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Clubs Asked to Turn In MJF Info for Luncheon

Preparations are well underway for the annual Melvin Jones Fellow honors luncheon that will be held on Sunday, May 3 starting at 12:00 Noon in the Leithsville Fire Co. banquet hall at 1995 Leithsville Rd., Hellertown.

LCIF chairman PDG Joe Chunko asks clubs to submit the names of any Melvin Jones Fellowship recipients they may have as soon as possible since it takes 4 to 6 weeks to receive the materials, depending on the number of plaques that have to be made. MJF application forms can be found on the LCIF website. If you need help, contact PDG Chunko. If your club has already presented a MJF or PMJF and would like to have it presented formally at the luncheon, please furnish the information as requested below:

- Name of your club
- Name of the recipient
- Family information
- Number of years serving in Lions (if a Lion)
- Positions held in Lions (if a Lion)
- Other community or church affiliations

- Reason for the award
- Any other information that you would like to say about the individual

- Mini-bio information should be 100 words or less (just the highlights)

PDG Chunko said he would appreciate the mini-bio information at least three weeks prior to the May 3rd luncheon.

More than 470 persons have received the Melvin Jones Fellow recognition in District 14-K over the years. Lion Joe urged all Lions and Lionesses to attend, not just the past or new recipients.

The speaker at the luncheon will be Past Council Chairman Steve Benedict. Always fascinated by membership development and growth, he has held numerous positions in this field and began a study of nine different organizations in 1996, after taking early retirement from Conrail to develop a variety of membership talks and seminars that work when put into action. Lion Steve and his wife Sue reside in Landisburg, Pa. Lion Steve served as District Governor in 2009-2010.

Preparations Underway for May 31 All-Star Soccer Classic

In his report at the district cabinet meeting recently, PDG Willard Stratz encouraged everyone to participate some way in the annual All-Star Soccer Classic, either as a patron, program sponsor, or attending the game itself, which will be held on Sunday, May 31 at the Whitehall High School soccer field.

There have been 33 soccer classics held so far by District 14-K as a fund-raiser, and thousands of people have attended. PDG Stratz would like to see more Lions and Lionesses attending besides the athletes, their parents and siblings, and coaches.

He said that more than 100 members of the soccer community of players, coaches and game officials join the Lions to make this event a success, helping to raise more than \$180,000 to serve the vision and hearing impaired community of Lehigh and Northampton counties.

The 34th Soccer Classic, as it was last year, will be at the

Whitehall H.S. stadium on the southwest corner of the Whitehall/Coplay school complex, accessible from either Schadt Ave. or Mechanicsville Rd. Starting times will be 3:30 p.m. for the girls' teams and 6 p.m. for the boys' teams. The game will feature senior stars from the Colonial League and the new Eastern Pennsylvania Conference.

A mailing will be sent out this month to all members of the Lions and Lioness clubs with four tickets enclosed - two adult and two student/senior tickets. They are valued at \$16 and the request is that the members purchase the tickets for \$10. The hope is that the tickets will be used at the game by either the members purchasing the tickets, some friends or neighbors, or some members of a local soccer athlete program.

Four athletes will be presented with a \$250 scholarship. Raffles will also be held

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PDGs Linwood Gehris and Dennis Butz, CVL executive director Douglas Yingling, and PDG Joe Chunko and DG Fred Folland stand together after a \$15,000 check was presented to the Center for Vision Loss to purchase a van for their clients.

Cabinet Meeting Included Reports, Endorsements, Gift to CVL for Van

Reports of committees, presentations of candidates for district office, and a check to the Center for Vision Loss highlighted the third Cabinet Meeting of District 14-K on Saturday, Feb. 21 at the Leithsville Fire Co. banquet hall.

After reports of District Governor Fred Folland, Vice District Governors Karen Brady and Marsha Johnston, the zone chairpersons gave their reports.

Committee reports were in written form as well as vocal in some cases.

PDG Glen Santee, as chairman of the PDG Advisory Committee, read the endorsements from the clubs of 1st VDG Brady of the Bethlehem Township Lions Club for District Governor in 2015-16 and 2nd VDG Johnston from the Upper Lehigh Lions Club for 1st VDG next year.

PDG Willard Stratz of Bethlehem Township Lions

spoke in behalf of Lion Brady, saying that she exhibits a quality of leadership and has ever since she was inducted into the Lions.

Upper Lehigh Lions Club president Joseph Mascari, Jr. read a list of good qualities in

a person and said that Lion Johnston lives by all of them.

