

LIONS ORIENTATION HANDBOOK



District 14-K

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this booklet is to acquaint all Lions with the organizational structure, history, terminology and responsibilities that come with membership. Whether you are a new Lion or a member with many years of experience, there is something for everyone to learn from this document.

OBJECTIVES

- **To present the history of Lionism**
- **To illustrate how Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 14, District 14-K and individual clubs function**
- **To provide you with a Lions reference guide for terms and procedures**

Lions Clubs International History Timeline

- 1917** Association founded in Chicago, Illinois on June 7 by insurance salesman Melvin Jones.
National convention held with 22 clubs from 9 states attending
- 1919** Adopted the slogan: Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations Safety
Adopted the emblem
- 1920** Became international, clubs established in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, Mexico, China & Cuba
- 1925** Helen Keller addressed the Lions International Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio and challenged them to become the “Knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness”.
- 1927** Membership grew to 60,000 with 1,183 clubs
- 1931** First club in Latin America chartered
- 1945** Assisted the United Nations in forming the Non-Governmental Organizations Section
- 1947-1953** Clubs chartered in Australia, Europe, Asia and Africa
- 1954** Adopted the motto: “We Serve”
- 1987** Lions became the first major service organization to enroll women as members
- 1990** Lions launched their most aggressive sight preservation campaign (Sight First Program) raising more than \$140 million to rid the world of preventable and reversible blindness
- 2007** Lions launched “Campaign Sight First II” to continue the fight against preventable blindness; over \$200 million has been raised during this phase

Lions Clubs International has grown to more than 1.35 million men and women in 210 countries and geographical areas.

Lions Clubs International

The official name of the association is “The International Association of Lions Clubs” or simply “Lions Clubs International.” The name Lions was chosen because of the symbolism of what a lion animal represents...*courage, strength, activity and fidelity*. It was also the name of one of the invited organizing groups, the "Association of Lions Clubs."

The Lions motto is “We Serve”. This was not adopted until 1954 after being selected from more than 6,000 suggestions from members worldwide.

The official colors for Lions are purple (or dark blue) and gold. The purple represents loyalty to country, friends, to one’s self and to the integrity of mind and heart. It is also the color of strength, courage and dedication to a cause. The gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity in life and generosity in mind, heart and commitment to mankind. These colors were selected in 1917, the same year the organization was founded.



Mission Statement

To create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation.

Lions Clubs International Objectives

The objectives of the Lions Clubs outline the aims and goals of Lions. It is up to the individual to use the general objectives for specific purposes:

- **TO PROMOTE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world
- **TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship
- **TO TAKE** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community
- **TO UNITE** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding
- **TO PROVIDE** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members
- **TO ENCOURAGE** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors



Please visit the Lions International web site. It contains a wealth of information such as vision programs, youth programs, resource center, club locator, LCIF updates, newsletter online, calendar of events and member benefits

www.lionsclubs.org

Lions Clubs International

International Headquarters:

The International Headquarters, with a staff of approximately 250 full time employees, is located in Oak Brook, Illinois. Although branch offices exist worldwide, the International Headquarters serves as the association's central administrative information source.

Many services are provided to Lions through this office, including issuing charters to new clubs, providing brochures, activity guides and newsletters to members and maintaining all association records.

The staff is led by an administrator, who oversees all headquarters operations and works to carry out the policy decisions made by the International Board of Directors. Assisting the executive administrator is the association's treasurer.

Eleven operating divisions divide the administrative responsibilities of International Headquarters. They are Club Supplies and Distribution, Convention, Information Technology, District and Club Administration, Executive Services, Extension and Membership, Finance, International Activities and Program Development, Leadership, Legal, Public Relations and Production.

International Convention:

The annual International Convention is held in late June or early July. It constitutes the annual meeting of the members of the association. Some of the activities held during the convention include voting on constitutional amendments, electing new members to the board of directors, seminars of interest to all Lions, district-governors-elect seminar, general business sessions and the parade of nations. Attending the international convention provides members with a wonderful opportunity to rekindle their dedication to those in need, meet Lions from all over the world, learn new tips and techniques for being the best Lion he/she can be, and obtain valuable resource materials.

