

DISTRICT 14-L NEWSLETTER

MAY 2026



A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FLURIE

Greetings Lions in 14-L,

Thank you to the Lions who joined our district convention. With over 70 attendees, participation was higher than in previous years, and feedback on the four seminars was very positive. Special thanks to our presenters: Bill Bower (Leader Dog), Hannah Woodward (Four Diamonds), Terry Stacey (Membership Blitz), and PID Steve Glass (Lions Ethics). Wow, their respective presentations were exceptional!

The evening dinner featured keynote speaker PID Steve Glass, who, along with his wife Cindy, received a gift from Elva Hurst—the Chalk-Talk lady—whose drawing presentation impressed everyone. After our dinner, we conferred district awards to VDG Hunter Radar McVey of Allenport (District Presidential Certificate of Appreciation and Lions of PA Foundation Fellowship Award), Lions Deb Price of Shade Gap (Lions of PA Foundation Fellowship Award), Tammie Payne of Breezewood (Melvin Jones Fellowship) and District Chaplin Kenny Ashley of Hyndman (Melvin Jones Fellowship). Congratulations to these Lions for their respective achievements!

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Upcoming Events

May 2nd - Swiss Steak Dinner-Woodcock Valley @12

May 15-17th - State Convention - Indiana, PA

May 16 - Newry Lions Community Event

May 21-24 - Three Springs Carnival

July 19th - PA Lions Appreciation Day @ Beacon Lodge

July 26th - Popeye Fleck Memorial Fishing Derby @ BLC

LION MINTS

For more than 20 years, Lion and Lioness Clubs in the United States and around the world have depended on the extraordinary profits generated by the sale of Lion Mints to purchase eyeglasses and hearing aids for the needy; send kids to camp; assist the disabled; help school programs and provide support to the community.

The Lion Mints Program is a time-tested and proven fundraising project for Lions Clubs throughout the world. Lion Mints provide visibility for your Club throughout your community. The Lions emblem certifies that the Lion Mints Program is an official Lions Club fundraising activity. Our quality products project a positive image of your Lions Club year around.

Head to lionmints.net to order yours!

Each roll of mints costs you \$0.21 each, when bought by a case.

\$0.42 each when bought by the box

Suggested sale price of \$0.50. A portion of each case bought also

benefits the Lions of PA Foundation!



THINK WELL. FEEL WELL. LIVE WELL.

MENTAL HEALTH

Awareness MONTH

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Let's break the stigma, start the conversation, and support one another.

It's OK to not be OK, but it's NOT OK to not get HELP.

YOU MATTER. YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

HIGHLIGHT LINES

- Your mental health is a priority.
- Talk about it. We listen.
- Be kind to your mind.
- Take care of yourself.
- Support today, stronger tomorrow.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE CONTINUED

District voting was held during the convention and VDG Hunter McVey was elected our new District Governor. Congratulations to Hunter and he will be a welcome force to lead our district forward. I mentioned that our district has Hunter's back and will support his efforts to make our district better than before.

A Lions Necrology service was conducted by our Chaplin Kenny Ashley as a "Service of Remembrance" honoring all the passed Lions in our district.

Thanks also to clubs that paid their semiannual dues despite LCI's shift to electronic notifications via the Portal. Please designate a club administrator with an LCI Portal account to handle dues, membership changes, and service reporting if the current club secretary or president do not have that ability. We're available to assist any club needing help with this setup.

Serious shoutouts and congrats to all the clubs that brought in new members!! Especially Lakemont, Breezewood and Newry. Please consider the accomplishments of these clubs and know every club can do the same thing if you are willing to try. My expectations are high!

I must encourage Lions in our district to consider higher leadership positions. Zone chairpersons are what we need right now and as a former Zone chair myself, it was rewarding and inspiring to meet so many Lions in my Zone which culminated in 2 Zone Social events that were well attended. Learning the Zone Chair position will only take a few hours and with help from so many Lions with experience you will have our support.

