Lions Tale

As the editor of this newsletter, it is with sincere apologies to the Lions Clubs submitting entries for the Peace Poster Contest for not submitting the results nor the photos of entries designed by very special young people who may lead our Lions Clubs in the very near future.

With a team lead by Lion Gloria Weaver, posters were selected at the second Cabinet Meeting in November 2018. First place was awarded to Kara Lin, Mount Nittany Middle School, and representing Harris Township Lions Club. Second place was awarded to Katherine White representing the Wyalusing Lions Club. Joharis BonetVarela representing Millmont West Union Lions Club placed third in the Additional entries with selection. recognition were Leah Vest from Muncy Lions Club: Arivannah Creamer from Montgomery Lions Club; and Olivia Clester from the Sugar Valley Lions



"Kindness Matters" Kara Lin Mount Nittany Middle School Grade 7

"My poster symbolizes acts of kindness because the hands are giving to the dove which symbolizes peace."

Harris Township award winners: 2nd place

Club.

Andrew Lebeder; 3rd place Toni Goddish; 1st place Kara Linn, also District 14-G winner, and Lion Barbara Ott, Harris Township Lions Club, Peace Poster Chair

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genettihotel.com

Packing boxes for children in the hospital, walking for diabetes, hearing about PA elk, and how we can continue to learn more about pediatric cancer! Instead of working "9 to 5," why not spend the day with a wonderful group of Lions sharing and caring about others, while ending with entertainment and enjoying FREE hors d' ouvers - including shrimp cocktail, with a cash bar.

Instead of Packing the Park, let's "Jam the Genetti!" Our Lions are running back to the District Convention! Want to know why? Because we are doing it 'Your Way!' For the past two years we have been putting out surveys to ask what Lions want at the cumulation of the Lions year, and we are responding to your needs.

We will be having Leos there to assist with packing boxes for children, so don't forget to bring the items suggested for each region (page 18). And be sure to send a Raffle Basket from your clubmonies support our convention!

We are looking forward to being entertained by Woody Wolfe, demonstrating engaging children to happy times while in the hospital. Come to the Genetti, and have a wonderful time of making memories in your life's journey! LIVE!

Eye Donor Awareness Month



From International President Yngvadottir

This year's International Women's Day theme is #BalanceforBetter, calling for a more "gender-balanced world." We encourage all New Voices to use the #BalanceforBetter and #NewVoices hashtags side-by-side on social media. Let's get the word out to the global community about how New Voices are working toward better balance at Lions Clubs International! #LionsClubs #SriLanka

March – April Balance in

Membership Challenge

Balancing the membership and leadership of Lions helps us to better represent the world we serve. That's why in March and April we will be rewarding club membership chairpersons who invite women to join their clubs and our mission of compassionate service. Qualifying Criteria The Balance in Membership Challenge will run between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019. To qualify, your club must achieve one of the following criteria: 2 Recruit 5 new members (3 women) I Increase your club membership by 20% or more (with



The New Voices Initiative celebrates women's contributions to Lions Clubs International as it welcomes its first female International President. This initiative promotes gender parity by focusing on increasing the number of women in Lions Clubs, as well as closing the gap between men and women in leadership positions.





at least 50% women). If your club reaches or exceeds the new membership targets, the club membership chairperson will receive a special certificate from International President Yngvadottir. (taken from www.lionsclubs.org)

Looking for Membership Kits? They are ordered by the secretary of the club inducting new members. Kits are changed each year with the current International President. Kits are also available from the Global Membership Chairperson or the Multiple District 14 Global Membership Coordinator.

Kit is designed for presentation to new members which includes the Membership Certificate, Membership Card with membership lapel emblem attached and Sponsorship Certificate. Kits are available at no charge in all languages. Postage charges are not applied to New Member Kits. (taken from LCI)



To all Lions in Multiple District 14

Lion Susan and I are both honored and humbled by the overwhelming support that was shown to us during the Council meeting on February 1st thru February 3rd. The friendships we have made over the past years, the working relationships and the good times were shown this weekend.

To all that drove a distance in the cold winter weather to vote, your true Lionism was evident as this is what Lions do when necessary. We both thank you for your willingness to go the extra mile.

> As the now endorsed candidate for MD-14, our next hill to climb is the election in Milan. If elected, I commit to be a "full time" Director representing both MD-14 and Lions of the World. I will do my best to support the motto of "We Serve."





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District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus



Lions, Leo's, and Lioness have surely been busy this month! The month began with the State Council meeting in Altoona. Our Lion from Harris Township Lions Club,

Past Council Chair Larry Edwards, was elected to represent MD-14 as an International **Director.** PCC Larry's next step is to travel to the International Convention and hopefully he will be elected to that position.

We held our third Cabinet Meeting, and followed with 8 club visits and listening to several webinars. Now we will be focusing on our District Convention set for March 30, 2019, at the Genetti Hotel in Williamsport. Past International Director Alan Lundgren from Scottsdale, Arizona, will be our featured speaker this year. There will be two service activities and two great seminars - one on the Pennsylvania Elk and the other addressing Pediatric Cancer. We hope to see many of you there!

Gudrun Yngavadottir, International President, has challenged us to go "Beyond the Horizon" this year to look for something new your club can do this year in "Service." Now is the time to begin thinking about the coming year and planning your events. Make sure to incorporate some fun in your service

activities. Plan on attending our District convention as we will again have service as a focus. There will be a "Strides Walk" along with the packing of "Lion's Boxes" for the local hospitals. Come and have some fun!

Our District is doing very well with getting our MMR's (Monthly Membership Reports) and service reporting. We are at 36,000 hours of service so far this year. This is the most hours reported ever and we are the top in the Multiple District of Pennsylvania!!! Congratulations! We also have a Branch Club very close to chartering as a new club. The area we need to really focus our efforts is some 'New Voices" as 35 clubs in our District have not recruited a new member this year. If we want to stay around for another hundred years, we need some new blood. So why not have a social event to invite some prospective new LION'S. Invite anyone you come in contact with during you daily travels - you never know who may want to help in your community. You can also invite them to help at your service activities or fund-raising event. Let them know what "LION'S" really do in their communities.

We are trying to serve 200 million people per year! What you have reported is mind-boggling what we do for our local communities and beyond. Remember to give your secretaries a list of the service each of you perform. The volunteer hours you report as service will help us reach that goal. Remember you are a Lion member so no matter what you do it makes a difference. We already have more hours reported this year than all of last year. Keep it going!

Don't forget to donate to "Campaign 100." Over the next three years LCIF will be attempting to raise 300 million dollars. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is 50 years old and has awarded 1 billion dollars in grants. Sounds impressive, but the need is even greater in the future. They are asking that every member donate to this campaign. You can donate to LCIF by visiting the website and clicking on the donate button. You can begin your journey towards a Melvin Jones by doing so. Clubs can also be looking at applying for grants in their own communities. Put your money to work! If you have any questions about LCIF contact can myself butch9443@hotmail.com, phone (814) 933-4601 or our LCIF District coordinator PDG Gary Strauch at gstrauch@frontiernet.net or phone (570) 204-8003.

Finally, we will be scheduling training for the MYLION app to make reporting of your service activities faster and easier! Look for this training. Everyone please read and share the NEWSLETTER with all members.

> "Building Hope Thru Lionism" DG Howard "Butch" Haus



MARCH

Mar. 06 Canton Lions Club

Mar. 07 Millville Lions Club

Mar. 11 Kulpmont Centennial Lions Club

Mar. 12 Wells-Jackson Lions Club

Mar. 18 Lewisburg Lions Club

Mar. 19 Big Pond Lions Club

Mar. 21 Picture Rocks Lions Club

Mar. 26 Berwick Lions Club



MARCH

Mar. 16 Spring Symposium -PA Lions State Office, Harrisburg

Mar. 17 Spring Symposium - Blind Association of Butler

Mar. 30 District Convention - Genetti, Williamsport





First Vice District Governor James Wilbu

Many thanks to ALL Lions for their cards, prayers, donations, flowers, and phone calls on behalf with the loss of our daughter, Ciara Lynel LaFavor Sausser. We are surely going to miss her tenacity for living. Her message is "LIVE EACH DAY!"

AMAZING efforts and many thanks for clubs participation in the purchase of a "Brady Buggy." As time gets to the end of the 2018-2019 Lions year, clubs send out their donations in droves of giving, that I am sure we will be able to purchase an additional "Brady Buggy." There are still 45 clubs remaining in our district that have NOT donated, but we are hopeful they will see a way to contribute. Another kuddos to our district to have 100% participation in an endeavor that is close to my wife's and my support of pediatric cancer patients.

Currently, I am working on the District Directory for 2019-2020. If anyone has noticed a mistake, please contact me at jrwilbur09@gmail.com or Immediate Past District Governor Cheryl Wilbur. cawilbur@npacc.net, to make the corrections by April 30, 2019. I would like the District Directory available at the first Cabinet Meeting in August 2019. Please mark you calendars for August 10 or 11, 2019.

