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Vice Council Chair MD14 2019 - 2020
District Governor 14-P 2019 - 2020

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February 15th, 2020; 9:00 A.M. Cabinet Meeting Minutes

District Governor Marilyn Wagner called the meeting to order on Saturday, February 15th at 9:00 AM with a salute to the flag, and one verse of America. The Invocation was made by District Chaplain Lion Doris Haley. Those members in attendance were DG Marilyn Wagner, 1st VDG Arthur Pecht, 2nd VDG Gary Hilbert, IPDG David Hunsberger, ZC Patrice Crammer, ZC John Day, Lion Doris Haley, Lion Barry Marteny, Lioness Linda McCue, PDG Gus Meyer, ZC Susan Prutzman, PDG Phil Shober, Lion Barbara Smith, PDG David Smith, PDG Kenneth Snyder, Lion Terry Stamm, PDG Richard Taylor, PDG Stephen Wagner, Lion Barry Yerger and Lion Linda Long.

Parliamentarian- First order of business is to please turn your phones off if you have not done so already. The business and affairs of District 14-P cabinet meeting will be held in accordance with the constitution and bi-laws and policy manual of District 14-P and Lions International Constitution and bi-laws. Nothing in our manual should supersede the International Constitution and Bi laws. Anything not covered by their manual will be conducted by Roberts Rules of Order.

Introduction of Guests: The Secretary of Rehersburg, Lion Brian Haag; Lion Toby Gelman from West Goshen Lion Clubs; Lion Tim Mills the new administrator from the Blandon Lions Club; and Lion Paula Hilbert spouse of 2nd VDG Gary Hilbert from the Boyertown Lions Club who is also our district baker.

Also, in attendance. PDG Robert Argot, Lion Adele Argot and PDG Charles Finney.

District Governor Report: Welcome to this third Cabinet Meeting of the 2019 – 2020 Lions Year – hard to believe how quickly time is passing by but finally beginning to work on Goals other than MyLion for the remainder of this year!

As of today, I have visited 38 of our current 40 Lions Clubs; all 3 of our Lioness Clubs – sad to say with little success in encouraging them to use the Bridging Program offered by LCI until June 2021, and 3 of our Leo Clubs. I am in awe of the service all are continuing to provide in their communities as well as happy to see a number of New Projects being introduced across our District Clubs – more visitations and more partnership being made.

We still struggle with Service Reporting but the number of participating Clubs is on the increase and I remain hopeful of achieving the Goal of 85% of our Clubs reporting at least one Service project this year – I know that First Vice District Governor

Art has offered his services to Clubs for one on one training and I have also met with a couple of Club Secretaries to do the same. I am also heartened to see some of our Clubs appointing a Club Administrator to assist the Secretary with using the new technology and our largest Club submitted an M&A for the first time in 18 months this past December following such an appointment! I have been trying to encourage Clubs to follow that example if the Secretary is not interested in “that side of things”.

The Certified Guiding Lion Workshop, originally scheduled for November 2019 is now being held on Saturday, March 7th 2020 at the Good Life Financial Building on Lancaster Pike in Shillington – currently I have 4 Lions who are re-Certifying and 3 Lions who will be Certifying for the first time.....if we are to grow as a District - we do need to add to our Group of Lions who are willing to accept and have the potential to be assigned for a two year term to assist clubs that are either newly chartered, established or determined as priority designation. If anyone else in our group gathered here today is willing to attend that Training, please let me know by the end of this meeting, as I have a couple more Workbooks with me so you can be prepared for the Workshop.

Advisory Team Zone Chair Training was also delayed due to the fact the new Manuals were not actually released until December 2019.....though I would add that I applied for and did receive the District Development Grant of \$500 to cover any expenses for Training Programs we have already held or might implement before the end of this year.

I attended the State Council Meeting #3 in State College last weekend, along with our Vice District Governors and would like to share a few items that were approved by our Council of Governors and also other items that were shared with us at the meeting:

I am going to begin with the announcement just a few days before leaving for Council the Advisory Team chose Leo Margaret Degler of the Avon Grove Charter School Leo Club as our District 14-P Leo of the Year from the entries I received. Her application was forwarded to Council Chair Bill Morgan as our Candidate for the Multiple District 14 Leo of the Year.and I am delighted to announce that Leo Margaret Degler was later selected by the 2019 – 2020 Council of Governors as the Multiple District 14 Leo of the Year. Council Chair Bill has now submitted her application to LCI to join the list of applicants being considered for the high honor of becoming the 2019 – 2020 International Leo of the Year.

Details of when and where she will be presented with her MD14 award will be forthcoming, but she will be presented with our District Award at our State Convention in April

Dates to keep in mind:

- February 24, 2020 is the last date applications for the Regional Lions Leadership Institute must be with State GLT Deb Burkholder. I delivered two applications to the State Council Meeting and both were accepted. This year our attendees will be:
 - Greg Crammer, President of the Spring Township Lions Club and
 - Chrissy Smaltz, President of the Parkesburg Lions Club.
 - Both Lions have expressed a real interest in developing their knowledge

base as Lions and I look forward to seeing their progress in the future.

- March 31, 2020 – is the last date to submit our application for District 14-P Lioness of the Year – and I will be seeking assistance from our Lioness Coordinator Linda McCue on that one.

Other items of note are:

- The Multiple District of Pennsylvania endorsed PID Douglas Alexander as First Vice President of Lions International and as candidate for 2020 – 2021 International President – this action came about because of the recent tragic loss of First Vice President Judge Haynes Townsend.
- The Council and Vice District Governors were given a presentation by the Kalahari Resort and Convention Center to support our bid for the 2024 USA Canada Forum being held there. Council then approved that our Multiple continue to work with the resort in an effort to present a serious bid for the Forum.
- The task force working on a new PA Lions Website presented a final version to Council. It is complete and ready to go live. The switch will be made once the webmaster is familiar with the new controls – but I feel it will be much sooner than the original date of July 1, 2020.
- There will be two (2) Ballots questions put before the State Convention Delegates – details of which will be published in the Lion Eyes and distributed to our Club Presidents and Secretaries. So, if you are attending our State Convention this year be sure you have your signed delegate form with you in order to make your voice heard.
- The Council of Governors approved the addition of two new State Coordinators – the first was a Childhood Cancer Chair and the second a KidSight Chair. IPDG Keldeen Stambaugh of District 14-T applied for and was approved to be the Childhood Cancer Chair and the State Office will be seeking Letters of Intent from our Multiple Districts for the KidSight Chair
- There were also a number of revisions coming out of the Constitution and Bylaws committee – one worthy of mention is the increase to the State Allowances for our First and Second Vice District Governors – currently they stand at \$100 and \$50 to attend a Council Meeting – Effective July 1 2020 they will change to \$200 and \$100.

Respectfully submitted: District Governor Marilyn Wagner.

Secretary Report: Secretary requested that everyone in attendance initial the sign in sheet (**red folder**) and that there was a folder to place cabinet report after the presentation (**blue folder**). There are extra agendas (**green folder**) in case you forgot to bring yours. Everyone is requested to come to the front to make your report in order that the tape recorder pick the report and if you are making or seconding a motion you should tell us who you are first so that I can identify you.

Approval of 11/9/2019 Cab meeting minutes: A motion was made IPDG Dave Hunsberger to approve the minutes of the November 9th cabinet meeting. This motion was seconded by Lion Barry Martiney. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report: On the close of business on February 13, 2020, The PA Lions District 14-P had a balance of \$21,867.09. All club dues were invoiced for the second half of this Lions year with 7 (seven) clubs unpaid. Total dues budgeted \$4,468.00 and collected \$4,100.00. Total outstanding is \$316.00 under budget income of \$88.84.

The following transactions occurred from my last report to the Cabinet on November 9, 2019.

Administrative:

Income:

\$1,894.00 District Dues
500.00 LCI Grant for GMT Budget
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\$2,394.00 Total Income .

