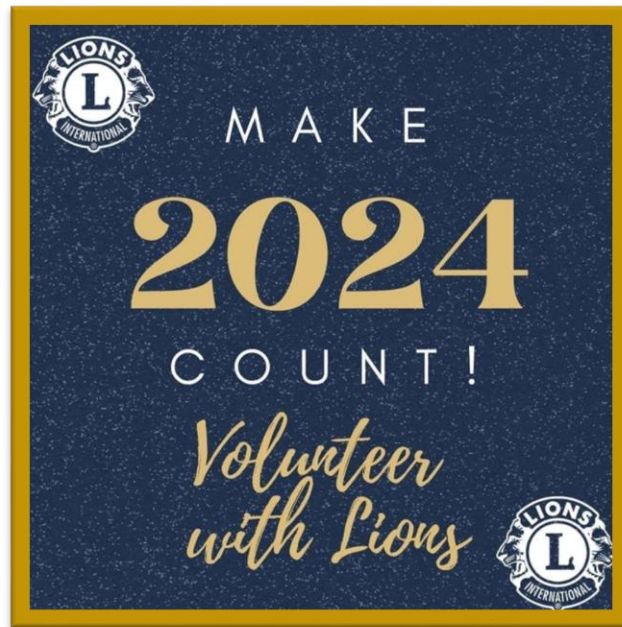


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District 14H Newsletter

January, 2024
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From The Desk of District Governor

January 1, 2024

Let me be the first to wish everyone a Happy New Year! I trust you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday with your friends and/or family! Now, we focus on the needs in the communities we serve. Where there is a need there is a Lion!

Please send any returns from the District Calendar Raffle to Barbara Taylor so that she can record the receipts.

Mark your calendars for February 18, 2024. The District Cabinet meeting will be at The Scranton Club, 404 N. Washington Avenue in Scranton at 11:30AM, registration, and feature guest speaker Linda Zeneski our own Pennsylvania Lions State Council Chair! You can access the Scranton Club from the door leading off the rear parking area only. CC Linda has set a goal to visit every district in MD-14 and I am hoping we get representation from every club in 14H to show our support.

IPDG Allan, VDG Sandy and myself will be attending the State Council Meeting in State College on February 2-4, 2024.

Please say "Hi" to your fellow Lions, and support the events in your communities! I read this morning in the Scranton Times that the Abington Comets won the Basketball Tournament put on by the Taylor Lions Club! Another successful event and I hope some of you attended!

Keep Serving,

Dave

Lion David P Rudis
DG 14H



Hi!

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas! The old year is nearly over.

From visiting the clubs in District 14-H this year, District Governor Dave Rudis and I were informed of all the contributions your clubs have made to your communities. These contributions really make a big difference in the lives of adults as well as children. Please ensure to share the impact your club is making in your community by reporting it in MyLCI. Please also try to share what Lions do with your communities. This sharing could create interest for new members.

In January, I will be attending the VDG Retreat at the Red Lion Hotel in Harrisburg. The 2023-2024 State Council Meeting #3 will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2024 at 3pm at the Ramada Conference Center, 1450 South Atherton St., State College, PA.

Lastly, I wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Yours in Service and Friendship,

1nd VDG Sandy Thubborn
District 14H



International News



President's Message Changing the World with International President Dr. Patti Hill

Dear Lion,

Every day, we're changing lives for the better. With every life we change, we are Changing the World. The best part of our mission is that we're doing it together, as a global community of caring and dedicated Lions and Leos.

The greatest gift we can give is our care and our kindness, and our kindness means even more to people and families in need during the holiday season. You can make the holiday season brighter by planning a project to fight hunger in your community or make a gift to our global foundation, LCIF. Your contributions will make a profound difference in someone's life.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill
International President



LCIF



Childhood Cancer

Across the globe, too many children are being affected by cancer. We're helping Lions establish programs and provide greater service and access to care for those diagnosed—giving hope to them and their families.

