

Greetings from your District Governor

Pam, Rich, and I have been busy visiting clubs the last two months. We visited Dunmore, Jessup, and Lake Winola Lionesses'. We also had a health screening at the Archbald Borough Building, where VDG Pam is trying to start a new club. Even with the efforts of some clubs bringing in new members, we continue to drop in total membership. We have added 25 new members but we have lost 55 existing members. Our total is now 899.

On February 5th, 6th, and 7th we attended the February Council meeting in Washington PA. At this meeting, P.D.G. Sam Wagner was endorsed for International Director from Pennsylvania. There were 39 delegates present. Also at this meeting we took the first step in having P.I.D. Dr. Harold Ott run as candidate for Second International Vice President. He will be officially endorsed at the convention in Sydney Australia in July. P.I.D. Dr Ott is a retired professor from Penn State University. He and his wife Barbara reside in Boalsburg PA.

You might say it turned out to be a romantic weekend in Washington. We dined by candlelight for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Friday night around 11 as Barbara and I stepped off the elevator on the sixth floor, the lights went out. When we left on Sunday morning they were still out. The meetings that were held had to be in the areas where natural light was available. The total snowfall was about 22 inches. On Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup>, our cabinet meeting was held at Montdale Country Club. We had 61 people attending, a wonderful turnout. Scott Lions presented Gene Scagliotti with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. As it was Valentines Day, each lady was presented with a red rose. State Council Chair Gus Friedenvalds was our guest speaker. His main topic was membership as so many speeches are. He used humor and true stories to remind us how important membership is and all the good that Lions do in our communities. I would like to remind everyone of our upcoming District Convention on April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. More convention information will follow.

I again ask you to contribute to Beacon Lodge Sewer Project if you have not already done so. It is my District Governor project for this year. Send checks to District 14-H with Sewer Project in the memo line. We will present the checks as one large one at the District Convention.

On Friday February 19 I was informed that we have a candidate for Second Vice District Governor. I would like to thank everyone for attending the Cabinet Meeting and making it a success. It was wonderful to have so many members and guests present. Thanks to everyone for all your support during this year.

D.G. Barry Taylor  
"Selling Lionism"

Hello Fellow Lions & Lioness,

Well spring is in the air. The daffodils are blooming and the Easter bunny is on his way.

February held the third State Council Meeting in Washington, PA. Along with 22" of snow it brought a lot of laughs & good times. The power went out on Friday evening. I have a new appreciation for the blind. They had dim emergency lighting in the hallway, but when I got to my room it was complete darkness. Try to wash your face & brush your teeth in the dark. It was not easy maneuvering around the room. I have the bruises to prove it.

Our third Cabinet Meeting was held at the Montdale Country Club. It was a wonderful turn out. Lets keep up the good work. Congratulations to Lion Gene "Squeak" Scagliotti on receiving a Melvin Jones Award. It was the only time I've seen him speechless.

March is going to bring cold winds and more club visits. I can't believe the year is almost over.

The District Convention will be held April 24 & 25, at the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center. The hospitality room will be held Saturday, April 24 at 7:00 p.m. The dinner will be Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. Mark your calendars to attend and remember to bring a friend. Remember the motto: "Ain't no party like a Scranton party."

The district is going to hold a golf tournament Saturday morning April 24. It will be captain & crew format. You may register by contacting PDG Bill Tarby or Lion Gene Scagliotti. You don't have to ask me twice. I was informed I will be missing 15 days of golf in the upcoming season, so I better play. Don't worry guys, I'll go easy on you. There are concerns about the weather. Who cares if the snow falls? It doesn't snow or rain on a golf course. Last year when I went to Hilton Head to get away from the cold, it was just as cold there. That's what Irish coffee is for!

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter & enjoy the start of spring!!!

VDG Pam Savitski

### **District Club Activities**

#### **Benton Lions Club**

Purchased electric heaters for use by a family with handicapped children until furnace is replaced. Donated money to a family due to tragic loss of a teenage son. March 1st game dinner. Easter food baskets and Easter egg hunt

#### **Falls Lions Club**

Annual Easter Egg Hunt, March 27th. Kid's Fishing Derby April 24th. Held annual game dinner served 161 dinners and Falls is having a highway cleanup day.

