PCC Terry Musselman Speaker For MJF Honors

Jones Fellow Honors Luncheon for District 14-K will be held on Sunday, May 4 at the Leithsville Fire Co. banquet hall south of Hellertown. The keynote speaker will be Past Council Chairman Terry Musselman of District 14-T.

Chaiman PDG Joseph Chunko, LCIF Dist. 14-K Coordinator, asks that all Lions and Lionesses plan now to attend the luncheon and "help us honor the new Melvin Jones Fellows, and recognize the current Melvin Iones Fellows and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows.

He noted: "While a Lion or Lioness may contribute towards their own MJF or PMJF, it is generally funded by the club or district. LCIF welcomes all contributions from individual members, clubs or districts. It's only fitting to recognize the dedication of those Lions and Lionesses and we need to be in attendance to do this."

What To Do Now

PDG Chunko says what vou need to do now is choose your club members to be honored with a MJF or PMJF at the luncheon. . . . Notify him with your choices as soon as possible, and if you want, he will contact LCIF for the Fellowships. . . . Encourage all club members to attend. . . .Mark your calendar to attend and bring other Lions members with you.

Preliminary Info

The social for the luncheon will begin at 12:00 Noon



PCC TERRY MUSSELMAN

and include fresh fruit, cheeses, crackers and a veg-etable tray. The buffet style luncheon begins at 12:45 p.m. and includes stuffed chicken breast, roast top round of beef, smoked ham, cheese lasagna, mashed potatoes with gravy, chef's blend vegetables, corn, and also coffee, tea, iced tea or lemonade and desserts. The cost per person is \$20.00.

The complete information will be included in the February Tattle Tailer, and the registration form will be mailed to all Lions and Lionesses.

About the Speaker

Lion Terry Musselman, a podiatrist, is a 22-year member of the Greencastle Lions Club in 14-T, where he has served as president, secretary, chaired numerous club committees, and is once again secretary.

Within 14-T he has served

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Seminars Planned for 2014 District Convention

When the committee for the 29th annual convention of District 14-K met on December 16, PDG Bernice Kulp announced the seminars that have been planned for the morning of April 5, the opening day of the convention.

THE FIRST SESSION is from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m., and includes the following semi-

- 2013-14 Presidents/Vice Presidents -- Presented by 1st VDG Fred Folland, assisted by 2nd VDG Karen Brady
- Treats, Tricks, Tips = Teamwork -- Presented by Lion Nancy Keller, assisted by Lion Jana Steckel
- Let Your Voice Be Heard - The Club -- Presented by Lion Joe Sizer, assisted by Lion Bud Godshall
- Women in Lions Service -- Presented by Lion Mary Jones (wife of I.D. Stacey Jones), assisted by Lion Helen Chunko

THE SECOND SESSION is from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., and includes these seminars:

- Secretaries -- Presented by Lion Karlene Laub, assisted by Lion Elliot Billman
- Raising Funds & More --Presented by Lion Ruthann Krause, assisted by Lion Ronald Gable
- Let Your Voice Be Heard - The Community -- Presented by Lion Joe Sizer, assisted by Lion Bud Gotshall
- Treasurers -- Presented by IDPG Linwood Gehris, assisted by District Treasurer David Daniels

The seminars will be listed on the registration form coming out in February, so members can pick and choose which one(s) they would like to attend.

Also listed on the form that will be mailed in an envelope to all Lions, Lionesses and Leo advisors in the district on Saturday, February 8 will be the model luncheon, banquet, and necrology service/breakfast. Fill out the appropriate information and send the form back to registrations chairperson Lion Shirley Hawk. If it is returned before the deadline that is listed, there is no registration charge. Enclose payment only for the meals you will be attending.

The envelope will also contain the registration form for the May 4 Melvin Jones Fellow luncheon. All returns are to go to Lion Shirley Hawk.

The convention will be

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

The keynote speaker will International Director Stacey Jones from Miami Gardens, Fla. He will be introduced at the opening session at 7:45 a.m. (before the start of seminars), when 2014-2015 candidates will be nominated for the offices of District Governor, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG, and they will give their acceptance speeches. All Lions who will be voting in the afternoon must be certified and registered in order to vote.

Used eyeglasses and hearing aids will be collected from 10 a.m. to Noon on Saturday only by Lion Carl George. They must be boxed, the club listed, and the amount inside each box so that proper credit may be given.

