



Lion Eyes

Lions 14-P

VDG2 Dave to Attend Institute

Congratulations to VDG2 Dave Brant

VDG2 Dave was selected to attend the Senior Lions Leadership Institute in Albuquerque, New Mexico, November 18-21, 2010. This is a prestigious leadership seminar that provides a valuable opportunity to build on skills that enhance the leadership qualities at the district level. The institute in Albuquerque is designated as a Senior Lions Leadership Institute and is targeted to Lions in good standing that has completed a successful term as club president, but has not yet attained the position of first vice district governor. VDG2 Dave was one of only 100 leaders selected for this special opportunity.



"The Power of Peace"
2008-2009 Winner

PEACE POSTER ENTRIES DUE SATURDAY

All clubs who are sponsoring a school or group in the "Peace Poster Contest" must bring the winning poster for each group to this Saturday's (November 13) cabinet meeting.

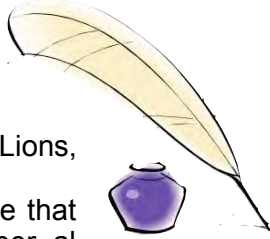
Clubs having entries should let Peace Poster chair Lion D. D. Krawlzik know before Saturday how many posters your club is sponsoring.

If you are unable to get it to the meeting, please contact Lion D. by phone or e-mail so that he can make arrangements to get the winning posters and see that they are there for the district judging at the cabinet meeting.

Contact information:
610-286-6128 or

djski@dejazzd.com.

This Saturday - November 13
Cabinet Meeting
9:00 AM
St Thomas Church - Morgantown
Breakfast at 8:00 am



Hello Fellow Lions,

I can't believe that it is November already and winter is just around the corner. To date, I have made 37 official club visitations and have enjoyed every one! Everyone has been so welcoming and I am so very proud of the clubs of 14-P. I have been so impressed with the service that each club provides to their communities and the Lions who have made the choice to help others.

The Lions, Lioness, and Leos of District 14-P are shining examples of the true meaning of "WE SERVE"! It is an absolute honor to serve as your Governor – I am enjoying every minute of it.

I want to thank you for the incredible assistance in the special election for PID Harold Ott quest to run for 2nd International Vice President that was held in August. I always knew it, but it was confirmed by the Campaign Co-Chair that, "District 14-P is number one, your district voted 93 delegates and 28 PDG's a total of 121 votes.

CONGRATULATIONS. The best turn out in the Multiple District." **Way to Go 14-P Lions!** We very fortunate to have such a fantastic candidate who will put PA in the forefront of Lions International again and be our *shining light* around the world. He has the full support of not only me, but all the Governors of PA.

District 14-P has been recognized by International President Sid Scruggs with the First Light Award for a plus in membership as of 9/30/10! What a great achievement that was only possible due to the Lions of our District who asked someone to join them in membership.

Notes from DG Nancy

We need to keep the momentum going so others can also experience the same happiness that we do in helping others and improving our communities.

I would also like to congratulate two of our clubs who have started Branch clubs – Kennett Square Lions and West Chester Lions. Kennett Square's branch club has 12 members and West Chester Lions branch club has 15 new members. GREAT JOB to both clubs and thank you to the Lions who have worked so hard to get these Branch Clubs started. WELCOME LIONS!!

Please keep in mind that IP Sid's goal is for us to concentrate on SERVICE this year and to also take the service commitment pledge on Lions International web site www.lionsclubs.org. His Global Service Action Campaign asks Lions to participate in four special projects throughout the year:

- Engage our Youth - Invite Leos and youth in your area to help organize and participate in a service project
- Share the Vision - Plan vision health projects and work with the visually impaired
- Relieve the Hunger - Organize food drives and projects to feed the hungry
- Protect our Environment - Implement a project to improve and protect the environment.

Do what we do best – SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES!

I want to thank my home club, Parkesburg Lions, for the great job they did in hosting the Passing of the Banner. Everyone had so much **FUN** and that is certainly what we need more of. Thanks for making it better than I could have ever envisioned.

I was thrilled to meet the President Antoine Bonou of the Lions club in Benin (Africa) when he visited the Eagle-Glenmoore Lions during their spaghetti dinner



a few weeks ago. What a wonderful Lion and it's an incredible experience seeing the hand of friendship and Lionism extend from PA, our little corner of the world, all the way to Benin in Africa as the Eagle-Glenmoore Lions develop a joint venture with them.

If I haven't been to your club yet, I will be soon and I look forward to hearing what you're doing in your neighborhoods. Don't hesitate to contact me if I can do anything for you and remember we have an incredible team of Lions on the District Cabinet who are anxious to present a program to your club – all you need to do is ASK! Thank you for all you do and take care,

DG Nancy



Lions Roar

Amity Township - Assisted Quest Diagnostics with their Health Scan at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, cook book sales continue, Merchandise Club is well underway for 2010-11, Sight Seals campaign to begin in January/February 2011, loaned out wheelchair to needy resident, Children's Christmas Party – December 15

Amity Township Lioness -Earned over \$400.00 at Community Days, threw candy and had a decorated float in the Amity Halloween Parade

Antietam Valley - Golf Tournament raised \$845.00, ongoing fundraiser - sale of Boscov's Gift Cards

Avon Grove - Ham Supper successfully held at Chester County Technical College High School at Jennersville, PA. completed final Book Sale for 2010, participated in Adopt-a-Highway, Christmas Tree Sale starts December 4

Bally -

Bern Twp - Club held its fall golf outing, raising over \$1400.00 held annual chicken BBQ, selling over 1200 dinners - donated extras to area nursing facility

Birdsboro - Held a fund raiser at the Birdsboro Women's Club Car Show selling miniature cars for a profit of \$17.00 held a Ham dinner with a profit of \$708.00, held White Cane Collections collecting

\$322.00 on four locations, had two members participate in the Wilson Area Lion/Lioness Halloween Parade, others involved in nonLion community activities, walkers, wheelchairs etc. are out on loan

