

Present at the meeting to discuss a possible Leo district are seen here: Laura Do of Whitehall Leos; Chris Parker, vice president of Northwestern Lehigh Leos; Becca Davis, Parkland Leo secretary; Josephine Buscemi, Pen Argyl High School and Wind Gap Middle School Leo advisor; Jessica Paulas, Whitehall advisor; Margaret Buell, Parkland High School Leo advisor; District Governor Fred Folland and a Northwestern Leo advisor; 1st VDG Karen Brady; Lion Judy Ott, district Leo coordinator; and 5-year-old Isabella, a future Leo.

## Holding Meetings to Form Leo District; Goal: All Nine Clubs Working Together

A meeting of Leo advisors and officers was held on Tuesday, Dec. 30 in the fellowship hall of Christ U.C.C. Church, Airport Road. Their purpose? A continuing effort to form a Leo district.

District 14-K Leo clubs coordinator Lion Judy Ott told the group that it can be done with six Leo clubs, but the ideal would be to have the current nine clubs involved. All have been informed of the possibility, including Bangor, Northern Lehigh, Northwestern Lehigh, Parkland, Pen Argyl, Saucon Valley, White-

hall Coplay Middle School, Whitehall, and Wind Gap Middle School.

The purpose of the Leos would remain the same, not just as individual clubs, but as a combined organization as well. They would form a Leo District Council with officers and a board of directors. It was agreed that officers of all the clubs are among the busiest, but other Leos in the clubs' membership could also step up. The young people who would like to run for office should list the goals they visualize.

"I'd like to see a combined, united effort of all the clubs," Lion Ott said. She also added that there could be copresidents if more than one Leo member would like to serve in that capacity.

District Governor Fred Folland, who is also a Leo advisor, suggested a project during the Christmas - New Year's break when all the junior and senior high students have free time. One idea was a collection of food for area food banks

Funds would be raised by Continued on Page 2



The former Pet Food & Supplies warehouse in East Allen Township will become the new Second Harvest Food Bank warehouse in the very near future. It will double their food capacity to serve affiliated food banks or pantries.

# **Convention Committee Learns What Seminars Are Planned**

When the District 14-K convention committee met on December 8th, Lion Wendy Naugle proposed seminars for the annual convention set for Saturday and Sunday, April 11 and 12, 2015 at the Holiday Inn Conference Center, located at the intersection of Rt. 100 & Interstate 78 near Breinigsville.

The seminars will be in two sessions that Saturday morning.

The first, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., will include the following: Presidents and Vice Presidents, to be presented by 1st VDG Karen Brady and 2nd VDG Marsha Johnston; Secretaries, by Lion Karlene Laub; and Webmaster, by Lion Joe Sizer.

The second session, from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m., will include: Treasurers, by Lion David Daniel and PDG Linwood Gehris; Tricks, Treats & Tips, by Lion Nancy Keller, and New Member Orientation, by PDG-PCC Lowell Hawk.

Convention chairperson PDG Tom Dieter and other members reviewed changes that needed to be made to the registration form, bringing it up to date concerning the theme of DG Fred Folland; where displays will be set up; menus for the Saturday noon luncheon and evening banquet, and the prices for each item, and also the times. The Sunday morning breakfast and necrology service memorializing those Lions and Lionesses who passed away in the calendar year 2014 will again be held at 9:00 a.m. The cleric who will bring the message has not been announced as yet, but John Bauer will again sing solos appropriate for the service.

Members of the committee are basically the same as this past year, with a few changes. They include: Registration, Lion Shirley Hawk; secretary, Lion Karlene Laub; treasurer, Lion David Daniel; certification and election, Lion Richard Schreiner; displays, Lion Silas Rodenbach; seminars, Lion Naugle; Friday evening dinner with the keynote speaker, PDG April Kucsan and PDG Joe Chunko; Saturday luncheon, 1st VDG Brady; Saturday banquet, PDG Dieter; hospitality,

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### Helping Hands Project Aids Needy with Food on Holidays

The Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays were a lot brighter, thanks to the "Helping Hands" project by the Lower Lehigh Lions Club.

The "helping hands" committee chaired by Lion Ron Bechtel gives out \$125 Weis gift cards to needy people in their area. The club gets names from the East Penn School District elementary schools. The committee then contacts the recipients by telephone. After that, the committee

members visit the people and give them the gift card and a Lower Lehigh Lions brochure, telling them about the club.

