

# LIONS DAY WITH THE UN



*"Being able to meet people at LDUN from around the world - all committed to service packed a lot of power."*

Lions Kenneth Joseph and Todd Patterson of the Lehigh Twp. Lions Club were able to experience the Lions Day at the United Nations (LDUN) in March 2025. The day felt both welcoming and purposeful, with people who genuinely care about service and proud to represent their clubs and communities coming together to celebrate Lionism across the globe. Being in the United Nations setting made the event feel both historic and significant, reminding us that local volunteer work we do as Lions is connected to something much bigger.

We particularly appreciated learning more about the scope of Lions Clubs' impacts - both the hands-on work happening in communities around the world, and the broader global initiatives. The speakers and videos connected service to larger themes like cooperation, sustainability, and dignity as a positive celebration of the work Lions do everyday to serve others. We also enjoyed the opportunities to converse with others from various parts of the world (we each talked with people from about a dozen different countries and clubs across the United States), giving us new ideas and a deeper respect for the dedication it takes to serve.

Overall Lions Day left us feeling motivated, grateful, and proud to be connected to an organization that prioritized compassion, inclusion, and action. It reinforced why service at the local level particularly matters and how local service connects to people around the world. The experience strengthened our commitment to stay involved, look for new ways to contribute, and bring the same spirit of teamwork and optimism to future service projects, further reinforcing how we should think global but act local.



# 41ST ANNUAL DISTRICT 14K CONVENTION

**MELVIN JONES HONORS & NECROLOGY SERVICE  
SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2026**

## MEET CONVENTION KEYNOTE SPEAKER

### PDG JACKIE MILLER

OHIO 5, DISTRICT 13

### HELEN KELLER IMPERSONATOR



Jackie Miller has been talking about women in leadership for many years. She's been a Lion since 2004 and began talking about Helen Keller in 2007. Jackie is also a Distinguished Toastmaster and has been a member of Toastmaster's International for many years. Other great women of history Jackie has talked about include Jacqueline Kennedy, Susanna Wesley, Annie Oakley, and Harriet Beecher Stowe.

Though out history, women have demonstrated great leadership! These are women we need to emulate and remind our children and grandchildren about them and to inspire the same great feats for all women now and in the future.

The hardships in life we face today are no different than the hardships they faced. The lessons they learned from these hardships and what they did in their lifetimes have made them women worthy of our respect.

Jackie is a member of the Reynoldsburg Lions Club of District 13 OH5 (Ohio) where she is Secretary. She is the State and her District's GLT Coordinator and a Past District Governor for 13 OH5. She is also a Central Ohio Lions Eye Bank Board Member. Jackie is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, a Jim Coffey Fellow, and a Dick Neiderhauser Fellow.

Beyond Ohio, Lion Jackie has presented her speech about Helen Keller in Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, West Virginia and Ontario, Canada.

## INFORMATIVE BREAKOUT SESSIONS!

You won't want to miss these speakers and what they have to share on vision, Pediatric Cancer and LV Street Medicine. So grab a beverage and turn on your listening ear.

Honoring District 14k  
District Governor Dan Lombardo



## JOIN IN ON THE FUN!

Split the Pot Raffle

Win & Take Basket Raffles

Melvin Jones Fellow Recognition  
and Awards

Meet our District Leos

Hot Buffet Luncheon

Stop by our M&M Hospitality  
Desk throughout the morning.

**BETHANY WESLEYAN CHURCH  
CHERRYVILLE CAMPUS**

675 Blue Mountain Dr. Cherryville, PA 18035

Convention & Luncheon  
registration deadline  
**March 29, 2026**

Follow ["Convention"](#) for information and registration.

## District 14k BOWL-A-THON

MARCH 15, 2026 • HAMPTON LANES, NORTHAMPTON



## Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

We are in our THIRD Quarter of Lions Year 2025-2026: (reporting as of 2/11/26)

- 14K is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place for percentage of goal achieved among our peers in MD14/Pennsylvania!
- 14K is halfway (49%) of its annual LCIF GOAL: \$23,317.00

Donations of \$11,490.00                      Short \$11,827.00

Please do not wait until June 30, 2026, to make individual/club's year-end donation, as it won't be credited to for this year's goal. I am hopeful 14K will come through with meeting 14K's LCIF Goal.

**THANK YOU for LCIF donations** coming from Kuhnsville Lions, Bangor Lions, Bethlehem Twp Lions, Emmaus Lioness Lions, Lehigh Twp Lions, Lehigh Twp Lioness-Lions, Sights for Hope Lions, Moore Twp Lioness Lions, Moorestown Moore Twp Lions, Saucon Valley Lions, Slatington Lions, and Upper Lehigh Lions!

**14K Club Installments Report** (as of 28/11/26) the following clubs accrued enough eligible credits to issue a Melvin Jones Fellowship/MJF to someone deserving in your club, district, or community: Mountainville Lions, Emmaus Lions, Richmond Lions, Upper Lehigh Lions, Moore Twp Lioness-Lions, D14K-unnamed. Contact me for your balances.

**District 14K Convention – MJF Drawing** - Once again, you may purchase a \$10 square/100 squares available for a chance to be lucky recipient of **MJF/ Drawing**. If you can't attend the 14K Convention (4/18/26) and would like an entry, please contact me to get your name entered. ([see MJF flyer](#))

If you have any questions, please contact me:

PDG Deb Lillegard, LCIF 14K Coordinator  
[debillegard@yahoo.com](mailto:debillegard@yahoo.com), or phone/text 610-739-9434



## GLOBAL EXTENSION

Our work as lions is to help our community and the expanding needs around us. This requires some give and take in doing things different and stepping outside of your personal and club comfort zone. When a member brings a new idea to serve the community, how are you reacting as a club? Do you ask for more information? Do you say we tried that in the past and it didn't work? Do you say we don't want to support that? Examine how you as a person and club are responding.