As of now, there is no candidate for 2nd VDG.

CVL Grant

A grant of \$15,000 from the Lions of Pennsylvania

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2015-16 Candidates



KAREN BRADY
For District Governor



MARSHA JOHNSTON
For 1st Vice District Governor

57,140 Pounds of Food So Far, More Wanted

Past District Governor Larry Snyder gave a progress report on Care & Share at the Feb. 21 Cabinet meeting. It was good news.

This is what he had to say:

"Second Harvest food pantries will accept non-perishable items as well as monetary donations, but remember that \$1.00 is recognized as nine pounds of food. The advantage is that pantries receive food from Second

Harvest for a 16¢ per pound maintenance fee and at times a delivery fee of \$30.00. Some of the items a pantry needs may not be available from Second Harvest, so they need to buy cheaper than we can. When you make a donation, please remember how we can best serve our pantries.

"This year's Care & Share goal was 55,000 pounds. Wow, are we underway!? We are now in our seventh month and we have donated the

equivalent of 57,140 pounds. We have five more months this year and I'm confident we're not stopping now and will make this a banner year to care and share."

PDG Snyder had a box at the Cabinet meeting in which persons attending dropped off cans of food. This is continuing at all Cabinet meetings. The next one will be in June, so bring in some more cans and boxes of food.

District Governor's Message

Spring Is Coming and There's a Lot Happening



As I write this, it doesn't look like spring. The snow piles are high from our recent snowstorms. The roads are icy from the cold temperatures. That will soon be behind us and it's time for spring. We're all grateful that winter is almost over. Time to serve those less fortunate.

Don't forget the deadline for our Youth Leadership Seminar is March 28th. Please sponsor at least one high school Junior to this great event. What a great time for an 11th grade student to gain leadership skills. Any questions, please call or e-mail me.

Planning is being completed for our District Convention on April 11th and 12th at the Holiday Inn Conference Center, Lehigh Valley Routes 100 and I-78. Convention registration forms have been sent out to Lions and Lioness members. If you didn't receive one, please let me know. Forms are also available on the District website. There will be plenty to see and do at this year's convention. All the preparation is for you to have a great convention. Please come and enjoy.

Our annual District 14-K Bowl-A-Thon is being held at two venues on Sunday, April 19 - the Rose Bowl in Allentown and the Hampton Lanes in Northampton, from 1 to 4 p.m. Remember, your club keeps 60% of the pledges, with the district getting 40%.

Our clubs are certainly "Setting the Standards for Service" as they are "Strengthening the Pride." Keep inviting prospective new member to you meetings. Just "Ask 1" and you will be amazed what happens. Remember, they cannot say yes if you don't ask.

DG Fred

Low Vision Exams Detailed For Center for Vision Loss

A meeting of the board of directors of Center for Vision Loss was held recently at their Allentown office. A low vision program entitled "What is a Low Vision Exam?" was presented by Dr. Anthony Silvetti, who administers these exams for CVL. The low vision exam is given to clients with an acuity of 20/70 or lower. These exams go a long way in helping CVL determine what programs are needed to help the client regain his or her independence. The three largest reasons for low vision are macular degeneration, diabetes and glaucoma.

IPDG Dennis Butz, who attended the meeting, said the CVL Marketing Plan, both current and new initiatives, were discussed at length. Marketing goals and projected outcomes of these goals, expectations and costs of the marketing plan were discussed. Fund raising events for CVL were

noted. Raffle tickets, \$10 each or six for \$50, for the 2015-16 lottery raffle are available. CVL will receive \$5 from the Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association for every \$10 ticket that CVL sells to the Community Days at the Lehigh Valley Auto Show on Thursday and Friday, March 19 and 20. There will be a Bingo & Brunch fundraiser on Sunday, April 12 at the Hotel Bethlehem and Bingo in Monroe County on Sunday, May 3. CVL is looking for walkers to participate in the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community at DeSales University on Saturday, May 30.

All these fundraisers help support CVL's mission of improving the lives of people with vision loss and promoting healthy vision in the community.

CVL is looking to get a stronger presence on the board

Dates to Remember

- MAR. 16 Charitable Enterprises
- APR. 11-12 District Convention – Holiday Inn Conf. Center
- 19 District Bowl-A-Thon
- 24-26 Youth Seminars – Camp Victory
- MAY 3 MJF Luncheon – Leithsville
- 12 Charitable Enterprises Reorganizational Meeting
- 14-17 State Convention – Lancaster
- 31 34th District Soccer Classic



of directors from Monroe County. A new member from Monroe was proposed and approved unanimously. Low Vision screenings in the Monroe office have been discontinued temporarily because of no demand for them. They have done less than one a month for the last nine months. Low Vision Exams in the Allentown office average 22 per month.

