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District 14-K Communicating with Our Members

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Peace, Love & Understanding Peace Poster Contest Theme

Chairman Lion Paul Bealer says, "Let's celebrate the 27th annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest by sponsoring a local school or youth group in the District 14-K Lions Clubs 2014-15 competition."

The theme for the contest is "Peace, Love & Understanding." Contest kits are on sale until October 1 from Lions Clubs International Club Supplies, so time is growing very short. Each kit includes all the materials you need to

enter the poster contest.

The poster design contest is open to children ages 11, 12 and 13. The more children we get involved in the contest around the Lehigh Valley, the greater the chance that some of the best talented children will enter, and win the District 14-K contest, Lion Bealer said, adding that maybe they could earn accolades beyond the Lehigh Valley.

The international grand prize winner wins a trip to the
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Food and Dollars Needed For Care & Share Program

PDG Larry Snyder, chairperson for the district, has said that this year's Care & Share Promotion will follow the same format as last year. He said we will again direct our support as a single team, "Team District 14-K". Last year, clubs donated the equivalent of 53,974.2 pounds to the food pantries. This year's goal is 55,000 pounds.

"I encourage you to contribute with a monetary donation, because this has the purchasing advantage of a pound of food for every dollar donated, while a pound of food donated is simply only one pound," Lion Snyder said.

Donation forms will again be available at the food pantries for the clubs' convenience. We will again collect non-perishable food items and

monetary donations at the District 14-K Cabinet meetings and Lion Snyder will deliver them to the Second Harvest Food Bank and have the donations registered. The donation period is for the entire Lions calendar year.

If any issues arise, please contact PDG Snyder. He concluded, "Thanks for your continued support. *Let's go, Team!*" He noted changes, as follows: 5260 Grange Drive, Schnecksville, PA 18078, phone: 610-769-2410, or e-mail to: larc41@tctptd.net

Care & Share will get an extra boost at next year's Musikfest in Bethlehem. At the recent Cabinet Meeting, the executive committee voted to give proceeds from manning port-o-lets at the August festival to Care & Share.

Leo District Could Be Started; Discussion on It October 18th

District Leo Club Advisor Judith R. Ott has announced that a Leo Round Table discussion will take place on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Christ U.C.C. Church, Schoenersville.

Among other topics of discussion, the prospect of forming a Leo District will be a topic to talk about among the young people. Six or more officially certified Leo clubs must exist in a Lions District to qualify for this classification. Since there are presently nine Leo clubs in District 14-K, an attempt will be made to form this group, she said.

All Leos in Bangor, Northern Lehigh, Northwestern Lehigh, Parkland, Pen Argyl, Whitehall Coplay Middle School, Whitehall and Wind Gap Middle School were

notified of the District Rally to be held on September 25 when schools opened for a new term.

Lion Judy also noted that she received an e-mail from the Pen Argyl High School Leo advisor Josephine Buscemi that the club will have a tricky tray auction to benefit a local charity. This year the money raised will aid a local food bank. Please consider helping by donating to this worthwhile cause no later than October 3. Additional information is on the district website.

Concluding her announcements, Lion Judy said, "Thank you to all the sponsoring Lions clubs for helping instill the motto 'We Serve' in our youth."



District Governor Fred Folland and 1st VDG Karen Brady are shown receiving their ice water bath in the ALS Challenge after the Cabinet Meeting on Saturday, August 23 in Nazareth. It was 69 degrees that day.

ALS Challenge Accepted by Top Two Lions at Cabinet

Although not on the agenda, District Governor Fred Folland and 1st Vice District Governor Karen Brady accepted the ALS Challenge on Sunday, August 23 and took an ice water bath after the Cabinet Meeting at Schoenck Moravian Church in Nazareth.

Buckets of water were poured over them separately in support of the effort to stamp out the dreaded disease. DG Fred changed into his Slatetale-Emerald Lions Club clothing, but VDG Karen just removed her jewelry and kept her Lions clothing on. Both enjoyed doing it for a good cause as so many others are doing these days to raise millions of dollars.

The meeting again included committee reports, as usual. But one notable addition was the vote to contribute \$1,000 to place a brick at Beacon Lodge, inscribed in memory of the late PDG Bernice Kulp.

