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# TATTLE TAILER

District 14-K Communicating with Our Members

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## Send in Your Convention Registrations To Lions PDG Linwood Gehris, Wife Gail

The 2017-18 convention of District 14-K is scheduled for March 24 and 25 at the Holiday Inn in Breinigsville, off Rt. 100 & I-78. The convention committee met on January 13th to stuff registration forms in envelopes for every Lion and Lioness member. Extra forms are available if you lost yours. The committee met again on Jan. 29th at Christ Church, and will meet again later to wrap things up with the hotel staff.

The meals are booked for the convention luncheon, banquet and breakfast. Lion Silas Rodenbach has arranged for the vendor displays. They include: Beacon Lodge, Center for Vision Loss, Charitable Enterprises, Diabetes Awareness, Hearing Research, Lions Centennial, LCIF, Leader Dog, Leo Clubs, Lions

Kids Sight, Lions Information, Miller-Keystone Blood Bank, N.E. Pa. Service Foundation, Pa. Lions Sight Foundation, Tattle Tailer, White Cane and USA / Canada Forum.

There will be some new seminars this year and they will be quite informative and hopefully well attended, said Lion Wendy Naugle.

The candidate for District Governor will be on the ballot after Saturday's luncheon. As of now, no one has come forward to run for either 1st or 2nd Vice District Governor.

First year International Director Lion Gwen White, and her partner in service, Lion Rhett White, from Columbia, North Carolina will be our honored guests, and she will give the message at the



**ID GWEN WHITE**  
*Convention Speaker*

banquet.

The presentation of Melvin Jones Fellowship plaques will be a part of the Saturday night banquet.

The Sunday morning  
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## Cabinet Meeting on Feb. 17 At Bethlehem Township Center

All members of Lions District 14-K are invited to and encouraged to attend the third Cabinet Meeting of Lions year 2017-18 on Saturday morning, February 17.

It is a breakfast meeting at the Bethlehem Township Community Center at 2900 Farmersville Road, Bethlehem, starting with the meal of eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, blueberry pancakes, bread/ rolls, juice and coffee, all for a fee of \$9.00 per person. Send check payable to Lions District 14-K to ZC Lion Mary Neher, 630 Northampton St., Hellertown, PA 18055. Reservation deadline is Friday, Feb. 9, 2018.

District Governor Don Kaufman is hopeful that ALL clubs will send at least one club member to attend. The more attendees, the better the communication between International, State, District, and individual clubs!

Russell "Rooster" Valentini will be our guest speaker. He is the Allentown School District homeless educational liaison.

For any new members and their sponsors, there will be a New Member Orientation meeting following the business session led by the Governor. The training is also open to any member who is interested in participating as a refresher. You can attend the opening session of the Cabinet Meeting or come for the training at 11 a.m. The orientation lasts about 45 minutes. Please let him know if you are planning to attend - phone 610-776-7477 or e-mail lioncaf@ptd.net

Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. Arrive at 8:30 a.m. to check in. The business meeting immediately follows the breakfast.

"All Members Matter". This means YOU.

## Hellertown Lions, Church Party

The Hellertown Lions Club held its second holiday dinner in December for senior citizens and needy people in the community. It was a joint undertaking between the Hellertown Lions and St. George's Episcopal

Church's Community Outreach in Hellertown.

About 60 people enjoyed the festivities, which included a delicious meal and desserts followed by wonderful entertainment provided by Tommy DeVito on the

piano and Hellertown's Christ Lutheran Church Carolers.

Marty Bongoirno, the chairperson, and her committee, would like to thank all those who volunteered their services to make this a successful event.



Christ Lutheran Carolers get ready to sing at Christmas party for senior citizens and needy in Hellertown.

## District 14-K Must Have 1st And 2nd Vice District Governor

It is the responsibility of the PDG Honorary Advisory Committee to support our District Governor.

We need to assist DG Don Kaufman and District 14-K in the search for a 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor. We haven't had a 2nd Vice District Governor this year, so now we need to fill both positions.

