

IMPORTANT DATES

January 4, 2012	DG Visit	Hollidaysburg Lions Club
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January 12	DG Visit	Newry Lions Club
January 16	DG Visit	Pleasant Valley Lions Club
January 17	DG Visit	Forbes Road Lions Club
January 26	DG Visit	Woodcock Valley Lions/Lioness Clubs
February 1		Honorary Committee Woodcock Valley
February 2	DG Visit	Huntingdon Lions Club
February 3-5		PA Lions State Council Pittsburgh
February 12	14-L Cabinet Meeting	Burnham Lions Building

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The International Association of Lions Clubs (Lions Clubs International®)

Multiple District 14

District 14-L

Dennis Clark
District Governor 2011 – 2012
1475 Middle Road Lewistown PA 17044



14 - L NEW GROWTH NEWS

LIONS DEEP ROOTED IN SERVICE

JANUARY 2012 ISSUE

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Hello Lions, Lioness, Leos.

I hope your Christmas was as good to you as ours was to us. The Christmas parties were great. I thought I may end up bigger than Old St. Nick from eating all those cookies and cakes .WOW!!.

Now for the New Year and New Year's resolution. The weather has been good to us and not too many freezing cold days. A lot of our Lions "Family's" have been busy with projects for "Relieving the Hunger" "with conducting food drives and volunteering at local food pantries or delivering food baskets. I "BELIEVE" that is what lions are all about, working together. WE SERVE.

I would like to thank all the clubs that sent in Pease Posters. The district winners were First place Jenna Long, second place Marile Gonzaloz-Medellin both for Lakemont Lions and third place winner Tierra Mahute for the Bellwood Antis Club. Congratulations to these winners.

The GLC and GMC coordinators have been busy, and have now set up a seminar for January 14 at Stone Creek Lions building for all Lions interested in gaining new and more knowledge for club operations. Please contact PDG Larry Edwards or PDG Norman Burdge to make reservations before January 9, 2012. There is no charge to attend.

We are bringing in new club members but we must do all we can to keep the ones we now have. Keep the new Lions informed and involve them in the clubs projects and they will become great Lions.

Now is a good time to start planning a tree project for this spring. Remember to mark your projects in your monthly reports.

Yours in Lionism
DG DENNIS

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Greetings Lions, Lioness, and Leos of 14L!

Amy and I wish each and every one of you a healthy, happy, and prosperous 2012. We hope everyone had a great Christmas season. It has been a couple of months since I last took advantage of the opportunity to reach out to you though our district newsletter, as things were quite hectic at the Higgins house these past few months.

As many of you may already know, in November, I was reelected to serve my third four-year term as Bedford County's District Attorney. Also, since my last message, my two girls celebrated birthdays with Caroline turning 4 in September and Sara turning 7 in December, and I'm sure you can imagine the excitement this time of year with three little ones in the house.

But, now with the holiday season in the rear view mirror, it is time to focus on Lionism and more importantly, service. In the coming weeks and months, as I continue to support Governor Dennis Clark, I will be laying the groundwork to begin my year of service as District Governor. Both Dennis and I need your continued support.

I have been working closely with Gene Miller on pin designs, PDG Lion George Bowman has designed me a beautiful bank, and later this month, I hope to have request forms for directory ads in the mail.

I'm excited and look forward with optimism to everything I can do to promote Lionism in 2012. In the meantime, remember our motto, "We Serve."

Bill Higgins
First Vice District Governor



BINGO

Stone Creek Valley Lions Gift Bingo

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There is a plethora of information in the cyber world

Lions Clubs International

<http://www.lionsclubs.org>

PA Council of Lions Clubs (MD-14)

<http://www.palions.org>

District 14 - L <http://www.lions14l.org>

Come join the fun on Saturday, January 7, 2012

At Stone Creek Valley Lions Barn
5303 Cold Springs Road, Huntingdon, PA

Doors will open at Noon with games starting at 1 pm

20 games - Donation \$20

Kitchen will be open for food and refreshments

For more information contact- Lion Denny Hall
at 814-641-7489 or e-mail cuzslab@verizon.net