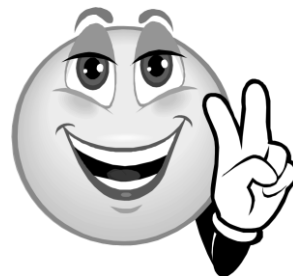
Lions Clubs International Foundation

(LCIF)

This is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International. The foundation was chartered in 1968 to support the efforts of Lions Clubs around the world in serving their local communities and the world community through humanitarian service, major disaster relief and vocational assistance programs. Grants provide both immediate assistance following natural disasters and long-term disaster relief for reconstruction efforts. Grants help preserve sight, combat disability, promote health or serve youth. Disasters such as floods, hurricanes, typhoons and earthquakes are but a few of the initiatives addressed by LCIF.

Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Each year more than 375,000 students, ages 11-13, from approximately 100 countries, express their ideas about world peace through artwork, which is judged at local, regional, national and international levels. One grand prize and 23 merit posters are awarded. In addition to these awards, many local clubs in District 14-K sponsor contests to reward local students for doing a great job of creating these posters. Students, teachers, administrators, Lions, newspapers, parents and family join together to participate in this event that occurs in the fall of each year.



District 14-K

Most Lions clubs are part of a “district”, which is usually comprised of at least 35 clubs that have a combined total of at least 1,250 members. We are part of District 14-K which in turn is part of “multiple district” 14 (PA). Pennsylvania is designated as a “multiple-district” since it has so many large subdivisions. In Pennsylvania, there are eighteen sub-districts that each carry the number “14” but is further identified by a letter such as 14-K. (NOTE: Starting with the 2015-2016 Lions year, multiple district 14 will have seventeen sub-districts). Each district has its own constitution, based upon a standard form provided by Lions Clubs International. These constitutions may be amended by a vote of the delegates to the state (multiple district) convention, provided that such amendments do not run counter to the provisions of the International Constitution or policies of the International Board of Directors. Normally, a district is divided into “regions” (comprised of no more than 16 and no less than 10 clubs), each headed by a region chairperson. In turn, each region is broken down into “zones” (with usually no more than eight clubs and no less than four), presided over by a zone chairperson. Region and zone chairpersons work under the leadership of the district governor.

Pennsylvania State Council of Lions Clubs is the official name of the Multiple District 14 organization. Their headquarters is in Harrisburg, PA and they have a fantastic web site available to all members. This site contains such items as the list of district governors, map of each district, PRIDE Newsletter, state projects, state committees, state calendar and links to many Lions International and Pennsylvania sites. Be sure to check out the following web site:

www.palions.org

Our district is constantly up-dating items such as district programs, club data, fund raisers, Global Leadership/Membership, cabinet information, calendar M & A forms, district publications, district and state events and special announcements. The best way to stay up-to-date with these and other items is to check out our district website as seen below. Bookmark this site now and make it a point to view it often during the year.

www.lions14k.org

Description of District Officers

An organizational chart showing how the following offices are structured can be seen on page 12 of this booklet. Perhaps you can refer to that chart while learning about these positions.

District Governor:

The district governor serves as the chief administrative officer for the district. He/she is elected at the district convention to serve a one-year term. The new governor takes office at the close of the international convention.

The district governor's responsibilities include representing the association in the district, supervising district officers, furthering the Objectives and Ethics of the association, promoting the goals of the International Program, supervising the organization of new Lions clubs and presiding over district meetings.

1st Vice District Governor:

The 1st vice district governor serves as chief administrative assistant to the district governor. His/her specific responsibilities are to further the Objectives and Ethics of Lions Clubs International, become familiar with the duties of the district governor so that he/she can take over in the event of a vacancy in the office of district governor, perform administrative duties assigned by the district governor, participate in district meetings, help prepare the district budget, supervise district committees at the request of the district governor, and help review clubs. The 1st VDG will also serve as a liaison between the Global Membership Team and the governor's cabinet. He/she will, in all likelihood, become the district governor in the following year.

2nd Vice District Governor:

The 2nd vice district governor will also serve as an assistant to the district governor during his/her office. All of the duties of the 1st vice district governor will also apply to the 2nd VDG. The district governor will assign various tasks as the need exists. The 2nd VDG will also serve as a liaison between the Global Leadership Team and the governor's cabinet. Other duties will be assigned as per Lions International's regulations for this position. It is expected that this person will continue to become 1st VDG and then district governor.

