

**Publication of District 14P Lions** 

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**PDG Rich Stump Editor** 



### "Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end."

A quote attributed to ancient philosopher Seneca the Younger, way back in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century and it stands as a fact today as we once again herald in a new President of Lions International and bid bon voyage to President Gudrun Yngvadottir to her new role as President of our Lions Clubs International Foundation.

That will take place in Milan, Italy at this year's International Convention and while we welcome all of our New Cabinet Members and Club Officers effective July 1 2019 - the new beginning as International President for Dr. Jung-Yul Choi will be when he is sworn in on July 9 2019, and will then swear in the worlds District Governors immediately after that.

I had the privilege of meeting him and many of his fellow International Officers back in February at the very first DGE School held in Chicago where he took both the time and the effort to meet as many of us as he possibly could – I believe him to be a true Lion who leads by example and he believes we need to return to our roots of Service to Others. He has been Lion for over 40 years with the Busan Jae-il Lions Club in the Republic of Korea. His life and career has been defined by the work ethic instilled in him as a child and he has a fierce passion to bridge differences, connect people and embrace diversity to create harmony for all. He was a translator during his military service and his business life included working across borders to establish trust internationally.

He is also ready to follow the same path as our two previous International Presidents – PIP Aggarwal encouraged us to simply Serve, followed by IPIP Yngvadottir who asked us to Serve beyond the Horizon with New Voices and now we have incoming President Choi who would like us to strengthen our Clubs and Communities through Diversity......leading by example and expanding on our Service. Just a couple of thoughts he left with us in Chicago.....

"Great Service demands balance. It takes the equal efforts of many to improve the world. Every person's perspective is required for our success.....Each of our 1.5 million members is different. These very differences are what make us strong. They make us great. They make us Lions"

I ask myself are we up for the Challenge – well, Yes I believe so.....we have work to do and I believe our Team has the heart for it.....

This year we hope to increase our Service Footprint, as well as our Digital one – we have the ability to help Clubs that are struggling, work on partnering with other non-profits to show we can work in the same space and make it work.....one of my favorite events is coming up in August – a Lions Club and a Rotary Club that has worked for many years by partnering a large scale community event and recently I had the good fortune to attend a joint meeting of the two groups......no competition - just a love of service and helping their community together.

One challenge I do personally hold dear – let's further engage our Leo Clubs as well as expand our Campus Club network and continue to work with the Four Diamond and PA Lions Cares for Kids partnership......they hold a Fun Run/Walk in October (see Flyer in this edition) to raise awareness of Childhood Cancer - how visually powerful would it be if our District could field a team at the Fun Run/Walk......we might walk but it would be fun to see our Leos run!

In Service and Friendship – DG Marilyn



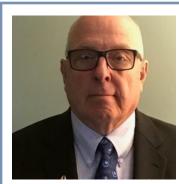
# **Passing of the Banner**

Join us for an afternoon of Lions Fellowship Sunday, August 18th, 2019 At the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles 85 South Walnut Street, Boyertown PA 19512 1:30 pm thru 2.30pm Social Hour 2:30 pm thru 4.30pm Dinner \$25.00 per person

### MENU

Tossed Salad Stuffed Pork Chop Chicken Cordon Bleu Roasted Potatoes Green Beans Roll and Butter Soft Drinks Celebration Cake and Fruit (Vegetarian Option available on request) RSVP TO District Treasurer PDG Rich Taylor by Monday August 12, 2019. pennoak@gmail.com or 484-631-8932 Checks should be made payable to: LCI District 14-P and mailed to: District Treasurer PDG Richard Taylor 402 Megan Court, Kennett Square, PA 19348 Checks will also be accepted at the event! Don't forget you Banner!

# From the 1st Vice District Governor Art Pecht



I would like to apologize for missing the last issue of Lion's Eye. Since being elected I have been trying to keep on top of things that I need to do. I attended the State Convention on May 17. I have often heard you should attend a state convention. If you get the opportunity, you should go. There were great seminars, state band, a great dinner where the International President gave out several awards to Lions of our district. Congratulations to Lions Jim Groff, PDG Ken Snyder and PDG Rich Taylor on their presidential awards.

On May 28 Morgantown was hit with a tornado. I was there with the fire police that night. That night Lion Jim Groff was there. The next day a call for Lions to help went out.

I was able to help. I worked with Lions for all over the state to help clean up the area. A big shout out to Lowe's, who Lion Jim works with as they were also there with supplies and manpower.

May 30 the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley held the first annual Sight Night for District 14P. It was held for the Eye Bank to say thank you for your support and to show you what the great doctors do.