MD-14 STATE PROJECTS

Pennsylvania Lions Beacon Lodge Camp

Lions of Pennsylvania Foundation

Pennsylvania Lions Hearing Research Foundation

Eye Research and Sight Conservation Foundation

Leader Dogs for the Blind

STATE COUNCIL MEETING February 3-5, 2012

State Council Chairperson PDG Cindy Gregg, 14-E has issued a call for the 2011-2012 State Council to convene at **1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 4, 2012.** The meeting will recess at **2:30 p.m. in order to convene the House of Delegates.** The State Council meeting will reconvene at **9:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 5, 2012.** **Preliminary Meeting will be held on Friday, February 3, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.**

The meeting will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton, Pittsburgh, Green Tree. Room reservations are to be made directly with the Double Tree @ (866) 486-4361. **Deadline for reservations is January 12, 2012. Mention the PA State Council of Lions Clubs when you call. Room rates are \$99.00 plus applicable state, and local taxes.**

Visit PA Lions website for full information

PA Council of Lions Clubs (MD-14)
<http://www.palions.org>

For complete information on these projects visit :

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**Attention Zone Chairs, Club Presidents,
Secretaries and Officers and All Interested
Lions**



Lions:

Your District Global Membership and Global Leadership Teams will be holding an orientation/training session for all. This is your opportunity as a leader in your club and district to join other interested Lions in a learning environment that is geared to improve the overall program for Lions. Ask yourself and your club these questions.

- Is our membership down? Is meeting attendance poor?
- Do we struggle finding a member to be an officer?
- Are we providing the type of service that our community needs?
- How can I become a District Officer and be more involved in Lions?
- I know a Lion who would make a great leader, what should I do?

Our teams have the answers to these and many other questions. Why not come out and learn how we can help you and your club. For many clubs the Club Excellence Process is the tool that can be used to provide a new life into club activities and membership.

We are excited about the opportunities and benefits that these new Lions programs can provide. These are programs that will help all assure successes.

Please talk this up at your club meetings and plan to attend.

PDG Norm Burdge, Global Membership Coordinator
PDG Larry Edwards, Global Leadership Coordinator

Registration Form
Saturday January 14th, 2012
Stone Creek Valley Lions
10 AM – 2:30 PM

There will be a light working lunch provided. (We will pass the hat to cover)

Name _____

Club _____ Title _____

Attending _____

Return Forms, E-mail or Call by January 9, 2012 to:

PDG Larry Edwards
1639 Timberline Drive
Altoona Pa 16601
ledwards@reliancebank.com
Work Phone 814 949-6288

CP 814 932-8279
HP 814 943-6310



**Fort Shirley Lions Club
Shirleysburg PA**



**Grocery Spin
Continues**

**First Wednesday of the Month - Start January 4th
Doors Open 5:30 PM Spin begins 6:00 PM**

**\$10.00 per person
Limited to the first 60 people
Other chances and 50/50 drawings**

**Contact Mark or Heather Price
814-599-7357 814-414-6448**

BB Gun Matches

Starting January 2nd, 2012 - 7:00 PM

Fort Shirley Lions Club Building

Guns and BB's Provided



Fort Shirley Lions Club ATV Raffle

**DRAWING: December 13, 2012
License #82-10**

1st Prize

**2012 BNX-UTV 500
w/EFI-Winch, Roof, & Windshield**

2nd Prize

**2012 CF Moto X6-625CC
4x4 ATV w/EFI & Winch**

**Lions Club Pays Tax and Fees
DONATION \$5.00**

For tickets contact Mark Price (814)-599-7357



2011-2012 PENNSYLVANIA STATE PIN ORDER FORM



The 2011-2012 Gold Pin with the Pagoda

_____ Pins at \$2.50 each **Total:** _____

The 2011-2012 Silver Pin with the Fan

_____ Pins at \$5.00 each **Total:** _____

Plus Shipping: \$15.00 or Under add \$3.95 \$ _____
 \$15.01 to \$30.00 add \$5.25 \$ _____
 \$30.01 to \$55.00 add \$6.50 \$ _____
 Plus 6% PA Sales Tax \$ _____
Total Due \$ _____



Mail Payment to:
 PA LIONS STATE OFFICE
 949 East Park Drive
 Harrisburg, PA 17111

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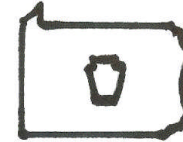
Phone _____
Club Name: _____

Each year at the Pennsylvania Lions state convention the Pin Traders Club of Pennsylvania holds a pin contest for District, Lions Clubs and Lioness Clubs pins. We are asking if you would include the attached form in your upcoming newsletter so that all Lions in the state have the opportunity to submit pins for the contest. Pins can be mailed to myself or they may be brought to the convention and submitted in the pin trading area to any of our club members prior to noon on Saturday at the convention.

