

NEWS FROM THE LIONS' DEN

JANUARY 2019



MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Greetings Lions, Lioness and Leo's,



During the Holidays it seems that we all want to ensure that those who are homeless or just less fortunate than us have hot meals during the during the holidays. Did you know that most shelters and soup kitchens have more than enough volunteers to help during this time because everyone is feeling generous and want to help others during the

holiday season. What about January through Easter? The fact is most of these organizations have a hard time finding help. I never really thought about it but I now see the issue. A few years ago our Zone had New Hope Ministries come to a Zone meeting and speak about having a food drive in our Zone. During this meeting we learned that they don't have a shortage of food during the holidays; however, the summer months is when the cupboards are bare. Why? People are vacationing and

Happy Holidays and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year to All!

not really thinking about serving others. Now our Zone does a food drive during June rather than in November when our typical drive was done. Did you know that the Lions International Strategic Objective is to "Ensure all community members have nutritious foods". Hunger is a real problem and it is here in our communities which is not a problem just during the holidays it is 365 days of the year. These less fortunate people need our help. Please consider doing a food drive at time during the year other than around the holidays. Contact your local food pantry, Salvation Army, veterans' shelter and find out their needs and when they need it the most!!! Check out www.lionsclubs.org to check out the Service Project Planners and other resources that can help your club get involved with our hunger efforts and how you can help your community. The new website is awesome and there is so much there to learn! These tools are here for us to use and grow as Lions members.

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Also new on the Lions Club website is the Service Launchpad a new interactive tool built to connect you with ready to go planning resources that will help us serve causes we all care about. All you need to do is answer a few questions and your next project is just a few clicks away! There are so many service project planning tools available such as how to plan a Survivor Network event for childhood cancer survivors, how to plan a Diabetes Strides Walk, and many more.

We plan to have more information on this new tool, as well as the MyLion App at our convention on April 6!

Yours in Service,

Lisa Griffie District Governor

"Chart Your Course"

Message from Steve Shipman -



This is the time of year when we turn the calendar and often try to turn pages in our lives. Gyms see an uptick in people determined to get in better physical shape, and many people promise to stop smoking, lose weight, or something else they should have done years before.

The turning of the calendar does indeed give us an opportunity to change directions and provide the impetus for positive changes in our lives. And while most New Years Resolutions seem to fade away in time for our Lenten self-denial (often of the same things we promised to give up in January), the prospect of a new beginning can help us take stock of what we are doing.

I confess that I grow weary of hearing, "we need more members." But of course we do, if we are to continue to serve. And our Governor Lisa wisely stresses that the most important thing we can do to grow is to retain those who are already

members of our clubs. It is a lot easier to keep members than to replace them.

Each one of us can play an important role in retaining members:

Do you invite those members you only see occasionally to help you with projects? Do you call and express concern when they are absent from meetings or activities? Do you support ALL club activities, even if you think you have a better idea? Do you avoid arguments with other Lions over controversial topics such as politics? Do you respect all people by what you say and do, rejecting racist or sexist comments? Do you express appreciation to your club officers and limit your complaints? Are you willing to let people try new ideas, and to help them succeed? Do you remain positive about your club in meetings and every place you go?

As I visit, many clubs have healthy, welcoming atmospheres, while a few are what I can only call toxic in their relationships and attitudes. Members of a toxic club will be disinclined to invite new people to join, and members will gradually drift away.

Will you make a New Year's Resolution to build up your club by trying in every way to create a positive atmosphere of quality people working together to serve?

We are Lions. We serve. Let's not lose sight of the basics. 1VDG Steve Shipman prsteveshipman@gmail.com 570-916-7780 (call or text)

UPCOMING EVENTS



Feb. 1-3, 2019 - State Council Meeting #3 — Altoona Grand Hotel, Altoona PA. To make overnight lodging call 814-946-1631, Group: PA Lions Club. Deadline for Reservations Jan 4th. 2019

Feb 16th, 2019 - District Cabinet Meeting Time: 9:30 AM — Noon.

Feb. 22 – 24, 2019 — Regional Lions Leadership Institute — Wyndham Garden Hotel, York PA - Contact District Governor by Dec 1st, if interested.

April 6th, 2019 - DISTRICT CONVENTION - Wyndham Garden Hotel, York PA Time: Noon — 5 PM

April. 12-14th, 2019 - Beacon Lodge work weekend.