[Learn More](#)[Donate Now](#)

The Environment

We are working with Lions to preserve our planet, knowing that the health of our local communities and environments affects us all. Our goal is to help establish a sustainable future for generations to come.

[Learn More](#)[Donate Now](#)

Diabetes

We are providing support to help Lions educate the public and establish programs around one of our new global focus areas: diabetes.



Hunger

We help provide healthy meals for the hungry and work to establish strategies and greater capacity for communities in which food is scarce.

[Learn More](#)[Donate Now](#)

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!

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Deb Burkholder, State Administrator

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Date/Time	Event
01/05/2024 - 01/07/2024 All Day	VDG Retreat 2024 Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey Harrisburg, PA
02/10/2024 9:00 am - 3:00 pm	Spring Symposium East PA Lions State Headquarters Harrisburg, PA
02/11/2024 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Spring Symposium West Butler County Association for the Blind Butler, PA
03/08/2024 - 03/10/2024 All Day	Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) 2024 Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey Harrisburg, PA



Annual Pennsylvania Lions *Spring Leadership Symposium*

2 LOCATIONS

Saturday, February 10, 2024 9 AM-3 PM

PA Lions State Office

949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Lunch available for a \$7.00 donation

OR

Sunday, February 11, 2024 Noon-5 PM

Butler County Association for the Blind

322 N. Cedar Street, Butler, PA 16001

Snacks will be available

Special Guest Presenters

PID Cindy Gregg

PDG Tom Gregg

PDG Jeff Loudermilk

PDG Tom Toland

Register to Attend: FREE & Open to all PA Lions

Email PDG Kerry at MD14GLT-LEARN@yahoo.com

or call (717)759-0711

SPACE IS LIMITED!

MD-14 PROJECTS

- [Leader Dogs for the Blind](#)
- [Lions of PA Foundation](#)
- [PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp](#)
- [PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation](#)
- [PA Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research Foundation](#)

ADDITIONAL LIONS PROJECTS

- [LCIF](#)
- [PA Lions Care for Kids](#)



The Link



Welcome!

We are excited to introduce you to our newsletter, known as, The Link. The newsletter will feature the grants that were approved and the community impact we have throughout Pennsylvania.

The newsletter is a tool for us to keep our donors informed to show the support we are giving to the Lions Clubs in their community. Making a community impact requires a collaboration and the foundation is a financial link in that collaboration and community impact.

Moving forward we would like to share your story of why you support the foundation or why you are a Lion.

You can send your story to me at wadamar3@aol.com.

The Board of Directors wishes all of you and your families a safe and happy holiday.

Thank you and have a great day!
Wade Markel
Executive Director

Our Mission

To assist those afflicted with sensory impairment, particularly those relating to vision and hearing. To award grants in support of meritorious projects and programs for the sensory impaired and to join with individual Lions Clubs in responding to local, community and regional needs. ***The important thing is that all money remains in Pennsylvania.***

Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation

The vision of the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation is to have a permanent vehicle to provide financial, social support, and resources for the visually, hearing and physically challenged residents of Pennsylvania.

Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation is a "501-C3" tax-exempt corporation. (25-1666417) This permits individuals, corporations, and other philanthropic entities to deduct charitable contributions given to the Foundation.



Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation
 949 East Park Drive
 Harrisburg, PA 17111-2810
 717-495-4691 Executive Director, Lion Wade Markel
 215-266-3222 President, PDG Ed Tustin



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Multidistrict 14 District Governors, this plaque will be presented at the 2024 State Convention. The District Governor with the highest per capita donations to the Beacon Lodge 500 Club will be the DG who will receive this award. Get your clubs on board the "500 Club". The donations should be sent to your district's Beacon Lodge board member. The total will be calculated at the end of April. The money must be recorded at Beacon Lodge by April 30, 2024.

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This is a great way to support Pa Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

Community Impact!

The following grants were approved to meet the needs in our communities since July.

