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Thank You PA Lions!

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News from around The District

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**EYNON ARCHBALD LIONS CLUB
ADULT HALLOWEEN
BASH**

6:00-7:00PM BUFFET
7:00-10:00PM ~ DJ
\$20 IN ADVANCE, \$30 AT
THE DOOR
TICKETS 570-650-1997 OR
570-470-7838
RSVP BY 10/16/23

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 21
2023

AT EYNON VFW, 284
MAIN ST., EYNON
FOOD, SODA, WATER
INCLUDED ~
CASH BAR

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS

BASKET RAFFLES - 50/50
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED!!





Eynon Archbald Lions Club Lion of the Year Lion Gloria Dulski, presented by President PDG Fran Stepkovich

The Honesdale Lions Club The July 2023 monthly Honesdale Lions Club meeting and Lions Steak Bake was held at Martin's Farm on 7/31/2023 with a number of guests and Lion family members attending. We had many people and organizations who contributed to the Steak Bake that we needed to thank, including Dave's Super Duper and the Flederbach family, who donated the steaks: Rent Event; and of course the Martin family, with special thanks to Kim Martin who donated the costs of the rented tents. We're also very thankful to the Martin family for hosting the steak bake at their home for many years.





Scott Township Lions 33rd Annual Cow Flop Saturday, August 19, 2023



Our second largest fundraiser of the year was another success!

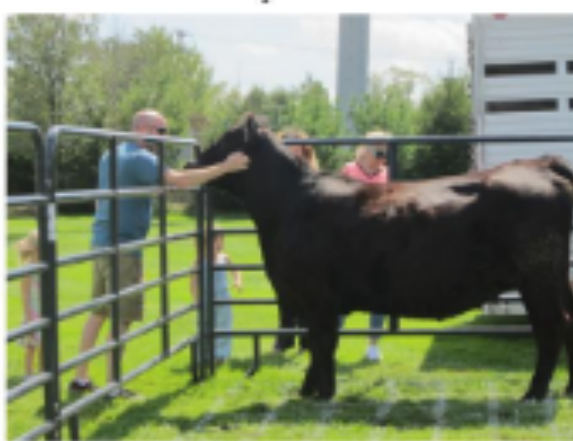
The food was the best—rib eye sandwiches, clam chowder, hot dogs and more.

Our special guest was the handsome black cow—a big hit with the kids!

If you have never attended our Cow Flop, join us next year for some food, fun and fellowship.



(L-R) Two of our cooks: Paul Setzer and Timmy Snyder



The Blakely-Peckville Lions Club recently donated a basketful of teddy bears to the Blakely Police Department for their “Operation Donate a Bear!” drive. The stuffed animals provide comfort and a sense of security to little children of Blakely who sometimes find themselves in difficult situations. Pictured from left to right are: Blakely Police Chief Guy Salerno, Lion Gerri Tarby Secretary/Treasurer, Lion PDG Bill Tarby President, and Lion Beverly Lesnefsky Valley View LEO Club Advisor.





Hey race fans....

Did you know that your Lions Club can attend a race at the Pocono Raceway as a volunteer. They allow non-profits to be an usher, ticket taker, parking lot attendant, etc. You will also receive a donation for the Lions Club. *Go to*
Apply to Volunteer - Pocono Raceway - The Tricky Triangle <https://poconoraceway.com/apply-volunteer.html>



District by the numbers...685

Abington	30
Benton	16
Blakely-Peckville	12
Dalton	10
Dunmore	20
Eynon Archbald	78
Falls	47
Forest City	20
Hawley-Lake Wallenpaupack	13
Honesdale	65
Jefferson	36
Jessup	14
Lake Ariel	17
Mayfield	15
Minisink	21
Minooka	36
Montrose	36
Old Forge	19
Olyphant	26
Ransom	11
Scott Twp	31
Scranton	22
So Abington	6
Stone Bridge	23
Taylor	21
Tunkhannock	22

John Joseph Dunn Sr., Esq.



Lion Richard Green was a member of the
Dunmore Lions Club



PDG John J. Dunn, Sr. Esq. Was a member of the
Scranton Lions Club

All Lions Clubs of District 14H, please share your service projects and projects to be posted here in the newsletter. Pictures are always welcome! Committee Chairs, you are also welcome to add an article to the

newsletter. You can submit your entries to IPDG Cathy
Metschulat @ c.metschulat@outlook.com