Growth in club service is necessary to survive as a club. We need to find new ways of doing things in the ever changing community. The needs are just as great as they have been but they are different. Let's welcome new service ideas and allow club members to lead the service project. Dismissing the idea may have an adverse effect on your club. If members of the club don't want to join the project, suggest the member find other lions or friends to assist with the project. Let's grow in service and grow in lions.

Denise Shaffer, PDG  
Global Extension Team

*One of the most beautiful things we can do is to help one another. Kindness doesn't cost a thing*

The flyer is titled "Journey for Sight Walk" and features an illustration of people walking on a winding path. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, 2026, with registration at 9:30am and the walk starting at 10:00am. The location is Upper Saucon Park, 3221 Preston Lane, Center Valley, PA 18034. It is sponsored by Moran Eye Associates, P.C. The event is outdoors, with two walking paths available and access to the Saucon Rail Trail. Bikes are welcome. Proceeds benefit PA Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research. For more information, contact Lion Kathy Fenstermacher at 610-984-3489 or [kathyfenstermacher@gmail.com](mailto:kathyfenstermacher@gmail.com). The event is also sponsored by Lions District 14K, serving Lehigh & Northampton Counties.

For Sponsorship information and Registration form, follow "[Journey for Sight](#)"

## What can Lions do to help Childhood Cancer patients & families? First we must learn all we can about this disease.

### What Are Childhood Cancers?

Cancers that affect children from birth through age 14 are known as childhood cancers or pediatric cancers. Cancers that affect children ages 15 to 19 are known as adolescent cancers.

### Key Statistics

About 9,550 children in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer in 2025. 85% of children with cancer now survive 5 years or more. Overall, this is a huge improvement since the mid-1970s, when the 5-year survival rate was only about 58%. Still, survival rates depend on the type of cancer and other factors.

### Causes, Risk Factors, and Prevention

Most childhood cancers are caused by DNA changes (mutations) that happen early in the child's life, sometimes even before birth. Because of this, there are not many known risk factors or ways to prevent childhood cancers.

### Finding and Diagnosing Cancer in Children

Most cancers in children are found because a parent or doctor notices a sign or symptom the child is having. Some are found while getting tests for a different problem. If a child has certain inherited gene mutations that increase their risk for cancer, their doctor might suggest talking to a genetic counselor to see if genetic testing is right for them.

### How a Childhood Cancer Diagnosis Affects the Family

When a child is diagnosed with cancer, families face overwhelming challenges, from managing emotions to balancing routines, relationships, and medical care. Learn practical ways to cope, communicate with your child, support siblings, and navigate the early days after diagnosis.

### Childhood Cancer Treatment

If your child has been diagnosed with cancer, finding the right cancer care is essential. Here are some tips on navigating the health care system.

### How to Find the Best Cancer Treatment for Your Child

Most children with cancer are treated at specialized children's (pediatric) cancer centers, which offer the most up-to-date treatment and studies of promising new therapies. Some smaller or rural cancer centers partner with larger specialized centers to offer support such as telemedicine consultations or even clinical trials.

*For additional information on the types of childhood cancer follow "Pediatric Cancer".*

Please call or email me and I will visit your club to discuss how Lions can help.  
PDG Don Kaufman

## How can your club begin supporting Diabetes needs in your area?

As chairperson for Diabetes in District 14-K, I would like Lions Clubs to know that I will make myself available to visit your club and discuss how you can help reduce the prevalence of Diabetes and improve the lives of those living with Diabetes in your community.

### How does Diabetes fit in with LCI globally?

The Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) Focus Areas include: Vision, Youth, Disaster Relief, Humanitarian, Diabetes, Pediatric Cancer, the Environment, and Hunger.

### How can your club begin supporting Diabetes needs in your area?

- I suggest you begin by aligning your goals with LCI.
- Assign someone in your club to be Diabetes Chairperson.
- Establish a budget for Diabetes donations
- Plan a fundraiser for Diabetes
- Consider a Grant from LCIF

Please contact me to set up a club presentation on Diabetes at one of your meetings. Email address: [drkcasper@gmail.com](mailto:drkcasper@gmail.com)

In Service,  
PDG Don Kaufman

## Leader Dog for the Blind

Every year, our support makes possible:

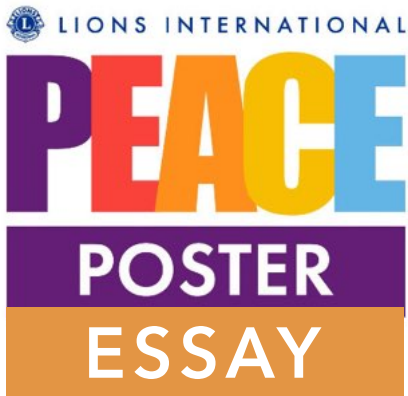
- 1 million days of independence
- 200 clients provided with white cane instruction
- 100 clients matched with a Leader Dog
- 22 teenagers empowered with leadership and independent travel skills
- No cost to clients

When you read these numbers, I also want you to know that Leader Dog receives no federal monies so they depend on donations. They were founded by Lions, including Pennsylvania Lions, so it is important that we continue to support them.

If you or your club need information on making a donation, I highly recommend sponsoring a puppy for \$500. I can give you more information on that if you are interested.

