

PA Lions State Convention 2028

Report for District Cabinet November 9, 2024

There are 17 Lions districts in PA and every 17 years we are asked to host a state convention. It is our turn to host the 2028 convention. It is an honor to host this event. We will be asking for help from many Lions in our district.

We are starting to look for a venue. We will need 200+ sleeping rooms, a banquet hall and caterer for multiple meals, a room for the basket raffle, a room for the service project, and 4 or 5 break out rooms for meetings. Please let PCC Karen Brady know if you have any suggestions. Some newer hotels in the area have been investigated but most seem to have fewer rooms than we need and, if anything, one large meeting room and no break out rooms. They could not handle our request. Wind Creek is already on our list of convention centers to check out.

I talked to PDG Dave Barrett from District 14-D who is the chair of the 2025 state convention. He gave me a list of the positions they filled in order to plan and execute the convention. They are listed below.

- State Administrator / Advisor: PDG Deb Burkholder
- Chairperson: PCC Karen Brady
- Co-Chairs: IPDG Denise Shaffer, PDG Kathy Duellely, DG Scott Lohman, 2nd VDG Andy Larsen
- Registration
- Treasurer
- Banquet / meals
- Sergeant at Arms
- Necrology
- Convention Booklet
- Tours / Seminars
- Vendor Displays
- All-State Band Liaison
- Friday Night Hospitality
- Judge of Elections
- Voting Certification
- Service project

Other items to consider:

- Welcome Gift – tote bags?
- Badges
- Transportation to off-site tours
- Gifts for the LCI speaker and International Family
- Greeters – lobby or arrival area
- Help with state merchandise store

If you are interested in helping with this important event, please let me know. The more volunteers we have, the easier this will be and it will be more enjoyable not only for us, but for the Lions who will attend the convention.

I will be putting together more detailed information on the responsibilities of each of the positions listed so feel free to reach out if you want more information or if you want to volunteer.

Thank you,
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