On June 1, my wife and went to Beacon Lodge where we got see the inner workings that the Lions due. If your club is looking for a service project you might want plan for next year in April to work at the camp as they have two work weekends. Please feel to contact PDG Charlie Finney @ <u>irishcarver@aol.com</u>. This would also be a great project for the clubs that have Leo's.

On the second Monday of each month I meet with the Bing Miller foundation. If your club needs to help someone and you do not have all the funds you can reach out to the Bing Miller foundation for a grant. PDG Gus Myers is the president. Please contact him at gmeyeriii@ymail.com<sup>2</sup> 484-390-1289. Also Bing Miller has a great program that can be put on for your club. Please contact any board member.

Prior to June 15 there was a letter sent out to help a family in Lancaster County by Lion Jim Groff. I showed up at 8AM. There were about 20 Lions, 1 Lioness and a youth group from a Presbyterian church. WOW what a team!!!!! We got so much accomplished. We hauled about 5 truckloads of trash away. This work was needed because of a flood back in 2018. When we were done, the pizza arrived and all had great fellowship.

On June 22 I attended the annual meeting for the Lions Eye Bank Of Delaware Valley. PCT Ann Reiver started her second term as Chair of Board of Trustees. THANK YOU Lion JIM



# 2nd Vice District Governor Gary Hilbert



### **Greetings Fellow Lions,**

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

-Chinese Proverb

This is the first of 36 letters I will submitting to the Lion Eyes. I have met many Lions in our District especially those when I served as 3A Zone Chair but there are many I have not.

My hope is to visit every club at least once during the next 2 years. This will allow us to get to know each other. These visits will be less formal then my official visits as DG. I will be contacting your club

officers to arrange a date convenient for both your club members and I. You may also contact me. <u>glh40@comcast.net</u> or call 610-468-4788. I love getting invitations. I believe building relationships is very important as "we serve" together.

Sincerely, 2VDG Gary Hilbert

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE "BING" MILLER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

2019 SPRING 50/50 RAFFLE 1ST PRIZE - \$300. - CENTRAL BERKS LIONS CLUB 2ND PRIZE - \$200. - LION ALFREDA LABS 3RD PRIZE - \$100. - LION LEN CROWTHER 4TH PRIZE - \$100. - LION LATHEA MOSKEL 5TH PRIZE - \$100. - LION DAVE MARBURGER 6TH PRIZE - \$100. - PDG DAVE SAMPSON 7TH PRIZE - \$100. - LION CAROLYN CROWTHER

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT THE "BING" FOUNDATION. THE 2019 FALL 50/50 RAFFLE WILL BE AVAILABLE IN SEPT.



# LCIF



**LCIF and Four Diamonds Foundation** 

This spring I took over as our District 14P coordinator for the Lions Club International Foundation from our 2019-2020 District Governor Marilyn Wagner. I want to update you on the year end District 14P totals for LCIF and also for our donations to the Four Diamonds Foundation which was my District Governor project.

In a Facebook post from LCIF, it was reported that more than 1 billion dollars in grants have been awarded by LCIF since their start in 1968. This year there were grants of \$6,363,815 awarded in Constitutional Area 1 which is the United States and Caribbean Islands.

At the 101<sup>st</sup> International Convention in Las Vegas last year, LCIF launched "Campaign 100" in which we are working to raise 300 million dollars in order to

serve 200 million people per year in coming years. During this first year of the three year campaign we have raised over 105 million dollars for the "empowering service" fund of Campaign 100. Worldwide, 52% of Lions Clubs have contributed to Campaign 100. However, they include a statement that "individual participation remains an area of high potential". I heard a statistic that only 6% of individual Lions Club members contribute to LCIF. In order to encourage individual contributions LCIF has started a 100/100 club in which each individual member of a Lions Club is encouraged to contribute \$100 per year, or a little over \$8 per month. There is recognition for Lion Clubs which reach 100% participation.

In Constitutional Area 1, as of May 15<sup>th</sup>, there was \$11,773,525 received and outstanding pledges of 1,019,537 for a total of \$12,793,062.

Here in our District 14P, 51 donors including 28 of our 40 Lions Clubs have donated to LCIF. This is a participation rate of 70% and is down slightly from the 70.5% or 31 Lions Clubs who donated during the 2017-2018 year. The amount of money donated is significantly lower, \$22,143 as of June 21<sup>st</sup>, down from \$43,598 last Lions year. However most districts have a similar situation and I realize that the 2017-2018 year saw several hurricanes. A significant amount of money was donated to the disaster relief fund.