May 16-19, 2019 STATE CONVENTION — Kalahari Resport, 250 Kalahari Blvd, Pocono Manor, PA 18349. See Club Secretary for more information.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE 2019

VISITATION DATE	CLUB NAME	VISITATION DATE	CLUB NAME
JANUARY 2019		FEBRUARY 2019	
January 8th	Hanover	February 5th	Windsor
January 14th	New Freedom Lioness	February 6th	Hanover West Manheim
January 15th	York Springs	February 12th	Arendsville
January 22nd	Cashtown Community	February 19th	Upper Adams County
		February 25th	Mt. Rose

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Membership numbers for November and December continue to show improvement, a trend we start-ed to see in October. In November, for the first time in over a year, we ended a month with net membership growth in District 14-C!! For the month of November we added 8 new members and lost 5, a net gain of three for the month. Since July 1, we have added 34 members and lost 30. That makes our net membership growth +4 for the year! Congratulations to the following clubs who reported new members in November and December (as of 12/20): Camp Hill (1), East Berlin (1), Fairfield (3), Mount Holly Springs (1), Shippensburg (1), Stewartstown (1), and Upper Adams (4).

Let's keep the momentum going! Our Lions International President has challenged every club to re-cruit at least one new member each quarter of this Lions year. If our District 14-C clubs accept and realize that challenge, we will exceed DG Lisa's goal of new members by nearly 2.5 times! The clubs listed above have already met that challenge for the second quarter. Help add your club to the list by inviting a potential member to your next meeting.

DG Lisa would also like to see the percentage of female members in District 14-C increase.

We started the year at 19%, and we are now one female member away from 20%. If each of our clubs re-cruits at least 1 female member this year without losing any female members, the percentage of women members will increase to 23%. The list of clubs that added at least one female member since July 1, 2018 grew by three in November and December and are shown in bold type in this listing: Camp Hill, Carlisle, Dallastown, Dover, Hanover, Mount Holly Springs, New Oxford, Newville, Shippensburg, and Upper Adams.

IPDG Dennis Cope is the District 14-C Membership Coordinator for this year. Feel free to contact him with any of your membership concerns or requests for assistance: dennis.cope@icloud.com.



POSTER CONTEST



What an amazing job all of the children did in creating their Peace Posters for this year's contest! I am so proud of each of the children that participated. One could easily see that much thought, planning, creativity, artistic talent, and time were devoted to each poster. I am, also, very proud of the clubs that stepped forward and offered this wonderful opportunity to children by sponsoring them in the Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. The clubs that participated were: the Arendtsville Lions Club, the Jacobus Lions Club, the Mechanicsburg Lions Club, the Newville Lions Club, the Windsor Lions Club, and the York New Salem Lions Club. We had a grand total of 132 children creating posters this year!!!!!!!This is the most entrants we have had in my four years of being the Peace Poster Chair. I truly hope we can continue to build on this number. The children's posters were judged in originality, artistic merit, and demonstration of the theme in their poster. This year's theme was "Kindness Matters."

And, now for the drum roll! The winners were, as follows:

First Place: Emma
Barker sponsored by
the Windsor Lions Club.
Emma's poster will now
be entered into the multidistrict competition.

Second Place:

Lauren Mark sponsored by the Mechanicsburg Lions Club

Third Place: Rylie Brewer sponsored by the Arendtsville Lions Club

Honorable

Mention: Peyton

Breon sponsored by the York New Salem Lions Club

Let it be known that because the posters were of such high quality, the task of choosing the final winners was a difficult one. We really had our work cut out for us!

The winners and their families will be invited to our Cabinet Meeting on February 16, 2019 to be recognized and honored for their achievement. So, come to the Cabinet Meeting to meet these talented students and see the awesome posters they created!

For more information about the Peace Poster Contest or if you would like me to come to your meeting to present information about the contest, contact me at 717-428-3659 or hullmannt@aol.com.

Patti Hullmann (Peace Poster Chair)

YORK NEW SALEM LIONS CLUB SUPPORTS NEW SALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The York New Salem Lions Club supports the New Salem Elementary School with additions to the school playground. The Lions purchased and installed 2 new outdoor sitting benches at the playground, and contributed \$1,500 to the school PTO towards the purchase and installation of new playground equipment. The months-long project was completed in time for the 2018-2019 school year.



May 23, 2018... At it's monthly meeting, Lion Charles Fissel and Lion William Bankert present contribution check to New Salem Elementary School PTO Reps Michelle Shamer and Holly Younts and students Reese Shamer and Jack Younts.

(Pictured: Fissel, M. Shamer, R. Shamer, J. Younts, H. Younts, and Bankert.)

October 12, 2018... At the New Salem Elementary School, the school principal and students gather with Lions to enjoy the new sitting bench.

Back Row: Lion Harry Wildasin, School Principal Robert Schick, Lion William Bankert, Lion Burnell Luckenbaugh, Lion Charles Fissel, and Lion Jan Noss.)



October 12, 2018... At the New Salem Elementary School, school students try out a new piece of playground equipment.



ORK NEW SALEM LIONS CLUB

October 30, 2018... View of a new bench and playground equipment at the New Salem Elementary School, supported by the York New Salem Lions and the school PTO.