Blandon - Donated 50 hours to the community, loaned out numerous items of medical equipment, donated 25 walkers to be shipped to Haiti for persons in need, realized a profit of \$5500.00 from annual Chicken-Bar-B-Que Fundraiser, \$819.68 from the Food Stand Fundraiser, seven members visited the Fleetwood Lions Club, held annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser - a profit of \$1200.00 from the event, donated \$50.00 to Camp Dreamcatcher and presented it to DG Nancy at her official visitation to the club

Bowers - Club disbursed \$2400.00 in donations - \$500 to Berks County Red Cross, \$400.00 to Beacon Lodge, \$200.00 to Leader Dog for the Blind, and \$1300.00 to several other local organizations, holding children's Christmas party with Santa on December 5



14P DG Nancy was the guest speaker at the Mohnton Club's first fall meeting. While in attendance she officially baptized new member Lion Mark Ferrariin. Lion Mark had DG.Nancy and his sponsor Lion Kenny Mosser (left), in stitches as he performed his rendition of Pee Ditty's new rap song, "What the heck did I get myself into?"

Boyertown - Speakers PDG Fran Griffin & Sue Prutzman spoke about starting a branch club, held Boyertown

Lions Family Halloween Party, sold pins, brooms & American flags at Boyertown's Annual Oktoberfest, accepted into membership two new Lions (family membership), accepted a transfer application for membership into our club from an Eagle Glenmoore Lion, donated \$50.00 Scholarship to the Student of the Month for Boyertown Area Sr. High School, \$50.00 to the Boyertown Multi-Service Food Bank, \$500.00 donation to the United Way of Boyertown, members involved in nonLion community activities, Jamin'in B-Town – Sunday, November 15, 2009 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Doors open and refreshments available at noon. Held at the Keystone Fire Company, Spring and Walnut Sts. Boyertown, December 16, Annual Family Christmas Party



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Central Berks - I

Coatesville - Made \$500 from the Celtic Concert - plan to repeat this concert again next year, held White Cane, four members volunteered for community activities, welcome two new member - JoAnn Ramaley and Lathea Moskel, bake sale planned for later this month, plan to have a joint Christmas party with Downingtown and Lionville on December. 2

Conrad Weiser - New pamphlets have been printed, held Chicken BBQ, sales of daily number calendars up to \$7,400 YTD, donated reading machine to local resident, advertised Lions Club in a local news letter, Christmas tree project scheduled for Black Friday star, working on a Bing Miller application for a local resident who needs a liver transplant, the Fifth Quarter was approved for \$1000 donation

Coventry - Held annual White Cane day event and handed out in excess of 100

brochures about the club and its works plus collected a total of \$780 in donations, nine club members participated in this public awareness and fundraising activity, held bi-annual Adopt-a-Highway roadside cleanup along Route 100 - a total of 21 bags of trash was collected, lower than the usual amount, Youth Program chairperson, Lion Terry Stouffer reported that as of the end of October, the

youth clubs had the following number of members:
 OJR High School Leo club: 30
 OJR Middle School Leo club: 28
 North Coventry Elementary School Lion Cubs: 40
 East Coventry Elementary School Lion Cubs: 16
 East Vincent Elementary School Lion Cubs: 16

West Vincent Elementary School Lion Cubs: 9
 French Creek Elementary School Lion Cubs: 12

To review the activities of the youth clubs, please visit

http://www.coventrylions.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=section&id=9&Itemid=58 , sponsored an eye exam and

glasses for a local individual who requested assistance, donating 100% of the donations (\$780) from this year's White Cane Day event to VDG's KidSight program, Thanksgiving meals delivery: November 23

Cumru Township -

Downingtown - The proceeds from the Downingtown Lions Golf Tournament were dispersed to the following; \$1,000.00 to The Lord's Pantry of Downingtown which serves 800 families in the Downingtown, Exton, and Lionville area - plan to work with the Lord's Pantry on their Empty Bowl Program, \$700.00 to The Downingtown Area Senior Center,



One of the three park benches donated by the Eagle Glenmoore Lions Club to Upper Uwchlan and Glenmoore in memory of exemplary community members.

Club corner



Members of the Elverson-Morgantown Lions Club.

Name of club: Elverson-Morgantown Lions Club
How long has it been in existence? Since 1939
Who are its officers? John Chernous, president; Joann Wisniewski, secretary; Rick Minjock, treasurer.
How many members are there? 45
When and where does it meet? Second and fourth Wednesday at 6:30 at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Route 10, Morgantown.
How do you become a member? Talk to a Lion. We are always looking for new members.
What is your group's primary focus? Our motto says it all: "We serve."

We would like to recognize your club in the Life section of the Sunday Reading Eagle. Tell us about your organization, its name, how long it's been in existence, its president, how many members it has, when and where it meets and what its primary focus is. Submit the information, along with a photo, on our website, www.readingeagle.com. Please include a contact name and phone number or e-mail address. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Folk, features editor, at 610-271-5051 or kfolk@readingeagle.com.

This picture appeared in the Sunday Reading Eagle. I thought the other clubs would like to see what a good looking bunch Elverson-Morgantown's Club is



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and \$500.00 to LCIF, we participated in Back to School Project supplying backpacks and school supplies. White Cane fundraiser was held, in the process of putting together a cookbook which will be for sale before Thanksgiving, the big fundraiser is the Pancake Breakfast on November 20 from 8 am to noon

Eagle Glenmoore - Members visit to elderly and transportation, litter pickup, volunteering with Fire Companies 73 & 47, knitting for hospital, Supervisors Meeting and . VA Hospital visit, held Spaghetti Dinner, visit from Benin (Africa) Club President Antoine Bonou and DG Nancy Gauthier, District

Diabetes presentation to Shartlesville and Blandon Lions clubs: PDG Fran Griffin, District Extension program – Branch club formation, and Diabetes Presentation - Boyerstown Lions Club, eye glass donation: 200 pairs

