



Lion Eyes

Lions 14-P

14-P Adds New Branch



Recently several young professionals came together to form the Young Lions of West Chester. The club, which will be a branch of the West Chester Lions Club, was created to better the overall community through volunteerism.

Foster Good, President of the West Chester Lions Club stated, "We believe that the Young Lions of West Chester will be an important addition to provide community service to those residents and agencies in the West Chester area and to that end we have ceded significant autonomy to these bright and energetic young men and women"

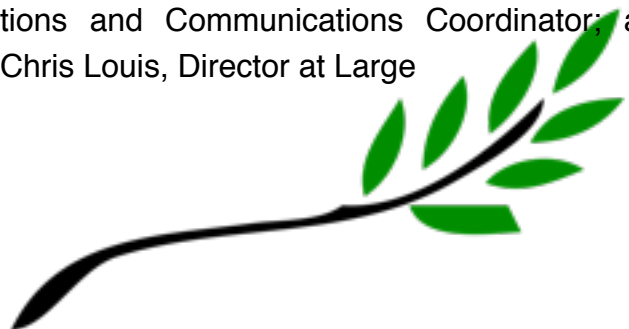
Good added that: "They will have a Board of Directors of their own and will also be represented on our Board of Directors".

Young adults throughout the West Chester area are encouraged to get involved. The

Young Lions of West Chester will meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Law Offices of Macalree and Harvey, 17 West Miner St., West Chester.

For information about the Young Lions contact Chuck Liedike at 610-889-1222.

Pictured above are the Board of Directors of the Young Lions of West Chester. From left to right: Sonya McDonough, Secretary; Andrew King, Events Coordinator; Renee Ryan, Vice President; Dan Wilson, President; Alicia Davies, Treasurer; Chuck Liedike, Public Relations and Communications Coordinator; and Chris Louis, Director at Large



PICTURE PERFECT DAY



How many of these faces are Familiar to you?

Participate in District Functions



ID Jim Cavallaro

Park Pavilion Popular as Place for Passing of the Banner





Lions Roar

Dessert Contest A Big Hit

More winning desserts in upcoming issues



Third prize for the dessert contest at the Passing of the Banner went to Eric Hansen - Avon Grove Lions

(watch for second and first place as well as runners up in upcoming editions)

Apple Crumb Pie (9")

5 cups tart apples (sliced)

9" pastry shell (I used a Pillsbury refrigerated pie crust, feel free to make your own)

1/2 cup sugar

1 teas. cinnamon

mix apples, sugar and cinnamon and layer into shell

1/2 cup sugar

3/4 cup flour

1/3 cup butter

mix flour and sugar together, cut in butter till crumbly, sprinkle over top of sliced apples

Bake at 400 degrees for about 35-40 minutes

Eric Hansen

Avon Grove Lions Club

P.S: this is my Mom's recipe



Lions Roar

Amity Township - Welcomed DG Nancy Gauthier and ZC Sue Prutzman, attended Zone Meeting in Boyertown, roast beef sandwich sale at Community Days netted \$1,700, cook book sales continue, participated in Amity Crime Watch 25th anniversary celebration, Quest Health Scan – St. Paul's Lutheran Church – October 9

Amity Township Lioness - In addition to the Chicken BBQ donation to the Villa at Morlatton, there were also approximately 30 chicken dinners donated to the Cluster of Churches, "Feed the Hungry", in Pottstown - Lioness Pat also donated some of the leftover cookies to St. Catherine's of Sienna Church for the children, held two Friendly's

Fundraiser - proceeds were \$469.00, honored to have DG Nancy Gauthier and her companion, Lion Jill Scott, Sec. of Parkesburg Lions Club, donated \$25.00 to Camp Dream Catcher in DG Nancy's name to thank her for the visitation to our club, held "Bingo in the Pavilion" during the Amity Community Days, also sold hot dogs and sauerkraut at the pavilion, Halloween Parade will be held on October 26 at the Amity Lake Drive Park - decorating our wagon and throwing candy for kids of all ages, holding Ham