Yours in Lionism,
DG Dave Florie



**762 Lions in
District 14-L
Net Gain -5**

OFFICER NOMINATIONS!!

Please do not forget to report your club officers for the 2026-2027 Lions year! President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership/LCIF/Service Chairpersons, and Club Administrators. Please have your officers in the Portal by June so we can get everything set for the upcoming year! Questions? Let us know!

Club Administrator - a non-officer position appointed to assist club presidents and secretaries with technology-based tasks, such as managing member records, service activities, and reporting. This role, which requires no official board vote, provides technical support for the Portal to ensure efficient club operations.

Service Chairperson - is responsible for planning, implementing, and reporting meaningful service projects to meet community needs and LCI's global causes. They foster member engagement, develop local partnerships, and lead the service committee to elevate the club's impact.

Successful District Convention!

What a great District Convention yesterday! Over 70 people in attendance for the seminars, and we know everyone left with a renewed knowledge and excitement. Thank you to all who attended, with a special thanks to Hannah Woodward of Four Diamonds, William Bower and LD Brody of Leader Dogs for the Blind, Past International Director Steve Glass with his wife Cindy, and Terry Stacey from Lakemont for their amazing seminars! What a great day!



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CAMP LIONHEART



"Building confidence and independence in children with diabetes."

July 23-26, 2026
Beacon Lodge
114 PA-103, Mount Union, PA 17066

Check in on July 23 from 3-5 pm
Check out July 26 from 10-12 pm,
unless you would like to attend Popeye
Fleck Fishing at 2 pm.

Camp LionHeart envisions a community where children with Type 1 diabetes are empowered through education, encouragement, and the caring service of the Lions Club.

Mission statement

Camp LionHeart's mission is to empower children living with Type 1 diabetes by providing a safe, supportive, and fun camp experience that builds confidence, independence, and lifelong self-management skills through education, peer connection, and compassionate mentorship

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Cost: \$50 per camper with scholarships available to offset registration costs.

Registration by Visiting
Beaconlodge.org
or
blc.campbrainregistration.com

Attending Camp LionHeart provides a fun and supportive environment where learning about diabetes management is combined with exciting activities such as ziplining, swimming, rock wall climbing, hiking, and creative crafts. Through these experiences, campers build confidence, independence, and friendships while gaining valuable skills to manage their diabetes in everyday life.

Motto: Confident kids. Strong hearts. Limitless future

LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST

Harmony in Humanity
2026-2027

**Calling all young artists
ages 11-13!**
Share your vision of peace
and inspire the world.

GRAND PRIZE:
\$5,000
& trip to the
Awards Ceremony!

**23 MERIT
WINNERS:**
\$500 each!

KITS AVAILABLE
Jan 15 - Oct 1, 2026
CLUB SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Nov 15, 2026
WINNERS ANNOUNCED
By Feb 1, 2027

CREATE. EXPRESS. INSPIRE.
Peace begins with you!

lionsclubs.org/peaceposter | #peaceposter

WELCOME NEW LIONS

Breezewood

Denise Brady
Heather Bridges
Alexis Bryant
Bailey Burkett
Elaine Burkett
Emily Burkett
Tracy Decker
Jamie Fischer
Kenneth Fischer
Sarah Lechner

Chief Logan

Michael Smith

Mill Creek

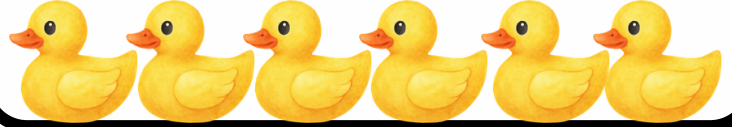
Tracy Crotsley
David Hamman Jr.
Sharon Maines
Teresa Ramsey
Kristi Waite



BEACON LODGE DUCK RACE TICKETS

With PA Lions Appreciation Day coming up on July 19th, we have tickets available for \$5 each! 6 prizes with the grand prize of \$1000. All benefits camp maintenance. Contact Denny Hall for yours!

cuzslab@verizon.net



CLUB ADDRESSES!