Important events that are coming up this month and in the very near future were announced, as follows:

- Saturday, September 13, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Journey for Sight at Bangor Park.

- Thursday, September 25, annual District Rally at Northampton Community Center for all Lions, Lionesses and Leos. Social, 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$22.00. Reservation deadline, Sept. 18.

- Wednesday, October 1, Center for Vision Loss annual "Needs Night" at Northampton Community Center.

- Saturday, October 18, Leo Round Table discussion at Christ U.C.C. Church, Airport Rd., Schoenersville. (See more on this report).

- Saturday, November 8, GLC/GMC seminar at Christ

U.C.C. Church. Each club is asked to submit one or two names of Lions who are viewed as leaders for their club and the district to PDG Linwood Gehris. Lion Debbie
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State Council Chairperson Speaks at Cabinet Meeting

Lion Mark Kusma, a member of District 14-H and chairperson of the Pa. State Council, spoke at the August 23 District 14-K Cabinet Meeting in Nazareth.

Telling the Lions and Lionesses that there has been a 191 membership loss in Pennsylvania at the start of this Lions year, he said we need to follow LCI President Joe Preston in "strengthening the pride," with a goal he has set of service to 100 million people.

One way to do this is by

helping children in need with literacy, those who are hungry, and creating a cleaner environment.

Lion Kusma urged the members to "Serve the Lions organization from the club up; strengthen the pride through leadership, through creativity, and through giving, courage and conviction." He noted that the social media of today is a great way to reach out.

Emphasizing the message of "ask one", which has been
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MARK KUSMA
State Council Chairman

District Governor's Message

"Strengthen the Pride"

Through Membership Development



Membership problems are not going away. We lost our second oldest club, the Allentown Lions Club, chartered in 1922. Officially, on July 29, this club disbanded. At least 12 members are gone from our district. We are down to 35 clubs, the minimum according to LCI's standards.

Part of Lions Clubs International President Joe Preston's theme is "Strengthen the Pride" through membership development. The "ASK ONE" program is a great way to grow your clubs. Every Lion should invite at least one new member to your meetings during the 2014-2015 Lions year. Statistics show that 72% of prospective members that come to a club meeting join our organization. That's almost 3 out of 4. Clubs should set the expectation by preparing to welcome new members. I will be asking you before I visit your club, how many new members will I be inducting? Every club needs a plan. Without a plan, chances are much less for success.

Target younger people and women in your membership search. A lot of Lions think that getting younger members is impossible. I disagree. Getting younger members is harder, but if you don't ask, you're right, they will not join. Younger people want to serve, look at our Leos.

You are not in this alone. Our GMT/GLT team is here to serve you. Ask yourself the question, is my club serious about growing?

We will be holding a Club Membership/Club Leadership seminar later this fall. Details will follow.

The annual District 14-K Fall Rally is coming up on Thursday, September 25th. It will be at the Northampton Community Center. The cost is \$22 per person. This is going to be a great night of fun and fellowship. A great time to meet and greet our Lions members. I hope to see many of you there.

The summer just flew by, and now it's time to gear up for the fall season. As we "Strengthen the Pride" we are "Setting the Standards for Service."

DG Fred

Peace Poster Contest Theme

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United Nations in New York City during Lions U.N. Day. There they can meet Lions from around the world and other world dignitaries and receive wonderful prizes. The poster may even become a U.S. postage stamp.

The contest is not limited to public schools. Lions can approach Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, community centers, parochial or charter schools, and other groups which have children in the age range.

Cost is \$11.95 per kit plus postage. To order, write Lions Clubs International Club Supplies Dept., 300 22nd St., Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842. You can also order by calling LCI at 1-800-710-7822.

If your club will participate in this year's contest,

deadline to have your first place entries to Bealer is Wednesday, Nov. 12. Judging will take place that weekend. He must receive your poster in the mail no later than that date for it to be judged. The winning district poster will be judged by Multiple District 14 in Harrisburg, and if a winner there, will go on to LCI judging. In the past, we had a winner that did just that from Bath.

Any questions, call or e-mail Lion Paul Bealer at 484-894-4823 or lionpawl@hotmail.com.