From July 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014, CVL in Allentown has served an average of 191 customers per month, provided transportation services to an average of 150 customers per month, had an average of 49 customers per month participate in activities, and had an average of 37 home visits by caseworkers.

PDG Butz concluded his Feb. 21 report by thanking all of the Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs of District 14-K for their continued support of the Center for Vision Loss.

Soccer Classic

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at both games to help raise extra money. There will also be a concession stand open for food and drinks.

Stratz said that the game program is the Lions' main source of income for this event. "Help to make the program a success by having club members try to have their businesses purchase an ad," he said. Clubs can also place an ad to show their support.

Some Seats Left For Casino Trip On March 16th

As of February 21th there were 10 to 15 seats left for the March 16 fund-raising trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino, sponsored by Charitable Enterprises. That number may be much lower by now, so call either PDG Willard Kulp at 610-865-5440 or PDG April Kucsan at 610-759-5137 as soon as possible to see if you can go.

The cost is \$23.00, but there's a rebate of \$25.00 in casino money along with a \$5.00 food coupon, so it's well worth going, and a lot of fun, especially if you win at the slots or casino games.

The bus will leave at 10:30 a.m. from the parking lot of Christ UCC Church, Airport Rd., and return home at a reasonable hour.

1st Vice District Governor's Message

Planning for the Future



Now I know what you are thinking: "She's going to talk about membership again." Well, since that's what you think, I'm not going to disappoint you. Please "Ask 1" to join you in the wonderful experience we all call Lionism.

Now, the real purpose of my message. Get out your calendars. Let's look at April and May. Our District Convention will take place on April 11 and 12. I know many of you are planning to go. If you haven't made up your mind yet, let me suggest that you go. There is no cost to you to attend the Opening Session and the Seminars, as long as your registration form is in by March 27. Though some of the seminars are targeted to certain groups, they are open to ALL Lions and Lionesses. At the Saturday Luncheon, we will be recognizing the Leo of the Year and the Leo Scholarship recipient, and we will be recognizing the Lioness of the Year. The Saturday Night Banquet is always a great event. I'm sure our speaker, PID Wayne Davis, will not disappoint us. The Convention is a great way to honor District Governor Fred Folland. But he will tell you it is about all of you who worked so hard this past year for Lionism. So please consider attending.

We will honor the Lions and Lionesses who passed away in the 2014 calendar year on Sunday morning, April 12. If a member of your club passed away, this is a nice way to honor them. It is a moving service. Even if your club has not lost a member, I hope you will attend to honor those Lions and Lionesses who have passed on.

On Sunday, May 3, we will hold our annual Melvin Jones Fellowship Luncheon. This event is a great way for Lions and Lionesses to get together, share a nice meal, and meet our newest, and oldest, Melvin Jones Fellows. I hope you will attend if someone you know will be recognized, or if you know someone who was recognized in the past, or if you just want to find out what a Melvin Jones Fellowship is.

I need to get on my soapbox one more time - sorry! As of this time, we do not have a candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor. I have enjoyed, and continue to enjoy, my time as 2nd and 1st VDG. If you have any questions about the position, and the path to District Governor that will be yours, please contact me, PDG Lin Gehris (GLT), DG Fred, 2nd VDG Marsha, or ANY P.D.G. We will gladly talk to anyone about our experience. This is a chance to grow as a Lion, one you will remember always.

I hope to see you all at the District Convention and other upcoming events.

1st VDG Karen

2nd Vice District Governor's Message

Clubs Should Be Praised For All They Do for Others



Over the past few weeks, I have had the opportunity to attend zone meetings, a cabinet meeting, and several district meetings. One fact that comes through at each meeting is the involvement of our clubs in our communities. Our clubs donate funds to support a variety of needs. I am amazed at the variety of support and how far reaching the effects of our generosity and time extend to those we serve. You are to be praised for all you do.

We are still planning for our District Convention on April 11 & 12, 2015. It's going to be a great convention and I encourage you to attend. This is an excellent opportunity to meet with your fellow Lions/Lionesses and exchange ideas for fundraising and outreach. It's not too late to register!

