



Lions of Allegheny County

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Monthly Newsletter for the Lions of Allegheny County District 14-B, Pittsburgh, PA

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



Fellow Lions,

Perhaps you've heard that I was elected District Governor at the State Convention in Johnstown. I was unopposed so it's no surprise that I won; the fix was in. The DG also serves as one of eighteen members of the PA State Council for District 14. As you know, there's lots of work, time, and travel involved. My job doesn't officially start until July but we've already visited seven clubs before leaving for Hong Kong. I find that after thirty plus years I still have a lot to learn about Lionism.

So far it has been very rewarding and lots of fun. Phyllis and I had a great time with all the Lions at the convention. We marched in the parade behind the great All State Band. International President Clem Kusiak, International Director Sam Milliken, DG Dennis and the other DGs rode ahead and were in the reviewing stand as we marched by. The mayor told us it was the biggest convention they have ever had in Johnstown. I want to thank all the Lions of 14-B for all you do for your community and beyond. Clubs like yours are the heart and hands of the largest and finest volunteer service organization in the world, LCI. Lions Clubs operate in 193 countries (one more than the UN) and on every continent but Antarctica. (Has our Extension Chair heard about that?) Lions have a lot to be proud of.

International President, Dr. Ashok Meta's theme for next year is "Passion to Excel" ... in service, growth, leadership, promotion and performance. Passion is the key word ... not complacency or business as usual. He wants us to show our passion for helping those less fortunate ... our passion to serve. Reading the Lion, the Pride and the Cauldron sure gets me fired up. You can't help it after seeing all the great things Lions are doing.

Certainly we must have a passion to grow. Without growth we will soon be unable to serve effectively. Dr. Meta calls his program for growth "Plus One." He requests each club to add at least one more member and each district to gain one new club. It sounds simple but we haven't done it for some time. Our membership is getting older and is decreasing about 2% per year. Our last new club was in 1994. Growth has to be Job 1 for us to continue to serve our communities. Lions have to keep Growin' to keep Goin'! We'll consider his other "passions" in future issues.

Again I want to thank PDG Dennis McCarthy for his friendship and outstanding service to our District. He finally got the PDG title he wanted but he is still looking for the new car. Fortunately for us, he will continue to serve his club (BoD), district (Leadership and LCIF Chair), state (Beacon Lodge Officer), and Lions Clubs International (Sight First II Chair for Western PA). Dennis, you're a tough act to follow!

I also want to thank my Pleasant Hills Club, the Zone Chairs, the Cabinet, and all the Lions who have been so supportive. Your talents and passion are needed again for our district to prosper.

I believe service, fellowship, and fun are essential to membership and the long-term success of Lionism here in Allegheny County. Why not get a group together for Lions Appreciation Day; see Beacon Lodge and the new pool. If you can't fill a bus, consider renting a van or car pool and have a great day with fellow Lions from around the state. See first hand what your efforts have accomplished.

There is more to share but I'd better close for now. I wish you a safe and happy summer. I'll be seeing you around the district.

Your friend in Lionism, *Lion Jim Brubaker, District Governor 14-B*

LIONS EVENTS & HAPPENINGS. . .

Tarentum Area Lions Club 2005 LOTTERY CALENDARS

Pays \$25 to \$250
for evening 3-digit lottery
Contact Lion Lou Hoetzlein
(412) 224-5999

Monroeville Lions Club ANNUAL FARMER'S MARKET EVERY SATURDAY MORNING

Until Thanksgiving
STUDENT'S Parking Lot -
Gateway High School
County-Fresh Produce

Monroeville Lions Club 7th Annual Golf Outing Scramble

**SATURDAY,
AUGUST 13, 2005**
Shotgun Start at 12:30 PM
Willowbrook Country Club
Entry Fee: \$85 per golfer
More Info contact Lions
Harvey Bain (412)373-2472
Bob Irr (412) 856-4709
John Aiken (412) 856-9111

Hilltop Lions Club NIGHT AT THE RACES

Come Join Us for a Night of Fun as we
help support Local and Regional Lions
Clubs Charities!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2005

7:30 pm - Midnight
St. Norbert's Hall
2413 St. Norberts St. - Pittsburgh 15234
DONATION \$10.00 per person
Horse Races, 50/50 Raffle, Door Prizes,
Chinese Auction, Buffet, Refreshments,
Beer & Set-Up, B.Y.O.B.
Music by Top DJ
For Ticket Information contact:
412-881-3090 412-922-2606
412-882-3510

The USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be held on September 22-23, 2005 in Peoria, IL. "Passion to Excel" is this year's theme.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Do or Do Not . . .
there is No TRY."