The address that posters must be mailed to is District 14-K Peace Poster Chairman Paul Bealer, 1732M Troxell Court, Allentown, PA 18109.

"Just Ask" and someone may join the Lions.

Dates to Remember

SEP. 11-13 USA/Canada Leadership Forum, Puerto Rico
13 Journey for Sight, Bangor
15 Charitable Enterprises Meet
25 District 14-K Rally

OCT. White Cane Days - All Month
1 Needs Night
31-11/2 State Council, Grantville, Pa.

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14-K Klowns Busy Entertaining Folks

Since the last meeting, four of our 14-K Klowns attended a two-day training in Bethlehem, directed by Bubba Sikes, a professional clown from Florida. It was very informative and fun, with our own clown, Freckles, winning the award for eating the most bagels.

Pit Stop was entertaining the crowd and parading in Slatinton in August for the town's anniversary celebration, while Silly Dolly and Dan-D-Lion were pleasing the crowd at Hellertown Days in support of the Hellertown and Saucon Valley Lions Clubs.

On September 5th Pit Stop will please the 250 Cub Scouts at their annual camp-out/movie night in Schnecksville. Then it's on to the Halloween season and parades.

We still look for people who would like to try their hand at clowning. Our mission is to support, Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs in promoting their projects and products. Give us a call - Dan-D-Lion, 610-797-6346.

District Journey For Sight at Bangor Sept. 13

Lions Dick Hanna and Michelle Peterson will be in charge of the annual District 14-K Journey for Sight on Saturday, September 13. Once again, it will be held at Bangor Park, and the time is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For each club that has participants, they will keep 60% of the funds raised for sight-related needs, while 40% will go to the district for the same purpose.

Refreshments will be available before or after the walkers circle the track as many times as they wish.

If there are any questions, call Lion Hanna at 610-588-5639.

1st Vice District Governor's Message



Leader Dogs For the Blind

I recently spent a day at Leader Dog with the other Pennsylvania 1st Vice District Governors as well as others from around the country. There were about 80 of us in attendance. It was a wonderful experience for me!

If you don't know it, I am a dog lover. Lion Tim and I share our home with a Golden Retriever and a Dalmatian, as well as two cats and three neighborhood stray cats who we feed daily. I/we would be lost without our pets! Visiting Leader Dog was something I looked forward to.

We started our day by getting to know each other. Then we got to see exactly what Leader Dog does. They talked about their breeding program and their puppy-training program. Both take place in the homes of people like you and me who are willing to do the work required. We heard from three people who are currently raising puppies. I cannot imagine spending a year with a puppy and then giving it up. I guess you have to look at the long range plan for that puppy, and feel good knowing that you gave it a good start and on its way to helping someone who is visually impaired. The most heartwarming discussions were those we had with clients. They all told us how having a Leader Dog enhanced their lives. They talked about the freedom they now have. One gentleman told us his cane never found the coffee shop in an airport, and his cane never helped him avoid low hanging tree branches. I felt good knowing that as Lions we support this wonderful organization.

The highlight of my day was taking the blind walk. A lovely Golden Retriever named Sasha was my Leader Dog. It was somewhat disconcerting putting on the blindfold and taking hold of the harness. I started my walk with my right arm out in front of me while sliding my feet. I think I kept my arm out for about a third of the walk. Then I realized that Sasha wasn't going to let anything bad happen to me, and I started to really let her take the lead. We worked through turns and walked on different textured surfaces. By the end of the walk, I felt very comfortable.

The only negative thing about the day was that most of the dogs I saw were working so I couldn't pet them. I caught myself a couple of times reaching for a dog. For me, petting a dog is relaxing. But I knew better and I restrained myself. I did get to pet a couple of retired dogs.

Leader Dogs for the Blind performs a wonderful service. If you get the chance to visit them, you won't regret it!

1st VDG Karen

2nd Vice District Governor's Message



We're One of Many Districts Looking for New Members

Recently I had the opportunity to attend my first State Council Meeting in Harrisburg. Our first session began with introductions of each vice district governor and we were encouraged to share our concerns or celebrations. As you may have guessed, 95% of districts in Pennsylvania are focusing on membership. The issues discussed were growing membership in clubs, assisting with struggling clubs, and how to start new clubs. LEO clubs were not forgotten in this discussion. Many of us agree that the future of Lionism is dependent upon the growth and development of LEO clubs.

