

A Message from District Governor Deb Keeports

Hello Lions and Leos!

In February, I will be visiting the following clubs: Strasburg on 2/4, Lafayette on 2/5, Fredericksburg and Jonestown on 2/6, Millersville on 2/11, Mount Joy on 2/18, West Earl on 2/20, East Calico on 2/24, and Baron Stiegel on 2/27.

One of my personal goals for the District is to have at least one Lion from each club attend a District function they have never attended before. There are several opportunities coming up over the next few months: District Cabinet meeting on 2/16, Spring Symposium in Harrisburg on 2/22, District Bowling Tournament on 3/2, Melvin Jones Breakfast on 3/15, Presidents' Honor Night on 4/11, District Convention on 4/12, and a Zone Meeting for your club's Region. We will be doing a Service Project at the District Convention this year, packing Jared Boxes.

Last month we lost a famous member of Lions International, Jimmy Carter, our 39th President. What a walking billboard he and his late wife, Rosalynn were for service in our communities. They both were so involved in their communities, including helping to build homes for Habitat for Humanity. At my club visits, when I ask if anyone can name a famous lion, Jimmy Carter is the first name every Lion mentions.

Speaking of service, our **district needs to improve on reporting service in the Lion Portal**. For any club member having difficulty navigating the Lion Portal, our District Global Service Chairperson, Debra Bagnoli is a phone call (717-333-2109) or email (baglady2030@yahoo.com) away. I set a goal of 77% reporting of service for our district, allowing for the learning curve of the portal. During PDG Dick Sware's year, we had over 90% of clubs reporting service so I know the clubs can do it! **For some, it is as simple as not clicking on the final button which is "Report Complete," without clicking on that button, the service you have entered has technically not been reported.**

I want to take the time to thank all the clubs that have supported the District Special Olympics Fundraiser! As I have been sharing at my visits to the clubs, the fundraiser is a way to let clubs know that we are going to be starting a Champions Lions Club in our district. Did you know that Lions International and Special Olympics have been partnering together since 2000-2001? This partnership includes "Opening Eyes" an eye health and screening program to screen Special Olympic athletes, Family Health Forum, and Unified Sports Program. My plan is to have the Leos help out with the Special Olympic athletes during their training and at Special Olympic tournaments.

I will be going "Over the Edge" again this year for VisionCorps. As you know, my passion is Vision. Look for the flyer in the newsletter on how to support me with this great fundraiser.

As always, **THANK YOU** to each and every Lion and Leo in District 14-D for your service! We couldn't do it without you.

District Governor,

Deb Keeports



Message from the 1st Vice District Governor Steve Lowe

Hello fellow Lions!

I don't know about anyone else, but this snow and cold is not my favorite. I hope that everyone is staying warm and checking on your neighbors! Speaking of reaching out and checking on those around you..... I recently visited our friends in the Conoy Lions Club to discuss membership strategies. In the course of our discussion, I mentioned that there are three areas of very low-hanging fruit regarding membership. They are: family, friends, and the helpers at your Lions Club events.

One of our Club Branches in our district was literally started by 12 neighbors who had come together to honor a neighbor who had passed. I would LOVE to visit your club and talk more about that story, but suffice to say that those 12 people have very, very quickly grown to 21 Lions with several more to be added over the next month or so. Of those 21 members, there are 6 family units, with two of them having two generations of Lions. The ages of the members range from 70 down to 23. This very excited group makes service to their community a priority. They all literally started as helpers at the golf event honoring their neighbor. Oddly enough, this group ticks off all three of the areas we are talking about. Family, friends, and event helpers.

I am sure that most of our district has heard me say that the Lions Club motto is "We Serve", not "We sit around at meetings and have dinner together". So how are we serving, and more importantly, are you leveraging those who willingly give of themselves to help at your event and offering them the gift of Lionism? Remember, we are an organization that is invitation-only. The only person who is 100% sure of not joining your club is the one who is never asked.

I will be attending a week of intensive training at the Q Center outside of Chicago this month in preparation for my District Governor year which starts in July (assuming that I am officially elected in May) where I will be not only singing the praises of this amazing district, but where I will be cementing the goals and plans for the next Lion-istic year. I will admit that the goals that I will be setting may seem to be a bit lofty, but there is no point of setting goals that are easily reached with no effort. I hope that everyone chooses to join us in our "Drive to 1.5" in 2025-2026 and beyond.



Message from the 2nd Vice District Governor Craig Merkey

Happy Groundhog Day Lions,

I can't believe it is February already! This is an exciting time of the year coming up with lots of great events that you can get out and see Lions from around the district!

As a reminder from my September Newsletter, one of DG Deb's goals this year **is** to have each club have at least one (1) club member attend a District function that they have never attended. There are plenty more events coming this year, you still could attend a Zone Meeting, District Cabinet Meeting – February 16, District Bowling Tournament – March 2, Melvin Jones Breakfast – March 15, Presidents' Honor Night – April 11, District Convention – April 12!

Please don't miss out on these opportunities. There is one more fun opportunity coming up, the 100th Anniversary Dinner for the Ephrata Lions Club on March 22! A great milestone for a club!

With our VDG training complete, I have learned more about Lions and resources available to our clubs and the importance of the impact we make around the world through our donations to LCIF and the opportunities we have in our district to apply for grants to assist with projects in our communities.

Region II will have their next Zone meeting on February 10. I look forward to representation from each of the clubs in Region II.

Craig Merkey
2nd Vice-District Governor



Memoriam

None at this time



NEW MEMBERS

New Member

Club

Sponsor

Larry Enochs

Columbia Lions Club:

Jack Gamby

Patrick Hein

Conoy Lions Club

Gail Brinton

Mark South

Denver Lions Club

James Kidwell

Rochelle Anker

East Cocalico Lions Club

Janice Long

Grady Daub

East Cocalico Lions Club

Bruce Carpenter

Tammy Harting

East Cocalico Lions Club

Bruce Carpenter

Jaimee Renninger

East Cocalico Lions Club:

Leo Maynard

Samantha Clouser

Garden Spot Lions Club

Ronald Fink

Disclaimer: Because of the recent launch of the new Lions Portal, there may be names that are missing at this time.

FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR ☐ **PLEASE FORWARD YOUR ARTICLES BY THE 25TH OF EACH MONTH. LET OTHER CLUBS KNOW WHAT YOUR CLUB IS UP TOO** ☐ **SHARE YOUR PHOTOS** ☐ **E-MAIL TO ME AT** ☐ **anitagordonpalmer@gmail.com** **Thank you** ☐ **Lion Anita Gordon-Palmer**

WHY I GIVE STEPPING UP

Deb Keeperts, District Governor for Lions Clubs of Lancaster and Lebanon Counties learned about community service at a young age. "My Pop-Pop was a member of Lions Clubs back when I was growing up. Years later, when the opportunity came for me to join, I said 'Yes!'" Lions International is well-known for supporting vision-related services, and local affiliates do a lot for VisionCorps.



