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Lions Helping Victims Of Philippine Typhoon

(Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to LCIF Coordinator PDG Joe Chunko by PIP Wayne A. Madden, chairperson of Lions Clubs International Foundation).

By now I am sure that you have heard much about the recent disaster in the Philippines. Many communities in the path of Super Typhoon Haiyan will have a long road to recovery. Initial estimates indicate that as many as 10,000 individuals lost their lives, and many thousands more have lost their homes. As LCIF Coordinators, it is important for you to know what LCIF is doing to support our fellow Lions and their communities. To date, LCIF has approved US\$130,000 from the LCIF Disaster Relief fund. During their recent forum, the Lions of OSEAL (Orient and Southeast Asia Lions) also committed an additional US\$370,000.

In addition to these funds, LCIF is encouraging Lions to donate to the general Disaster Relief fund at the Foundation. These donations will support disaster relief in the Philippines and be MJF eligible. Please encourage Lions in your districts and multiple districts to give to this area, which will give LCIF the flexibility and resources to best respond. Please see the link below to donate to the Disaster Relief fund.

As we receive more reports from the Philippines, we will continue to update you on any changes in the situation or additional disaster funding in the meantime. I know you will work hard in your districts and MDs to ensure that we have the resources available to help our

fellow Lions in the Philippines.

Online donations to LCIF's Disaster Relief fund: <https://www.lcif.org/EN/ways-to-give/lion-disaster-donation.php>

Urgent Request for Help!!!!

The Philadelphia Filipino-American Lions Club, home club of Lions 14-A District Governor Tony Mangabat, is asking for your donation to the relief effort underway in the devastated area of central Philippines hit by Typhoon Haiyan. Efforts are made to search for thousands of dead bodies especially in the islands of Samar and Leyte (where General MacArthur landed and fulfilled his promise by uttering the famous phrase "I shall return") Typhoon Haiyan is a catastrophe of epic proportions. Its winds were among the strongest ever recorded, 185-225 miles per hour gust leveling everything along its path. The residents are desperately in need of food, clothing, shelter, water, medicines, power - almost everything. The airport is destroyed and means of communication and transportation are not available.

Please, please, please help by donating to this effort. Write a check payable to Filipino-American Lions Club Relief Fund/Haiyan and mail it to Lions District 14-A, P.O. Box 36, Folcroft, PA 19032.

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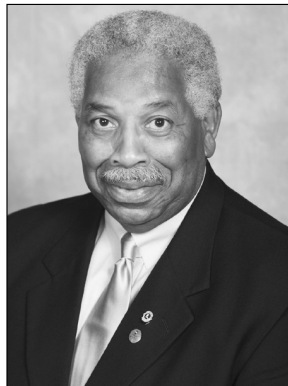


CONVENTION COMMITTEE members who were present at the first meeting included: seated (l-r): 1st VDG Fred Folland, secretary Karlene Male; co-chairman PDG Tom Dieter; and co-chairman PDG Bernice Kulp. Standing (l-r): David White, David Daniel, Carl George, DG Dennis Butz, Kathy Dieter, 2nd VDG Karen Brady, Joanne Santee, Shirley Hawk, PDG Willard Kulp, Judy Ott, PDG April Kucsan; Kevin Bloese, and PDG Joe Chunko. Not pictured are the man behind the camera, PDG Bill Halbfoerster, PDG Glen Santee, and Richard Schreiner, Silas Rodenbach, Sherry Hillborn, PID Gene Polgar, and Ken Reiss, who were not present.

Committee Begins Laying Plans for 2014 Convention

A committee of 19 Lions met on Monday, Nov. 11 at Christ Church, Airport Rd., Schoenersville. Their task? To begin laying plans for District 14-K's 29th annual convention.

It will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 5 and 6, 2014 at the Days Inn Hotel along Airport Rd., Allentown.