If you are interested in being a puppy raiser, please let me know. I can tell you more about this great service and how to get started. I'm also available to speak to your club or at a zone meeting.

Thank you!  
PCC Karen Brady [karen.brady@rcn.com](mailto:karen.brady@rcn.com)



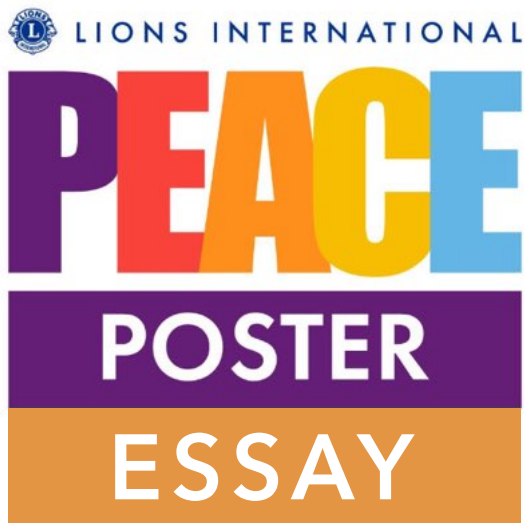
The 2025-2026 Peace Contest, **"Together As One"**, has come to a close. District 14k had 3 winning entries. 1st place was sponsored by the Emmaus Lions Club, 2nd and 3rd places were sponsored by the Saucon Valley Lions Club. Our first place District 14k winning entry won third place at the State Level Competition!

We also have a Peace Essay Contest winner sponsored by the Allentown Sights for Hope club.

The winners and their families have been invited to our District 14K Convention on April 18<sup>th</sup> where the winners will be given their Awards and monetary prizes. Be there to see their beautiful artwork and hear a moving essay!

Congratulations to our winners,  
Lion Mary Neher  
Lions District 14k Peace Poster Chairperson

**"Harmony in Humanity"** is the theme for the 2026-27 Lions International Peace Poster and Essay Contest! Digital Peace Poster Contest kits are now available for Lions clubs to sponsor a contest, and help young people in their community express their thoughts on peace. Learn more and get involved: <https://bit.ly/4qxpWDo>



#### THE 2026-2027 CONTEST

### Harmony in Humanity

When we treat each other with respect and kindness, peace can flourish. This year, we invite young people to imagine a world where people of every culture and background live together peacefully — celebrating differences, finding common ground and creating true harmony in humanity.

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale in the Lions Shop online.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Lions Shop online.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Brand & Creative Department at Lions International Headquarters.
- **February 1:** Club presidents of international winners will be notified on or before this date.

*Contest kits for the Peace Poster and Essay Contest can be ordered at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) now!*

## State Council Meeting HARRISBURG

DG Dan Lombardo, PDG Kathy Duelley and PDG Denise Shaffer participated in the Council of Governors hunger project at the State Council Meeting. They are seen preparing 10,000 meals for distribution at food pantries with a total of 59 governors participating.

The other photo is the winner of the Peace Poster essay contest, a client of Sights for Hope, receiving first prize from the PA State Lions at the State banquet. The essay now moves to International for a chance to win.

It was a really good weekend at the state council this month. Very rewarding.



## District Governor's Message

DG Dan Lombardo, Lehigh Township Lions Club



Hello fellow Lions of District 14-K.

Spring has sprung and our Lions clubs are in full gear. Soon my year as District Governor for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time will be over. Unfortunately, or fortunately, I cannot serve as DG for Life. However, there is a plan in motion for the next and future District Governors for our great district. My DG visitations are winding down. If you have not responded to my request for visitation, please do so at your earliest convenience. I look forward to everyone signing up for our District Convention on April 18<sup>th</sup>. I am continuing to either attend or assist with the different club's activities and fund raisers. Feel free to reach out to me and I will be happy to attend your events.

I have received numerous Grant requests for Charitable Enterprises, The Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation and The Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Service Foundation. Feel free to contact me for any questions you have about Grant requests.






I look forward to finishing my year with adding more members to our district.

We serve!

P/DG Dan



**ARE YOU READY TO  
LEAD BEYOND THE CLUB AND  
INSPIRE ACROSS THE DISTRICT?**

-  Be an active member of a chartered Lions club, both in good standing, within their district
-  Club and district endorsement secured
-  Served as club president (full term or major portion thereof)
-  At least 2 years on your club's board of directors
-  Served in a district leadership role\*

\*Region or Zone Chairperson, GET, GMT, GLT, GST Coordinator, LCIF Coordinator or Cabinet Secretary and/or treasurer.



For more information contact: \_\_\_\_\_ IPDG Scott Lohman

## HELP WANTED!

YOUR DISTRICT IS LOOKING TO  
FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice District  
Governor**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District  
Governor**

CONTACT DG DAN LOMBARDO, PCC KAREN BRADY OR  
PDG FRED FOLLAND IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN  
TAKING YOUR SERVICE TO THE NEXT LEVEL

## DATES TO REMEMBER

District 14k Convention - Cherryville, PA  
*April 18, 2026*

Journey for Sight Walk - Upper Saucon Park  
*May 9, 2026*

PA State Convention - Indiana PA  
*May 15-17, 2026*

Charitable Enterprises Meeting - Schoenersville  
*May 31 2026*

PDG Advisory Committee - Schoenersville  
*June 8, 2026*

Executive Meeting - Schoenersville  
*June 9, 2026*

Cabinet Meeting - Location TBD  
*June 13, 2026*

Next Tattle Tailer Issue: **June 2026**  
Submission Deadline: **May 15, 2026**

**LIONS CLUBS ACTIVITIES**

*Editor's Note: Items are selected from M&A Reports, a month prior to publication, sent in by Lions club secretaries to the editor. We will publish as much as space allows. Email to: lions14k.news@gmail.com Photos of club activities with brief summary are wanted. Larger full page activities announcements will be uploaded to the district website and a [clickable link \(Identified in Blue\)](#) will be inserted under your respective club below.*