Deb going over the edge at a VisionCorps Eye Drop fundraiser.

"I had known of VisionCorps, but I didn't know about it," Deb said. In 2021, she invited Chief Development Officer Megan Tomsheck to do a presentation to her local Lions Club. "At the end of the presentation, when Megan reminded everyone about VisionCorps' Eye Drop fundraiser, our Past District Governor, Bill Grager, 'nominated' me to go Over the Edge!" Deb said. Bill's wife had done it twice. "The funny thing is, everybody thought that rappelling down the side of the Holiday Inn is what would get me out of my comfort zone. But the real challenge for me was having to secure \$1,000 in donations from sponsors. It brought back memories from high school: selling candy, magazine subscriptions, subs, and pizzas to support our band." She needn't have worried.

"Without hesitation, my employer and co-workers stepped up to donate," Deb said. She works as a paralegal for Atlee Hall, LLP. "Other donors soon followed. I was really blown away by how much I was able to raise." She's now done two Eye Drops, and is planning her third next year to commemorate the end of her term as district governor in June of 2025.

For the 2023 Eye Drop, a local tattoo artist offered to donate proceeds to VisionCorps. At the suggestion of the COO from Atlee Hall, LLP, Deb and three of her co-workers stepped up and each got a tattoo. "I'm involved with adopting dachshunds that are rescues, so my tattoo was a Picasso-style dachshund," she said.

Her support of VisionCorps is also personal. "When my Pop-Pop got shingles in the 1970s, he was warned not to let it get into his eyes, but eventually it did. He didn't lose all his vision, but he had to give up his driver's license," Deb said. Later, her mother and uncle were diagnosed with macular degeneration. "Sadly, the one thing my mom loved more than anything was to read. I've since learned that I have some of the same genetic markers for macular degeneration."

Deb believes that attitude is everything. "If you experience a vision loss, don't be afraid to ask for help to regain your independence." There are organizations out there to help. If you know someone who is losing their vision, tell them about VisionCorps. Get involved. Become a volunteer driver. Donate. The thing is, you never know if you or someone you love is going to need these services in the future."


VisionCorps
**2025 EYE
DROP**
 RAPPELLING EVENT

ON THE EDGE OF GREATNESS

HELP VISIONCORPS GET OVER THE EDGE!

JUNE 6, 2025 HOLIDAY INN,
DOWNTOWN LANCASTER

www.EyeDrop2025.org

Eye Drop 2025 is an exhilarating event in which participants commit to raising at least \$1,000 in exchange for an incredible opportunity to rappel 10 stories down the side of the Holiday Inn in downtown Lancaster!

Did you know that more than 15,000 individuals in Southeastern Pennsylvania are living with vision loss? Your support for Eye Drop 2025 will help us reach people in your community living with vision loss. VisionCorps' vision rehabilitation services are provided at no charge to individuals in Adams, Chester, Lancaster, Lebanon, and York counties.

This year we need you to help us get Over the Edge of ONE MILLION total dollars raised through EyeDrop. Are you ready to take on the challenge?

COME OUT AND WATCH OUR DG DEBORAH
KEEPORTS GO OVER THE EDGE! !



Support Me!

EVENT MADE
POSSIBLE
WITH:

 **Holiday Inn**
LIVING FORTH

...IMPERIAL

OVER THE EDGE



lcif.org

Only 14% of people who need hospice care receive it¹

HOME FOR GOOD



170 E. First St., Corning, N.Y., has a new purpose. Over more than 120 years, the old Victorian served as residence to a prominent physician before being annexed by Corning Hospital. When

the medical facility no longer needed the space, Lions had an idea. They'd help transform the grand lady into housing for terminally ill seniors lacking access to quality care from their families or unable to afford a nursing home.

"Through LCIF's generosity, many families receive much needed relief."

With US\$100,000 in Matching grant funding from Lions Clubs International Foundation

(LCIF), and Lions' steadfast commitment to the project, Bampa's House opened its doors to the community. Named in memory of a Corning Lions Club member who passed away at 68, and whose grandchildren called him Bampa, the home, with its two resident bedrooms and family bedroom, provide a calming oasis and gathering place for patients and family members.

"Through LCIF's generosity, many families receive much needed relief and security at a difficult time in life," said Past International Director Dr. Edward Cordes. "The grant made this project possible, and Lions and the people we serve sincerely thank LCIF."

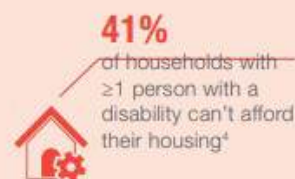
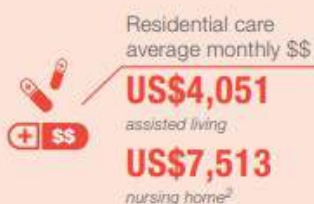


**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

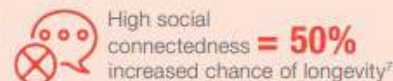


Vulnerable Populations Challenged

Though many are spared challenges of living life limited by disease; disability; or vulnerability due to age, gender, or economic or familial status, many in this part of the world are not and often require humanitarian services.



THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, THE PICTURE LOOKS LIKE THIS:



LCIF AND LIONS

Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

Since 1968, LCIF has funded Lions service around the world. We continue our support, helping Lions deepen their commitment to their communities.

MATCHING GRANTS
fund construction and equipment costs

US\$10,000 - US\$100,000

DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS

apply to district and club projects

GRANT AMOUNT VARIES

LEO SERVICE GRANTS
fund Leo-led projects

US\$1,500 - US\$5,000

lcif.org/humanitarian

SOURCES/NOTE: ^{1,2}Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance and World Health Organization; ³Stanford Medicine; ⁴National Council on Disability; ⁵The World Bank Group; grant limits subject to change

Hunger, Diabetes, and Childhood Cancer grants are also available.



LCIF is the grant-making body empowering Lions to create greater impact in their communities and around the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions; one hundred percent of every donation supports Lions service through LCIF grants and programs.

Humanitarian efforts is just one cause area supported by LCIF and Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service. With financial support from Lions and clubs worldwide, Campaign 100 is empowering Lions to increase service impact in vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts; fight the global epidemic of diabetes; and make important progress in expanded cause areas of childhood cancer, hunger, and the environment.