STACEY JONES
International Director

Florida I.D. Will Be Convention Speaker

International Director Stacey W. Jones from Miami Gardens, Fla. will be the keynote speaker for District 14-K's 29th annual convention in April. He was elected to serve a two-year term at Lions Club International's 95th international convention in Busan, Korea in 2012.

Director Jones is a retired secondary school principal.

A charter member of the Florida E-Lions Club and a Lion since 1992, he has held many offices within LCI, including club president, membership chairperson, district governor, council chair, Certified Guiding Lion, president of the Florida Lions Eye

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One by one, those Lions who are in charge of each phase of the event gave a report of what is planned in order to make the overall convention a success. PDG Tom Dieter, co-chairman with 1st VDG Fred Folland, presided.

The keynote speaker will be International Director Stacey Jones from Miami, Fla.

Seminars are once again being lined up by PDG Bernice Kulp, and hopefully they will be as successful as at the 2013 convention. One of the seminars will be titled "Ladies in Lions" with the presenter being ID Jones' wife. More information on the semi-

nars will be noted after the next convention committee meeting on December 16, and all will be listed, along with meals and prices and other information on the registration form.

Since the Tattle Tailer is going electronic after this month, a registration form for the convention, as well as the May 4 Melvin Jones Fellow luncheon, will be mailed in an envelope to every Lion and Lioness in the district, and also the Leo advisors. All returns are to go to registration chairperson Lion Shirley Hawk.

These are the chairpersons

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Second Cabinet Meeting Of Lions Year for District

There were a number of highlights noted at the second District 14-K cabinet meeting of this Lions year 2013-14, in addition to the many committee reports. The luncheon session was held in Gaetano's Italian Restaurant at Southmoore Golf Course, Moore Township.

Lions Clubs International president Barry Palmer's Dream Achiever Award was

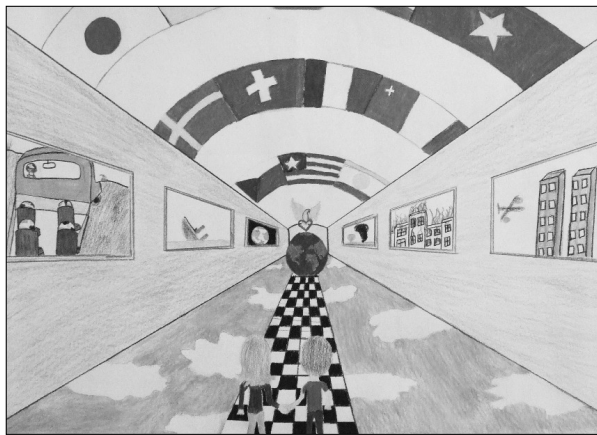
presented to PDG Willard Kulp on behalf of his wife, PDG Bernice Kulp, Global Leadership Coordinator; DG Dennis Butz; 2nd VDG and Global Membership Coordinator Karen Brady; and 1st VDG Fred Folland for a membership gain of 19 this year, second only to 14-N's 28 new members in Pennsylvania MD-14.

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Dream Achiever Award, a phase of membership recognition, was shared by PDG Willard Kulp, DG Dennis Butz, 2nd VDG Karen Brady, and 1st VDG Fred Folland at cabinet meeting.

Peace Poster Winner



Bethlehem's Madison Jewell won the Lions District 14-K Peace Poster Contest. The poster was titled, "We can decide and make our own future." Story on page 3.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Items are selected from monthly M&A reports, two months prior to publication, sent in by Lions clubs to the Editor. We also encourage display ads of special events — they help you and they help us. Mail to: **Tattle Tailer Editor, 2556 Wood's Edge Road, Bath, PA 18014. E-mail: tattletailer14k@rcn.com** We'll publish as much as space allows.)

REGION I

ALBURTIS: Club donated \$500 at Center for Vision Loss needs. . . .Welcomed prospective member who reached out via Lions website. . . .Brought 90 lbs. of food to St. Paul's emergency food pantry in Tretlertown.