**REGION 1**

**EMMAUS LIONS:** •A donation was made to St. Ann Church to support their upcoming fund raiser. •We will continue to support Joshua's Bingo for a cure with a monetary donation and several of our members volunteer their time at this event. •Big Brothers/Big Sisters is holding a bowling fundraiser and we will support them by sponsoring a bowling lane. •Invitations were sent to the families of two of our deceased members, inviting them to the District Necrology Service. •The board approved that we award a nurse's scholarship this year and also nine other scholarships to Emmaus High School graduating seniors. •A Melvin Jones recipient from our Club has been selected and will be honored at our Charter Night in May. •Our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee has selected a venue and is working to make our Charter Night a special event. •A donation was made to the District for the District Governor's gift. •We will support the District Convention by placing a full-page ad in the booklet, purchasing a \$50 gift card for the raffle and purchasing 35 raffle tickets. •A gift card will be purchased to support the State Convention Basket Raffle. •Items that were collected for sailors on the George H. W. Bush aircraft carrier have been shipped. •At our March general membership meeting, we hosted our 3 Peace Poster winners and their families. Checks were given to the winners and also honorary checks were distributed. •Two members of our Club attended the Sights for Hope Lions Breakfast and presented them with a check. •Our Leo Club remains very active. •Members attend the Zone meeting. •We will be placing a brick in the Emmaus Memory Garden to honor Leo Matt Grim for his leadership and dedication to the Leo Club. •To date we have collected over 6,500 eyeglasses. •Several members of our Club and the Leo Club participated in the District Bowl-A-Thon. •We just held our annual Nite at the Races and again it was a fun evening. •[We continue to make hoagies every month, next Hoagie Sale April 20.](#) •[Our clam chowder sale will be held Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \\$10 per quart, contact any Emmaus Lion for more information.](#) •Nominations for next year's officers and board members have been presented. •And sadly, we lost our long-time member Lion David Aten, PCC PDG. Lion Dave served the District and our Club well. He remained active until his health prevented him from participating in our meetings. He continued to support our fundraisers until the very end.

**EMMAUS LIONESS LIONS:** •February Activities: •Service Project was planned and shopped for. •Our Monthly Meeting was a service night making bags for residents in a nursing facility, pizza and fun. DG Dan spoke about grants we can be getting thru Lions and helped us make goodie bags. 107 bags of goodies and essentials were donated to Adobe Care on Emmaus Ave. •\$2500 was donated to Sights for Hope Needs Breakfast and 2 members attended. •Lions Night at the Races was supported with an ad. •Contribution was made to DG Dan Gift. •Zone mtg was attended by many Lioness and we had fun doing a service project as a group. •March Activities: •Regular meeting was held at Superior with a great group and speaker from Caring Hearts joining us. •A member attended RLLI in Harrisburg. •Gearing up for our [Annual Creative Basket Party on April 10th and 11th](#). •Slate of officers read and approved for Lions Year 2026-27. •Members participated in the Bowl-a-thon on march 15th at Hampton Lanes.

**ALBURTIS LIONS:** •November: Veterans Luncheon, Ham & Cheese Sandwich Fund Raiser, Kitchen duty at Community Center for the BINGO event. •December: Donate gifts to LVHN Reily's Childrens Hospital, Kitchen duty at Community Center for the BINGO event, Hosted DG Dan who presented membership Chevrons including a 70 year chevron to Lion William Gery. •January: Kitchen Duty at Community Center for the BINGO event. Donated to Beacon Lodge 500 club, donated to Gov. Projects. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting cancelled due to bad weather. •February: Ham & Cheese sandwich fund raiser, Kitchen duty at Community Hall for the BINGO event, approved ad for convention program, donated \$300.00 to SFH at the breakfast, donated proceeds from H&C sale to LCIF. Planning our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, Sat. July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Upcoming events: •Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sale, April 7th Call PDG Lin for orders 610-360-6903. •AYCE Spaghetti Dinner April 25th: Zion Lehigh Lutheran Church 8269 Spring Creek Road, Alburtis, Pa. 4-7pm Walk-Ins Welcome, •80<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary

Celebration July 18th Lehigh Lodge, 2120 Pa. Rt. 100, Macungie, Pa. Details to follow.

**KUHNSVILLE LIONS:** No Report

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP LIONS:**

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP LIONESS LIONS:**

**WEST LEHIGH AREA LIONS:** •Club members continue to assist at the NL Food Bank when needed. •Eyeglass collection and Medical Equipment Lending Program continues. •Pellman Cake/Gourmet Cookie fundraiser continuing until 4/7/26. •Lion members attended the Bowl-a-Thon on 3/15/26 at Hampton Lanes in Northampton, PA. •Lion members attended Sights4Hope breakfast. •Brooms sold at Slatedale's Fire Company's spring craft show on 3/28/26 as a fundraising event. •Lion Laird A. Swartz scholarship applications were distributed to Northern Lehigh High School and Northwestern Lehigh High School. •Collection of goods and used clothing collected to donate to Northern Lehigh Leo Club for their service to those in the community. •Donation to Charitable Enterprises, Inc made to offset cost of hearing aids for a resident within our servicing area.