Expenses:

\$ 6.95 Postage, Supplies (Lion Paula's Name badge)
100.00 Sunshine Committee (Beacon Lodge)
500.00 Cabinet Meetings (St. Thomas Church 2018-19 donation)
161.25 Campus Club LCI dues
399.00 District Convention (250.00 Hall Rental + \$149.00 Basket
Raffle tickets 2500)
64.50 1st. VDG Expenses
100.00 2nd VDG Expenses
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\$1,331.70 Total Expenses

\$1,062.30 Difference in the black
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Charities:

Income:

\$1,750.00 Beacon Lodge Total
1,550.00 Berks Deaf and Hard of Hearing
700.00 Bing Miller Foundation
400.00 Diabetes Awareness/ Research
1,661.00 DG Marilyn Project PA Lions Care for Kids, 4 Diamond.
(\$25.00 collected in first quarter – total so far \$1,686.00)
250.00 Kidsight
700.00 LCIF
1,400.00 Leader Dog for the Blind
1,050.00 Lions Eye Bank of the Delaware Valley
1,000.00 Hearing Research Foundation
1,500.00 PA Lions Sight Research Foundation
2,750.00 Vision Resource Center of Berks
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\$14,711.00 Total

-400.00 Diabetes Awareness/Research funds remain in account
(Total in acct \$5,195.00)
-361.00 DG Project remain in account

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\$13,950.00 Charities payout

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\$13,975.00 Total Charities Expenses 11/8/2019 to 2/13/2020

All charities collected were distributed on behalf of the donating clubs.

\$5,002.14 total in Disaster relief fund 2018

\$ 559.05 Total in the Youth Exchange Program.

Respectively submitted: PDG Richard T. Taylor, Treasurer.

Approval of the Treasurer Report: Lion Patrice Crammer made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report. PDG Steve Wagner second the motion. Motion Carried.

First Vice District Governor Report: I wanted to get this report in before I left for Chicago. After having some doubt and talking to the leadership of the District I am back. I will not be going to the international convention. That being said I cannot Thank DG Marilyn enough for her leadership and always there even if it is just to listen. I visited the West Goshen Lions Club for a program on Leader Dog. What a great club. I talked about some district areas also. We had a good conversation about MyLion, and they were very supportive of the district 50/50 fund raiser. They are getting organized for white cane since the passing of PDG Don Bigler.

The VDG had a retreat in the beginning of January. Besides learning we had great fellowship and fun.

On Feb 7-9 my wife and I traveled to State College for the 3 Council meeting for the year 2019-2020. We had a very good speakers about diabetes, PID Brown.

Then I left for St. Charles IL on Feb 10-14. The classes were phenomenal. Made lots of friends and I really felt I bonded more with my vice district governors from PA. Beside the wealth of knowledge I received and the friends I made it sure felt good to be home. Besides my own bed I am looking forward to a home cooked meal.

One of the things we as district need to decide is: are we going to participate is the Nami (North American Initiative for Membership) program from LCI. This program is about adding more members in North America. We have only until Feb 28 to decide. This is being done because of the fear that International Headquarter will move to India. It has been 39 years since membership has grown in the United States (1981). Every year we lose people because they are aging out and pass away which averages out to 3% a year.

We are working together to continue certain policies as a steppingstone. Sometimes you cannot achieve your goal in one year. The next person coming in hopefully will try and carry that through. I do plan to try and do that. We need to try and add membership. There are many things out there: Ask One, looking for groups of people. There was a gentleman there from Delaware who has added over 140 members to his club. His club started out as a branch club in Claymont DE and now is their own club. The people that we dealt with are people who are community service

oriented. So, whether it is a car group; people to like to canoe who could get involved cleaning a river. It is not necessary that it has to fall into traditional clubs, but we need to take a stand and make a positive stand to turn our membership around. We need to make a decision whether we are going to do this or not. We do need to supply a person name and their member ID with the position.

1st VDG Art states that both the position of President and third Vice Presidents were both contested elections. Kindness Matters is the late 1st VP Haynes Townsend motto which International is going to continue this year. If you have to make a choice between something and kindness, there will rather you make the decision on kindness. Kindness Matters; VDG Art

Second Vice District Governor Report: Greetings Fellow Lions,

I will start my report today knowing our 1stVDG Art is attending DGE training in St. Charles, Illinois. My thoughts are with him and wait in anticipation of his sharing with us about his time with other DGE around the world. Why ? Because in one year from now I will be attending the same event.

But in the meanwhile, serving as 2ndVDG has been an incredible experience. Since our last Cabinet meeting I have spent time with my DG class in Harrisburg on Jan. 3-5, 2020 for our VDG training. Also, joining my fellow Lions in State College for Council meeting #3 on Feb. 7-8.

Learning in a classroom setting with your peers is fantastic but not the only way. LCI provides many tools at our fingertips to learn about Lionism in my personal classroom and at my own pace. Everything from eBooks to webinars to Lions Learning Center will help you grow. Also, during these winter months I continue to visit our District clubs as time allows. Thank you to those clubs for your gracious hospitality.

Our District 14P is looking for a candidate for 2ndVDG to be nominated and elected at our Convention on April 25. If this interests you, Please ask me about my experience. I'd be happy to share. (More info about convention can be found in February issue of Lion Eyes). Respectfully submitted, 2ndVDG Gary Hilbert.

IPDG Report: - no report.

GLT Coordinator – no report

GMT Coordinator: Welcome to the second half of Lions year 2019-2020. I have terrific news to share. Your District 14P is one of just a hand full of Districts in Pennsylvania to be on the plus side in membership. Our name was in lights at State Council Meeting #3. To date we are a +6. The confetti is flying. Despite December drops and deaths (yes, I said that). I've heard all the reasons why people don't want to volunteer. Yet many of you continue to grow your clubs and broaden your service. For clubs who are struggling, Please call me or any District Officer. There are 40 active clubs and over 1100 members. We are willing to share our ideas. Would you like to have a District wide membership workshop? This is something we can do at our District Convention. Maybe just a onetime club event. How about we just go back to basics and "Ask1". We can and will grow. The future is in our hands. 2ndVDG Gary Hilbert; Glh40@comcast.net; 610-468-4788

GST Coordinator: No additional report at this time. Please continue to be patient with MyLion. I am happy to see a growing number of clubs reporting their service and activities.

Please keep in mind my year-long goals as you move into the second half of this year.

1. Contribute to regularly report service activities year-round, each month
2. Support the ongoing partnership with Four Diamonds
3. Participate in district-wide service activities as they present themselves (hint: keep an eye on emails and Lion Eyes)
4. Add at least one additional hands-on service activity this year that your club hasn't tried before!
5. Ask for help when needed- let me know how your service journey is going and where you need support
6. Make sure you have a service chairperson at your club- someone that will be the advocate and manager of service in your club.

ZONE CHAIR

Zone Chair 1A – No Report.

Zone Chair 1B -As of today I have visited with all of the clubs in my zone on multiple occasions except Alvernia. I am building friendships in each club, offering to help with their projects and keeping in touch with them outside of meetings. I am happy to report that most of the clubs are trying new things and working with other clubs and play to their strengths.

Exeter Lions:

Exeter reports on time and provides great detail. Membership is consistent at 36. Exeter had a joint meeting with the Shillington Lions Club on November 21st to share ideas. 13 of their members attended. Since the beginning of the Lion year, July 2019 Exeter has reported on MyLion they have served 17,525 people, has 46 service projects, 1,953 volunteer hours and donated \$6,155.