District 14-A, \$2,142.61 for ERO Scan

District 14-B, \$500 for Radio Publicity

District 14-L, \$500 for Billboard Advertising

District 14-N & the Rochester Beaver Lions Club, \$11,500 for improvements to Willow Street Lions Community Building

District 14-N & the Union Township Lions Club, \$3,996 for an addition to Community Recreational Facilities at Scotland Meadows Park

District 14-N & the Elderton Lions Club, \$3,000 for Crooked Creek Braille Trail

District 14-L & the McConnellsburg Lions Club, \$10,000 for Playground and Security System

District 14-D & the Baron Stiegel Lions Club, \$14,500 for Snyder Park Dugout & Tree Planting Project

District 14-M & the Fayette City Washington Township Lions, \$21,220 for New Playground Equipment

District 14-N & Little Beaver Lions Club, \$11,624 for Expansion & Upgrades of Roofing Structure & Lighting of the Little Beaver Lions Club Pavilion

District 14-T & West Hanover Lions Club, \$5,360.99 for West Hanover Lions Club Construction of Pavilion and BBQ Pit

District 14-P, \$9,000 for Lions Kid Sight Program (3 cameras)

We are looking forward to supporting the Lions Clubs of Pennsylvania in 2024 to make bigger impacts in all of our communities. The local clubs see a need in their community and take action. They live up to our motto, We Serve. All of this is possible through the support of fellow Lions, individuals and businesses.



How can you support?

- ◆ Make a one-time gift
- ◆ Make a recurring gift
- ◆ Fellowships
- ◆ Financial support from your company

All of these can be done by visiting our website at www.lionsofpafoundation.org or contacting Wade Markel at wadamar3@aol.com or 717-495-4691.

Every dollar helps make an impact!



PTCP Trading Post

January 2024



Hello Fellow Lions,

Hope everyone had a great holiday season!!!

With the passing of PDG Amos Shatzer I have taken over the pin work for PTCP.

If you need a personal, club or district pin created please do not hesitate to contact me by email at pintradersclubpa@gmail.com and we can have them created for you! We use a quality and Lions licensed manufacturer called Myriade.

Also I wanted to remind you that the annual Pin Trading Club of Pennsylvania Pin Swap is coming up March 13 and 14 at the Red Lion Hotel in Harrisburg. Feel free to drop by and check out all the pins as well as meet pin traders from around the world! It is always a good time!

May everyone enjoy the second half of the Lions year!

Yours In Lionism,

Jason Radmann
DG 14L 2023-24
PTCP President 2022-24

PTCP Officers:

President: Jason Radmann

Vice President: Scott Lyons

Secretary: Lana McCaulley

Treasurer: Linda Fenicle

2024 State Pins



Remember you can join the Pin Trading Club of Pennsylvania for only \$7/year. You will get copies of the newsletter and a yearly Member pin.

You can also join the Lions International Trading Pin Club for only \$15/year!



L - Loving
I - Individuals
O - Offering
N - Needed
S - Service

Just as a reminder PTCP will accept any donated collections from members, just contact one of the Board Members or email pintradersclubpa@gmail.com! They will be offered up to the pin trading community and any money raised will go to Lions Charities!!!!

News from around The District

2025 State Convention Committee

Hello Lions of 14-H.

I would like to hold a brief meeting in regards to volunteers needed for the 2025 State Convention that our district will be hosting. This meeting will be for those interested in filling chairperson spots, recommendations for keynote speakers, and the convention theme "Swing Into Scranton"

The meeting will immediately follow the District Cabinet Meeting on Sunday, February 18, 2024 at the Scranton Club on Washington Street in Scranton.

For those who would like to volunteer as a chairperson or have interest in and would like information on an open spot, please let me know. The following spots are as follows:

- Secretary -
- Treasurer - PCC Mark Kusma
- Registration -
- Certification -
- Elections -
- Rules -
- Resolutions -
- Sergeant at Arms -
- Necrology - PDG Cathy Metschulat and PDG Bill Metschulat
- Convention Program Booklet -
- Seminars and Displays -
- Transportation -
- All State Band Liaison - Vince LaRusso
- Banquets:
 - General Banquet Chairperson -
 - Friday Luncheon -
 - Friday Night Hospitality -
 - Saturday Luncheon -
 - Sunday Melvin Jones Breakfast -

A follow-up meeting will be two weeks after that on March 3, 2024 at a location TBA. Most likely we will have our State Administrator Deb Burkholder in attendance for additional guidance and to answer any questions on the state level.

