

# DISTRICT 14-L NEWSLETTER

FEBURARY 2026



## A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FLURIE

Greetings Lions in 14-L,

Most people probably wish spring would arrive sooner than six weeks from now, and I don't put any trust in Punxsutawney Phil. Regardless of the chilly weather, we will continue to serve those in need.

Firstly, I would like to express my appreciation to all clubs that participated in the recent weeks of service "hunger" drive. Please ensure your clubs contributions are reported online through the Lions portal so appropriate recognition can be given. At the 3rd Pennsylvania State Council meeting, I had the privilege of working with our First Vice District Governor Hunter Radar McVey and numerous dedicated Lions from across our Commonwealth. Together, we assembled and sealed food bags intended to provide nearly 10,000 meals for families in need throughout the Harrisburg area.

District GLT coordinator and Guiding Lion PDG Dan Clever is collaborating with former Lions and local leaders to revive the Shellsburg Lions Club. We believe the club is on track to exceed the 10-member minimum, which would mark another district win alongside the Shade Gap club success.

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## Upcoming Events

- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Cabinet Meeting @ Newry LC  
400 Lion's Club Road, Roaring Newry, PA, 16665
- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> - Spring Symposium - Harrisburg
- Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - Spring Symposium - Butler
- March 6-8 - RLLI Training in Harrisburg
- March 18<sup>th</sup> - Popeye Fleck Planning Meeting 6:30PM
- March 21 @12:30 - Spring Rally @ Prime Sirloin
- April 11<sup>th</sup> - District Convention @ Juniata Valley HS
- May 15-17<sup>th</sup> - State Convention - Indiana, PA

## PORTAL TRAINING

Open to any and all Lions! We are offering one on one training with the District Administrator to help answer any questions you have with the Portal. Schedule a time and we can talk you through it over the phone or organize a Zoom meeting. Email us at [info@palions14L.org](mailto:info@palions14L.org) to help you out!



**MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING**  
OCTOBER 4-12, 2025

**HUNGER**

**ENVIRONMENT**

OCTOBER 4-12, 2026

January 3-11 2026

APRIL 18-26, 2026

Please have clubs/districts plan accordingly.

## DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE CONTINUED

I am proud to announce our district has 5 Lions set to attend the Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI). Registration ends February 14th so I encourage club presidents to identify a member you believe would benefit from this valuable training opportunity. The district will cover the cost for this event.

When visiting various clubs, I shared how the Lakemont Lions successfully gained 10 new members by holding a "membership blitz" event. I have distributed or mailed most clubs a thumb drive containing the PowerPoint presentation and correspondence templates used by Lakemont. Please think about hosting a similar event using these files. You can customize the PowerPoint by swapping out Lakemont-specific slides with information about your own club. As everyone knows, we need more members and Lakemont proves this program works. If any club needs help tailoring the program or seeking out an appropriate venue for the presentation, please contact me or VDG Hunter.

Coming up this month, our 3rd District cabinet meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 15th at Roaring Spring Lions. The meeting will commence at 1:30pm, followed by lunch. Upon conclusion of lunch, PDG Gary Shetter will convene an honorary committee meeting. I highly encourage each club to be represented by one or two members, as attendance offers the opportunity to observe and participate in significant District activities, including planning for the Spring rally on Saturday, March 21, and preparations for the district convention on Saturday, April 11th. Kindly mark your calendars for these key District events.

Our Club Strength is Lions Strength  
Come Serve with Us

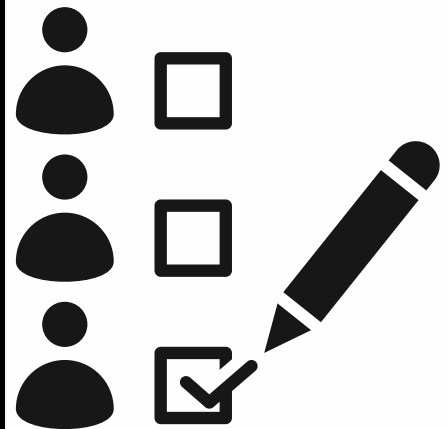
Yours in Lionism,  
*DG Dave Florie*



**753 Lions in  
District 14-L  
YTD -14**

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS!!

It's coming up on the time of year again! March begins the nominations for 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!



## WELCOME NEW LIONS

Blairs Mills

Harry Best

Burnham

Alan & Maria Kratzer

Hyndman Londonderry

Amy Leydig

Michael Mosley

Lakemont

Billie Coffman



## SPRING RALLY - SATURDAY, MARCH 21 @ 12:30

Let's come together for a delicious meal followed by a membership blitz! Lunch is \$16 + beverage, but for every perspective non-Lion member a Lion brings, the non-Lion is free of charge. We will also be giving away two \$25 gas cards, and two \$50 gas cards, one for a Lion who brings a non-Lion, and one for a non-lion who attends the blitz.