Description of District Officers (Continued)

Cabinet Secretary:

Official actions of the cabinet secretary are under the supervision of the district governor. The specific duties are to....

- Keep an accurate and complete record of the proceedings of all meetings of the governor's cabinet
- Forward copies of minutes promptly after each meeting to all members of the cabinet and Lions International
- Collect the Monthly Membership Report from the clubs in the district each month
- Perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to the office of secretary and as are delegated from time to time by the district governor and the cabinet

Cabinet Treasurer:

Official actions of the cabinet treasurer are under the supervision of the district governor. The specific duties are to....

- Collect from the clubs in the district the stipulated per capita dues
- Deposit funds in such bank or banks as are designated by the cabinet
- Disburse those funds only on authorization of the cabinet
- Obtain bond for the faithful discharge of the duties in an amount set by the cabinet
- Submit a semi-annual financial report to the cabinet and such other special reports as may be called for by the cabinet
- Submit all the books and accounts for audit whenever required by the cabinet
- Place in the hands of the successor all monies and records, financial and otherwise, that pertain to the office of cabinet treasurer, immediately following the end of the fiscal year
- Perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to the office of treasurer and as are delegated from time to time by the district governor and the cabinet

Zone Chairperson:

The zone chairperson is the chief administrative officer in the zone and is given direction and supervision by the district governor and/or region chairperson. The zone chairperson is responsible for serving as chairperson of the district governor's zone advisory committee, taking an active role in organizing new clubs and reports on the activities and well-being of all the clubs in their zone. He/she is a member of the governor's cabinet.