Sandwich sale October 13, collected 15 glasses and 1 cell phone

Antietam Valley - PDG Paul Leinbach, Liason Gini Meyer, and Jr. Lion Justin Leinbach attended Lions Appreciation Day at Beacon Lodge Camp, 22 Eye-glass Donation Night at Reading Phillies game, Eye-bank meeting attended by PDG Paul and PCC Ray Rohrbach, Camp Lily Pavilion Roof Replacement completed in two days with payment for discounted materials provided by Lion John Leinbach's employer Beacon Roofing (shingles, etc) \$1,035.34, discounted labor provided by a friend of Lion Peter

Metz at a cost of \$560.00, provided transportation for a wife to visit a Lion in a nursing home, held - Chicken Bar-B-Q sale, **October 15 - Golf Tournament**, donated 26 caps and 48 pairs of eyeglasses, loaned wheelchair and canes

Avon Grove - Continuing Blue Bird Recovery Project, hospital equipment program continues to loan, the Book Barn is open Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings, until the end of October

Bally -

Bern Twp - Hosted over 30 deaf members

of the community and their family members at the club-run community pool for an evening of swimming fun, hosted a community flea market at the club run community pool

Birdsboro - Held family steak night, two members volunteered for community projects, walkers, wheelchairs etc. are out on loan **Ham Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 9 from 4-7 P.M. at the Birdsboro Masonic Lodge on Washington St. Price will be \$8.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for Children**



We had a "hidden jewel" of a speaker right here at West Chester University. On White Cane Day our Lion said thank you to Hayley for a contribution, saying your helping Beacon Lodge. She replied, "I work there"! Hayley Lacombe was in charge of the children's camp this year. She's worked there of years, since a counselor in training as a young teen, she's now a senior at WCU. What a GREAT SPEAKER and program, with enthusiasm, for Beacon Lodge!



Lions Roar

Blandon - Donated 65 hours to the Community during August, loaned out numerous items of medical equipment to the community, donated \$100.00 to the St. Joseph Hospital Foundation for support of Breast Cancer Research, \$150.00 to the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fleetwood to support project "Overtime" to keep students off the streets after football and basketball events, held their annual Chicken bar-b-que fundraiser, entertained the Meadowood Music Fest by serving food for the event, numerous Blandon Lions and Lioness visited Central Berks Lions at their annual Steak Fry

Bowers - Earned \$1850 for parking cars and helping at the gate for two days at the annual Chile Pepper Festival in Bowers

Boyertown - Hoagie Sale hosted, making 336 hoagies and handing out Lions information, 15 Boyertown Lions visited the Blandon Lions Club Hoagie Sale - October 23, welcomed DG Nancy. held Chicken Bar-B-Q sale, **October 15, Golf Tournament**

Central Berks - In a wonderful example of service, five Central Berks Lions recently helped build a wheelchair ramp at the Hamburg home of Lions Richard and Betty Kunkel, held Ham Sand-



Central Berks Lions install new ramp at the Kunkel's home

wich Sale and Chicken BBQ and bake sale - sold 526 BBQs (sold out!) and realized a total profit of \$2,036

Coatesville - Members delivered Meals on Wheels and drove senior to doctor appointment, family picnic, planning a Celtic Concert at the high school on Oct. 3rd. at 2:00 p.m. Tickets

are \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children, White Cane is planned for October the Leo Club has a new advisor - Megan Lavan

Conrad Weiser - The summer picnic was held and new officers installed by DG Nancy, the chicken b-bque was the most successful in recent years, money was donated to the fire company, approved to send a local resident to the Beacon Lodge Camp, and went to a local resident in need of operation Bob Dries was recognized for 27 years of service as a club officer. The chicken barbeque profits donated

Coventry -

Cumru Township -



DG Nancy inducted two new members into the Hamburg Lions club at her official visit. L/R Kervin Kline sponsor of Deidre Werner DG Nancy Andrew Flammer and his sponsor Kathleen Maberry

Downingtown - Planning to have a Pancake Breakfast on November. 20, having a lot of activity with the local Leo Club and the club is working with them to put out a cookbook

Eagle Glenmoore



Lions Roar

Elverson Morgantown -

Seven members attended the cabinet meeting, Lions Len & Jim (way over the hill gang) paid a visit to club, eleven members attended charter night for W. Reading/Wyo.