STUDENT HONOREES AT THE PLAINFIELD LIONS CLUB.

The Plainfield Lions Club recently honored 2 Big Spring High School seniors for their academic and community achievements.

Kayla Bear was introduced by Lion Jill Freeland. She is a member of the National Honor Society and is a member of Club Cares. She is currently an intern at Oak Flat Elementary School working with second graders. Her future plans are to attend Slippery Rock University and major in Elementary Education, and would especially like to work with children with special needs. Kayla is the daughter of Durrell and Julie Bear.

Bentli Burke was introduced by Lion Susan Holtry. She is active with Club ADURO, the Spanish Club, the Dawg Pound, Quill and Scroll, and Club Cares. She is also a member of the National Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta (Math National Honor Society). She serves on the Mini-Thom Committee. Outside of school, Bentli is a member of the youth group at CEFC and plays volleyball at the Carlisle Rec Center. After graduation, Bentli hopes to continue her education at either Liberty University or Grove City College. Bentli is the daughter of Tom and Sheri Burke, and is the sister of Samantha and Emily Burke.

The Plainfield Lions Club is proud of these two outstanding seniors and wish them the best in their future endeavors.



Kayla Bear introduced by Lion Jill Freeland



Bentli Burke introduced by Lion Susan Holtry

ARENDTSVILLE LIONS CLUB NEWS

On Tuesday, November 13, 2018, the Arendtsville Lions welcomed officers and new members of the Apple City Leo Club along with their families. IPDG Dennis Cope installed 3 of the 4 new officers and 7 of the 12 new members.



The winners of the club's Peace Poster Contest and their families were also invited to attend this meeting. The students are all 6th Graders at Arendtsville Elementary School. District Peace Poster Chairperson Lion Patti Hullmann was on hand to announce the first, second and third place posters and present each winner with a certificate and check.



DG's, PDG's, Lions of MD-14, Please make plans to vote in the MD special election on February 2, 2019, 8 AM to 10 AM at the State Council Meeting held at the Altoona Grand Hotel in Altoona PA.

PCC Larry Edwards, MD-14's Recommended Candidate for International Director

"PROUD to SERVE as WE



- Served 27 years in the US Army National Guard
- Held Battalion level Leadership positions in the National Guard
- Currently serving with the Central Pa. National Guard & Veterans Association
- Current member of the American Legion



- A Lion with 13 years of service
- Served twice as a District Governor
- Served as MD Council Chairperson
- Was the first GATC for MD-14
- A Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow
- Served 4 years as District MERL Leadership Coordinator
- Active with Club and District Service
- President of the Sight Conservation
 Foundation of Blair County

My Mission is: To be an ambassador of Lions International while improving the means and processes used to deliver humanitarian service to those in need around the world.

Your support for my candidacy is greatly appreciated. If elected, my personal commitment to all Lions is to serve with the vision of our founders.

NORTHEAST PA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION UPDATE

The NEPALSF would like to report we have been busy updating and improving our website www.NEPALSF.org with fill in grant applications and current contact information. Grant application forms are available on the website or you may contact your district's board member for forms or guidance. Please remember, a Lions, Leo or Lioness club must sign off as the sponsor on an equipment, community project or patient care grant request. Recent grants awarded since August include;

\$10,900 to North Central Sight Services to take visually impaired clients out for social functions such as picnics, ball games and dinners.

\$5,000 to Pine Grove Lions for a handicapped/wheelchair swing for a playground.

\$14,580 for a special skills playground to Tri-Valley Lions.

\$500 to Wilshire Hills Lions for a Buddy Wagon for pediatric patients at Lancaster hospital.

\$12,000 to replace HVAC unit at Lions owned community building to Orbisonia Lions.

\$3,460 to Shihola Lions for prosthetic eye patient care grant.

\$25,000 pledge to Beacon Lodge to update phone and communication systems.

Also, the NEPALSF will sponsor a Diabetes Walk at the State Convention in May. Board members will be attending a planning retreat January 19 at Pine Grove Lions Club. If you are interested in learning more about the foundation, you are welcome to attend the January retreat or any board meetings held at the PA Lions State Office in Harrisburg. Next board meeting will be March 13. Please contact your District Governor or any NEPALSF board member for details.

Lion Vicky Dougherty, Board Member 14-T



Lions Clubs International Foundation has given District 4-C 80 Vision Service Plan gift certificates. The gift certificates are for a comprehensive eye exam and single vision or lined multifocal lenses and the certificates are available from your Zone Chairperson.

Because we do not have a district procedure for the distribution, tracking and reporting of the gift certificates. Zone Chairpersons will hold the certificates until a request for one is received from a club. The zone chairperson will record the serial number of the certificate and who requested it.

Clubs will report to their Zone chairperson the patients name, phone number and when the certificate was used. The reason for all of the data collection is that LCIF wants a detailed report on the certificates. This also includes some customer satisfaction reports.

