

District 14 D- Details**A Message from District Governor Lorraine Brown**

Hi Lions, Leos, and Lionesses,

Happy 2021. Hopefully this will be a great new year. Reach out to your members, and always ask for new members. If a club needs ideas on membership, or fundraising ideas, reach out to our NAMI District Champion, Mike Schaefer or myself.

The State Council Meeting in February will be by Zoom. More information will be coming out about that soon.

LCI Dates to Remember:

January is Hunger Awareness Month. Food Banks are getting their supplies of food depleted. If you need an activity for your club to do for Service, try a food drive in your area. A club can email their members to donate food, if they can. They assign a

drop off at a members house, and then food is dropped off at a food bank or needy families. It doesn't cost anything to club but their time, which is great for recording Service.

January 13 Melvin Jones Birthday
He was born in 1879 in Fort Thomas, Arizona. He was a great singer. He gave up on being a tenor, and lawyer. And, started the Melvin Jones Insurance Company. The rest is history of Lions Club International Founder. Just thought I would share. :)

January 15 Peace Poster kits go on sale in the Lions International Shop.

Take care, Be Safe,
and Many Blessings,

Mrs. Lorraine Brown DG



HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR

May the year ahead be full of wonderful opportunities.

Mrs. Lorraine Brown DG

2021

FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR: PLEASE FORWARD YOUR ARTICLES BY JAN 25TH FOR THE FEB NEWSLETTER. LET OTHER CLUBS KNOW WHAT YOUR CLUB IS UP TOO! SHARE YOUR PHOTOS! E-MAIL TO ME AT anitagordon-palmer@gmail.com (PLEASE PUT IN SUBJECT LINE NEWSLETTER AND MARK RETURN RECIPT.)

Thank you! Lion Anita Gordon-Palmer

Message from the 1st Vice District Governor, Dick Sware

2020 is finally behind us. Looking back at the year, saying that it was quite a year is an understatement.

Personally, I started the year in the hospital after having quadruple bypass surgery on New Year's Eve. Definitely not the way I wanted to begin a new year.

A short time later, the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, hit the United States and spread like wildfire. Sadly, there are over 18,500,000 cases of the virus in the US alone with over 325,000 deaths from the virus in the US. Worldwide, the numbers are staggering. More than 78,700,000 cases resulting in over 1,730,000 deaths. Thankfully, 2 companies developed vaccines in record time that testing shows are 95% effective against the virus.

Life for almost everyone has changed. A year ago, no one would have considered walking into a bank with a mask covering their face. Now, you are not permitted to enter most places, including banks, without a face covering.

And Lions have certainly changed as well. Once meeting restrictions were in place, most clubs did not meet. Events were cancelled. The cancellations included Presidents' Honor Night, The District Convention, The State Convention, and the International Convention. The International Officers and Directors remained in their offices for a 2nd straight year for the first time in Lions Clubs' History.

But, being Lions, we figured it out. We began meeting virtually through Zoom. We were able to meet in small groups where we were able to maintain physical distancing while wearing masks. Most importantly, we figured out how to continue to Serve Our Communities. Because WE SERVE.

I look at 2021 with hope. The COVID-19 vaccines will become more available and it looks like many of us in the US will be able to be vaccinated by mid-year. I am hopeful that we will be able to be out and about in our communities once spring arrives.

In the meantime, please stay safe & healthy.

Dick Sware

First Vice District Governor



Message from the 2nd Vice District Governor, Carl Spellman

Greetings to Lions in District 14-D,

On November 20, 2020, we lost a great Lion Bill Brown who enriched our lives and strongly supported our District. Our condolences are extended to DG Lorraine Brown and her family on behalf of all Lions. PDG Lion Bill remains with us in spirit and our memories of Bill will encourage us to increased Lions service.

We are turning the page on a challenging year 2020 and look forward with a Lion-hearted spirit to 2021. Most of us are celebrating the holidays in smaller groups and getting to see family and friends via Zoom. It is great that we have these technologies to keep in contact with others anywhere in the world. Several

clubs cancelled Christmas parties in December due to health restrictions, and we can look forward to the rollout of the coronavirus vaccine and the health benefit it brings. Then we hope to resume in person meetings and service projects.

Eight clubs in our District are participating in service project to send greeting cards to hospitalized veterans at the Lebanon VA Medical Center. The cards are appreciated by the veterans and clubs have received thank-you responses from the VA Medical Center. We encourage all clubs to participate in this service project and to thank a vet for his / her service. The cards are welcome since there are visiting restrictions due to the Coronavirus. The cards should be sent from the Club and not signed by an individual Lion. You can include this service project in your report to Lions Clubs International.