Please consider the leadership skills of your club members or any other District Lion that could fill one of these positions. Contact them and relay your confidence in them. Follow up with a brief descrip-

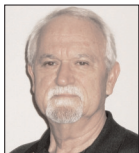
tion of the responsibilities involved. If you are not comfortable with making the contact, please call PDG Larry Snyder or Governor Don Kaufman and someone will make the contact for you. You may want to consider several candidates.

We need to have candidates well before the February 12th Governors Advisory meeting, so don't delay. Please send your responses to PDG Larry at larcar41@ptd.net or call him at 610-769-2410 or 610-392-6479. DG Don may be contacted at 610-776-7477.



## District Governor's Message

### Selection of Officers / GAT



It's a Great Time to be a Lion, Leo and Lioness!

The next few months are very important for our Lions Clubs as work begins on the selection of new officers for the ensuing year. In February, you typically select your officers; in March, the slate of officers is read at your regular meeting; and in April, elections are held. Remember to select strong leaders that will continue to grow your Club and prepare it for the future. There is a lot of training available to new officers on the LCI website to help prepare them during the months leading up to their installation.

The third State Council Meeting is February 2 - 4 at the Holiday Inn in Breinigsville, PA. The third District Cabinet Meeting will be February 17 at the Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Rd., Bethlehem, PA. Details for the Cabinet Meeting were sent to all Club Secretaries. Our guest speaker will be Russell Valentini, Allentown School District's Homeless Liaison. This will be a great opportunity to learn about the work being done to ensure that children in our communities have access to public education regardless of their home situations. Additionally, New Member Orientation Training will immediately follow the meeting for new members, sponsors, or any member who wants a refresher course. Please be sure to make your reservations if you are attending the 9 a.m. breakfast and R.S.V.P. directly to DG Don for the orientation training.

Plans continue for the District 14-K Convention on March 24 - 25 at the Holiday Inn in Breinigsville. I encourage you to attend the informative seminars, Saturday night banquet, and the District Necrology Service on Sunday morning. If you haven't been to a District 14-K Convention lately -- please make an effort to attend this year. . . and please sign up early. We need your support so we can continue to support you in the years to come!

As we enter the second half of our fiscal year, please remember to reach out to the Global Action Team within our District (GLT, GMT and GST coordinators). They can help develop skilled leaders, strengthen membership, and expand the District's humanitarian service.

#### Invite your coordinators to a Club meeting:

- Global Leadership - PDG Dennis Butz dhbutz@ptd.net
- Global Membership - PCC Karen Brady Karen.brady@rcn.com
- Global Service - PDG Marsha Johnston mljs@ptd.net

In Lionism,  
*VDG Don Kaufman*

## Melvin Jones Fellows Honor Celebration at Convention

As we move forward Year 2017-2018, preparations in the second half of Lions conditions are being made for

### Dates to Remember

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**FEB.** 2-4 State Council #3 - Holiday Inn, Breinigsville  
12 PDG Advisory Committee  
13 Executive Committee  
17 Cabinet Meeting #3

**MAR.** 19 Charitable Enterprises  
24-25 District 14-K - 33rd Convention Holiday Inn, Breinigsville  
24 Melvin Jones Honors At Convention Banquet  
25 Necrology Breakfast

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the Melvin Jones Fellow honors event. Again this year, the event will be part of the Saturday night, March 24 convention banquet at the Holiday Inn-Lehigh Valley, 7736 Adrienne Drive, Breinigsville.

PDG Joseph J. Chunko, LCIF chairman, says, "We will need our Lions clubs to act quickly to let me know who they will be honoring with a Melvin Jones Fellowship and/or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship."

Please submit the names of any Melvin Jones Fellowship recipients from your club as soon as possible. MJF application forms can be found on the LCIF website. If you need help, please contact PDG Chunko. If your club has already presented a MJF or PMJF and would like to have it presented formally at the Convention Banquet, please furnish the information as requested below.

- Name of the club
- Name of the recipient
- Family information
- Number of years serving in Lionism
- Positions held in Lions
- Other community or church affiliations
- Reason for the honor
- Mini-bio information should be 100 words or less (just the highlights).

PDG Joe would appreciate this mini-bio info no later than March 6.

Also, please encourage all your current Melvin Jones Fellows and club members to attend this special event.