Several thoughts were proposed as to how to grow our membership. Our International President, Joe Preston, encourages us to ask just one. If we all ask just one person to join Lions, who knows what the potential for growth would be. Another idea is that all new members need an orientation program. Not too many clubs have done this. There are many other suggestions for retaining our members and growing clubs, but Lions are the best-kept secret and we need to get the word out there of what we are all about. Finally, two words that I heard many times is we need to **encourage** and **motivate** our members.

2nd VDG Marsha

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Club Events

Lower Lehigh Lions Club - Flea Market & Garage Sale, Saturday, Sept. 6, 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., at Macungie Memorial Park.

Saucon Valley Lions Club - Breakfast at Se-Wy-Co Fire Co., Rt. 378, Sept. 7, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Cheesesteak omelets special that day)

Mountainville Lions Club - Pancake fund-raiser at Applebee's Restaurant, Trexlertown on Saturday, Sept. 13. Cost: \$6.00.

Slatedale-Emerald Lions Club - Gift Basket Bingo, Sunday, Sept. 14 at Friedens Fire Co., 3158 Friedens Rd., Friedens - Doors open at Noon, Games begin at 1:30 p.m.

Moore Township Lions Club - Annual Car Show, Saturday, Sept. 14, 9 a.m. at Moore Twsp. Recreation Center. Rain date Sept. 21.

LIONS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

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REGION I

ALBURTIS: Club had a summer picnic at one of the member's homes. It was then that they distributed the club's new shirts.

ALTON PARK: Club held their annual Boat Club Picnic, treating clients of Center for Vision Loss and visually impaired children, along with their families. Besides lunch, there was live music and exciting boat rides on the Lehigh River.

EMMAUS LIONESS LIONS: Apple dumpling sales have begun. Call any member of the club for orders. Cost: \$4.00 per dumpling. . . . Charter night committee had two meetings in July.

EMMAUS: Sales of mints netted \$159 in July. . . . Plans are being made to celebrate the club's 70th anniversary. . . . \$500 was approved toward eye surgery for a woman. . . . Everything set up for a golf tournament.

KUHNSTVILLE AREA: Transported person in need of glasses to and from eye specialist for eye testing and glasses. . . . Planning on a chicken barbecue in September.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Purchased five bricks at Beacon Lodge in memory of five Lehigh Township Lions. . . . Planned annual pig roast at Indian Trail Park. They are also having a clambake at a member's home in August. . . . Held Adopt-A-Highway pick-up by three Lions, who picked up four bags of trash. . . . Lions parking cars and helping at Lohr's tractor pulls.

LEHIGH VALLEY SATURDAY A.M.: Have started a membership campaign to replace lost members at end of Lions year. There is one potential new member. . . . Recycled 400 aluminum cans and collected 200 eyeglasses from collection sites. . . . 10 visually impaired children expected to attend Alton Park Lions boat picnic in July. Our club helped with refreshments.

LOWER LEHIGH: Club is planning its fall flea market and garage sale on September 6 at Macungie Memorial Park. They will also have a 50/50 drawing there to support the school free eye exam and eyeglass program. . . . The club collects used eyeglasses, hearing aids and batteries. They also collect non-perishable food items for a local food bank at Zionsville. . . . Working at 47 IronPigs ball games earned club \$5,855 and there were more to go with the season ending on August 30.

MOUNTAINVILLE: Eleven members helped park cars at Dorney Park's fireworks, earning \$1,161. . . . Next fund-raiser will be a pancake breakfast at Applebee's Trexeltown restaurant on Saturday, Sept. 13. . . . Planned to attend Slatington Lions Club steak fry on August 19.

ONTELAUNEE: Ontelaunee Lions hosted joint installation of club officers of Alburts, Ontelaunee and Slatetale-Emerald Lions on June 4, with PDG Elmer Baer installing them. . . . Visitation made to a Kempton Lions Club meeting.