Please send the greeting cards to:

Lebanon Veterans Administration Medical Center

Code 10-V

1700 South Lincoln Ave.

Lebanon, PA 17042-7529

Yours in Lionism,

2nd Vice District Governor Carl Spellman

Region 1 Zone Meeting announcement:

Meeting will now be held at Willow Street Lions Club, 1730 Hans Herr Drive. Dinner will be served at 6PM with meeting at 6:30PM. There is no cost for food. A zoom option will be available for those that cannot attend. Willow Street's building provides ample space for social distancing and safety measures. In addition, it is a more private meeting location with less distractions.

Dates:**Thursday, February 18th****Thursday, June 24th****PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION OF THE MEETINGS**

**Make
Meetings
from Home
with Zoom.**

THAT WAY ALL CLUB
MEMBERS ARE SAFE AND
HEALTHY. SEE YOUR
DISTRICT TEAM FOR
INFORMATION.

ZONE MEETINGS Region V Zones A & B

The meetings will be held at the Marietta Community House, 264 W. Market Street, Marietta, Pa. 17547. They will begin at 7 P.M. Masks will be worn.

Dates:**Thursday, March 4, 2021****Thursday, June 3, 2021**

IN MEMORIAM

Lavern Sweigart	Adamstown Lions Club
Richard Hersehy	Denver Lions Club
Robert Brown	Mountville Lions Club
Eugene Garner	Mount Joy Lions Club

NEW MEMBERS

New Member

Club

Sponsor

Josh Fritz	Akron Lions Club	Dennis Stauffer
Lance Klaasen	Akron Lions Club	Dennis Stauffer
Darren Thompson Jr	Baron Stiegel Lions Club	Vernon Klopp
Austin Hartman	Columbia Lions Club	Josh Birk
Dorinda Hammer	Conoy Lions Club	Steve Hammer
Kenneth Kugler	East Cocalico Lions Club	Leo Maynard
Ed Keyser	Manheim Lions Club	David Husser
David Kraft	Manheim Lions Club	David Husser
Patti Rowe	South Lebanon Lions Club	Richard Fernsler
Sally Osborn	Willow Street Lions Club	Alexis Doulan





VISIONCORPS OFFERS FREE PROGRAMS TO GROUPS

VisionCorps is now offering virtual programs to organizations and employers about its services. The programs, which can be individualized based on the needs of the group, include information on vision problems, living with low vision, employing people with low vision, and tips for living independently with blindness or low vision.

"During the pandemic when it is more difficult to meet in groups, many community groups – such as the Lions clubs, churches, and others – are meeting in teleconferences," said Dennis Steiner, VisionCorps President/CEO. "We can present virtual programs to meet their needs."

VisionCorps also gives programs in person, when advisable during the pandemic. All the programs are provided free of charge, and all services offered to clients of VisionCorps are free, said Steiner.

VisionCorps provides programs and services to clients in Lancaster, Adams, Chester, Lebanon, and York counties. VisionCorps programs include a general presentation about its mission and services, specific rehabilitation tips for those living with low vision, and training and Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for employees who work with individuals who are blind or have low vision.

"We want people to know about the services we provide," said Steiner. "We offer education and prevention of blindness services, rehabilitation, and employment to individuals in South Central Pennsylvania."

To schedule a program or find out more, please contact Linda Conyers at lconyers@visioncorps.net.



*International Association of Lions Club***DISTRICT 14-D**

Lancaster-Lebanon Counties



Dear Lions, Lionesses, and Leos,

I am writing to thank all of our Clubs, individuals, and community members who participated in our "Sweaters for Veterans" and "Stockings for Soldiers" holiday initiative. This was our first year of participation in this project, partnered with the Charles F. Snyder Funeral Homes and Crematory, and it was a tremendous success. It is heart-warming to see how much compassion we have shown to others, especially those who have given so much of themselves for us all.

We are tremendously grateful to our partners (Charles F. Snyder) for providing stockings for Clubs who wanted to stuff them, manpower for stuffing stockings with the items that many of our Clubs supplied, and delivering them (along with the sweaters) to the Lebanon and Coatesville Veterans Administration facilities. It is exciting and rewarding to work with such a tremendous partner, and we look forward to continued success together in years to come. It must be realized that all veterans in the Lebanon facility (District 14-D) were recipients of the fruits of our combined labors, and many of the Coatesville veterans were served as well. We should rest assured that we have made a difference in many lives, and have made their holiday season a little brighter.

The photos accompanying this letter show members of the Snyder family and staff working on the stocking stuffer project, and preparing the stockings for transport to Lebanon and Coatesville.

As we continue to stay safe during this uncertain time, please work to continue service to our communities, meeting needs wherever and whenever they arise. I thank you for all you have done, are doing, and will do in the months to come.

I wish you all a very safe, healthy, and happy new year!

