NEWSLETTER DISTRICT 14-E LIONS WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PA

Monthly Newsletter Edition March | 2020

District Governor's Message

One of my favorite comic strips has always been The Family Circus by cartoonist Bill Keane. I especially relate to the "Not Me" ghost who appears when a parent asks who did something and the children all reply "not me." We can all relate to the situation regardless of our age.

Why do I bring this up? Well, believe it or not, it is time for club officer elections. So, now, you see the "not me" link? Fact is, many of our clubs have been recycling leaders for years because our newer Lions are not able to or willing to accept leadership roles. Another fact is that many of our older members who continue to fill those leadership positions are burnt out and would appreciate new members stepping up to help.

Club officers must be reported to the district and Lions Clubs International no later than May 15th. We need new leaders to bring their energy and ideas to the positions of Club President, Club Vice President, Club Secretary, Club Treasurer, Club Membership Chairperson, Club Service Chairperson, Club Marketing Communications Chairperson, Club LCIF Coordinator.

If you are a newer Lions member of less than 5 years, your club could really use your help by filling a leadership role. Your ideas and opinions matter as a newer Lion and it is so important that your voice be heard and that you have the opportunity to help your club continue to grow. Please consider running for a leadership position this year. Just like being a Lion, make the position fit your schedule and not the other way around. Those who know me best know that most of my Lions activities take place after 10pm because that's what works for me.

For our younger members who may be looking for experience that could help them in their careers and job search, a Lions leadership position could help you fill out your resume, learn leadership skills, and demonstrate these new skills to employers on your resume.

In fact, did you know that every single Lion has access to the Lions Learning Center? From the Lions Clubs home page lionsclubs.org, on the top click on member login. Then scroll to the bottom of the next page and click on the Go button under Learn. From the next page, you can click the Go button to get to the Lions Learning Center. This gives you access to free courses about Lions and even position training courses, as well as personal growth skills such as meeting management, delegation, goal setting, and public speaking. It's all available to you as part of

your membership dues so take advantage during your free time and gain some new knowledge and skills.

On a final leadership note, if you are looking for your next Lions role, why not consider a leadership role at the district level? We are actively looking for new zone chairpersons to work with a small group of clubs that form a zone. This is a great position to help you learn career-building skills and we need our newer Lions at this level as well to share their energy and new ideas. We are looking for four new zone chairpersons for next Lions year. Through our zone chair shadowing program, you can "shadow" one of our current zone chairs over the coming months to see what it is that they do and determine if it is right for you. Again, like everything else, you make the role fit your schedule and not the other way around. Please consider giving back to Lions and let us help you solidify your career skills. Let any zone chair, district officer, or past district governor know you are interested for more information.

Help build up your club this spring! Ask someone to join you in doing what we do best, "we serve!" Just Ask! Invite a friend to serve with you this spring.

David DeFazio <u>ddefazio47@comcast.net</u> (724) 454-0912 cell/text





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1st Vice District Governor Message:

Hello Fellow Lions,

I just want to give a short recap from last month. I hope you all had a great Valentine's Day. I had the pleasure of going to Chicago during Valentine's week for further District Governor Training. I was able to meet up with other 1VDG's from all over the world. I was able to catch up with friends I made from my trip to Leader Dog last August & also made a new friend from the Netherlands named Peter Van Es.

During our training, we learned a lot more about Lionism. We also were able to observe the Diversity between all Lions of the world while also acknowledging that we are all facing similar struggles. I had a great time getting to know others that will be serving as District Governor along with me. While there I was able to tour the Lions Headquarters. This was a week that will be forever etched in my memory & I am thankful for being given the opportunity to learn & grow to be a better leader for you all.

I hope to see you all at the District Bowling Tournament on Sunday March 1st! Even you do not bowl, come to eat or even just to cheer the rest on and enjoy the fellowship with others.

I again want to thank you all for your continued support and I am looking forward to serving as your District Governor for the upcoming year.

As always...Yours in Lionism, 1VDG Chuck



2nd Vice District Governor Message:

Dear Fellow Lions

This year seems to be flying by. As the Lions' fiscal year winds down, it is time to do nominations for our clubs officers. Please, involve your new members in the structure of your organization; that is, Tail Twister, Lion Tamer, members of the Board of Directors, etc. Also, if someone has held an office for a long time, have someone shadow them to learn the ins and outs of the position.