Along with the convention planning is the Necrology service. I have sent emails to club secretaries asking them to confirm the information that we have concerning deceased members, and let us know if we have missed any member. Please send an email to me at mljstv@ptd.net or call at 610-799-4429.

Lastly, please mark your calendars for The All Star Soccer Classic. The games will be held on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at Whitehall High School. We need your help to make this day a huge success. If your club sponsors a LEO club, please ask the LEOs to help. It will be a great day for all!

Happy Spring,

2nd VDG Marsha

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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REMINDER: Photos of club activities are wanted for Tattle Tailer.

REGION I

ALBURTIS: Club donated 60 pounds of food to the St. Paul's UCC Food Pantry in Trexlerstown. . . .Held monthly hoagie sale. Total for the White Cane hoagie sale and at Alburdis Community Day in December amounted to \$94.50. . . .Sponsoring a 1/2 camper at Beacon Lodge for \$275.00

ALTON PARK: No January report.

EMMAUS LIONESS LIONS: A joint meeting of our club and the Emmaus Lions Club was attended by 61 Lions and Lioness Lions. . . .We had our third annual penny party.

EMMAUS: Sold 332 hoagies, 145 ham and cheese, for a profit of \$932.22. . . .Welcomed new member, Arthur L. Rosenberger. . . .Collected 4,068 pairs of used eyeglasses.

KUHNSVILLE AREA: Planned 29th charter night for February 5 at Starlite Diner. . . .Will have chicken barbecue on April 25.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Cinema Nite planned for Feb. 21. . . .Michael Frohnheiser installed as a new member. . . .Gave \$500 each to two fire victims. . . .Purchased eyeglasses for two township residents. . . .Club had 18 blood donors.

LEHIGH VALLEY SATURDAY A.M.: Recycled 400 aluminum cans. . . .Planning a bowling outing for visually impaired children and siblings in March, also working on a list of bowlers for April. . . .Annual fishing event at Moyers Lake in May for visually impaired kids, with 10 or 11 fishing buddies to help.

LOWER LEHIGH: Received \$90 from recent Dan Schantz Greenhouse coupon drive and \$399.70 bonus received from BonTon booklet sales drive. . . .Provided four exams and pairs of eyeglasses to elementary students. . . .Collected food items for Zionsville Food Bank. . . .First bingo of 2015 at Cedarbrook on April 1. . . .Annual spring flea market in May. . . .Annual chicken barbecue sale on June 20. . . .Beginning another BonTon booklet sale period.

MOUNTAINVILLE: No January report.

ONTELAUNEE: Welcomed Karen Hoffner as a new member. . . .Packed 18 Christmas baskets on Dec. 13, with three excess boxes going to Cornerstone, Weisenberg Elementary School, and Northwestern Elementary School.

SLATEDALE-EMERALD AREA: Continuing monthly hoagie sales. . . .Guiding and supporting new Leo club at Northwestern and Northern Lehigh schools. . . .Made \$626.25 profit from cheesecake sales. . . .Donated hospital bed to resident and received \$50 donation.

SLATINGTON: Approved \$500 annual membership renewal for Lehigh Gap Nature Center. . . .Made \$500 donation to LVHV for deceased member. . . .Comedy Night will be held on Saturday, March 7. . . .Making three Melvin Jones Fellowship awards of recognition. . . .Providing eyeglasses and eye exams for two Slatington residents. . . .Final proceeds from Christmas tree sales amounted to \$9,184. . . .Reaching out to Northern Lehigh Swimming Pool Assoc. to aid in repair of wading pool fountain.

UPPER LEHIGH: Made \$1,863 profit from serving 196 pig stomach dinners. . . .Profited \$3,444 from Parkland football games. . . .Have 12 beds on loan and eight in stock. Bought seven new wheelchairs for \$1,185. . . .Basket bingo profit \$3,194.82, and also collected 43 pounds of food. . . .Held a Valentine meeting with Bobby Gunther Walsh, who has been very helpful to club.

REGION II

BATH: Welcomed new member, Kerry Yeleskiy. . . .Having meetings at local restaurant during Lent. . . .Having Easter candy sale called Chocolates on Broadway. . . .Planning May 16 breakfast fund-raiser at Applebee's Restaurant.

BETHLEHEM: No January report.

CATASAUQUA AREA: Planning March 7 Applebee's pancake breakfast fund-raiser at their Catasauqua Rd., Allentown restaurant, 8 to 10 a.m.

COOPERSBURG: No January report.

COPLAY: No January report, but they had a Super Bowl breakfast at Copley Saengerbund.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP: Making plans for a fund raising bus trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino in the spring.