In preparation for the 2019-2020 Lions year, I am looking for Lions to fill some district positions, notably, Zone Chairs at this

Our District Convention is being held on March 30, 2019, in Williamsport. Try to find time to attend. I know some clubs have projects scheduled for that day; however, if even one could attend it would

be GREAT! Our goal may be far-fetched, but we would like to see a Lion from every club in our district!

Consider inviting a person of interest, a friend, a co-worker, and your children to a club meeting, club event, or club activity they would enjoy assisting with while having fun. Find other ways to include new potential members besides "eat and meet."

"Fast Track to Delivering!"



District Governor Elect James R. Wilbur

THANKS to the following clubs donating to the "Brady Buggy" - \$920.00 as of 2.28.19

- Wells-Jackson Lions Club
- Benton Lions Club
- Lycoming Creek Lions Club
- Berwick Lions Club
- Turbotville & Area Lions Club
- Ferguson Township Lions Club
- Picture Rocks Lions Club
- Troy Lions Club
- Sayre Athens Lions Club
- Millmont West Union Lions Club
- Eagles Mere Laporte Lions Club
- Shamokin Dam Lions Club
- Catawissa Valley Lions Club
- Mill Hall Lions Club





14-G's "Brady Buggy" will go to Janet Weis Children's Hospital, Danville, PA

Donations are decided by clubs in their way. Many of the clubs are in the process of sending out their annual donations in the beginning of January, while some clubs will do it in December.

We are hoping the remainder of the clubs will soon begin their distribution of funds prior to the District Convention, March 30, 2019, so a report can be made on the progress of many services.

District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus has applied to the Lions Club Foundation for the matching amount of \$500 for the Brady Buggy, which we can purchase one and we would like to have it on display at the District Convention. If all clubs contribute at least \$10, we can purchase another Brady Buggy from our district. Our District name will be placed on the Buggy. Hope to hear from the rest of our district soon!

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District Staff Administrator

Fellow Lions of 14-G:

Many of the following words are typed in jest, but have some strong sincerity in their contents.

On March 1, 2019 at 12:59 a.m. ET (February 28, 2019 11:59 p.m. CT in Oak Brook, IL), we still had fourteen (14) Sub-District 14-G Lions Clubs with no February 2019 Monthly Membership Report sub-mitted. Last month ALL 60 clubs in 14-G made a report. Danville Centennial, Troy and Watsontown Lioness Centennial required 4:30 p.m. Jan 31, 2019 texts to their presidents to get the job done, but <u>all clubs</u> proved that they can submit Monthly Membership Reports <u>by themselves</u>.

That was THE best record in MD-14 (PA)!!!!! Sub-District 14-F also had all clubs submitting, but we have more clubs, hence, "The BEST Record"!!!

Well -- Here's the "schtuff on February 2019"!!

Let the Jest Begin: Apparently the club presidents and secretaries of the clubs listed below "disappeared in action" between January 31 and February 28, 2019. Please note - there are no days 29, 30 or 31 in any February except in years devisable by 4. For you non-mathematicians, those are in the future the years 2020, 2024, 2028, etc.

I have been advised that all "non-reporting at that time clubs" received a call on about February 25 as friendly reminders/requests to submit their MMRs (Monthly Membership Reports). These clubs listed below apparently chose to not respond. Why?? I have to assume that they "disappeared in action" / not in actuality. However, I cannot fathom that an elected club officer would not want to do their duty!!! Can you????

Danville Centennial; Dushore; Howard Area; Kulpmont Centennial; Lock Haven; Mansfield; Millheim; Mt Carmel; Muncy Area; Pleasant Gap & Area; Sylvania; Wellsboro; Williamsport; and Wyalusing failed to submit a February 2019 MMR. Many of these great clubs have been early reporters in previous months!!! Sadly, some however, have been habitually late, BUT they ALL reported in January – So It Can Be Done!!!

Only within their specific Lions clubs can Presidents and Secretaries, and the new position of "Club Administrator" submit MMRs. Your District Governor cannot, nor can your District Global Membership Team leader. On the Sub-District level, only the District Staff Administrator can submit them for clubs requesting that service. And, I am easily reached –see page 45 of the 2018-19 14-G Directory.

Submitting MMRs is as simple as

"clicking no change" and then "submit." We have one Club, Northumberland, where the President and Secretary are incapable of doing their own reporting. They simply call me (remember that "olde thing" called a telephone??!!) and I gladly do the task for them. If any of the above Presidents and Secretaries have a reporting problem, call me and I can do the same for them — BUT, they have proven they can do it for themselves, so why did they not for February. Did they Disappear in Action???

For your info – We, Sub-District 14 -G, are the only District in Multiple District 14 (PA) that has ALL of their Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs reported to our International Association of Lions Clubs. It is possible to get things done!!! Congratulations to all, and remember 2019-2020 Club Officers can now be reported.

Back to MMRs- Do your MM Reporting ("no change") – unless there are changes by that day - by the 5th of each month – if you then have Membership changes to make later in the month, do them as they occur. Submit "no change" early and you will never be on the above list of "disappeared in action." Thank You, in advance, for your prompt attention to this important task.





New Members for February

Lion Anthony W. Wool,
Sponsored by Lion Robert
Wheeland, Jersey Shore Lions
Club



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From the Desk of District Secretar

Dear Lions:

I know how time flies by; however, there are dues that need to be paid and sent to Beth Cooley, 527 Washington Street, Muncy, Pa 17756.

Please do so by March 20, so I can balance the books for the District Convention!

Best, Lion Beth Cooley



OWE District Dues

Berwick - \$52.50

Bloomsburg Area - \$27.50

Danville Centennial -\$35.00

Kulpmont Centennial - \$32.50

Lewisburg - \$25.00

Lock Haven - \$52.50

Loyalsock Township - \$40.00

Mill Hall Area - \$30.00

Muncy Area - \$52.50

Northumberland - \$10.00

Rauchtown Nippenose Valley - \$57.50

South Creek - \$72.50

South Williamsport - \$125.00

Turbotville & Area - \$135.00

Watsontown Centennial Lioness- \$55.00

Williamsport - \$32.50

Wyalusing - \$105.00

Dues collected are needed for the District Convention expenses and bringing quality programs for our members' benefit. Please make this a TOP PRIOIRTY.



OWE District Convention Delegate

Fees

Bellefonte - \$28.00

Berwick - \$14.00

Big Pond - \$7.00

Bloomsburg Area - \$\$7.00

Catawissa Valley - \$14.00

Centre Hall - \$28.00

Danville Centennial - \$7.00

Kulpmont Centennial - \$7.00

Lewisburg - \$7.00

Lock Haven - \$14.00

Loyalsock Township - \$14.00

Lycoming Creek - \$14.00

Mill Hall Area - \$7.00

Millheim - \$35.00

Millmont West Union - \$7.00

Northumberland - \$7.00

Pleasant Gap & Area - \$21.00

Rauchtown Nippenose Valley - \$14.00

Shamokin Area - \$14.00

Snow Shoe - \$21.00

South Creek - \$21.00

Sugar Valley - \$21.00

Sylvania - \$21.00

Watsontown Centennial Lioness - \$14.00

Wellsboro -\$28.00

Williamsport - \$7.00

Williamsport Newberry - \$14.00

Wyalusing - \$28.00





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Membership Status in 14-G

Clubs Added NEW Members:

- Benton Lions Club #043009 2
- Berwick Lions Club #005996 1
- Bloomsburg Area Lions Club #105569 4
- Catawissa Valley Lions Club #041003 2
- Coudersport & Area Lions Club #047775 2
- Dushore Lions Club #006003 1
- Eagles Mere Laporte Lions Club #043717 3
- Harris Township Lions Club #006006 1
- Howard Lions Club #032199 1
- Jersey Shore Lions Club #006008 1
- Lycoming Creek Lions Club #006013 2
- Milesburg Lions Club #006017 6
- Millmont West Union Lions Club #045402 2
- Milton Lions Club #006019 1
- Mt. Carmel Lions Club #006022 6
- Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club #132592 2
- (NTCCLC) Bald Eagle Valley Lions Club Branch 16
- Picture Rocks Lions Club #006027 2
- Snow Shoe Lions Club #006030 3
- South Williamsport Lions Club #006033 2
- Towanda Lions Club #006038
- Troy Lions Club #006039 1
- Turbotville & Area Lions Club #041313 5
- Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions Club #135357 1
- Wyalusing Lions Club #029205 5

Deceased Members of District 14-G (July 2018-February 2019)