New members equal new voices and new ideas. Also, as members of the Board they will learn more about the Lions' organization and what all we do. They will learn the mechanics (Constitution and By-Laws) that must be followed.

If we involve new members right away they will feel like a necessary part of our club.

It is also time for your club to think about donations. There are so many worthwhile causes and we as Lions can serve many.

Thank you for all the work you do.

If I can be of any assistance, please let me know.

Yours in Lionism, 2VDG Margie Wolff mgwolff@windstream.net (724) 325-4133





NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS INFO

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WOMEN AND FAMILIES IN LIONS

Subject: Women and Families March

As our clocks spring forward and bring us our new season of Spring, let's start to think of new beginnings and new ways to blossom.

Spring has always been one of my favorite seasons. To me it means fresh starts and new beginnings. Everything is starting to grow again, and flowers are starting to bloom. What if we each thought of our clubs like this, as a new beginning, a fresh start? What would you do different? How would you appeal to women, kids and families?

As we all have upgraded our clubs in many ways to fit in to 2020, we haven't updated them for families. What I mean by this is, do you have activities for some younger kids' setup? Do you have coloring books and art supplies to keep them busy? Do you try to include them in parts of the meeting when you can? At your bingo, chicken bbq's and car shows do you include the children to help? This is very important; it shows the public that you are family based and open to children and families.

With our clubs organizing their Spring and Summer activities remember your family members and make sure you are including ALL your members....no matter the age from 1 to 99.

As always, I am around to help you with your event. If you have any questions, please let me know.

In Lionism,

Amy Yasczak

President, Vandergrift Lions





Welcome New Members!

New Florence Lions Club Rich Lichtenfels

West Newton Lions Club Ollie Hill

Steps on how to make the World a better place:

- 1. Join a Lions Club.
- 2. Stay in Lions Club.
- 3. Get others to join Lions Club.



Empowering Clubs through the **Power of Action**



Global Action Team

Dear Lions, Lioness, and Leos,

Are you aware that each year, we lose more members than we add? Too frequently, we hear that no one, especially the younger generation, wants to volunteer. Well, that's not the case. Many individuals of all ages are interested in "giving back" to their communities. However, there are a few suggestions that they would like for us to consider:

- Be respectful of members' time by being prepared, having an agenda, and starting and ending meetings on time.
- Make ALL members feel welcomed.
- Mentor new members and officers so that they can become vital, contributing members of the club.
- Provide meaningful tasks and projects so that everyone feels as if they are making a difference.
- Be honest about the amount of time that members are expected to help.
- Let members know that their contributions and suggestions are appreciated.
- Provide good, clear, regular communication.
- Make meetings and projects fun!
- Allow everyone to share their passions and talent, but also provide challenges to help them grow.

Perhaps, if we heed these suggestions, we may be able to not only attract new members, but to keep our present members engaged. Best wishes as you work to continue to serve your communities through diversity.

Yours in Service and Friendship, Cindy Gregg, Area 1-D GAT

I would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy during my mom (Helen Bucci's) illness and passing. The lovely cards, messages, floral arrangements, donations, and participation at the Lions' service were very greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

Leadership

Hello fellow members,

"Don't wait until everything is just right. It will never be perfect. There will always be challenges, obstacles, and less than perfect conditions. So what. Get Started now. With each step you take, you will grow stronger and stronger, more and more skilled, more and more self-confident, and more and more successful." -Mark Victor Hansen

Have any of you heard or read any of the Chicken Soup for the Soul books? Mark is the founder and co-creator of the series. When we think of Chicken Soup it tends to be a cure-all. A mysterious but effective way to solve problems is where the wisdom of the books come into play. They are simple pieces that touch the readers and helps them discover basic principles they can use in their own lives.

Our clubs, our district needs help. We, as Lions are there to help others whenever possible. But what happens to us when we are the ones in need of help? How often do you associate your struggles as a club, with help needed from the club or our community? To ponder on our struggles does not produce results. "Help" is needed for ourselves to continue to do what we do. And, it falls on our shoulders to make it known. Make awareness the first step and then continue to climb to the next step.