#### **Hallstead Great Bend Lions Club**

Helping with benefit for cancer victim Feb 27<sup>th</sup>. Sponsor Caring Cafe at United Methodist Church. Leo Club to attend club meeting Feb 17<sup>th</sup>. April Easter Egg hunt. April 25th Chicken BBQ. Participating in 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary Great Bend. \$100.00 donation to the Good News Lunch. Coffee Break Stop planned at rte 81 welcome center

#### **Jefferson Twp. Lions Club**

Fish dinner every Friday during Lent

#### **Jermyn Lions Club**

St. Patrick's Day raffle for Basket of Cheer fundraiser

#### **Mayfield Lions Club**

Removed Christmas decorations, 15 lions present

#### **Olyphant Leos Club**

Pancake breakfast to benefit Ronald McDonald House, April 11, 2010 8 to noon at Mid Valley High School \$7.00 adults \$4.00 children under 12. For tickets contact Jack Horvath 489-7834. Selling daffodils at Viewmont Mall for Cancer Society March 17&18. Blood Drive Mid Valley Secondary Center Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, collected 54 pints

### **Olyphant Lions Club**

Donated dog food and cash to a local woman from Olyphant who has a Leader Dog. She is on a very limited income.

### **Scott Twp. Lions Club**

Scott gave our local food pantry \$1000.00 also St Francis Soup Kitchen \$200.00. Gave \$300.00 to children's Christmas party. Held second annual porketta sandwich sale Feb 6<sup>th</sup>. Sold over 800 sandwiches. Gave \$500.00 to a family in our township who had a fire in their home. Received a check for \$1,110.00 for selling District Calendars

### **Tunkhannock Lions Club**

Meeting 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the Fireplace Restaurant. Collecting used eye glasses, gave out a wheel chair and provided eye glasses for several local people. First fundraiser planned for this year - food sales at NAPA Farm Days Friday March 26th

### **Sight First and Hearing Meeting**

March 11, 2010 Scott Twp. Lions Club sponsoring meeting at Boyarsky's Tavern I-81 Exit 199.

### **District 14-H Convention**

District 14-H Convention April 24 and 25, 2010 at the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center.

Saturday evening at 7 pm there will be a hospitality room hosted by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Pam and Lion Dr. Ken Savitski. This will be a "summertime" theme.

Sunday morning from 10-11:15 am there will be an informational seminar presented by State Chairs: PCC Dan Swincinski Membership, PCC Terry Musselman Global Membership and MERL Coordinator, PDG Gayle Padfield Family & Women Development and IPDG Rose Ellen Skodacek will present information on the LCI Foundation.

Please come out to hear these presenters and have a great time with Lions from our District and our guests.

The convention business meeting will take place Sunday beginning at noon. Our guest speaker will be PDG Dennis McCarthy, President of Beacon Lodge Board of Directors.

The banquet will take place at 6 pm that evening and will begin with the Necrology Service.

If you have had a death in your Club please send the name of the person and the name of the Club to DG Barry Taylor. We do not want to miss honoring any deceased member during the Necrology Service. We need the names of any member who passed away between February 1, 2009 and March 1, 2010.

If any Committee will need a table to display information, please let PDG William Tarby, Cabinet Secretary know by April 1<sup>st</sup> so a table can be arranged for you.

## Notes from your LCIF Coordinator, PDG Rose Ellen:

What do nearly 100,000 Lions have in common each year? They become Contributing Members by donating at least US\$20 to LCIF.

The Contributing Membership program is an annual program that recognizes three levels of support: US\$20, US\$50 and US\$100. For US\$20, donors receive a Contributing Member lapel pin identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made. For US\$50, donors receive a pin and a silver wreath. For US\$100, donors receive a pin and a gold wreath. The pin design changes every year. Contributing membership donations are used to support LCIF humanitarian grant programs.

Contributions can be made by completing the Contribution Form/MJF Form and mailing or faxing it to LCIF. Donations can also be made online with a credit card.

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*Your entire donation* goes toward an LCIF grant; LCIF's administrative costs are paid for by earnings on investments.

Contributing Memberships make a difference in the lives of the needy. As little as US\$20 can provide cataract surgery in Africa and South Asia. US\$50 can support a diabetic retinopathy eye exam in developing countries, and US\$100 can make possible a low vision eye exam and glasses in the industrialized world.

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To All Lions Clubs:

District 14-H is inviting everyone to our first golf tournament.

Proceeds will benefit the Hearing and Sight First Committees of our District.

We are interested in finding out if your Club would like to get a team or teams together for a day of fun with Lions and friends. Please let PDG William Tarby or Lion Gene Scagliotti know. It will be a captain and crew format and will take place on April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Saturday morning of our District Convention. The tournament fee will be about \$70.00 per person. If we get enough response to make this fund raiser a success, more information will be sent out soon.

If you attend the golf tournament there will not be a dinner afterward. However, we will discount the cost of the convention banquet on Sunday night April 25<sup>th</sup> if you attend. You will pay the full amount for the banquet and then receive a rebate at the banquet.

So, register a team or sign up as a single or a part of a team. We will fill the teams up as we can. Please let us know as soon as you can so plans can move forward.

Thank you,  
Co-Chairs  
PDG William Tarby  
Lion Gene Scagliotti

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