

## Feasterville-Trevose Lions Club, District 14A WINTER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Keeping you informed of what we do in making our Community a better place to live.

"Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together"—Vesta M. Kelly

Since our the last newsletter, here is a short summary of things we've accomplished (a little sparse this quarter, as we did not have any meetings in November; and no Board Meeting in December):

√ We estimate that Our Service Activity Report, period from July 2022 to December 2022 shows a total of 1.6k people served, completing 26 service activities, and a total of 607 volunteer hours performed. These numbers represent the evidence of our engagement, how we are making a difference in the Feasterville-Trevose community.

√ Also, at the October 25th Dinner meeting Lion Tom Vasek was acknowledged by letter from the Wills Eye Hospital for bringing snack foods to the Ronald McDonald House. Tom also volunteered to coordinate donations of children's clothing (new or "gently used").

√ Several Lions participated in Boscov's Friends Helping Friends in November & December: Donna, Tom, Elliot, Peter, Jonnie, Kathy, Jeanine, Sahil and Vicki. THANK YOU!

√ Recent new Feasterville-Trevose members: Jonni Bondarenko and Suresh M. Patel.

 $\sqrt{}$  In December 2022 our Club donated \$250 worth of gift cards to a family in need in response to a fire in their residence.

 $\sqrt{}$  At the January 10 Board Meeting we approved a \$250 donation to the North East Lions Club who is coordinating relief assistance to members of four families who suffered fire damages to their homes in the Tacony, Philadelphia area. We also supported the Newport Fire House Bingo fund raiser, to be held on Saturday, February 25, 2023.

 $\sqrt{\text{Also}}$ , at this meeting we approved the purchase of 130 tickets to the Trenton Thunder for a game to be held on Sunday, July 30 beginning at 5 p.m. This fund-raiser has always been successful in the past and encourage our members to attend. A fun evening of entertainment. Tickets are being offered at \$10. For further information, please contact Lion Tom Vasek 215-499-7907.



Scenes from our December 20 Holiday Party at the Shagun Restaurant in Bensalem A fun-time and enjoyable meal for all.





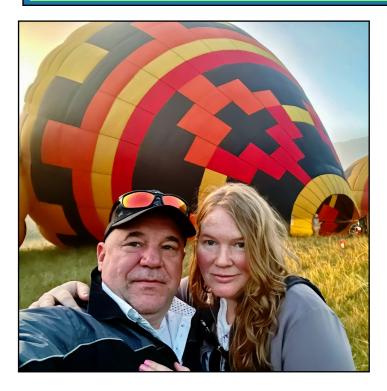








## Member Spotlight: JONNI BONDARENKO



I was born in Willingboro, New Jersey, but grew up in Colorado. For a short time during my youth, we had a small ranch in the mountains with a couple of horses. I loved the freedom I had as a child, playing and exploring on my own, and being trusted to come home in time for dinner.

All my life, I have been fiercely independent. I enjoyed ballet and jazz dance, and competitive cheerleading in high school. During my senior year of high school, I also attended night school to become a manicurist, and worked in a salon while I was in college. I graduated from the Colorado Institute of Art in 1995, and

secured a job as a graphic designer in a Denver advertising agency, soon after graduation. In my late 20's, I moved to York, Pennsylvania, and continued working in the advertising industry as an art director. While in York, I reunited with my love of dance, and became certified to teach a fitness dance class called Group Groove. I taught a few classes a week at the gym, including a mixed strength and cardio class. Because I love all things creative, I also enjoy singing... especially karaoke. In 2009, I had to reinvent myself after the advertising agency I worked for had to close down. This is when I learned about public adjusting, and found it to be a great career change that provided the security I needed in an uncertain economy.

It was at that public adjusting firm that I met my husband, Peter. The two of us now have our own public adjusting firm that we founded together in 2017. Our company, PB Adjusting, was founded the same year we were married. A few years ago, Peter encouraged me to pursue my fine art, and I had an art show at a winery, which resulted in five of my pieces being sold. We enjoy working and playing together. There are many epic journeys on our travel bucket list. I keep my creative spark alive by photographing our adventures, and each year I design a journalistic photo book to document everything we experienced. My goal is to visit each of the seven continents in my lifetime. Africa was number three, and we have four more to go! Perhaps South America (Peru) will be the next.

In January 2023 I proudly joined the Feasterville-Trevose Lions Club, a new adventure!