Membership is key to our organization, but without Leadership, there is no productive path. They go hand in hand. Just how much are your members aware of the struggles that many of our clubs are having with getting others involved on a leadership level? Today is now, tomorrow may never come, so what is holding back members from stepping into roles that will most certainly let them grow as a person, not just a member.

As the opening quote states, there can be many reasons to not step forward, we must step forward to continue our paths of helping others. It may not be a pair of glasses that we need, or a wheelchair. But, without our members and leaders, the pair of glasses or wheelchair won't be there in the future to help.

Ensure that everyone within the clubs realize that without members stepping into a leadership role, moving forward becomes an even bigger struggle. Think of your lives. Every day is there not one little thing that is different? How do we expect change and progress within our clubs if we are continually staying the same? Keep up the fight, never give up on looking for help.

Consider stepping forward within your club, consider stepping forward for our district to help. Helping ourselves to ensure a future is the only way to continue to help others.

Yours in Service,

PDG Aaron Slezak

Membership

Involvement Promotes Interest

Lions are busy people with many demands on their time. It is often a challenge for them to fill all those demands. How then, can we make our Lions meetings and projects a priority for them? One way is to keep them involved in activities that interest them. Members who have a job to do or a report to give will make the time to attend their Lions' meetings. It is part of their makeup. It is the leader's job to make sure that every Lion feels needed and stays involved. Below are some suggestions for keeping interest level high.

 \Rightarrow Encourage members to try new challenges-a totally different responsibility. Both the member and the club will benefit from the experience.

 \Rightarrow Create a suggestion box for soliciting member ideas and use those suggestions.

 \Rightarrow Hold brainstorming sessions to discuss new service activity ideas or new ways of handling activities or club functions. Then act on the suggestions that are made.

⇒ Assign members to visit another club. Share ideas. Invite other clubs to visit you. This is a great way to learn and to build fellowship.

 \Rightarrow Rotate committee assignments annually to give all members a chance to try something new.

 \Rightarrow Periodically check the membership for interest, skills, experience and personal goals. These will change over time and should be monitored by the club leadership.

 \Rightarrow As members gain experience and confidence, encourage them to seek leadership roles. The leadership experience builds self-esteem and keeps members actively engaged in club activities. Leadership activity can be anything from heading up a service activity, to chairing a committee, to running for office.

 \Rightarrow Evaluate activities. Have members comment on service activities and fund raisers. What's good? What's bad? What should be changed? How should it be changed? Use the suggestions to tweak your action plan for the next time you do the activity. If there is improvement, then you can incorporate the change into the general plan. If there is not, you can try something else. A new perspective can often spot changes that should be made.

Remember that Membership is a function of Leadership. Good leaders can be the driving force in encouraging members to recruit others to join our Clubs!

Yours in Service,

PDG Dave Stitely - District 14-E GMT Coordinator



Service

Service

43% of the Lions Clubs in District 14-E have reported some level of service this Lions year for a total of 35,478 people served. Just to let you know how this compares, the Multi District 14 average is 55,699 people reported served and our Constitutional Area average is 60,180.

Adopt-A-Highway

If you are looking for a good spring time service opportunity to help impact the environment your Club might want to consider adopting a highway. Currently 4,763 Adopt-A-Highway volunteers have adopted 10,450 miles of Pennsylvania highways.

Since 1990 the Commonwealth has expanded its beatification efforts into four areas: 1. Adopt-A-Highway, 2. Adopt and Beautify, 3. Litter Brigades, and 4. Sponsor-a-Highway. Adopt-A-Highway is a minimum of two-year obligation in which the volunteers clean up trash along a two mile stretch of roadway. Adopt and Beautify provides opportunities for groups to beautify sites they select to help provide positive first impressions and exhibit community pride. Litter Brigades offer both juvenile and adult litter collection service opportunities for those who have broken the law and need to complete service as part of their sentencing. This gives the offender the opportunity to give back to their communities through litter pick-up. (Please note I am not suggesting this as a service opportunity for our Lions to pursue.) Sponsor A Highway involves businesses and interested groups that secure agreements with PennDOT maintenance groups to perform roadside work including litter removal, graffiti removal, sweeping, planting and mowing.