If you have any questions or to volunteer for a spot prior to the meeting, email me at liondavebarrett@gmail.com

PDG Dave Barrett

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23/24
GROUP
NIGHT OUT
W/ THE PENS!



LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER NIGHT

THUNDERBIRDS VS. PENGUINS

Sunday, January 21st, 2024 - 3:05pm - Tux's Birthday!

Join Lions Clubs across multiple districts for our 3rd annual Lions Clubs International Foundation Fundraiser game. Proceeds from each paid ticket will be donated to the LCIF. Kids 14 and under are FREE with the purchase of a paid adult group ticket!

Mascots from all over the area will come to celebrate Tux's birthday!

\$37.50 - Club Seats | \$24 - Red Zone | \$22 - Gold Zone | \$19 - Blue Zone

For tickets, please contact Austin Zawicki no later than January 14th, 2024

E-mail **Austin Zawicki** at **azawicki@wbspenguins.com** or call **570-970-3626**

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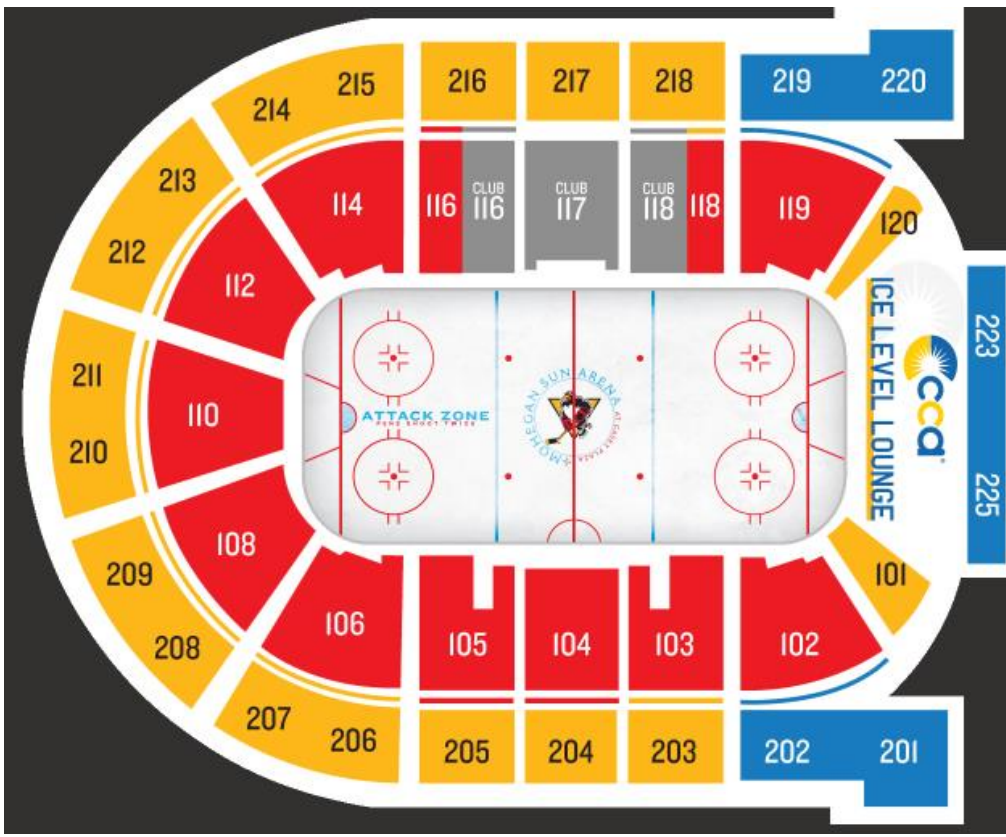
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Dunmore Lions Club

ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 9TH, THE DUNMORE LIONS MADE AN APPEARANCE AT "CHRISTMAS AT DUNMORE CORNERS" WHERE MANY LOCAL VENDORS SHOWED THEIR WARES. THEY DEMONSTRATED THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS BY GIVEAWAYS TO SO MANY DUNMOREANS. OUR STAND WAS SET UP TO OFFER FREE HOT CHOCOLATE AND FREE WINTER GLOVES AND SOCKS. IT WAS A VERY ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON AND A JOY TO SEE SO MANY HAPPY FACES WALKING THROUGHTOUT THE "CORNERS". WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT OUR GIVEAWAYS WILL BE NEXT YEAR. ADDICTIONAL WE HELPED A NEIGHBORING STAND DISH OUT HOT SOUP COMPLIMENTS OF CARA MIA'S DELI.



The Dunmore Lions Club held its annual benefit show featuring "THE MAGIC OF DAMIAN", Pennsylvania's foremost magician. This year's event was held at the Dunmore Elementary Center on Friday, December 1st. This marks the 30th year the Lions have featured Damian's magic to elementary students in Dunmore Elementary Schools, including Saint Mary's Elementary Center. All proceeds will be utilized for scholarships to help defray college expenses for Dunmore and Holy Cross

High Schools. It was also Pajama day and all faculty, staff and students were invited to wear pajamas to work/school. Donations for the Child Life Department at CHOP were collected in person and online.

Pictured below: (left to right)

Lion President Jim Colangelo, Principal Matthew Quinn, School Nurse and Lion Member Renee Iezzi, Damian the Magician, Lion Gino Tempest, Lion Sam Sebastianelli, and Vice Principal Michelle Kikondo.



Eynon/Archbald Lions Club



Left to Right

- > Ed Stepkovich
- > Jerry Gilpatrick
- > Robert Guman
- > Richard Guman

- Reggie Davis
- Karen Rapoch
- Louis Rapoch
- Shirley Barrett
- Erin Owens
- Cedrick Davis



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| > Louis Rapoch | Tracey Zaleski |
| > Fran Stepkovich | Dr. Lovey Wargo |
| > Ed Stepkovich | Kathy Mullen |
| > | Alivia Sherman |
| > First row l-r | Back row l-r |
| > Madison Potter | Alivia Sherman |
| > Karen Rapoch | Marie Finley |
| > Tracy Zaleski | Brooke Davis |
| > Dr Lovey Wargo | Kathy Mullen |
| > Michelle Perry | Jerry Gilpatrick |
| > Shirley Barrett | Cedric Davis |
| > Renee Davis | Reggie Davis |

Falls Lions Club



Lake Ariel Lions Club

The Lake Ariel Lions Club has our annual community tree-lighting event each year. We have serve hot dogs, homemade soup, popcorn, donuts and hot chocolate (this is served by our local scouts). We also have a crafts table for kids and some games for them to play (the scouts help out w/ this), we provide holiday music with a DJ and have a roaring fire. To top it all off Santa pays the children a visit and we give each child a Christmas hat filled w/ a

coloring book, box of crayons and some goodies. We had over 50 children attend this year and over 200 total people. Our fundraiser is a raffle. We sell each for \$5, 5 for \$20.00. We work to get sponsors, supporters, etc.

We brought back our chicken dinner this year, it has been a few years. If you want details let me know.

That was it for 2023. We are working on doing a purse bingo in the spring of 2024. Will keep you posted.

The North Pocono Minisink Lions Club



In early December Christmas Gifts Chairman Lion Donny Brown delivered approximately 300 pieces of athletic clothing to the North Pocono Middle School. The clothing is the Club's annual donation for the School's Christmas Gift Raffle to lucky student raffle winners in the NP Middle School and Moscow Elementary Center (MEC). Prizes were distributed with help from the NP Guidance Dept.