This year the club gave out 24 cards for Thanksgiving and 26 for Christmas, for a total of 50 \$125 cards.

What a great way for these families to purchase food for the holiday season. The project also makes the people aware of the club and what they do for the community.

# **Second Harvest Food Bank Moving; Doubles Capacity**

In today's economy, too many families are finding it difficult to make ends meet, to have food on the table for their families. Lions in District 14-K are doing their part to help with the Care & Share program. And so it was welcome news to learn that an organization with which we are closely associated is planning on doubling its food capacity to have supplies for area food banks at a reasonable cost.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Lehigh Valley and Northeast Pennsylvania will be re-locating in three or four months from its present warehouse facilities in south Allentown to the former Phillips Pet Food & Supplies warehouse in East Allen Township, Northampton County. The new location will be along Silver Creek Road, east of Rt. 512, about a half

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#### District Governor's Message

#### **Happy New Year**



We made it through the holidays. All the shopping and gift wrapping are long over. The many Christmas parties and New Year's celebrations are history. Now is the time to work on our New Year's Resolutions. I hope many of you have committed to continue doing the great service projects that you have been performing. People need our service more than ever. The food banks are still very busy. I thank you for your service. Our clubs continue to amaze me with all that you do.

Membership is still at the top of the needs list for our district. The "Ask One" program has been going for six months now. Have you decided as a club to stop procrastinating and grow? Did you "Ask One" person to come to a Lions meeting? Now is the time. We need more quality members to serve our communities. Putting it off any longer does not help anything. We have dedicated Lions ready and willing to help you. Our GLT/GMT Team is standing by, just a phone call away.

#### Call for 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Candidate!

As we enter the New Year, I'm putting out the call for a 2nd VDG candidate for the 2015-2016 Lions year. We don't want to be without a leader in our district. 1st VDG Karen and 2nd VDG Marsha need a candidate to run with them in the future. What a great opportunity for a dedicated Lion to step up. If you have any questions about this position, please ask. We need your letter of intent and club resolution by early February. That's only a month from now.

There are a lot of activities coming up in the months ahead. Our 3rd Cabinet Meeting is scheduled for Saturday morning, February 21st. The location to be announced. Our District Convention committee is working hard for our April 11-12 convention. This year it will be held at the Holiday Inn at Interstate 78 & Route 22 in Breiningsville. What a great venue for our convention. Our annual District 14-K Bowl-A-Thon is being held at the Rose Bowl in Allentown and Hampton Lanes in Northampton on Sunday, April 19th. The Melvin Jones Fellowship Luncheon will be held on Sunday, May 3rd. The location TBA. We have a great speaker in PCC Steve Benedict. Hope to see you at many or all of these events in the months ahead.

Thanks to all our Lions for the many Holiday and Birthday wishes last month.

Please keep "Setting the Standards for Service" as you "Strengthen the Pride."

\*\*DG Fred\*\*

# Celebrate Melvin Jones Birthday thru SERVICE

Lions Clubs International President Joe Preston is inviting Lions around the world to celebrate the birthday of Melvin Jones on January 13th by serving their communities.

To honor the legacy of our founder, Lions are invited to join Worldwide Week of Service on January 10-16, 2015. The Worldwide Week of Service is an international event that brings Lions around the world together for a special week of celebration and

service. It's an opportunity to strengthen your community, show what your club does on a regular basis, and celebrate the birthday of Melvin Jones, a Chicago businessman who saw the need for serving others, and organized a club that grew into a membership of 1,388,251 million Lions today with that same purpose.

Here's how your club can take part in this special service event:

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16 PDG Advisory Meeting

17 Executive Committee

21 Cabinet Meeting - Reg. 2

MAR. 16 Charitable Enterprises

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- 4. Celebrate Your Service Share photos of your project on social media and in local newspapers so everyone can see what a difference you're making in your community.

#### **Leo District**

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the Leo district for special needs.

Parkland High School advisor Margaret Buell conceded that there is more interest among juniors than seniors, because the latter tend to lose interest as they look ahead to college.

Mrs. Ott asked the group, "How are we going to accomplish it? (forming a district). How do we get back to the clubs? We need to find out who would like to step up."