Thank you for your donations to LCIF this year. I will be looking to visit your Lions Club this coming year to make a presentation on our Lions Clubs International Foundation and to encourage your support.

I also want to thank you for your contributions to my District Governor project in support of the Four Diamonds Foundation and our State Council of Governors effort to raise \$100,000 for the Four Diamonds Foundation and childhood cancer research. On December 17<sup>th</sup>, our treasurer PDG Richard Taylor sent a check for \$1755 from our district charities account. On June 26<sup>th</sup> he sent another check for \$10,960.50 from club donations. In addition to these donations, two Lions Clubs wrote checks directly to the Four Diamonds Foundation for a total of \$1000. This gives a grand total of \$13,715.50 and more money is coming in. Although it will not be the District Governor project, our State Council of Governors plans to continue raising funds for the Four Diamonds Foundation in the coming years. In the future, checks can be made directly to the Four Diamonds Foundation and sent to our treasurer, PDG Richard Taylor to record on his list and forward.

Thank you again for your donations to LCIF and childhood cancer awareness. David Hunsberger

# Club Activities (Taken from LCI web site)

### AMITY TOWNSHIP

Provided dentures for needy Individual

### **AVON GROVE**

Attended AGLC Charter Night. Awards were handed out and 2020 Officers were installed.

Lions Book Barn. Collecting loading and unloading and sales

Meals on Wheels , Worked at the food pantry.

Presented scholarships to 3 students

Participated in Memorial Day Parade with float.

Conducted eye screenings at the Lions Pancake Breakfast

### BALLY

Performed walking trail maintenance on their legacy project community walking trail. Perform a roadside cleanup on Rte. 100

Bally Lions transported a local blind man to the Vision Resource Ctr for a social event

### BLANDON

The Blandon Lions held their annual Memorial Day Service . The Lions prepared and served lunch after the event in the social hall. Donated \$450.00 to the Fleetwood School Dist. for 3 \$150.00 scholarships to be handed out at graduation service.

### **CENTRAL BERKS**

Library volunteer

### **COATESVILLE AREA**

Collected , boxed and delivered 1355 lb. non-perishable food to Chester County Food Bank

This year Coatesville Area paid for 9 individuals to have exam and glasses at America's Best.

### CONRAD WEISER

Cleaned up areas of highway that need attention in the Robesonia area.

### FRYSTOWN

Helped deliver Lunch for Meals on Wheels. Lions cut coupons to send to military families in Japan by way of Western Pocono Women's Club, to which 2 Lions hand deliver said collected coupons as they travel to the WPLC home area Lion delivered donation for Outstanding Student to local high school for graduation

### HONEY BROOK

Took our food wagon to a car show in Morgantown, Awarded 2 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors at Twin Valley High School

### KEMPTON

Committee met to begin laying out plans for a new club project aimed at cleaning up the roads in Albany Township

### **KENNETT SQUARE**

Served Kennett Area Food Cupboard and Donated \$400to Youth Garage \$400, After the Bell, \$400, Camp Abilities \$400. Club support for Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind \$400. (\$180. Campership, \$120. 500 Club, \$100 Project New Hope)

### LIONVILLE

Gather & deliver food for the Lord's Pantry Ronald McDonald House Ongoing District project - collection & distribution of soda tabs .

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# Club Activities (Taken from LCI web site for May)

### OXFORD

White Cane Day, collected money in Oxford, PA at 4 locations

### PAOLI BERWYN MALVERN

Planted Flowering Tree in memory of our oldest member of PBM Lions on the grounds of Royer-Greaves School for the Blind. Donated \$200.00 to Paoli Fire Company for 100th Birthday of oldest PBM Lion Club member

### SHARTLESVILLE

Held Country Line Dance and Cleaned cooking area in park

### SHILLINGTON

Medical Equipment collection and Distribution

### SPRING TOWNSHIP

Held broom sale at Redner's Sinking Spring on April 27-28. Raised \$442 from broom sales and \$95 from donations Held chicken BBQ on Memorial Day (May 27). Chicken sales and donations raised \$1757

Donated to Beacon Lodge 500 Club-\$155 Township of Spring Golf Classic-\$100, Bing Miller Charitable Foundation-\$600 Donated \$500 to Spring Township Library and presented it at the Library Fund Raiser

Presented awards of \$500 each to 6 students recognized for community service

### STRAUSSTOWN

Gave a Civil Air Patrol Donation



## **Global Action Team,**



As we near the end of this year, I wanted to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your tireless efforts in making this a successful year for the Global Action Team. Because of your leadership, we are gaining members, training more leaders and providing impactful service in local communities around the world.