HELLERTOWN: No January report.

NORTHWEST BETHLEHEM: No January report.

SAUCON VALLEY: No January report.

UPPER SAUCON: No January report.

WHITEHALL: Bought two pairs of eyeglasses for needy brother and sister. . . .Whitehall Leo Club and Whitehall Public Library collecting Christmas cards to be signed and distributed by volunteers to Whitehall seniors next Christmas. . . .Leo club collecting winter clothes and blankets for Lehigh Valley Council of Churches to be given to homeless and needy.

REGION III

BANGOR: Will be sending one of our members to Beacon Lodge for a week. . . .Held pastie sale. . . .Donated \$100 to Bangor H.S. choir after entertaining. . . .Bought six \$75 gift certificates at Christmas for local needy families. . . .Planning club's 60th charter night. . . .Paid for man's glasses. . . .Gave \$100 to local food pantry.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP: Hosting a zone meeting on March 2 and the Charitable Enterprises reorganizational meeting on May 12. . . .Will hold golf tournament at Whitetail Golf Course in Bath on Friday, June 12.

EASTON: Drove sight-impaired woman from Easton area to meeting in Bethlehem and back home. . . .Collected food donated by Wegmans and delivered it to food bank at Project of Easton four times. . . .Hosted a luncheon honoring Easton and Phillipsburg high school wrestling teams prior to their annual match, and awarded trophy to most aggressive wrestler.

HECKTOWN - LOWER NAZARETH: Sold Christmas trees for a profit of \$4,200. . . .Had Perkins pie fund-raiser. . . .Erected community Christmas tree. . . .Toured Lower Nazareth homes and awarded \$25 Buzas gift certificates to three. . . .Annual Easter egg hunt will be on Saturday, March 28 with a rain date of April 4. . . .Planning to give a \$500 scholarship to a Lower Nazareth Township student.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Have recycling bin at township building.

NAZARETH: Nothing to report in January.

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PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP: Celebrated 43rd charter night on January 22. Charter members are Lions Robert Faulds and John Meckler. . . .Gave \$200 to Hope UCC Food bank. . . .Planning Chocolates on Broadway fund-raiser for Easter. . . .Still selling brooms and RADA cutlery.

RICHMOND: Distributed 16 fruit baskets and seven poinsettias to deserving friends of the Lions. . . .Nest box and bird feeders still being made, with wood donated by Blue Mtn. Steam Assn. with two Lions cut and planing it down, and another Lion leading the project.

TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN: Planning a spaghetti dinner for the public in March.

WILSON BOROUGH: Provided eye exam and new glasses for needy local resident.

Cabinet Meeting

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Foundation to the Center for Vision Loss to purchase a bus for transportation of their clients was presented to CVL Executive Director Douglas A. Yingling. The presentation was made by PDGs Linwood Gehris, Dennis Butz, Joe Chunko, and DG Folland.

Yingling thanked the Foundation and the Lions of 14-K for the money that will make it possible to replace a 16-year-old van. He said the gift epitomizes DG Folland's theme of "Setting the Standards for Service".

Reports

There many committee reports, as well as announcements. In brief, they included:

Charitable Enterprises will have an election officers when they meet on May 12 at the Borderline Restaurant in Bethlehem at 6:30 p.m.

The annual District Bowl-A-Thon will be held on Sunday, April 19, 1 to 4 p.m., at the Rose Bowl in Allentown and Hampton Lanes in Northampton.

April is District Governor's Environmental Month, and chairman Lion Marty Lower said recycling projects count.

The Lions and Lioness clubs have raised \$8,652.90 in White Cane activities, and chairman Lion Richard Schreiner will close his report in April. All clubs who have not reported as yet need to do so before then.

A thank-you note was received from Beacon Lodge for a gift received in memory of PDG Bernice Kulp.

Last year Pa. MD-14 was the fourth highest contributor to Leader Dog, and 14-K clubs gave \$5,725. Leader Dog has a \$14.5 million renovation project underway to improve the dog kennels for a positive impact on their training.

The 14-K Klown "Pit Stop" (Harold Reitz) was a winner with the Good Timers in the Philadelphia Mummers Parade.

Included in DG Folland's report was a note that background checks for all organizations that deal with children such as schools, hospitals, and camps must be done by July 1st. . . .As of January 1, 2018 the LION magazine will be electronic only. . . .The Facebook page will be only for administrators. . . .The Youth Seminar in April will be at Camp Victory for 11th grade students, at a cost of \$125.