ALTON PARK: Had bingo with clients of Phoebe Home and had annual Halloween party at Center for Vision Loss.

EMMAUS LIONESS LIONS: Board approved \$275 bowler sponsorship for Allentown Blind Bowling Assoc and \$300 to Center for Vision Loss. . . .27 members participated in making apple dumplings. . . .Members knitted and crocheted scarves for Chase the Chill event in November. . . .Compassionate Care Committee formed to help any Lion/Lioness who needs help.

EMMAUS: Donated \$275 to sponsor blind bowler for the season and \$50 to the Jefferson Elementary Parent Teacher organization. . . .Club raised \$207.50 from sale of Lions mints and had a profit of \$5,200 from semi-annual clam chowder sale.

KUHNSELY AREA: Pledged \$800 to Center for Vision Loss needs. . . .Received over \$700 in White Cane fund-raiser held at Redner's in Tretlertown. . . .Club now meeting at St. John's UCC in Fogelsville. . . .Planning Deaf & Blind Christmas Luncheon for Dec. 8.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Welcomed two new members Anthony Risko and Jim Haggerty, who were installed by District Governor Dennis Butz.

LEHIGH VALLEY SATURDAY A.M.: Club raised \$668.02 at White Cane Days held at Redner's Market. . . .Donated to Allentown Rescue Mission for their Thanksgiving dinner to feed 40 people. . . .Donated \$150 to Allentown Blind Bowlers. . . .Co-hosted a Halloween party with Alton Park Lions for visually impaired children and adults of CVL.

LOWER LEHIGH: Had four divisions in Halloween parade. . . .Helping Hands project held for four schools in the district, with five recipients each. . . .White Cane project netted \$455 toward club's eyeglass/exam fund. . . .Continuing to donate basket of canned / boxed food each month to Second Harvest Food Bank.

MOUNTAINVILLE: Club pledged \$800 at CVL needs night. . . .Collected \$733 for White Cane Days at a local grocery store. . . .One member each volunteer 59 hours at Miller-Keystone Blood Bank, 4 hours month at a food pantry, 4 hours of service visiting nursing home resident, 60 hours with Meals on Wheels. . . .Collecting pancake mix and syrup for food pantry at St. Vincent DePaul Society as ongoing project, and gave them \$50

ONTELAUNEE: Ten members of club met with Kempton Lions Club at Leaser Lake. . . .Donated \$250 to CVL needs.

SLATEDALE-EMERALD AREA: Monthly hoagie and lottery ticket sales. . . .Selling chances for two full season tickets to 2014-15 IronPigs season.

SLATINGTON: Helped annual Gathering Celebration at Covered Bridge Trailhead with set-up, working stands, fund-raising and beer garden. . . .Made donations to Welsh singing group, \$50, and \$2,000 to Friedens UCC Food Bank drive (\$1,000 for Thanksgiving, \$1,000 for Christmas). . . .In September served 230 steaks for N.L. Wrestling Assn. Fund-raiser. . . .Christmas tree sales until Dec. 21.

UPPER LEHIGH: Volunteered at Northern Lehigh Food Bank five days. . . .Donated \$3,000 for CVL program fund. . . .Hoagie sale profit \$942. . . .Donated \$1,000 to children gift program for clients of Northern Lehigh Food Bank. . . .Accepted new member, Daniel Church. . . .Basket social profits benefit for Community Betterment Fund.

REGION II

ALLENTOWN: No October report.

BATH: Two club members working with newly merged Boy Scout troops. . . .Having club Christmas party. . . .Will have year-long food drive to aid Bath Area Food Bank.

BETHLEHEM: No October report.

CATASAUQUA AREA: Held pie fund-raiser for Thanksgiving. . . .Holiday meal for the elderly at St. Paul's Church on Dec. 7. . . .Children's Christmas Shopping Spree at Walgreen's on Dec. 21. . . .Cheer fund-raiser Dec. 19.