PennDOT provides access to safety training for volunteers as well as gloves, vests, trash bags, and highway warning signs. Volunteers must be 8 years old and participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Contacting a local PennDOT Maintenance Office, or by going online to www.penndot.gov you can apply to Adopt-A-Highway and select a two-mile stretch of state-maintained road to adopt or to find more information about the other programs that your Club can help support.

Groundhogs are often found scavenging along roadsides. Lions are found doing service wearing their Lions vests. The groundhog seen here can become the 3rd most famous groundhog in Pennsylvania (1st is Punxsutawney Phil, 2nd is the PA Lottery's Gus "Keep on Scratching"). Get out there and clean our roadways and make sure you wear your Lions gear to let others see what we are doing.

District 14-E Service Project – Meal Kit Packing – Saturday, March 28th, W.C.B.A.

In last month's GST article, we announced an upcoming District 14-E service project to feed the hungry. Included in this newsletter you will find an advertisement for the event including where, when, why, etc. The form also includes the donation request to help fund the project. We are hoping to raise the \$750.00 needed to provide the 2,000 meals. The meal kits will stay in Westmoreland County helping to feed the communities we serve. If you are interested in helping with the project please let me know by Monday, March 23rd.

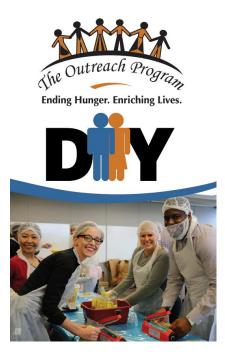
PA Lions Care-For the Kids

Remember that we as PA Lions have the goal of collectively raising \$100,000 this year to help fight childhood cancer. As of 2/28 we are at \$19,188.12 raised. Online you can search for PA Lions Care for the Kids to donate or find more information.

I can be reached by phone or text at 724-309-6750 or by email at <u>Iremic@hotmail.com</u> Yours in Service, PDG Lance H. Remic - Global Service Team Chairperson, District 14-E

District 14-E Feeding the Hungry Service Project Saturday, March 28, 2020 9:00AM Westmoreland County Blind Association

We will be using a do-it-yourself system developed by The Outreach Program in which our District volunteers will be packaging 2,000 food kits. Those food kits will then stay here in Westmoreland County to help finger hunger in the communities of District 14-E. The meal kits will be delivered to the Westmoreland County Foodbank.



Volunteers are needed on Saturday, March 28th starting at 9:00AM to help pack the meal kits. The event should only run a couple hours. We will be using the Westmoreland Blind Association's multipurpose room and will set up assembly lines to construct the meal kits.

The project is a Do-It-Yourself hands-on event in which any age can participate. A few "heavy lifters" will be needed but most other parts of the activity can be accomplished by anyone.

If you are interested in attending the event, please let me know by phone 724-309-6750 (call or text) or by email at <u>lremic@hotmail.com</u>

Please let me know by Monday, March 23rd if you plan to attend.

The cost of the project is \$750.00. Club donations are being requested to help cover this expense.

	District 14-E Food Packing Servi	ce Project Donation Form
Club Name:		Ma
Contact Name:		
Contact Phone #:		Ma
Donation Amo	ount: \$25.00 \$50	
\$75.0	0 \$100	

Make Checks Payable to: District 14-E Lions

Mail Checks and Form to: PDG Lance Remic 122 Country Lane Export, PA 15632

How Are Our Clubs Doing?

	Net	Service	Volunteer
	Membership	Activities	Hours
Club	Change YTD	Reported YTD	Reported YTD
Allegheny Township Arnold	-2	15	1,461
	0	0	0
Belle Vernon	0	0	0
Bushy Run	1	1	2
Chestnut Ridge	-1	0	0
Delmont	4	31	583
Derry	0	0	0
East Huntingdon Township	0	0	0
Greensburg East Hempfield	0	2	4
Irwin	0	0	0
Jeannette	0	0	0
Latrobe	-5	0	0
Level Green	-3	0	0
Lower Burrell	-2	1	30
Manor	-1	14	211
Monessen	-1	0	0
Mount Pleasant Township	-1	10	131
Murrysville	-3	0	0
New Alexandria	-13	0	0
New Florence	3	9	53
New Kensington	-1	0	0
Norwin	0	3	47
Rostraver Township	-1	26	698
Scottdale Centennial	2	11	495
Seton Hill University	1	0	0
Sewickley Area	0	0	0
Slickville	-2	3	45
Stewartsville	-2	1	6
Trafford	0	1	2
Vandergrift	0	16	108
Washington Bell	0	0	0
West Newton	1	0	0
Youngwood	0	3	113
Yukon	-3	0	0
TOTALS	-29	148	3,994

MISCELLANOUS REMINDERS!