Elverson Morgantown - Held White Cane Days fundraiser, participated in Adopt A Highway clean up, four members helped at Honey Brooke parade, picture of club members appeared in the Reading Eagle, article regarding Diabetes Walk appeared in the Community Courier paper, one member was named secretary of the steering committee for Kid Sight

Elverson-Morgantown Lioness - School supplies were purchased to fill 26 book bags that were distributed to students in Twin Valley School District at the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year

Exeter - Gathering, editing, writing news updates, headline writing for monthly "Lion's Tale," members providing non-Lion community service worked at Camp Lily for handicapped children, picked up donated fifteen pieces of health equipment and delivered them to Cumru Township Lions Club's storage facility, worked on mobile home of elderly resident



Kimberton 5K



Fleetwood - Sold Lion Lotto tickets, net profit on soccer tournament - \$624, new club meeting location beginning Tuesday January 2, 2011 at Janelle Hall - meeting jointly with the Bowers Lions Club, November 14 - club will meet at 2:00 pm with International

Membership Team at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fleetwood, PA, planning for annual Senior Citizen Dinner on November 27, DG Nancy, Zone Chairman Ken, District Treasurer Tim attended a meeting for DG Nancy made an excellent presentation

Frystown

Hamburg - Still collecting stamps, soda tabs and eye glasses, donated Monthly Birthday Cake to seniors, six members volunteered in community activities, two members visited the Kimberton lions Club, four members visited the Shoemakersville Lions Club and the Shartlesville Lions Club, five members



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visited the Rehrersburg Lions Club, operated a Basket Bingo for the Phoebe Retirement home as a fund raiser for their Alzheimer Fund, two members attended the Kempton Lions & Lioness presentation of Helen Keller, held a Quarter Auction for a resident in the Laurel Nursing & Rehabilitation home Raised \$959.00 towards a computer that he can use for therapy, donations for the month of October - \$100.00 Camp DreamCatcher, \$500.00 Hamburg Ambulance Association, \$500.00 JDRF also loaned and operated the club's grill with hot dogs and hamburgers at their walk, served and paid \$128.00 for the meals of the Senior Citizens in their center, earned \$2300.00 setting up tents and renting equipment, earned \$2428.81 at the Chicken B B Q acted as crossing guards for children's Trick or Treat night, entered float in King Frost Parade, held Pizza Hut fund raiser, moving Santa's Workshop in place at the end of the month for visiting children every Friday and Saturday until December 18, December 4 Santa parade and free gifts for children, December 17 Christmas Party

Honey Brook - Twin with Durban, SA club, the food wagon was at H&R Auction every Monday night, sold food from food wagon at D'Ambrosio Dodge in Elverson at a Breast cancer Awareness event, had a profit of \$371 and gave \$100 of that to the Breast Cancer Awareness Fund, sold chicken corn soup and baked goods at the Center with a profit of \$473, held a chicken pot pie dinner at the Center with a profit of about \$1,400, five Lions assisted with crowd control at the Elverson Halloween

Parade, sponsored and ran the Honey Brook Halloween Parade, paid for an eye exam and glasses for a needy individual at a cost of \$175.00, gave the Twin Valley HS Leo Club \$50.00 for helping at the pot pie dinner

Kempton - Held Helen Keller Event - had 90 people attend this event, 594 hoagies sold, another Hoagie Sale November 13, held Roller Skating Party

Kennett Square - Lion Leo Jackson did a presentation on membership recruitment and retention. He focused about individually how we all can share our Lion Pride to others and how to maximize our visual ability, PGD Rich talked about the changes on our website and sent an email to all with instructions, two guests Mike Alf and Dave Sampson from the Avon Grove Lions spoke about KidSight program, guest speaker was one of our own members - Lion Ray Mckay - he presented a very interesting presentation about covered bridges in Chester County, two new members inducted Patrick Taylor and Stacie Taylor, held Halloween Feast Event



DG Nancy receiving the banner from Benin, Africa, from Lions Club President Antoine Bonou at the Eagle Glenmoore spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Eagle Glenmoore began a project with Benin to send needed medical supplies to their country. District 14-P has been supportive and contributing many items - an international club project that both clubs are enjoying.

Kimberton - Held Twelfth Annual Kimberton 5K Run/Walk and Kid's Fun Run - raised over \$1,800 for our charities and projects

Kutztown - Donated \$100.00 to KUBOK for "PAINT THE TOWN GOLD" a combined activity of Kutztown University and the Borough of Kutztown, \$300.00 to the District. for KidSight - member Martin Kozlowski volunteered to receive program training

Kutztown Lioness -

Lionville - Visited the Distribution Center of a local food pantry in Guthriesville, held White Canec \$311.33 was collected, a fundraiser at Bob Evans is being planned for January, will be selling the regional lottery calendars and taking order for Poinsettias,



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planning for the 40th Charter Night in February, gave a donation to Kidney-Cancer Research, a member worked on the Valley Stream Restoration Project with the West Chester Fish and Game Assn. to create a new stream diverter to help prevent erosion, members visited the Eagle Glenmoore Club for DG Nancy's visitation.