If any club officer would prefer mail to go to your club mail/PO box please email us or update your officer contact information through the portal. Some clubs are receiving no invoices or newsletters so this will help alleviate that somewhat.

DISTRICT OUTREACH DUES!

The district outreach invoices were sent out with the January newsletter to all club secretaries. The second half of the year is \$10 per member according to your January 1st member count. Please send in by March 31st.

LEAD TO SERVE - SERVE TO LEAD

One of the greatest strengths of Lions is our global reach and support. As a Lion, you are part of an international network united by a shared commitment to service, with so many resources to support your service journey and help you make an even greater impact.

Being a Lion also opens up a world of opportunities to connect and serve with Lions around the globe in meaningful ways – by attending international events like convention and Lions Day at the United Nations (LDUN), exploring service travel opportunities, taking part in global initiatives such as our Weeks of Service and more.

We are here to help you lead, serve and thrive in your Lions journey – and when we work together, there is no limit to what Lions can achieve.



Together we serve,
A.P. Singh
International President

Cause	Fraction
LCIF General	\$1.25
LCIF Global Causes (Env/Diabetes/Hunger)	\$0.75
Lions of PA Foundation	\$0.65
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp	\$2.15
PA Sight Conservation and Eye Research	\$0.65
PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	\$0.65
Northeast PA Lions Service Foundation	\$1.00
Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation	\$0.30
Leader Dog for the Blind	\$0.75
PA Lions for Guide Dogs	\$0.15
Disaster Fund	\$1.10
Pediatric Cancer/ Four Diamonds	\$0.75
Youth Outreach	\$0.75
Convention Fund	\$1.75
Leadership & Membership Development	\$1.15
District Newsletter	\$0.70
Admin	\$3.00
First Vice DG Expenses	\$1.00
Second Vice DG Expenses	\$0.50
District Camera Fund	\$0.50
PA Care for Kids	\$0.50
Total Contribution per Member	\$20.00

AROUND THE DISTRICT

Allenport - Paid for 3 individuals eye screenings and purchased glasses for one of them, being a 9th grader.

Blairs Mills - Donated \$260 to a community member with Macular degeneration to purchase glasses, \$200 to Leader Dogs, \$200 to Tuscarora Valley Heritage Days. Also donated a Tea Themed basket, prepared and delivered by one of our members, to the PA Lions District 14-L Convention for the Basket Raffle.

Breezewood - Participated in Adopt a Highway.

Everett - installed the second group of Memorial bricks at the Medal of Honor monument at Monument Square in Everett. 116 new bricks were in the group that now totals 247 bricks surrounding the monument. Bricks are still available to purchase at \$50 a piece.

Forbes Road - Held a community Easter Egg Hunt with around 100 participants!

Lakemont - Donated \$200 to the District Disaster Fund.

Saltillo - Hosted their annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Stone Creek Valley - Held their monthly Hootenanny

How your international dues are used

US\$50 utilization based on two-year average of fiscal year 2023 & 2024.



THREE SPRINGS CARNIVAL

The annual Three Springs Homecoming Carnival is the "unofficial" kick-off to Memorial Day weekend and summer vacation in southern Huntingdon county!

Don't skip out on the 2026 Hot Sausage 5K Color Run/Walk... this year's early bird (May 7th) sign-ups will receive a SPECIAL EDITION "America 250" t-shirt! Check out our patriotic Hot Sausy logo below!!



Email threespringslionsclub@gmail.com for more information!

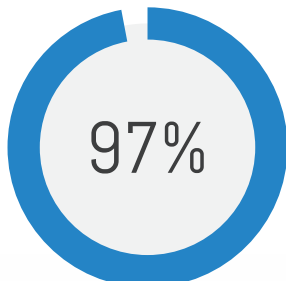
INFORMATION!!