DG Folland urged all the clubs to "Ask 1" so that we can gain membership. He said District 14-K is not the only district to be losing members.

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LIONESS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

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BETHLEHEM: Mount Airy Casino bus trip in March. . . . Tricky Tray on Sunday, April 26.

FORKS TOWNSHIP: No January report.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Still selling Around the Town books for \$20 as a fund-raiser. . . .White Cane funds will be donated to the Northeast Pa. Lions Eye Bank. . . .Warm coats, hats and gloves were delivered to our adopted needy charter school. . . .Will have a basket party in April at the Lehigh Township Vol. Fire Co. in Cherryville as our spring fund-raiser.

LOWER LEHIGH: No January report.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Sent these donations: \$100 to Turning Point, \$100 to Northampton Public Library, \$100 to Salvation Army, \$100 to Bushkill Stream Conservancy, \$200 to Bath Area Food bank, \$500 to Community Services for Children of L.V., \$100 to Northampton Quota Club, \$200 to Special Olympics, and \$500 to a local family. . . .Sold Christmas cookies, kiffels and nut rolls at a Bath market, making \$595. . . .Had a penny party with 98 people attending.

NORTHAMPTON AREA: Members helped to wrap Christmas gifts at the Easton Children's Home, and we gave them an electric mixer. . . .Christmas candy sale a big success. . . .Collected blankets, etc. at February meeting to give to Peaceable Kingdom.

It is a serious problem in the United States. We will lose an international director in each of the next three years, with two being added in India and one in Asia to make up for it. When the LCI convention is held in Hawaii, the Lions will be voting on a third vice president.

Zone chairpersons listed these membership numbers -

Region 1, Zone A, 146; Region 1, Zone B, a loss of one, now 94; Region 1, Zone C, 221, a gain of five; Region 2, Zone A, 104, a loss of five; Region 2, Zone B, 120, a loss of five; Region 3, Zone A, 136; and Region 3, Zone B, a loss of three at 133. The total for all on Jan. 31, 953. The Lionesses have a membership of 117 in six clubs, a loss of two.

Rader's Retire; March Eye Donor Awareness Month

We've just started 2015 and there's a lot happening at the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank, says Lion Nina Fehnel.

PDG Richard and Mary Louise Rader have officially retired from the eye bank. Both of them have worked very hard over the years for the eye bank, Richard as the CEO and Mary Louise in the Quality Assurance department. We wish them well.

March is National Eye Donor Awareness month and Nina is trying to speak to as many clubs as she can. April is National Organ and Tissue Donor month, along with the Gift of Life's "Donor Dash." The dash is held every year down in Philadelphia, starting and ending at the Art Museum. In 2014 they had 70 people on the eye bank's team. They're hoping to increase the team size even more this year.

In May the eye bank has set up another team to participate in the Highmark Wellness Walk. Last year it was held at Steel Stacks in Bethlehem. This year it will be taking place at DeSales University in Center Valley on May 30th. It's a 3K walk and benefits more than 30 health and human services organizations. Even if you can't physically walk, you can still participate by being a "virtual walker," says Nina.

For more information regarding donation, transplantation, or a tour of the eye bank along Jacksonville Rd. in Hanover Township, please call Nina Fehnel at 484-554-6390 or e-mail her at nfehnel@paeyebank.org

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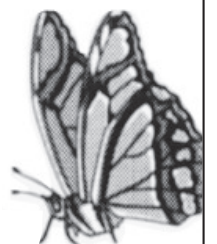
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1st VDG Karen Brady spoke at a recent Region 1 Zone B zone meeting held in Fogelsville hosted by the Kuhnsville Lions.

Leos in Action

District 14-K Leo Advisor Lion Judy Ott gave an extensive report at the Feb. 21 Cabinet Meeting, and thanked all the sponsoring Lions clubs for helping to instill the motto, "We Serve" in our youth. She said, "They are our future. We need to engage them and they will carry on for us," and also thanked the district governor and the two vice district governors for their full support.

Lion Ott reported that the nine Leo clubs formed a district on November 22 and will pool their projects to serve together. At a meeting on December 30 the first Leo District meeting was held and three Leos stepped forward to become co-presidents: Christian Parker of the Northwestern Lehigh Leos, Becca Davis of the Parkland Leos, and Laura Do of the Whitehall High School Leos.

Then, at a meeting on February 4 they agreed to participate in a service project on March 7 at Fellowship Community in Whitehall. In addition, several clubs are conducting their own projects, such as collecting soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Representation by all schools is the goal.