Thank you,

Lion Amos Shatzer, PDG
 Secretary PTCP
 11268 Alexander Avenue
 Mount Union, PA 17066
 814-542-9654
 ashatzer@verizon.net

PIN TRADERS CLUB OF PENNSYLVANIA ENTRY FORM



District Pin _____
 Lion Club Pin _____
 Lioness Club Pin _____
 Submitted by:
 Name _____
 Club _____
 Address _____
 City/Zip _____ Phone Number _____

All entries must meet contest rules and must be submitted before Noon, Saturday at the Pennsylvania State Convention



NOTICE OF THIRD DISTRICT 14-L CABINET MEETING

TO: All Cabinet Officers and Committee Chairpersons, Past District Governors, Club Presidents, Secretaries, Lions, Lionesses, and Leos.

When: Sunday February 12, 2012
Time 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Burnham Lions Building, 403 First Ave, Burnham, Pa. 17009

Dress: Cabinet Members - Dress Grays and Green Coats

Meal Cost: \$10.00 per person (meal is provided for Cabinet Members, make reservations)

All reservations for the meal must be made by Feb. 4, 2012
Please make checks payable to District 14-L and mailed to PDG Fred McKinley.

Detach and mail your reservations

NAME: _____

Club: _____

Number attending: _____

Number attending Meal: _____ @ \$10.00 /person =
\$ _____

Mail Reservation to: PDG Fred McKinley
690 Dry Valley Road
Lewistown, Pa. 17044
717-248-9903



Region 3 ~ Zone Social

Saturday, March 10, 2012

Social 6:00 pm ~ Swiss Steak Dinner 6:30 pm

Woodcock Valley Lions ~ James Creek, PA

Casual Dress ~ \$12.00 per person

Send registration to: Vern Bollinger

17123 Hares Valley Road

Mapleton Depot, PA 17052

Please RSVP by March 1, 2012

Lions/Club _____

Number attending: _____

Each club is asked to donate a door prize

State Lions Per Capita Tax (Dues) Increase

Our Multiple District has always operated very conservatively and efficiently. The only source of income is the annual per capita dues paid by each Lion in the state. The last time we had a dues increase was 1993. The Multiple District at the time had 34,000 Lions in over 900 Lions Clubs and only 162 Lions Clubs under 20 members. Today, 19 years later, our Multiple District has 22,984 members 775 Lions Clubs and about 20% or more of the clubs under 20 members. Three years ago, to avoid a dues increase the Council of Governors cut all the discretionary funds out of the budget, downsizing some committees, changing the structure of the state council meetings, and streamlining the entire operation of the Multiple District.

Our Multiple District By-Laws state: The Council of Governors shall have control and management of all budgetary matters of the Multiple District and Multiple District Convention. No obligation may be approved or made which shall effect an unbalanced budget or deficit in any fiscal year. The Finance committee met with our auditor and investment committee chairperson and reviewed the audit for the 2010-2011 year, and the group agreed to propose a dues increase to the Lions of Pennsylvania. If we do not increase our per capita dues, the State Council of Lions Clubs will not be able to present a balanced budget as outlined in the By-Laws.

The Finance Committee has proposed a \$3.00 increase over the next 2 years. The increase will be as follows: \$1.50 beginning July 1, 2012, and \$1.50 beginning July 1, 2013. The dues increase has the support of the Council of Governors. The proposed increase will only amount to 1/2 cent per day per Lion. The increase will be divided into the following accounts: State Council Administrative Fund \$1.00, State Convention Fund .20 cents, International Convention Fund

.20 cents, Promotional Fund .10 cents, Sub-District Administrative Fund .50 cents, and the Pride Magazine (State newsletter) \$1.00.

How will the proposed increase benefit the Lions of Pennsylvania?