Longswamp

Mohnton - One member changed status from honorary to active, Chicken BBQ profit - \$3400, Great Pumpkin Parade - DG Gauthier was Grand Marshal - story and picture in Sunday paper - Headline, "Crowds Line Streets For Pumpkin Parade," Night At Friendly's earned \$131, November 13 - Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's in Wyomissing

Mount Aetna - Collections of tabs, eye glasses, stamps and magazines continuing, donation of use of den for Local Girl Scout groups began, Thanksgiving Ham Club in full swing, held Safe Halloween Night

at the den for community children, participated in Halloween Parade in Rehrersburg, Christmas tree / wreath sales planned to start towards end of November, playground project planned for spring start

Muhlenberg - Always in the process of collecting glasses, pull tabs and stamps, held the annual fall Pancake and Sausage Breakfast serving around 280 people. the Leo Club held their Safe Trick or Treat night at the elementary school giving out candy, running games, and giving out prizes - eighty Leos involved

Oxford - Welcome four new members - John and Janet Stonska and Bill and Jody Stahl - Zone Chair Lion Dave Sampson assisted by Lion Guy Hager conducted the installation and orientation program, Ham and Oyster Dinner will be held November 13 at the Fire Hall in Oxford, PA, participated in the Oxford Halloween Parade - handed out candy

Paoli - Berwyn - Malvern -

Had Lions Club exhibits at Blues Festival in Paoli, Malvern Fall Festival, and 55+ Health Expo at Immaculate University, also had an exhibit on Age Related Macular Degeneration at the Health Expo, the club sponsored a prospective member social at Paoli Diner - Lion Ruth Taylor spoke to the club about "Retention," held White Cane fundraiser, attended the Paoli Senior Supper Club at Paoli Hospital and presented a check to co-sponsor this monthly event for the community

Parkesburg - Members volunteered many hours in various non Lion community activities,

members attended the West Goshen, Bern Township & Spring Township, Kempton Lions, Kempton Lioness, Fleetwood, Central Berks, Wernersville, Shoemakersville, Shartlesville, Rehrersberg, Reading Pagoda Lions Clubs, members and two kids attended the Mohnton Lions Halloween Parade in Mohnton, Lion President Art Polk serves on the Chester County Blind Association Board, sponsored Parkesburg Halloween Parade, members plus four guests attended the Christiana Lions in District 14D, held White Cane, selling peanuts as a fundraiser

The Directors of our club have asked that I let you (DG Nancy) know of a change our club is making - Inspired by our new International President's article in the July/August LION magazine, as well as by your own presentation at our October 7th meeting, VP Al Piasecki put forward the motion that Shillington Lions Club change its active slogan to:

**Loving Individuals Offering
Needed Services**

and I am very happy to report that it was unanimously accepted - we all feel that this phrase truly represents what our clubs goals are for those in our own community as well as those outside of it.

Regards

Lion Marilyn Tyler



Lions Roar

10&41 Parkesburg Lions Consignment and Thrift

Celebrating first anniversary - donated towels and stuffed animals to LaMancha, collecting eye glasses and pull tabs

Reading Pagoda

Rehrersburg - Serving breakfast on the 1st Sunday of each month running through April 2011, breakfast will be served from 7:30 to noon - eggs, sausage, ham, home fries, pancakes and cream chip beef are the main entries, there will also be monthly specials like Apple Dumplings, French toast and Blueberry pancakes, dinner and Turkey Raffle scheduled for November 19th - tickets are \$10 a person - ticket price includes dinner, homemade desserts and drinks, also selling tickets to raffle off 20 turkeys - raffle tickets are a dollar a piece or 6 tickets for \$5 - doors open at 6 pm and dinner begins at 6:30 pm, for tickets or more info contact Clif at 610-589-1196

Shartlesville - Holding a Country Western Dance at Haag's Hotel November 4 and 18 from 7:30 to 10:30 pm, winter coat collection ran throughout October, in the process of setting up Dave Kline, WEEU, for speaker in January to talk about advertising, working on kiosk for the park in Shartlesville in cooperation with the Hamburg High School

Shillington - Continually collecting soda tabs, postage stamps, Redner's receipts, eyeglasses, and baseball caps, held Flea Market, participated in Mohnton Halloween Parade and Shillington Slate Folding, income - \$72.00 - Bag and Broom, \$894.00 - Flea Market, \$125.00 - Boscov's Fund Raiser \$19.00, donated \$1000.00 to Shillington Borough Display Cabinet, two eye examinations and glasses provided (through donation) to needy applicants, clothing donations to Reading Thrift Shop

Shoemakersville -

Spring City - Held the Spring City Lions Club Annual Halloween Parade - another Halloween activity was the judging of house decorating

Spring Township

Strausstown - y

Topton -

Valley Forge

Wernersville - Held a chicken BBQ with great success selling over 450 half chickens, just finished distribution of the club calendar (which is also a fundraiser-profit around \$2400) throughout the town of Wernersville, collected 267 pairs of eyeglasses and 263 hearing aid batteries!

West Chester

West Chester Daybreak - Prepared and served meals to 28 homeless persons through the West Chester Salvation Army - money for the \$55.00 meal was raised by 50-50's at the club meetings

West Goshen -

West Reading/Wyomissing - Charter Night was held on September 16, 2010 - this event was an unforgettable night for the club - the abundant number of guests in attendance was quite surprising but meaningful for the club, attendance by DG Nancy, previous D G Rich Taylor, our Guiding Lions Ron Bickhart and Carl Gundrum, and the emotional words spoken by JT Binstead, made the club grateful for the wonderful event held on its behalf, participated in Heritage Days. donating to women in crisis, attending Leo's meeting, helping with camps Dream Catcher, Lily, and Beacon Lodge, and donating food to John Paul II School



Lion Carol Houck from the Birdsboro Lions Club starting the 6:00 A.M. shift of White Cane



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND AND HONOR
ALL "BING" MILLER FELLOWS

AT THE 1ST "BING" MILLER FOUNDATION BANQUET

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19
SPRING HOLLOW COUNTRY CLUB
SPRING CITY, PA

6:00 P.M. - SOCIAL - CASH BAR 7:00 P.M. - DINNER
\$28.00 A PERSON
DELICIOUS BUFFET AND SURPRISE

CONTACT THE SMITH'S - 610-647-3674

We are still looking for contestants from the U.S. and Canada to participate in this year's Global Youth Music Contest.

The below link will provide you with the information needed.



<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/online-community/official-contests/global-youth-music-competition/index.php>

Sincerely,
Dane LaJoye, Division Manager, Public Relations and Communications



Operation KID SIGHT

A program of your Indiana Lions Foundation, Inc.