Check out our website, palions14l.org, where we are updating it as information comes in! You can always email us at info@palions14l.org also!

YEARLY DUES

International - \$50
State - \$16
District - \$20

CLUBS IN THE DISTRICT REPORTING SERVICE!



District Service Tally

43,578 People Served YTD
4,209.25 Volunteer Hours YTD
\$108,450.69 Funds Donated YTD
\$163,438.60 Funds Donated YTD

PUT A BANNER AT BEACON LODGE

For the low cost of \$100.00, your Lions Club can be represented by a banner at PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp during the 2026 Camping Season. \$100 will purchase a 2.5-foot by 4-foot vinyl banner. This banner will be put in place at the camp during work weekend in April or May and will remain up during the camping season.

Each additional year your club wants the banner in place will only cost \$50.00 per year. If your club is interested, send your checks made out to Beacon Lodge Camp



POPEYE FLECK

Mark your calendars for this year's Popeye Fleck Memorial Fishing Derby held at the Beacon Lodge! The derby will be held on Sunday, July 26th! Volunteers are encouraged to come at 1PM, with reels being cast at 2PM. Volunteer clearances needed ahead of time. We hope you will be able to support this amazing event!

103RD PA LIONS STATE CONVENTION

District 14-L Lions – Save the Date!

103rd ANNUAL PENNSYLVANIA LIONS CLUBS
STATE CONVENTION

Thursday, May 14 – Sunday, May 17, 2026
Kovalchick Convention & Athletic Complex
711 Pratt Drive, Indiana, PA 15705

If you've never attended a State Convention, this is a great opportunity! It's close to home, full of learning and fellowship, and a wonderful way to see Lionism at work beyond your club. Consider carpooling with fellow club members or even teaming up with another club – it's a fun way to travel and makes attending even easier.

Registration forms will be available in the February newsletter, and your Zone Chairs have also emailed out convention information to help you plan ahead. Registration forms can be downloaded on palions.org, or by contacting us!

We hope to see strong District 14-L representation – let's show our Lion pride!

Pa Lions Appreciation Day

July 19, 2026



Beacon Lodge has designated July 19th as Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day. This is a day to not only recognize Immediate Past Governors and District Liaisons, but also ALL Lions, Lionesses, and Leos for their outstanding support of Beacon Lodge! Join us for a relaxing day getting to know your camp.

When: July 19, 2026

Starting at 9:00am:

- ♦ Camp Store
- ♦ 50/50 Raffle Tickets
- ♦ Basket Raffle

9:00—11:00 Mini Golf

10:00—11:00 Worship Service

11:00—1:30 Pin Traders

11:30 Introduction of IPDG's/
Invocation / Lunch

12:30 The Great Duck Race

1:30 Camper Entertainment

12:30—2:00 Camp Tours

12:30—2:30 Afternoon Activities

3:00 Announcements/ Winners

3:30 End of the day / Benediction

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| ♦ Name That Tune | ♦ 50/50 Raffle |
| ♦ Corn Hole | ♦ Camp Store |
| ♦ Blind Bowling | ♦ Basket Raffle |
| ♦ Mini Golf | ♦ Pin Traders |
| ♦ Fishing | ♦ Worship Service |
| ♦ The Great Duck Race | ♦ Camp Tours |

You are most cordially invited to bring your families to Beacon Lodge for this occasion.

A picnic meal will be prepared and served from 11:30am until 12:30pm. Cost is \$10 per person.

Reservations are required and must be received by June 30, 2025. To purchase tickets, please make check payable to Beacon Lodge with PLAD on the memo line.

Mail to:

Pa Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
114 State Route 103 South Mount Union, Pa
17066

Pin traders are invited!

Clubs planning to attend by bus are urged to give us ample notice so that we may have adequate parking arrangements.