Complete the following 3 activities:

1. STrive to plan and lead one new service project/fundraiser for your club

2. Assist with another club's project

3. Recruit and sign up one new member

BE A STAR CONTEST

Nominations are Now Open

Club secretaries should send Be a STAR nominations to DG Dave when all three activities are completed, please provide the details on the three activities above along with the Lions name and home club.



DON'T FORGET! Mark your calendars!



CLUB SPOTLIGHTS





Various pictures from Delmont Lion's Club recent Pancake Breakfast











HEAR US ROAR! Lions Clubs Activities

ZONE 1 (Zone Chair: Amy Thompkins 212 Members)

Chestnut Ridge – No report.

Derry – No report. Greensburg-East Hempfield – No report.

Latrobe - No report. Mt Pleasant Twp. - No report.

New Alexandria – No report.

New Florence – 14 members. Donating to Beacon Lodge to pay for registration of one camper. Vision testing at Laurel Valley Elem school on Feb. 13. Provided Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation info to members, referred two persons needing assistance with hearing aids. Donating \$50 toward hearing aid deductible for a person from Derry.

Seton Hill University – No report.

ZONE 2 (Zone Chair: Tony Catullo 212 Members)

Belle Vernon – No report.

East Huntington Twp. - No report.

Monessen – No report.

Rostraver Twp. -45 members. Continued our collection of recyclable plastic bags for the Bags for Benches program through Trek. Hosted LCIF chair at our monthly dinner meeting to discuss fundraising ideas for our contributions to LCIF. Members volunteered time at local food banks.

Scottdale Centennial – No report.

Sewickley Area – 11 members. Collecting eyeglasses and 1 member attended the cabinet meeting.

Vandergrift – 29 members. We continue to collect and loan out used hospital equipment to members of the community. Sell Lions brooms and collect used eyeglasses. This month we ran 2 gun raffles a his and hers Valentines day raffle and our usual en of the month raffle. At each of our meetings we honored a student in our Student of the month/ scholarship that we offer yearly. The club also had 2 representatives at the zone meeting and one at the district cabinet meeting.

West Newton – No report.

Youngwood – 36 members. Donated a \$700 Campership to Beacon Lodge.

Yukon - No report.

Lions Clubs Activities cont'd:

ZONE 3 (Zone Chair: Margie Wolff 239 Members)

Allegheny Twp. -15 members. Continued with Meals-On-Wheels, selling Lions brooms at Ally Twp. Sewage office, attended both zone & district cabinet mtgs, helping communities with household chores/repairs, worked at mission team fund raiser for March trip.

Arnold – 24 members. Honoring students of the month.

Delmont – 44 members. Shopped for food items & packed 90 bags of food for eligible students at Metzgar Elementary School. Club held a covered dish dinner followed by a speaker from the Diabetes Foundation. BOD Meeting-discussed Club business and donated \$340.00 toward Lions activities including the District Talent Show, State Convention, District Golf Outing & District Food Packing Service Project. 2 members attended the 3rd State Council Meeting in State College. 3 members attended the 3rd Cabinet meeting to discuss Lions business. 2 members attended the District Golf Outing Planning Meeting. 1VDG Chuck attended the DG Training in Chicago. Delmont Lions held their annual pancake breakfast to raise funds to donate to community and district needs. Collected 401 pairs of used eyeglasses. Sold 7 brooms.

Lower Burrell – 24 members. Welcomed DG Dave DeFazio, 1VDG Chuck Thompkins, ZC1 Amy Thompkins and ZC3 2VDG Margie Wolff for the DG's annual visit. King Lion Henry and Secretary Gerry attended Zone 3 meeting held at Kings in Kiski. Planned activities for this year including 3 raffles. Continue to sell brooms and collect eyeglasses.