Club, planning diabetes awareness walk with local YMCA

Elverson - Morgantown Lioness -

Exeter - Gathering, editing, writing news updates, headline writing for monthly "Lion's Tale," members performed 24

hours of non-Lion community service, worked at Camp Lily for handicapped children, delivered a wheelchair to a needy resident, White Cane set for October 14-16

Fleetwood - Sold Lion Lotto tickets, Berks County Commissioner Mark Scott spoke at club meeting with 35 guests from Blandon, Boyertown and Central Berks, soccer tournament held with an income \$1250, membership training dates for October 9 and 16

Frystown \$75.00 scholarship paid to most improved Vo Tech boy student, 24 man hours spent on playground maintenance, and 8 man hours spent removing and painting over graffiti at playground buildings

Hamburg - Still collecting stamps, soda tabs and eye glasses and donating Monthly Birthday Cake to



PDG Walt Labs presenting a check from District 14-P to Diane Price, the chairman of the Berks County Armed Forces Advisory Committee. This took place at their meeting on September 8, 2010. This is the committee that organizes and runs the annual Armed Forces Day Parade in Berks County, and we joined with for the 2010 Lions State Convention. The District 14-P Cabinet approved that we give the Committee 10% of the "profit" from the sale of calendars, and it is expected that will amount to about \$1,500 for the Committee. This check was for \$1,000, and it was stipulated that the Lions would be displayed on the 6 billboards advertising next year's parade, as we were on this past parade. The balance of the amount to be given to them will be done at a later date, and that will also be a surprise for them. They were very much surprised at this donation and expressed their gratitude to the Lions and Lioness of District 14-P. ZC Len Crowther

seniors, six members worked on community projects, two members attended the Exeter & Anti-etam meeting, two members attended Mt Aetna meeting with DG, two members attended the West Reading/Wyomissing Charter Night, two members attended the Blandon Lioness

meeting with DG Nancy, two members visited the Avon Grove Lions and Zone 4B meeting, donated \$500.00 to the King Frost Parade for a band in the parade, \$500.00 to the union fire Co. of Hamburg, \$200.00 to Diabetes Awareness, won Region 1 point contest, October 13 serving Senior Citizens' and

paying for their meals, October 24 hold Quarter Auction to raise funds for a paralyzed resident of a rehabilitation home, October 30 enter float in King Frost Parade

Honey Brook - Twin with Durban, SA club, the food wagon was at H&R Auction every Monday night except Labor Day, held White Cane Days with a collection of \$2,717.59, sold chicken pot pie at the Hay Creek festival with an estimated profit of about \$2,530, sold food from our food wagon at Honey Brook Harmony Day with a profit of \$771.45. two club members attended the Elverson Morgantown Lions meeting, sold food at the Car Cruise the club co-sponsored with an estimated profit of about \$500, sold food at D'Ambrosia Dodge in Elverson at a Breast Cancer Awareness event, will sell chicken corn soup and baked goods at the Center on October 9, holding a **chicken pot pie dinner at the Center on October 16**, will sponsor, organize, and run the annual Honey Brook **Halloween Parade on October 25**



Lions Roar

Kempton - Held regular meetings in August, members attended Reading Phillies Eyeglass Night

Kennett Square -

Kimberton - Held Twelfth Annual Kimberton 5K Run/Walk and Kid's Fun Run - last year raising nearly \$3,000 for club charities and projects

Kutztown -

Kutztown Lioness -

Lionville - Planning the White Cane fundraising and will be selling Poinsettias for the holidays

Longswamp

Mohnton - Held annual Steak Fry

Mount Aetna -

Muhlenberg - Always in the process of collecting glasses, pull tabs and stamps, held a steak fry, as a social event for the members, families and friends, held a clam bake, as a social event, held golf tournament

Oxford - Food trailer to Freedom Fest at Nottingham Park, Lion President David Trainor assumed his duties, annual District Governor's visit – we enjoyed DG Nancy Gauthier's program, goals and good humor, held annual family picnic at Nottingham Park, awarded the Melvin Jones Award to Lion Lee Devine - his family was present to help him celebrate this great achievement

Paoli - Berwyn - Malvern - Planning White Cane on October 15-16 and Poinsettia Plant Sale from September to December, participated in the Hearing Walk, helped with the Age Related Macular Degeneration group meeting in Paoli

Parkesburg - Held Monday Night Bingo in the Park, members offered service to local community organizations, members have accompanied DG Nancy on her visitations, two members attended the State council meeting

International President Sid Scruggs is presenting a new award this year. It is a focal point of this year's Presidential Theme. "A Beacon of Hope"

THE BEACON AWARDS

Will recognize outstanding achievement by clubs and districts in the area of SERVICE. Categories include:

Most Creative Youth Program Activity by a club or district.