Lion Bruce Neifert, Canton Lions; Lion William Chambers, Howard Area Lions; Lion Chester Gard, Kulpmont Centennial Lions; Lion Robert West, Montgomery Lions; Lion Russell Palkendo, Northumberland Lions; Lion James Lane, South Williamsport Lions; Lion John Hellwig, Sugar Valley Lions; Lion James Johnson, Watsontown Lions; Lion A. William Gehron, Williamsport Lions

NO NEW MEMBERS THIS Lions Year

- ✓ Bellefonte Lions Club #5995
- ✓ Big Pond Lions Club #5997
- ✓ Canton Lions Club #5999
- ✓ Centre Hall Lions Club #6000
- ✓ Ferguson Township Lions Club #6005
- ✓ Herndon Lions Club #6007
- ✓ Kulpmont Centennial Lions Club #134144
- ✓ Lewisburg Lions Club #6010
- ✓ Lock Haven Lions Club #6011
- ✓ Loyalsock Township Lions Club #6012
- ✓ Mansfield Lions Club #6014
- ✓ Mill Hall Area Lions Club #107204
- ✓ Millheim Lions Club #6018
- ✓ Millville Lions Cub #42945
- ✓ Montgomery Lions Club #6020
- ✓ Montoursville Lions Club #6021
- ✓ Muncy Area Lions Club #39999
- ✓ New Berlin Lions Club #6023
- ✓ Northumberland Lions Club #6026
- ✓ Patton Township Lions Club #41468
- ✓ Pleasant Gap & Area Lions Club #39679
- ✓ Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley Lions Club #64588
- √ Sayre Athens Lions Club #6028
- ✓ Shamokin Area Lions Club #33266
- √ Shamokin Dam Lions Club #6029
- ✓ South Creek Lions Club #6031
- ✓ Sugar Valley Lions Club #33652
- ✓ Sunbury Lions Club #6035
- ✓ Sylvania Lions Club #6036
- ✓ Warrensville Area Lions Club #6040
- ✓ Watsontown Lions Club #6041
- ✓ Wells-Jackson Lions Club #40414
- ✓ Wellsboro Lions Club #6042
- ✓ Williamsport Lions Club #6043
- ✓ Williamsport Newberry Lions Club #6044



PA State Council Meeting Feb 1-2, 2019

PA Lions Sight Conservation and Eye Research Foundation: **PCC Brian McCarl**

Lions Year 2017-2018

- Top 3 Districts: 14-N \$13,110.55; 14-T \$12,707.28; 14-M \$9.050.00
- 2 Clubs donated \$2,000.00 each: Volant Lions Clubs14-N; and Little Beaver Lions Club -\$2,212.00
- Total donations \$91,705.73 up 4% from previous year

Global Service Team Coordinator PDG Tom Gregg

Four Diamonds

Clubs earning Silver Certificates:

- Harris Township Lions Club \$500
- Herndon Lions Club \$150
- Millheim Lions Club \$100
- Muncy Lions Club \$50.00
- Towanda Lions Club \$100 Campaign 100
- 14-G \$7168.50 Lion Service Hours to Date 202,945 in MD-14

14-G Disaster Relief Report: Lion Jim Groff

2018

- Took 50 cases of water to Flood victims in Maryland
- Worked with PEMA for dehumidifiers supplied by Lowe's
- 14-A Flood Disaster in Upper Darby
- 14-P Repaired and replaced plumbing in basement for single woman with children for
- 14-E Tarped a roof for a woman in Greensboro. PA
- 14-D Moved a flood victim to a new home
- 14-D Delivered Christmas gifts to family that lost their home with flooding

Future Goals:

- 1) Apply for LCIF MD Grant to wrap 4-53 foot tractor trailers in order to promote disaster relief in PA
- 2) Appointed Disaster Relief Chair in each district
- 3) Have a Disaster Financial Account to help when supplies are needed
- Establish temporary warehouses

PA Lions Diabetes PDG Don Gibala

- Lions Joint-Venture: 14-E: 14-M: and 14-B are presently grant planning in partnerships with the American Diabetes Association and Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh to develop and maintain a diabetes program for Type1 diabetic children and families
- 2019 State Convention at the Kalahari Resort on May 18, 2019, from 2:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. a Diabetes/Vision Walk

Global Leadership Team Coordinator **PDG Deb Burkholder**

- December 7-9 Held Vice District Governors Retreat
- 2nd Vice District Governor Positions are gradually filling: need one from 14-C, G, L, P
- February 22-24 Regional Lions Leadership Institute Held in York, PA with 36 Lions registered
- March 16-17 Spring Symposium in Harrisburg on the 16th, and in Butler on the 17th

Global Membership Team Coordinator IPDG Cheryl Wilbur

- Districts are creating Women's Symposiums or Workshops
- District A is diligently working on forming 3 clubs
- District B is in the process of forming a Specialty Club of Eye Care Professionals
- District G has a Branch Club about to transform to Bald Eagle Valley Lions
- Loss of 17 clubs in the state, we are having to invite more potential members to become Lions—there is much work to be done









Global Action Team **Spring Symposiums**



March 16th at the PA Lions State Office

East and Central Regions Time 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM

Lunch available at a cost of \$5

RSVP to PDG Tom Gregg at tomgregg1@verizon.net

Register by March 12, 2019

March 17th at the Blind Association of Butler

West Region

322 N. Cedar Street, Butler PA

Time 12:00 Noon until 5:00 PM

Please attend the location that is convenient for you and it is open to all Lions

PRESENTERS:

PID Cindy Gregg, Constitutional Area 1B GMT Leader PDG Deb Burkholder, MD 14 GLT Coordinator

PDG Cheryl Wilbur, MD 14 GMT Coordinator

PDG Tom Gregg, MD 14 GST Coordinator

TOPICS

MyLion Web-Based Reporting System

(Bring a laptop or tablet, plus 2 projects or meetings you would like to create)

Orientation: NOT Just for New Lions

Mentoring

Membership, Club Growth and New

Clubs





Eye Donor Awareness Month

hy a Parking Lot - You Ask?

Learnings from DGE Training -"What is a PARKING LOT?"

PARKING LOT is a productivity technique for effectively dealing with distracting but important non-agenda items that arise during the course of your meeting. Nonagenda items always seem to find their way into meetings. It is important to honor and recognize the existence of these important non-agenda items, but without interrupting the focus and goals of your meeting agenda. PARKING LOT involves recording these tangential issues on paper, insuring that they will be remembered and addressed, but without interrupting the ongoing conversation. PARKING LOT is another basic productivity technique that can be used to support your group's GROUNDRULES, Technique #3, for "Keeping on Track."

When Do I Use PARKING LOT?

When the meeting gets off track with issues worthy of discussion or action but unrelated, or tangential, to the current agenda item.

How Do I Use PARKING LOT?

Frequent eye rubbing or blinking

Frequent headaches

An eye turning in or out

Losing place when reading

Experience discomfort and fatigue

Covering one eye

Seeing double

Avoiding reading and other close activities

Holding reading materials close to the face

Difficulty remembering what he or she read Attempt to do work, but with a lower

level of comprehension

1. At or before the beginning of each meeting, place a chart labeled PARKING LOT on the wall. The first time you use PARK-ING LOT explain its purpose with the participants at the beginning of your meeting. Gain their approval to use this technique as needed throughout your meeting. For example: "As you know, our meetings often get off the subject and we end up spending our time on issues outside our agenda. I suggest that from now on, when this starts to happen, we chart the tangential issue on a PARKING LOT chart for later discussion. That way, we will remember to come back to the issue later, but still be able to accomplish our meeting's goals.

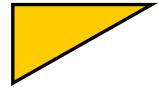
What do you think? ... I encourage you all to help me note when our conversations are getting off track."



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2. When the conversation sways off track with an issue worthy of consideration but off the topic under discussion, briefly stop the meeting. Write a quick synopsis of the issue, with permission from the group, on the PARKING LOT chart. NOTE: With issues that are trivial, politely remind the group that the meeting is getting off track. If you are not sure if an issue is worthy of the PARKING LOT list, ask the group what they think.

3. As one of the last agenda items to your meeting, go back to your PARKING LOT list. Decide, as a group, how to address each item. Some issues may be appropriate for discussion at your next meeting. Others may be more appropriately handled by a subset of the group or even by an individual. Some issues will no longer seem important and will be dropped. NOTE: During this discussion, document "who" will do "what" by "when." This ensures that issues will be addressed. For example: "Sam and Rebecca – make recommendations for new building site – at next meeting." "Carl – sends information on product exposure through E-mail – by Friday, 9/8." Write the information directly on your PARKING LOT chart and include it in the minutes of your meeting. NOTE: Be sure to save enough time at the end of your meeting to do this step. If you fail to go back to your PARKING LOT before the end of the meeting, you lose credibility. People will be reluctant to have their issues permanently left and forgotten on the PARKING



PARKING LOT is . . .

a technique for dealing the tangential with issues that threaten to take your meeting off track.