Exeter had the following fundraisers between Nov 1, 2019-January 31, 2020:

- Pancake breakfast
- Mint sales
- White cane days at Redners
- Sight Letter

Exeter is a very service-oriented club. Below are some of their remarkable service projects:

- Peace Poster contest
- Dictionaries to all third graders in the Exeter Township school district, the Antietam school district, St. Catherine's and Berks Christian. Together they distributed over 400 dictionaries at the cost of \$860.
- Highway cleanup
- Exeter food pantry and distribution of food to families in need.
- Christmas food bag give away. Serviced 78 families/325 people.
- Transport for sight impaired

- Assisting local libraries by shelving books
- Organizing books, toys and plush animals for local schools
- Medical equipment pick up and distribution
- Flower and shrub landscaping at a local church
- Prepare and serve dinner to homeless families
- Exeter Toy Giveaway
- Toys for Tots supporting the Exeter Leo club

Exeter will be having their spaghetti dinner on Saturday, February 22nd at Schwarzwald UCC Church from 4-7pm. See Lion Linda for tickets.

Reading Pagoda Lions:

I've met with Reading Pagoda a few times. I am not receiving reports. I made contact with the Reading YMCA about vision screening opportunities for the club. I am waiting to hear back. To date, there is nothing new to report since my last report.

Shillington Lions: (Associate Member)

The Shillington club recently met with the Mohnton Cumru Lions Club to discuss working together on projects. The meeting was well attended by 30+ lions. Both clubs shared their service projects and agreed to work together on Community Days. Community Days is a 7 daylong event that requires a considerable amount of dedication. The issue that brought both clubs together boils down to needing more hands-on membership, not membership in general. Both clubs have strengths to play off one another and are open to working together to get big projects done successfully. Shillington reports 35 members to date. One member, Gerrie Golden passed away recently. Her son, Cole is also a member of the club.

Service activities include but are not limited to: (not being reported in MyLion)

- Hearing screening
- KidSight vision screening
- Environmental service
- Mary's Shelter collections
- Collection of soda tabs, glossy magazines, postage stamps, Redner's receipts, eyeglasses, hearing aids, and baseball caps
- Collection and distribution of medical equipment
- Transportation of the elderly
- Meals on Wheels
- Tutoring (reading)
- Pro Bono legal assistance
- Car donation

They maintain a very strong presence in the community and on social media. They were recently in the Reading Eagle for their car donation for charity program. Reporting to MyLion is incomplete and needs to be addressed considering the amount of service the club does. M&A reports are being received regularly and on time by the club secretary Dan Lubus.

Wernersville Lions:

I continue to struggle with this club. There is no reporting being done either on MyLion or directly to this zone chair. I know this club assisted in an Angel Tree project in

December serving around 400 people by providing gifts to children of incarcerated parents. These are service projects that need to be celebrated. This club met in October and then again in January for the District Governor visitation with no meeting in November or December, however the members do coordinate by telephone or face to face if no meeting is in place. I continue to attempt to reach out personally to members of this club with little result. The club recently lost member Dave Wenger due to passing. Unfortunately, membership for this club will not grow if they continue to go unseen by the community.

Mohnton Cumru Lions:

Reporting by the Mohnton Cumru club is not consistent on MyLion or in general. The club is doing a lot of different activities, they are just not being reported. The last report I received was for December 2019. I continue to visit with this club regularly and stay in touch easily with members outside of meetings. I asked Secretary Gwen Burgis to be added to her distribution list for the minutes/newsletter. President Karl Stamm is planning on attending the upcoming Guiding Lion training. I distributed information to him for the training at one of their meetings.

The club is holding a new fundraiser in the way of a music festival on June 27th. I was invited to attend the next meeting for the festival committee.

I was asked to do a presentation on KidSight at the February 20th meeting.

The club dropped one member in January and gained 2 new members. The club's membership is at 38. Meetings are well attended. They continue to have nice programs and invite other clubs to attend. The Spring Township lions have attended at least 2 of their meetings upon invitation.

This club is looking for new service opportunities and very open to trying new things.

Spring Township Lions:

Service is being reported on MyLion. To date the club has reported 10,893 people served, 87 service activities completed, 1,353 volunteer hours and \$4,442 donated. The club reports 31 members as of January 2020.

Service activities include the following but are not limited to:

- KidSight vision screening
- Support services for the blind or visually impaired
- Meals on Wheels
- Food bank collection and distribution
- LIFE House support
- Eyeglass collection and recycling
- Peace Poster
- Wilson Leo club support
- Humane Society Walk for Animals
- Halloween parade
- Transportation of medical equipment

The club continues to have nice programs and is inviting other clubs and the public in general to attend meetings for the programs via Facebook. The club recently had a program about Books By Kids with the City Cuts Barbershop and invited people from local salons and barbershops to attend. 2 guests from local shops attended and the club donated \$500 to the project. The program was created by the owner of City Cuts to

promote reading and confidence in children who come to the shop for a haircut. The children are encouraged to pick out a book of their liking and read aloud to the barber while he cuts their hair. At the end of the haircut, the barber “pays” the child \$3 for reading. It is a very successful community service project and has been featured on the local and national news. City Cuts would like to extend this program to others and help them implement it in their shops or salons. They donated 2 boxes of books to the guests and will stay in contact to help them get their own project off the ground. The club would like to support the local shops starting this program by collecting books and spreading the word.

Spring Township will be holding their pancake breakfast on Saturday, February 29th at Applebees in Wyomissing from 8-10am. I have tickets!

March 3rd there will be a presentation on Gettysburg and the Civil War. The club invited the public to attend and invited other clubs as well.

This club maintains a strong presence on social media.

Conrad Weiser Lions:

This club has begun sending M&A reports. MyLion reporting is inconsistent. However, I am very pleased to be seeing reports on email of what this club is doing. The club reports 72 members. Typical meetings will have 20+ members in attendance.

Projects being reported are as follows:

- Christmas tree sale
- Food basket delivery
- Euchre tournament
- Purchase of mobility device for a local resident
- Donating \$1,000 to a resident with health issues
- Roadside cleanup

The club officers are wanting to open the club up to new membership and ideas. The club president, Mike Brown is forward thinking and does a nice job leading the club.

Alvernia

Nothing to report

End of January Membership reporting:

Five of the eight clubs are current in reporting membership.

Four of the eight clubs are current in reporting service. Alvernia, Reading Pagoda, Mohnton Cumru and Wernersville are not reporting service activity. Yours in Lionism; Patrice Crammer; Zone Chair 1B

Zone Chair 2A – no report

Zone Chair 2B - I visited the following clubs during the period since the last District Cabinet meeting on November 9:

- Blandon Lions Club, district governor visit and additional solo visit
- Central Berks Lions Club
- Muhlenberg Lions Club

Bern Township Lions Club – Did not visit

This Club has a loyal membership of 27 members. Their primary service/fundraising project is owning and managing the Bern Township swimming pool.

They also co-host the annual Student of the Month and Year dinner, to honor juniors and seniors from Schuylkill Valley High, in conjunction with the Central Berks Lions Club. They hold an evening food truck and beer event at the pool in August.

Blandon Lions Club – November 11, 2019 and January 27, 2020

This Club is very active with 34 members. They host many service projects and fundraisers throughout the year, including parades, a Krispy Krunchy chicken sale, sandwich sales and a Halloween Frolic. At their district governor visit on November 11, 2019, six members were presented with longevity pins, including one member for 60 years, two for 50 years, two for 40 years and one for 15 years. When I attended their meeting on January 27, 2020 to present on the benefits of sponsoring a Leo Club, I was met with resounding enthusiasm from the members about starting a Leo Club in the Fleetwood Area High School. This opportunity would present many ways to partner with young people to share in service. Club members are currently working with District Leo Advisor Barry Marteny to determine if they might co-sponsor a Leo Club along with the Longswamp Lions Club.

Central Berks Lions Club – Home Club

This Club has few service projects and fundraising events anymore due to aging and dwindling membership. There are 16 members in the club, of whom only 10 – 12 attend meetings twice monthly. The club sponsors a very active Leo Club at Schuylkill Valley High School, assists the elementary school's partnership with the Reading-Berks Literacy Council, contributes to the community's Little League and middle school author visit, and recently received a Bing Miller grant to give to a local family with a child fighting cancer. The club is considering funding a handicapped door purchase for the community library. In May, they will co-host the Student of the Month and Year dinner to honor juniors and seniors from Schuylkill Valley High School. Even though the club is small, they are engaged in the community with important aspects of their service mission.