COOPERSBURG: Held semi-annual White Cane drive at Links Beverage in Coopersburg.

COPLAY: Providing assistance to resident to get a Leader Dog. . . .Donated \$700 to Center for Vision Loss.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP: Held White Cane collection at Turkey Hill store.

HELLERTOWN: Club pledged \$1,650 to CVL needs. . . .Monthly aluminum can recycling. . . .\$550.25 raised I White Cane went to N.E. Pa. Lions Eye Bank. . . .Club participated in Saucon Valley Spirit Parade and Four County Firemen's Parade, handing out more than 600 hot dogs. Left-overs (400) went to Dewey Fire Co. social hall.

NORTHWEST BETHLEHEM: Distributed funds to various charities. . . .Selling hoagie tickets and Giant and Valley Farm gift cards; will have 50-50 tickets. . . .Bus trip to Mohegan Sun.

SAUCON VALLEY: Collected 19 pints of bloods at October blood drive; next one in spring - call Lion Scott Lohman, 610-554-7255. . . .Sponsored bowler in Allentown Blind Bowling League. . . .Held breakfasts in October and November.

UPPER SAUCON: Had a concession trailer in Coopersburg Halloween parade. . . .Solicited White Cane donations at Coopersburg Diner in October and at CVS in Coopersburg in November.

WHITEHALL: Welcomed new member, Sharon Bodor. . . .Donated \$900 to Fellowship Community for seniors in financial need; \$600 to Whitehall Township Library for large print books. . . .Eye exam and glasses for Northampton resident; eyeglasses for Whitehall resident. . . .Held White Cane at Northampton Redner's, earning \$240.

REGION III

BANGOR: Gave Center for Vision Loss \$500 toward maintaining van. . . .Raised \$2,000 at October auction. . . .Selling pasties and money drawing tickets in December. . . .

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP: No October report.

EASTON: Drove sight-impaired woman from Easton area to and from Whitehall meeting. . . .Collected food donated by Wegmans and delivered it to food bank at Project of Easton five times. . . .Collected \$389 on White Cane Day. . . .Made a donation to Glendon Borough Block Watch. . . .Donated to help provide food for at-risk students over a holiday weekend. . . .Pledged \$1,000 for CVL needs.

HECKTOWN - LOWER NAZARETH: Prospective member attended meeting. . . .Held White Cane fund-raiser at Sam's. . . .Sold tickets for Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Day. . . .Still selling Christmas trees at Faust Family Produce on Rt. 191. . . .Perkins fund-raiser for Thanksgiving.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: No October report.

NAZARETH: Held White Cane Days and distributed candy to children in Nazareth Halloween parade.

PALMER TOWNSHIP: Displayed many events for local organizations on Lions electronic sign. . . .Raised \$2,450 on three days for White Cane.

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP: Will adopt a family for Christmas through the Salvation Army. . . .Held pasty sale. . . .Chocolates on Broadway candy fund-raiser. . . .White Cane held in October at two locations. . . .Paid for two eye exams and one pair of glasses for two students.

RICHMOND: Held White Cane at Jacktown, raising funds, passing out fliers on Lions, and selling bird boxes for Christmas. . . .Authentic carousel lion from club will be a feature in LION magazine.

TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN: Collected \$105 in White Cane.

WILSON BOROUGH: Held oldies dance fund-raiser with The Large Flowerheads. . . .Welcomed new member, Kathleen Miller.

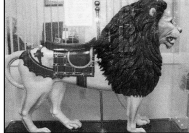
Club Events

Upper Lehigh Lions Club. Breakfast with Santa, Sunday, Dec. 8, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Schnecksville Fire Co., Rt. 309 North & Ritter Ct.

Lehigh Twsp. Lioness Club. Bus trip to Rainbow Dinner Theater, Paradise, Pa., Sunday, Dec. 15. Play: "Seasonal Allergies."

Lion for the LION

An article on the history of the Richmond Lions Club's authentic carousel lion will be published soon in the LION magazine. It was written by Lion Ted Emmons.