Other details will be announced after the next convention committee meeting on Monday, January 27 at Christ U.C.C. Church, Airport Rd., Allentown.



Richmond Lions' Lion Originated in Coney Island

By TED EMMONS

The history of the Richmond carousal lion begins in Coney Island, N.Y. in the late 1880's. Research has shown that it was carved by Mr. Charles I. D. Looff.

Mr. Looff was born in Denmark and immigrated to the United States in 1850. He settled in New York and worked as a furniture carver. He carved animal figures at home. In 1880, he opened a carousal factory at Coney Island and during the next 30 years many Looff carousals were built. Mr. Looff died in 1918, leaving many rings of gentle ponies and menagerie

In 1953, Lion Richard Evans, the first president and organizer of the Richmond Lions Club, purchased the antique figure and presented it to his home club. The figure has appeared in five parades, including the Pennsylvania State Convention parade, and has also appeared in a production of "State Fair."

For 30 years the figure remained in the basement of the one-room school owned by the Richmond Lions. In 1997, it was decided to restore the figure. During the next three years many coats of ordinary house paint were removed to reveal à beautiful hand-carved figure. Broken parts were replaced, re-assembled and painted, restoring it to its original grandeur.

Due to the cooperation of Merchants National Bank of Bangor, the lion has been on display at various branches of the bank where it has collected thousands of pairs of used eyeglasses.

Lions clubs are dedicated to sight conservation and work with the blind. Locally, Lions support the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank; Center for Vision Loss (a

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Third Cabinet Meeting Feb. 16 at Iron Lakes

The third Cabinet Meeting of this Lions Year 2013-2014 will be held on Sunday, Feb. 16. It will take place at the Iron Lakes Country Club, 3625 Shankweiler Rd., Allentown, with Region I the host. District Governor Dennis Butz has issued the call and all members of District 14-K (Lions, Lionesses, and Leos) are invited and encouraged to attend. Lion Dennis will update us on how we are doing "Delivering Dedicated Service."

The social hour is from 12:00 Noon to 12:50 p.m.; lunch at 1:00 p.m., and the business session at 2:00 p.m.

Lunch will consist of marinated grilled chicken breast or vegetable lasagna, glazed baby Belgian carrots, ovenbrowned potatoes, rolls and

butter, a brownie with ice cream for dessert, and hot coffee or tea, and water.

The cost is \$20 per person. Make check payable to District 14-K Lions and send it with your reservation to ZC Lion Wendy Naugle, 6030 Sweetwood Dr., Macungie, PA 18062. The reservation deadline is February 1.

For those on cabinet, the dress is green blazer, white shirt or blouse, grey slacks or shirt, black shoes and green tie for men. All others, your Sunday best.

Committees that are a part of the Cabinet, along with Zone Chairpersons, and the Executive Committee will give their reports. You'll find them interesting.

Convention April 5-6

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District Governor's Message

Meeting Our Goals In a New Year



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

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope everyone had a happy and safe Holiday Season. It's hard to believe that we are in 2014 and that half of our current Lions year is already behind us. Now that we have had a short break with time to re-charge our Lions Batteries it is time to see how we are doing in meeting our goals for this Lions year. I encourage all clubs to review your club's goals for the year and to check your results so far in meeting those goals. We still have six months to meet those goals and "Follow Your Dream."

Although the Holiday Season is behind us we must not forget that during the month of January we are still in the middle of our Global Service Action Campaign of "Feeding the Hungry." There are still people in our communities who don't know where their next meal will come from. Your clubs can help these people by participating in the District Care & Share Food Drive Competition or by:

- 1. Organizing a food drive in your community
- 2. Sponsoring a meal at a homeless shelter
- 3. Supporting a local school program to feed low-income
- 4. Checking on local seniors to make sure they have enough food
- 5. Making a donation to your local Food Pantry

The people of the Philippines are still trying to recover from the devastating typhoon that struck their country in November. LCIF is working with the more than 12,000 Philippine Lions to help rebuild their communities, but they need our help. Please encourage your clubs to donate to LCIF Disaster relief efforts.