- Post a chart labeled PARKING LOT on the wall.
- When the conversation sways off track, briefly stop the meeting. Write a quick synopsis of the issue on the PARKING LOT chart.
- As one of the last agenda items to your meeting, go back to your

LOT chart.

Early, routine childhood screening reduces the risk of amblyopia by more than 50%. Therefore, take your child to a preventive vision screening to ensure best conditions for it's further development. For more information about preventive vision screening, click visionscreening.org

Do you want to read more about the Plusoptix Vision Screener? Click here for the Vision Screener product information.



- by Matthew Doerr, MD









Greetings, Leader Dog Chairs and Lions leadership,

You can now download the Leader Dog news for Lions for this month. Please circulate to your district newsletter editors, clubs and individuals. It can be dropped in a newsletter like a flyer. Up-todate information, stories and applications are on our website: LeaderDog.org.

Let your clubs know our **Summer Experience Camp** for teens has opened its registration. Like all our programs, Summer Experience Camp is free, including transportation to and from Leader Dog's campus and room & board. Camp is open to teens ages 16 and 17 who are blind or visually impaired.

Together We Serve,

Lion Beth Slade **Director of Lions Engagement**





March Is Eye Donor Awareness Month!



This is a special time to honor eye donors and their families for giving the gift of sight. Contact your local eve bank for more information, and show your support of this noble cause with new Vision global cause products available now in the LCI Store!

Pennsylvania

Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley

Lions Eye Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania









Please enter any time spent working as a volunteer for either Lions Club or any other organization such as church, school or civic club, food bank, etc.

Name of Lion	Name of Organization	Service Provided	Hours Spent

Global Service Chairperson Lion Sil Mancini (Montgomery Lions Club)

Please use this form for your Lions members to record their service hours. It has been amazing the number of service hours our Lions have been donating. Our service numbers are sky-rocketing compared to the previous years and compared to the state of Pennsylvania!

Keep recording and logging into MYLCI to record your efforts in helping others. Continue to March towards greatness! 14-G is GREAT!





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Club Secretaries/Recording Secretaries/Service Chairperson: You can make copies of this form to pass around during Lions Meetings to record service hours ANY Lion does outside of Lions. Global Membership Chairperson Lion Sil Mancini

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PA Proud & Pleased!

Bragging Rights for Clubs Section

Towanda Lions Club

Lion Bill Dell presenting a collapsible white cant to Dominic Ferrate. Dominic, 53 years old, was born deaf and is legally blind. Dominic works 20 hours per week at the Towanda YMCA,





Williamsport Lions Club Celebrates 96 Years on February 19

The monthly meeting of the Williamsport Lions Club was held on February 19th at Morrone's, Williamsport, with special guests, District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus III and his wife, Lion Joan Haus. Both the District Governor and his wife are members of the Milesburg, Pennsylvania Club.

An overview of his year was given to the club by the District Governor. In addition to his message, the special greeting and message of International President Gudrun Yngvadottir, from Iceland was shared. President Yngvadottir joined the Eik Lions Club in 1992 and, from that moment on, has served her local community and the world with the passion, care, and vigor. Both Lions are from Iceland.

The International President is the first female president and the first from Iceland. Her message included a salutatory greeting on behalf of the 1.4 million members of Lions throughout 207 countries and more than 46,500 clubs. Her message included the Lions focus for 2019 through 2021, Leading and proclaiming all Service

that Lions participate in, reshaping public opinion and enhancing visibility, developing great leaders throughout clubs, districts and the entire Lions organization who are committed to innovating at every level of Lions, and harnessing technology that will expand and drive our humanitarian service, and increasing membership and new initiatives.

Williamsport Lions Club President Travis Liebig introduced the District Governor and presented him and his wife in service with a Club Gift.



Lion Joan Haus-Milesburg Club and wife of DG, District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus III, Williamsport Lions' President Travis Liebig, Lion William "Bill" Lantz -50 Years of Service and Lion James Stuchell - 45 Years of Service.

District Governor "Butch" Haus presented two of the Club Members with Years of Service Awards on behalf of International President Gudrun. Members receiving the Medallion for 45 years of service was James Stuchell and the Medallion for 50 years of service was presented to Lion William Lantz.

Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired, championed youth initiatives and strengthened local communities through hands-on service and humanitarian projects. For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit lionsclubs.org.

For more information on the Williamsport Lions, the oldest club in the District of Central Pennsylvania, celebrating 96 years of service to the community, please contact membership chairman, Frank Pellegrino at 570.320.0302. The club meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6:15 p.m. and is also the sponsor and advisor to the SJNRA LEO club.

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Jam. 37 DG "-District Governor "Butch" Speaking with Clubs

lowing: Silver Centennial Awards, Gold and Diamond Awards to Lion Rhonda Bird, Kerri Scott and Tracy Smith





Warrensville Area Lions Club - February 5

Lion treasurer Jim Pagana, newly installed Lion Deb Horn as 3rd Vice President, 1st Vice President Lion Stephen Carl and Lion Secretary Shirley Schriner all seated at the table.



Standing: PDG Paul Schriner, Lion Bob Norton, Lion Mike Green, Lion Ed Souter, Lion Don Hepburn, Lion Ken Bower, Lion Bill Kosmer, DG Butch Haus, Lion Sonny Horn and PDG Kerry Drake.





First Vice resident Lion Steve Carl with Student of the Month, 7ach Springman.

Montoursville Lions Club - February 7



Six proud Lions of Montoursville meeting at Hoss's Restaurant, Williamsport, with DG

"Butch" Haus.

District Governor "Butch" Haus presents a 45 year chevron to Lion Fred Schultz!! Congrats, Lion Fred!









Williamsport Lions Club - February 19

Williamsport Lions Celebrate the District Governors visit and award medallions to two of its members. ID (left to right): Lion Joan Haus-Milesburg Club and wife of DG, District Governor Howard "Butch" Haus III, Williamsport Lions' President Travis Liebig, Lion William "Bill" Lantz -50 Years of Service and Lion James Stuchell - 45 Years of Service.



Read their story on Page 13



Loyalsock Township Lions Club - February 21



Chevrons: Lion Robert Johnson - 60 years; Lion Rita Marzzacco- 35 YEARS; Lion Connie Myers - 40 years; and Lion Denise Dersham - 40 years.









The Loyalsock Township Lions Club celebrated their Diamond Anniversary at a recent dinner meeting with the District Governor "Butch" Haus, his wife Lion Joan, and 1st Vice District Governor Jim Wil-

Providing service to their communities for 60 Several members were recognized for their years of contributions.

Charter Member Lion Robert E. Johnson receives encouragement from Lion President Diane Derrick.

Montgomery Lions Club - February 23



Montgomery Lion David Stahl receives award from DG "Butch" Haus. Chevrons were presented to Lions



When thinking of sauerkraut, think of Montgomery Lions!

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MD-14 Annual District Convention 2019

Letter to Lions from DG Howard "Butch" Haus IJI

Dear 14-G Lions, Leo's and Lioness:

As your District Governor, I am requesting your presence at our 37th Annual District Convention. Saturday, March 30, 2019, at the Genetti Hotel, Williamsport, PA. To accommodate our members, while meeting the needs of our local and global communities and enjoying how "WE SERVE" we will be offering the following:

7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration/Certification with coffee and donuts

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Basket Raffle and 50/50

2 Service Projects

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. "Strides Walk" OR LEO Care Boxes

2 Seminars

10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. PA Elk - Keystone Elk Country by Jeff Keiffer and Cindy Hintz

11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. Pediatric Cancer by Dr. Jagadeesh Ramdus from Geisinger, Danville, PA

Luncheon Honors Banquet

12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Guest Speaker PID Alan

Awards

Meal Choices: 1) Beef Tips Burgundy; 2) Baked Haddock; 3) Cheese Tortellini

\$20.00 per person—First Time Attendees \$10.00 per person

Necrology

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Hosted by PDG Bud Harris and Lion JoAnn Harris

Business Session

3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Meeting

Voting (District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor, 2nd Vice District Governor; 4:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Convention Committee Chairperson)

4:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Entertainment by Woody Wolfe

Social Hours with Butlered Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar

Block of Rooms \$89.00/night

It has been a pleasure meeting so many Lions from our "GREAT" district. My theme is "Building Hope thru Lionism," although our numbers are down, we have the opportunity to recruit many more before the end of this governing year. Thanks for all your service! Lion Joan and I will remember this year! Hope to see many of you at the District Convention! Come to Williamsport and have some FUN!