Soon to be a similar operating program in 14-P

Lions, Lioness and Leo's

Over the past several months a steering committee has been meeting to see how feasible it is to form a KidSight program in our District. The committee consisted of VDG1 Phil Shoher, Grant Chairperson; Region Adviser John Stasulli, Fund-raising Chairperson; Lion Joann Wisniewsk, Secretary; Rodger Knauth, Berks County Coordinator and Procedure Chairperson; John Windle, Chester County Coordinator; ZC Rosemary Stasulli and Lion Candice Shoher.

The KidSight program is a program to screen children's vision for common vision problems, including near and farsightedness (myopia / hyperopic), astigmatism (asymmetrical focus) and anisometropia (unequal power between the eyes). The main objective is to detect evidence of amblyopic (lazy) eyes. Early detection improves the outcome.

The screening will be for children from birth to 6 years of age and will be performed by trained Lions from various clubs in the district. The screening will be conducted at Head Start Centers, Pre-Kindergarten, Day Care Centers, Family Centers and Health Fairs.

The present plan that was recommended by the committees is to have at least two members from each club to serve on the committee and receive the necessary training to perform the screening.

The first step in making this necessary project a reality is to raise funds. The committee is asking the 54 clubs in the district to donate at least \$300.00, or whatever they can afford. This will also be the District Governor's project for next year. The cost of the screening equipment will be approximately \$36,000.00. This is for 4 Eye Screening Units and 4 Hearing Testing Units. This means that each one of the 4 regions in the district will have access to the screening equipment.

The reason for asking for the donation at this time is that there are many grants available but they are matching fund grants, so we need donations to be in a position to apply for the grants.

All donations should be made to District 14-P and sent to DT Tim Mills and earmarked KidSight Fund and they should be received before May 1, 2011 so we can have this project in operation for the new DG and before the new school year.

A meeting was held on November 2, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the St. Thomas Church in Morgantown to answer questions.

It was brought to the committee's attention that the Berks County Blind Association is performing some of the screening. They screened 3,175 children last year which is not all the pre school children in Berks County, that is just one reason why this project is needed.

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Fundraiser Chairperson

RA John Stasulli

November is Diabetes Awareness Month

Text submitted by PDG Fran, - Diabetes Chairperson

The incidence of diabetes is increasing each year. Why are Lions concerned, and what can they do? Helen Keller called us, "Knights of the Blind", and we are. Lions are there to help those in need, to serve others.

This year I am stressing the need to look around your communities – many of the elderly do not have insurance to pay for eye exams. By the time they notice a real eye problem, the damage has been done -they seek help to reverse the situation, and it is often too late. Eye examinations are needed to prevent preventable blindness.

When the ophthalmologist or optometrist puts drops in your eyes, he/she causes the pupil to dilate and they can see the inner lining of your eye, the retina. They can see the tiny blood vessels that may be damaged, they can see beginning cataracts and when puff the air into your eye they can test the pressure which might indicate glaucoma. These are treatable before blindness is encountered.

Feet are another potential problem with diabetic persons. Nerve damage can occur, diabetic neuropathy, when feeling and pain sensation decrease. And also, blood flow damage, PVD – peripheral vascular disease. If your feet lose sensation and the blood flow is not what I was, sores can develop, infection occur, healing is delayed and more importantly if someone is not checking your feet – you may not know that you have a problem. Again, foot care may not be covered or seen as necessary by your elderly, poor and disabled.



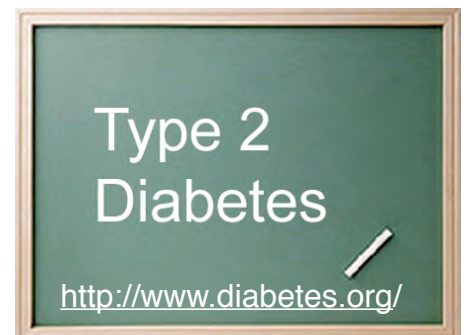
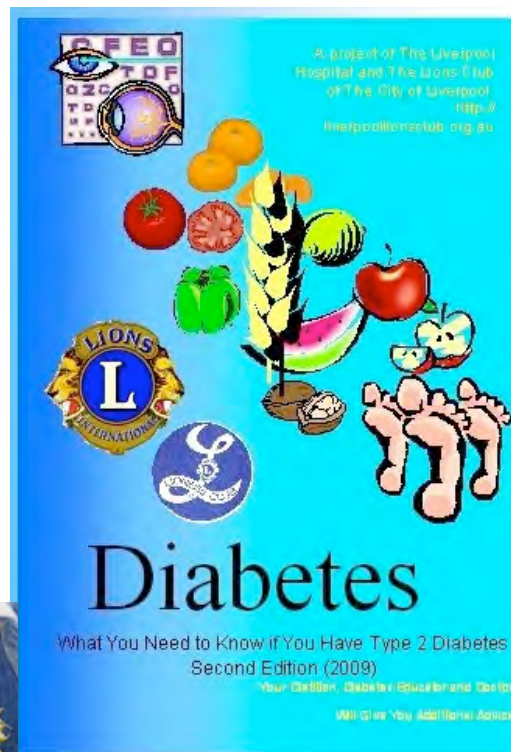
Obesity leads to heart disease, strokes, diabetes type II (non insulin dependent) and certain types of cancer. In 2009, there were nine states that 30% of their population was obese. In 2000, no states had a rate that high. In Detroit, **50%** of their population is obese. Detroit is so concerned that they are going to turn over acreage for people to create vegetable gardens, so they have a supply of healthy foods. It is cheaper to feed poor with filling foods that are often sugary and starchy. They are on the road to diabetes.

And finally there is dental care. It is costly, diabetic persons often have more teeth and gum problems and are not able to pay for good dental care. They need to be aware of swollen, bleeding gums, a bad taste or odor in their mouth, or painful toothaches.