Your District has a very busy schedule coming up, so mark your calendars and plan on attending the third Cabinet meeting on Sunday, February 16th. . . The Bowl-a-Thon on Sunday, March 9th. . . Our District Convention on Saturday, April 5th beginning at 7:45 a.m. at the Days Inn on Airport Road in Allentown. . . Our Necrology Service on Sunday, April 6th when we hope our Lions and Lionsesse who we lost in 2013 also to we honor our Lions and Lionesses who we lost in 2013, also to be held at the Days Inn. . . . Our Melvin Jones Luncheon, which will be held on Sunday, May 4th at the Leithsville Fire Co., and the Lions All-Star Soccer Classic on Sunday, June 1st at Whitehall High School.

I want to say Thank You for the warm hospitality I have received while making my visitations to your clubs. I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting all of the great Lions, Lionesses and Leos in District 14-K. Thank You for allowing me to serve as your District Governor and Thank You for all that you do as you "Follow Your Dream of Delivering Dedicated Service."

DG Dennis

HELP WANTED

Have an interest in journalism or an eye for photography? Want the opportunity to learn from a professional journalist and newspaper editor? District 14-K is looking for one or more persons who would like to spend some time working with PDG Bill Halbfoerster as an apprentice and gain valuable experience on how to gather information about District 14-K events and put that information together to be published in the Tattle Tailer district newspaper. This is your chance. You will have the opportunity to become involved in reporting the District News, work with a professional journalist and at the same time the opportunity to serve your district. If interested, please contact PDG Bill or DG Dennis Butz. No Experience Required.

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Dates to Remember

JAN. 20 Charitable Enterprises

31- State Council Meeting -2 Pittsburgh FEB.

10 Past District Governors

Advisory Meeting
11 Executive Committee

16 Cabinet Meeting

MAR. 9 Bowl-A-Thon

17 Charitable Enterprises APR. 5 District 14-K Convention

6 Necrology Breakfast Charitable Enterprises-TBA 4 Melvin Jones Fellows

Honors Lunch State Convention / Council

DoubleTree, Pittsburgh 14-B

JUNE 1 All-Star Soccer Classic

Past District Governors Advisory

2 Past District Governors Auvis 3 Executive Committee 8 Cabinet Meeting - Reg. 2

JULY 4-8 International Convention -Toronto

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as zone chair, cabinet secretary, convention chair, LCIF chair, was district governor in 2003-2004 and is now the 14-T Global Membership Team

Within MD-14 he served as council chair in 2004-2005. Additionally, he enjoys serving as a seminar presenter for district conventions and for MD-14 conventions. He has also presented at the LCI contwo USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums. Presently, he serves on the MD-14 GMT

Lion Terry is honored to be Ross DiMarco Fellow, a Lions of Pa. Fellow, a Joseph Wroblewski Fellow, and a Progressive Melvin Jones

Richmond Lion

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merger of Northampton and Lehigh counties associations for the blind and visually impaired); Radprin, radio for the blind, and the Leader Dog program. Examinations and new eyeglasses are provided to the needy.

The used eyeglasses, col-lected locally, are sent to the Lions eyeglass recycling facility, where they are sanitized, tested and shipped worldwide. It is there that volunteer teams of eye care specialists perform eyé examinations and supply the recycled eyeglasses free of charge. As a result of the Lions International recycled eyeglass program, míllions of used eyeglasses have provided many persons in developing countries around the world with improved vision and a new outlook on

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1st Vice District Governor's Message





The New Year is here. It's 2014 already. One half of our Lions year has passed. In the first half of the year did you "just ask" someone to become a Lion? Did you help your club in a service project? If the answer is no to either of these questions, now is the time to step up. It's the start of the second half

We still need a candidate for 2nd VDG for 2014-2015. The Lion that steps up should do so by the February 16th cabinet meeting. Time is running short. Your district needs **YOU** to make the commitment to our great district. If you have any questions, please contact DG Dennis, 2nd VDG Karen or myself.

The next couple of months I will be asking you to help, as I put my 2014-2015 cabinet together. Being on the cabinet is work, but we have a lot of fun and it is extremely rewarding. If anyone wants to volunteer to serve, please contact me.

Your District Convention committee is working hard to have a great convention in April (April 5 and 6). Your convention registration form will be sent, along with the Melvin Jones Luncheon form (May 4) to each Lion and Lioness in the district in mid-February. Our Convention raffle tickets will be sent to the clubs this month (January). Please help push these tickets. They help with the convention costs. Without the raffle, our convention would be in the red.

I am extremely proud of all our Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs for their outstanding service to their respective communities. We do make a great difference to those we serve. I wish you could read all the projects that all of our clubs are involved in. You would feel the same way. Remember, the secret of living is giving. Please "keep following your dream" as you "deliver dedicated service."