SLATEDALE-EMERALD AREA: Holding monthly hoagie and lottery ticket sales. Donated profits from May hoagie sale to White Cane for a total of \$600 to three district eye-related organizations - \$200 to Leader Dog, \$200 to Northeast Pa. Lions Eye Bank, \$200 to Beacon Lodge camp. . . . Club selling food at Slatetale Fire Co. picnic on August 9 and Night in the Country event on August 16. . . . Visiting Eye Bank in August and steak fry at West Penn Lions.

SLATINGTON: Club participated in Borough of Slatington's 150th anniversary parade. . . . Planning continues for August 31 car show at Slatington Airport. . . . Steak fries continuing through summer at Skeet Club, with many clubs attending. . . . Approved eye exams and glasses for three individuals. . . . Other August events: Aug. 10, Ox roast at Trailhead for 150th anniversary celebration; Aug. 11, Firemen's Night steak fry fundraiser; Aug. 13, clambake for military veterans; Aug. 20, visitation to West Penn Twsp. Lions.

UPPER LEHIGH: Eleven members attended a Slatington Lions Club steak fry on July 15. . . . Club made and donated \$40,080.56 in Lions year 2013-2014. . . . Roar with the Lions in July was another successful event.

REGION II

ALLENTOWN: Club has disbanded.

BATH: Bingo fund-raisers at Northampton and at LV Hospital - Muhlenberg were both successful. . . . Will make visitation to Slatington Lions steak fry on September 2. . . . Sponsored a student at Northampton County Junior Conservation School in July. . . . Held a family clambake at a member couple's house.

BETHLEHEM: No July report.

CATASAUQUA AREA: Will have a lottery for September. Contact any member. . . . Held a celebration at North Catasauqua Park on July 5.

COOPERSBURG: No July report.

COPLAY: No July report.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP: No July report.

HELLERTOWN: Club staffed the refreshment stand at monthly music event at Dimmick Park. . . . Collecting aluminum cans and aluminum by-products for recycling. On the second Saturday of each month. . . . Collect food items at meetings and donate to New Jerusalem Lutheran Church food pantry. . . . Donated \$500 to Pa. Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind for their Wounded Warrior family camp project, and also collected items for the Beacon Lodge wish list.

NORTHWEST BETHLEHEM: No July report.

SAUCON VALLEY: Held blood drive during Hellertown Community Day in August. . . . Donated as follows: \$150 to ARC of Lehigh and Northampton Counties; \$500 to Leader Dogs for Blind; \$1,500 to six emergency responders in Saucun Valley area; \$80 to Hellertown Movies in the Park project, and more than 100 pairs of eyeglasses to a local church to send to Haiti.

UPPER SAUCON: No July report.

WHITEHALL: No July report.

REGION III

BANGOR: No July report.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP: Held scholarship presentation dinner meeting, giving two \$500 scholarships, one to a Notre Dame student and one from Freedom H.S. . . . Three members attended a Slatington steak fry in July. . . . As of August, club now meeting once a month instead of twice.

EASTON: Drove sight-impaired woman from Easton area to meeting in Bethlehem and back home. . . . Participating in Sharing the Vision campaign. . . . Collected food donated by Wegmans and delivered it to food bank at ProjecT of Easton four times. . . . Made a donation to Center for Vision Loss from club's 90th anniversary dinner.

HECKTOWN - LOWER NAZARETH: No July report.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Have recycling bin at township building. . . . No July report, but will have annual car show in September at Moore Township Recreation Center.

NAZARETH: Held annual breakfast at borough park in July.

PALMER TOWNSHIP: Displayed many events for local organizations on Lions electronic sign. . . . Attended Slatington steak fry on July 15. . . . Planned annual Italian Festival for August 28.

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP: July meeting was a family picnic meeting with scholarship recipients, Leo advisor and Leo president as guests. . . . Sold brooms and Rada cutlery at Nazareth Days. . . . Had fish stand at Plainfield Township Farmers Fair, where we sponsored a family day.

RICHMOND: Richmond Lions helped at Outback Food Station at Jacktown in July. . . . Planned a chicken barbecue dinner for August 2. . . . Bird box project continuing. . . . Busy mowing grass.

TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN: Participated in Nazareth Day serving turkey barbecue.

WILSON BOROUGH: No July report.

Cabinet Meeting

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Lillegard for membership says, "Just Ask!"

