District 14-B Newsletter

International Association of Lions Clubs

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Gail Titus,
Newsletter Editor

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

I would like to end my year as Governor of District 14- B the same way I started it, by saying a simple but deeply grateful THANK YOU. The task of volunteering is no less difficult than it was 20 years ago. We have greater challenges and commitments in this still new 21st century. The good fortune is that our goal of service is even more rewarding.

President TS Lee challenged us this past year with his theme of "Innovation: Gateway to Our Future". He is asking us to go where there is no path and leave a trail for future generations of Lions to follow. I believe we have started to go down that path. The Lions of District 14-B have shown me that Lionism is alive and well. We have got to work at what we do a little smarter, and not just go about our business. We need to go out and invite someone to be a Lion.

I salute each Lion, Lioness and Leo member for being part of the greatest service organization in the world. The path you have chosen of caring and community involvement makes an overwhelming impact on humanity, whether your service is 3 years or 33 years. You are important to the success of your Club, District, Multiple District 14 and the International. I wish all of you a healthy 2004-2005 Lions year, and to continue your support to our District Governor Elect Lion Dennis McCarthy.

Thank you all for a GREAT year.

D.G. Rich Keller

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE

May 8	Lions Night with the Pittsburgh Pirates
June 13	4th Cabinet Meeting White Oak Park, Magnolia Grove
June 17	Jefferson Hills Lions – Installation Night
July 5-9	International Convention – Detroit, MI
July 18	Lions Appreciation Day Beacon Lodge Camp

North American Healthy Club Initiative

This is a new program from International to help clubs to become a healthier and to help to grow membership. In the secretary's packet, there is a full page (lilac in color) order blank for each club to get a **FREE** Healthy Club tool box. Each club should order a tool box over the summer and review it. Starting in September some of the PDGs will be coming around to talk to them about it in the next Lion's year. The North American Healthy Club Initiative is a program that could help your club become more active which may help to bring in new members, but it all starts with "ASKING SOMEONE".

New Membership List

If you have not already noticed that the new membership list send out by International was wrong then you need to take another look at it. A few secretaries have called me to find out what was happening. After talking with the International the new computer system down loaded all members (current and past) to the list without checking it. The International is correcting the problem.

The one thing that is correct is the new membership numbers. Please make note of them and use them when dealing with the International for information about your members.

Time is Running Out Women's Fee Waiver Expires June 30, 2004

Induction fees for all women joining a Lions club during the period November 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 are waived. This great opportunity is coming to an end, take advantage go out and ask a women to join your Lions club.

This means:

> $25.00 entrance fee is waived for all women who join an established Lions club during the period November 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004
>
> $30.00 charter fee is waived for all women charter members during the period November 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004.

Quote for the Month

I hope you're proud of yourself for the times you've said "yes," when all it meant was extra work for you and was seemingly helpful only to somebody else.

Fred Rogers

DISTRICT 14-B PIN ORDER FORM

Make check payable to <u>District 14-B</u> and mail the attached form to:

JACK SCHIMMEL, PDG
530 Osceola Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15224-2220
(412-683-4828)

ORDER FORM

NO. PINS

_____ 2003-2004 Pin $2.00 ea. _____

Postage:
1-5 . . . . . $2.00
6-10 . . . . . $2.75
11-15 . . . . $3.25
16-20 . . . . $3.75

Postage _____

Total Amt. _____

CLUB NAME _____

LION NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

events

HOMESTEAD LIONS CLUB
18TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

The Homestead Lions Club will be holding their 18th Annual Golf Scramble at the Westwood Golf Club in West Mifflin on Tuesday, June 29, 2004. For more information contact Lion Darrell Hess at 412-461-6036.

Steeler Tickets Fundraiser

The Glassport Lions Club is happy to announce a new fundraiser. A ticket is available for 4 Steeler Reserved Season Seats. The ticket plays on the Pa. Lottery on July 17, 2004 at 7 P. M. Any club wishing a block of tickets can notify club President John McCombs at (412) 678-6224, Clubs will have first choose of tickets. Please advise us of any holdout numbers you wish, Thank you.

Sincerely John McCombs,
President Glassport Lions Club.