At last year's convention, the Leos in District 14-K put together several hundred boxes of cookies to give to Meals on Wheels in Lehigh and Northampton counties. That is one of the plans suggested again. But there could be some other project before the April 11 convention that will be held at the Holiday Inn Conference Center Breinigsville. Bingo at nursing homes or assisted living homes also had strong backing by the committee, realizing that it is a favorable pastime among senior citizens.

The group at the Dec. 30 meeting was advised to get back to their clubs for their input and come back to the next meeting on February 4 at 7 p.m. for a continuing discussion on how or when a Leo district can be formed, and what project(s) they can do together again.

Have you asked your friend, neighbor or co-worker to join the Lions to help those who are less fortunate than ourselves?

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#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor's Message

Happy New Year!



By the time you read this, the holiday season for 2014 will be history, the ball will have dropped on Times Square, and we will be writing the wrong year on our checks! The Lions year will be half over.

I'd like to see our clubs grow over the next six months. Our International President, Lion Joe Preston, wants us to Ask 1 person to join Lions. Imagine how much more service your club could perform with additional members. What would the world be like without Lions? Who would serve those whom we help? It is a sad thought. Lionism is growing all over the world, but it is declining in the United States. We need to concentrate on turning that around, starting with our own Clubs and our District. Just Ask 1 person who is committed and energetic to come to a meeting, to join you in a service project, to join you in a fund raiser, or to join your Club. If we all Ask 1, our district will grow.

January 13th is the birthday of our founder, Melvin Jones. We are encouraged to hold a service project during Lions Worldwide Week of Service, January 10 through 16. If your club cannot make that commitment, please consider holding a service project as soon as possible in the New Year. Remember our motto: "We Serve!" Do something great for your community and the people in it.

As of now, we still do not have a candidate for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor. We do need members, but we also need strong leadership. I enjoyed my year as 2nd VDG. I traveled the State for meetings and the State Convention and got to meet many dedicated Lions. This year has been even better so far. If you would like any information on this position, please contact me. I'm happy to talk to you and answer your questions. If you know someone who would be a good candidate for this position, please let me know, also. I'd be happy to call them and talk to them.

Thank you for all you do for Lionism. I'm hoping you will go the extra step and Ask 1 person to join. My work fax: 610-861-5309 - My work phone: 610-861-5412.

1st VDG Karen

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor's Message

#### Looking Forward to a Busy New Year 2015



Happy New Year to all of you! It is my hope that you will have a wonderful new year and that 2015 will be a great year for Lionism. We begin this year with planning for our district convention. We are moving ahead with plans and arrangements for the best convention ever. If you would like to assist with the convention, please notify Karlene Laub, or 1st Vice District Governor Karen Brady, DG Fred Folland, or me.

A committee has already met to plan for the All-Star Soccer Classic. The Soccer Classic will be on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at the Whitehall High School field. To make this event a success we need all of you to help in any way possible. This is a great event for the youth of the Lehigh Valley. Your attendance will be appreciated on the day of the event!

I had the opportunity to attend a training seminar for all 2nd Vice District Governors in Harrisburg on December 6th. It was a very good session, as well as providing the opportunity to meet with other 2nd Vice District Governors throughout the state. Much of the training centered on the responsibilities of the 2nd Vice District Governor. However, learning the structure of the GMT and the GLT is extremely important. This structure sets up the why, the who, and how we function as Lions.

DG Fred and I met with Allentown Mayor Pawlowski on December 17. Our purpose was to apprise the mayor of our intent to start a new club and review how we serve our various

One of my responsibilities is to assist with leadership development. I will be getting additional training when I attend the Advanced Leadership Institute in Calgary, Canada, March 7-9, 2015. I'm excited about attending this conference, but Calgary in March could be a little chilly.

Lastly, if you are interested in leading in any capacity, please contact DG Fred, 1st VDG Karen, or myself. Additionally, now is the time to submit your letter of intent if you are interested in the 1st VDG position, 2nd VDG position, or District Governor to DG Fred Folland.

2nd VDG Marsha

#### **REGION I**

ALBURTIS: Club and Zion Lehigh Lutheran joint food donation of 130 lbs. of food to St. Paul's UCC Food Pantry in Trexlertown. . . . Planned to be at community Christmas celebration and to also have a Christmas party at the Masters at Shepherd Hills.

ALTON PARK: No November report.