Murrysville –26 members. Enjoyed a Valentine dinner for members and spouses.

New Kensington – No report.

Slickville – 49 members. Held a joint Night at the Races fundraiser with the Slickville American Legion. Donated \$250 for a local resident to receive two hearing aids through the Starkey Foundation "Hear Now" Program. Made a \$500 donation to the Foundation for Christian Counseling that provides counseling services in Westmoreland County. Members have spent time reworking our Chicken BBQ grill to weld, sand blast, clean, and paint the metal. We are preparing for our All You Can Eat Breakfast on Sunday, April 5th.

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Washington-Bell Twp. -12 members. Made a donation to Blacklegg Hatchery to stock Pine Run Creek for free fishing for children in April. Purchased an ad for the Washington Township Directory and Map to reach out to residents to let them know who we are, what we do, and to seek new members.

ZONE 4 (Zone Chair: Jeff Jordon 180 Members)

Bushy Run – 42 members. Night at the races 2/22/20. Upcoming: Pancake Breakfast 3/7/2020, Charter Night 3/19/2020

Irwin - No report.

Jeannette – No report.

Level Green – 31 members. Fundraisers: Koeze Nuts program: Concluding-some extra still available-offered for sales at Lions events, Broom/bag sales, Strip ticket Approx. \$400, Collect recycled beverage cans. Service: Meals on wheels (deliver meals to shut-ins), post civic info on Community Sign weekly, maintain Community Bldg. for charitable, non-profit organizations beneficial to Level Green, such as Scouts, etc. 2 Regular meetings (Dinner Gatherings), one of which was Charter Night & the other of which was Membership Social mtg. (Note: Charter Night involved Recognition of a Lion of 50 year service); 1 Board mtg.; Scheduled & Preparing for: Pancake Breakfast (3-14-20); Health Screening Program (4-4-20) & Adopt-a-Hwy (4-18-20)

Penn-Trafford Leos - Lion Casey Kilroy has been working with the Penn-Trafford Leo Club members to organize all of the Homeless Shelter Donations collected over the winter. She has met with Leos and community partners (Boy Scouts from Bushy Run as well as the Link N Leos) 3 times this month for about 9 hours total to prepare all the donations for drop off in March. Manor – 13 members. No activities to report this month.

Norwin – 33 members. Preparing to participate in the Norwin Rotary Chili Cookoff to raise money for their backpack program. Preparing for our Cubcake Wars fundraiser for our Kitty Sack program.

Stewartsville – 18 members. At the Stewartsville Lions Club's monthly dinner meeting on February 19, 2020 Second Vice District 14-E Governor Margie Wolff was guest of the club and provided the program. She spoke of the messages provided in the inspirational slogans of our recent District 14-E Governors. The club also presented \$500 donation to president of the Penns Woods Civic Association, a local civic group with whom the Stewartsville Lions has partnered for many years.

Trafford – 5 members. No activities to report this month

Accepting applications for the Lions All-State Band. Can apply online. Clubs should spread the word to student musicians.

Go to: <u>https://www.palionsband.org/</u>

Pennsylvania Lions All-State Band

2020 Pennsylvania Lions All-State Band This year, the Lions are organizing a band to perform for the Lions State Convention to be held May 15-17, 2020 at the Erie Bayfront Convention Center in Erie, PA. Students will meet on Friday May 15th, rehearse that evening, and perform two concerts on Saturday May 16th.

www.palionsband.org



Slickville Lions Club ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

Pancakes, Eggs, Home Fries, and Homemade Sausage....

Sunday April 5, 2020

7:00 a.m. till 12 noon

Slickville American Legion

Presale Adult \$8.00 Adult at the door \$9.00

Children (under 12): \$5.00

Tickets available at the door or can be purchased in advance from any Slickville Lions Club member.