**SLATINGTON LIONS:** •On 2/4/26 at our Tuesday indoor meeting we had 2 awards presented to our members. •The Lion of the year was awarded to Lion Michael Shippers for his outstanding involvement in our events over the year. •Our next presentation was of the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. This was presented to our last year's president Lion Daniel Shortell. His leadership had us complete many events and projects on time and with a positive outcome. •Comedy night event in Emerald was a success. The \$25 donation gave you beer, soda or water for the night. Or you brought your own. To see 3 live comedians had interactions with the audience and it was great. The live acts took 2 hours at which time the stage was put up and it became the dance floor with our DJ. Thank you for all those who came, and for those who could not make it we appreciate your donation. The money raised at Comedy night goes towards our projects so we can continue to help the community.

**UPPER LEHIGH LIONS:** •At January's meeting, PCC Karen Brady inducted a new member, Pam Stettler, sponsored by Lion Kathi Smoll. Also PCC Karen Brady spoke to us about Leader Dog. •At our February meeting, we had the pleasure of a visit from District Governor Dan Lombardo. He enlightened us with a lot of information about District 14K. •At our March meeting, we had the pleasure of welcoming 3 enthusiastic members of the local 4 H, John Emmanuel, Parker Haydt, and Olivia Wisser. Their stories and presentations were very uplifting and gave our members a very informative outlook of the 4 H Programs. Advisor, Kelly Wesner also joined and introduced the 4 H members, she has been active for 25 years. Gifts were presented to the group from the club. Nominations were read. A delicious meal was prepared by the church. [Basket Social](#) April 10<sup>th</sup> Schnecksville Fire Company.

**REGION 1 ZONE A&B:** •Zone meeting was held February 26 at St. John's UCC church in Emmaus. Members from Alburtis, Emmaus LLC, Emmaus and Kuhnsville were in attendance. Zone project was creating greeting cards for Veterans, Pediatric Cancer and Seniors. Cards were personalized with hand written messages and stuffed with small crocheted Hearts with metal crosses. The Hearts and crosses were made by volunteers Donna Litzenberger and Morgan Litzenberger.

**REGION 2**

**BATH LIONS:** No Report

**LV SIGHTS FOR HOPE LIONS:**

**MOUNTAINVILLE LIONS:** •Easter Egg Hunt April 4<sup>th</sup> at Alton Park

**WHITEHALL LIONS:** No Report

**COOPERSBURG LIONS:** No Report

**HELLERTOWN LIONS:** Recycling and Hoagie Sale Saturday April 11, 2026 8-11:30am Wells Fargo Bank parking lot. Italian Hoagies includes chips \$10. For advanced orders call Lion Cathy 610-462-5861. Canned goods will also be collected for donation to Hellertown Blessing Boxes.

**SAUCON VALLEY LIONS:** •On February 2nd at the Saucon Valley Lions Regular Meeting IPDG Scott inducted 2 new members into the club. •We held our Sweetheart Breakfast fundraiser at Lower Saucon UCC on 3rd Ave., Hellertown, on February 14th. •Many of our club members attended the Region 2B Zone Meeting held at New Jerusalem Church, Apples Church Rd., Bethlehem, on February 24th. •The Sights for Hope Benefit Breakfast at Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem, was attended by 5 Saucon Valley Lions on February 27th where the club donated \$1000. •At our Regular March 2nd meeting executive director of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Margaret Murphy spoke to our club on mental health and well-being. •Two of our Lions and members of the Saucon Valley Leo Club participated in the March 15th District Bowl-A-Thon where they were cheered on by several of our Club Lions. •Club members will help the Easter Bunny hide his eggs in area backyards on April 4th during our annual Egg My Yard fundraiser. •PDG Fred Folland will be our guest speaker at our 72nd Club Charter Night at the Hellertown Diner on April 6th where he will talk to us about NEPALSE. •Many of our members are registered to attend the District 14K Convention on April 18th. •[On April 25th Saucon Valley Lions are holding a eyeglass collection event called Spectacles & Suds from 12-4 at Lost Tavern Brewing, Main St., Hellertown. Turn in any number of prescription eyeglasses during the event and receive 1 drink as a thank you for your donation \(see flyer\). All are welcome!](#) •The Saucon Valley Leo club will hold their Leo Induction at 6:00 PM on April 29th at the SV High School. •We hope that several of our Lions, family members, friends, and community will be attending the District 14K Journey for Sight Walk on May 9th, 10:00 AM, at Upper Saucon Park in Center Valley. •On May 16th the Saucon Valley Lions will be selling pretzels at the Hellertown/Lower Saucon Heritage Day, honoring the 250th Anniversary of the USA, from 11:00AM-5:00 PM at Grist Mill Park, Hellertown.

**UPPER SAUCON LIONS:** No Report

### REGION 3

**BANGOR LIONS:** •Our February meeting fell victim to this crazy winter weather. During the March meeting, however, members reviewed upcoming district events and began discussing several spring activities. •The Bangor Lions Club will once again participate in the First United Methodist Church's annual Soup Cook-Off, which benefits the church's Backpack Program. Last year, the program provided school supplies and other needed items to more than 300 school-aged children in the community. •The Bangor Lions are also returning as the defending champions from last year's cook-off. Check the June Tattle Tailer to see if the Bangor Lions once again earn the title of Top Soup.

