The COVID-19 Pandemic temporarily shaped our lives. Then, a bright light shined on our agency’s creativity & undying commitment to serve our clients and here’s how we persevered…….

"I appreciate all the help the LBA gives me, taking me for my COVID vaccine, and the compassion that Kelly, my caseworker, shows me ~Madeline Cherundolo, Old Forge

One of the best days of my life is when I reached out to the Lackawanna Blind Association and I was interviewed by a Social Worker, Mary Claire Boylan, who became my advocate, my support and my friend. She is compassionate, considerate and empathetic. She is my right hand woman and makes my life so much easier. Rose DeSarro, Moscow

The mission of the Lackawanna Blind Association is to support and promote the interests of the blind and visually impaired, and the prevention of avoidable blindness.

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The 34th Annual William J. Jordan, M.D. Memorial Swing for Sight Golf Tournament was held on June 21 at the Glen Oak Country Club in Clarks Summit. Special thanks go to our major sponsors, Northeastern Eye Institute, FNCB Bank and Kriger Construction, Inc./Richard Mellow Electrical Contractors Corp. and to our corporate sponsors, Northeastern Security Systems, North Penn Charitable Foundation, Ayers Supply, Inc., and Shoprite of Daleville & Mt. Pocono. Thanks also to our event Co-Chairs, Dr. William J. Jordan, Jr. and Jerry Champi, committee members, volunteers, and all who came out to golf! The tournament raised an estimated $38,000. The proceeds from this event will help the agency continue our programs for the blind & visually impaired throughout Lackawanna County.

A beautiful day on the course! Thank you golfers for your support!!!
**Annual Board Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of our Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, June 29 at Coopers Seafood Restaurant in Scranton.

Pictured at right, from left, seated: Noreen Burke, Board Chair; Richard Green, Client Rep; Ellen Rudis, new member. Standing: Atty. Jerry Musheno, Past Chair; Mary Lou Wascavich, Executive Director; Paula DePeters, Vice-Chair; Leigh Fennie, Secretary; Joe Barrasso, Treasurer.

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**The Sun, UV Light and Your Eyes**

Ultraviolet (UV) light can harm your eyes

Too much exposure to UV light raises your risk of eye diseases and other problems. Here are a few of the eye conditions you can avoid by wearing sunglasses:

- **Cataracts** and **eye cancers** can take years to develop. Each time you bask in the sun without eye protection, you increase your risk of serious disease. Babies and children need to wear hats and **sunglasses** for this very reason. People of all ages should take precautions whenever they are outdoors.

- **Growths on the eye**, such as **pterygium**, can show up in our teens or 20s. Surfers, skiers, fishermen, farmers and others who spend long hours under the midday sun or near rivers, oceans and mountains are at risk.

- **Snow blindness**, a form of **photokeratitis**, can quickly develop after exposure to UV reflections off of snow, ice, sand or water.

**Protect your eyes from sun damage in every season**

Many sunglasses shoppers forget to check the UV rating before purchasing a pair. **Be sure to select sunglasses** that provide 100% UV or UV400 protection, or block both UV-A and UV-B rays. If you’re unsure, check out our **recommended types of sunglasses**.

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Information courtesy of the American Academy of Ophthalmology
https://www.aao.org/eye-health/tips-prevention/sun
Volunteers needed!

- Want to make a difference in your world today?
- Hoping to set a good example by volunteering your time and skills?
- Have an extra hour or so that you would like to spend in the company of grateful individuals?

Consider becoming a Friend of the Blind and volunteering with LBA this year! You just might be surprised how much you enjoy it!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

85th Annual Dream Game
High School All-Star Football Game
Wednesday, July 21, 2021
(Rain date: 7/22/2021)
7:00 p.m.
Valley View Football Stadium
In Peckville
Tickets: $10
Sponsored by the Scranton Lions Club
for the benefit of the Lackawanna Blind Association

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