The Charitable Enterprises report included an announcement by PDG Willard Kulp that two cataract surgeries have been approved for a needy person. David Fatzinger reported sales of calendars so far are 275 out of 1,000, a decrease from last year's sales of 282. There are still two months to buy a calendar for \$30.

\$2,000 from the Sight Impaired Scholarship Fund will be given to a blind student, Maddie Link.

With reports by zone chairpersons noting that Lions membership in the district is now down to 961 in 35 clubs, district GMT chairperson Debbie Lillegard said "It's time to achieve our goals in District 14-K" and listed several things that would be helpful for the clubs to do: Determine what your club wants to be; identify what your club wants to accomplish; decide your club's goals; does your club need new members or does it need to get present members more active? Find out your club's strengths and weaknesses.

The August 23 Cabinet Meeting was hosted by Region 3 Lions Paul Stoudt and Ana Toolan, who did an excellent job. The next meeting will be on Saturday, Nov. 15 hosted by Region 1. It will be a breakfast meeting.

State Council

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a focal point in LCI this year, Lion Kusma told of his personal experience in joining Lions. He did a Santa project with Lions in his hometown, driving Santa around. It got him thinking and he googled Lions, finding out the organization's history and that membership is by invitation only. A Lion told him, although a member for 17 years, he never thought about asking his wife to join. She did. And so did Kusma.

He advised putting together a membership and leadership plan. Create a new club. Involve the Leos and celebrate their service.

Although only a Lion for the past seven years, he quickly advanced after taking a job as district treasurer, and now is state council chairman. District 14-K is one of 18 districts he is now visiting.

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BETHLEHEM: No June report.

FORKS TOWNSHIP: No June report.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: No June report.

LOWER LEHIGH: No June report.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Reports for May, June and July as follows: May - Held mother-daughter banquet with 52 persons attending. June - Held installation of officers, along with the Lions club. July - No meeting held in July. Will assist Lions when they have annual car show on September 14.

NORTHAMPTON AREA: No July report

Center for Vision Loss Announces New Program

Did you ever consider what your life would be like with vision loss? Why not join the Center for Vision Loss for the premiere of their blindness awareness event, "A Taste of the Shadows", on Tuesday, October 14 at the Green Pond Country Club, located at 3604 Farmersville Rd., Bethlehem.

The event begins at 6 p.m. with a reception featuring hors d'oeuvres, a wine tasting by Franklin Hill Vineyards and musical entertainment by Maddie Link, celtic harpist. The seated dinner follows at 7 p.m. At this time, CVL will ask the guests to give up their sight while they dine while wearing a blindfold to simulate vision loss.

Loss of vision is challenging at any age. It impacts an individual's quality of life and independence. "Throughout the evening, you will have the opportunity to meet and talk to some of our customers who will share with you how the agency made an impact on their lives. And we know that you will go home with a new perspective," says Karen Huetter, CVL Development Director.

Ticket price for the event is \$75 per person. Proceeds will support the Vision Rehabilitation program. The reservation deadline is September 30, 2014. For more information, contact Ms. Huetter at 610-433-6018, ext. 241 or e-mail her at Karen.Huetter@centerforvisionloss.org. Go to www.centerforvisionloss.org to print out an invitation.

Needs Night Oct. 1

Clubs have also received an invitation for the annual Center for Vision Loss "Needs Night," which will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 1 at the Northampton Memorial Community Center. There is a list of the needs the center has to serve their clients at the Allentown location. One of them is Camp I CAN, which was the subject of an article in last month's Tattle Tailer. The agency is hoping that Lions and Lionesses in District 14-k will support that project, along with the other needs listed.

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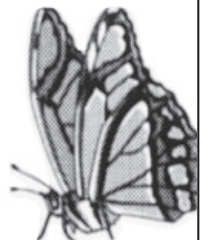
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Slatington Lions Club Car Show



Convention Committee To Meet Sept. 29 to Start April 5-6 Plans

District 14-K Convention Co-chairman PDG Tom Dieter announced at the recent cabinet meeting that the convention committee will meet on Monday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. in Christ U.C.C. Church, Schoenersville, to begin mapping plans for the annual convention, slated for April 5 and 6, 2015.