The lion has stood in the lobby of Merchants Bank for many years and has annually collected an average of 350 pairs of used eyeglasses. The lenses have been recycled by Lions International to those less fortunate in other parts of the world who are in need of eyeglasses.

Bethlehem Girl Wins Peace Poster Contest

Madison Jewell, 12, of Bethlehem earned first place in the District 14-K Lions Peace Poster competition. Her poster is now in Harrisburg for judging in the Multiple District 14 contest.

Alton Park Lions Club sponsored the peace poster contest, which Madison won to advance to the district competition. She is a seventh grader at Salisbury Middle School.

The poster was selected for its originality, artistic merit and portrayal of the contest theme, "Our World, Our Future." With the poster she said, "We can decide and make our own future."

Will Be at Convention

Madison and the other top two finishers in the district contest will be recognized for their participation during the District 14-K convention in the spring. The trio will be invited to the convention to receive their posters and prizes.

Earning second place was Sydney Gillen, sponsored by Wilson Boro Lions Club. Sydney is a seventh grader in Wilson Area Intermediate School.

Taking third place was Eliana Velez, sponsored by Lehigh Valley A.M. Lions Club. Eliana is an eighth grade student at Arts Academy Charter School.

Also sponsoring a peace poster contest in their home towns this year were Mountainville Lions, Emmaus Lions, and Plainfield Township Lions.

Lions Day at U.N.

The international winner and his/her poster will be displayed and the artist honored on the 36th annual Lions Day with the U.N. on February 15.

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BETHLEHEM: Had nut roll sale for November delivery. . . .White Cane project donated \$300 to Center for Vision Loss. . . .Donated \$50 to Second Harvest Food Bank.

FORKS TOWNSHIP: Donated \$200 to Center for Vision Loss at needs night. . . .Selling fresh Christmas wreaths, decorated, for \$16.00. Call Sandy Schaad at 610-509-4570 for delivery. . . .Packed shoe boxes for "Operation Christmas Child".

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Club donated \$500 to CVL for general operations; \$250 Redner's gift cards to Hope Lutheran and Lehigh Twsp. Vol. Fire Co. basket socials. . . .Had Chinese auction at Becky's Drive-In, raising \$1,400+ for Dream Come True.

LOWER LEHIGH: Served as judges at Halloween parade. . . .Planned Thanksgiving meal for residents. . . .Participated in Community Day with bake sale.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: No October report.

NORTHAMPTON AREA: Held successful basket social. . . .Will be going to Easton Children's Home to help wrap Christmas gifts. . . .Selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars, and taking orders for Christmas candy.

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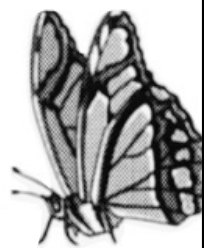
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Lions Served Well



Upper Saucon Lions had their trailer to serve people at the recent Halloween parade in Saucon Valley.

Leos in Action

On Oct. 30, a roundtable discussion was held with 17 Leos/Advisors and DG Dennis Butz and 1st VDG Fred Folland. They discussed what Leos are all about, how the clubs can attract new members and retain present members, also discussing service projects, fund-raising and allocation of donated funds.

There presently are seven Leos clubs in District 14-K. District Leo Club Advisor Lion Judy Ott says two new Leo clubs have been organized - the Saucon Valley High School Leo Club sponsored by the Saucon Valley Lions and the Northern Lehigh Leo Club sponsored by the Slatedale-Emerald Lions. Both are in the process of having election of officers before being chartered. She noted a number of activities that the clubs are doing when she made her report at the Cabinet Meeting. They will be listed in the January issue.

New Leos Organizing

NORTHERN LEHIGH. Advisor 1st VDG Fred Folland has held two meetings. The club was approved by the school board.