EMMAUS: No November report.

KUHNSVILLE AREA: Made and sold more than 325 ham and cheese and turkey and cheese sandwiches. . . . Welcomed two new members, David Wisser and Matthew Brand. . . . . Car wash tickets were sold out.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Club received 24 applications from qualified township residents for free eye exams. . . . Planned to put together and deliver Christmas fruit baskets in December. . . . Received thank-you note and patch for \$1,050 donation to Beacon Lodge and congratulations from Lions International for meeting membership goals in the 'Year Round Growth Program', also with a banner patch,

LEHIGH VALLEY SATURDAY A.M. Selling Gertrude Hawk candy. . . . Had only one Peace Poster this year, but from a charter school seventh year in the program. . . Recycled 450 aluminum cans in November. . . Planning Christmas party for the visually impaired children and families in December at the Center for Vision Loss. . . . Hosted a zone meeting at Towne House Apartments.

LOWER LEHIGH: Our club provided 24 Weis grocery gift cards to needy families in the area through the Helping Hands project for Thanksgiving, totaling \$3,000 donations to these families. Doing the same for Christmas. . . . Food collected for donation to Zionsville Area Food Pantry.

MOUNTAINVILLE: Applebee's flapjack fundraiser at Trexlertown restaurant was a success, as we netted a profit of \$936... Approved funds to help local senior citizen to purchase ear molds for hearing aid and also to support Allentown Blinds Bowlers Association in amount of \$100....New batch of school uniforms delivered to Roosevelt Elementary School.

ONTELAUNEE: Planned to pack Christmas baskets at Northwestern Ambulance Corps, and then deliver them.

SLATEDALE-EMERALD AREA: Having very profitable monthly hoagie sales...

Benefit held for local man who was injured while cutting a tree; looking for van to use for his wheelchair; donated \$500 to defray cost. ... Donated \$500 to Northwestern Ambulance Corps for equipment....Purchased 14 \$50 gift cards for distribution to local residents in need during holidays.

\$\$\text{SLATINGTON:} Approved eyeglasses and exam for local resident....\text{Okayed}\$375 for five tiles for the walkway at Lehigh Gap Nature Center...\text{Welcomed} eight new members - Wayne Rausch, Brian Weil, David Hoffer, Chad Distler, Michael Egan, Josh Freibolin, Earl Fenstermaker, Russ Hallman...\text{Approved} \$200 for two children's Christmas parties; \$1,000 for Northern Lehigh Food Bank. .Presented MJF to Past President Henry Kline.

UPPER LEHIGH: Held successful pig stomach dinner in November. . . . Received tank-you from Beacon Lodge for funding a camper. . Patch received from Center for Vision Loss for \$7,000 given last year. . . Made and distributed 75 boxes of cookies for Thanksgiving for Meals on Wheels. . . Planned Christmas party in December for underprivileged children and their families. . Donated \$100 to a family whose mother passed and \$50 to a family plagued by illnesses. . . . 67th charter night celebrated.

#### REGION II

**BATH:** New member, Mary Kositz, inducted by DG Folland. . . . Made visitation to Richmond Lions Club. . . . Service pins awarded to members with 15, 20, 25, and 65 years in Lions. . . . Planned to decorate community Christmas tree at Monocacy Creek Park in Bath.

BETHLEHEM: No November report.

CATASAUQUA AREA: 26th annual holiday meal for elderly held at St. Paul's Church. . . . Christmas shopping spree held for children at Walgreen's in Bethlehem.

COOPERSBURG: No November report.

COPLAY: No November report.
HANOVER TOWNSHIP: No November report.

HELLERTOWN: Made monthly aluminum recycling. . . . Lions at two locations collected for the White Cane fund and also sold Bon-Ton Community Day Sale coupon books . . . Lions, along with Sure Fit, Inc. collected food and turkeys to make up Thanksgiving baskets to be distributed through the local food bank.

NORTHWEST BETHLEHEM: Selling annual holiday drawing tickets. . . Also sell-

ing Giant and Valley Farms gift cards and hoagie tickets SAUCON VALLEY: No November report.

UPPER SAUCON: No November report. WHITEHALL: No November report.

#### REGION III

BANGOR: No November report.

**BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP:** Participated in White Cane fund-raiser, "Friends Helping Friends" sponored by Boscov's, receiving \$105.