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**SUPPORT YOUR SERVICE
BY SUPPORTING YOUR
FOUNDATION**

lionsclubs.org/donate



DISTRICT 14-D CABINET MEETING

Hosted by: Region IV
Zone A and B Chair: Greg Walborn

All Lions, Lioness, and Leos invited to attend!

All voting Cabinet members to wear green shirts and grey, everyone else to wear business casual, no jeans.

Date: Sunday, February 16, 2025

Place: **St. Phillips Classroom**

2111 Millersville Pike

Lancaster, PA 17603

Meeting Time

1:15 pm - Voting Cabinet

2:00 pm - Full Cabinet

**SO THAT WE CAN PLAN FOR SNACKS FOR THE AFTERNOON,
WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CABINET MEMBERS, CLUB PRESIDENTS,
CLUB SECRETARIES AND ALL CLUB MEMBERS PLANNING TO
ATTEND, NOTIFY THE CABINET SECRETARY OR ZONE CHAIRS**

A donation to help defray the cost for Region IV would be appreciated.

Lion Joyce Sweger
JKL1953@comcast.net
717-314-7455

Lion Greg Walborn
walborngreg@gmail.com
717-621-8206



Annual Pennsylvania Lions Spring Fling Leadership Symposium



2 LOCATIONS

Saturday, February 22, 2025 9 AM-3 PM

PA Lions State Office

949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Lunch available for a \$8.00 donation (Pay at the Door)

OR

Sunday, February 23, 2025 Noon-5 PM

Butler County Association for the Blind

322 N. Cedar Street, Butler, PA 16001

Snacks will be available

"The Lion Portal – Where do I find that?"

Presenters-PDG Lisa & PCC Dave Leon, 14-U

Are you having a hard time finding information or reporting service in the Lion Portal?

Bring your devices & learn how to swiftly navigate your membership, club, district, & multiple district data.

"Artificial Intelligence Tools Lions can use TODAY!"

Presenter-PCC Dave Leon, 14-U

In this session we will cover two groundbreaking AI-powered apps, designed specifically to help Lions grow, rebuild, and promote our service worldwide.

"Empowering Growth"

Presenter-PDG Mike Schaeffer, 14-D

Join us for an engaging workshop on innovative strategies to recruit new members, retain existing ones, & grow Lions Clubs through actionable plans & community-focused approaches.

"Communicate with impact"

Presenter-DG Mike Crossey, 14-B

In this session, learn to connect, not just connect.

FREE & OPEN to all Pennsylvania Lions

Register to attend contact PDG Kerry McKnight

MD14GLT-LEARN@yahoo.com or call (717)759-0711

Space is Limited!



PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

“500 Club”



Dear Lions and Leos of District 14-D,

This is the time of year that we ask for your support of the “**Beacon Lodge 500 Club**”. This is an opportunity for each Lion and Leo to make a personal contribution to help with maintenance and repairs of Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

The “500 Club” is based on a **\$5.00** donation per member per year.

The Lions and Leo Clubs in the state of Pennsylvania continue to embrace the Lions motto “**We Serve**”. We encourage all clubs to consider 100% participation in this important fundraiser.

We ask that you: 1. Make checks payable to: Beacon Lodge 500 Club

DO NOT MAIL CHECKS TO BEACON LODGE

2. Mail checks to:



PDG Bill Grager
175 Old Post Lane
Strasburg, PA 17579

*UPON REQUEST, WE WILL BE PLEASED TO PRESENT A BEACON LODGE PROGRAM AT YOUR CLUB. *(Most of you are familiar with the camp, but new members need to be informed of the importance of this camp.)*

Enclosed you will also find a copy of the 2025 Beacon Lodge Wish List. After you collect your donations, contact your Zone Chair or IPDG Mike Schaeffer

Once again, we thank the Lions and Leo Clubs of District 14-D for your continued support of **PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp**; helping make it one of the best special needs camps in America.

Yours in Lionism,

IPDG Mike Schaeffer - Board member (717-824-1020)

mschae2813@gmail.com

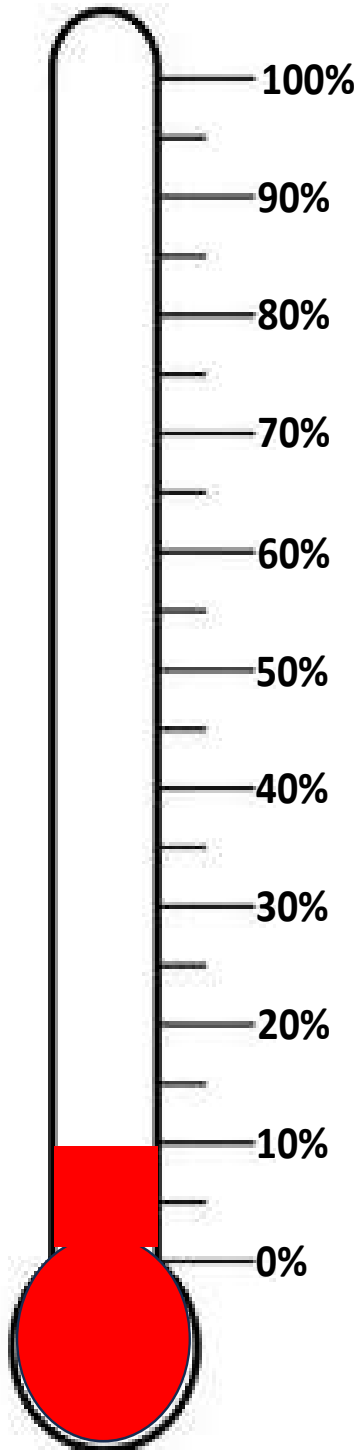
OR

PDG Bill Grager – District Liaison (717-615-1974)

bilbomzk@gmail.com

“We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.”

Sir Winston Churchill

100% "500" Club Donations

As of Jan 26

37 to go!

**Has YOUR club
Sponsored?**

We want the clubs of our District to set the pace and have 100% donations to the Beacon lodge "500" Club.

Each Lion in your club is asked to donate \$5.00.

Make your checks out to Beacon Lodge and send them to:

**PDG Bill Grager
175 Old Post Lane
Strasburg, PA 17579**



Get your \$5.00 per member in as soon as possible.