Muhlenberg Lions Club – February 11, 2020

This Club is very active with 32 members. On the night I attended with the District Governor, a new member was inducted, bringing to total four new members in the last 12 months. They sponsor an active Leo Club at Muhlenberg High School, hold an annual pancake and sausage breakfast, a golf tournament, a "Wine In The Park" event, are supportive of their local ambulance society and host an annual Society of Academic Achievement banquet to honor the top 10% of Muhlenberg High School seniors and their families, among many other activities. Respectfully submitted, Zone Chair Lion Anne Ostrowski

Zone Chair 3A – I try and attend my club's functions and keep in touch with them as much as I can.

Bally Lions has started to include ZC Sue in with the e-mail that are sent out from the clubs so that we can know what's going on. I attend clubs meeting and take information to them that is presented from the district. I also, took information for the 50/50 raffle to my clubs.

Bally Lions: Had a night at the races. ZC Sue helped them with that program. She bought a horse which came in first place and won \$50. The Bally Lions are working in conjunction with a Boy Scout to build a shed for housing medical equipment.

Boyertown Lions: ZC Sue did an Orientation Bingo game. Which was well received. Everyone says that they learned something, even Lions that have been members for year. Boyertown Lions are going to be having a gift card bingo on February 23rd. Tickets are still available.

Amity Lions: are going to be having a night at the races on March 28th. ZC Sue bought a horse from them and hopes she wins again. One of there newest members corner ZC Sue and asked questions about Lion and Lionism. He is actually coming to the district convention to see what Lion is all about.

She is putting together an orientation program for the Spring Township Lions as a bingo game. Anyone else to do it for there club, she is willing to work it up to do a game for it.

Zone Chair 3B: I had told DG Marilyn that I can't attend the meeting and gave my apologies for not being able to complete my time as ZC due to family issues.

I do know that the Lionville Cyber Club, Honey Brook Club and Eagle Glenmoore Club have completed their reports and sent them in appropriately. Thank you. Lion Carol Heilner

Zone Chair 4A – President & Secretaries will be e-mailed cabinet minutes. 1st VDG Art will host an informal zone meeting with the clubs.

Zone Chair 4B –

- Oxford Lion Club:
 - October 2019 – Trunkapalooza at Nazarene Church in Oxford (for Halloween)
 - November 2019 – Toy Drive for Oxford Children
 - December 5th – completion of toy drive and annual visitation of Oxford High School Chorus
 - December 19th – annual Christmas Party with Mike Baker the winner of yearly Avoid the ugly Negligee contest.
 - January 2020 – Visitation of District Governor.
- Kennett Clubs –
 - Lion Richard Taylor attended PA Lions Foundation 1/11/2020
 - Morning Branch held fund raising meeting 1/12/2020
 - Lion Ray McKay and Lion Richard Taylor attended the Bing Miller Charitable Foundation 1/13/2020
- Avon Grove:
 - The Lions continue to collect books for the Book Barn Fundraiser
 - The hospital equipment program continues with over 340 pieces of equipment loaned out and 209 families were helped.
 - We continue to deliver meals to people in need through the Meals on Wheels Program. Delivered 105 meals.
 - Members are continuing to collect food items for a local food pantry

- We continue to volunteer at a food cupboard.
- The Senior Student of the Month Program continues to recognize 2 students each month for their academics and community service.
- Our 2 Leo Clubs are quite active. Recently the Avon Grove High School held their installation of officers and induction of new members. 33 new members were inducted.
- The Lions continue to serve their community in various ways.
- The Lions donated books from their Book Barn to Nemours Childrens Hospital in Wilmington, Del and a free library at a local park.
- A member of the Club is very involved with equestrian events and volunteers as an official each month.
- The club recently donated funds to the Avon Grove Little League, Avon Grove High School After Prom, Avon Grove Robotics Club and SWATT (a girls' softball team).
- Our Christmas Tree and Ham Supper Fundraisers were great success.
- We continue to collect eyeglasses at 12 Locations.
- The club continues to visit other Lions Clubs in the area. We visited the Wakefield Lions and the Aberdeen Lions in MD. It is always interesting to find out what other clubs are doing.
- Parkesburg: - Not forthcoming with requested information.

COMMITTEE CHAIR

Childhood Cancer I have been attempting to get the Leo Clubs excited to either raise money for, or purchase activities for the Four Diamonds. Up to this point, I have the Wilson High School with a possible contribution. Their Leo liaison has stated that they must get permission from the school first, if they indeed consent to be on board with this project. I had originally sent an email to the clubs in the fall. Later, this winter, Terry Stamm, Wilson High School's Liaison emailed me back with some questions. She indicated they might be interested...so I wait to see. In the meantime, I am going to send another email...PLEA...for help with this, and another copy of the hospital's wish list. I will send you a copy as well. "We keep on trucking"

To all the Lions Club Leo Groups, Hello, I am Kathleen Fritch, your pediatric cancer chair for this Lions year. DG Marilyn appointed me to this office, because I am a retired nurse, with my BSN, and I have a lot of spunk. I can really see a need for activities for these awesome young fighters. They are getting treatments to fight these horrible diseases that have infiltrated their bodies. But they also need activities to take their minds off of the treatments and pass the time when not too ill to be up and about. I am really moved to help where I can for these unfortunate young people with this devastating disease. Why should anyone be vexed with this ugly disease, especially children. Children who have not even learned to talk or walk by the time they are diagnosed.

I am eager to help these children. But I cannot do it alone. I need help. And what a perfect group of young people to help! You all know what types of activities would be enjoyed by young persons, like yourselves!

I am including a list of suggested items. Even gift cards, if you have a mind to help, and no time to shop for the actual new, unwrapped items.

I am targeting before Easter to have these items in the hands of the Four Diamonds staff. Many people are excited to help at Christmas time... but Easter?

If you are interested in gift cards, send them to me and I will make sure they are delivered:

Kathleen M. Fritch, 15 Centre Ave., Topton, PA 19562

If you collect new unwrapped items, store them at your location. Let me know where they are and when they can be retrieved. I will pick everything up at a time of your convenience.

Please! HELP ME!! Yours in Lionism.; Kathleen (Kathy) Fritch

Constitution/Bylaws: Fellow Lions: The following change has been made to Article VII, Section 2 of District 14 P By-Laws. Add: Past District Governors to vote apart from the Club delegate quota. This is an automatic update in accordance with Article 10, Section 2 of are CBL. This article states that our CBL cannot be in conflict with the International CBL and the Multiple Districts CBL. This update does not require a vote at the District Convention.

The following update to policies 102 (First VDG) and 103 (Second VDG). Remove and change the following General 6b. **Remove:** *The Vice District Governors seminars, which is mandatory and conducted at the state office shall be a personal expense.* **Add:** *The First and Second Vice District Governors seminar conducted at the state office may be in part funded by Lions Club International only the mileage shall be reimbursed by the District.*

This change is needed due to the conflict with Policy 515 (First and Second Vice District Gov. Reimbursement). Philip Shober, CBL Chairman

District Convention: The convention committee meet for the first time and we will meet today after the cabinet meeting. Need to finalize times and few other things. I am planning to set up Friday afternoon and or night. We can get into the church after 3 P.M. We will have a better handle on things after we meet today. Flyer and Registration forms are in the Lion Eyes. Basket raffle tickets are with the DS, please take your clubs tickets back to the clubs.

Disaster Relief Chair: Lion Jim Groff was in attended at the state council meeting there are in position of the first moneys for a trailer wrap. Very soon you will see 40' trailer riding down the highway saying PA Lions, contact information. District G has set up a project with Lamar Billboard Signs for two billboards: one an electronic one and one a permanent one displaying Lions.

Honorary: no report.

Long Term Planning : PDG Dave Smith chaired a meeting of the long-range planning committee on January 11, 2020.

Items discussed were as follows:

District 14P had 1122 Lion members. MD14 lost 6 clubs and has 17,887 members. Redistricting may be on the horizon.