The next meeting will be on March 7 or 14, followed by the district convention on April 11, when the Leos will pack cookies that are contributed for the Meals on Wheels of Lehigh and Northampton counties.

State Chairman, PDG Chunko, Promoting Sept. 17-19 Forum

The 39th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan on Thursday, Sept. 17 thru Saturday, Sept. 19. The host committee has been working very hard and is pulling out all the stops so that you will have wonderful experience, says the state chairperson, our own PDG Joseph Chunko.

Three full days of seminars at all levels will be going on for Lions, Lionesses and Leos. Each day there will be approximately 40 seminars in English and four in non-English. Overall, there will be more than 60 seminars for you to choose from. The Leadership Seminar is for any Lion, Lioness or Leo who wants to enhance leadership capacities in an atmosphere that's non-stop learning and fun.

There are three hotels within four blocks of the Convention Center: Amway Grand (headquarters) - \$139 night; J. W. Marriott, three blocks away - \$159; and Courtyard by Marriott, four blocks away - \$139. The Convention Center and the other facilities are very nice and transportation has been arranged to provide a fun and enjoyable Forum. The host chairperson PCC John Johnson and the Lions of

Michigan promise the very best hospitality for us.

On Friday evening, "Host Night", you will have an opportunity to feast on great food and be entertained with Buckets 'n Boards. Matt Levinston and Gareth Sever have handcrafted a hilarious and high energy show, chock-full of precise percussion, ridiculous songs, spectacular tap dancing, inventive instrumentation and unique musical talent.

As MD-14 state chairman, PDG Chunko is asking our Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 14-K to plan on attending the Forum in Michigan. To register on line, visit www.lionsforum.org. You have until May 31st to get the early bird rates.

For more information, contact PDG Chunko at 610-838-9373 or e-mail him at lionjochunko@rcn.com.

Three Applications OK'd by Eye Research

In his report to the Cabinet on Feb. 21, PDG Glen Santee noted three applications were approved by the Pa. Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research Foundation. One was for \$10,000 on "Tracking of Retinal Development of Human

Embryonic Stem Cells Using a Stage-Top Incubator Chamber." Another of \$6,000 was for "Regenerative Ophthalmology Preserving Vision Using Extracellular Matrix Technology After Retinal or Optic Nerve Injury." The third was \$12,000 for "Choroideremia: Defining Natural History and Outcome Measures."

The applications were submitted by three specialist doctors from an eye and ear institute and a school of medicine.

PDG Santee announced that there will be an eye research seminar in Hershey on Oct. 24. He noted that the Foundation funds research, but doesn't buy equipment. They do help eye banks. Ninety clubs in four districts of MD-14 gave \$19,125 last year.

Calendar Sales Up For Charitable

Lion David Fatzinger reported an improvement in Charitable Enterprises calendar sales when he showed the figures on Feb. 21. As of Feb. 7, the 2014-15 total sales are at 399 (279 full year and 120 half year), compared to 334 (280 full year and 79 half year) for 2013-14.

Still, that's only 39.9% of the 1,000 calendar cards that were sold. While there was an increase, it was in the half year sales. And one of those won \$500.00!

As of January 31 there have been 54 payouts totaling \$2,640.

New calendars will be distributed at the April 11 convention to club secretaries. Lion Fatzinger asks that the secretaries or presidents show the calendars, read the letter to their members, and encourage them to support Charitable Enterprises' efforts to furnish eye surgeries, eye exams, glasses, hearing aids, and other vital needs as we serve our communities. If the club officers don't present the calendars in April or May, ask them why they've chosen not to, says Lion Dave.

He thanked the Lions and Lioness clubs and their members who have supported the calendar project this Lions year, for you are the hope of many deserving individuals.

Hearing Research Foundation Report Given at 14-K Meeting

IPDG Dennis Butz and Lion Joanne Santee, board members of the Pa. Lions Hearing Foundation, provided a report at the recent Cabinet meeting.

They reported that there are more Americans with a hearing impairment than there are with heart disease, kidney disease, cancer, multiple sclerosis, venereal disease, TB and blindness - combined. And twice as many deaf people as there are blind people.

The Foundation has received six applications for research grants this year - two from Penn State Medical School in Hershey, two from the University of Pittsburgh, one from Salus University in Philadelphia and one from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. They will be reviewed.