For the immediate future Zone Chairs will hold the information until the district officers and the long-range planning committee can develop a procedure for handling the distribution and reporting of the LCIF/VSP gift certificates.

To use this gift certificate patients must have a U.S. Social Security number, have a family income less than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level guidelines and not have used a VSP program within the last 12 months. The patient can not use a gift certificate if they are already covered for eye care through a private insurer and/or a government program.

To use the certificates, you must first find a VSP network doctor who will accept them.

Use the search feature at vsp.com.

Enter your zip code.

Make sure you are searching in the *choice* network.

Under products enter Altair.

Call or visit the chosen VSP network Doctor to make sure they have Altair frames and will accept the VSP Gift Certificates. You will need to do this only one time even if you use more than one certificate.

Don't give the certificate to the patient. Take the certificate to the Eye Doctor yourself.

Tell the patient where to call to make an appointment. Report to your Zone Chairperson the patients name, phone number and when the certificate was used.

PDG George Reisinger,



NEW OXFORD LIONS LOTTERY CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Dear Fellow Lions,

As we all seek to work together to perform and fulfill our motto "We Serve"; we are all trying to keep up with the ever increasing demands to complete that goal. We in the New Oxford Lions Club are pursuing a new idea, involving the sale of calendars that can award the holder of a cash prize, based on the PA Lottery's evening drawing. Many other organizations utilize this method of fund raising, like local fire companies, etc.

The cost of each calendar is \$30, and if the holder would have their calendar's assigned daily number match the number during a regular weekday, they would get back the money they invested in the calendar. Weekend days pay more, and holidays pay much more, like on the 4th of July the prize is \$400.

If anyone in your respective Clubs would desire to purchase one of these calendars, please contact me. We can arrange to bring the total number of calendars requested to one of your future meetings, or someone from your Club could meet us at one of our meetings, to obtain the calendars. We would need the purchasers name, address, and telephone number on the card matched to their calendar.

Kevin Turnbaugh

Past President, NOLC

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District 14-C, Zone 4-B will be hosting our Annual Zone Social! We will again be having our Independent White Elephant Auction Fundraising Event to benefit The Brady Buggy Wagon Project and LCIF Campaign 100!

Lions, Lioness, Leos and guests are all cordially invited to participate in this fun event!

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019

(Snow Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2019)

Time: Doors open: 6 p.m., Meal: 6:30 p.m., Auction: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Stewartstown Presbyterian Church

14 College Avenue, Stewartstown, PA 17363

Meal: Buffet Style - Baked Southern Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans,

side salad, roll and butter, coffee, iced tea and lemonade, and apple crisp w/vanilla ice

cream for dessert

Cost: \$18.00 per person

RSVP: By: Sunday, February 24th, 2019 To: Zone Chair Lion Theresa A. Craley

430 Dartha Drive, Dallastown, PA 17313, (717) 309-5052 or <u>Dartha430@Comcast.net</u>













MD-14 STATE COUNCIL of LIONS CLUBS CONVENTION 96th Annual Convention - May 16 to May 19, 2019

Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, 250 Kalahari Blvd., Pocono Manor, PA 18349

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW LION MEMBERS

MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Lois M. Miller	Camp Hill	James Donahue
Elaine L. Kroft	Dover	Carl Kroft
Michael P. Adamek	Fairfield	Dean Thomas
James Rebert	Fairfield	Douglas Kump
Robert Smith	Fairfield	Douglas Kump
John E Helfrick	Hanover	John Zinn
Anne Franklin	Mt. Holly Springs	Judi Whitesell
Dorothy Edquest	New Cumberland	Bradley Bert
Richard Plocinski	New Cumberland	Thomas Gross
Jan Utter	New Cumberland	Garry Murray
Nelson Alpaugh Jr.	Shrewsbury Area	Brian Sweitzer

WELCOME AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US IN SERVICE!

IN MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED LION

Donald E. Hutchins

Dover

RESERVE THE DATES!

- STATE COUNCIL MEETING #3 - Feb. 1-3, 2019

Altoona Grand Hotel, Altoona PA. To make overnight lodging call 814-946-1631, Group: PA Lions Club.

Deadline for Reservations Jan 4th. 2019

- DISTRICT CABINET MEETING -Feb 16th, 2019

Time: 9:30 AM — Noon.

KEEP US ALL INFORMED

Lion Pat Simpson of the Jefferson Lions, newsletter editor.

To contact the editor or send newsletter items, please email: Newsletter14C@gmail.com

As before, you can help Lion Pat do a better job for you by sending her high quality jpeg pictures separate from any text (not imbedded in a Word or PDF document), letting her format articles (simple is best to work from), and not sending printed scans or printouts on colored paper. If somebody produced a flyer or other item on a computer, please send her the computer file and not a printout of it.