**MOORE TOWNSHIP LIONS:** - No Report

**MOORE TOWNSHIP LIONESS LIONS:** •We meet the first Wednesday of the month at Covenant United Methodist Church in Moore Township. At our January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, **Michelle Zeine Rounds of the Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley** spoke to us about this local, non-profit organization that supports the entire family battling pediatric cancer. Our club donated **\$2000.00** to this worthy cause. •We honored the memory of **Lioness Rochelle Rinker** with a commemorative brick at **PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp**. •On February 27, **Lion Kathy Dieter** and **Lion Annette Vliet** attended the **Sights for Hope** breakfast at Green Pond Country Club, where our club presented a **\$1,692.09** contribution in support of their mission. •Thank you to all who supported and joined the Moore Township Lioness-Lions Club for our semi-annual **Penny Party**, March 29<sup>th</sup>, as one of our fund raisers for the year. People of all ages had lots of fun and fellowship, good food and homemade baked goods at the **Klecknersville Rangers Fire Hall**, Moore Township, 5 miles north of Bath. Watch for our **Fall Penny-Less Party!**

**RICHMOND LIONS:** •No Report

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP LIONS:** •[21<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament June 5<sup>th</sup> Whitetail Golf Course. Questions call PDG Kathy Duellely 484-802-2386](#)

**EASTON LIONS:** •We collected food from two local Wawas with delivery to ProJeCt of Easton's food bank on a weekly basis. •We collected food for the pantry at Easton Area High School at every meeting and delivered it afterwards. •We are beginning a new weekly service project to collect food from a local Giant Food Store and deliver it to Family Connection at Paxinosa Elementary School. •Five members will bowl in the District Bowl-a-thon on March 15. •We made a \$100 donation to the victims of the recent fire in downtown Easton. •We are selling 50/50 raffle tickets at \$20 each with the drawing to be held in June. It will be a true 50/50 with one winner taking half the pot.

**PALMER TOWNSHIP LIONS:** No Report

**WILSON BOROUGH LIONS:**

### LEOS

**BANGOR LEOS:** No Report

**EMMAUS LEOS:** •6 members participated in the District Bowl-A-Thon on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**FREEDOM HS LEOS:** No Report

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP LEOS:** •Lehigh Township Leo Charter Night and Installation Officers. Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at the Woodstone Country Club, Danielsville, PA.

**NORTHERN LEHIGH LEOS:** No Report

**NORTHWESTERN LEHIGH LEOS:** No Report

**PARKLAND LEOS:** No Report

**PEN ARGYL LEOS:** •The Pen Argyl Area High School Leo Club was recently honored with a Pizza Appreciation Party hosted by Families First in recognition of the club's continued support of their efforts to assist families in need throughout our community. •The PAHS Leos also continued their strong commitment to the fight against pediatric cancer. This year the club donated \$1,000 to Four Diamonds in support of the Pen Argyl High School Mini-THON. Of the 131 students who participated in the 12-hour event, 37 were Leo Club members, all working to raise funds for pediatric cancer research and family support services. The Mini-THON raised an impressive \$43,856.31 this year. Notably, five of the top ten individual fundraisers were PAHS Leo members, and collectively the Leo participants contributed more than \$10,000 toward the event total. •Leo Club Adviser Laura Dario, along with Leo President Lily Markopoulos and Vice President Sophia Markopoulos, were honored to speak at the chartering of the new Lehigh Township Leo Club. They shared insights on how small Leo clubs can make a meaningful impact in their communities, strategies for growing membership, and ways to encourage youth involvement in service. •Eight Leo volunteers also assisted with registration and activities at the Wind Gap Middle School Family Game Night, serving students in grades 4-8 and helping ensure a fun evening for local families. •Looking ahead, the PAHS Leos will assist the Bangor Lions Club at the First United Methodist Church Soup Cook-Off, which benefits the church's Backpack Program. Leo volunteers will help with event setup, distributing tasting samples, and preparing containers of soup for guests to take home. The Bangor Lions Club will also be defending their title from last year's cook-off. •Several Leo members are also excited to take part in Leo Leadership Training presented by Past Council Chair Linda Zaneski, providing valuable leadership development for young service leaders. •Rounding out the month, Leo volunteers will once again assist Families First with their Easter Basket Project, helping assemble baskets for families in need in our area.

**SAUCON VALLEY HS LEOS:** No Report

**WHITEHALL LEOS:** No Report

**WHITEHALL - COPLAY:** No Report

**Fundraisers & Events****DISTRICT**

LCIF [“Melvin Jones Fellowship Drawing”](#) April 18, 2026

[“Jersey Mike’s Fundraiser”](#) Whitehall April 21, 2026

[“Inside Scoop Ice Cream Fundraiser”](#) Coopersburg April 27, 2026

[“Journey for Sight Walk”](#) Upper Saucon Park May 9, 2026

[“Red Robin Fundraiser”](#) Allentown May 21, 2026

Charitable Enterprise [“A Night with the Iron Pigs”](#) June 25, 2026

**CLUBS**

Mountainville Lions [“Easter Egg Hunt”](#) Alton Park April 4, 2026

Hellertown Lions [“Recycling & Hoagie Sale”](#) Wells Fargo Bank Lot April 11, 2026

Emmaus Lioness Lions [“Creative Basket Party”](#) April 10 & 11, 2026

Alburtis Lions [“Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sale”](#) April 7, 2026 (Call PDG Lin 610-360-6903)

Upper Lehigh Lions [“Basket Social”](#) April 10, 2026

Upper Lehigh Lions [“Hoagie Sale”](#) April 14, 2026

Emmaus Lions [“Hoagie Sale”](#) April 20, 2026

Alburtis Lions [“AYCE Spaghetti Dinner”](#) April 25, 2026 Zion Lehigh Lutheran Church