Wish List 2025 Name: _____ District: _____ Club Name: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

OFFICE SUPPLIES:

- ☐ Color Copier Paper
- ☐ White Copier paper
- ☐ 8x14 white paper
- ☐ Bright White Printer Paper
- ☐ Envelopes: #10
- ☐ Bubbled Envelopes 6x9, 8x11
- ☐ 3 prong Pocket Folders
- ☐ Banker Boxes
- ☐ Dry Erase Markers

KITCHEN:

- ☐ Plastic Cold Cups: 5 oz & 9 oz
- ☐ Hot Wax Coffee Cups: 9 & 10 oz
- ☐ Paper Plates: 9" or larger
- ☐ Napkins: dinner, picnic
- ☐ Original Dawn Dish Liquid
- ☐ White Bar/Dish Cloths
- ☐ Vinyl Kitchen Gloves (ALL sizes)

HOUSEKEEPING:

- ☐ Thick Paper Towels
- ☐ Clorox
- ☐ Disinfecting Spray Cleaner
- ☐ Disinfecting Floor Cleaners
- ☐ Disinfecting Wipes
- ☐ Magic Erasers
- ☐ White Vinegar
- ☐ 55-56 gal Trash Bags
- ☐ Toilet Plungers-heavy duty
- ☐ Toilet Brushes
- ☐ Zipper Vinyl Pillow Covers
(standard)

- ☐ Zipper Vinyl Mattress Covers (twin)
- ☐ Long Twin Size Blankets - No Wool
- ☐ Industrial Wet Mop Heads
- ☐ Vinyl Disposable Gloves: M
- ☐ Extended Window Squeegee
- ☐ Floor Squeegee

MAINTENANCE:

- ☐ M, L, XL, XXL Black Nitrile
Powder-Free Gloves
- ☐ LED Light Bulbs
- ☐ LED Flood Light Bulbs
- ☐ Duracell/Energizer/Rayovac
Batteries: (AAA, AA, C, D, 9V)
- ☐ Packs of Roller Covers: LG & SM
- ☐ Foaming Bee/Wasp Killer
- ☐ Ant Spray
- ☐ Garden Hose Nozzles
- ☐ Microfiber Cloths
- ☐ Long Neck Lighters
- ☐ Paint Brushes: 2", 3", 4"
- ☐ Knee Pads

INFIRMARY:

- ☐ Baby Wipes
- ☐ Sunscreen - Spray
- ☐ Bug Spray (OFF, etc..)
- ☐ Bactine Spray
- ☐ Lanacane Spray
- ☐ Benadryl Spray
- ☐ Liquid Benadryl for children
- ☐ Calamine Lotion
- ☐ Hydrocortisone Cream

- ☐ Tylenol: adult & children
- ☐ Ibuprofen: adult & children
- ☐ Imodium
- ☐ Saline Eye Drops
- ☐ Exam Gloves: all sizes, latex-free
- ☐ Single Use Lancets
- ☐ Graduated Liquid Medicine
Dispenser Cups

First Aid Kits

ACTIVITIES:

- ☐ Craft Jewelry
- ☐ Craft Beads, String
- ☐ Colored Paper
- ☐ Elmer's Glue Sticks
- ☐ Bingo Prizes
- ☐ Stress Balls
- ☐ Weighted Stuffed Animals
- ☐ Twine
- ☐ Tie Dye
- ☐ White T-Shirts: Med, Lg, XL, 2XL
- ☐ White Socks: All Sizes Kids &
Adult
- ☐ Smart Scissors & Skills Workbook
- ☐ Craft Kits for Children and Adults
- ☐ Crayons/Markers/Pencils
- ☐ Suncatchers
- ☐ Small Paint Kits and Brushes
- ☐ Play Doh
- ☐ Small Totes with lid

Please visit BeaconLodge.org/wishlist for updated items and our Amazon department Wish Lists.



**LIONS INTERNATIONAL TRADING PIN CLUB
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**



**EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
APPLICATION 2023-2024 ACADEMIC SCHOOL YEAR**

This scholarship is intended for the children/grandchildren of Lions, Lioness and/or Leo Club members.

All scholarship applications must be processed through a Lions Trading Pin Club or a State/Area Scholarship Committee, and submitted to the Secretary of the Lions International Trading Pin Club.

Scholarship Eligibility: Applicant must be a graduating senior who has been accepted for admission to an accredited college or institution of higher learning.

APPLICANT: _____

(please type or print clearly in ink)

Please check the appropriate boxes:

Child	Grandchild
of a Lion	a member of a Leo Club
Lioness	and/or

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Last First Middle

Mailing Address: _____

Number & Street	City	State	Zip

Permanent Address: _____
(If different from mailing address) Number & Street City State Zip

Phone Numbers: _____ Email address: _____
 Day Evening

Father's Full Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Number of siblings at home: _____ Number of siblings in college: _____

Estimated cost of 1 year of school:

How do you intend to fund?

What other scholarships have you applied for? _____

What other scholarships have you been offered? _____

High School Presently Attending: _____

*High School G.P.A. _____ Class Rank of _____ SAT/ACT Score _____ Percentile _____

*Certified copy of high school transcript, including activities, must be attached!

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

NOTE: When writing personal essay to answer questions, the applicant may be disqualified if the statements exceed the maximum allowable words

In 350 words or less, write a personal essay of introduction stating your present and future goals and include your reasons for applying for this scholarship, describe your work experience and/or community services while attending high school and tell how your participation affected you.

Attach recommendations from two persons (i.e., teacher, coach, clergy, employer, etc.)

Attach a recommendation letter from a Lions Club member indicating the name of the Club and state/province and country in which the Club is located.

Lions International Trading Pin Club annually gives out at least three \$2,500 scholarships to Leos and kids or grandkids of Lions. In the 2024 year the LITPC raised enough money to hand out four scholarships including one to a deserving student from Biglersville, PA.

Entries are to be mailed to:

PDG Jason Radmann, 619 W 1st Street, Williamsburg, PA 16693 OR Email to lionjasonradmann@gmail.com.

Submission date is March 30, 2025.

DISTRICT 14-D**MELVIN JONES FELLOW/PENNSYLVANIA FELLOW BREAKFAST**

To Honor all Melvin Jones Fellows, Pennsylvania Fellows, and Joe Wroblewski Award recipients in the District

Saturday, March 15, 2025

at

Yoder's Restaurant

New Holland, PA

Buffet Breakfast will be served at 9:00 am.

\$20.00 per person

Deadline for reservations Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Dress Code is Business Casual

Council Chairperson Larry Frankenfield will be our guest speaker

All Lions/Lioness/Leos/Guests are invited to come out and honor your Melvin Jones / PA Fellow members!

I (We) will attend the Melvin Jones/PA Fellow Breakfast on March 15, 2025

At Yoder's Restaurant at 9:00 AM

Enclose \$20.00 per person.

Make checks payable to District 14D.

Return to PDG Deb Burkholder by February 26, 2025.