Zone chairperson training manuals arrived, and training will be done.

Funds are available for service training and new clubs' programs. The district is working on a May 31st Opioid abuse service project with the Boy Scouts and an elder abuse program.

We are still in need of someone to replace PDG Richard Stump as newsletter editor and webmaster.

The district is conducting a 50/50 fundraiser to be drawn at our convention in April. There are 100 tickets at \$20 so if we sell all tickets, the district will make \$1000.

There was not much interest in the idea of having a challenge coin. VDG Arthur Pecht may use it next year as a reward for clubs. This is available for use by individual clubs.

We are seeking to identify future leaders. We had no candidates at this meeting for RLLI or 2nd VDG next year.

There will be a new North American Leadership Initiative next year. We will be looking for a coordinator, but there is no information or manual.

We are halfway through the LCIF Campaign 100. At this meeting our district was ahead of last year's donations but well behind our goal. We could have a fundraising.

DG Marilyn received a policy concerning a procedure for passing of the banner in Lions District-N from State Council Chair William Morgan. Our policy committee should consider it for our district.

1st VDG Arthur Pecht is looking for a way to increase attendance at our District Governor Appreciation Day event.

Our next meeting of the Long-Range Planning Committee will be on March 28th with VDG Arthur Pecht chairing it.

Lioness Representative – It is with mixed emotion that inform the District Governor Marilyn and fellow Lions of the District 14-P that because of the ultimatum given to the Lioness once again. The Amity Township Lioness Club after 35 years of “We Serve Too” will no longer be as of June 30th, 2020. We ladies are saddened and a little angry that this is happening once again. When the membership is down for what ever reason, International decides to take it to the Lioness Clubs again. They taken it a step further and disband us if we do not comply with the Lioness bridge program, if we do not comply by June of 2021. We Lioness have not had real recognition from International since 1990 when they took our recognition away. But we hung in there because we loved what we were doing and what we accomplished in our community and our clubs. My question is how can you disband something that you do not recognize?

I visited the Amity Lions our sponsoring club who knew nothing about what was happening. I am still trying to meet with the Bandon Lioness to see what there feeling are. I am sorry to say all of this, but this is the way it is. The Amity Lioness says this is it for us.

District Governor Marilyn Wagner is willing to look at the Lioness position by forming an ad-hoc committee to review our option for the three Lioness Clubs.

Lion Eyes Newsletter: Continued to be e-mailed to cabinet members, Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurer, PDG, State DG, and others. DG Marilyn is really looking for a replacement for PDG Richard Stump.

Nominating Chair – no report.

PR/Lions Information Technology: Website – Continue to update and adding new items. Zone Chairs e-manual is now on the site.

Stamps & Tabs & Caps – Got a postcard from John Pottsner from VA for the stamps for the wounded.

Dear Mr. Yeager, Guest and Friends of Lions Clubs and church members. We are grateful to acknowledge the kind support of our program. The contribution of a large box of stamps will help with the hospitalization for outpatient veterans. We thank you on behalf of those who will benefit from your generosity and for support of our veterans. No good or services were provided by the stamps from this contribution.

Lion Barry has about 40 pounds of stamps that were mailed.

USA/ Canada Forum.- September 17 – 19 in Louisville KY. DG Marilyn received a brochure from the forum committee. They are accepting registration right now. They have already filled one hotel.

White Cane

Berks Co: I sent an email to all the Lion and Lioness Clubs in Berks county informing them about the White Cane program and several different ways they can have fund raising projects.

To date I have received a response from Exeter, Spring Township, Amity Lions, Amity Lioness, and Boyertown. To date we have raised \$2,160.30 in Berks County. The only club that has designated what their money will be used for is the Amity Lioness. They are giving the \$275.00 they raised from their White Cane Fund raiser to the district Kids Sight program to be used for screening. In Service, ZC Sue Prutzman

Chester Co The Lions Clubs in Chester County are planning their White Cane Collections for this spring. A full report will be given at the next Cabinet meeting. Respectfully submitted, Lion Barbara Smith

District Charities Projects:

Beacon Lodge The staff of the Board of Directors of PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp send you greetings. We look forward to your continued support of the Camp. The information provided is presented by Committee activities.

Personnel:

- Permanent staffing of Beacon Lodge significantly changed and offered challenges with the unexpected resignations of Executive Director Ellen Miller on January 7, 2020 and the Office Manager AnnMarie Dean on January 14, 2020. Ellen final day of work was January 28 and her employment will end February 25, 2020. AnnMarie final day of work was January 28 and her final employment will be February 11, 2020.

- The Board of Directors hired the former Maintenance Supervisor, Lion Jonathon Carver as the next Executive Director. He was hired in probationary status through September 30, 2020, the end of the PA Lion Beacon Lodge Camp Fiscal Year. With anticipated satisfactory and better performance, Lion Jonathon may become permanent Executive Director on October 1, 2020. Lion Jonathon began transition to Executive Director on January 20, 2020 with all responsibilities effective January 29, 2020.
- The Board affirmed the responsibility and expectation that the Executive Director hire the Beacon Lodge staff. As such, Lion Jonathon hired his replacement as Maintenance Supervisor. Lion Casey Carver began as probationary Maintenance Supervisor on January 29, 2020. She is a former maintenance helper and has experience with all aspects of Beacon Lodge maintenance and utilities operations. With satisfactory performance, her position may become permanent on October 1, 2020. Lion Casey is also Beacon Lodge Webmaster and will continue with those responsibilities. Because of potential nepotism concerns, the Board of Directors was informed of the hiring of Lion Casey and those responding affirmed the hiring.
- The replacement of Office Manager was hired January 24, 2020. Mrs. Erin Ronk will begin her probationary employment on February 10, 2020. Mrs. Ronk with satisfactory performance may become permanent on October 1, 2020. She is experienced in administration and has worked as office manager elsewhere.
- Recruitment of seasonal staff for the 2020 Adult and Children's Village Camps has begun. Camp Coordinator Lion Ron Krepps has hired 10 new or returning camp counselors, five women and five men. Recruitment continues for additional counselors and unit supervisors. Training of counselors will begin in May with the first Camp sessions beginning June 6th. Many of the support staff including nurses, housekeepers, and kitchen help and cooks are expected to return from the 2019 Camp. Additional staff will be hired by Lion Jonathon for any vacancies.

Property:

- Several maintenance projects included in the FY2020 Capital Projects Budget have been completed. In the Children's Village, five cabins and the Activities Building have been reroofed. These were done with donated labor with Beacon Lodge providing the materials. In Adult Camp, roofs were replaced on Lebanon Building and Building 14-L. A used gasoline powered golf cart was procured as a housekeeping cart to replace one which was becoming unserviceable.
- The refurbishment of the Wastewater Treatment Plant led to discovery of a potential waste tank failure. Consequently, an Emergency Committee approval of tank relining with stainless steel was required. Estimated cost of the relining is \$18,250. Preparation for the relining has begun.
- Beacon Lodge has need for a van to transport campers to various Camp activities as well as local transportation needs. Current van is inadequate for the requirements and becoming a maintenance issue. Procurement of the van was initiated by acquiring bids from local automobile dealers. PDG Joan Milligan Chairperson of the Marketing Committee, sought grant opportunities to offset the cost of a van. Through her efforts, Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Service

Foundation notified PDG Joan and Beacon Lodge of a grant for \$30,645 to procure a 15-passenger van. The van has been ordered and delivery is expected in March 2020. PDG Joan is congratulated for her success and her continuing yeoman service in support of Beacon Lodge Camp.

- Completion of the communications project to bring Beacon Lodge into the 21st century has been delayed for several months. Nearly all work on Camp has been completed. Remainder is awaiting Comcast installation of cable from Newton-Hamilton, PA to the Camp. Recent information from Comcast stated delay was due to permitting and engineering drawings required by Penn DOT because of construction in their right of way. With the completion of those, Comcast expects their work to be accomplished no later than early March 2020.