1. The State Council Administrative Fund increase will provide ample funds to perform the administrative duties of the Multiple District.
 2. The State Convention Fund increase will help defray any increase in the state convention registration fees.
 3. The International Convention Fund's small increase will assure a visible presence of the Lions of Pennsylvania at the international convention.
 4. The Promotional Fund increase will help provide ample funds to promote candidates for the office of International Director.
 5. The Sub-district Administrative Fund increase will give each district more funds to help operate the sub-district.
 6. The State Newsletter (Pride Magazine) increase will solve the annual deficit and keep the publication solvent for the future. The dues increase assures the Lions of our Multiple District that we will remain solvent in the future, and it will keep our Multiple District as one of the leaders in Lionism throughout the world.
- The State Council of Governors and the PA Counselors organization voted unanimously to support the proposed dues increase.

Activity Reports on Electronic M&A's & hard copy.

Allenport Lions Club

The Allenport Lions Club held a roast beef dinner for area residents and also served the Shirleysburg Home for the Aged.

The club's annual Christmas party was held on December 3, 2011. Those present were active members of the club along with retired members and widows of past members. Entertainment was provided by Sandy Utley with a variety of holiday music and golden oldies for all to enjoy. The highlight of the evening was Randy Abrashoff being named Lion of the Year!

The club made 60 family size fruit baskets and 35 individual fruit bags to be distributed to disabled, elderly and families in need. On December 24 members of the club along with members of the National Honor Society from the M.U. high school and the local community set approximately 1600 luminaries along the streets of Mount Union. The group then met again at 5 am Christmas morning to gather the luminaries back up. It was a great success and the club hopes to continue this as an annual event!

Blairs Mills Lions Club

The club distributed 50 Cheer Fruit Baskets to shut ins. The club is purchasing a \$500.00 brick for PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp.

Forbes Road Lions Club

Distributed 284 bags of fruit to worthy recipients. Held a Christmas Party with 36 members, 27 ladies, 5 children and 15 entertainment guests. Delivered Christmas gifts to six residents at FCMC extended care. Sponsored a girls Christmas basketball tournament Dec 27 & 28 at the Forbes Road High School.

Cove Lions Club

Cove Lions purchased gift cards and gave to local family overwhelmed with medical expenses.

Net funds raised from November Sunday Brunch was almost \$398. Future activities: Sunday brunch, January 29, 2012, 10 AM - 1 PM, \$8.00, eggs, home fries, pancakes, buckwheat cakes, sausage, bacon, sausage gravy, pudding, biscuits, toast, fresh fruit, juice, coffee, and tea. All you can eat.

Burnham Lions Club

Served Skills their Annual Christmas Dinner
Served the Blind Foundation their Annual Christmas Dinner
Rang the Bells for the Salvation Army
Held our annual Family Christmas Dinner
Held our Annual Christmas Social

Roaring Spring Lions Club

Donated 500.00 to two Food Banks. \$250 to Claysburg Food Bank & \$250 to Martinsburg.

Held our annual Christmas Party with 46 attending. Two new members were inducted into the club that night. We are at a plus three with our transfer member.

Winter OX Roast will be held January 18th, 19th & 20th @ Roaring Spring Dept Store.

Will be holding our annual Whole Hog Sausage sale on Feb 10th 2012.

The Club is continuing a membership drive.

Lakemont Lions Club

Held Monthly Board Meeting
Collected 276 pair of Eyeglasses from Multiple locations
Continue to maintain the Lakemont Veterans Monument
Held Adult Christmas Party with 63 attending at LaScalia's. Dan & Gala Entertained
Held Children's Christmas party for member's relatives. 26 children and 52 adults attended with Santa
Delivered Poinsettias to 26 shut-ins
Provided complete Christmas dinners for 8 needy families
Plans being made for New Member Orientation in January 2012
Working on a skills survey for the "Lions Helping Lions" project

Three Springs Lions Club

Hosted a visit by Santa with a Hershey Big Bar and chips for treats.
Held a Christmas Party for members, guests, children, and helpers from the carnival.

Everett Lions Club

Lion John Herr, ND presented a program on Diabetes. This program is available in Power Point, and any Lion that would like to use it is welcome. Also Lion Herr is available for presentations. 11/11/11 for Veterans, some gave some, some gave all. Thanks to all our Men and Women in uniforms.