EASTON: Drove sight-impaired woman from Easton area to meeting in Bethlehem and back home. . . Participating in Sharing the Vision campaign by paying for an eye exam and glasses for a resident. . . Collected food donated by Wegmans and delivered it to food bank at ProJect of Easton four times. . . . One member raised \$200 for Journey for Sight . . . Donated \$250 to optometry student for her visit to South America to provide eye care for the poor. . . . Hosted Easton and Phillipsburg H.S. football teams and awarded trophies.

HECKTOWN - LOWER NAZABETH: No November report

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Have recycling bin at township building.

NAZARETH: Evening dinner event held in November at Texas Roadhouse, with customers having 10% of their meal cost donated to our club. However, activity limited due to heavy rain and snow.

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PALMER TOWNSHIP: Displayed many events for local organizations on Lions electronic sign . . . . Contributed \$200 to "SVOSH" - Student Volunteers in Optometric Service to Humanity" . . . Planned Christmas party for December.

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP: Voted to donate \$50 to 4-H Center in Bushkill Township; \$300 toward food baskets through the Salvation Army, and spent \$300 on a family adopted for Christmas through the Salvation Army. . . Pledged \$200 to the Slate Belt YMCA . . . Still selling brooms and RADA cutlery.

RICHMOND: Welcomed visit from Bath Lions. . . . Donated 70 hours at Jacktown

Outback food stand. . . . Lion Karl, a new Melvin Jones Fellow.

TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN: Donated \$200 to Tatamy Volunteer Fire Co., and \$100 to Nazareth Food Bank for two months. . . Planning Christmas party.

WILSON BOROUGH: Held oldies dance . . . Sponsored a night at the races at the Wilson Partners in Education Foundation.

#### Second Harvest

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mile south of Bath Borough.

The move was made necessary, according to Second Harvest officials, because more than 10% of Lehigh Valley residents need food assistance.

The facility now is serving more than 70,000 people a month. With the warehouse in the Bath area, they will be able to distribute 15 million pounds of food annually instead of seven million pounds.

Community Action
Committee of the Lehigh Valley, Second Harvest's parent organization, bought the Phillips warehouse for \$2.7 million. The budget for new equipment includes about \$450,000 for new equipment and renovations. In all, it will cost \$3.6 million. CACLV officials say they need to raise about \$1.9 million more. A fund-raising project has start-ed, co-chaired by Capital Blue Cross executive Anne Baum and Just Born CEO David Shaffer.

About \$1.2 million has been raised so far and it is expected that CACLV will get \$500,000 from the sale of its present warehouse.

Included among the contributions they have received are \$100,000 from ESSA Bank & Trust, \$20,000 from the R. K. Laros Foundation and \$60,000 raised by Mayors Against Hunger..

Second Harvest serves Lehigh, Northampton, and four other Pennsylvania coun-

The more centrally located Bath area warehouse is 65,000 square feet in size, compared to the 25,000 square feet they now have, which will provide enough storage to serve more than 200 food banks (pantries) that give food to retired senior citizens and low income working families, along with homeless shelters, day care centers, and drug treatment facilities.

Director Ann McManus said the new warehouse not only is much larger, but it will also include a lot more cold storage space for fresh food.

#### Lions Help Out

Realizing that area food banks are busy trying to keep up with the demand. Past Governor District Larry Snyder, Care & Share chair-person for Lions District 14-K, has led a two-year effort to collect canned food, non-perishable foods, and monetary donations for area food banks from Lions and Lioness clubs in the district, and it is credited by Second Harvest Food Bank.

He said, "They do very important work. I'm confident that they'll continue doing a great job," when he learned about the move.

Mrs. Marjorie Rehrig, who co-chairs the Bath Area Food Bank, one of those organiza-tions affiliated with Second Harvest, said, "It's wonderful TATTLE TAILER ★ January 2015

#### LIONESS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Items are selected from M&A reports that are sent in by the 20th of each month from Lioness club secretaries. Mail to: Tattle Tailer Editor, 2556 Wood's Edge Road, Bath, PA 18014. E-mail: tattletailer14k@rcn.com

**BBETHLEHEM:** Club planning way ahead to Tricky Tray on Sunday, April 26 and Mt. Airy Casino bus trip in March.

FORKS TOWNSHIP: No November report.

