



## **New Freedom Lions Club Newsletter**

***We Serve***

***Chartered 1933***

***Dist. 14C, Zone 4-B***

***President, Lion Don Weaver***

***March 2024***

### **King's Roar**



Well, we have almost made it to spring! As we shake off winter's icy grip (pre climate change idiom), we can finally look ahead to warmer weather, longer daylight hours and outdoor events. But before we get ahead of ourselves, let's take a look at some of this past month's lions endeavors that warmed our hearts and provided comfort (in the way of soup) for our soul:

Feb 10th Annual Soup Sale - According to Lion Tina, we sold about 134 quarts of soup, half of which were donated to the Well (a food pantry in Glen Rock). Thanks again Tina and all who helped make this event a success.

Feb 15th Annual Give to the Heart Program - NF Lions once again sponsored this program geared toward

## **Roar (continued)**



teaching local elementary school students about charitable giving. This year we donated \$200 per class to each of the three area elementary schools. Thanks to Lions Phil and Becky for chairing/presenting this event and thanks to Lion Ken for your picture taking prowess.

Club Runner is officially launched! - While I know there will be a learning curve, Lion members should be able to communicate more efficiently through the club Runner portal. A big thank you to Lion Ken for all your hard work getting it up and running. I also want to give a shout out to Lion Dan U for creating, managing and updating our previous web page.

For a look ahead, we have a Narcan training event scheduled for our second meeting of March. We also have our zone social on March 26th. And lest we forget, we have started our carnival planning sessions and will continue up to the big event on July 1st.

For a strictly voluntary organization in a small town, I am constantly amazed by the number of fundraising and service projects we are involved in. I am also in awe at the self-sacrifice and hard work performed by our membership, many of whom have paid occupations on top of volunteering. I am grateful to all of you.

King Don (Think Spring!)

# Calendar



## **Lions Club**

[www.newfreedomlionsclub.org](http://www.newfreedomlionsclub.org)

Meetings first & third Tuesday of the month

**(General Meetings at the Community Center at 6:30)**

### **3/5 - Club Meeting**

#### **"Officer Nominations"**

Community Center ~ 6:30 pm

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### **3/19 - Meeting: Open Forum**

#### **+ "Narcana Training Workshop"**

Community Center ~ 6:30 pm

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### **3/20 - "Blood Drive"**

New Freedom Community Center  
10:00 am to 6 pm ~ "see flyer"



### **3/26 - Zone Social**

**Stewartstown Presbyterian Church**

6 pm - "see flyer"

## Calendar cont.



### 4/2 - Club Meeting

#### "Officer Elections"

Community Center ~ 6:30 pm

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### 4/5 - 4/7

#### Beacon Lodge Work Weekend

*volunteers contact Lion Wayne*

Mount Union, PA

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### 4/13 - Stream Cleanup

Meet at Pleasant Ave., New Freedom @ 8:45 am  
Park in Sieling & Jones company parking lot.

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### 4/20 - District Convention

Wyndham Hotel in York, PA

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There will be an exciting update on the missing **Town Clock** in the April Newsletter. But for now, remember to Spring your clocks ahead on Sunday, **March 10th.**



## Blood Drive



# BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> • 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

**New Freedom Lions Club**

**150 E. Main Street, New Freedom 17349**

*In the Social Hall*

**Everyone will receive a Papa John's buy one Large Pizza get one FREE certificate!**



3 ways to schedule your donation appointment:

- go to [717GiveBlood.org](http://717GiveBlood.org) & click on
- call 1-800-771-0059
- scan the QR Code



**FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**



**DONATE NOW**

A form of ID is  
**REQUIRED** to donate

If you aren't able to make it to the Blood Drive, we invite you to visit the Blood Donor Center.

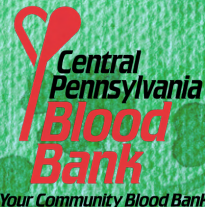
**Apple Hill Donor Center - WellSpan, York**

Apple Hill Medical Center  
25 Monument Road, Suite 198, York, 17403

Please call 717-741-8307 Monday through Friday to schedule an appointment.



- We strongly suggest you schedule an appointment to donate blood. Appointments help us improve your donation experience.
- Walk-Ins are welcome; however, donors with appointments will be taken first and this may result in a significant wait time.