Outstanding Service to the Blind or Visually Impaired by a club or district.

Best Hunger Relief Program or activity by a club or district.

Best Environmental Project by a club or district.

Lion that best exemplified the spirit of service. (Entries may only be submitted by executive officers or international directors.)

There is a time limit on each project.

Beacon Awards will be presented at the 2011 Lions Clubs International Convention in Seattle, Washington



Lions Roar



in Cranberry, PA, plans underway for **Halloween Parade** and October Fest on October 23 (No rain date)

10&41 Parkesburg Lions Consignment and Thrift donated 3 dozen towels to a local animal shelter, collecting tabs and eye glasses

Reading Pagoda

Rehlersburg - Held two carnival fund-raisers, received medical equipment, starting breakfasts the first Sunday each month beginning October 3

Shartlesville

Shillington - Continually collecting soda tabs, postage stamps, Redner's receipts, eyeglasses, and baseball caps, participated in Shillington Community Days, held Flea Market, donated \$705.70 to Greater Gov. Mifflin League, one Eye Examination and glasses provided to needy applicant (6 year old), Burger Burn at Sam's Club – August 28

TO ALL LIONS, LIONESSES, AND LEOS OF DISTRICT 14-P

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND AND HONOR
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AT THE 1ST "BING" MILLER FOUNDATION BANQUET

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Lions Roar

Shoemakersville -

Spring City - Held Spring City Community National Night Out, sold Advertising for 2011 Spring City Lions Historic Calendar, \$185 committed, two members participated in New Jersey Eye Glasses "Recycling Center" processing

Spring Township

Strausstown - Held 39th Annual Car Show, donated 160 packs of hamburger and hot dog buns to food pantry

Topton -

Valley Forge

Wernersville

West Chester

West Chester Daybreak - Nine members packed food boxes for the Chester County Food Cupboard to be donated to Sr. Citizens, 1 member delivered

food boxes to Sr. Citizens, 1 member cooked dinner for the Salvation Army, and 2 members served the meal to 35 homeless persons, 7 members worked the food booth for the Goshen Fair

West Goshen - Members prepared and served dinner at the Safe Harbor Homeless Shelter in West Chester, participated in the Goose Creek Clean, held White Cane Days and collected approximately \$2,500

West Reading/Wyomissing - Held a Cloister Car Wash fundraiser, and held 1st Charter Night

West Wyomissing Lioness - Paid prizes to the Peace Poster Winner. A check for \$50. went to two students and a check for \$25 went to two other students; for a total of \$150.00.

We are in the process of selling all of our assets. The remaining funds which will be at least \$1,200 will be donated to the Penna. Beacon Lodge Camp. After 23 years we have regrettably decided to disband the club. Thank everyone for this opportunity to serve the community.

November 13
Cabinet Meeting
9:00 AM
St Thomas Church
Morgantown

Does our DG ever sit still? SHE'S EVERYWHERE



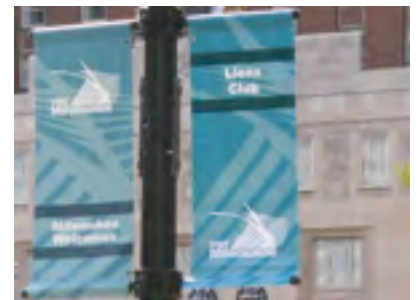
DG Nancy at the Harley Davidson Museum in Milwaukee at the USA/Canada Leadership Forum



Lion Karen Taylor-Good (recording artist, Nashville TN) and DG Nancy Gauthier holding Lion Karen's "Songs for Lions" CD. This CD contains two wonderful songs about serving and also We Serve.



PID Ted Fusco, Lion Rita Fusco (14A), PDG Rich Taylor, Lion Ruth Taylor (14P), PCC Terry Musselman, Lion Kathy Faust and Lion Carolyn Cassell (14T)



Photos by
Lion Ruth Taylor



The Milwaukee Art Museum with the roof wings extended



In front of the Harley-Davidson Cycle Museum. DG Nancy, Lion Ruth Taylor and Lion Dave Gauthier.