**LEHIGH TOWNSHIP:** Planning Rainbow Dinner Theater bus trip to see "Burglar Holiday" on December 14.

LOWER LEHIGH: No November report. MOORE TOWNSHIP: No November report.

NORTHAMPTON AREA: Collected warm clothing for children of a charter school. . . . New member, Rebecca Kemmerer, welcomed. . . . Presented baskets to two families for Thanksgiving.

that we will have their warehouse so close to us." Presently, Bath Area Food Bank has been serving 175 to 225 families monthly at its location in St. John's Lutheran Church, Bath. In addition to food donations from area residents, they get much of their items from Second Harvest, cases of discounted food from Price Right, and hams and turkeys from Ahart's Market in Bath. It costs them \$4,000 a month to operate. "We couldn't afford to provide food more than once a month," she said.

As an example of how many they serve, look at these statistics the Bath Area Food Bank had for December alone: 164 children under 18; 99 seniors 60 and over, 224 individuals 18 to 59, for a total of 487. There are many families who use this program to cover their grocery needs for the month," Mrs. Rehrig said.

Another project in Bath and Nazareth that was started by the former pastor of Christ U.C.C. Church in Bath is Loaves & Fishes, in which needy families are given a free meal every Saturday of the month at noon - twice at Christ Church, twice at St. John's U.C.C. in Nazareth, and if a fifth Saturday in a month, at Nazareth Moravian Church.

Lower Lehigh Lions collect food at every meeting, giving it to the Zionsville food pantry. The Lehigh Township Lions Club also collects food at every meeting for a local food bank. Hellertown Lions collected food and turkeys to distribute through the New Ierusalem Lutheran Church food bank. Easton Lions work with ProJeCt of Easton to get food to them. Emmaus Lions

Lionesses gave 220 lbs. of food and 25 scarves to the Bethel Bible Food Bank. Many other Lions clubs also see the problem and are doing what they can to help serve needy people in their communities.

PDG Snyder reported that the total amount of food donated to Second Harvest as of December was 10,410 pounds.

#### Money Welcome

Any organization, such as a Lions club, that would like to donate funds to the new Second Harvest warehouse project may contact their website, shfblv.org

#### Kuhnsville Lions Party



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"Peace isn't totally a word, it's an act" - John Joseph Tabuzo, 13, said with his winning peace poster.

### **Easton's John Tabuzo Wins** 14-K Peace Poster Contest

John Joseph Tabuzo, 13, of Easton has earned first place in the District 14-K Lions Peace Poster competition. The poster also qualified for judging in the Multiple District 14 contest, which is underway.

Wilson Borough Lions Club sponsored the peace poster contest, which John won to advance to the district competition. Eighty students participated in that club's contest. John is an eighth grader at St. Jane Frances de Chantal School in Easton.

The poster was selected for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Peace, Love & Understanding."

Earning second place in the competition was Molly Foust, sponsored by Alton Park Lions Club. Molly is a seventh grader at Salisbury Township Middle School.

Taking third place in the District 14-K contest was Bridget Pavelko, sponsored by the Hellertown Lions Club. Bridget is a sixth grader at St. Theresa School, Hellertown.

Also sponsoring a peace poster in their hometowns this year were Emmaus Lions and Lehigh Valley Saturday A.M. Lions clubs. Chairman Paul Bealer said "Thank You" to all clubs that participated.

# **State Lion Convention on May 14 - 17 in Lancaster**

The 92nd annual State Lions Convention will be held in Lancaster and Lebanon counties from May 14 to 17, hosted by District 14-D. The convention hotel will be the Lancaster Host Resort and Conference Center, Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster.

International President Joe Preston will be the speaker at the International Banquet on Saturday evening. His wife, Lion Joni, will also attend. Anne Beiler, founder of Auntie Anne's Pretzels, will be a motivational speaker with her vision to serve, inspire and give. In 2005, she sold Auntie Anne's to develop a community center in Lancaster County. Today, she travels the world speaking and inspiring audiences everywhere.