Emmaus Lions [“Annual Chowder Sale”](#) April 25, 2026

Saucon Valley Lions [“Spectacles & Suds”](#) Hellertown April 25, 2026

Upper Lehigh Lions [“Chicken BBQ”](#) April 30, 2026

Bethlehem Township Lions [“21<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament”](#) June 5, 2026

Moore Township Lions & Lioness Lions [“29th Annual Car Show”](#) September 20, 2026

Click on the [Blue Link](#) for additional information or visit [www.lions14k.org](http://www.lions14k.org)



**Region 1 Zones A and B:** A Zone meeting was held February 26 at St John’s UCC church in Emmaus. Members from Alburtis, Emmaus LLC, Emmaus and Kuhnsville were in attendance. Zone project was creating greeting cards for Veterans, Pediatric Cancer and Seniors. Cards were personalized with hand written messages and stuffed with small crocheted Hearts with metal crosses. The Hearts and crosses were made by volunteers Donna Litzenberger and Morgan Litzenberger.



## Surprises for our Sailors

Surprises for our Sailors started as a service project for the over 5,000 sailors serving on the USS George H.W. Bush Aircraft carrier heading out for deployment by Lion Linda Zaneski, MD 14 PCC. Lion Linda's son has been deployed on this ship.

The Emmaus Lioness Lions and Emmaus Lions recently collected more than 200 pounds of items on the sailors wish list and set them on their journey.

The packages arrived, although one of the packages was a little bruised, they were joyfully received.

*"My son called me last night and said a large (50lb) care package from the Emmaus Lions Club arrived on the ship. He had a funny story of carrying the large heavy box from the mailroom all the way to the other side of the ship. The sailors went crazy over the contents, especially the Ramon noodles! Everyone said thank you so much- it was a treat for them all to pick what they wanted from the box. It made them smile. Thanks so much for your service project and for "surprising the sailors"!!! Linda"*

Great job Lions!



## LIONS FOR SIGHT BREAKFAST

Thank you to everyone who made the Lions4Sight Breakfast such a great experience.

Together, you helped raise critical support for our mission. Our 2026 Lions Campaign now stands at \$34,920, with clubs and districts able to participate through June 30.

There's still time to be part of this incredible effort!

Follow ["Sight for Hope"](#) to learn more.





**From Winter into Spring  
A Season of New Beginnings Is Upon Us!**



**Greetings from PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp!**

There is something about this time of year that quietly reminds us why we do what we do. The days are getting longer. The mountains are still. And behind the scenes, the people who love this camp have been working hard to make sure that when the gates open this summer, Beacon Lodge Camp is stronger, more sustainable, and more ready than ever to serve the campers, veterans, and families who count on us.

- A Stronger Foundation: Program Restructuring Update
- New Pricing for Camp Programs
- New Rental Booking System
- Registration is Now Open for Summer 2026!

🌟 Veterans Memorial Fundraising Campaign — Launching Soon

*We have a lot to share, and we think you'll be encouraged by what's ahead. Follow ["Beacon Lodge"](#) for more information.*



*Enmaus Lions Club Held their annual "Nite at the Races" on March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Alburtis Community Center. More than 150 guests came and enjoyed the races.*





*Moore Township Lioness-Lions Club Penny Party held at the Klecknersville Rangers Fire Hall on March 29<sup>th</sup>.*



*Saucon Valley Lions Club President Lion Bob Gallagher and Lion Sponsor Melissa Van Doren watch as IPDG Scott Lohman inducts new Lions Monica Albino-Collazo and Shawn Kerbein at the Hellertown Diner regular meeting on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.*



*Moore Township Lions and Lioness Lions attended the Sights for Hope Breakfast. From Left to Right are Moore Township Lioness-Lions, Lion Kathy Dieter and Lion Annette Vliet Moore Township Lions, Todd Mann and President Dellie Iasiello*



*Saucon Valley Lions Club On February 14<sup>th</sup> the Saucon Valley Lions hosted a Sweetheart Breakfast from 8:00 - 12:30 at the Lower Saucon UCC on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Hellertown. Lions Kathy, Bruce, President Bob, and Lynn welcomed guests; IPDG Scott, Lions Cheryl, Connor, Bob, Terry and Butch worked the tables; Lions Melissa, Fran, Carol, Terry, worked baskets and raffles; working the kitchen were Lions Jesse, Ray, Bryce, Matt and Butch and served Lions Paul and Matt, and distinguished District 14K guests!*



*Saucon Valley Lions Club IPDG Lion Scott, President Lion Bob, and Lion Kathy welcome Executive Director Margaret Murphy from NAMI to our Saucon Valley Meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Hellertown Diner to discuss Mental Health and Well Being.*





*Emmasu Lioness Lions Club held a service night making bags for residents in a nursing facility, pizza and fun. DG Dan spoke about grants we can be getting through Lions and helped us make goodie bags. 107 bags of goodies and essentials were donated to Adobe Care on Emmaus Ave.*



**Upper Lehigh Lions Club**, At January's meeting PCC Karen Brady inducted a new member, Pam Stettler, sponsored by Lion Kathi Smoll. PCC Karen Brady also spoke to us about Leader Dog.

**Upper Lehigh Lions Club**, At our March meeting, we had the pleasure of welcoming 3 enthusiastic members of the local 4 H, John Emmanuel, Parker Haydt, and Olivia Wisser. Their stories and presentations were very uplifting and gave our members a very informative outlook of the 4 H Programs. Advisor, Kelly Wesner also joined and introduced the 4 H members, she has been active for 25 years. Gifts were presented to the group from the club. Nominations were read. A delicious meal was prepared by the church.