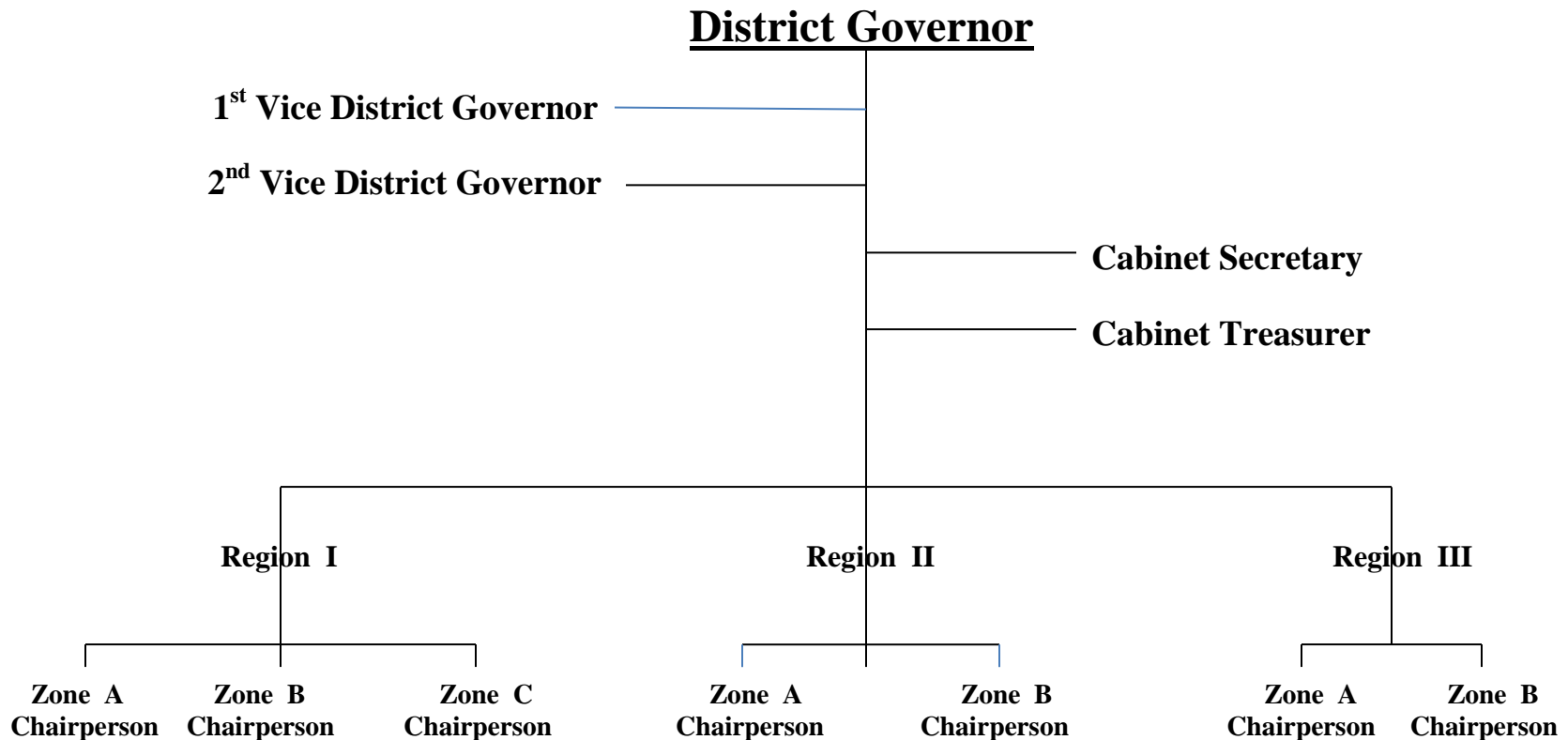


District Committees

Beacon Lodge Liaison
Bowl-A-Thon
Care & Share/Food Band
Center for Vision Loss (Lehigh Valley)
Charitable Enterprises, Inc.
Convention
Diabetes Awareness
Diabetes Trust Charitable Project (Lehigh Valley)
Environmental
Eye Care Center
Eyeglass Recycling
Fund Raising
Global Leadership – Global Membership
Extension (New clubs) - Lioness Club Extension
Hearing Research
International Understanding
Journey for Sight
Klowns of 14-K
Leader Dog

Leo Clubs
Lions Clubs International Foundation (L.C.I.F)
Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation
Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank
Peace Poster Contest
Pin Traders
Policy, By-Laws & Constitution
Program Coordinator/Protocol
Public Relations/District Directory
Rally
Sight Conservation Through: PA Lions Sight Conservation
& Eye Research Foundation
Tattle Tailer Editor
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
Web Site - District
White Cane
Youth Camp & Exchange
Youth Seminars

District Organizational Chart



**** District 14-K has many committees which are listed on page 11. The Chairs and members of these committees are selected on a voluntary basis under the direction of the District Governor. Zone Chairs and other Lions comprise these committees. All people on the chart above including the District committee chairpersons are part of the District Governor's Cabinet. Regular meetings of the Cabinet are conducted in August, November, February and June.**

District 14-K Events

District Convention:

The annual district convention is the chief deliberative body of the district. District conventions are held to conduct general district business, take action on district matters, adopt resolutions, elect the district governor and other district-elected officers, vote on convention sites, conduct seminars, sponsor events important to the district and develop fellowship among the Lions of the district. District 14-K usually conducts its convention in late March or early April at a site to be named.

Melvin Jones Fellowship Banquet:

This program recognizes those Lions who have been nominated by their club (or by the district) to receive Lions Club International Foundation's highest recognition, The Melvin Jones Fellowship. Many new recipients are bestowed with this recognition at this prestigious program. Past recipients of this award, club members and guests are present during this ceremony. The district will determine the time and location of this event.

District Necrology Service:

On the Sunday following the district convention, we gather to honor those Lions & Lionesses who have passed on from the previous year. This very solemn ceremony takes place immediately following a breakfast. Each deceased member is recognized by announcing his/her achievements while serving as a Lion or Lioness. Family members are then presented with a memento commemorating service to humanity. This moving event is one that all members should take time to attend.

District Rally:

The district rally takes place near the end of September for the purpose of setting the tone for the new district governor's plans for the year. Lions, Lionesses, Leos, spouses and guests are encouraged to attend this rally and start the new Lions year with a bang. The district governor will "fire up the members" in hopes of getting the membership to attain the high goals set for the year.

More District 14-K Events

Journey for Sight:

Our annual “walk-a-thon for sight” is usually held near the end of September. This walk is a district sponsored event where Lions, Lionesses and Leos walk the course with pledges from friends, family and members to assist us in the fight for prevention of blindness.