1st VDG Fred

2nd Vice District Governor's Message

Let It Snow!



Winter is here. It snowed today and though I think the snow is very pretty, it can be dangerous. Shortly after the snow started, accidents were reported on many roads in the Lehigh Valley and some major highways to the west of us.

The snow made me think of a friend who is visually impaired. I saw her only a few days ago, so she was on my mind as I watched the snow fall in my back yard.

I wonder how challenging it is for someone who is visually impaired, as she is, to navigate the sidewalks after a snowstorm. Do you shovel your walks as soon as you can after a snowfall? Do you chip the ice to remove it or to put salt or sand on it? Do you offer to assist someone who is using a white cane, or any cane for that matter, when you see that the sidewalk is snow covered or icy?

As Lions, We Serve. Helping someone who is visually impaired, has mobility issues, or who just looks like they could use a hand should be second nature to everyone, but especially to us as Lions. I hope, especially during the winter months, that you will serve others by offering them a helping hand.

As we look forward to spring, planning for the 2014 District Convention is gearing up. We can always use help planning and running the event. Please contact me if you are interested in helping. No reasonable offer will be refused!

Many of us make New Year's resolutions. In the New Year, I hope you will resolve to increase your service to others. I also hope you will resolve to strengthen your club. The Club Excellence Process is available to help your club grow. The Just Ask! Program was created to help you recruit new members. Please contact me if your club is interested in either program.

Happy New Year to all of you!

2nd VDG Karen

LCI President Palmer Coming To Pa. Convention

The 91st annul Pennsylvania Lions State Convention will be held on Thursday, May 15 through Sunday, May 18 at the Double Tree by Hilton in Greentree, suburb Pittsburgh.

Lions Clubs International President Barry J. Palmer and his wife, Anne, of Berowa, NSW, Australia will be the special guests. His theme this year is "Follow Your Dream," which calls on Lions every-

where to fulfill the dream of stronger clubs, stronger communities and stronger Lions. He will be the featured speak-er on Saturday night, May 18, at the International Banquet. President Palmer will tell us that being a Lion is a gift in itself, a dream life in which we have the perfect opportunity to share our good will and concern for others and how together, we can continue to change the lives of millions of

(The convention form is on page 22 of the Oct., Nov., Dec. Pennsylvania Pride magazine.)

LIONS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

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REGION I

ALBURTIS: Club transferred its second food collection of 75 lbs. to St. Paul's

Second Harvest Emergency Food Pantry in Trexlertown.

ALTON PARK: In November prepared for "Operation Santa Claus," a joint project with Salisbury Fire Company.

SEMMAUS LIONESS LIONS: For the first time in 17 years, apple dumpling sale sold out - 2,922 in all! Donated \$275 for Allentown Blind Bowling Assn.sponsorship; \$300 to Center for Vision Loss as White Cane project; \$500 toward Grab & Go Bags for Lincoln School; \$150 to Emmaus Police K-9 Unit.! . . . Collected food items for Bethel Bible Fellowship Food Bank. . . . Displayed 247 scarves for Chase the Chill, and distributed 190 of them in the community, 15 to Bethel Bible Fellowship Food Bank, and the remainder to Angel Network. . . . Approved \$1,000 toward Christmas gifts for needy families

EMMAUS: November hoagie sale netted \$700 profit, Lions Mints, \$198....Club held a Peace Poster contest at St. Ann School in Emmaus and received 35 entries. Top three won money prizes, and all who entered received certificates of participation.

KUHNSVILLE AREA: Welcomed new member, Dale Clauser. . . . Donated \$250 in Weiss Market gift cards to a needy family. . . . Made and sold 250 ham and cheese sandwiches in November. . . . Planning Deaf & Blind Christmas Luncheon for Dec. 8 at St. John's UCC in Fogelsville, where club now has its business meeting sleep.

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Held annual White Cane Bowl-a-thon at Democratic Club. Of 13 participants, 10 were Lions. Raised a total of \$1,001.00.... Donated \$500 to Dream Come True. . . . Received 27 applications for free eye care program. . . . Paid eyeglasses for three persons.

LEHIGH VALLEY SATURDAY A.M.: Club added two new members in November and two more prospects. . . Selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars, "Enjoy the City" books, and RADA products as fund-raisers. . . Recycled 550 aluminum cans. . . Planning Christmas party for visually impaired children and their families.