Lions District 14-E Project Donations

All clubs in District 14-E are requested to make financial contributions during the 2019-2020 Lions' year to help support each of the following district projects:

- Beacon Lodge
- _____District 14-E Care Van
- _____Diabetes Research
- _____Eye Research
- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)
- Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation
- _____PA Lions Hearing and Research Foundation
- _____Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation
- _____Westmoreland County Blind Association
- _____Westmoreland County Deaf Services

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Lions District 14-E Project Participation

All clubs in District 14-E are requested to participate however they can in the following district activities:

- _____District 14-E Care-a-Van (club use or member participation)
- _____District Convention (must have members who voted)
- _____"Knights of the Blind" Open Golf Tournament
- _____Mass Induction
- _____Spring Rally Dinner
- _____Youth Leadership Seminar (donation and/or sponsor)
- _____Youth Talent Show (donation and/or sponsor)
- _____White Cane Collection



Please send donations to our district treasurer or if you donate directly, please send the district treasurer evidence so we can credit you with the donation. Thank you!

Club Support Meeting



All Lions and friends are invited to join together at the Westmoreland County Blind Association on Saturday, March 28th at 9:00am to help out with the District's Food Packaging Service Project. I hope to see someone from each club there as many hands make light work!!



Schedule of Events and District Governor Visits

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Please note that only new flyers for events will be posted in the current Newsletter. Flyers that were posted in prior issues will no longer be reposted in the current Newsletter, but you will be able to retrieve the flyer by locating it under the "Forms and Important Links" section in the email. This new format is being implemented to cutdown on the size of the Newsletter (saving trees!)

Thank you for understanding!

March 2020:

- 6th WCBA Spring GALA Fundraiser
- 7th Bushy Run Pancake Breakfast (see flyer in email)
- 13th 15th RLLI Harrisburg, PA
- 14th Level Green Pancake Breakfast (see flyer in newsletter)
- 21st New Alexandria Lions Night at the Races
- 22nd Mt Pleasant Pancake Breakfast (see flyer in email)
- 26th Zone 1 Meeting
- 28th Club Support Meeting (flyer in newsletter and in email)
- 28th District Service Project to Fight Hunger (flyer in newsletter)
- 29th Norwin Lions Cubcake wars

April 2020:

- 3rd Delmont Lions Youth Talent Contest (flyer in email)
- 5th Slickville Lions Club ALL YOU CAN EAT Breakfast (flyer in newsletter and in email)
- 10th West Newton Lions Club Fish Fry (flyer in newsletter and in email)
- 18th District 14E Convention/Elections
- 18th D14-E Annual Spring Rally Fundraiser (Casino Night) (see flyers for event, donations, sponsorship in email)
- 24th District Talent Show
- 25th Scottdale Dean Martin Dinner Show (flyer in newsletter and email)
- 27th Scottdale Lions Club District Governor Visit

Miscellaneous Other Items of Interest:

- Beacon Lodge Wish List (see flyer in email)
- Leader Dog Flyer (see flyer in email)
- Puppy Sponsorship Information (see flyer in email)
- Knights of Blind Registration and Sponsor Forms (see forms in email)
- Community Service Volunteers Needed! (see form in email)
- Club Excellence Award Application (see application in email)

NEW FORMS AND OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:







LEVEL GREEN PANCAKE BREAKFAST!



Level Green Lions will be serving a delicious pancake and sausage breakfast on Saturday March 14th from 7 AM to Noon. Proceeds will benefit the Lions Club charities. The event will be held at the Level Green Community Building at 123 Murrysville Road. Tickets will be available at the door, and veterans are invited to attend for free. ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES (BLUEBERRY OR PLAIN) WITH SAUSAGE & BEVERAGE BUTTERMILK OR BUCKWHEAT ADULTS \$6.00 -- CHILDREN \$3.00



LADIES!!!!!!!!

Murrysville Lions Club is now selling these BEAUTIFUL Lions Bracelets for only \$20!!!!!!!!!!!

Email PDG Carol Richardson for more information on how to purchase! carolrich14e@aol.com

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IMPORTANT WEB ADDRESSES

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Leader Dogs for the Blind	www.leaderdog.org
Lions Clubs International	www.lionsclubs.org
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp	www.beaconlodge.com
PA State Council of Lions Clubs	www.palions.org
Lions of PA Foundation	www.lionsofpafoundation.org
Western PA Lions Hearing Founda	tionwww.wpalhf.org

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