87th LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The 87th Lions Clubs International Convention will be held in Detroit, MI this year from July 5 to July 9, 2004. The Lions of PA have a candidate for International Director PDG Bill Anderson from District 14-C. PDG Bill as come up with a theme to promote going to Detroit, it is called "Destination Detroit".

DESTINATION DETROIT!!

TEN REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER
GOING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN DETROIT / WINDSOR

1. YOU will meet LIONS from all over North America and Most of the countries of the world. Who knows, you may develop some new friendships.
2. YOU will have the opportunity to meet the army of LIONS from the host cities of Detroit and Windsor who will be your hosts for the convention.
3. YOU can be a part of the campaign for PDG Bill Anderson to become the first International Director from 14-C.
4. YOU can visit Leader Dog School and participate in the Cobo Hall Convention Center Activities: Certification to v Vote; Club Supplies Store; Display by the International Office and Programs; Peace Posters for 2004; Lions exhibits and local tours of the Detroit and Windsor areas.
5. The Lions International Parade will be held on Tuesday, July 6th from 10:0 am until he 2:00pm. This is the greatest parade you will ever see!
6. You can participate in seminars to increase your knowledge of Lionism and share with your club.
7. The International Show will be held Tuesday evening from 6:00pm until 7:00pm in the Joe Louis Arena.
8. You can enjoy Pennsylvania Lions Fellowship by attending the Hospitality Night on Wednesday, July 7th from 8:00pm until 11:00pm with entertainment by the PA lions All State Band. The PA Lions Breakfast and Caucus will be held Thursday, July 8th from 6:30 am to 9:00am.
9. You will witness at the 3 plenary sessions how the International Officers and Committees handle the business of you association.
10. You will have the chance to campaign and vote to elect our own PDG Bill Anderson the next International Director from MD-14 Pennsylvania. Vote on Friday, July 9th from 7:00am to 10:lam.

LIONS NIGHT WITH THE PIRATES

On Saturday, May 8, we held our third annual Lions Night with the Pirates to support Beacon Lodge. We had 743 Lions, Lionesses, Leos and friends attend and watch the Pirates take on the Los Angeles Dodgers. Unfortunately, the Pirates lost, but it was an exciting game. In addition, it was a beautiful spring evening, everyone got a retro trucker cap, got to see old and new friends and just have a great time.

Because of your support in buying a ticket and coming to the game, Beacon Lodge will be getting $2972.00 from the Pirates. The money will be used to support the building of a new pool at the camp. You'll be hearing more about the pool project as plans are finalized and more information becomes available.

Again, than you for your support to Beacon Lodge!

PDG Mike Vudragovich
DGE Dennis McCarthy
PDG Harold Fletcher
Lion Tom Hurrell

GENERAL INFORMATION

If any club is interested in bonding their club officers for here is the company that bonds the District Officers.

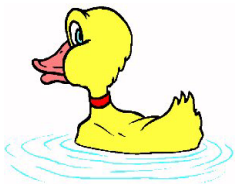
Pierson & Scott Inc.
Suite 307 Southmark Bldg.
1700 North Highland Rd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15241
412-571-2400 or 412-835-5660

If you would like more information on bonding please contact Pierson & Scott or PDG Harold Fletcher could give you some help.

BEACON LODGE CAMPERSHIPS

As of May 27, 2004 there are 11 campers in District 14-B requesting sponsorships. This number is over and above the number of campers that have already received a partial or complete sponsorship from various clubs within 14 - B. If your club, church or any other organization that you might know would be willing to support this request, please write a check in any amount to PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp (Memo - undesignated 14-B camper) and mail to: Beacon Lodge Chair, Tom Hurrell, 207 Glencoe Drive. West Mifflin, PA 15122-2623**.** Total cost is $500.00 for an 11 day session.

Rubber Ducky Race



Beacon Lodge will be having its first annual Duck Race on Lions Appreciation Day, July 18, 2004. Ticket cost is $5.00 per duck. Tickets can be purchased from Vice District Dennis McCarthy at 412-469-3200 X113 or 412-751-8119 or PDG Mike Vugravoich at 412-531-3512 (H) or 412-395-6208 (W).