Your cooperation in meeting this deadline will be greatly appreciated!

Club/Name_____

If Cabinet member please give position_____

Please reserve _____ breakfasts. Total Breakfasts Reserved X 20.00 = _____ enclosed.

Mail To:

PDG Deb Burkholder

25 James Drive

Denver, PA 17517

SAVE THE DATE!

****DISTRICT 14-D CONVENTION****

Theme: Lions and Special Olympics Pennsylvania

Date: April 12, 2025

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Location: Millersville VFW
219 Walnut Hill Rd.
Millersville, PA 17551**

District Governor Deb has planned an exciting day to include:

- International Director Maria Cunning
- Leader and several Athletes from the Special Olympics Pennsylvania
- Special Presentation
- Fabulous Lunch
- Our 8 Different Global Causes Display
- Necrology Service
- Jared Box Service Project
- Basket Raffles

Registration packets will be available soon.

Let's make this our BEST District Convention EVER!!!

Lion Lori Eshelman and Lion Pat Benson



**Special Olympics
Pennsylvania**



Know **Diabetes** by Heart™



Preparing Healthy Meals

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

TIPS HOW TO SLIP GOOD FOOD INTO YOUR MENU!

Meat & Cheese Burrito

Choose lean meat.
Add a small amount of black
beans and cabbage.



Beef Stew

Add in a small amount of
another vegetable such as
sweet potatoes or chard.



Cereal

Choose a whole grain,
low sugar cereal.



Rice Dish

Use brown rice or mix
brown and white together.



Peanut Butter & Jelly

Make sandwich with
whole grain bread.



Oatmeal

Add sweetness with fresh or
frozen strawberries
and blueberries instead of
adding sugar.



Side Dish

Experiment with fresh
vegetables and enjoyable dips.



QUICK AND EASY SUGGESTIONS TO TRY

Chicken Strips



Thaw frozen chicken strips and add to
frozen vegetable stir fry. Pour stir fry over
brown rice for a quick and healthy meal.

Roasted Chicken



Remove the skin and pull the chicken off
and place on each plate. Add a baked
potato (8-9 minutes in the microwave) and
consider a premixed lettuce side salad.

**Give these tips a try and
healthy eating can be a family
affair. The American Diabetes
Association's food hub can give
you more ideas.**

**IF YOU HAVE DIABETES, THERE
IS A LOT MORE YOU CAN DO TO
REDUCE YOUR RISK FOR STROKE.**

Talk to your doctor about your next steps. You're not in this
alone. Find answers to your questions and join the initiative:
[KnowDiabetesbyHeart.org/join](https://www.knowdiabetesbyheart.org/join).



102nd ANNUAL PENNSYLVANIA LIONS CLUBS STATE CONVENTION

~ Thursday May 1 through Sunday May 4, 2025 ~

Hilton Scranton & Conference Center, 100 Adams Ave., Scranton, Pa 18503



REGISTRATION (complete one form per attendee)

Return form by: **April 12, 2025**

Name (Last Name, First Name) _____ Sub-District _____
 Circle Membership: Lion Leo Guest Title: ID PIP PID DG VDG PDG CC PCC
 Address: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Phone _____ Email _____
 Club Name _____ Spouse/Partner/Guest _____
 First State Convention Yes No Years as a Lion _____
 Special considerations: Dietary Restrictions Hearing Vision Physically Challenged

Convention Registration \$15 per attendee \$ _____
 State Convention Pin @ \$5/pin \$ _____

Meal Reservations

Friday Luncheon ~ wrap buffet w/ various wraps, coleslaw, tomato cucumber salad, potato salad, chips, brownies/cookies, iced tea \$25 per person \$ _____

PA Counsellors/District Governors Honor Banquet Friday ~ \$37 per person
 Plated meals with vegetable, starch, dessert, warm rolls and coffee - Choice of
 _____ Cedar Salmon
 _____ Tomato Basil Chicken
 _____ Vegetarian Meal \$ _____

Saturday Luncheon ~ \$28 per person --- BBQ Pit with pulled pork, BBQ beef, blackened chicken, steak fries, baked beans, smoked corn salad, cornbread and dessert \$ _____

Saturday International Banquet ~ \$37 per person
 Plated meals with vegetable, starch, dessert, warm rolls and coffee - Choice of
 _____ Bourbon Glazed Pork
 _____ Chicken Piccata
 _____ Vegetarian Meal \$ _____

Melvin Jones Fellow/Key Member Breakfast Sunday ~ \$24 per person \$ _____

Breakfast buffet w/ scrambled egg, French toast, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, fruit, pastries, coffee, tea, juices

"EXTRAS" ***** Guided Tour of The Scranton Cultural Center \$15 per person \$ _____
 ***** Wine & Cheese Pairing \$15 per person \$ _____

~ ~ Amount due for MEAL RESERVATIONS \$ _____

~ ~ ~ ~ **TOTAL AMOUNT DUE** \$ _____

Checks payable to: **Lions 2025 Convention**

Mail To: PDG Fran Stepkovitch, 107 Krystal Cir., Archbald PA 18403
fran623@comcast.net 570-470-7838





PA State Council of Lions Clubs STATE CONVENTION

Thursday, May 1 - Sunday, May 4, 2025



Ads Submission Deadline is April 1, 2025

We are now accepting advertisements for our upcoming event booklet. Here are some important guidelines to ensure your ad is displayed in the best possible quality:

- ♦ **For Best Quality:** Please submit *print-ready* PDF or JPEG files at the *exact ad size* electronically.
- ♦ If needed, you may submit clean, reproducible hard copies such as business cards or letterheads to be scanned. However, *reproduction quality in the final publication cannot be guaranteed.*
- ♦ Please avoid folding, taping, or stapling within the image area.
- ♦ Cover placements are available on a *first come, first served* basis and will be reproduced in *full color*.

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Donations for a single line (up to 40 characters, including spaces) are \$5. Please type or print clearly.