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

UPDATE ON HAITI RELIEF EFFORTS

Building Hope by Building Homes:

Six hundred Haitian families will move into new homes thanks to an initiative between LCIF, the Lions of MD 111 Germany, and HELP, an international non-governmental organization (NGO). This is the first of many reconstruction projects to receive support from LCIF thanks to the generous response from the international family of Lions following the devastating earthquake in Haiti. Through the project, homes will be erected directly on a family's plot of land, thus avoiding the hardship of further displacement and any potential property disputes.



The building of these homes is an important first step toward reestablishing normal life for families who lost their homes and so much more after the earthquake.

LCIF continues to support the Haitian Lions as they serve the neediest in their communities with many other initiatives:

- 3,000 people continue to live and receive their basic needs in three Lions-sponsored tent cities in the communities of Delmas, Blanchard and Carrefour-Feuille.
- The Haitian Lions operate a house in Port-au-Prince that serves as temporary housing for skilled volunteers. For example, medical volunteers and doctors providing free surgery to burn and trauma patients from HumaniTerra stay in the house.
- Haitian Lions are at the forefront of high-level planning meetings for the redevelopment of Haitian eye care services. In May, Haitian Lions attended a meeting of the Haitian Eye Care NGO Collaboration Group and representatives of the Haitian Ministry of Health to prioritize needs within the Haitian eye care system. A follow-up meeting of the group is scheduled for November.



Youth Exchange



In the Nishio City Lions Club meeting room – (L-R) Lion Hiroako Okada, Nishio-Shinkin Bank President Lion Minoru Kondo, PDG Rich Taylor, Leo Mao Ido, Nishio Lion President Tsuneo Kawai, Leo Kaitlin O’Boyle, Nishio Lion Secretary Tadao Toyama, Nishio-Shinkin Bank Chairman, Nishio Lions YE Chair Lion Isamu Tsujimura



Leo Kaitlin O’Boyle and PDG Rich Taylor at the Nagoya Castle



PDG Rich Taylor and his host family Lion Tadao and Mrs. Taeko Toyama at a Japanese Tea House.



PDG Rich battles a Samurai Warrior



The Avon Grove Lions Club Book Sales at the Barn

We're open every Friday 4pm to 8pm and Saturday 9am to Noon April through October

Located at the large barn on Hwy 41 and Hwy 1 just north of Avondale

[See Map](#)

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QUARTERS FOR A CAUSE



{Sponsored by the Hamburg Lions Club}

Benefits: Vern Dingle **[living with quadriplegia]**

BID UP TO FOUR QUARTERS ON A CHANCE TO WIN PRIZES!!

When: Sunday, October 24

Where: Hamburg Middle School Cafeteria

Time: Doors open at 12:00 pm, Auction begins at 1:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00 includes admission, bidding paddle, and raffle ticket

**COME EARLY TO LOOK AROUND,
GRAB A SNACK*, AND BUY
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**Please bring your
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

Doris 610-562-8492 or Amber 610-406-8953
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Helen Keller

A PRESENTATION BY REV. DR. RAY SILVERMAN ON ONE OF THE 20th CENTURY'S MOST INSPIRING PEOPLE



Helen Keller, the world-renowned champion for the handicapped, was struck blind and deaf at the age of 19 months. She never regained her sight, hearing, or normal speech. Nevertheless, she rose above her triple handicaps to be regarded as one of the most influential women in history. A 2010 Internet poll ranked her as #1 on the list of Top Ten Extraordinary People with Disabilities (the list includes Ludwig von Beethoven and Stephen Hawking).

Rev. Dr. Ray Silverman is a Swedenborgian minister and the editor of *Light in My Darkness*, the 1994 revision of Keller's spiritual autobiography, *My Religion*. He will make the connection between her faith as a Swedenborgian and her challenge to the Lions Club to "constitute [themselves] as Knights of the Blind in [her] crusade against darkness."