Sincerely, DG Howard "Butch" Haus III and Lion Joan M. Haus





10-14 Annual District Convention 2019

PA Lions 37th Annual District 14-G Convention

Genetti Hotel, Williamsport, PA

Saturday, March 30, 2019 Registration & Certification Starts at 7:30 a.m. in The Genetti Lobby

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LUNCHEON HONORS BANQUET at 12:30 p.m.					
Lunched	on Cost:	\$20.00	First-Time	ers Cost \$10	
Cocktail Hour with Entertainment 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.					
# Beef Tips Burgundy with Egg Noodles NAME					
# Baked Haddock with Lemon Dill Sauce NAME					
# Cheese Tortellini in Pesto Cream Sauce NAME					
*Includes Potato, Vegetable, Tossed Salad, and Carrot Cake					
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Please contact Convention Chairperson Lion Tammy Wolfe (570.649.5826) for Dietary Needs!					
Please let us know if you plan on attending any of the following events:					
			"Strides Wa	alk" Diabetes Av	wareness #
			Packing Ped	diatric Boxes #_	
Seminars:					
10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.	Keyston	e Elk Co	untry by Jef	f Keiffer and Cir	ndy Hintz #
11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.	Pediatri	c Cancei	r by Dr. Jaga	deesh Ramdus	-Geisinger #

Make Checks Payable to: <u>District 14-G Convention</u> for Luncheon and Pin to Tammy Wolfe, 41 3rd Street, Turbotville, PA 17772

PLEASE send registration form and check by March 9, 2019



D Box Project at District Convention Marc

This year the Lions and Leo Clubs of District 14-G have been asked to participate in a new adventure to help young children who are hospitalized. Many times children struggle to handle their stays within the hospital and need a distraction during the care that needs administered.

In a joint effort with both the Lions and Leo Clubs, we are asking for your support in this new endeavor. We are putting together care packages for children who are required to stay in a hospital. Throughout the child's stay they would receive a "LEO Box" filled with age appropriate items to keep them relaxed and feeling reassured.

We are asking each Region to gather items for one age group only and send those items to the District Convention. Boxes will be purchased and made ready for organizing and distribution during the convention. Your help is needed to fill each box with special gifts for these special children! If your club is unable to shop, but is still willing to participate, a donation is greatly appreciated and will be used to purchase appropriate gifts. Checks may be made out to District 14-G and then mailed to Patti Kasel, 408 Yarger Road, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Infants 0-12 months—Region 1

Soft cover or cardboard books, stacking blocks, farm animal sets, small toys that clip onto strollers or cribs, bath toys, stuffed animals, crib mirrors, busy boxes, light up toys, musical toys.

O-Balls, Lamaze, Bright Start, and Sassy brand crib toys are great!

Be AWARE of choking hazards

Toddlers 1-3 years—Region 2

Soft cover or cardboard books, rattles, stacking blocks, farm animals sets, small toys that clip onto strollers or cribs, bath toys, stuffed animals, balls, crib mirrors, busy boxes, pillow cases, fun socks, chunky crayons, coloring books, picture flashcards, bubbles, Play-Doh, plastic cars, small dolls.

Be AWARE of choking hazards

Preschool 3-5 years—Region 3

Crayons, coloring books, grab-n-go activity kits, Play-Doh, books, stickers and sticker books, matchbox cars, nerf or rubber balls, stuffed animals, flash cards, bubbles, fun socks, small action figures, small dolls, travel size games, activity books, card games such as Go Fish, dress-up times, toy farm animals and dinosaurs.

Labels with suggested for Preschoolers



Elementary 5-8 years—Region 4

Crayons, markers, colored pencils, coloring books, word searches, activity books, reading books, matchbox cars, nerf balls, stuffed animals, stickers, Play-Doh, Silly Putty, flash cards, Lego kits, travel games, craft kits, joke books, hand lotion, fun socks, Slinky, My Little Pony, action figures, puzzles, decks of cards, UNO card game.

Labels for school-age children

Tweens & Teens 8 year & Up Region 5

Crayons, colored pencils, coloring books, wsord searches, writing journals, Play-Doh, stuffed animals, card games, Lego kits, puzzles, magazines, Chapstick, hand lotion, doodle pads, travel size games, nail polish, jewelry making kits, craft kits, paint sets.

Labels suggested for Teens

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Lions & Lioness Clubs, District Governor, Past District Governors, and Zone Chairs!

Your support of "Raffle Baskets" is needed from you. You could also solicit donations from businesses in your respective areas.

Please have the baskets delivered by 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 20, 2019, so we can get them set up for the day.

Questions, Call Debby Bieber 570.220.0645 or send checks (District 14-G) to Debby Bieber, 1127 Leiser Road, New Columbia, PA 17856







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MD 14-G March 30, 2019

Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness



Special points of interest:

- ⇒ Promotes healthy exercise
- Brings community together
- Strides event can include: running, walking, bicycling, dancing, dog walking, hula-hooping or any other activity that gets people moving

What is Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness?	Strides is a friendly, positive and active
community event that enables Lions Clubs or dist	ricts to take action and raise awareness
about diabetes prevention and control. The Stride	es program incorporates enjoyable physi-
cal activity through a community walk, run, bicycle	ride, dance or other healthy exercise.

Strides Mission The mission of Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness is to empower Lions to join the fight against diabetes and implement Strides community events.

The Need Diabetes is increasing worldwide. Over 300 million people have diabetes. By 2035, the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) estimates that over 592 million worldwide will have the disease. It is deadly and debilitating; every 8 seconds, someone in world dies from the complications of diabetes. Diabetic retinopathy is a leading cause of blindness.

Sponsor Name	Contact Information	Amount Donated



Total Amount Collected

Bring this form with you at the District Convention with monies collected. Walking from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. around one block to Center City.

See PAGE 25 for the "Waiver to Walk" form to sign and bring with you.

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Partnership: Global Cause of Childhood Cancer

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Pennsylvania Lions FOR THE KIDS



A Four Diamonds Program Conquering Childhood Cancer

Lions Clubs International has announced a new focus on pediatric cancer and joins Four Diamonds in recognizing that

pediatric cancer kills more children in the United States than any other disease.

JOIN US IN THE FIGHT TO **CONQUER CHILDHOOD CANCER!**

The Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs is launching a new initiative with Four Diamonds by mobilizing their members to raise funds and awareness about the impact of childhood cancer.





Local Research. Global Impact.

To donate or fundraise visit:

Four Diamonds.org/PALions

Four Diamonds child Devi

ABOUT FOUR DIAMONDS

Since 1972, Four Diamonds has been focused on inspiring, activating and empowering over 100,000 people annually to conquer childhood cancer by assisting children and their families through superior care, comprehensive support and innovative research.

www.FourDiamonds.org





Why the Partnership?

Sadly, childhood cancer continues to be the leading cause of non-communicable-related deaths in children throughout the world. Globally, more than 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer each year. Because of these statistics, Lions Clubs International is beginning its global campaign to raise awareness about this terrible disease and to express support for children and adolescents with cancer, the survivors, and their families. We, as Pennsylvania Lions, are proud and honored to enter this partnership with Four Diamonds to promote an increased appreciation and a deeper understanding of the issues and challenges relevant to this terrible illness and its impact on children/adolescents with cancer, the survivors, their families and society. No child suffering from cancer or their families ever receive a bill from the Hershey Medical Center for the treatment and care of the patient or the support that the families receive while their child is undergoing care from the time they are diagnosed until several years of remission have passed. It also spotlights the need for more equitable and accessible treatment and care for all children with cancer. We, the Lions, Lioness, and Leos of Pennsylvania, look forward to working with the Foundation to serve those children and their families in a time of great need. We have pledged to raise \$100,000 during the 2018 – 2019 Lions year, providing in-kind services to the families staying on campus at The Pennsylvania State University Medical Center and by encouraging our youth group, the LEOs, to participate in "Mini THONS" throughout the Commonwealth.

This is a long-term partnership, not just a year-long endeavor. Our plan as we go forward is to continue the financial help and to expand our horizon to funding research into the causes and cures for the cancers that afflict children in the communities we serve. We thank Four Diamonds for allowing us to partner with them.

How Did the Partnership begin?

District Governor Keldeen Stambaugh from 14-T contacted with Four Diamonds to find service projects for clubs within her district. As MD 14 GST Coordinator, I was informed of what DG Keldeen was doing in order to share her ideas on Childhood Cancer with clubs in other areas of the Commonwealth to possibly provide services at their facilities. I then asked if she would mind if we made this a Multiple District Project and she encouraged us to make it happen. A group consisting of PID Cindy Gregg, State Administrator Lion Bob McComas, and PDG Tom Gregg, met the Katie Anderson, Associate Director of Community and Corporate Engagement at Four Diamonds. At this meeting, we discussed the various possibilities of what the Lions of Pennsylvania could do to further the work of Four Diamonds. After much discussion, the committee formulated the Partnership and shared it with the 2017 – 2018 MD 14 GAT Team and Pennsylvania's International Family. Some refinements were made, and then the plan was shared with Four Diamonds where additional modifications were made. The plan was then presented to the 2017 – 2018 State Council of Governors at the 2018 Multiple District Convention in State College, Pennsylvania the weekend of May 17 – 20, 2018. The plan was accepted and approved by the Governors.