Awareness of our potential is currently growing among Lions everywhere. And we are reaching districts with the tools and the resources that empower and activate our clubs. Action is the name of the game, and now is the time to build on our first two years of action.

After accepting the role of GAT chairperson, I initiated a thorough review of the GAT in its current framework, and I have proposed several recommendations to the international board of directors. I believe that these recommendations will better position the GAT to support the goals of our districts. And if districts are successful in reaching their goals, this will have a positive effect on our clubs as well. These recommendations were taken up at the most recent meeting of the board in April, and I am happy to report that the 2019-2020 GAT operational plan and recommended changes were approved and will be effective July 1, 2019.

With that being said, this plan has a few significant changes for next fiscal year that I would like to go over with you now.

- 1. It was approved to discontinue the current three-year term and positions for vice chairpersons, CA leaders, vice CA leaders, and area leaders. I appreciate the current leaders in these positions and hope their support will continue.
- 2. Additionally, the board approved the creation of the following new positions: GAT constitutional area leader, GAT regional area leader (OSEAL), and GAT area leaders, all of which will be annual appointments. To emphasize the one-team approach, GST, GMT and GLT positions will no longer exist at the CA and area level. Instead, there will be one GAT leader in this role.

In consultation with the executive officers, GAT constitutional and regional area leaders were identified, and appointments were made in April. These Lion leaders have demonstrated the ability to empower Lions to achieve personal and collective goals. Below are the leaders who have accepted these roles for the 2019-2020 year:



### Good afternoon,

Please find below an e-mail concerning a training site for MyLCI and more importantly MyLion. Please share with your entire district. Those with accounts can use the training site as often as they like. Please let them know that whatever they create on the training site **WILL NOT BE SAVED.** To create a real event they must login to the actual MyLion page.

The transition of all service reporting to MyLion<sup>®</sup> is fast approaching—July 1, 2019. To help you feel comfortable and confident with the change, we've developed a training site where you can get to know the new system.

Features to explore:

- · Signature projects
- · Multiple district and district-level projects
- · And much more

Your Lion Account gives you access to the training site. If you have not created a Lion Account, you can register for the training site with your member ID and an email address or mobile phone number on record in MyLCI.

Yours in Service

PDG Tom Gregg



Nothing quite compares to Spokane. Voted as one of the best riverfront cities in America, you'll love the beauty and relaxing stroll through the park. Spokane is also known for its food. Voted as one of the best food cities in America.

The Forum is offering Before and After Excursions and Tours for the ultimate visit to the Northwest.

We promise you a wonderful experience... New this year along with our 2 and 1/2 days of education and information, special seminar guest speakers, over 70 seminars, a fun opening night, exceptional keynotes, Strides Walk, a special project and more. Register today!

### DISTRICT 14-P CABINET 2019 - 2020 GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY TEAM MEMBERS

**District Governor:** 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Secretary: Treasurer: Immediate Past District Governor **GLT** Coordinator **GMT** Coordinator **GST** Coordinator Parliamentarian Protocol: **District Administrator Region Chair** Zone 1A Chair Zone 1B Chair Zone 2A Joint Chair Zone 2A Joint Chair Zone 2B Chair

Zone 3A Chair Zone 3B Chair Zone 4A Chair Zone 4B Chair

**Committee Chairs:** Chaplain **Constitution and Bylaws District Convention: Disaster Relief Chair Disaster Coordinator** Honorary/Long Term Planning **Lioness Representative** Lion Eyes Newsletter Information/Technology Nominating Chair: Childhood Cancer Chair **Public Relations** Stamps, Hats and Tabs: White Cane – Chester Co White Cane – Berks Co USA Canada Forum: Sergeant at Arms: (Continued next page)

Marilyn Wagner Arther (Art) Pecht Gary Hilbert Linda Long PDG Richard Taylor **David Hunsberger** PDG Carl Gundrum Jr. Gary Hilbert Madison Kaley **PDG Phil Shober** TBD DG Marilyn Wagner PDG Kenneth Snyder Alice Moyer **Patrice Crammer** Mike Babb **Rosesmary Freedman** TBD Sue Prutzman **Carol Heilner** Linda Sampson

Lion Rev. Doris Haley **PDG Phil Shober** Arthur (Art) Pecht PDG Stephen Wagner **PDG Nancy Gauthier** PDG Stephen Wagner Linda McCue **PDG Rich Stump** PDG Rich Stump PDG Carl Gundrum Jr. **Kathleen Fritch** TBD TBD **Barbara Smith** Sue Prutzman TBD Carl Gundrum Jr.