In keeping with the Lions of Pennsylvania interest on youth activities, special emphasis is encouraged on research to prevent deafness and hearing problems among

our youth. All research grants awarded by the Foundation are within Pennsylvania. If clubs would like to give any financial support to the research to find a cure for ear disease and deafness, make donations to the Pa. Lions Hearing Research Foundation.

Diabetes Trust Transfers Funds

The Lehigh Valley Diabetes Trust will be transferring the \$15,000 designated for diabetic needs to Charitable Enterprises.

The trust will not be operational for a year unless there is a need demonstrated, says Mark Bateman.

IRS paperwork has been filed for 2014 from January 1 through December 31, as is their policy. There is an e-mail certifying acceptance of the e-filing done for 2014.

Lion Bateman says thanks to the district for all their support in the past.

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Lower Lehigh Lions Induct Members

On February 10, the Lower Lehigh Lions Club gained two more members. PDG Dennis Butz made it official by performing the induction ceremony for Phil and Betsy Kresge. These new members have been attending club meetings for more than two months and now they are members. Lions Ron Bechtel and Scott Bechtel serve as their sponsors to our club. Lions Ron and Scott followed the advice of our International president and they "Asked 1". As a matter of fact, they "Asked Both" and now our club has grown by two. Prior to this induction, the Kresges and five other newer members participated in an "Orientation Session" that prepares new members by explaining the goals, purposes, structure and committees of Lions. Lion Bud Godshalk presented this session prior to a club meeting. All members of the club welcome Lions Phil and Betsy as they learn the meaning of "We Serve."



PDG Dennis Butz performs the induction ceremony for new members Phil and Betsy Kresge. Lion sponsors Ron Bechtel and Scott Bechtel look on as the new members complete this process.

Centennial Service Challenge Tracker





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



Have you registered for the 2015 MD-14 convention? If you have never attended a Pennsylvania Lions State Convention, this is the time to come! The Host Convention Committee has everything in place for a great convention experience, and the history and scenic beauty of Lancaster and Lebanon counties' Amish Country offer lots to do. Plan to arrive early or stay late to enjoy the sights and attractions.

When you register for the convention, ask other members of your club to join you, especially new members. When Lions gather, there is always fun. In addition, attending the convention gives you the opportunity to meet old friends, make new ones, and network with Lions in other clubs and share ideas for service, club projects, and club building.

Registration is easy. You can find the registration form online at www.lionsdistrict14d.org, in the latest issue of PRIDE, and from your club officers. Early registration is encouraged, especially if you want to attend the Amish Experience on Thursday evening, May 14.

Convention events will begin at noon on Thursday with the opening of registration, certification, the State Merchandise Store, basket raffle, pin traders, and vendor exhibits.

On Friday, May 15, you can learn about Online Leadership Development, Attracting Younger Members, the Centennial Action Project, diabetes, and Women and Family Memberships. The PA Lions Luncheon on Friday will feature Lion Carroll Jackson from Leader Dog. Friday evening you'll want to honor the memory of Lions who died during 2014 by attending the necrology service at 7 p.m.

Cap off your Friday activities with fun, music, and treats from Lancaster and Lebanon counties at Hospitality Night. The Fabulous Cheeze Brothers and Sisters will provide music of the '60s for dancing and listening. Dig out your '60s attire for this event, which is sure to add to the fun of your convention weekend!

Begin your Saturday at the convention by attending the Lioness/Ladies and Spouses Breakfast. The committee has a great program planned, with Lisa High telling us all about hats. Seminars and meetings will continue on Saturday morning. Be sure to listen to our famous All State Band in performances on Saturday.

International President Joe Preston will hold a special session for club presidents, ***The International President Meets Club Presidents***. All club presidents should make attending this session on Saturday their top priority.

You will not want to miss the special events Saturday afternoon. You can hear Anne Beiler's story of taking her soft pretzel business from a farmer's market to an international sensation. Next, learn how Lion Jay Blake recovered from a tragic accident to become owner of a race car and crew chief for his racing team. And hear about disaster relief work from Lion Jim Groff, with help from the Clampetts.

Be sure to sign up for our International Banquet Saturday evening, where you will be inspired by featured speaker IP Joe Preston. IP Preston and his wife, Lion Joni, of Arizona, will be our special guests at the convention. He will tell us how he joined Lions at the age of 21 and has never looked back. He credits Lions for his successes in his business career and his family life.

And when you come to the convention, come prepared to participate in the International President's Initiative Children in Need by bringing non-perishable food or paper products to be distributed to organizations who serve children in need.

**See you in Lancaster for
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