Who is Four Diamonds?

The Four Diamonds mission is to conquer childhood cancer by assisting children and their families through superior care, comprehensive support, and innovative research. Four Diamonds covers 100 percent of all medical expenses related to cancer care that is not covered by insurance. Because of the community's steady and generous support, Four Diamonds has assisted 100 percent of the childhood cancer patients who have been treated at Penn State Children's Hospital.

Since its creation in 1972, Four Diamonds has helped nearly 4,000 children and families and supported a diverse platform of childhood cancer research at Penn State Children's Hospital, seeking improved treatments and cures to benefit children around the world. It would be impossible to describe in a few words the wonderful work that Four Diamonds has done. Here is their web address (www.fourdiamonds.org) where you can go to get the full scope of who they are, what they do and why the Lions Family of Pennsylvania is honored to serve at their side.

What is the plan?

The Lions, Lioness and LEOs of Multiple District 14 have begun to emphasize Childhood Cancer. To make a much larger impact in the Global Cause, the Multiple District Global Action Team would like to combine our efforts statewide by partnering with Four Diamonds at the Penn State Children's Hospital. This partnership can take many forms, such as donating items on the hospital's wish list, volunteering, hosting dinners for families whose children are receiving treatment, etc. Multiple District-wide, we are considering two approaches, one for the Lions and Lioness and another for the LEOs.

For the Lions and Lioness, we would like to begin a capital fundraising campaign to aid Four Diamonds in their mission to conquer childhood cancer (www.fourdiamonds.org/PA Lions). Four Diamonds covers 100% of all medical expenses related to cancer care not covered by insurance for eligible Four Diamonds children and funds life-saving research to benefit kids around the world. The first year's campaign goal is \$100,000 which equates to \$5.25 per Lion in the Multiple District.

During the second phase, we hope that our LEO clubs would encourage their schools to become a part of the Four Diamonds Mini-THON® program, which are interactive events led by students that inspire teamwork, leadership and creativity, while empowering youth and young adults through philanthropy and community service in the fight to conquer childhood cancer. Modeled after the Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THONTM), Mini-THONs are held at elementary, middle and high schools. During the 2016-17 school year alone, Mini-THONs engaged 90,000 student volunteers and 265 schools in eight states (and counting!), who raised \$6.4 million for Four Diamonds children and families. A current list of participating schools is included with this proposal.

We then propose to secure funding to enable us to secure a grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation to allow Four Diamonds to use in their research endeavors to find the causes and cures for various Childhood Cancers. One additional item that could prove to be an asset, is the opportunity to tap into the Penn State University's Alumni Base (largest dues paying alumni base in the world) to further our missions, increase club membership, and possibly be a source of specialty clubs in every district.

This endeavor is by far the most ambitious project, and a first of its kind, by the Lions of Pennsylvania. However, it will take a team effort from the entire Lions family to make it a success. Please stand up for our motto: "We Serve," and help children and families through a very trying time in their lives. Become a part of something that we all can be proud of and help to make the Lions of Pennsylvania a model of service and humanity for Lions around the world.

PDG Thomas "Tom" Gregg, MD Global Service Team Coordinator





New Voices

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MAR 21

Why We Need the Women's Initiative Thursday, March 21, 2019 | 9:00AM -10:00AM CDT

Register

APR 18

Stand Up and Stand Out: Market Yourself as a Leader

Thursday, April 18, 2019 | 9:00AM -10:00AM CDT

Register

MAY 23

Prepare for Success: Get Ready to Take a Leadership Role

Thursday, May 23, 2019 | 9:00AM -10:00AM CDT

Register

JUN 21

Beyond the Horizon and Year in Review! Friday, June 21, 2019 | 9:00AM - 10:00AM CDT

Register

We had the pleasure of meeting this lovely lady, PID Joyce Middleton, on February 1 and 2 at the MD14 Council Meeting! She was one of our guest speakers at the State Council Meeting in February. PID Joyce is one of our leaders for New Voices.

She is from Bridgewater, Massachusetts, and is a computer engineer. She joined Lions in 2002, and is a charter member of the Bridgewater Community Lions Club. PID Joyce has served in numerous capacities while being a member of Lions Clubs International: club president; zone chair; Leo advisor; district membership, leadership, extension and retention chairperson; cabinet secretary;

district governor; multiple district Coordina-GMT tor.



Being a

Melvin Jones Progressive Fellow, PID Middleton has also received the Membership Key Award, two Club President Excellence Awards, District Governor Excellence Award, Extension Award, three International President's Certificates of Appreciation and three International President's Medals.

PID Middleton, and her husband, Martin, have one son and one daughter.

Celebrating International Womens Dayl



year's International Women's This theme #BalanceforBetter, calling for a more "gender-balanced world." We encourage New Voices to use the #BalanceforBetter and #NewVoices hashtags side-by-side on social media. Let's get the word out to the global community about how New Voices are working toward better balance at Lions Clubs International! For more information, visit the International Women's Day website.





District Governor: Howard "Butch" Haus III 814.933.4601 (Milesburg Lions Club)

First Vice District Governor: James R. Wilbur 570.537.2643 (Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club)

Second Vice District Governor: Vacant

Secretary/Treasurer: Beth Cooley 570.494.7131 (Picture Rocks Lions Club)



Global Action Team

Global Leadership Coordinator: PDG Robert Dunne 570.447.4472 (Montoursville Lions Club)

Global Membership Team Coordinator: PDG Cheryl Wilbur 570.537.2643 (Northern Tioga County Centennial Lions Club)

Global Service Team: Silvana Mancini 570.547.1543 (Montgomery Lions Club)

Regions: Zone Chairpersons & Clubs

Region 1: Zone A: Debra Colegrove 570.662.2266

(Coudersport & Area; Mansfield; Northern Tioga County Centennial; Wellsboro; Wells-Jackson)

Zone B: PDG Robert Hunter 570.297.4080

(Big Pond; South Creek, Sylvania, Troy)

Zone C: VACANT (Canton, Sayre Athens, Towanda, Troy)

Region II: Zone A: Cathy Coniff 570.525.3749

(Dushore, Muncy Area; Eagles Mere Laporte, Picture Rocks)

Zone B: John Clabaugh 570.772.2499

(Lycoming Creek; Montgomery; South Williamsport; Williamsport Newberry)

Zone C: VACANT (Loyalsock Township; Montoursville, Warrensville, Williamsport)

Region III: Zone A: Tyler James 570.898.6587

(Herndon; Kulpmont Centennial; Mount Carmel; Northumberland; Shamokin Area; Sunbury)

Zone B: Timothy Wallis 570.394.3978

(Benton; Berwick; Bloomsburg Area; Catawissa Valley; Danville Centennial; Millville)

Region IV: Zone A: Harry Ward 814.349.5575

(Centre Hall; Ferguson Township; Harris Township; Millheim; Patton Township)

Zone B: Sara Tressler *814.380.6610*

(Bellefonte; Howard Area; Milesburg; Pleasant Gap & Area; Snow Shoe)

Region V: Zone A: Tammy Wolfe 570.649.5826

(Lewisburg; Milton; Turbotville & Area; Watsontown; Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions)

Zone B: VACANT (Jersey Shore; Lock Haven; Mill Hall Area; Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley; Sugar Valley)

Zone C: Leonard Lawrence (Millmont west Union Area; New Berlin; Northumberland; Shamokin Dam;

Sunbury)



Danville Gentennial Lions

Cook your best chili for a



cause!

Want to Enter? Call Gary Derr 570.764.7203

Email:

- \$20 Registration Fee
 - Limited Space Gary.Derr@Sodexo.com
- \$5 to Taste
- Food & Beverages
- Raffle Basket Drawings

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL CHILDREN

1-3 P.M. Saturday, March 23 Meadows Community Center 77 Tower View Circle Danville, PA

PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Watch for further information in the April Lions Tale Newsletter!! Limited to the 1st 100 Players Call 814.542.4343



Saturday, August 17, 2019

1:00 p.m.

American Legion Country Club Mount Union, PA 17066

Arthur Girio

Lions Scholarship

Since 1990 the PDG Arthur Girio Lions Scholarship Fund has awarded 396 scholarships to District 14-G Lions, Lioness, their children or grandchildren, and Leos. This program is available to all clubs in 14-G. With several new clubs and many new Lions in the district, we are informing everyone of the scholarship.

The Scholarship Committee: Lion George Girio, PDG James Crawley, Lion Beth Cooley, and Lion Erin Miller, would like to increase the current scholarship award of \$500 to \$1,000. To accomplish this goal they are requesting a minimum yearly club contribution of \$250.00.

This is an opportunity for the Lions and Lioness Clubs of our Great District to join together to help advance the youth in our communities, and to continue PDG Art's dream.