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## 1st Vice District Governor's Message



### Vital That Lions Understand GAT

I spent the weekend of January 19-21 in West Virginia with all 1st Vice District Governors from Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. As I stated last month, I am very fortunate to be coming in as District Governor at a time when the GAT is being organized. However, if the GAT is not implemented and understood by every Lion in our District, the training will be futile.

It is my goal to work with the District GAT Coordinators, the Executive Committee and the clubs to roll out this new concept in Lionism, otherwise known as LCI FORWARD. PID Steve Glass from West Virginia, PID Cindy Gregg from Pennsylvania and PID Steve Sherer from Ohio have made it quite clear to all of us that "things must change". As PID Steve Glass told us, "What Lions have done in the past has gotten us through the first 100 years, but it will not get us through the next 100 years. If we want to survive, we must change how we do things."

My weekend with representatives of other states made me realize how committed our State GAT has been to getting us, the 1st Vice District Governors, ready for this challenge. We are very much ahead of the game in Pennsylvania, thus the many trips to Harrisburg for training. As your incoming District Governor, I would be remised if I did not follow through on my new responsibilities.

There are people who will not be happy and those will be the people who say, TTWWADT or That's The Way We Always Did Things.

District 14-K has been slipping down a slippery slope for several years now. It's time to stop the mud slide. **THINGS ARE ABOUT TO CHANGE.....STAY TUNED.**

*1st VDG Karlene Laub*

## Convention Registration

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Necrology Breakfast will remember all those who passed away in the calendar year 2017. The Rev. Jay R. Wetzel, retired pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Bath, will bring the message for Palm Sunday. He is a member of the Bath Lions Club. John Bauer will sing special music.



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# LIONS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

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## REGION I

**ALBURTIS** - On December 5, we donated 70 lbs. of food to St. Paul's UCC food pantry in Trexlertown. . . .Had a holiday party at the Brass Rail on December 10. . . .On December 12, we held an all day fund raiser at Alburts Tavern. 10% of the food sales went back to the club, \$87.31..

**ALTON PARK** - Annual "Operation Santa Claus" was held, when club members helped distribute candy and oranges to children. . . .We again purchased a meal for a needy family as well as donated to Childcare. . . .(Alton Park Lionesses organized in 1983 when Lion John Kratzer was DG. The Lionesses merged with Lions club in 1990).

**EMMAUS LIONESS LIONS** - Our members went Christmas shopping for needy families. . . .Wrapped gifts on December 17 and a member and her husband delivered them the next day to Lincoln Elementary School in Emmaus. . . .

**EMMAUS** - No December report.

**KUHNSVILLE AREA** - Held a Christmas party for sight and hearing impaired adults and children in our area on December 9.

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP** - Made multiple loans of medical equipment. . . .Had 14 bowlers for district bowl-a-thon. . . .Held annual Christmas dinner for Lions and wives, and invited Moore Twp. Lions as guests.

**LEHIGH VALLY SATURDAY A.M.** - Helped Catasauqua Lions with their annual senior citizen Christmas luncheon, in kitchen and serving guests. . . .Took five visually impaired children and families (21 people) to Pa. Playhouse to see play, "The Happy Elf" and had lunch. After show gave Christmas stockings filled with goodies and "Enjoy the City" coupon books and other gifts. . . .Donated remaining candy boxes to L.V. Hospital. Adolescent Behavior Science Unit. . . .Donated "Here Comes Santa" boxes to Alton Park Lions for their Operation Santa Claus with local fire company for 27 years. . . .Donated \$75 to Allentown Rescue Mission for their Christmas dinner for homeless. . . .Selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars.

**LOWER LEHIGH** - Collections of eyeglasses, aluminum cans, and food for Zionsville Food Bank continue. . . .Gave grocery gift cards for Christmas Helping Hands project. . . .Donated and additional; \$4,300 to the Macungie Institute to be used for handicapped access doors on the building. . . .Annual Christmas party on December 10. . . .One pair of eyeglasses purchased for a high school student. . . .Club will donate \$2,250 to the scholarship fund at Emmaus High School.