LOWER LEHIGH: Supplied two adults and one child with eye exams and glasses. . . Inducted one new member, Christine Schaeffer. . . Gave 23 needy families in East Penn School District \$125 gift certificates to Weis Store. . . Bud Godshalk wrote article for Pa. "Pride" magazine on their .Helping Hands project. . .Approved \$200 in \$10 gift cards for the homeless.

MOUNTAINVILLE: Collecting pancake mix and syrup for food pantry at St. Vincent DePaul Society as ongoing project.

ONTELAUNEE: Packed and delivered Christmas baskets for needy individuals, doing so at Northwestern Ambulance Corps.

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

SLATINGTON: Christmas trees were sold for fund-raiser.

UPPER LEHIGH: Collecting food and cash for Northern Lehigh Food Bank... Celebrated 66th charter night in November....Held pig stomach dinner...Annual cookie making project held for Meals on Wheels....First-ever "Community Night" held in November at Schnecksville Grange to inform people on how they can become a Lion. Though unsuccessful, will try again in March.

REGION II

ALLENTOWN: No November report.

BATH: Had club Christmas party. . . . Will have year-long food drive to aid Bath Area Food Bank

BETHLEHEM: No November report.

CATASAUQUA AREA: Had holiday meal for the elderly at St. Paul's Church Children's Christmas Shopping Spree at Walgreen's in Bethlehem . . . Had holiday cheer fund-raiser.

COOPERSBURG: Heard stirring, eye-opening presentation about experiences of a veteran who survived World War II internment in German prisoner of war

COPLAY: Planned December pizza sale. . ..Thinking ahead for February Super Bowl Breakfast.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP: Held White Cane collection of \$277 at Turkey Hill

HELLERTOWN: Eight Lions participated in monthly aluminum can recycling. . . Six members delivered 16 turkeys and food items to low income families in Hellertown area and at New Jerusalem Lutheran Church Food Pantry. . On Sunday, March 16 club will have annual Longaberger Basket Bingo fund-raiser.

NORTHWEST BETHLEHEM: No November report.

SAUCON VALLEY: Held breakfast in November.

UPPER SAUCON: Solicited White Cane donations at CVS in Coopersburg in

WHITEHALL: Welcomed two new Lions members . . . New Leo club members inducted and installed at Whitehall Middle School and High School Donated \$400 for turkeys to Whitehall Food Bank at St. Stephen's Church. . . . Hosted Whitehall-Coplay School District Superintendent and Student Council president

REGION III

BANGOR: Selling pasties and money drawing tickets in December. . BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP: First aid kit fund-raiser netted \$359. . . Held Christmas party.

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.

HECKTOWN - LOWER NAZARETH: Raised \$770 at White Cane and \$440 at Boscov's Friends Helping Families events Welcoming Alan Lineman as new member in December. . . . Held a Perkins Restaurant pie, cookies, muffins fund-raiser. . . . Held annual Christmas tree sale at Faust's Family Produce fund-raiser. stand on Rt. 191.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: Have recycling bin. . . . No November report.

NAZARETH: Held a joint Christmas party for members and friends with Hecktown-Lower Nazareth Lions

PALMER TOWNSHIP: Displayed many events for local organizations on Lions electronic sign. . . Made a contribution to local food bank.Planning Christmas party.

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP: Submitted a Peace Poster to the district. . . . Held a Chocolates on Broadway candy sale. . . . Finalized plans to man the Salvation Army kettle, adopt a family, and have a Christmas party. . . Voted to give Governor's Projects \$10 a member.

RICHMOND: Renovations completed at ball field with installation of new backstop fencing, and painting of poles, donated by wife in memory of Richard Ott. Dedication in spring. . . . Donated \$500 to PUMP, and continuing to add new families in need of food assistance.

TATAMY-STOCKERTOWN: \$50 donation to Nazareth Area Food Bank for

WILSON BOROUGH: Sponsored Peace Poster contest at Wilson Area Intermediate School. . . . Donated \$250 to Wilson Swim Team for winter swimming program.

Club Events

Upper Lehigh Lions Club. You Can Eat Breakfast, Sunday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Schnecksville Fire Co., Rt. 309 North & Ritter Ct. Adults \$7.00, Children 6-12 \$3.00, Under 6 Free.