Pictured L to R: Lions Chairman Donny, Jim Strempek and Ron Donati.



The Club's annual Christmas Dinner took place on December 14 at Mendicino's Restaurant in Daleville. A joyous time was had by all. During the festivities Pres. Tony Seidita and Treasurer Frank Bonacci presented, a totally surprised Jim Strempek, with the Club's 1st Melvin Jones Fellow Award.

Pictured: President Tony presents the Award Plaque to Jim.



Also during the Christmas Dinner festivities Lion Frank Bonacci received his 25 year Chevron Pin award previously provided by DG Dave Rudis. Pictured: Club Secretary Jim Strempek congratulating Frank.

Report from Chairman Tony Seidita the Club's fundraiser 100 Day Calendar Raffle ticket sales are going strong and reminds us the 1st drawing is the Lottery Evening Number on Dec. 25 Christmas Day.

Olyphant Lions Club

The Olyphant Lions Club recently presented The Valley Village of Volunteers with a \$250 donation to support their work in distributing food donations to the Mid Valley Residents. In addition to the donation, some of the lions volunteer their time at the events. Pictured are Lion Stefanie Camoni (front left) presenting the check to VVV Secretary Georgia Adamitis (front right). (back l-r) Lion and VVV Board member Jack Horvath, and VVV Board members Mercedes Pickutoski, Lola Kranick, and Tom Czachor.



Tunkhannock Lions Club

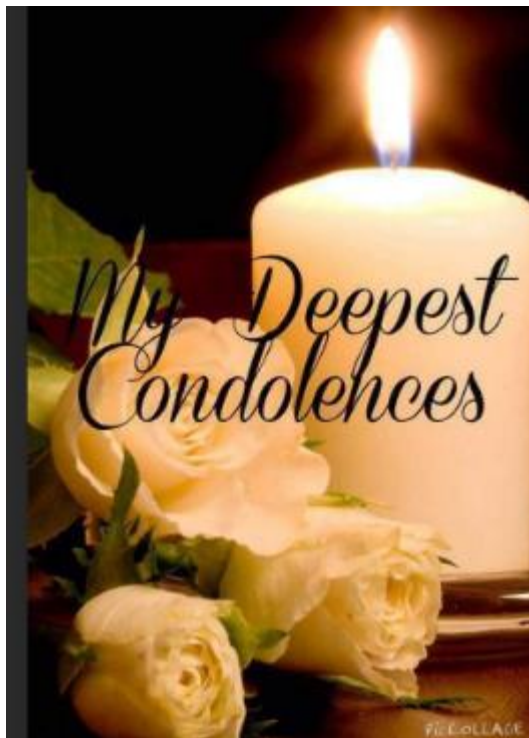


Attached are pictures from our recent Christmas Party/Toy Collection for Cops for Kids, Wyoming County. Top picture picture of tree with donated toys. middle picture,PDG Harold "Butch" Sands presenting raffle basket to winner Shirley Skinner. Bottom picture. Front Row, Robert Sinibaldi, Rachel Sinibaldi, Bryn Dana, Braxton Dana, Lily Daubert. Back Row DA Joe Peters, Lorah Reese, Judy Ginger, DG David Rudis, Dale Wilsey and VDG Sandy Thurbson.



District by the numbers...674

Abington	30
Benton	16
Blakely-Peckville	12
Dalton	10
Dunmore	20
Eynon Archbald	78
Falls	47
Forest City	17
Hawley-Lake Wallenpaupack	12
Honesdale	64
Jefferson	30
Jessup	14
Lake Ariel	18
Mayfield	15
Minisink	21
Minooka	36
Montrose	35
Old Forge	19
Olyphant	26
Ransom	11
Scott Township	31
Scranton	21
So Abington	6
Stone Bridge	22
Taylor	23
Tunkhannock	22
Waymart	18



Dunmore Lions Club

Rich Green

Honesdale Lions Club

Leroy Spoor

Olyphant Lions Club

Michael Wargo

Scranton Lions Club

John Dunn

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