Other Committee:

- Committee assignment of Board members were renewed or changed subsequent to the October 13, 2019 Board of Director meeting. Committee activities are ongoing with reports to be offered at the March 15, 2020 Board of Directors meeting. Raising funds to operate Beacon Lodge Camp is a continuing challenge as costs of operation continue to increase.
- The Marketing Committee seeks donations and grants such as was discussed above regarding the grant award for a new van.
- The Fund-Raising Committee succeeds with continued and new fundraising opportunities focused on PA Lions Clubs and Districts, individual Lions and non-Lions.
- The PA Lions Appreciation Day (PLAD) Committee is charged with energizing PLAD to increase participation and interest in the event.
- The Policy and By-Laws Committee is taking a critical look at existing policies and by-laws with charge to consider recommendations for change and improvement.
- The Long-Range Planning Committee in concert with the Committees of Finance, Marketing, Personnel and Property will consider the future of Beacon Lodge regarding such items as facilities upgrades and replacements, Camp activities and opportunities, permanent staffing and investments.

Board Membership:

The Board may be comprised of two members from each district of MD14 plus a Lioness member. Currently there are three Board vacancies: one from District 14-D and two from District 14-U. Board members are nominated by the District Governor, approved by the Board of Directors, and affirmed by the State Council. Board members serve three-year terms, renewable by the Board of Directors. District Governors also may appoint Liaisons to the Board of Directors who attend Board meetings without vote but may be the direct voice of a District Governor to the Board of Directors.

The following information for the Beacon Lodge report is as follows:

- Pa. Lions Appreciation Day - July 19, 2020
- Project new Hope - June 27 - 30, 2020 & July 11 - 14, 2020
- Leo Rally - April 24-26, 2020
- Work weekend – April 17 – 19 and April 24 - 26, 2020 If interested in attending work weekend contact PDG Charles Finney 484-333-0059 to make

arrangements.

- Golf Tournament: August 29, 2020, at the American Legion Golf Course in Mount Union Pa. Flyers to be put in the Lion Eyes as time gets closer. I am sure there are golfers in our district who could help support this much needed money raiser. Last year we had a few more Hole Sponsors \$100.00 then the year before. Let's try and get more this year. Also, you could sponsor a cart for \$50. Looking forward to your support.
- 500 Club Letter has been sent to all clubs in the district. Your much-needed participation in this project is a great way for a Lion to support Beacon Lodge. Help keeping District 14P as one of the premier Districts in the State.

Submitted by PDG Charles A. Finney Board Member – PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

Berks Deaf & Hard Hearing: - There are some changes coming to BDHHS. One change will involve the name change. The new name will be announced at a later date. We felt that this was necessary, as we have been spreading to other areas outside of Berks County. In order to become eligible for available grants we feel that it hindered us to have the name just Berks. In this time of funding from other agencies being cut, we feel that we must make changes to provide services to our client base. We have contracted a grant writer and have realized immediate results on money that is available for organizations. We have realized that BDHHS is receiving more and more request for assistance from Lancaster, Chester, Lehigh and surrounding areas, and there is a need to offer service to these areas. We envision that this name change will allow us to provide service to more deaf and hearing-impaired clients. Respectfully Submitted PDG Ken Snyder – 1st Vice Chairman/ Treasurer BDHHS.

Chester Co. Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CCABVI): Year End 2019 update:

2019 CCABVI Workshop Sales compared 2018 and 2017

2019 sales = \$234,963	21% increase over 2018
2018 sales = \$194,283	33% increase over 2017
2017 sales = \$146,423	

2020 CCABVI Workshop Sales Forecast:

Even if unit sales are flat, sales revenue will increase since price increases have been successfully negotiated with the National Industries for the Blind (NIB) on several products. For two products, the increase merely covers know raw material cost increases. However, for others, it is the first price increase made possible in several years even though CCABVI costs have been rising.

December 31, 2019 Workshop Accounts Receivable:

0 – 30 days receivables	= \$23,608
31 – 45 days receivables	= none
46 + days receivables	= none

December 31, 2019 Total CCABVI Accounts Payable:

Past Due Expenses ⁽¹⁾	None
January's Fixed Monthly Expenses: (Payroll utilities, insurance)	\$7,536.
January's Total Current Due expenses ⁽²⁾	\$15,190

⁽¹⁾ As of December 31, 2019

⁽²⁾ Total Current Due Expenses = Fixed Monthly Expenses + other invoiced expenses.

CCABVI Activities Report: August 2019 thru January 2020

We are now an affiliate of the Temple University Institute on Disabilities program called TechOWL through which we can help those in Chester County receive assistive devices such as specially adapted mobile phones. CCABVI continues to accept donations of assistive devices that we provide on loan or otherwise free of charge.

CCBVI Board members continue to give presentations and join tabling events with community organizations such as senior centers and apartment complexes for seniors. Presentations are typically about vision loss prevention, eye diseases, and coping with vision loss. On February 22, we will be at the Chester County Home Show providing advice on preparing to age in place by making construction, remodeling and interior design decision based on their impact on visual contrast. This relates to the placement of windows for natural light as well as planning for general and task lighting, paint colors and furnishings.

All CCABVI functions have been consolidated onto the first floor and are fully accessible. The transformation of the large front room on the first floor of the historic building into a Community Room for meetings and training is accomplished.

Using a local technology consulting company and software and refurbished equipment from TechSoup, we have upgraded CCABVI Wi-Fi and computers and brought computer into the workshop, hardwiring both for better connectivity. Within the next month, we'll be replacing the twenty-five-year-old (now troublesome) phone system with VOIP (voice-over-internet) service that will better enable us to provide vision support services as well as improve the supplier and customer communication capability of our workshop.

With the new District Court and Coatesville City Hall building just across street, we have work underway to transform the second floor of our building into officers to lease. We anticipate that rental income will make it possible to fund overdue maintenance on the historical building that has housed the CCABVI officers since 1952. The Chester County Historical Preservation Network, Coatesville Historical Commission and the nearby Graystone Society have been contacted for advice. Historic research and preservation class students and their instructor from Coatesville High School are engaged in helping preserve artifacts uncovered in the process.

CCABVI Board:

A notable strength of CCABVI is its Board. Most Board members have direct experience with their own or a family member's vision impairment. In addition, each brings varied professional experience relevant to the needs of CCABVI. The geographic diversity of their work or home tends towards the central and eastern parts of Chester County, a useful balance for an organization providing services throughout the county whose office and workshop are in Coatesville, nearly the western end of the county. Both Board President and Board Secretary/Treasurer are Lionville Lions and affiliate members of either West Chester Lions or Paoli-Berwyn-Malvern Lions.

Board members since 2016 – Tracey Melia, Board President (Nov. 2016)

Board members since 2018 - Nancy Wilson, Board Secretary/Treasurer; Jule Ann Lieberman, ATP, CLTV, CATIS and Cathy Taschner, PhD.

Board members since 2019 – Deborah Steeves, Esq, and Pat Kelly – Joined since our last report to District 14-P Lions Cabinet. Ms. Kelly has retired as Program Specialist, Handi-Crafters, and organization making a positive difference by helping those with intellectual or physical disabilities overcome obstacles to find their highest level of productive employment and financial independence. Pat was responsible for forty-five individuals making sure they each had individual assessments, goals and measurable objectives. Prior to Handi-Crafters she was a Home Visitation Counselor at CCABVI. Before CCABVI, she was an assistant occupational therapist and later a social worker at the Coatesville Veterans Administration.

Diabetes Awareness: Since last November we have been spreading the word about Diabetes Awareness in the following ways.

- 1) Diabetes and Prediabetes articles in the Lion Eyes.
- 2) Diabetes presentation to residents of Freedom Village which was televised to 500 residents and put on Facebook and in the Lion Eyes.
- 3) Diabetes Handouts at the February State Council Meeting forwarded to all Zone Chairmen in District 14-P to distribute to their clubs for future programs and newsletter articles.