Lions are concerned and need to focus on publicizing our availability to assist those in need. Maybe a Lions club could sponsor a free eye screening and foot exam program. Maybe a Lions club could sponsor a walk like the Elverson Morgantown Lions Club is doing, to stress the importance of activity and healthy eating to prevent obesity and diabetes. Maybe your Lions club could hang a poster in your community in November making the disadvantaged know that Lions can help defray some physical exams if they are in need.

world diabetes day

14 November



Make this November the year that Lions Clubs in District 14-P help prevent Diabetes from increasing

Here Comes Da Gov!

Traveling with Da Gov by Lion Jill Scott, Secretary,
Parkesburg Club

I have been on many club visitations with District Governor Nancy E. Gauthier, (Da Gov). How interesting to see where other clubs meet and how their meetings are run. I have been to restaurants, hotels, fire halls, schools, and a picnic at someone's house, just to name a few. Regardless of where they meet, Lions are awesome and Lionism is alive and well.

The drives to the club meetings with Da Gov have been interesting. She drives like she needs to get there yesterday, although she is a good and safe driver. The drives home are much calmer. However, I won't mention the ditch she almost put us in near my house. LOL.

We have wonderful funny, insightful, etc. conversations on the drives as DG Nancy is not only Da Gov, she is a friend. She knows EVERYONE so I am meeting Lions I would otherwise never have known and making new friends as well.

Respectfully, some of the Lions are quite the characters – there is the Lion who calls her, in his Pennsylvania Dutch accent, The Governor Lady, there is the Lion who dubbed her Here Comes the Gov, which is where I got it from, and there are Lions who call her names, like sweetie, honey, etc. And there is me who calls her, with a southern accent even though I am not from

the south, District Governor Nancy, every chance I get. All in all, Da Gov is a well known, likeable, lovable person and is the perfect person to serve as not only a Lion and Fannie Mae, but as District Governor.

The Zone Chair of the club is to be at the meetings to introduce Da Gov. However, at one meeting, the Zone Chair was sick and I had to do an impromptu introduction, which I found out shortly after arriving at the meeting. Da Gov had left her intro sheet in the car so I was short handing what I was supposed to say on my notepad (as they were introducing me!) I was told I did a good job but I didn't think so until one of the members, a PDG, came up and said the members wouldn't know if any of what I said was true or not so don't worry about it. (Sorry DG Nancy!)

I hope to go on many more club visitations with Da Gov and urge everyone, no matter what club you are from, to go on a club visitation; either on your own or with your DG, as well. There are so many Lions to meet. It opens the door to new ideas and contacts to spread the word on your clubs activities. I learn so much from all of these meetings and from Da Gov.

Thank you Lion Nancy for being an awesome DG!



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- Membership**
- Leadership**
- Orientation**
- Beacon Lodge**
- LEO Clubs**
- Lions ALERT**
- Leader Dog**



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- Peace Poster Contest**
- White Cane**
- Youth Exchange**
- Diabetes Awareness**
- International Twinning**



- PA Eye Research**
- LCIF**
- KidSight**
- USA/Canada Forum**
- PA Hearing Research**
- Lions of PA Foundation**
- Lions Eye Bank of the DE Valley**



SPEAKERS and PROGRAMS



President's Message

Serving Together

by Sid L. Scruggs III

*President, The International Association of
Lions Clubs*

“Everybody can be great because everybody can serve. You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love.”—Martin Luther King

“Greatness comes not from prizes won, but from lives changed.”—Anonymous

I fear that few people when asked to give a definition of greatness would speak of service to others. This month, [LION Magazine](#) features great clubs that have excelled in service to others. They are not just another volunteer group in their community, but they are at the center of community life, turning clusters of homes into true neighborhoods where people care about and look after one another. Their service shines a powerful beacon of hope that has created a momentum of positive change.

Yet what’s interesting about these clubs is that they are really not much different than any other Lions club. Perhaps they have a core group of members with extra motivation, passion and leadership that lifts up the other members. But one thing is clear: these clubs have decided to take “that Lions’ Spirit” to new levels of service.

These clubs are true Beacons of Hope and they know that, as Helen Steiner Rice wrote, “Time is not measured by the years that we live, but by the deeds that we do and the joys that we give.”

Shining a beacon on certain clubs in no way diminishes the service of any club. Every act of service is a great deed, and every club deserves praise for improving their community. As we share the deeds of some clubs, let each of us encourage one another to be all that we can be. Being beacons of hope takes energy, commitment and an untiring selflessness.

Please take full advantage today, and then tomorrow, and the day after of the opportunities and responsibilities of being a Lion. Our loving service can shine a light on people that will change their lives, for the better, forever.



“The Lions organization has made a tremendous impact on more than 80 million lives. Without the Lions, we would not have been able to bring the drug for river blindness to those who need it most.”

Vlad Hogenhuis, Merck & Co.,
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New Video Message

Relieving the Hunger

With the global economic downturn, more families are finding it difficult to put food on the table. That's why President Scruggs is asking Lions to shine a light on hunger during a special service action campaign, "Relieving the Hunger." During December and January, your club can organize projects that mobilize your members to make a difference by helping those affected by hunger in your community. [Watch "Relieving the Hunger" video message. And learn how you can help relieve hunger in your community.](#)



[Lions Clubs International Blog](#)

Read our blog to get news updates from Lions Clubs International during the month.

[Lions Clubs iPhone App](#)

Download our iPhone App to stay in touch with us.

[International Contest](#)

Enter your Newsletter, Trading Pin, Banner or Web Site today.

[Environmental Photo Contest](#)

Organize a club-level contest to showcase the beauty of nature.

[Take the LQ Viewer Survey](#) Deadline

LQ - Lions Quarterly video magazine shares inspiring stories of how Lions are making a difference in communities around the world. We post a new edition of LQ in January, April, July and October of each year, and we need your input! To help ensure that upcoming episodes will continue to have the stories you're most interested in - in a format that you can easily use - [take the LQ Viewer Survey now.](#)

Strengthen Membership

Strengthening membership is important for both new and long-term Lions alike. For new Lions, it's about getting acquainted with a new service organization. For long-term Lions, it's about getting back to the basics.