Bowl-A-Thon:

Another event to raise funds for sight-related projects is our Bowl-A-Thon which is usually conducted in March. Lions get together to form bowling teams and once again use pledges to raise money. Pledges can be for a flat amount of money or per “pins”. A fun time is had by all and the money we raise is very much appreciated.

Center for Vision Loss Needs Night:

This non-profit agency, a member of the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind, serves the residents of Lehigh, Northampton and Monroe Counties in eastern Pennsylvania, who are blind or visually impaired to lead well-adjusted, rewarding and productive lives. The Center for Vision Loss will provide a comprehensive set of preventative, rehabilitative, support and social services enabling blind and visually impaired clients to achieve their personal goals and restore quality of life consistent with those goals. Various programs are available to assist people who need assistance in dealing with the recent loss of sight or sight that is slowly diminishing. Once a year, this organization in conjunction with the Lions of District 14-K, conduct a “Needs Night”. Lions and Lioness members from all clubs attend for the purpose of making a donation for a specific item that is on a “needs list” prepared by the Center for Vision Loss. Clubs are very generous when it comes to this event. New Lions are encouraged to attend this program so they may feel the true meaning of Lionism.

Center for Vision Loss web site: **centerforvisionloss.org**

District 14-K Lions Clubs

Region I

Zone A

Alton Park Lions
Emmaus Lioness Lions
Emmaus Lions
Mountainville Lions

Zone B

Alburtis Lions
Kuhnsville Lions
Lehigh Valley Saturday AM Lions
Lower Lehigh Lions

Zone C

Lehigh Township Lions
Ontelaunee Lions
Slatedale-Emerald Area Lions
Slatington Lions
Upper Lehigh Lions

Region II

Zone A

Bath Lions
Catasauqua Area Lions
Coplay Lions
Hanover Township Lions
Whitehall Lions

Zone B

Bethlehem Lions
Coopersburg Lions
Hellertown Lions
Northwest Bethlehem Lions
Saucon Valley Lions
Upper Saucon Lions

Region III

Zone A

Bangor Lions
Moore Township Lions
Plainfield Township Lions
Richmond Lions
Tatamy-Stockertown Lions

Zone B

Bethlehem Township Lions
Easton Lions
Hecktown-Lower Nazareth Lions
Nazareth Lions
Palmer Township Lions
Wilson Borough Lions

District 14-K Lioness/Leo Clubs

Lioness Clubs

Region I

Lower Lehigh Lioness (B)
Lehigh Township Lioness (C)

Region II

Northampton Area Lioness (A)
Bethlehem Lioness (B)

Region III

Moore Township Lioness (A)
Forks Township Lioness (B)