We are available to organize Diabetes Awareness programs for your clubs at any time. Respectfully submitted, PDG Dave Smith, Diabetes Awareness Chair

LCI has an information on Diabetes that is being distributed to the district diabetes chairs. LCI has sponsored two bills in the US Congress for Diabetes risk assessment. It is now one of the biggest health threats in the county. LCI has bookmarks for diabetes that can be ordered and given out to the public.

Eye Glass Collections: no report

Leader Dogs for the Blind: I have visited four clubs and talked about Leader Dog. At each club my presentation was well received. Probably the most interesting was at West Goshen Lions where Lion Mark was there with his Leader Dog. He had a little more insight on the training that they have to do. At each club I had a red cup and asked them to contribute any loose money. I told them I would donate the money to

Leader dog in District 14-P name. I am happy to report that I have collected \$133 which I will give to the District Treasure PDG Rich.

Lions Eye Bank: Lion Moe wanted me to write a report for the Lions Eye Bank for Delaware Valley. The Eye bank is having appreciation night, Sight Night, on March 31. The cost is \$30. They will have 2 great speaker this year. I feel you will really enjoy both. Please see the attached flyer for whom you should contact. Kindness Matter; Art Pecht for Lion Nelson Moeller

Vision Resource Center: Cabinet Report: November & December 2019 & January 2020

- Workshop: Have hired a part time salesperson to sell for the workshop.
- Preschool Vision Screenings: Continuing. We screened 866 children, performed 2 education programs, and referred 65.
- Lunch Bunch: Continuing on a monthly basis. Held a Christmas party at VRC for clients which included a catered meal and entertainment provided by Jeff Krick.
- Support Groups/Lunch n Learn: Support groups are continuing on a monthly basis. Lunch n learns were stopped until spring.
- Fundraisers: Planning Vision and Hearing Expo that is scheduled for Thursday, April 30th at Crowne Plaza, Golf Tournament scheduled for Wednesday, June 3rd at Willow Hollow Golf Course, and Dine In the Dark scheduled for Thursday, October 8th at Crowne Plaza.
- Facilities: Will be having signage installed outside. Downstairs bathrooms will be ADA compliant. Back parking lot drainage issue has been remedied.
- Intakes: Have had numerous intake appointments over the past 3 months.
- Community Events: Attended trainings for Internships, Greater Reading Chamber Alliance, Community Healthcare Choices Workshop, and Volunteer Fair
- Additional Items: Open House has been postponed until August 2020.

Foundations

Bing Miller Foundation: On November 17, our annual meeting and banquet was held at the Honeybrook Lions Center. 66 people attended. PDG Richard Taylor presented the financial condition of the Foundation and Officers for the 2020-21 year were elected. They are:

President:	PDG Gustave Meyer, III
Vice President:	PDG Ken Snyder
Secretary:	Lioness Linda McCue
Treasurer:	PDG Richard T. Taylor
Financial Secretary:	Lion Brenda Hinkle.

Nov. 10, 2020 is the date of our next annual meeting.

Dr. James Tribett of the Boyertown Lions Club was Nominated to the Foundation Board. The vote was taken, he was elected unanimously. The board currently has 26 voting members.

At our January meeting, PDG Walter Labs presented a summary of the 2019 calendar program. 1,586 calendars were sold and \$20,384 as distributed to participating clubs and the Foundation. The Foundation received \$2,197 for calendars sold by board members.

The board approved the compiling of an archival record of all past permanent board members to remember and honor their service in perpetuating the foundation.

A \$1,000 grant was awarded to the Hamburg Lions Club in support of a patient with multiple myeloma.

We did not have a February meeting.

As of February 1, 2020, our total corpus is \$177,214. The assets are \$219,923. Respectfully Submitted, PDG Gustave Meyer III, President.

Kidsight: - Screening totals for the fiscal year are as follows:

3,167 Screened

272 Referrals

Board meeting will be held on Saturday, March 14th at 10am at this location. Everyone is welcome.

Yours in Lionism; Patrice Crammer, President KidSight Board District 14-P

LCIF Coordinator: LCIF is now more than halfway through the three-year capital campaign called Campaign 100. We have fallen slightly behind where we should be to meet the goal of 300 million dollars. As of February 12th, LCIF raised a total of 141,531,854.90 USD worldwide.

Our District 14P is also behind where we were last year at this time, and well behind two years ago. We are far away from our goal of \$56,000 for this Lions year.

As of the end of January, our District 14P donated \$8,971.50 to LCIF. This compares to \$9,610.50 donated as of January 31, 2019. We have \$1,888.50 in pledges, but I don't know how that compares to last year and it may be for a two-year commitment. The average donation to date for districts in Multiple District 14 is \$10,435.25.

At this point, we do not have any model clubs or 100/100 clubs.

Twenty of our forty District 14-P Lions Clubs have contributed to LCIF so far this year. By the end of last year 70% of our clubs had contributed.

I have visited 18 of our Lions Clubs so far. Scheduling visits is going very slow. On these visits I encourage individual Lions to donate to LCIF. Only 6% of individual Lions donate to LCIF. LCI statistics indicate that of the \$8,971.50 that our district has contributed, \$3,646.50 is from individual donations. This may be misleading because it appears that some clubs have listed their Melvin Jones Fellowship in the name of the individual Lion to be honored.

In my Lion Eyes article for February I focused on what LCIF is doing in Australia and Puerto Rico. Up to January, \$343,000 was donated to Australia for relief from the bush fires, and \$60,000 was given for relief from the earthquakes in Puerto Rico.

LCIF needs our support, and I hope we can pick up our contributions before the end of this Lions year.

Lions of PA Foundation The Vision of the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation is to have a permanent vehicle to provide financial, social support, and resources for the visually, hearing and physically challenged residents of Pennsylvania.

The Lions of PA Foundation held a Board Meeting on Saturday, January 11th, 2020 at the Best Western Central Hotel in Harrisburg, PA. There were 14 Board Members present and 4 guests.

Treasurer's report by Lion Mark Tomco, reported that on January 1st, 2020, \$71,457.33 is available for 2019-2020 Grants. From our investment counsellor we were informed that the corpus account has a value of \$1,761,943.00 as of December 31, 2019, an increase of 2.32% or \$40,213.00

The new Disaster Committee is set up to accept any checks that are specifically designated for a disaster in any part of the world. The Foundation will deposit those checks and reissue one to be sent to the Lions District Governor in that part of the state, nation, or world.

The following grants were reviewed and acted on:

- District 14-C and the Dallastown Lions Club requested \$7,622.76 for playground equipment. This has been tabled but with some corrections made, it was approved.
- District 14-N and the Apollo Area Lions Club requested \$3,454.96 to purchase playground equipment. This was approved.
- District 14-G – A request came from the Nittany Valley Joint Recreational Authority for \$5,000 to rebuild the community pool. No Lions or Lioness Club was indicated as participating, and thus the request was denied.
- District 14-L and the Lakemont Lions Club requested \$2,934.00 for the repair of a Lion's facility roadway. Since the paperwork stated this would increase participation as the facility allowing better access to the pavilion, the request was approved.
- District 14-F and the Fairway School District requested \$2,000 for a Spot Vision Screener. This meets our requirements and the request was approved. The check will be made payable to the District. We only accept requests for screeners from Districts, and how they use the screener is their choice.
- District 14-E and the Yukon Lions Club requests for \$17,385.35 for roof replacement of the club house in the community park. This was approved with \$9,000.00 being issued now and the balance of \$8,385.00 issued next quarter. A change in the criteria for grants was voted on and approved that the Foundation will no longer accept "normal maintenance requests for Lions Club facilities". If the request is for expansion or upgrades it may be acceptable after review.
- The total approved grants were \$33,396.72 with \$8,385.00 of that amount to be issued next quarter. Therefore, checks totaling \$25,011.72 were issued this current quarter.