- [Member orientation](#) provides new members with the information they need to get started as a Lion. It also serves as a refresher for existing Lions, with information on Lion history, structure, its purpose and ethics.
- The [Mentoring Program](#) teams a knowledgeable Lion mentor with a new Lion. The mentor's role is to acquaint the new member with Lions Clubs International, encourage club involvement, develop their leadership skills and offer guidance for holding a club position.
- Continue to keep members engaged by incorporating various [membership retention](#) programs. These programs focus on club cooperation, member morale and enhanced meetings to help get members involved.
- Celebrate new members by participating in [Lions Worldwide Induction Day](#).

Bright Star Awards

The Bright Start Awards recognize district governors who achieved strong membership results during the first three months of this year. Congratulations to the 299 district governors who have qualified for one of the Bright Start Awards

14-P had a + in membership ending 9/30/2010 which made us eligible for the awards

IP Sid Scruggs will be presenting the award to DG Nancy at the International Convention in Seattle

2011 LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

More than 12,000 Lions attended the 2010 convention in Australia. And now, we're looking forward to our 94th annual International Convention in **Seattle, Washington, USA**. Lions from around the world will come together from Monday, July 4, 2011 through Friday, July 8, 2011, to enjoy this exciting four-day event filled with fellowship, learning and fun. There has already been a buzz around District 14-P about getting a great representation to take the trek across country to attend the convention. We will be promoting PID Harold Ott and his quest to become 2nd VP of Lions International to the conventioners. [To learn more about convention events, registration and official hotels, please visit the International website, www.lionsclubs.org](#).

The Year-Round Growth Program

Now more than ever, Lions need resources and promotional programs to stimulate membership growth. Lions need to be proud to share their club with prospective members.

They should be encouraged to invite people to become Lions. To help with the invitation process, Lions Clubs International has several membership growth programs available, including the **Year Round Growth Program**.

The Year-Round Growth Program consists of two parts—the awards section and the membership growth strategies section.

*Our awards section** offers awards for individuals who sponsor new members and for clubs, districts and multiple districts that meet membership growth criteria. We strive to recognize Lions and their clubs promptly.

Our membership growth strategies section provides tools, resources and strategies to aid members and clubs with inviting members. You will find many membership growth strategies (such as the Recruiting Wheel, Club Sponsor Night, and 30 Marketing Ideas) on the Lions Clubs International Web site (lionsclubs.org). You will also find mention of these resources on page 2 of this flyer.



The Year Round Growth Program: Awards

Certificate of Sponsorship

Every Lion that sponsors a new member is eligible to receive a Certificate of Sponsorship from the international president. (The sponsorship certificate is included along with the New Member Certificate in the New Member Kits, which can be ordered at no charge from the Club Supplies Department. We encourage each club to present both the sponsorship and new member certificates at the new member induction ceremony.)

Membership Excellence Lapel Pin

Lions who sponsor three (3) or more members during a given fiscal year will receive the Year-Round Growth Membership Excellence Lapel Pin. Pins will automatically be sent to club secretaries for distribution to qualifying members following the close of the fiscal year.

Membership Excellence Banner Patch

Clubs that bring in the required number of members in their category will receive a Year-Round Growth Membership Excellence Banner Patch acknowledging a club's efforts in strengthening membership during a given fiscal year. Banner patches will automatically be sent to club secretaries following the close of the fiscal year. The club categories, and the required number of new members for the category, are: Clubs with 21 or fewer members: bring in 3 or more new members Clubs with 22 – 40 members: bring in 5 or more new members Clubs with 41 or more members: bring in 8 or more new members

Computers for the Blind, Low Vision and Physically Challenged

The Shillington Lions Club Foundation in partnership with Synergy-Tech have a program of computer recycling that benefits the blind, low vision and physically challenged.

The program is directed to those individuals that are unable to see the computer screen or are unable to use their hands to type.

How it Works

Solicitations are made to Governmental Agencies and Businesses for used computers (typically 2-3 years old). When received at Synergy-Tech, their hard drives are wiped and the computers are refurbished with needed parts and software. The software enables voice recognition for both reading and dictation.

Once the individual is identified, a computer is delivered to them and training is provided by a representative of

Synergy-Tech. In some cases there may be a small charge for computer parts.

Synergy-Tech will also provide information to the individual about Governmental programs and charitable organizations that will assist the individual in obtaining full versions of the voice recognition software if needed by the individual. Depending on eligibility, there may be a charge for the software.

If you know of someone that could benefit from this program, contact Shillington Lion Nathan Seidel (484-706-6159) and we will attempt to help them.

Lion Dan Lubas
Reporting Secretary
Shillington Lions Club
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DEAR LIONS CLUBS:



I'm writing on behalf of the Army initiative, Operation Tribute to Freedom (OTF). OTF is a department of the Army designed to honor Soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan through speaking and recognition events in communities across the country. Recently, I reviewed the Lions Club mission statement, and I am impressed by the commitment your volunteers have to promoting international understanding and encouraging peace. I believe this would be a wonderful environment for one of our returning soldiers to participate in. That said, I am eager to gauge your interest in hosting recently returned Soldiers as speakers at your organization over the Winter and Spring seasons.

Returning Soldiers offer such a unique dimension to a diverse array of events and are very well-suited to speak on a variety of topics that are of interest to your membership base, including teamwork, leadership, camaraderie and their personal experiences in Iraq and/or Afghanistan. There is no cost associated with requesting a Soldier speaker as we identify Soldiers from the local area who volunteer their time to participate.

Please get in touch if you have any questions or would like to request a Soldier speaker. You can reach me directly by phone at (202)-828-8865 or via email at Audra.Achiu@fleishman.com. For more information on Operation Tribute to Freedom and the Speakers Service, also visit www.army.mil/otf.