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### District 14P Cabinet (continued)

### **District Charities Projects:**

Beacon Lodge Berks County Deaf: Diabetes: Leader Dog

**Eye Glass Collections** 

### Foundations:

Bing Miller Foundation District LCIF Coordinator Lions of PA Foundation: PA Lions Hearing Research: 2 Year 1 Year

KidSight: Lions Eye Bank of Delaware: Vision Resource Center Chester Co. Assoc. Blind

### Youth:

Leo Representative: Youth Programs Peace Poster Contest Services for Children: Barry Marteny TBD Terry Stamm Rev. Doris Haley

Robert Moskel Sr.

PDG Ken Snyder

PDG David Smith

Arthur (Art) Pecht

Sampson

PDG David and Linda

PDG Gustave Meyer III

IPDG David Hunsberger

PDG Stephen Wagner

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# **Rehresburg Lions Club**



Submitted by Adele Argot

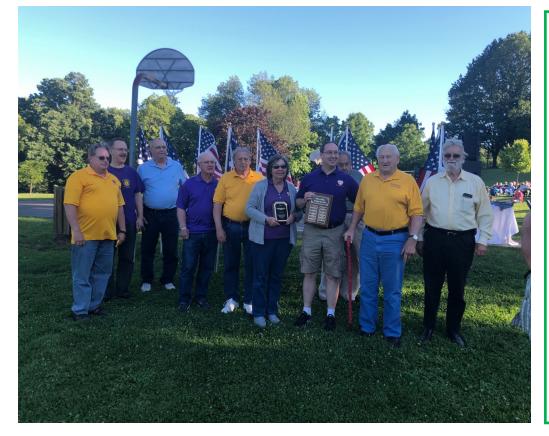
Lion Brian Haag, right, current secretary of Rehrersburg Lions Club, is congratulated by PDG Bob Argot for receiving a Progressive Melvin Jones honor.

When Lion Brian Haag walked into a Rehrersburg Lions Club meeting, a surprise was waiting for him. That surprise was the recognition presented to him by visiting Lion PDG Robert Argot in the form of a Melvin Jones Progressive Fellowship.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship program is named after the founder of Lionism and it recognizes the recipient's "significant commitment to humanitarian service" embued in that honor by the club or even individuals as a donation to The Lions Club International Foundation made in the recipient's honor.

That such a second recognition was presented to Lion Haag is no surprise to his fellow club members, as he has served the club as secretary and president, has been deeply involved in the yearly programs of the club and has given the club over 15 years of service, as attested to his being the recipient of chevrons, including a 15-year one.

"Brian never puts himself above others but rather gives others a chance to shine. He will always bend over to provide the help that others need," says Lion Argot.



On Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> the **Shillington Lions Club** was honored as Citizen of the Year for Shillington. Some of the Shillington Lions were present to receive the award. The annual award was given at Shillington's Concert in the Park with hundreds of Shillington and local community members present. Shillington Lions were honored to have been selected for this award for the 2019 year.



In April, the Shillington Lions Club held a community give back day in celebration of the club's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The event was a free event for any and all community members. Entertainment included children's games, music, face painting, raffles, and more. All guests received free lunch as well as other snacks such as popcorn and sno cones. The give back day was also an opportunity for local non-profits to meet and greet with the community.

Over 20 non-profits were present for showcase including Berks Deaf & Hard of Hearing, Vision Resource Center, Mifflin Community Library, Lions Disaster Relief, food banks, and so many more! The event also included free hearing tests, free diabetic testing, and free vision screenings. The club received official commendation from the Mayor of Shillington as well as PA Representative Mark Gillen. Raffle ticket sales and other funds raised at the event were distributed to all of the non-

profits highlighted at the event- all aligning with Lions Clubs focus areas.







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Proposed District Governor's Schedule.		September 2019			
	Subject to change	4th	Kempton		
July 2019		5th	Coatesville		
9th	CCAB Open House	9th	Bally		
15th	Beacon Lodge Appreciation Day	10th	Frystown		
22nd	CB & L Quarterly Meeting, Harrisburg	11th	Longswamp		
		12th	Honey Brook		
Augus	August 2019		Eagle Glenmoore		
2nd/3	2nd/3rd State Council Meeting #1 Harrisburg		Amity Twp		
10th	Cabinet Meeting #1 - Morgantown PA	19/21s	t USA Canada Forum Spokane Wash.		
14th	Amity Township Lioness Club	24th	Coventry		
18th	Passing of the Banner -	25th	Elverson Morgantown		
	Boyertown Car Museum	26th	Fleetwood / Kutztown Lions/Lioness		
21st	Exeter Township Lions Club	28th	West Goshen		