A report on our annual banquet indicated 88 Lions and guests attended. Most 1st VDG's were in attendance with their spouses and /or partners as our

guests. Next year the event will be held at the November Council Meeting in 14-M.

The next meeting date is set for Saturday, May 2nd, 2020 in Harrisburg.

I am available to give a program to the Clubs on the Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation.

The Foundation receives the majority of its funds through three(3) sources: The Fellow program, the PIP Joseph Wroblewski Award and the Contributing Member program. All grant funds distributed by the Foundation are used to supply needy residence in PA only. All Disaster/Emergency funds are distributed as per donor's discretion. Respectively Submitted PDG Richard T. Taylor PA Lions District 14-P LOPF Chairman.

Pa Hearing Research – The Committee is restructuring now. The leadership has met in February with 39 people. We are trying to figure out where to put our luncheon or dinner for the change for scheduling the council meeting going forward. We did not get many grants because people were not used to sending their grants in early. We will continue to pick that up for our next meeting.

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Leo Chair : Leo Club Representative Report November through January

1. I have managed to get all Leo Club Liaisons in MyLCI but one.
2. I continue to pass along timely information to the Leo Liaisons from Lions International, State Leo Chair and the District.
3. Still working on trying to get all the Leo Clubs to enter their members. 12 clubs have not updated their membership. **Need Help with this.** I am asking Zone Chairs to help, and I have documents for them showing which clubs have not added or subtracted any members this year.
4. Reporting Service in MyLion is also a problem only 5 clubs are reporting their service. **Need help with this also.** The 13 clubs not reporting, 5 of their sponsoring Lions Clubs are reporting, so maybe the Lions could help the Leos
5. Attended the Induction Ceremonies at Oxford High School and the Avon Grove High School. 33 new Leo were inducted.
6. Visited the Wilson Leo Club and passed out information about Leos around the world and awards. I encouraged them to submit their events to the local Publications. I also mentioned Lion Eyes, Lion Pride and International.
7. Accompanied the Avon Grove Charter School Leos to the Ronald McDonald House of Delaware on their service project, to make snacks for residents.
8. I have not had any response to my inquiry about a time to hold a Leo Liaison meeting. I sent it out again at the end of January.
9. I will be visiting the Owen J Roberts High School Leo Club on February 20th .
10. The Blandon Lions have expressed interest in starting a Leo Club at Fleetwood High School and the Longswamp Lions are trying to get a Leo Club started in the Brandywine School District. I have some information for the Lions about Leo Clubs to give them.
11. There is a possibility we may lose the Oxford Leo Club due to school adviser funding.,

12. I would like the convention committee to consider inviting the Leo Liaisons, Leo Advisors and Leo Club Presidents or another officer to the convention. Lion Barry Marteny; District Leo Club Representative.

Lion Terry Stamm received an e-mail from Michele Thompson, director of the Berks County Pre-Trial Services which read as follows: I want to congratulate the Wilson High School Leo Club for being chosen to receive the Paul J. Hoh Life Improvement Award. The Award is for recognizing the group or employers who have further the mission of the BCPS by improving the lives of incarcerated individuals who are re-entering service and their families. It is a part of our mission to service families that are dealing with hardships of having a parent incarcerated. The holidays can be especially difficult. We are happy to recognize the students of the Wilson High School Leo Club for embracing the BCPS chair and care holiday party as one of their service projects. This is the angle tree party we talked about earlier This is the 4th year that the Wilson High School Leo are involved in this program. They will be presented an award at the Double Tree Hotel on April 22nd. at 7:30 to 9:30 AM. In the saving of time they will not have the recipient give remarks but will have them just accept their awards.

Peace Poster: - The first-place winner in our district Elisa Bordon from the Daniel Boone School District who also received 4th place in the multi – district completion. You can see the pictures from all the winners on District 14-P website. I will be sending e-mails out to the winning clubs after this meeting to update them with the time and place of the district convention where the winners will be honored. As soon as Lion Terry knows the theme for the 2020-21, she will e-mail all of the clubs inviting them to do Peace Posters for next years.

Services for Children – To the cabinet and all assembled: At Christmas we had the pleasure of serving 441 children of the Chester County Prison. It was through your kindness and the provision of the following Lions: PDG Richard Taylor, Lion Raymond McKay, Lion John Swartz, Kennett Square Lions Club Morning Branch, West Goshen Lions Club which took up an offering for Lion Doris Haley and had a basket that they raffled off which the proceeds came to Lion Doris, Lion Toby Gelman who bought her a case of oranges from a fruit sale which they gave to the children, 1st VDG Art Pecht bought toys, Eagle Glenmore President Carol Heilman gave toys and baked the best cookies, and the Downingtown Lions Club where Lion Tracey hosted 15 children accompanied by two staff members for breakfast with Santa at the West Chester Senior Center. We had 4 parties because of the number of children, and she is always in trouble with the fire marshal. We had to use 4 locations. The Kennett Square Fire Hall, the red clay room all we had to do was clean up, The Lincoln University Fellowship Room on the campus of the University plus at an additional campus at Coatesville and the Downingtown Party was staffed by one of our local staff members. Lion Doris was very happy with the Christmas Parties. Without you we could not have given every child, 5 gifts. We started off with a nice toy, one company invited Lion Doris to their warehouse where they had great big bins full of toys which she could pick from. She received 10 computers, among the toys.

The Chester County Youth Center we had a party for the girls. She asked them what they wanted. They chose chicken tenders, French fries and cole slaw. The dessert

was a carrot cake and there was soda and then their gifts were gift cards and a shopping trip to the Rt. 10 and 30 Walmart going toward Parkesburg outside of Coatesville.

The School of Learning – which is doing excellent. Hopefully on my next report, I can share with you a larger advancement. The state has asked her if she could take more children. She is just crazy enough to say YES.

The Brandywine Quilters called and if they could go to Lion Doris office. They brought with them quilts for each girl who got either a waste lab robe or one for a single bed. We went a little further and gave to each Mom or Grand mom, who are keeping the children a lap robe.

Lion Doris got involved with a little Spanish Church, she has been helping out with them. I have received their friendship through incarceration at the Chester County Prison. She received this letter from them.

Dear Rev. Haley: On behalf of Ergo Do Viro Church, we would like to express our gratitude for your generosity through the years. When we received gifts like your we experience God business, his faith, issuing and concrete action. Your gift of clothing, food, schoolbook bags and sweets candy and so much more has touched many lives. Through gifts like your we love and serve others. We are able to do the work of the Church here now and truly make a difference. May the Lord continue to restore his blessings upon you as you bless others through your generosity. Thank you again and may God's Peace be with you.

District Governor has been presented with 4 lab blankets made by the partners in service during a project that they were operating at that particular council meeting. DG Marilyn was given 4 to bring home and was wondering if your ministry could make use of them. Lion Doris now has 4 children who is receiving treatment for kidney disease that she is going to donated these blankets to them.

Youth Programs: - no report

Old Business:

RLLI Candidates – see District Governor Report. Page 2

Guiding Lion Training. – see District Governor Report. Page 2

District Fund Raiser / Bing Miller – See Lion Eyes.

Coin Project.- Not being used at this time.

Update for Elder Abuse Symposium – flyer is going to be distributed to club President's next week.

New Business

Updates from State Council Meeting. See District Governor report page 3

Zone Chair Training still need to work together with 1st VDG Art to come up with a training. See District Governor Report Page 2.

District Community Club Impact Grant will be applied for to continue our Opioid Awareness Symposium with the Hawk Mountain Boy Scout Council.

State Convention and PDG Delegates. The Past District Governor should receive forms from the state if there are attending the state convention you will need the PDG form signed and not take up a club delegate.

Distribution of State Dues one of the ballot question which will not take affect until 7/1/2021.

Anything Items for the Good of the Order.

ZC Sue Prutzman wanted to know if any Past District Governor who are coming to the state convention let her know so that she can put it on the tally sheet.

Benediction was let by Lion Rev Doris Haley.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting will be on May 23rd at the Henrietta Hankin Library in Chester Springs.