Leo Clubs

Bangor Leo
Northwestern Lehigh Leo
Northern Lehigh Leo

Parkland Leo
Pen Argyl Leo
Saucon Valley Leo

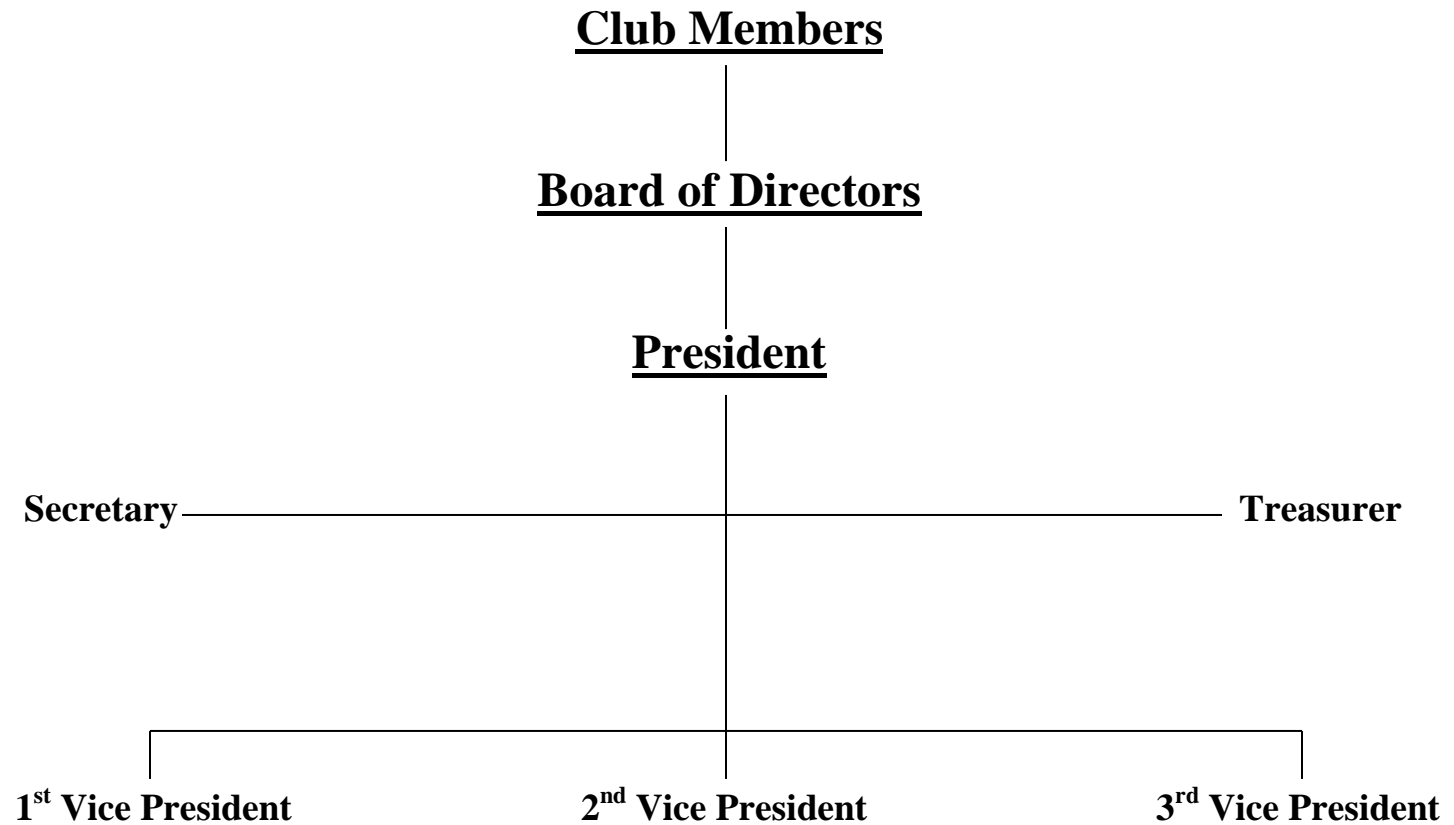
Whitehall High School Leo
Whitehall-Coplay Middle School Leo
Wind Gap Leo



Membership Categories

- (1) **Active:** A member entitled to all rights and privileges and subject to all obligations which membership in a Lions club implies.
 - (2) **Member-at-Large:** A member who has moved out of the community and is unable to regularly attend meetings and desires to retain membership in the club. This member cannot hold office or vote at conventions and must pay dues.
 - (3) **Honorary:** An honor bestowed by a club to an individual who is not a member of the Lions club, to recognize outstanding community service or service to the club.
 - (4) **Privileged:** A member who has been a Lion for 15 or more years, who because of illness, infirmities or advanced age or other legitimate reason, must relinquish his/her active status. A privileged member may vote, but may not hold office.
 - (5) **Life Member:** A member who has maintained active status for 20 or more years, or for 15 years and is at least 70 years of age can be granted Life Membership. Life Members pay a one-time payment to the association in lieu of future dues. They have all the rights and privileges of membership.
 - (6) **Associate:** A member who holds his/her primary membership in another club, but maintains residence or is employed in the community of the club in which he/she attends. Associate members can vote on club matters, but may not serve as a club delegate at district, multiple district or international conventions, and are not eligible to hold office.
 - (7) **Affiliate:** An individual who is currently unable to fully participate in the club, but wishes to support the club. He/she may not hold office and may not represent the club at district, multiple district or international conventions, but may vote on club matters.
- ** Members cannot simultaneously hold membership (other than Honorary or Associate) in more than one Lions club. Since late 2003, Lions are now allowed to carry a dual membership in other service organizations of like character.**