## Zone Social



LIONS, LEOS, & GUESTS OF  
ZONE 4B ARE INVITED TO OUR

# ZONE SOCIAL

& WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION  
TO BENEFIT PA BEACON LODGE

26

MARCH

6:30 PM

STEWARTSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
14 COLLEGE AVE. STEWARTSTOWN, PA  
17363



DINNER:

CHICKEN, STUFFING, MASHED POTATOES &  
GRAVY, GREEN BEANS, TOSSED SALAD, &  
CRANBERRY CRIMSON MOLD

\$18.50/PERSON

CLUBS:

RSVP TO ZC MICHELE LEFLER BY MARCH 12

# 2014 District 14-C Convention



## 2024 District 14-C Convention Lion Marty Zimmerman, District Governor

"Catch the Wave,  
Make a Difference"



Saturday, April 20, 2024  
Wyndham Garden Hotel  
2000 Loucks Road, York, PA 17408

### FEATURED GUEST



International Director  
**Lee Frieze**  
Lions Clubs International

ID Lee Vrieze comes to us from Jim Falls, Wisconsin, and is serving his second year as an International Director. Director Vrieze has more than 40 years experience in the field of information technology. He is currently working as an information technology infrastructure manager. He has received numerous Lions-related awards, including Presidential Medals and Presidential Certificates of Appreciation, and is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. Director Vrieze, will be accompanied by his wife, Lion Mary Vrieze, who is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. They have two children, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

# 2014 District 14-C Convention



## SEMINARS

The Value of Leo Clubs

Phoenix Clubs of 14-C

Stress Relief Through Self-Hypnosis

RAFFLE ITEMS - 50/50 - CABINET MEETING

NECROLOGY - ELECTIONS

Registration Requested by Saturday, March 30, 2024

[CONVENTION DETAILS - CLICK HERE](#)

[CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM - CLICK HERE](#)

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## Donation to the NF Lions



### Spangenberg Home Team, Realtors

Andrew Spangenberg introduced himself and Brandon Rajotte to the members of the New Freedom Lions Club; we are real estate agents. Two years ago we wanted to make a difference in the community and we started the **"Give Where We Live"** program. A portion of our commissions goes to a fund we created. Each year we donate those funds along with our Golf Tournament proceeds to a worthy cause in our community. This is our 3rd year and we chose to partner with the Lions. Our initiative this year is youth. Andrew presented the club with a check for \$7500.00. The club thanked Andrew & Brandon for their generous donation and the funds will go to two of the club's youth designated programs. (Scholarships for seniors at SHS and the Give From the Heart).

Andrew shared with the members they will be hosting a golf tournament on September 9th and will provide us with details. The club will provide volunteers to assist with the tournament and get a Team together to golf.

Andrew stated his group would like to partner with the Lions again in 2024 and will help at the carnival.

King Don thanked Andrew and Brandon for their generous donation and looks forward to partnering with them again.

*from the minutes of Sec. Patti W.*

## ATHENA Leadership Awards



**Fox 43 (1/24/2024)**

YORK COUNTY, Pa. — Excellence, community service and leadership: those are the core values of the [ATHENA Leadership Awards](#).

Every year, the [York County Economic Alliance and the Women's Business Center Organization](#) team up to recognize one woman who exemplifies those traits.

This year, the honor goes to **Jackie Summers** of Penn-Mar Human Services.

"Truly, truly humbled and just so deeply honored to be counted among this ATHENA sisterhood of outstanding women leaders," Summers said. "At the core, I feel like servant leadership is such a great part of who they are and I feel so, so grateful that I'm a part of that and recognized among them."

Summers has spent decades volunteering and working in the nonprofit sector in York County.

She currently serves as the senior director of development for Penn-Mar, helping to support adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

[fox43.com](http://fox43.com)

# Soup-er-Sales



February 10, 2024

## **NF Lions Event**

***Soup and Broom Sales*** for Super Bowl Sunday  
at the **Trinity United Methodist Church**



On February 10, 2024, the New Freedom Lions Club held their "Soup"er Bowl Soup Sale. We sold 138 quarts of chicken corn and beef vegetable soup. 68 of those quarts were donated to The WELL, a local food pantry in Glen Rock, PA and they were able to feed 149 people!



Thank you **Lion Tina Miller** for being head chef.



# "Give From the Heart"

*February 15, 2024*



New Freedom Lions Club  
Southern York County School District  
**Give From the Heart!**



## Fourth Grade Classes

Southern

Friendship

Shrewsbury  
Elementary



Thanks goes out to our Lions'; program chair, **Phil Olphin** and **Becky Senft** as the MC of the event.

On February 15, 2024, we participated in our club-sponsored **Give From the Heart Program**. The club donates \$100 to each of the 4th grade classes at Friendship Elementary, Shrewsbury Elementary, and Southern Elementary (this year we were able to donate \$200 to each class). The students research local non-profit organizations, present to their classmates why their organization should receive the funds, and then the class votes on which organization to donate to. The sole purpose is to inspire the youth and teach them it feels good to give to others. Fulfilling our Lions' motto: **WE SERVE!**

This year's organizations receiving donations were Animal Rescue, Inc., York County SPCA, York County Food Bank, Olivia's House, Pen Mar Services, Children's Home, and Veterans Outreach.

**Note:** Lion Ken Varteresian took some professional looking pictures of the kids but they couldn't be used because of children protection laws. **Sorry Lion Ken.**

## Lion's Tail (2/20/24)



**Bruce Norton** from **Families Renewed**. They step in to provide resources when the family unit is in crisis



I think the more you can kind of decrease yourself and kind of increase other people's stories and give them the light, I think that's what it's all about. Whether it's community service or giving back to the community in different ways or helping people, it's not about yourself. ~ **Devin McCourty**



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