**Upper Lehigh Lions Club**, At our February meeting, the club had the pleasure of a visit from District Governor Dan Lombardo. He enlightened us with a lot of information about District 14K.



On 2/4/26 at the **Slatington Lions Club** held a meeting where 2 of their club members were presented with awards.

Lion Michael Shippers was awarded "Lion of the Year" for his outstanding involvement in our events over the year. (Pictured on left are Lion Nate Horvath presenting to Lion Mike)

Immediate Past President Lion Daniel Shortell was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. His leadership had us complete many events and projects on time and with a positive outcome. Pictured right are Lion Nate Horvath is presenting to IPP Lion Dan.



## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

April & May 2026

- Mountainville Lions Club 74th Anniversary
- Easton Lions Club 102nd Anniversary
- Nazareth Lions Club 102nd Anniversary
- Alburtis Lions Club 80th Anniversary
- Upper Saucon Lions Club 50th Anniversary
- Wilson Lions Club 75th Anniversary

## WELCOME NEW LIONS

- Donna Bachman** Lehigh Township Lioness Lions
- Irene Devita** Saucon Valley Lions
- Tamara Welch** Saucon Valley Lions
- Sabrina Stein** Upper Lehigh Lions
- Stephen Stein** Upper Lehigh Lions

## LIONS WE'VE LOST

- Lion David Aten** Emmaus Lions
- Lion Larry McEwen** Richmond Lions
- Lion John Simock** Upper Lehigh Lions
- Lion Elwood Laudenslager** Upper Lehigh Lions

**Slatington Lions Club** held a successful Comedy night event on March 7th in Emerald. The \$25 donation gave you beer, soda or water for the night. Or you brought your own. To see 3 live comedians had interactions with the audience and it was great. The live acts took 2 hours at which time the stage was put up and it became the dance floor with our DJ. Thank you for all those who came, and for those who could not make it we appreciate your donation. The money raised at Comedy night goes towards our projects so we can continue to help the community.

There are pictures of 2 women who held up cups of water that "Gemini" poured and had them held above their heads. All of us saw him pour the water in and he then took the cups visible to all of us and went back to the stage. He then turned both cups upside down and they were empty! It's part of the fun that evening. If you missed it, hopefully you can make next year's Comedy night.



## LEO CLUB SPOTLIGHT THE FUTURE OF LIONISM

### LEO LEADERSHIP ROAD SHOW SATURDAY MARCH 18, 2026 ALLENTOWN



MD PA 14 Leo Advisor PCC Lina Zaneski provided a Leo Leadership event sponsored by the Parkland Leo Club. We had 16 Leo's in attendance from the Parkland, Pen Argyl and Freedom High Schools. Key points reviewed were time management, public speaking, member motivation and transitioning from Leo to Leo-Lions at graduation. PCC Linda also provided ideas on how to improve your impact in the community and to remember that Leo's and Lions are here to help those in our community that need a little lift when they are down and out. It was a great learning opportunity and well presented. Thank you to the District Leo Advisor PDG Kathy Duelley for organizing such a great event.

### LEHIGH TOWNSHIP LEO CLUB CHARTER NIGHT & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



*Lehigh Township Leo Club Charter Night and Installation Officers. Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at the Woodstone Country Club, Danielsville, PA.*

*Guest speaker Lion Laura Dario, PenArgyl Leo Advisor and Lily Markopoulos, President and Sofia Markopoulos, VP of the PenArgyl Leo Club spoke about what it takes to be a club and how small clubs grow when students are invited to do service projects with the club.*

*District Governor Dan Lombardo, Leo Advisor Lion Todd Patterson, PDG Denise Shaffer and PDG Karlene Laub welcomed the new club and congratulated the new members as they received their pins and certificates.*



*Pen Argyl High School Leo Club Participants of the Pen Argyl High School Mini-THON. 131 students participated, 37 were Leo Club members, all working to raise funds for pediatric cancer research and family support services. The Mini-THON raised an impressive \$43,856.31 this year. Notably, five of the top ten individual fundraisers were PAHS Leo members, and collectively the Leo participants contributed more than \$10,000 toward the event total.*





*Freedom High School Leo Club held latest their drive to make Hygiene Bags for the homeless. It no wonder PDG Kathy Duellely is so proud to be the Advisor of these wonderful, ambitious young women.*

**District 14k Lions**  
**Charitable Enterprises, Inc**  
RAISING FUNDS FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES WITHIN LEHIGH AND NORTHAMPTON COUNTIES

*Have you heard other Lions talk about Charitable Enterprises and are unsure of it's purpose?*

The purpose of Chartiabile Enterprises, Inc. is to solicit, collect and otherwise raise money for charitable purposes within Lehigh and Northampton Counties and disburse these funds either directly or by contributions to individuals or other agencies, organizations or institutions organized for the same or similar purpose: to assist in making more efficient the work of charitable organizations within the two counties.

Every Lion in good standing is a member of Charitable Enterprises. You are invited and most welcome to attend any meeting. Tentative meeting dates are listed on the "Dates to remember" page or contact any of the officers.

For a complete list of Activities, Partnerships, Officers and Directors visit:  
[https://e-district.org/sites/district\\_14k\\_charitable\\_enterprises/index.php](https://e-district.org/sites/district_14k_charitable_enterprises/index.php)

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## A TWISTED TALE

SO DOES THE EASTER BUNNY LEAVE COAL FOR THE NAUGHTY KIDS?

COAL?! OF COURSE NOT! BUT YOU KNOW THOSE BLACK JELLY BEANS?

THOSE AREN'T BLACK JELLY BEANS.