Club Organization Chart



**** Each Vice President is responsible for one-third of the committees at the club level. A sample of these committees follow: Convention – Visitation – Past Presidents – Nominating – Greeters – Blood Drive – Helping hand – Attendance & Membership – Finance & Budget – Constitution & By-Laws – Public Relations/Publicity – Hearing & Sight – Eyeglass Collection – Newsletter – Christmas Party – Charter Night – Family Picnic – Lioness & Spouse Appreciation – Program – Halloween Parade – White Cane – International Membership – Bingo**

Club Officer Descriptions

The club is governed by a Board of Directors consisting of:

- **President** – He/she presides over all meetings, plans the agenda, ensures that the status of all committees is reported, must see that regular elections are held and attends to any issues that may arise.
- **Immediate Past President** – He/she serves as an advisor to the president.
- **Three Vice Presidents** – They will in order of rank, preside at any meeting, if the president is not able to attend and each is responsible as an overseer of select committees assigned by the president.
- **Secretary** - He/she acts as a liaison officer between the club, district and International Headquarters, and is responsible to submit reports and maintain club records.
- **Treasurer** - He/she is responsible for all club financial records, receives all monies and pays all bills.
- **Lion Tamer** – He/she is the custodian for all club property (flags, banners, gavel, bell, etc.) He/she will be responsible for setting up the club meeting site prior to meetings.
- **Tail Twister** – He/she serves to promote harmony and fellowship through story telling, pranks and may impose modest fines on members for not maintaining the recognized order.
- **Membership Director** – He/she serves as chairman of the membership committee and is responsible for membership growth programs.
- **Directors** – These (four or more) are members of the governing board.

**Other offices may be utilized to further divide the duties of some positions...
for example: Financial Secretary**

Important Items for Local Clubs

- **Attendance** : Active members are strongly encouraged to attend meetings regularly. Members who maintain perfect attendance will be given a 100% perfect attendance award. The following “make-up” meetings/events may be attended when members can not attend regular club meetings:
 - * Board Meeting
 - * Cabinet Meeting
 - * Special Committee Meeting
 - * Club Projects
 - * Zone Meeting
- **Dues**: Each club assesses an *entrance fee* when a new member joins the club. All members of the club must pay *dues* which go to the club, district, state and international organizations. Each club utilizes its portion of the dues for administrative purposes which will be explained in the next section. We do have a special “*family membership*” dues structure for spouse, children, aunts, uncles, grandparents and cousins living in the same household.
- **Club Budgets**: Lions clubs divide their budget into two (2) categories.....Administrative and Activities.
 - ****Administrative Fund** – Funds that are raised mostly from club dues, Tail Twister fines or internally generated. Money in this fund may be expended for such areas as attendance, newsletter, Constitution & By-Laws, convention, finance, greeter, information technology, leadership development, membership, program and public relations.
 - ** **Activities (General) Fund** - Funds that are raised from the public (via club projects) may be used for public needs. Clubs may not use any activity funds raised from the public to fund administrative purposes. Money in this fund may be expended for programs such as diabetes awareness, environmental services, hearing and speech action, work with the deaf, sight conservation and work with the blind, youth camps and exchange program, other youth opportunities plus additional committees that may be appointed which serve public needs.

Important Items for Local Clubs (Continued)

- **Committees** : Club committees are appointed by the presidents and he/she is also an ex-officio member of all committees. In order to assist the in-coming president with this task, the president-elect should circulate a sign-up list of committees in March, April and May of the year prior to his/her presidency. In this manner, many committees are staffed by Lions who are truly committed to this area. The president will then fill in the committee list prior to July 1. Refer to page 18 at the lower portion of the page and view some of the club committees that are possible. Others may be appointed by the president as needed. Club chairpersons will call periodic meetings of their members and will frequently be asked to report their progress to the officers and directors of the board. Each vice president will have the responsibility of monitoring a group of committees. The club president will make these assignments.
- **Elections**: All officers are elected annually at an April meeting. Directors may have a one (1) or two (2) year term. The Nominating Committee should be comprised of past presidents/board members to create a slate of officers prior to April.
- **Term of Office**: All elected positions begin their terms on July 1 and end on June 30. Club fundraisers are at the discretion of the club and each will have its own committee.
- **Club Newsletter**: The club newsletter is a vital communications tool. Some clubs may have web sites but most clubs issue their newsletter via mail or e-mail. Members are encouraged to read each issue of this periodical and visit web sites of District 14-K, PA Lions and Lions International to regularly keep abreast of news.
- **Guests at Meetings**: Meals for guests at meetings are generally paid for by the club. In some clubs, this obligation may be paid by the Lion who extends the invitation. It is appropriate for the Lion member to introduce the guest and present a few background facts about the guest. The guest should also be given an opportunity (usually at the end of the meeting) to say a few words.