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Program Advertising Contract

By signing below, the advertiser authorizes the inclusion of their enclosed advertisement in the 2025 PA Lions State Convention Booklet, to be published for the convention taking place from May 1-4, 2025

Club/Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Authorized Signature _____ Title _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Make checks payable to: PA Lions Convention 2025

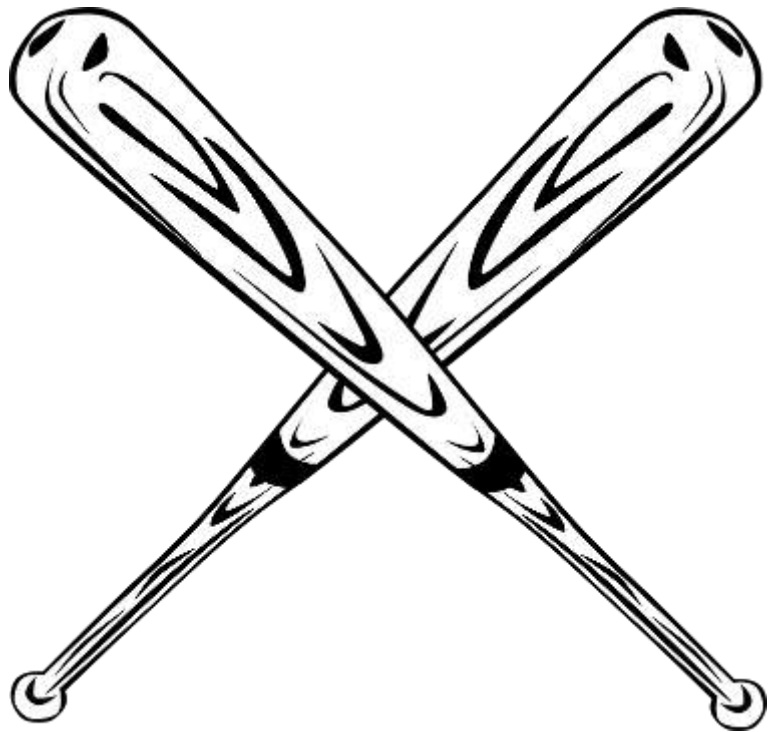
Include Lions Convention Ad in the memo

Please mail this form, your payment, and a copy of your ad to:

Stefanie Camoni

310 2nd St. Blakely, PA 18447

To submit your ad electronically, email it to
smd2835@gmail.com and include
"Lions Convention Ad" in the subject line.



MD-14 State Convention

Basket Raffle



Contact PDG Dave Barrett If any questions (570) 499-4588

Drop Off at Hilton on Thursday May 1st

No Alcohol in Baskets - Gift Cards for Alcohol is Permitted

102nd ANNUAL PENNSYLVANIA LIONS CLUBS STATE CONVENTION



Thursday, May 1 through Sunday, May 4, 2025



Hilton Scranton

100 Adams Avenue, Scranton PA 18503

HOTEL INFORMATION

The hotel has a block of rooms for the PA Lions 102nd Convention. Contact the hotel to make a reservation. The discounted rate of **\$149.00/night is in effect until April 9, 2025.**

To make a room reservation call 570-343-3000 and dial "0" for the front desk.

If you would like to make a reservation online the booking code is

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/lionsclub2025convention/>

and the link is available on the State website.

Online Convention Registration is Now Available!

To register for the Convention and all meals online go to the State website – **palions.org** and fill out the electronic form with your selections. Pay with a debit or credit card.

Calling All Leos to Attend the 102nd State Convention!

Leos and Leo Advisors, please plan on attending the 102nd State Convention.

Convention registration is **FREE** for all Leos!

We hope to see you there!

Featured Seminars



Beacon Lodge Hear the latest updates from a Beacon Lodge Board Member. The camp has hired 3 new Directors and is currently booking campers for the 2025 season. Many wonderful things are happening at Beacon Lodge. Don't miss our informative seminar.



LEADER DOGS
FOR THE BLIND

Leader Dogs Hear from a Leader Dogs for the Blind representative about how their free programs, whether it's guide dog, orientation and mobility or teen summer camp are impacting the lives of those who are blind or visually impaired across the U.S. and internationally.

Changing Your Life to Lead Others

Presented by: Multiple District Global Leadership Team Coordinator PDG Kerry McKnight. Lions Leadership is both a privilege and a responsibility. In this seminar we will discuss inspiring and motivating Lions, along with different ways you can make a significant impact.

All You Wanted to Know About the Lions Portal

Presented by: Multiple District Global Service Team Coordinator PDG Lisa Leon. Overview and demonstration of the portal to highlight some of it's frequently used and most valuable aspects. Every Lion can access the portal. Try out the portal on your phone and compete in a friendly 'scavenger hunt' for a small prize.



Lions, LEOS, Guests, and Friends,

Multiple District 14-H warmly invites you Scranton, Pennsylvania for the 2024/2025 MD-14 State Convention from May 1st to the 4th as we welcome International President Fabricio Oliveira as our featured guest.

In a weekend full of fellowship, culture, and enlightenment, Scranton offers a diverse assortment of restaurants, shopping, entertainment, and points of interest that will please visitors from here and far.

Convention weekend will feature seminars of Lions projects within Pennsylvania, lunches and dinners with messages from local leaders, an available tour of the iconic Scranton Cultural Center, a wine & cheese pairing from a local vintner, and a sporty hospitality party based on the weekends theme "Swing In To Scranton."

The convention committee is working hard on making this a memorable weekend for everyone and we hope you can Swing In To Scranton this coming May.

PDG Dave Barrett, Convention Chairman



Convention Special Guests:



Friday's Lunch:

Former Penn State University and NFL Quarterback **Matt McGloin** will be speaking about leading teams through delegation and overcoming obstacles to achieve positive end results.

Saturday's Lunch:

Former Vice President of Operations for the Scranton - Wilkes Barre RailRiders and the current Director of the Lackawanna Visitors Bureau **Curt Camoni** will speak on the importance of "Sending a Message" to help capture the attention and inspire an audience through communication.



Saturday's International Banquet:

Current International President of Lions Clubs **Fabricio Oliveira** will share his theme of how we can leave an imprint as you "Make Your Mark" through serving others.

Sunday's Melvin Jones Breakfast:

Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Past Council Chair **Mark Kusma**, will give a message on the "Importance of Giving" to our organizations foundation



Conference Tour

A guided tour of the Scranton Cultural Center - Pre-Registration and payment of \$15 is required. The Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple is a theater and cultural center in Scranton, PA. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The tour is specific to the key elements of the Masonic Temple. Our tours teach both kids and adults the uses of the building today, as well as, inform them of the architecture of the building and history of the Masons.

The tour will guide groups through the levels and rooms including the two theaters, the grand ballroom, the library, the Masonic lodges and more! Each space is used for a wide variety of events and will amaze children and adults when they find out how much goes on behind the walls of Scranton's architectural phenomenon.



Wine & Cheese Pairing by Capra Collina Winery - Pre-Registration and payment of \$15 is required. This will be held on site at the Conference Center.

Join Capra Collina, a family-owned winery from Blakely, PA, for a memorable wine and cheese pairing experience. Sample our handcrafted traditional red and white wines, along with a variety of sweet fruit wines, perfectly paired with gourmet cheeses. Celebrate the art of flavor and enjoy a taste of Northeast Pennsylvania's finest!