SAUCON VALLEY. School board has approved the formation of a Leo club. Advisor Martin Lewis has held three meetings. Lion Bob Carfango attending meetings. Leos have helped at Lions breakfast.

December 5th is International Leo Day

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Cabinet Meeting Highlights

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Banner patches went to the Center for Vision Loss and the Northeast Pa. Lions Eye Bank.

Of great importance now is the search for a candidate to serve as 2nd Vice District Governor in the Lions Year 2014-2015. It was noted that zone chairpersons know people in their clubs who could qualify. They must have been a club president. The person's club would have to submit a letter of intent and an endorsement, sending it to DG Butz. That information should be given before the February cabinet meeting. Whoever is elected in April will receive training.

There were announcements, too, such as a \$750 profit from Journey for Sight; the Melvin Jones

Fellowship honors luncheon will be held at the Leithsville Fire Co. hall south of Hellertown on May 5th; Lion Carl George will now be taking in used eyeglasses at the convention. . . . Money left over from the Tattle Tailer at the end of the year will be distributed to other projects.

Lion Jennifer Lynch is tabulating reports from clubs that turned in White Cane receipts. . . . PDG Donald Trexler is hoping that the Youth Seminar will draw more 11th graders than the seven last year (six from one club). . . . PDG Willard Kulp reported six cataract operations, with one application in process. . . . Lion David Fatzinger announced that half-year lottery calendars are now on sale. . . . The annual All-Star Soccer Classic will be on Sunday,

June 1 at the Whitehall H.S. soccer facility, and chairman PDG Willard Stratz is looking for someone to succeed him with the soccer program booklet (contact him or PDG Joe Chunko).

In his report, PDG Barry Young told about presentations he made on behalf of Leader Dogs. One was at the Monroe County branch of Center for Vision Loss, when 19 clients could hear of services that are provided. He called it a truly moving experience. PDG Barry also spoke to the Coopersburg Lions and said a Copley man is being helped by Leader Dogs whose dog had passed away. The man has applied for a replacement dog. Also noted by Barry: MD-14 was third in donations to Leader Dogs for the Blind, exceeded only by Michigan and Wisconsin.

Get well thoughts and prayers were sought for IPDG Linwood Gehris, who had double bypass surgery; PDG Bernice Kulp, who has been receiving radiation treatments; Lion Helen Chunko, who had surgery, and Lion Dan Cortazzo, who sustained a broken shoulder in a fall.

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Disaster Aid, Membership, Peace Posters, and Help for the Hungry



Greetings - Fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 14-K:

Can you believe that we are only a few weeks away from the Christmas holiday? It also means that we are almost halfway through our Lion Year. I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving with their families and friends and gave thanks for all the things that we are fortunate to have been blessed with.

I hope that you and your clubs will take a moment to remember all the people in the Philippines that were affected by the disaster of Typhoon Haiyan. There are 12,600 Lions members in the Philippines in 380 clubs throughout the country. LCI has made a substantial contribution to the relief efforts and Lions clubs throughout the country are working to provide relief aid and food to tens of thousands of people affected by this horrible typhoon. You and your clubs can aid in this relief effort by making a contribution to the LCIF Disaster Relief Fund. Thank You in advance for your contribution.

I want to thank everyone for their great efforts to increase membership in their clubs. When I checked my report today, the district is plus 24 members for the Lions Year. Keep up the good work. Remember, sometimes all we need do is "Just Ask." Another great way to increase membership and strengthen your club is by participating in the Club Excellence Process (CEP). Please feel free to contact me or Global Membership Chairperson VDG Karen Brady to get started with this process. Did you know that most members who leave Lions usually do it in the first 18 months? So it's critical for your clubs to welcome and support new members. Orientation and mentoring are two great ways to do it.

Thanks also to all of the clubs who participated in this year's Peace Poster Contest. We had several new clubs and new schools that got involved this year as the students submitted their posters that promoted this year's theme, "Our World, Our Future." All of the excellent entries made selecting a winner difficult for our judges. The District 14-K winning poster will be forwarded on to the state competition.