Look for further details and application in the 2019 April Lions Tale Newsletter.

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Page 24 Lions Tale Newsletter Waiver and Release of Liability for Strides:

District 14-G Convention Lions for Diabetes Awareness

- 1. I wish to participate in the District 14-G Convention Strides...Lions for Diabetes Awareness event ("Event"). I understand that my execution of this Waiver and Release is a prerequisite for participation in the Event. I further understand that there are risks and dangers inherent in participating in the Event.
- 2. I understand that in order to be allowed to participate in the Event, I agree to assume all risks and to release and hold harmless District 14-G Convention Lions Clubs International Inc., Lions Clubs International Foundation, Inc., and their officers, agents, employees, assigns, successors in interest, contractors, vendors (and their agents), agencies, sponsors, officials and volunteers, including walk leaders, participating communities and clubs and all governmental and public entities including, but not limited to, the State, County and local municipalities where the events take place (collectively the "Released Parties").
- 3. I intend by this Waiver and Release to release, in advance, and to waive my rights and discharge all of the persons and entities mentioned above, from any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury or property damage which I may have, or which may hereafter accrue to me as a result of my participation in the Event, even though this liability may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective property or equipment owned, maintained or controlled by them or because of their possible liability without fault. I understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs, assigns, and legal representatives.
- 4. I understand that I am solely responsible for my health and safety, and I acknowledge that I am physically capable of participating in and completing this Event.
- 5. I agree to allow District 14-G Convention Lions Clubs International, Lions Clubs International Foundation, and their contractors, agencies and sponsors, the use of my name and likeness in connection with Strides...Lions for Diabetes Awareness, for any purpose related to advertising or promotion of the event worldwide in perpetuity in all forms of media now and forever known.
- 6. Should any portion of this Waiver and Release be judicially determined invalid, voidable or unenforceable, for any reason, such portion of this Waiver and Release shall be severable from the remaining portions herein and the invalidity, voidability, or unenforceability thereof shall not affect the validity, effect, enforceability, or interpretation of the remaining provisions of this Waiver and Release.
- 7. I have carefully read this Waiver and Release and fully understand its contents. If I am under 18 years of age at the time of registration, my parent or legal guardian has completely reviewed this Waiver and Release, understands and consents to its terms, and authorizes my participation by his/her signature below. I am aware that this is a RELEASE OF LIABILITY and a contract between me and the persons and entities mentioned above and I sign of my own free will.

Signature:	Date:
Signature of parent or guardian if participant is under 18 γ companied by their parent or guardian).	years of age (Anyone under the age of 18 must be ac
Parent Signature:	Date:

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS Form and Bring to District Convention on March 30, 2019





Club MMR's and Service Activities

Bellefonte - 36 Members: Held two dinner meetings; Planned spring Rib Dinner sale for April 27, 2019, and will be first use of new cooker; Donated \$500 to Faith Center Food Bank; Donated \$180 to Beacon Lodge 500 Club; Donated \$250 to Bellefonte Victorian Christmas; Received \$1,000 donation from Centre Foresight Committee for Bellefonte Kepler Pool Fund and Fund is at \$6,000; Now applying for State Lions grants.

Benton - 42 Members: Two Lions members traveled to Altoona and attended the special meeting to vote for ID; Helped prepare meals, baking, wash dishes, for members of the senior center; Lions members transported elderly to doctors, hospital, and pharmacy; Cleared driveway and sidewalks for elderly neighbors; Collected sheets, blankets, and towels and donated to the Blue Chip Animal Rescue center; Recycled newspaper, magazine, aluminum & tin cans, glass, plastic bottles; Dropped off snacks, food, magazine, and books at the Orangeville Veterans Manor; Lion Members donated food to the local food bank and gave a monetary donation.

Berwick - 19 Members: Held 4th of 7 drawings of the 200 Club Fundraiser; Received two requests for eyeglasses; Sent monies to Beacon Lodge 500 Club; Donated \$100 to Pediatric Care Boxes

Big Pond - 8 Members: Club met with 8 members present; Continued planning the March 23 and 24th Pancake Days Fundraiser event, the Bradford County SPCA volunteers will be helping again this year as well as the Bradford County Heritage Association volunteers –serving 2,200 people over a 2-day period last year; Local not-for-profits will also be in attendance to do display tables of their services; Approved a donation to the fund designated in honor and memory of the Immediate Past District Governor's daughter who passed away recently; Club met the 5th of February-8 members present; New secretary will be Rob Karlewicz - Mark Cowan will be treasurer with Doug Fay as assistant treasurer; A memorial display for members passing this past year at the Pancake Days; It was agreed that the club would donate \$250 to a local child's fund who has brain cancer and the family is in need of gas money to make trips to Danville, PA, for treatments; Club will donate any left over food supplies to the area Senior Center in Athens, PA; Club purchased Lions club raffle tickets from the district; Doug Fay reported that the date is set for the visit by the Athens Area School Elementary group to come to the Fays Sugar Shack to see the maple syrup operation and Lions serve pancakes.

Bloomsburg Area - 11 Members: Collected 40 used eyeglasses; Selling brooms.

Canton - 31 Members: Club meeting.

Catawissa Valley - 17 Members: Purchased a Brady Buggy for Geisinger Hospital; Donated monies towards a District Brady Buggy; Preparations for Yeti Cooler Raffle.

Centre Hall - 37 Members: Quilts of Valor, Centre County Farm Bureau, and Relay for Life organizations have used the facilities for monthly meetings; BINGO 4 times during month of February.

Coudersport & Area - 24 Members: Weekly community operation that collects over two tons of recycling per month and collects roughly \$250 in donations; Senior Center assist with fundraiser of Chili for Charity Event with making a donation to their organization; Guest speaker from the community pool organization spoke at our monthly meeting; Made a donation to the community swimming pool.

Danville Centennial - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Dushore - Members: NO MMR Donated \$1,000 to Dushore Troop 48 Boy Scouts of America

Eagles Mere LaPorte - 49 Members: Donations were sent to Camp Victory, Beacon Lodge for their summer program; Donation to Kiwanis of Sullivan County for their 2019 Winter Fest held February 16th at Camp Brule; Donation to Childhood Cancer Day to purchase a Brady Buggy for children to use while having chemo treatments.

Ferguson Township - 37 Members: Delivered 1 case of Apple Butter; Sold Homemade Soups at Lions Club Meeting; Shopped for items to make soup for Soup Sale; Held business meeting; Transportation provided for a doctors appointment; Transportation to work for a child; Recycle bins for plastic, glass, metal, and paper, corrugated cardboard and a Salvation Army bin for used clothing; BSA Troop 44 used club facilities with 4 Lions as Troop Leaders; Secretarial volunteer for PGM Senior Citizen Organization; Youth groups used building; One member cleaned the church; Provided assistance to an elderly blind person; One Lion assisted a visually impaired individual; Made deposits in the bank for a church member; One Lion conducted a Bible Study for community Senior Center.

Harris Township - 43 Members: Our club is a partner with the area biking clubs and a church who are developing a Mountain Biking Competition Track, The club donated \$5,000 toward the connecting path to the Competition Track and trails to Rothrock State Forest.

Herndon - 13 Members: Helped to clear several fire hydrants in the borough for several neighbors; helped with food bank to deliver food to several families for two days; Recycling; Selling Meat Sticks; Recycling.

Howard Area – Members: NO MMR Held biweekly BINGO at Beech Creek Social Hall; Provided food to the needy; Held dinner meeting; Held business meeting; Held a blood drive at the JK Yearick Center; Held Annual Sweetheart Dinner for ages 60 and over; BINGO Night at Social Hall.

Jersey Shore - 49 Members: 1 NEW Member Lion Anthony W. Wool, Sponsored by Lion Robert Wheeland; Documented service hours for February 2019; Constructed a handicapped ramp for local woman suffering from cancer.

Kulpmont Centennial - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Lewisburg - 10 Members: Held a Pancake Breakfast in conjunction with the Lewisburg Ice Festival, serving over 60 people.

Lock Haven - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Loyalsock Township - 16 Members: Held meetings and administrative activities; Celebration of 60 years as a Lions Club.

Lycoming Creek - 20 Members: Celebration of 60 years as a Lions Club.

Mansfield - Members: NO MMR Maintains an aluminum can depositing shed; Monthly sorting and transport to 2 local collection centers are done; Items and money are collected at regular Lions Club Meetings to support the Mansfield Area Food Pantry; Monthly members assist in unloading a food truck at the pantry; Every Monday Lions pick up food from our local Walmart and delivers it to the Mansfield Food Pantry; Helped purchase eyeglasses for a person in need; Zone Chairperson visited clubs to discuss and support the District Convention on March 30th.