Register by going to District 14-D's website, www.lionsdistrict14d.org

#### **Convention**

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Lions Joanne Santee and Sherry Hillborn; necrology, 2nd VDG Johnston; parliamentarian, PID Gene Polgar; protocol, PDG Willard Kulp; chaplain and song leader, PDG-PCC Hawk; Leos, Lion Judy Ott; sight conservation, Lion Ray Klein; raffle, Lion Daniel; door prizes, Lion-Lioness Kathy Dieter; programs and booklets, PDG Bill Halbfoerster; place cards, PDG Willard Kulp; banners, PDG Larry Snyder. Other Lions who might help are invited to attend committee meetings. The next one was scheduled for Thursday, January 8. If there are any new details about the convention, they will be noted in the February Tattle Tailer.

Delegate/alternate delegate cards have been printed and will be sent out to clubs well ahead of time so they are available for the Saturday afternoon election. There is still no candidate for 2nd VDG.

Each club is asked to provide at least one prize for the door prizes that will be award-

ed at the Saturday luncheon. At that time, also, winning Peace Posters will be shown and the winners will be present to receive their awards.

Lion Klein of the Slatedale-Emerald Area Lions will be collecting used eyeglasses and hearing aids outside the hotel on Saturday morning of the convention and put on a truck to the recycling center. The glasses are to be boxed, listing the club that collected them and the amount inside the boxes.

Registration forms will be sent out in the mail to all Lions and Lionesses, and, when completed, need to be returned with appropriate fees to chairperson Lion Shirley Hawk.

The convention keynote speaker will be Past International Director Wayne E. Davis from Stephens City, Virginia, a retired elementary school principal. A member of the Winchester-Shawnee Lions Club and a Lion since 1974, he was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of the International Association of Lions Clubs at the 90th International convention at Chicago in 2007.

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#### **Alton Park Lions - Operation Santa Claus**

The Alton Park Lions partnered with the Western Salisbury Fire Department for their annual Operation Santa Claus on Saturday, December 13. The lions packed 200 boxes of candy and received a donation from Giant Food Stores of 250 oranges.

Santa (Lion Paul Eifler) stepped up onto the back bumper of fire engine 31-12 with Mrs. Claus (Lion Sherry Hillborn) while the firemen drove the engine through the streets of the Alton Park area. When the siren blew, the kids would come running out to meet Santa.





Santa and Mrs. Claus hand out candy and oranges



Even the good Puppies received a treat from Santa and Mrs. Claus



Just imagine if every Lion, 1.35 million, asked one person to join their club...





### MD-14 92nd Annual Convention Lancaster Host Resort, May 14–17



The 2015 Convention Host Committee is pleased to announce that Lion Carroll Jackson of Leader Dogs for the Blind will be the featured speaker at the PA Lions Luncheon on Friday, May 15.

Lion Jackson has been legally blind since he was in sixth grade. Nevertheless, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology Education and a Master's degree in the Education of the Blind and Visually Impaired. During his career, he was an industrial technology instructor in a public school and principal of the Ohio State School for the Blind. He served 20 years as executive director of the Upshaw Institute for the Blind in Detroit and received the Best Managed Non-Profit Award from Crain's Business publications. He retired from the position of superintendent of the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired.

Lion Jackson also served his profession through numerous nationally elected offices and committees. A 35-year involvement with the National Accreditation Council for Agencies Serving the Blind and Visually Impaired has provided him with an extensive knowledge in programmatic evaluation and quality improvement. He has served as a member of the National Advisory Committee and the Kapton Plus evaluation team for Leader Dogs for the Blind.

A Lion since 1982, Mr. Jackson has received two Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards and a Ken Lutsenhiser Award in recognition of his humanitarian service through Lionism.

Lion Jackson and his wife Susan will soon celebrate 45 years of marriage. In retirement he enjoys spending time in his woodworking shop and reading books he never had time to read when he was working.



Carroll Jackson and Hunter

Lion Jackson was matched with Hunter in January 2008, and they have logged 337 flights and 38 states traveling to represent Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Lion Jackson's visit to the MD-14 State Convention gives you one more reason to **make plans now to attend**. You will not want to miss his presentation during the Friday luncheon. Registration is open, and we've made it easy for you.

You can register **right now** by going to District 14-D's web site, <a href="https://www.lionsdistrict14d.org">www.lionsdistrict14d.org</a>. Under Quick Links on the top left, click on the link labeled "2015 State Convention Registration." You can also get lots more convention information on this web site by clicking the link at the bottom of the home page.

You can also register using the form on page 10 of the latest issue of *The Pride of Pennsylvania* magazine, and registration packets are on their way to your club.

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