As we approach this holiday season please encourage your clubs to provide needed relief to the hungry people in your community, especially during December and January's "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign. Please consider donating to your local food bank or shelter. In addition to December and January, please consider serving the needs of your hungry neighbors throughout the year. Be sure to share your stories that show your Lions Service.

Carol and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year!

DG Dennis

2014 Convention Plans

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on the committee (some of whom were not present for this first meeting):

Shirley Hawk, registration; Richard Schreiner, certification and election; Silas Rodenbach, displays; PDG Bernice Kulp, seminars; 1st VDG Fred Folland, Saturday luncheon; PDG Tom Dieter, Saturday banquet; Joanne Santee and Sherry Hillborn, hospitality; 2nd VDG Karen Brady, necrology; PID Gene Polgar, parliamentarian; PDG

Willard Kulp, protocol; PDG April Kucsan, Friday night dinner with I.D. Jones; PCC Lowell Hawk, chaplain and song leader; Judy Ott, Leos; Carl George, sight conservation; David Daniel, raffle; David White, sergeant-at-arms; Kathy Dieter, door prizes; PDG Bill Halbfoerster, programs and booklets; Ken Reiss and PDG Willard Kulp, place cards and meal tickets.

Watch for further details as they are planned.

Dates to Remember

- JAN. 20 Charitable Enterprises
31- State Council Meeting - Pittsburgh
FEB. 2 Pittsburgh
10 Past District Governors Advisory Meeting
11 Executive Committee
16 Cabinet Meeting
MAR. 9 Bowl-A-Thon
17 Charitable Enterprises

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Convention Speaker

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Bank, and district and multiple district LCIF chair.

He has also served as director of the Florida Lions Foundation, director of the Florida Lions Camp, director of Florida Lions Conklin Center, presenter and moderator of several USA/Canada Leadership Forums and volunteered for two medical/dental missions to the Philippines.

In recognition of his service to the association, I.D. Jones has received numerous awards, including the club Lion of the Year, 100% President's Award, 100% Governor's Award, Club Excellence Award, International President's Leadership Medal, International President's Commendation, district and multiple district Pilot Awards, Membership Builder's Key and an Extension Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, he is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including Norland United Methodist Church, life member Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and previously active with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, National Society for the Study of Education, National Association of School Administrators, and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Director Joes and his wife, Mary, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have a daughter and son.

1st Vice District Governor's Message

Holiday Season Is Here



The holiday season is here. As I reflect, I realize that I have a lot to be thankful for this holiday season. My wife and I have plenty of food, clothing and have a warm home to live in. This is not the case with many.

Our local food banks are busier than ever. There is no money to buy Christmas gifts. Many are turning their thermostats way down low to save on energy costs.

This is when the Lions of District 14-K and all over the world step up and help. When I read the M&A's the Lions and Lioness clubs send me, I cannot help but be proud of the many people that we help at this time of year. What a special feeling it gives you to help the less fortunate in their time of need. When you sit down to your holiday meal, please take a second to think how much better you have helped make this season for many.

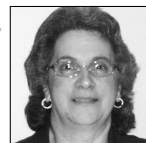
Very soon, every club will receive information about our 2014 Youth Seminar to be held at Camp Victory in Millville, Pa. This seminar is open to boys and girls in 11th grade only. The dates are Friday, April 25 through Sunday, April 27. The cost is \$125 per student. This includes transportation to and from the camp. **I would like to have each club sponsor at least one to this seminar.** Leo club members are a great resource for attendees. **You do not have to be a Leo to attend.** Relatives of Lions members, grandchildren and friends are eligible. This seminar will lead them into adulthood and help to mold their futures. Any youth that have attended can't tell you enough how much they enjoyed the seminar.

Diane and I wish everyone a very happy, healthy and safe Holiday Season. Keep "delivering dedicated service" as you "follow your dream."