Orbisonia Lions Club

The Orbisonia Lions Christmas Party was held on December 17. Members and guests brought canned goods for the food bank. Winners were selected for the Orbisonia Rockhill Christmas lighting contest.
Year end winners were selected for the 50/50 drawings.

Warfordsburg Lions Club

Completed the Thanksgiving holiday coffee break on the Interstate 70 Crystal Spring Rest Area.
Held the annual Christmas dinner on December 14 at the Warfordsburg Senior Center.
Gave a twenty dollar gift certificate to twenty four people in need for Christmas.
Planning 2012 fundraisers.

Huntingdon Lions Club

Our January 19th meeting will be a joint meeting with the Belleville Lions Club at the Country Village Restaurant in Allensville The guest speaker is Ron Morgan, who is a noted historian in the Board Top Area.
Welcome our new member Jane Townsend
Delivered Meals on Wheels dinner for both Thanksgiving and Christmas
The club Christmas dinner was held at the Huntingdon County Career and Technology Center (HCCTC) Thank you to Lion Roger Kuckenbrod and his wife, Lynda, for their help in making our Christmas dinner at the HCCTC even more enjoyable.
Rang the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle funds drive Saturday, December 10 from 12 to 8 PM at Wal-Mart.

Stone Creek Valley Lions Club

Made 620 hoagies
Held our club Christmas Party with 55 attending
Spent a day bell ringing for the Salvation Army
Making final plans for our January 7 Gift Bingo
Holding a food drive during the month of January
Still recycling cell phones
Facebook.com/scvlions

Milroy Lions Club

Members rang the bell for the "Salvation Army" on four nights in Dec.

Our club manned the area commodity food distribution.

61 attended the club's annual family "Christmas Party".

Woodcock Valley Lions Club

The Woodcock Valley Lions Club operates it's Bingo fund raiser every Tuesday from 6 to 10 PM.

December activities will include:

Tuesday night Bingo

Dec. 2. served dinner to Rural Valley Electric Christmas dinner

Dec. 5, Woodcock Valley Lioness Christmas Dinner at Hoss's in Huntingdon

Dec. 8 Woodcock Valley Lions Christmas Dinner at Hoss's in Huntingdon.

Chestnut Ridge Lions Club

Making and distributing Christmas Baskets.

Bedford Lions Club

Executive Director of the United Way is the guest speaker for the Jan 3 meeting.

Preparing for the Pot Of Gold Dinner on Feb 25.

Donated \$1000.00 to the World War II Memorial Committee.

The annual Dinner For Two Project netted \$1375.00

The club collected \$1021.25 for the Salvation Army at the kettles during their three day assignment.

2012 Pennsylvania Lions State Convention Gettysburg, PA. May 17th thru 20th

The **Lioness and Ladies Breakfast** will be held on Saturday morning this year at the State Convention. This is a change from previous conventions where the breakfast was held on Friday. Our committee has a great program planned with lots of fun, food and entertainment.

Mamie Eisenhower will be the featured program after breakfast.

Dr. Terry Goodman PCC, from New Hampshire has been a presenter at multiple New Hampshire, Connecticut, New England, West Virginia, Tennessee, and USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums and has presented at New York and Iowa Lions Leadership Workshops. He will present a program on Friday entitled, **What's Wrong With This Club and How Do I Fix It** and also one on Saturday entitled **"Everything I Ever Wanted To Know about Lionism I Learned at The Zoo"**. We will be using round tables for these presentations in the USA/Canada Forum style.

Also, several other seminars are being planned and we will keep you informed in future newsletters as to who they are and the title of their presentations. The President meets the Presidents will also be scheduled but the time must be approved by President Tam first.

The Global Membership Team and the Global Leadership Team will each have a program pertaining to **"Membership"** and **"Leadership"** These two programs are very important to the future of our Clubs and we should all attend these very needed programs.

All of the scheduled seminars will end before our featured program on Saturday afternoon. **La Donna Gatlin** should be a must attend for each **registered** Lion, Lioness, Leo or guest.

When the registration forms come out in **December or January**, please fill it out and send it in with your payment. The reason for this is easy. Gettysburg College graduation is also the same weekend and **after our deadline we cannot guarantee you a room.**

See you in Gettysburg.

14-C, 2012 State Convention Committee,
Vice Chairman Larry Bare PDG
Chairman Larry L. Shaull PDG