PDG Hiram Brey, Jr., **Beacon Lodge Board** Member, Passes Away

For those of you who attend Lions Appreciation Day each July at Lions Beacon Lodge, you're familiar with one of the board members, PDG Hiram P. Brey, Jr. of District 14-R. He passed away on Dec. 29 and funeral services were held on Saturday, Jan. 4 in Skippack, Pa.

He served many years on the Board of Directors of Beacon Lodge Camp and loved working with the youth there as well as with local Leo Club members. Lion Hiram would have celebrated 60 years in Lions this September.

It was his wish that any memorial contributions be made payable to the Harleysville Lions Club, to be donated to Beacon Lodge. Send them to Harleysville Lions Club, Tim Clemmer, Secy., 43 Highview Dr., Telford, 18969. PĂ Condolences may also be sent to his wife, Doris, at 50 Chandler Circle, Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

Think About **Environment** All Year Long

"Environmental While Awareness Month" is not until April, district environmental chairman Lion Marty Lower has a long list of things we can do that are appropriate throughout the year. Consider the following:

- Make eco-friendly lifestyle choices
 - Plant a tree
- · Organize a communitywide bike-to-work/school day
- · Collect recyclables and take them to a recycling cen-
- Plant a flower garden at
- a senior center • Clean up a park
- Clean the yards of eld-erly residents in the community
- Volunteer at a recycling center
- · Organize a carpooling campaign
 - Recycle books
- Construct bird feeders for a senior center or school
- Clean a highway with PennDOT's "Adopt-A-Highway"
- Donate recycled paper goods to a food pantry or soup kitchen
- Install energy-efficient light bulbs
- · Recycle items such as phones, computers, and printer cartridges

• Clean up a local stream

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LIONESS CLUBS ACTIVITIES

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Items for this monthly column are selected from activity reports sent in by Lioness clubs. We also encourage stories and photos on special projects. Mail to:: Tattle Tailer Editor, 2556 Wood's Edge Rd., Bath, PA 18014. E-mail: tattletailer14k@rcn.com.

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BETHLEHEM: No November report.

FORKS TOWNSHIP: Sold Bon-Ton Community Days booklets. . . . Collected peanut butter and jelly for local food bank

LEHIGH TOWNSHIP: Club donated \$300 for Thanksgiving to Northampton Area Food Bank. Members brought non-perishable food to November meeting, and each member donated \$1.00. Each member also donated items for the Little Shoppers Santa Shop in conjunction with food bank, so the children could go shopping for their siblings and parents in December. ...Donated \$200 for White Cane. ...Gave 100% to the district projects.

LOWER LEHIGH: Planned Thanksgiving meal for residents.

MOORE TOWNSHIP: In October, the club sent \$100.24 to Salvation Army to feed 56 people a Thanksgiving dinner and the same amount was sent to the Allentown Rescue Mission to feed another 56 people. . . . Gave \$200 to the Klecknersville Rangers Vol. Fire Co. for use of their kitchen to prepare food for the car show. . . . Gave \$300 Giant gift cards to a family who lost their father. . . . Held a penny party in October. . . . Selling special cloths to clean windows. . . . In November, sent \$500 to Community Services for Children of Lebich Volley to her Christmes recomb for children of Wheels

NORTHAMPTON AREA: Selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars, and taking orders for Christmas candy. . . .Went to the Children's Home in Easton to help wrap their Christmas gifts. . . .Presented a Thanksgiving dinner basket to a needy Northampton Area School District family. . . .Will be selling donuts for

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Set for Puerto Rico

The 38th annual USA/ Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be held on September 11-13, 2014 in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

District 14-K LCIF chairperson PDG Joseph Chunko announced recently that online registrations for the Forum are now open. He advised Lions and Lionesses to register early if they want to receive a special discount. Says Lion Joe: "The Island

of Enchantment is beckoning you. The beauty and history of San Juan will be the drop back for the Forum, which is the largest and best Lions leadership training event in the world.

There will be more than 50 specific training sessions related to developing quality Lions clubs with thousands of Lions leaders sharing their experiences.

The mission of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support the programs and goals of Lions Clubs International.

Your editor has attended Forums in the past, and has found them to be outstanding, and also mind-boggling when you sit down to lunch with thousands of Lions and Lionesses at one time.