Where it will be held is still up in the air, but three locations are presently being looked at - the Holiday Inn in Fogelsville, the Best Western at Rts. 512 & 22 in Bethlehem, and the Days Inn Hotel on Airport Road. The dates are on hold at all three places and it is a matter of negotiations.

With the passing of PDG Bernice Kulp, District

Governor Fred Folland has appointed PDG Joseph Chunko to serve as convention co-chairman, with Lion Karlene Laub assisting for the 2015 convention. Most all of the committee members have agreed to remain in their positions for this convention.

PDG Dieter did announce at the cabinet meeting that Past International Director Wayne E. Davis of Stephens City, Va. will be the convention speaker. He is a retired elementary school principal and a member of the Winchester-Shawnee Lions Club since 1974.

A full biography on P.I.D. Davis will be printed in an upcoming issue of the *Tattle Tailer*.

*Scenes from
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August 31.*

Foundation Fighting Blindness Walk at Moravian College

Kathy Fenstermacher, a member of the Saucon Valley Lions Club, and Diana Worley, a member of the Saturday A.M. Lions Club, both are involved with the Foundation Fighting Blindness. At the District 14-K Cabinet Meeting on August 23 both women explained the organization and its plans to have a vision walk on Saturday, Oct. 4 starting at 10 a.m. at Moravian College. It is a satellite event for a walk that will be held in Philadelphia the following week, they said. Some 30 women from Moravian College will be in the walk-athon.

They said that one of the main objectives of the foundation is to carry on research about retinal diseases. Both of the women have children who have problems with the retina, and Mrs. Fenstermacher said

her son was diagnosed with Startgardt's Disease. She is co-chair of the 2014 Vision Walk.

While their talk was interesting, they were told that there is a conflict with an event in the district. The executive committee said that unfortunately they could not support them.

PDG Glen Santee said the Lions should be supporting the Pa. Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research Foundation, and locally that has been lacking. While there is giving through the governor's projects and coin cards from clubs, District 14-K ranks near the bottom in all of Multiple District 14. That should improve slightly this year since Dist. Gov. Folland has increased the allotment for Pa. Lions Sight Conservation & Eye Research from \$1.00 per

member to \$1.25. Research is important, said PDG Santee.

Lion Glen also noted that Dr. Julio Rojas of Allentown has a large collection of eyeglass frames, which are available to the needy through area Lions clubs. For more information on that project, clubs should call Dr. Rojas at 484-664-2640. The recently disbanded Allentown Lions Club has disbursed funding for Dr. Rojas as the club dissolved.

Despite the vote taken at Cabinet Meeting, Mrs. Fenstermacher said she would like to be a guest speaker at Lions or Lioness meetings so that she can share her story regarding their involvement with the Foundation due to her son's diagnosis of Startgardt's Disease. The phone numbers where she can be reached are: call, 610-984-3489, or home, 610-838-6059.

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Thursday, May 14: Arrive today and check into your room at Lancaster's Host Resort and Conference Center. Start your visit with the **Amish Experience**. Join your fellow Lions for dinner at the award-winning family-style Plain and Fancy Farm Restaurant, followed by a multimedia presentation of the Amish story at the Amish Experience Theater. The first 200 people who register for the Amish Experience will receive a limited edition 2015 Quilt Pin. You must be registered for both the convention and the Amish Experience to receive the pin.

Friday, May 15: Attend leadership seminars throughout the day, and join Lions, Lionesses, and LEOs from across the state at the Necrology Service to remember fellow members who have completed their service on Earth. Cap the day by relaxing at **Hospitality Night**, where you can enjoy entertainment and fellowship with your friends both old and new.

Saturday, May 16: Join the **Lionesses and Ladies for breakfast** this morning to honor award winners and hear all about hats with guest speaker **Lisa High**. Later in the day, enjoy concerts by the **Lions' All-State Band** and a motivational talk by **Anne Beiler, founder of Auntie Anne's Pretzels**. This evening, come to the International Banquet featuring **International President Joe Preston** as our speaker.

Sunday, May 17: Vote, attend the final convention business session, and join the 2015-16 District Governors as they take their places on the next State Council. Plan to stay after the convention to enjoy the many attractions and shopping sites in the area.

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