7:00 p.m., Saturday, October 23

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**PENNSYLVANIA LIONS
DISTRICT 14-P**

For more information, contact Tom Kerr at (610) 756-4376.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL NEWSWIRE

How to Host a Local Peace Poster Contest

Some children learn about war and strife first hand in their homeland. Many others view the unsettling images on television. That's why Lions clubs around the world sponsor local Peace Poster Contests to give children a way to artistically express what peace means to them. [Learn more about our annual Peace Poster Contest. And get "Tips and Tools" you can use to](#)



Lions, Special Olympics Celebrate 10 Years of Changing Lives through Opening Eyes

This month, we're celebrating the 10th anniversary of the [Lions Clubs International-Special Olympics Opening Eyes program](#).

During the recent 2010 Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia Regional Games in Warsaw, Poland, LCIF Chairperson Eberhard J. Wirfs joined Dr. Timothy Shriver, Chairman and CEO of Special Olympics, to celebrate this partnership. Lions members also reached a major milestone during this event - screening the 200,000th Special Olympian as part of the Opening Eyes program. [Read blog](#).



Enter the Power of Peace Essay Contest

Clubs are encouraged to sponsor blind or visually impaired students, ages 11 to 13, to compete in The Power of Peace Essay Contest. [To learn more about the contest, download the Lions International Essay Contest Rules.](#)



October Service Action Campaign: Sharing the Vision



Every five seconds, someone in our world goes blind - and a child goes blind every minute. Lions have an opportunity to shine a light on vision and show the strength of our worldwide network during a special service action campaign, "Sharing the Vision." This month, your club can organize projects that mobilize your members to make a difference by helping those who live with blindness and visual impairment. [Learn how to get involved.](#)

[Lions Clubs International Blog](#)

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

[Service Commitment Pledge](#)

Pledge to make a difference in someone's life this year.

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

4 Kennett Square Lions

9 Paoli-Berwyn-Malvern Lions

10 Longswamp Lions

11 Parkesburg Lions

13 2nd CABINET MEEING – Morgantown

16 Eagle-Glenmoore Lions

18 Kutztown Lioness

19 Convention Meeting, Morgantown

23 Muhlenberg Lions

24 Elverson-Morgantown Lions

25 THANKSGIVING

30 Avon Grove Lions

DECEMBER 2010

2 Downingtown Lions

7 West Chester Day Break Lions

8 Kimberton Lions

9 Strausstown Lions

16 Coatesville Lions

25 CHRISTMAS DAY

JANUARY 2011

1 NEW YEARS DAY

11 Lionville Lions

14 Convention/Appreciation, Morgantown

20 West Reading/Wyomissing Lions

28 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 Inn at Reading

14 FINAL Cabinet Meeting - Morgantown

JULY 2011

4 – 8 International Convention – Seattle, WA

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We Serve

LIONS CLUBS HAVE A NEW 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.

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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BERKS COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND, INC

A YEAR IN REIVEW – 2009

With this year's economical down turn we have had to take a hard look at our budget. A significant portion of our revenue comes from investments, trust funds, contributions and a State grant. We know that in the coming year our investments and trust funds will be greatly reduced and will not generate the same amount of revenue as in past years. We are uncertain how market conditions may effect our contributions and grant.



Having been with the Blind Association for thirty-seven years, I have enjoyed the opportunity to help the Association meet its goals and objectives. This past year has been difficult for many especially for non-profit organizations. Even though we have experienced a short fall this past year our staff, clients and Board of Directors have been very supportive for our mission. One of the better things this past year was that we haven't had to reduce services and actually increased some a little.

Our statistics for 2009 are as follows:

For 2009 our total caseload at the end of year was 696, our Blind file showed 513 and Prevention 183.

Under Prevention and Remedial Eye Care the preschool vision screening program saw another excellent year with 3,157 children screened and 63 adult screenings conducted.

Under our Remedial Eye Care Program we once again provided large print materials and optical aids to a number of eligible low income individuals.

These items help the individuals with reduced vision to maintain an independent life style.

The Social Service Program once again made another fine showing in providing services to clients. Our Life Skills Manager is responsible for determining ones eligibility through interview and counseling the services that will be of the greatest value to the client. Services provided again this year were support services based on the client's need. Support services included shopping, mail reading, minor house maintenance, banking and medical related appointments

and Life Skills, which provided practical training in daily living. Our transportation and sighted escort services were again extensively used throughout the year. During the past year our Life Skills Manager made 235 visits, 3,116 ancillary contacts, and distributed 773 aids and appliances. There were also 262 periods of daily living instructions.]

*Through hard work and dedication,
We are building a stronger,
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