Yoda ("Empire Strikes Back")

The Oakland Lions have two Lions costumes for sale. One is in very good condition, the second in need of some TLC (mostly a hair transplant, it resembles many of us at the moment!). Both need a good cleaning. Price is negotiable, but do make an offer. Call Lion Bob Gundersen (412-799-0440) to get a look at them.

PEACE POSTER 2005-2006

The District is looking for peace poster contenders for the next school year. This year's theme will be "Peace Without Borders" for the 2005-06 Peace Poster Contest. Lion's clubs can sponsor the program in their community for children in local schools or organized sponsored youth groups. Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, 2005, are eligible to participate. Through the contest, students are encouraged to get involved in this worthwhile event. Although the program does not start until next school lets try to get more schools actively involved in this district program.

STATE COUNCIL MEETING 2006

Just a reminder of the letter sent to each of the clubs regarding a donation to help defray the cost of the upcoming February 2006 State Council Meeting which is being hosted by District 14 B. The request is \$50 for the Lions year 2004-05 and \$50 for Lions year 2005-06 for a total of \$100 per club with the final amount to be made by December 2005.

The following clubs have donated to date: Bethel Park \$100; Bloom/Lawrenceville \$100; Boston/Greenock/Mt.Vernon\$100; Brentwood \$100; Cheswick/Springdale \$50; Clairton \$50; Gibsonia/Hampton/Richland \$50; Glassport \$100; Homestead \$50; Pittsburgh \$50; McKeesport \$50; Monroeville \$50; Moon Twps \$50; North Boroughs \$100; Northern Allegheny \$100; Oakland \$50; Beechview \$50; DeafBlind \$100; Hilltop \$50; Pleasant Hill \$50; South Park \$50; Tarentum \$50; West Mifflin \$50; White Oak \$100; Wilmerding \$100. If you sent your check directly to the Treasurer, Mic Wrbas, please let Barb Schimmel know so that it may be properly recorded. Thank you for your continued support.

Barb Schimmel, Chairperson State Council Meeting, February, 2006.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Items for submission must reach Lion Jim Hartman by the 25th of each month to have them in the CAULDRON. Send them via Email JWHART@ADELPHIA.NER or via mail to 3520 Brinway Drive, West Mifflin, PA 15122



BEACON LODGE NEWS

Lion Tom Hurrell, Liaison

PENNSYLVANIA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY 57 CONTINUOUS YEARS OF CAMPING SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2005

Either by now or in the near future, your club will receive information declaring Beacon Lodge Camp has designated Sunday, July 17, 2005, as "Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day." A day to recognize Immediate Past District Governors, Liaisons and all Lions, Lionesses, and Leos, for their outstanding support of the Beacon Lodge Program. You are most cordially invited to bring your families and friends to Beacon Lodge to join the festivities of the day.

The day begins with a morning church service on the Governors' Green at 9:30 AM, with a chicken barbeque dinner being served under Pavilion K from 11 AM to 2 PM (\$7 per person, the meal includes one-half chicken, salad, baked beans, roll, relish tray, coffee, iced tea and dessert). The "Great Duck Race" will start at 12:30 PM. PRE-PAID Reservations must be made in advance prior to July 8, 2005, and will not be accepted after July 8th, 2005.

At 2 PM, there will be a program on the Governors' Green. The campers will present a program of entertainment as well as presentations to District Governors, Liaisons and others in recognition for their effort on behalf of Beacon Lodge. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, etc. for your seating comfort during the program.

Spare time can be spent browsing the camp, pin trading, chatting with the campers (they really enjoy this), hike the Braille Trail, join the "365 Club," as well as, enjoying the souvenir/gift shop located within the Administration Building. This is truly a great day for Lion fun and fellowship.

We hope you will be able to visit the camp on "Pennsylvania Lions Appreciation Day" to see first hand just what your contributions have made possible. Every Lion in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania should be very proud of the part they play in making the Beacon Lodge Camp possible.

Any questions? Contact Beacon Lodge Liaison Tom Hurrell (412) 466-6358.

DIRECTIONS TO BEACON LODGE CAMP . . . (Allow 3 & 1/2 to 4 hours)

Travel the PA Turnpike EAST and exit at Fort Littleton (Exit 180). This is the 1st exit east of Breezewood. From the exit, hang a right onto Rte 533 North for 28 miles. At this point, turn right onto SR 103 NORTH for 5 miles. Camp is on the RIGHT SIDE OF THE ROAD.

PA LIONS APPRECIATION DAY — Sunday July 17, 2005

Please reserve _____ Chicken Barbeque Dinners @ \$7.50 each — \$ _____

Tickets to be held in the name of:

NAME: _____

CLUB & DISTRICT _____

Mail to: PA LIONS BEACON LODGE CAMP
114 SR 103 South Mount Union, PA 17066



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