



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **North Central Sight Services, Inc. Twenty-Seventh Annual Lions Appreciation Night A Success**

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Lions Appreciation Night, sponsored by North Central Sight Services, Inc., was held Monday, October 3rd at the Genetti Hotel and Convention Center. Nineteen Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs from Clinton, Lycoming, and Sullivan counties were in attendance.

The evening's activities are designed to honor the area Lions, Lioness, and Leo Clubs for their commitment to the programs and services of the agency. Since the first event held in 1984, the area clubs have given more than \$562,000 towards: the agency's lions memorial trust, vehicle replacement fund, equipment purchases, eye care services, radio reading service and equipment, public education, "new visions" expansion and renovation project, beacon lodge camp scholarships, and general programming needs.

At this year's Lions Appreciation Night, \$17,200 was pledged by the clubs in attendance from the three county area. With this commitment, these clubs have now given in excess of \$580,000 toward the programs and services of the local agency. 14G District Governor Bud Harris said, "This is a partnership, an event that benefits both North Central Sight Services and the clubs that make a commitment to their programs."

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Harris continued that “We must not lose sight of our core values which reflect the 1927 challenge by Helen Keller – “Go forth and be knights for the blind!”

“We expect several additional pledges from clubs who weren’t able to be with us,” said Robert B. Garrett, NCSS President/C.E.O. “This is a great event,” said Garrett. “The Lions, Lioness and Leo Clubs have a chance to learn more about our work and are always so generous,” Garrett said.



Left Photo: 14G District Governor Bud Harris, NCSS President/CEO Robert Garrett and NCSS Immediate Past Board Chair William Daniels, III.



Right Photo: NCSS VP of Operations Jamie Snyder, NCSS President/CEO Robert Garrett, NCSS Associate/Guest Speaker Steve Britton with his wife, Krystie Britton and NCSS Immediate Past Board Chair William Daniels, III

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