**Pennsylvania Lions
Beacon Lodge Camp**

114 State Route 103 South
Mount Union, Pa 17066

(814) 542-2511

Office@BeaconLodge.org





LIONS SPEAK MADE SIMPLE

COMMON ABBREVIATIONS IN LIONS CLUBS, THE DISTRICT & MULTIPLE DISTRICT



Different letters. One mission. ❤️ We Serve.



IN THE CLUB

CL	Chartered Lion
IP	Immediate Past President
PP	Past President
VP	Vice President
Sec.	Secretary
Treas.	Treasurer
Tail Tw.	Tail Twister
Lion Tamer	Membership Chair
Dir.	Director
GET	Global Extension Team
LCIF	Lions Clubs International Foundation
RC	Resource Center
GMT	Global Membership Team
GLT	Global Leadership Team
GST	Global Service Team
GET	Global Extension Team



It all starts at the club—where every Lion makes an impact!



IN THE DISTRICT

DG	District Governor
VDG	Vice District Governor
PID	Past International Director
PDG	Past District Governor
CS	Cabinet Secretary
CT	Cabinet Treasurer
Zone Chair	Zone Chairperson
Region Chair	Region Chairperson
GET	Global Extension Team Coordinator
GMT Coordinator	Global Membership Team Coordinator
GLT Coordinator	Global Leadership Team Coordinator
GST Coordinator	Global Service Team Coordinator
LCIF Coordinator	LCIF District Coordinator
RC	Resource Center



Leading, supporting and serving across the district.



IN THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT

CC	Council Chairperson
VC	Vice Council Chairperson
GAT	Global Action Team
GMT	Global Membership Team
GLT	Global Leadership Team
GST	Global Service Team
GET	Global Extension Team
LCIF MD Coordinator	LCIF Multiple District Coordinator
MD	Multiple District
Con.	Convention
DGE	District Governor Elect
1VDG	First Vice District Governor
2VDG	Second Vice District Governor
IPDG	Immediate Past District Governor
RC	Resource Center



Uniting districts. Strengthening leadership. Expanding our impact worldwide.



WHY IT MATTERS

Understanding our abbreviations helps us communicate better, lead stronger, and serve together.

Many Roles.
One Purpose.

❤️ We Serve.



SHARE & INSPIRE!

Help new Lions learn the lingo and feel right at home in our incredible organization!



TOGETHER, WE SERVE. TOGETHER, WE CHANGE LIVES.

#WeServe ❤️ *af*

Lion Hunter "Radar" McVey
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Greetings all!

I am writing to inform you that this year's Popeye Fleck Memorial Fishing Derby is scheduled for July 26th at the PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp! The hooks will be thrown in promptly at 2 PM, but we ask any volunteers to be there by 1 PM to help set up everything.

As always without your continued support we could not offer this derby to the campers at the Beacon Lodge, along with being able to stock the fish for every season. Whether it is \$1, \$20, or \$100, you allow us to keep offering this annual event that the campers look forward to every year. All monetary donations can be sent to:

Lion Denny Hall
378 State Street
Mount Union, PA 17066

Please make all checks payable to:
Popeye Fleck Memorial Fishing Derby

We also are constantly needing volunteers the day of to help the campers cast rods, spot fish that caught their bait, and help reel them in. On average, on a slow year, we have 20 campers. This year we are projecting to have closer to 45 campers from both the Adult Camp and Children's Village. Now just like your local schools, Beacon Lodge also requires **ALL** volunteers to have clearances. I am sure you all understand. We ask all volunteers to visit the "**clearances**" tab on dhs.pa.gov/keepkidssafe. From there we only require your PA State Police, Childline, which are **FREE** for volunteers, and FBI Clearances. If you have lived in the same address for 10 years we have a waiver for your FBI clearances you can sign. These clearances are good for 5 year. All clearances are for the

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp, 114 State Route 103 South, Mount Union, PA 17066,
814-542-2511, office@beaconlodge.org

I hope you can be a part of this amazing annual outing. The joy on all the camper's faces will truly remind you why you are a Lion. Feel free to contact me with any questions!