Milesburg - 45 Members: Club meeting; Sweetheart Dinner; Walk for Alzheimer's; Supported Bald Eagle Area Robot Team; Worth Prospects PA Kids Softball traveling team; Donation to Bald Eagle Area Powderpuff; Thursday nights BINGO and serving food and beverages.

Mill Hall Area - 12 Members: Made a donation to Brady Buggy fund for the Janet Weis Children's Hospital in Danville; Assisted a community member in obtaining a wheelchair to use after his discharge from the hospital for this second leg amputation due to diabetes; Provide students in need with meals for the weekend "Blessings in a Back Pack" during the school year; Lion Tracy Smith serves on the Keystone Central School District School Board.

Millheim - Members: NO MMR Organized a Cash Bingo scheduled for March 24; 4 hours cleaning the snow from the driveways of 6 neighbors.

Millmont West Union - 13 Members: NO Activities

Millville - 19 Members: Club Meetings; Donation \$300 to Beacon Lodge; Maintains an aluminum can depository for the community with money generated going to Camp Victory; a local summer camp for handicapped children and adults.



Milton - 30 Members: Held monthly board meeting; Held weekly meetings; District Governor and his wife Lion Joan visited our club.

Montgomery - 29 Members: Held our regular monthly meeting at the Lions Hall; Speaker Ginnetta Reed, Director of Development and Communications, from Ronald McDonald House of Danville Inc. was our guest; Had a Board of Directors meeting following regular meeting; Held 63rd Annual Charter Night with DG "Butch" Haus and wife Lion Joan; DG "Butch" Haus presented chevron awards to several members for their years of service, 100% Attendance Awards for 2017-2018 were presented at the Clinton Baptist Church with 23 in attendance; Helped with Neighbors Helping Neighbors Food Distribution of food items to local families on Feb. 6, 19, and 20; Donated \$200 to Montgomery High School Band for trip to perform at Memorial Square in Colonial Williamsburg, VA; Paid district dues, delegate fees for district convention, Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness and for Pediatric Cancer Care Boxes.

Montoursville - 11 Members: NO Activities

Mt. Carmel - Members: NO MMR Regular meeting with a meal.

Muncy Area - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

New Berlin - 11 Members: No service activities to report this month; No meetings held; Held annual members and spouses banquet this month.

Northern Tioga County Centennial - 36 Members: Purchasing Mardi Gras items for the fundraising project to Pediatric Cancer; Planning with PID Cindy Gregg and PID Joyce Middleton for New Voices a symposium in the spring; 2 Lions attended the PA State Council Meeting; Submitted grants to purchase an audiometer for Williamson High School and R. B. Walter Elementary Schools; Completed grant for Williamson High School to replace cafeteria tables over 25 years old; Member worked on District Newsletter for the month of February:

Northumberland - 4 Members Northumberland LC coordinates 3 other groups (including Sunbury LC) in a recycling project in the Northumberland, PA area, financial proceeds benefit community projects; Collected 5281 lbs. in February 2019; Makes a contribution to the operating budget of the Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp - a camp originally developed to help vision impaired youth, but which now encompasses additional services such as an Annual Leo weekend and a camp for families of impaired armed forces veterans adjusting to civilian life.

Patton Township - 20 Members: No activities submitted.

Picture Rocks - 20 Members: Held one regular meeting and hosted a our annual joint meeting with the Hughesville (local) Rotary Club; Celebrated another successful sauerkraut sale; We now have the money to fulfill our pledge to North Central Sight Services which we will do this spring when the weather warms up so we can get an outside photo op with Bob Garrett, NCSS's executive director and then we will publish the photo in the local weekly newspaper; We donated a sum of money to a local school child for new glasses.

Pleasant Gap & Area - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Rauchtown-Nippenose Valley - 23 Members:

Sayre Athens - 13 Members:

Shamokin Area - 22 Members:

Shamokin Dam - 6 Members: The Shamokin Dam Lions Club collected and processed sixteen 12"x 18" office storage boxes of used eyeglasses. They were delivered to the home of PDG Charlie Poust in Pine Grove Mills. They will then be taken to an optometrist in Ridgeway for distribution in Central America. This is a long standing project of the Shamokin Dam Lions Club.

Snow Shoe - 31 Members: Donations of \$200 to help Bald Eagle Area Girls Basketball Team; Donation to Bald Eagle Area boys football costs not covered by school district

South Creek - 29 Members: Held 4 meetings in February including a Nominating Committee Meeting; Planning meeting for a Benefit Dinner for a local family; 2 South Creek Lions work in the Bingo kitchen at the local Fire company each Friday Night during February; 12 other Lions chases after supplies each week; 3 Lions worked with local probation to provide necessary community service hours; Monthly Community Recycling held for 4 hours.

South Williamsport - 52 Members: Aluminum cans are collected and turned in for money.

Sugar Valley - 35 Members: Monthly food distribution; Invited 2 students and their families for Student Recognition Program with each receiving certificates and spoke of their school accomplishments.

Sunbury - 8 Members: Collect Cardboard from the community and man the Northumberland Recycling center; Crushed cans; Bailed newspaper, plastic and cardboard.

Sylvania - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Towanda - 21 Members: Total of 72 hours for February,

Troy - 67 Members: Donated eyeglasses for local woman in need; Donated \$200 by a member towards the Brady Buggy; Donated \$250 to the Art Girio Scholarship Fund; Donated \$200 to the Animal Care Sanctuary; Donated \$200 to Missoula Children's Program.

Turbotville & Area - 59 Members: During the month of February individual Lions from the Turbotville Area cared for the community by cooking for a church; Working at church dinners; Shoveling snow and grocery shopping for elderly; Working at fundraisers for a family with serious health issues; Working on the community carnival committee; Donated \$500 to a family who lost their home and all their possessions in a fire; Attended cabinet meeting and district convention meeting **Warrensville Area** - 20 Members: Honored December Boy of the Month; Honored the January 2019 Boy and Girl of the Month; Donated to Beacon Lodge 500

Club; District Governor made official visit.

Watsontown - 22 Members: Held Annual Sweetheart Night on Monday, February 11, 2019. Ten Lions and their spouses enjoyed an excellent night of good food and conversation; Actively planning its annual Easter Egg Hunt and Easter flower sale for April, 2019.

Watsontown Centennial Lioness Lions Club - 22 Members: Members recycled cans, jars, cardboard for the month; Made homemade Melt-Aways and sold them; Set-up tables in order to make peanut butter chocolate Melt-A-ways; One member is the secretary for the District Convention; Held regular meetings.

Wellsboro - Members: NO MMR Collected used eyeglasses from community drop boxes and processed to LERC; Donated to the community Laurel Festival Parade Fund; Donated to the Wellsboro Foundation to support community projects; Held 2 Board Meetings; Held two club meetings; Processed aluminum cans for fundraising and environmental awareness

Wells-Jackson - 34 Members: Various activities pertaining to the president's responsibilities; Celebrate recovery at a local recovery center; Recycling efforts for Wells Township; Treasurer's duties; Taught young adults cooking fundamentals; Various secretarial duties performed for the month; 2 Club meetings; Benefit dinner preparation for upcoming dinner; Volunteered at local fire department; Volunteered at local hospital giving patients directions to various departments; Keeping community sign updated; Scholarship Committee getting ready for upcoming applications.

Williamsport - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities

Williamsport Newberry - 22 Members: President and secretary duties performed; Club meetings; Eyeglass collection.

Wyalusing - Members: NO MMR & NO Activities



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Michael Scott to Lions **Clubs Help and Support** Group

Credit goes to Lion Michael Scott for this valuable information. To honor a deceased Lion in our clubs, we can purchase a cast aluminum Lions emblem with the deceased's information.

FYI: LIONS GRAVE MARKER available from the Lions

6" cast aluminum Lions emblem and plate lettered with members name, club name and life dates. Anodized and mounted on a 12" aluminum rod which is adjustable for upright or flat position on grave. Specify exact lettering. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery.

Link: https://www2.lionsclubs.org/p-422-lionsgrave-marker.aspx

From the Editors Computer



Dear Lions, Leos, and Lioness Ladies:

I am ending on a personal note to all my Lion friends with your sending cards, responses to my electronic submissions, phone calls, and attendance for my daughter Ciara's passing into Heaven to be with her Lord and Savior.

I never realized how impactful seeing your friends at one of the most difficult times of life on earth—losing a child—means until that person hugs you. It was comforting to know through cards and appearances of your heartfelt caring.

This month being Eye Donor Awareness Month, I want to share with you: Ciara was an organ donor and was only able to donate her corneas. Her beautiful eyes will give sight to someone who was never able to view the world—now they can through her eyes.

Out of the 200 cards we received, not ONE was repeated! Unbelievable! May God continue to carry in your hearts the passion, caring, empathy, and support for others. God bless each of you, my Lion friends.

Your Editor, Lion Cheryl Wilbur