1st VDG Fred

2nd Vice District Governor's Message

Thanksgiving



By the time you read this we will have celebrated Thanksgiving. I hope you got to enjoy the day with your family and friends. We have so much to be thankful for. We have our families, our friends, our fellow Lions. We get up each day and get another chance to serve others. We do this so very well.

I think of all the people we help as Lions. We serve the blind and visually impaired through the Center for Vision Loss and Northeast Pa. Lions Eye Bank. We provide for those with hearing problems. We support Leader Dogs, who provide dogs to the blind. We serve members of our communities in various ways. We provide food baskets to the needy and food to local food pantries. We support the campers at Beacon Loge who look forward every year to their time at the camp. We support local fire companies, Boy and Girl Scout troops. We provide for so many people.

I want to thank you for all you do to support our mission and to serve others.

We need to continue to grow our clubs so we can provide service to others. I hope your club will use the Just Ask program to recruit or participate in the Club Excellence Process to improve your club. Information on both of these is available on the LCI Web Site, or by calling me or sending me an e-mail.

I hope you have a very peaceful and Happy Thanksgiving!

2nd VDG Karen

Electronic T.T. Starts In January

As most of you know, at the August 2013 Cabinet Meeting the Cabinet voted to stop printing and sending out paper copies of the *Tattle Tailer*, beginning with the January 2014 edition. We are still on target to start publishing the *Tattle Tailer* electronically in January. The way that the *Tattle Tailer* is written and the way that you get your information to the editor, PDG

Bill Halbfoerster, will **not** change. The **only** change that is being made is the way the newsletter is delivered to our members. There will be no exceptions to this format and if you don't have the ability to access it yourself, please ask a fellow Lion, Lioness or Leo to help you get the information from the website. We are also encouraging all clubs to have someone print copies and have them available at club meetings for distribution, and asking clubs to think about including a copy of the *Tattle Tailer* with the distribution of your Club Newsletters.

This will be a big administrative cost savings to the District. Any funds that are pledged to the *Tattle Tailer* and are left over after we go elec-

tronic will be used to help fund other projects that we support. All Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 14-K are entitled to receive a copy of the *Tattle Tailer* and it is readily available on the District website www.lions14k.org. You may also contact the District webmaster Lion Joe Sizer to be added to the *Tattle Tailer* distribution list. He will be happy to help you with any questions you may have.

Change is always hard, but I feel confident that the Lions, Lionesses and Leos of District 14-K are up to the challenge. I thank you for your support as we move forward with this change.

In Service,
DG Dennis Butz

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Helping Hands Project

Lower Lehigh Lions Club

Each year at Thanksgiving and Christmas, the Lower Lehigh Lions Club initiates its "Helping Hands" project. Our club identifies approximately fifty (50) needy families in and around our service area (Macungie, PA) by contacting the local elementary schools. After carefully reviewing these names and those submitted by members of the club, the Helping Hands committee determines who will receive some assistance at Thanksgiving and who will receive help at Christmas time. Our way of contributing to the needs of these families is accomplished by presenting these families with a gift card from the local Weis Market. Each gift card is valued at approximately \$125 depending on the number of families receiving help. Each year when our club budget is being developed, this project is discussed and a total cost is decided. This project is so important to our club that for the past few years, the amount dedicated to it has increased each year. The disbursement for our 2013 project was set at \$6000. Chairperson and club president Ron Bechtel has been the guiding force behind this annual project for many years. With a committee of four (4) other Lion members, Lion Ron sets up the gift card process with the market and then determines when these cards will be distributed to the families. The names of the recipients are never divulged to anyone except to the committee. Over the years, our club has received many notes of thanks from these grateful people.



Lion Ron Bechtel presenting a gift card to a needy family

The smiles and show of emotion demonstrated when the gifts are presented are....priceless. Lion Ron talked about this project when he was inducted as our president. With a very strong emotional presentation, he repeated that this is what the Lions is all about...this truly is "Service to Our Fellow Man".