Stay tuned for more detailed information in future issues of the Tattle Tailer and at Cabinet meetings, says PDG

- Host an environmental seminar in your town
- Clean up a vacant lot or parking lot
- Create compost in your own backyard by mixing food scraps and leaves with soil, and letting them decompose
- Recycle plastic shopping bags
- Raise awareness about harmful substances in homes and the community
- Organize a project to protect endangered animals or plants
 - Organize a nature walk

Clubs are asked to list any of these activities they may do or gel involved with on the secretary's monthly M&A report. "In helping with our environment, the Lions are showing we live by our motto 'We Serve'," says Lion Martu.

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Leos in Action

With all the snowfalls we've been having there may have been snow days called by the school administrators in which classes were not held. But when they are, the Leo clubs in District 14-K have been meeting and planning future events. In this issue we are listing those that were planned or held, and what the status of the clubs is.

BANGOR, Andrew Krohn, advisor. They have 28 members.

NORTHWESTERN LEHIGH, Marsha Johnston advisor. Fourteen members were present at an installation / induction ceremony. The club participated in Boo at the Zoo.

PARKLAND, John Mondschein advisor. 70 members. Had trick or treat at Miracle League in Schnecksville; Adopt-a-Highway; Boo at the Zoo in Schnecksville; had homecoming float, The Lion King.

PEN ARGYL, Josephine Buscemi advisor. 15 members. Visited Chandler Estate and Slate Belt Nursing & Rehabilitation Center; selling faculty/staff clothing district wide as fund-raiser.

WHITEHALL, Jessica Paulas advisor. 50 members. Had blood drive with 58 out of 77 successful donors; held food drive for Whitehall Food Bank; collecting soda can tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities; will have "Pennies for the Blind" collection; sponsor a child in Dominican Republic thru Children International; donated \$250 to Leader Dog; had a frozen food fundraiser.

WHITEHALL-COPLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL, Jamie Brobst advisor,. 24 members. Raked leaves and pulled weeds in middle school courtyard; visited Fellowship Community Nursing Facility to meet residents.

WIND GAP MIDDLE SCHOOL, Josephine Buscemi advisor. 25 members. Participated with Pen Argyl Leos in visiting Chandler Estates and Slate Belt Nursing & Rehab.

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 Saucon Valley Lions breakfasts.

State Leo Rally

Read page 18 and 19 of the current PRIDE magazine for the announcement of a Leo Rally for Pennsylvania Leos at Lions Beacon Lodge on the weekend of April 25 and 26, and the application for attendance.

The purpose of the rally is to provide Leos with the opportunity to interact with other Leos from among the 131 Leo clubs across the state and to engage them in meaningful dialogue on how they may best fulfill the goals of being a Leo through service and volunteering.

Clubs Provide Food and Gifts to Needy Families

Scanning the activities reports of the Lions and Lioness Clubs in District 14-K, we are proud to say that many of them provide gifts of cheer at Thanksgiving and Christmas for needy families.

They donate food and funds to area food banks and pantries throughout the year, but they make a special effort over the holidays.

Each year at Thanksgiving and Christmas the Lower Lehigh Lions Club runs its "Helping Hands" project, and in 2013 presented 26 needy families with \$125 gift cards from the local Weis Market.

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baskets, although they were prepared to give 14 to 25 if needed.

Bath Lions gave money to buy presents so that local children would find something under their Christmas tree.

Kuhnsville Area Lions had a Christmas luncheon for 29 deaf and blind persons, giving each \$25 in cash.

Northampton Area Lionesses presented a Thanksgiving dinner basket to a needy family.

L.V. Saturday A.M. Lions gave 14 visually impaired children Christmas gifts.

Emmaus Lioness Lions approved \$1,000 for Christmas gifts for needy families.

Wilson Boro Lions distributed baskets to needy families.

Lehigh Township Lionesses gave items for children to shop for gifts to their siblings and parents.

Hellertown Lions gave 16 turkey and trimmings to low income families in area for Thanksgiving.

There probably are a lot more, and we apologize if they weren't listed. Congratulations to all who carried out what Lions (and Lionesses) do: "We Serve."

Whitehall Lions Help Library With Reading Action Program

The Whitehall Lions Club partnered with the Whitehall Public Library on several events to motivate young children to read.

In the spring of 2013, the Whitehall Lions held a program for pre-schoolers who, after listening to books about dogs, met "Daisy", a certified therapy dog. "Daisy" and her owner, Lion Linda Brendlinger, work with Tail Waggin' Tutors from Therapy International Chapter #207, a program in which dogs listen as children read.