Elements of a Successful Lions Club

- **Provide a major service activity that the community needs and wants**
- **Provide a major fund-raising project in which the community will participate and to which the community will contribute**
- **Provide good public relations both inside and outside the club**
- **Provide good meetings. This means having a comfortable meeting place, good meals, effective greeters and interesting programs.**
- **Exhibit team spirit**
- **Provide a membership growth and development program that includes a meaningful induction ceremony and immediate orientation and involvement of the new member**

Responsibilities of Each Lion

- **Sponsor a new member to help promote/extend Lionism**
- **Attend as many meetings as possible...clubs flourish by involvement of members**
- **Participate in as many fundraisers and service projects as possible**
- **Share the workload**
- **Assume leadership roles**
- **Use your talents**
- **Share your ideas for the betterment of the club and your community**

Glossary

Beacon Lodge – The Lions camp for the blind/visually impaired. Located in Mt. Union, PA (www.beaconlodge.org)

Cabinet – The Governor’s Cabinet consists of the 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors, District Secretary, District Treasurer, Zone Chairpersons and each district committee chairperson

Camp Kirby – The Lions camp for the deaf. Located in Upper Black Eddy, PA (www.lionscampkirby.org)

Center for Vision Loss – This organization will provide a comprehensive set of preventative, rehabilitative, support and social services enabling blind and visually impaired clients to achieve their personal goals and restore quality of life consistent with those goals. The Lions work very closely with this organization.

DG – District Governor...he/she is the leader of a District who serves a one-year term from July 1 until June 30

ID – International Director with Lions International

IPDG – Immediate Past District Governor. He/she serves as an advisor to the current District Governor

LCIF – Lions Clubs International Foundation. This is the charitable arm of our organization. Funding for international disasters comes from this organization. People who were involved in hurricanes, floods, earthquakes and other disasters have been given millions of dollars through this fund.

Leader Dog – This program provides dog guides for the blind and visually impaired. This organization trains the dogs and also provides programs for the new dog owners to make them more independent in their daily lives.

Leo – The Leo’s are the student version of the Lions. Many middle and high schools have formed Leo Clubs to serve as a service organization for the people in its area. Many Leos go on to become Lions after graduating from high school.

Lions Toast – This toast is traditionally given at the beginning of each meeting following the invocation. The toast is.....
“Not above you, Not beneath you, But with you”

PDG – Past District Governor. The term given to all those men/women who have served as a District Governor

PID – Past International Director of Lions Clubs International

PRIDE – This is our state (Multiple District 14) newsletter that is published quarterly. Lions, Leos, and Lioness articles appear in this publication. Clubs are encouraged to send in articles and photos to the PRIDE

Glossary (Continued)

Rally – Our District “Rally” is held in late September as a forum for all members to “rally” behind the new District Governor and show their support. A dinner and brief program form this activity.

Region – In Lions, a region is a group of Zones (a collection of clubs). Our district has 3 regions named I, II, and III. Refer to the diagram for the District on page 12

Tattle Tailer – This is our fine district newsletter which is published once a month. This is only available “On-Line”.

This can be accessed by using our 14-K website at: www.lions14k.org There will be a link that you can use to go directly to the listing of the various editions of this monthly publication. Clubs are encouraged to supply articles about club projects. Pictures may be entered via the special ¼ page or ½ page templates available at the newsletter location.

VDG – Vice District Governor...Our District now has a 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor. The 1st VDG serves directly below our District Governor and will move up to become the District Governor the next year. The 2nd VDG is in apprenticeship for two (2) years before they will move up to the Governor’s position.

Zone – A Zone is a Lion term to indicate a collection of clubs. Refer to the chart of Lions Clubs in 14-K on page 15

Orientation Booklet Revision Committee

**Lion Joe Chunko
Lion Bud Godshalk**

Revised during 2014 – 2015 Lions Year