Prime Sirloin Buffet - 501 Municipal Dr.

Duncansville, Pennsylvania 16635

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> member count. Please send in by March 31st.

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
<b>Total Contribution per Member</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>

## DISTRICT CONVENTION!!

Mark your Lions Calendar for the District 14-L convention.

**April 11, 2026** at the Juniata Valley high school at Alexandria, PA.

9:00AM opening & welcome, followed by seminars for your information, then lunch, with a chalk art demonstration. Then more seminars in the afternoon, basket raffles, voting, the evening dinner with a creative speaker, and our DG David's presentations.

Be there to celebrate this year's convention.



## LEAD TO SERVE - SERVE TO LEAD

Dear Lion,

Lions are known the world over as being agents of positive change. We identify problems and work to find solutions. Throughout the year, you've made plans. You've focused on growth. You've served. Now it's time to reflect on what worked. And what didn't. By reviewing your areas of strength and adapting to obstacles, you and your club will be able to serve better, serve more and create your path to success.

As you work to serve your community and meet your goals, it's also important to take the time to recognize your achievements. Celebrate each victory with your club, motivate each other – and watch your service impact grow.

Together in service,

Together we serve,  
A.P. Singh  
International President



**Allenport** - held a stuffed chicken breast dinner

### AROUND THE DISTRICT

**Burnham** - Donated \$100 to Mifflin County Conservation Group, \$200.00 to Eagles Babe Ruth little league team, \$100 to the graduation party of Class of 2027

**Cove** - Donated \$200 to a local family with health issues,

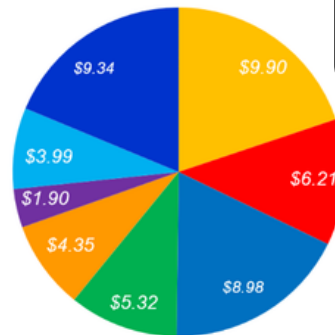
**Forbes Road** - Donated \$250 to Women In Need Operations, , Donated \$250 to Friends of Three Springs Pool.

**Huntingdon** - Donation of \$2,500 to the Huntingdon County Library in memory of Lion Sam Wagner, donation of \$2,500 to Huntingdon Regional 65 Fire Company in memory of Lion Sam Wagner, donation of \$2,500 to United Way for Care Closet, donation of \$2,500 to Veterans Food Bank and a donation of \$10,000 to the Huntingdon County Community Foundation.

**Stone Creek Valley** - Held their annual Hootenanny

### How your international dues are used

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



**YEARLY DUES**  
 International - \$50  
 State - \$16  
 District - \$20

**INFORMATION!!**  
 Check out our website, [palions14l.org](http://palions14l.org), where we are updating it as information comes in!  
 You can always email us at [info@palions14l.org](mailto:info@palions14l.org) also!

**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.

**RENTAL POSSIBILITIES AT BEACON LODGE**  
 Beacon Lodge is actively expanding to operate as a full year-round facility. From September through April, our primary income is generated through off-season rentals, and we welcome a wide variety of groups to enjoy our unique setting. Our camp is available to host Lions Club retreats, Corporate and business retreats, Family reunions and gatherings, Conferences and workshops, Weddings and special events.

If you are interested in renting the camp or would like to discuss specific services and accommodations, please contact:  
 Lion Katlin McVey  
 ☎ 814-542-2511

We look forward to helping you plan your event at Beacon Lodge!



33,318 People Served YTD  
 2,933.25 Volunteer Hours YTD  
 \$65,843.69 Funds Donated YTD  
 \$115,971.31 Funds Donated YTD



## ANNUAL PA LIONS SPRING LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Lions-You are invited to attend! Free & open to all PA Lions. Learn to work with clubs and officers towards being more successful. Space is limited.

Saturday, Feb. 14 9-2:30- Harrisburg

Sunday, Feb. 15 12-5 - Butler

**EMPOWERMENT IS  
THE KEY TO SUCCESS!**



### SESSION TOPICS

CANI: Constant and Never-Ending Improvement  
Marketing – “On a Budget”

Service Projects: Connecting with Community

Team Building/Partnering: We Serve Together

**FREE & OPEN to all MD-14 Lions**

To register, please contact PDG Bill Grager at [billbomzk@gmail.com](mailto:billbomzk@gmail.com) or call (717)615-1974

**Space is Limited!**

**Empowerment is the key to success!**



### **POPEYE FLECK PLANNING MEETING**

To plan this year's annual Popeye Fleck Memorial Fishing Derby, we will be meeting at the Beacon Lodge (114 State Route 103 South, Mount Union, PA 17066) on Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30PM. There will also be a Zoom option.