Columbia Lions Club Sweethearts Dance

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025 7-10pm

Dance music by the
Mama Tried Band



Doors open 6pm

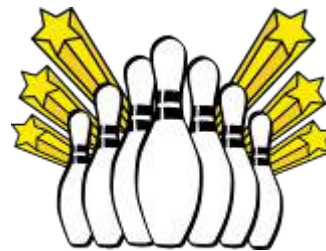
Col. Fire Co. - 726 Manor St. Columbia 17512
\$25 Donation - Includes Beverages & Snacks
For Tickets call/text 717-587-7650 or any Columbia Lion
All proceeds benefit Columbia Lions Community Programs

 **Columbia PA Lions Club**

www.ColumbiaLions.org

49rd Annual District 14-D Bowling Tournament Entry Form

March 2, 2025 @ 222 Dutch Lanes, Akron, PA



Cost: \$14.00 per person \$70.00 per team - Scratch & Handicap

Squad Time: **Sunday, March 2, 2025 at 1 p.m.**

Eligibility: Any combination of 5 person teams. You don't have to be a member of a Lions, Lioness or Leo Club to participate. Invite a friend or a prospect!

Average: All league bowlers will use their highest current average. If no average is available for this season, use highest league average for 2022-2023 season.
If no established average, use 150 for Men and 120 for Women.

Handicap: Handicap will be based on 80% of the difference of your entry average and a base of 200.

Attention: **All teams should arrive at least 15 minutes before starting time.**

Questions? Lion Chester Stoltzfoos (717) 278-7372 OR lionchetstoltzfoos@aol.com

First Received = First Reserved

Club Name _____ Region _____ Zone _____

Men's Team _____ Ladies' Team _____ Mixed Team _____

Name

Avg.

Phone

Team Captain: 1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

\$70.00 check to DISTRICT 14-D LIONS must accompany entry form!

Send entry form and check to: Lion Chester Stoltzfoos, 38 N Eastland Dr., Lancaster, Pa. 17602

46th Annual District 14-D Bowling Tournament Pledge Sheet

When? Sunday, March 2, 2025 @ 1 p.m. Where? 222 Dutch Lanes, Akron, PA

Why? To raise \$\$\$ for District 14-D projects such as Diabetes Research, Hearing, Sight
Projects, etc.

How? SPONSORS, SPONSORS and more SPONSORS! Sign up as many people as possible prior to bowling
in the tournament. A sponsor is anyone willing to pledge \$.01 or more for every pin you score in
3 games. After bowling, go back & collect from your sponsors; mailing one check for total pledge
amounts to: Lion Chester Stoltzfoos, 38 N Eastland Dr., Lancaster, PA 17602

PLEDGE SHEETS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 2, 2022

YOU MAY SPONSOR YOURSELF! Fill in sponsor form below & turn in one check after bowling.

Bowler's Name & Phone _____

Club _____ Date _____ Score _____

<u>Name & Phone</u>	<u>Amt. Pledged</u>	<u>3 Game Total</u>	<u>Amt. Due</u>	<u>Amt. Paid</u>
1. _____				
2. _____				
3. _____				
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5. _____				
6. _____				
7. _____				
8. _____				
9. _____				
10. _____				

MORE SPONSORS? Good for you! Continue listing on back of sheet!

Heidelberg Township Lioness/Lions Club

Dedicated to serving our community and to providing continuing support for the Sight and Hearing Impaired since 1983.

Some of the many projects we support:

Supporting Needy Families in our area

On-Fire Ministries

Myerstown and Richland Community Libraries
Supplies for ELCO Elementary and Intermediate
Schools

Donations to Lebanon County Christians Christian Ministries, Lebanon Rescue Mission, and
AGAPE House

Christmas Gifts for Wernersville Hospital

Scholarships for ELCO Senior Students

3/\$1000.00 and 2/\$500.00

Wounded Warriors of PA

Schaefferstown Banners

ELCO Holiday program

Disaster Relief

Supporting International Lions Club Projects
such as:

Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind

PA Eye Research

Leader Dog

If you would care to be part of our club, visit us at our meetings the first Monday of each month at St Luke's Lutheran Church social hall, Schaefferstown PA. Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M.

Our club is open to Men, Women, and anyone
18 years and older

2024 Heidelberg Twp. Lioness/Lions Raffle

Cash—Cards—Baskets

Drawing February 3, 2025

Donation \$5.00 Only 400 Tickets Sold

Heidelberg Township Lioness No. 303

1. \$30.00
2. Gnome Basket
3. \$30.00
4. Planter Basket
5. \$30.00
6. \$40.00 Timber Creek Card
7. \$30.00
8. White Glider Rocking Chair
9. \$30.00
10. \$100.00 Gift Card to Morrissey's TV
11. \$30.00
12. Tonka Truck
13. \$30.00
14. \$40.00 Gas Card
15. \$30.00

717-628-8568

Please read the back

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Seller _____

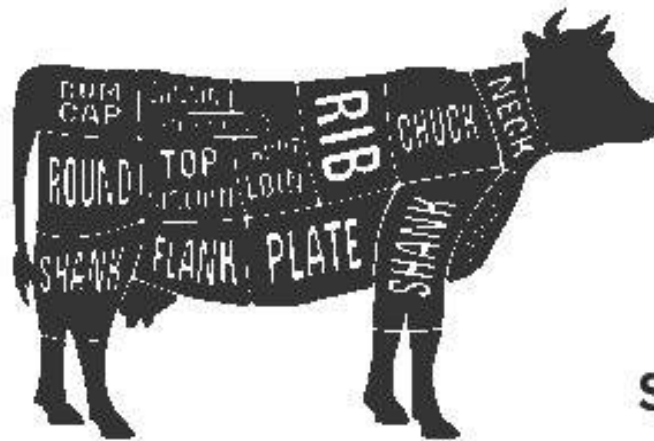
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Sunday, February 9

1:00 p.m. - Doors open 12:00

Holy Trinity Parish Center, 404 Cherry St.
Columbia



Meat from:



Sponsored by:



WE SERVE

SNOW MAKEUP DATE - NEW LOCATION

Tickets are \$10 at Littles Beverage, 1224 Lancaster Ave., Columbia

Rich Gerfin Memorial Pancake Breakfast



"It's for the kids"



Saturday, Feb. 8

7:00 - 10:00 am

Columbia Church

510 Walnut St.

Tickets are \$7 and are available from any Lion. Call or text (717) 449-0056, email info@columbialions.org or

Facebook message us for tickets.