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President Scruggs asks all Lions to organize food drives and projects to feed the hungry during the end of the year. [View video message.](#)



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISITATION SCHEDULE 2010-2011

JUNE 28 to JULY 10, 2010 –

International Convention – Sydney, Australia

JULY 2010

18 Beacon Lodge Appreciation Day

22 Reading Phillies EyeGlass Collection Night

29 Lions Eye Bank Governors Night

AUGUST 2010

3 Zone Chair Orientation Meeting- Morgantown

5 Kutztown Lions

6-8 PA State Council Mtg. Cranberry, PA (14-N)

9 Blandon Lions

10 West Chester Lions

11 Amity Lioness

14 1st CABINET MEETING – Morgantown

16 Merlow Meeting – Clair's, Morgantown

19 Oxford Lions

24 Frystown Lions

SEPTEMBER 2010

1 Mt. Aetna Lions

2 Mohnton Lions

3 Hamburg Lions

8 Exeter & Anteitam Lions at Anteitam

9 Honey Brook Lions

13 Cumru Lions

14 Conrad Weiser Lions

15 Amity Lions

16 W. Reading/Wyomissing Lions Charter Night

18 Passing of Banner – Hiberna Park 11:30am

20 Blandon Lioness

22-26 USA/Canada Forum – Milwaukee, WI

27 Birdsboro Lions

28 Bowers & Topton Lions at Bowers

30 Boyertown & Bally Lions at Boyertown

OCTOBER 2010

2 West Goshen Lions

5 Bern Township & Spring Twnshp at Bern

6 Kempton Lions

7 Shillington Lions

11 Kempton Lioness

12 Central Berks Lions

13 Wernersville Lions

14 Shoemakersville Lions

15 Convention Meeting - Morgantown

18 Shartlesville Lions

20 Reading Pagoda Lions

55

21 Rehresberg Lions

26 Spring City Lions

27 Fleetwood Lions

28 Elverson-Morgantown Lioness

29-31 PA State Council – Harrisburg/Hershey

NOVEMBER 2010

2 EagleGlenmoore - Lionville Lions

4 Kennett Square Lions

9 Paoli-Berwyn-Malvern Lions

10 Longswamp Lions

11 Parkesburg Lions

12 Convention Meeting, Morgantown

13 2nd CABINET MEEING – Morgantown

18 Kutztown Lioness

19 Bing Miller banquet

23 Muhlenberg Lions

25 THANKSGIVING

DECEMBER 2010

2 Downingtown Lions

7 West Chester Day Break Lions

8 Kimberton Lions

9 Strausstown Lions

14 Spring City

16 Coatesville Lions

25 CHRISTMAS DAY

JANUARY 2011

1 NEW YEARS DAY

12 Elverson-Morgantown Lions

14 Convention/Appreciation, Morgantown

25 Coventry Lions

FEBRUARY 2011

4-6 PA State Council Mtg. – Schnecksville 14-K

12 3rd CABINET MEETING - Morgantown

MARCH 2011

LIONS DAY AT THE UN (date undecided)

18 Convention Mtg – Morgantown

APRIL 2011

9 DISTRICT CONVENTION – INN AT READING

15 Conv Mtg Wrap-up/Apprec Mtg – Morgantown

MAY 2011

12-15 PA State Convention – Cranberry (14 N)

JUNE 2011

4 Pres & Sec & Treas Appreciation Night – at

14 FINAL Cabinet Meeting - Morgantown

JULY 2011

4 – 8 International Convention – Seattle, WA

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We Serve

Lions Clubs – Have a New IRS Filing Requirement



It's short, easy and electronic it's the new E-Postcard and it's required by the IRS. Don't throw away your tax-exempt status – be sure to file your e-Postcard.

How do you know if your Lions Club has a filing requirement?

If you are a small tax-exempt organization that normally has annual gross receipts of \$25,000* or less and does not have to file Form 990 or 990-EZ, you must file the e-Postcard (also known as 990-N). Please note that this is an IRS requirement.

• When is the e-Postcard due?

It's due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your tax year. Lions Clubs operate on a fiscal year, July 1 – June 30, and the e-Postcard will be due by November 15th each year.

• What information does your club need to provide on the e-Postcard?

- # a legal name and mailing address and any other names used,
- # a Web address if one exists,
- # employer identification number (EIN),
- # organization's annual tax period,
- # the name and address of a principal officer, and
- # a statement confirming the organization's annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000* or less.

• What happens if you don't file?

You risk losing your tax-exempt status! Any Lions Club that fails to meet its annual reporting requirement for three consecutive years automatically loses its tax-exempt status under the new law.

• Why is the IRS calling it an e- Postcard?

Because it's as simple as sending a postcard and it's electronic.

• Need more information?

Go to www.irs.gov/eo for complete details and while you're there sign up for Exempt Organization's free email newsletter, EO Update, to receive up-to-date information posted on the charity pages of irs.gov.

* The IRS intends to increase the Form 990-N (e-postcard) filing threshold from \$25,000 in gross receipts to \$50,000 in gross receipts, beginning with the 2010 tax year, filed in 2011.

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Form 990-N (e-Postcard): Organizations Not Permitted to File

The following organizations cannot file the e-Postcard but must file different forms instead:

- Tax-exempt organizations with annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$25,000 must file [Form 990](#) or [Form 990-EZ](#);
- [Private foundations](#) must file [Form 990-PF](#).
- Some section 509(a)(3) [supporting organizations](#) are required to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Note: Small organizations (those whose annual gross receipts are normally not more than \$5,000) that support certain religious organizations must file Form 990-N unless they [voluntarily file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ](#).

- [Section 527 \(political\) organizations required to file an annual exempt organization return](#) must file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Account, tax law, or questions about filing the e-Postcard should be directed to Customer Account Services at 1-877-829-5500. For questions about or problems with the e-Postcard filing system, use the **Technical Support** link on the filing site.

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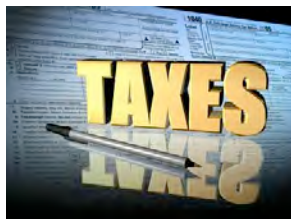
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