### **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](http://palions.org), or by contacting us!

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

## GRANT POSSIBILITIES

**North Eastern PA Lions Service Foundation (NEPLSF) [neplsf.org](http://neplsf.org)** - The Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Service Foundation (NEPLSF) helps individuals by funding services, education, and programs that assist members of the disabilities community, with a priority to those with visual and hearing impairments.

**Lions of PA Foundation (LOPF) [lionsofpafoundation.org](http://lionsofpafoundation.org)** - The Lions of PA Foundation is a Pennsylvania-focused organization that helps find and gather the financial and social resources to provide vision aid and hearing aid to local people, fund community projects, and serve the local PA communities, all while serving as a way to donate to local Lions Clubs while still getting to deduct that from your taxes! We serve Pennsylvania's local and community needs by providing finances and resources they require, as well as supporting organizations and projects statewide. We have a strong drive for our mission and dedicated members to this cause. If you wish to join in helping PA locals, read about us and apply for a fellowship on this site.

**Western PA Lions Hearing Foundation [wpalhf.org](http://wpalhf.org)** - The current mission of the Foundation is to purchase auditory devices, especially hearing aids for individuals with significant hearing impairment who would benefit from this technology and who meet certain criteria of the program. We also support charitable programs related to hearing treatment and education.

**Lion Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) [lionsclubs.org/lcif-grants-toolkit](http://lionsclubs.org/lcif-grants-toolkit)**

- Childhood Cancer Grant \$10,000-150,000**
- Diabetes Grants - Districts \$10,000-150,000**
- Disaster Relief: Emergency Grants \$5,000-10,000**
- Disaster Relief: Preparedness Grants \$5,000-15,000**
- District & Club Community Impact Grants**
- Hunger Grants \$10,000-150,000**
- Matching Grants \$10,000-150,000**
- Vision Grants \$10,000-300,000**
- Leo Service Pilot Grant Program \$1,500-5,000**

Contact Constitutional Area I - United States || [USAGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org](mailto:USAGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org)



### NEW UTV FOR BEACON LODGE

There is a photo of the District 14-L NEPLSF board representatives presenting the check for a new utility vehicle for Beacon Lodge. LOPF (10,000.00) and NEPLSF (\$15,000.00) contributed funds for the purchase. Bethlehem Township Lions Club submitted the grant application.



## HOW TO ACCESS THE PORTAL

Head to lionsclubs.org

In the top right corner click on Lion Portal

New users click on Don't Have An Account?

Enter your Name and Email

Head over to your email and look for an email, and check you spam folder.

### Secretaries/Club Administrators

Once logged in click on the "My Club" option.

From here you have a list of options such as Details, Members, Officers, Data Export, Service Activities, and Statements. To add/drop/edit/transfer a member click on "Members".

From here click "Members" and follow the prompts.

To edit your Officers, click the "Officers" tab then click "Manage Officers" and follow the prompts

### Treasurers/Club Administrators

Once logged in click on the "My Club" option.

Click on "Statements" to view current statements from Lions International. On the right side above your total you can pay online. Click on the "Pay with PayPal" or "Pay Now" to pay.

### Service Chairperson/Club Administrators

Once logged in click on the "My Club" option.

Click on "Service Activities" to view your club service metrics.

To report a new service activity click "Create Service Activity" at the right and follow the prompts.

### ALL Lions

1. At the top there is a "Learn" tab. Under it is the "LLC Learning Center". Click it and at the top click the "Learning Library" and learn away! There are many amazing courses here for new and experienced Lions.

2. Under the "Reports/Insights" tab you can view reports about the District and International.

3. Under the "Shop" tab it takes you to the official online store.



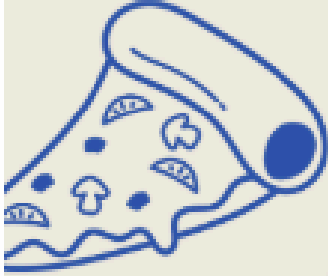
4. Under the "More" tab you can click on "Donate" to donate to LCIF.





District 14-L Present

# Spring Rally



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Saturday, March 21, @ 12:30PM

Prime Sirloin Buffet

501 Municipal Dr. Duncansville, Pennsylvania 16635



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