**American
Red Cross**

GIVE A LIONS SHARE OF LIFE.

Join the pride. Give blood.

Community Blood Drive Columbia Borough Fire Department

Bingo Hall
726 Manor Street
Columbia, PA 17512

**Monday, March 3, 2025
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

SPONSORED BY COLUMBIA LIONS CLUB AND ELKS

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

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting
RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on
the day of your appointment.

All Presenting Donors Will Receive An American Red Cross St. Patrick's Day Themed T-Shirt.
While Supplies Last.



Scan to be directed to
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an appointment.

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East Cocalico Lions



**FISH & \$9
SHRIMP**

FRY

With **Fries** Or **Baked**
Potato & Coleslaw

Drive Thru At Reamstown Park

March 7, 2025

And

March 21, 2025

HOURS:

3:00-6:00 PM

NEW!

**Fish &
Shrimp
Combo**

\$9

Dinner tickets are \$50.00 per person for this gala event.
Up to 8 persons can be seated per table.
Please complete the reservation form below and
return with payment as soon as possible.

RESERVATION

_____ Reservations @ \$50 per person = \$ _____

Name: _____

Preferred Meal: ☐ Stuffed Chicken ☐ Petite Filet Mignon ☐ Gluten-free/vegetarian meal

Name: _____

Preferred Meal: _____ Stuffed Chicken _____ Petite Filet Mignon _____ Gluten-free/vegetarian meal

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Seat me/us with other Lions

I/We wish to be seated with my club, the _____ Lions Club

Make checks payable to **EPHRATA LIONS CLUB.**

Mail this form and payment to:

Lion Brad Lauderman
1015 Dawn Ave.
Ephrata, PA 17522

Reservation deadline: February 28, 2025



Conoy Lions Club Saturday Winter Breakfasts

**February 15, 2025
March 15, 2025**

Bainbridge Fire Hall

7am to 10am

Adult \$12.00 Children 6 -12 \$6.00
5 & under free

\$11.00 if you bring a food contribution
for the Conoy-Donegal Food Bank

Pancakes Sausage
Scrambled Eggs Fried Potatoes
Sausage gravy and Biscuits
Fruit Cocktail
Orange Juice Coffee Tea



SPRING FLING BINGO BASH



Organized by the Ephrata Lions Club & benefitting
Pioneer and Lincoln Fire Companies, Ephrata Public Library, Ephrata Area Social
Services, & the Ephrata Community Ambulance Association.



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**Gift
Baskets**

**DESIGNER
PURSES**

**Gift
Cards**



Saturday, April 12
Doors open at 12:30 pm
BINGO starts at 2:00 pm



Ephrata Recreation Center
130 S Academy Dr Ephrata, PA



\$30.00 Each with 20 Games
Visit <https://ephrata-lions-club.square.site/s/shop>
or scan the QR code to purchase tickets



Additionally, there will be food, 4 special games, 50/50, raffles,
door prizes, pull tabs and MORE!

Have a question? Email April at
alaus@faulknercollision.com
or call 717-330-2009





Penn Medicine
Lancaster General Health

It Feels Good to
be a Hero



LGHealth.org/GiveBlood

We invite you to join the
Paradise Township Lions Club
for a community blood drive.

Every donation has the potential to save a life!

When: Tuesday, April 15, 2025
2:00pm – 7:00pm

Where: The Factory Ministries
3293 E. Lincoln Hwy
Paradise, PA 17562

Please call 717-544-0177 to schedule



MILLERSVILLE LIONS CLUB

CASH BINGO

SAVE THE DATE!

PRIZES * RAFFLES * 50/50 * FOOD



SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025

**ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH
2111 MILLERSVILLE PIKE
LANCASTER, PA 17603**

Doors open at 12:30 p.m.
Early Bird at 1:45 p.m.
(prize is family pool pass to the
Millersville Lions Club Pool)
Regular Bingo starts at 2:00 p.m.

**Tickets
\$25**

The Millersville Lioness Lions club had a busy December. On Dec 19 we had our annual project of delivering flowers and cookies to Millersville area Meals on Wheels clients. We met to package the cookies, oranges, a beautiful poinsettia and a craft item which is given to each client. This year we distributed 50 packages to clients in the Penn Manor school district. The clients are so happy to receive these items and are always excited to get a bag of cookies. Several of them do not receive many items at Christmas and are thrilled for these items. Because many of them have received these items other years they look forward to this each year and are so grateful. This is a joint project with the Millersville Lions club because they pay for the flowers. This is a great community project and the club has been doing it for at least 20 years.



Our second December project was our annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa. This year we were at a new location, the Millersville VFW building. This event was held on Saturday, Dec 21 and can be called a success due to the excitement and happiness observed. We served 271 people a delicious breakfast of pancakes and sausage. Each child had the opportunity to visit with Santa and Mrs Claus. Each child was able to pick a present and also received clementines as a snack. Parents were able to take pictures with their phones of the children with Santa. It is a fun event for everyone..



2024

Frantz ~ Rider ~ Yohe Awards Banquet

Lancaster – Lebanon League

Sections I, II, III, IV, V

Submitted by: Lititz Lions Tracy Richards

The banquet was held on December 5, 2024, hosted by the Lititz Lions Club at the Lititz Inn & Spa. It is sponsored jointly by the Columbia Lions Club, Elizabethtown Lions Club and Lititz Lions Club.

About the Awards:

The origin of these awards dates to before 1969, when the Lititz Lions Club and E-Town Lions Club first sought to recognize the outstanding football players from the high schools in the Lancaster County League. The Lititz Club chose to honor a former Lion and Warwick High School Coach – Bernie Rider. The Elizabethtown Club names its award after a former Lion and Coach at the Elizabethtown High School – Bill Frantz. More recently, the Columbia Lions Club elected to recognize one of Columbia's former Coaches – Jack Yohe.

Over the years there have been many changes to the schools and the way the league is organized. There have also been changes in the way the awards have been handled but they have always been for the purpose of recognizing significant achievement on the playing field.

Award Recipients:

Section I

Declan Clancey: Manheim Township High School

Coached By: Mark Evans



Section II

Jayden Zandier: Exeter Township High School

Coached By: Matt Bauer



Section III

Donovan Gingrich: Conrad Weiser High School

Coached By: Alan Moyer



Section IV

Caileb Howse: Lampeter-Strasburg High School (Absent – Caileb was playing in a championship game the evening of the awards ceremony)

Coached By: Victor Rideour



Section V

Logan Nawrocki: Schuylkill Valley High School

Coached By: Bruce Harbach



ROAR LIONS ROAR!!!