In Friendship and Service,

IPDG Bill Orager
Global Service Team Coordinator
District 14-D

"WE SERVE"





Looking for ways to involve more women & families in your club?

If your club is “resolving” to reach out and involve more women and families in 2021, contact Lion Robin Helm, W & F Specialist, at imfled2@comcast.net. Together, we can brainstorm ways to recruit and retain women and their families to help grow your footprint in the local community. A targeted membership drive can bring your dream into reality! Schedule a virtual club visit with Lion Robin soon.

This is a story of how I made someone’s day.

It all started a month ago when I was on Sam’s Club website. I landed on their auction of the day and I bid on some toilet paper. Guess what I won! They sent me seventy two wrapped rolls of Cottonelle for professional use. The cost was \$20 dollars including shipping. What am I doing to do with all this toilet paper?

Then it hit me!!!

With all these people out of work that can get food, utilities taken care of, but has anyone thought of the basics of life.

I ended up calling the Food Pantry in Mount Joy and they were happy to receive the toilet paper.

I told them how I received it and that I was a Lion and know how they service the community.

In short, for \$20 dollars, I made some people very happy for the Holidays.

Sometimes, little things mean a lot to someone trying to make ends meet.

Happy Holidays

Lion Nevin



Palmyra Area Lions Club Spreads Holiday Cheer

In a year that has been anything but normal, the members of the Palmyra Area Lions Club continue to be flexible and innovative in order to better serve their community. Fundraisers such as their Holiday Wreath Sale and Farm Show Milkshake Sale not only proved successful in terms of dollars raised, but they also brought people together.

In addition to their fundraising efforts, the Palmyra Area Lions Club also organized a variety of community events to help create a sense of normalcy for families in the Palmyra area. They held two Miniature Horse Holiday Adventure sessions at CATRA (Capital Area Therapeutic Riding Association), two Drive-Thru Visit with Santa events, and a Storytime with Santa, which included a prerecorded video of Santa reading *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* that premiered on the Club's Facebook page on Christmas Eve.

Throughout this "Season of Giving", the Club also made contributions to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation and the Penn State Children's Hospital Child Life Program totaling over \$1,000 worth of toys and other items. They also took up a collection for the Adopt A Solider project to donate to our soldiers that are serving our country.

As 2020 comes to a close, the Club is already planning awareness and fundraising events for the New Year and they look forward to continued growth and service.



Baron Stiegal Lions Club had a free turkey dinner drive thru for the community. It was very inspiring, and fun. Wilshire Hill Lions Club helped, also.



Members of the Willow Street and Strasburg Lions Clubs held a Blood Drive on December 1st. Thanks to everyone who donated.



Adopt A Soldier program an unbelievable success. I'm so incredibly blown away by the generosity, compassion and giving spirit that helped us ship 160 BOXES overseas ❤️ Last year we did 93 boxes and I was so hoping to beat that by even one box. Well you almost doubled last years total. 160 BOXES !! IN-CREDIBLE !!



BE THE LIFELINE PATIENTS NEED.
Give blood.



Community Blood Drive **Trinity Reformed UCC**

Social Hall
450 West Main Street - Mountville

Monday, January 4, 2021
1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

SPONSORED BY MOUNTVILLE LIONS CLUB

To Help Maintain Social Distancing
Scheduled Appointments Are Strongly Recommended!

Please Remember To Wear Your Mask
And Bring Photo ID To Your Blood Drive Appointment.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: Mountville to schedule an appointment.



**Come to give Dec. 18-Jan. 4 for a long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt,
while supplies last!**

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#LCICON2021



See life through Lion lenses in Montréal!

Online registration is officially open for LCICon 2021 Montréal, where Lions and Leos from around the world will come together to celebrate a life of service while indulging in the culture and life of Montréal. Find out what's in store for you at this year's international convention!

[LEARN MORE](#)

Experience la vie en Lion

We're excited to share this year's campaign theme, La Vie en Lion! Discover how we're preparing to "live life in Lion" in the beautiful city of Montréal.

► [Read the blog](#)



This email was sent to all Lions.



Follow us:

The East Cocalico Lions Club is raffling off the below 58" Specialty Quilted Lion Wall Hanging.

This quilt was Pieced and Quilted by East Cocalico Lions Carol and Leo Maynard

The Cost is \$5.00 Per Ticket and the Drawing to be held June 2021.

All proceeds benefit the East Cocalico Lion's Club and will be given back to the community

To purchase chances for this unique Quilt please mail a check made out to 'East Cocalico Lions Club' to

**Lion Bruce Carpenter
PO Box 189
Reamstown PA 17567**

On receipt of the check he will either mail or give you your tickets.

Be sure you send your Address, Phone # and Email

Any questions please contact Lion Bruce at pa14dwiz@ptd.net or 717 336-5311

Good Luck !!!