**MOUNTAINVILLE** - Selling tickets for drawing on December 13 when District Governor and Alton Park Lions visit.

**ONTELAUNEE** - No December report

**SLATEDALE-EMERALD AREA** - No December report

**SLATINGTON** - Upcoming Super Bowl fundraiser / party planned. . . .Charter and awards night on December 5, when Matt Gusto received 10-year chevron and Lion of Year award. . . .Held Christmas tree fundraiser during December.

**UPPER LEHIGH** - Club received banner patches for Legacy Award and the Centennial Projects Award for 2017-2018. . . .Packed 72 boxes of cookies for Meals on Wheels. . . .On Dec. 6, the Lions presented 25 Cedar Brook Nursing Home residents with gifts, dessert and sing-along. . . .Celebrated 70th anniversary charter night. . . .Family Christmas party on Dec. 13. . . .Club raised \$5,969 from stand at Parkland H.S. football games; \$2,800 at basket social, and \$1,800 at two hoagie sales.

## REGION II

**ALLENTOWN CENTER CITY CENTENNIAL** - Selling Dan Schantz "Monthly Madness" cards to help their charity selected for spring, Allentown Homeless Children. . . .Club also planning a soup kitchen event in Allentown in March.

**BATH** - Club will celebrate 90th anniversary in March 2018. . . .Gave \$100 and four \$25 gift certificates to local food bank for needy families. . . .Donated \$215.50 for Bath Paw Park. . . .Christmas party well attended, with two guests submitting membership applications.

**CATASAUQUA AREA** - Holiday Meal for the elderly held at St. Paul's Church on December 2. . . .Children's Christmas Shopping Spree at Walgreens in Bethlehem on December 16. . . .Cheer drawing fundraiser December 12

**COOPERSBURG** - No December report

**COPLAY** - No December report. Breakfast on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 4.

**HANOVER TOWNSHIP** - No December report

**HELLERTOWN** - Club held second Holiday Dinner in December for elderly and needy people. (See article about event.)

**SAUCON VALLEY** - No December report

**UPPER SAUCON** - No December report

**WHITEHALL** - Held club Christmas party on Dec. 18, with Whitehall High School Chorale entertaining. Donated \$200 to them. . . .Purchased eyeglasses for needy Whitehall woman. . . .Donated \$400 to Whitehall Food Bank for Christmas hams.

## REGION III

**BANGOR** - Selling 50/50 tickets for December drawing.

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP** - Collected and donated food to Back Pack Pals for children in need. . . .Donated to T. Holmes Foundation, a non-profit that helps shelters and women's facilities. . . .Sold nut roll. . . .Donated to community college Christian Fellowship Club, who are traveling to Texas to aid rebuilding homes after Hurricane Harvey. . . .Planning 14th annual Bethlehem Township Lions Club Golf Tournament for June 8 at Whitetail Golf Course in Bath. . . .Club donated six shoe boxes filled with toys and essentials for six children.

**EASTON** - We picked up food donated by Wegman's, Wawa, and Weis Markets and delivered it to food bank at ProJect of Easton, four times each. . . .Drove sight-impaired woman from Easton area to a meeting in Allentown and back home. . . .Helped Salvation Army by manning red kettle at Boscov's in Palmer Mall.

**HECKTOWN-LOWER NAZARETH** - No December report

**MOORE TOWNSHIP** - Recycling bin at municipal bldg. . . .No December report

**NAZARETH** - No December report

**PALMER TOWNSHIP** - Displayed many events for local organizations on Lions electronic sign.

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP** - Continuing sales of American-made brooms and RADA cutlery. . . .Selling Chocolates on Broadway. . . .Held annual children's Christmas party at the Pen Argyl Salvation Army, and donated \$400 to them. We also provided gifts, drinks and treats for children with Santa.

**RICHMOND** - Two Lions volunteer at the Portland-Upper Mount Bethel Food Pantry. . . .Hosted zone meeting on Nov. 27. . . .Our senior charter member, Lion Elwood Fox, was among those honored by Multiple District 14 in the Pa. PRIDE magazine. . . .One member distributed 12 food baskets and two flower arrangements to shut-ins in the community.

**TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN** - \$50 donation to Nazareth Area Food Bank for Christmas. . . .Had a Christmas get together with Lion Luike at Country Meadows.

**WILSON BOROUGH** - Purchased and distributed baskets of food to needy local families.



# LIONESS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

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**FORKS TOWNSHIP** - No December report.

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP** - On December 3, the club went to the Rainbow Playhouse in Lancaster to see "Guess Who's Coming to Christmas" . . . Our club donated small gifts and volunteered our time at the Little Shoppers' Christmas Shop on Dec. 2 for the families who use the Northampton Food Pantry. . . .They went caroling at three personal care homes in Lehigh Township and gave each resident a small gift. . . .We also adopted two needy families for Christmas and provided the children clothing and toys from Santa.

**MOORE TOWNSHIP** - Held a Christmas party with their spouses and guests, with 28 attending and having fun. . . .Held their annual Christmas cookie sale at a local grocery store. They made 45 one-pound plates of cookies and 15 nut rolls. . . .They planned a Penny Party at the Klecknersville Fire Co. hall on Jan. 28.

**NORTHAMPTON AREA** - A club member helped to wrap gifts and presented a gift to the Easton Children's Home. . . .We are hoping to send someone to Leadership Camp.

## COMING EVENTS

**COPLAY LIONS CLUB - 31st annual Super Bowl Breakfast, Sunday, Feb. 4 at Coplay Saengerbund, 5th St. & Schreiber Ave., Coplay. 8 a.m. to 12 Noon. Pay at door.**

**EMMAUS LIONS CLUB - Nite at Races and Basket Raffle, Saturday, March 10, 2018, Alburts Community Center. Doors open 5 p.m. Snow date Sunday, March 11.**

**SAUCON VALLEY LIONS - Breakfasts on first Sunday, Oct. thru March, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Se-Wy-Co Fire Co., 3621 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bethlehem, Pa..**

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP LIONS - 14th annual Golf Tournament on Friday, June 8. Registration, 7 a.m.; "Shotgun Start", 8 a.m. 4-person scramble; fee \$85.00 each. Golfer's luncheon follows at Whitetail. Entry form from Kathy Duelle, 1305 Johnson Dr., Easton 18040. Questions? Call 610-258-2230. Checks payable to Bethlehem Twp. Lions Club. Pay on or before May 25, 2018.**

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# MD-14 Lions Convention at State College May 17-20

The Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 14-G will host all members to State College, PA, home of the Penn State University Nittany Lions football team, at the 95th convention of Multiple District 14 on Thursday thru Sunday, May 17 to 20.

International President Naresh Aggarwal from Delhi, India will be the honored guest. Meet, interact, and listen to his speech.

Just like our own district, the Lions of District 14-G have worked diligently to provide everyone with seminars,

motivational speakers, and a pleasant atmosphere to mingle with other Lions, Lionesses and Leos from around the state. From them you can learn what they are doing that works for their club. This is an opportunity to learn more about Lions and how to improve your club. They have tours that will cover your interests from Penn State sports to an all-water cavern where you tour by boat.

The Penn State campus and downtown State College offer many diverse activities. The campus offers the Berkey Creamery for ice cream, Palmer Museum, and the Arboretum at Penn State. The downtown and surrounding areas offer dining of various cuisines and unique shopping. The Columbus Chapel, Boal

Mansion, and the Pennsylvania Military Museum are within a short driving distance of the Penn State University campus.

Mark your calendars for May 17-20, 2018 and join your fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos at the Penn Stater Conference Center Hotel, 215 Innovation Blvd., State College, PA 16803.

Be a Nittany Lion for a fun weekend.

Registration forms have been made available, and if you have one, mail it and check to: Doreen Diehl, 311 Fairfield Drive, State College, PA 16801. She can be contacted by phone at 814-466-6322 or by e-mail: diehlpick-le2000@yahoo.com

if you have any questions.



Emmas Lioness-Lions president Cindy Kaufman, her husband D.G. Don Kaufman, and 1st VDG Karlene Laub enjoy a drink as they are shown chatting at recent Center for Vision Loss blindfolded dinner.

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