In the summer, members of the local Lions Reading Action Committee participated in a summer reading club outreach initiative for resettled refugee children who live in the community. Because these families lack transportation, the librarians delivered boxes of books each week to their apartment complex, Lions members assisted the librarians in talking about books, reading to the children, and helping them work on craft projects.

The grand finale was the Whitehall Community Day event when children were invited to go to the library to "read to the dogs." Whitehall Lions helped to manage the special event, where 75 children enthusiastically took turns reading to the nine therapy dogs.

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In the fall, elementary students and their parents listened to community leaders read books at a "Reading with the Stars" event. The mayor, a councilwoman, the superintendent of schools, and a police officer were all enthusiastically received by the audience.

R.A.P. committee members in Whitehall are Lions Rita Bean, Linda Brendlinger, Tony Eichelberger, Elaine Frombach, Janet Leng, and Maryann Miller. Members of the committee also include Denise Ignasky, Children & Youth Services librarian, and Paula Kelly, Whitehall Library Director.

> Submitted by Rita Bean, Chair Reading Action Program Committee Whitehall Lions Club

EDITOR'S NOTE: PDG April Kucsan heads the District 14-K Reading Action Program. She may be contacted for talks on the subject, and if any other clubs are interested in running R.A.P., a program that has been introduced by Lions Clubs International. Call her 610-759-5137.

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"Operation Santa"

Alton Park Lions Club

The Alton Park Lions held their annual "Operation Santa" event on Saturday, December 21st in the neighborhood areas of Salisbury Township and Allentown. The event was originally planned for the previous Saturday, but the impending snow storm prevented the antique fire truck from the Western Salisbury Fire Department from making the rounds.

The change in schedule also left the Alton Park Lions without their normal Santa (Lion Paul Eifler). Lion David Fatzinger, of the Mountailville Lions Club, volunteered to play Santa to help out because, as David said, "That's what Lions do".

The Alton Park Lions travel the streets handing out boxes of candy and oranges to all the children in the area. The oranges are donated by Giant Food Stores. The boxes are an annual donation from the Lehigh Valley Saturday AM Club. Any items that remained after the event were donated to The Devon House (senior assisted living) and the Sixth Street Shelter in Allentown.

Volunteer firemen, Ralph Uff and Jerry Royer navigated the streets and sounded the siren to call the children from their homes. Many came out in bare feet and pajamas despite the cold and snow. On the back of the truck are Santa's helpers, Lions Gary Pave and Joe Sizer.



Mrs. Claus (Lion Sherry Hillborn) and Santa (Lion David Fatzinger-Mountainville) pose with Christina (left) and her sister Angelique. (photo courtesy of the Salisbury Press)

The Alton Park Lions also received a call for help just before Christmas. A single mom with three children ages 6, 5 and 4 months could not afford any presents. Lion Paul Eifler got to serve as Santa and delivered presents to the three children on Christmas Eve. With the WIC program in jeopardy, diapers and formula were also given to the baby's mother.

December Activity Coopersburg Lions Club

A fun time was had by all at our annual Christmas party on December 13th. It was held at the Carriage House Restaurant in East Greenville in a German stile. There was Wienersnitchel, Pheasant, Venison, and all the traditional restaurant dishes.



Slatington Lions Club Christmas tree sale and Christmas Party

Slatington Lions Club finishes another annual Xmas Tree Sale. This year's site was smaller than others so we had to have a smaller initial delivery to the site. Setup was on November 29th, 2013



But after the first week the rest of our trees were delivered to the site.

We are very happy to report that this year's trees, although were somehow heavier and taller this year we SOLD OUT of every tree. Here is a picture of some of the group of Lions that were there to help trim the ones that needed some attention to make the sales successful. Sales ended on December 20th, 2013



Slatington Lions Members trimming the trees for sale.

Our Annual Christmas Party was held on December 7th, 2013 at the Slatington Moose Hall. Attendance was very good and we were surprised by a visit by Santa and his "helper". The food was outstanding this year thanks to Lion Herman and we all had a good time.

Comedy night is scheduled for March $1^{\rm st}$ at the Emerald Fire Co. Hall this year's two comedians are Billy Winn and Chris Covert. Tickets are on sale from any Lions member for \$25.00 per person or contact Bob Keegan at 610-573-7812

Cocktails from 6pm to 7pm. DJ music for dancing after the comedy. BYOB $\,$ and 50 /50 drawing $\,$ Matt