



Paws to Refresh

Update from PA State Council of Lions Clubs • LCI Multiple District 14
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CBL amendments to be voted upon at special election in November

The special election scheduled to be held November 7 as part of the second 2020-2021 Council of Governors' meeting at the DoubleTree by Hilton Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands in Washington, Pa., are proceeding as planned.

The special election will be held to vote on two proposed amendments to the MD-14 Constitution & By Laws originally scheduled as part of the 2020 state convention in Erie.

The wording of the ballot questions, as well as Special Election Delegate forms, will be emailed to current members of the Council of Governors as well as their district newsletter editors for inclusion in districts' September, October and November newsletters.

Delegate forms for Past District Governors will also be emailed to PDGs for whom the State Office has a valid email address.

The proposed amendments to the CBL pertain to the selection of the State Council Chairperson and the re-distribution of state per capita dues.

Copies of the ballot questions and Delegate forms are included in this issue of *Paws*.

LOPF banquet remains part of second Council meeting weekend

The annual Lions of PA Foundation banquet will be held Friday, November 6, as part of the second State Council meeting at the DoubleTree by Hilton Pittsburgh-Meadowlands in Washington, Pa. More details and an RSVP form will be forthcoming from the LOPF.

Hearing Research Foundation banquet scheduled for February

The PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation banquet normally held the Friday night preceding the first State Council meeting has been moved to the weekend of the third State Council meeting. The Hearing Foundation banquet will now be held Friday, February 5 at Shippensburg University. More information on this banquet will be provided as it becomes available.

State per capita dues collection report

As of the close of business Friday, July 31, the State Office had collected \$86,978 or 61% of a possible \$142,258 in state per capita dues for which invoices were sent out the first week of July.

Unfortunately, we still had 13 clubs with unpaid state per capita dues balances for semi-annual periods prior to July 1. A list of the clubs with past-due balances can be found in this issue of *Paws*.

We ask the members of the Council of Governors, Vice District Governors and Past District Governors in the respective districts to help us in the collection of these past due balances.

Surety bond insurance documentation due

A reminder to Members of the Council of Governors and District Treasurers: The State Office must have on file documentation your district's surety bond insurance coverage is current and valid. This documentation must be received prior to September 1 or the expiration date of the current policy, whichever is later. In accordance with state policy, failure to provide documentation of valid surety bond coverage will render your district ineligible to receive District Administration checks.

As of August 1, nine of 17 sub-districts had met the deadline. The exceptions were:

<u>District</u>	<u>Current Expires</u>
District 14-A.....	12/17/2020
District 14-B.....	8/28/2020
District 14-C.....	9/9/2020
District 14-J.....	9/8/2020
District 14-K.....	7/19/2020
District 14-M.....	8/13/2020
District 14-U.....	7/1/2020
District 14-W.....	9/1/2020

State Convention volunteers needed

Members of the Council of Governors are also asked to solicit a list of Lions and Partners in Service in their district who may wish to volunteer their time to assist the 2021 state convention host committee in Altoona.

Each district is expected, in accordance with state policy, to provide assistance to the host committee in the areas of Certification, Elections and Voting, Necrology Service, Registration and Sergeant at Arms.

Please forward any suggestions you may have in this area to PDG Dennis Clark (dennisclark5@verizon.net), chairman of this year's state convention host committee, or the State Administrator.

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HOD appointments due December 31

Members of the Council of Governors are encouraged to begin thinking about which Lions in your district they wish to appoint to serve as a member of the House of Delegates for the three-year term running January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

Any Lion who is a member in good standing in a club in good standing with its sub-district, the Multiple District and Lions Clubs International is eligible to be appointed to the House of Delegates. The Delegate may not be a member of the PA International Family, but does not need to be a Past District Governor. A member of the Council of Governors may, if they so desire, appoint themselves as a member of the House of Delegates.

Members of the Council of Governors will soon receive more information on this matter.



LCI Con 2021 Montreal preliminary plans

LCI's Convention Division recently announced preliminary plans for their 2021 International Convention in Montreal.

The Pennsylvania delegation hotel is the Hotel Delta by Marriott with a per night rate of US \$143.00 plus taxes. The hotel is located 0.7 miles from Palais des congrès de Montréal, the main facility for the convention.

The preliminary plan for events of particular interest to PA Lions, subject to discussion and approval by the MD-14 International Convention Committee and PA International Family, is as follows:

- **Parade of Nations:** Step-off at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 26.
- **PA Lions Hospitality Reception:** 9-11 p.m. Saturday, June 26 (hopefully in Hotel Delta by Marriott) following International Show
- **Mid Atlantic Breakfast:** 7-9 a.m. Sunday, June 26 (hopefully in Hotel Delta by Marriott) prior to First Plenary Session set to start at 10 a.m.



Project update: Roarin' Down Highway

The first of four tractor trailers wrapped in vivid colors and carrying Lions Clubs International and PA Lions themes as part of the MD's "Roarin' Down the Highway" public relations project has been completed and is ready to hit the road promoting our organization.

The second trailer is tentatively scheduled to be wrapped in August with the third and fourth trailers to follow as soon as they can be fitted into the wrapping schedule.

The project is underwritten primarily by grants totalling \$23,000 received from LCI's Public Relations Committee, the Northeast PA Lions Service Foundation and the Lions of PA Foundation. The 2018-2019 MD-14 Council of Governors also allocated \$2,000 for the project and that commitment received the endorsement of the 2019-2020 Council.

LCI insurance cover COVID 19 illness claims?

The State Office is awaiting a response from LCI's Legal Division to a question concerning insurance coverage if someone claims they contracted COVID 19 as a result of attending or participating in a Lions Club project or fundraiser.

MD-14 general counsel Lion Ashley Grimm's preliminary opinion on the matter was, "typically, communicable diseases are not covered by insurance policies. This is because communicable diseases are a known problem that people should be aware of and people make a conscious decision to carry on their activities knowing the risks.

"Having said that," Lion Grimm continued, "if a person can trace back the fact that they were exposed to COVID-19 at a Lions event, liability may still attach, especially if all precautions were not taken. However, I need to review the policy before I can provide a definitive answer."

NEPALSA-sponsored handicap access door project underway

The Northeast PA Lions Service Foundation and State Office are also partners in a project that will result in the installation of a handicap access door at the MD headquarters in Harrisburg.

Three bids for the renovation of the front entrance have been received and are currently being evaluated by the NEPALSF board of directors, who have agreed to pay the full cost of the project.

The project is expected to be completed this fall.

Change in Merchant Services provider

The State Administrator has completed negotiations related to a change in the Merchant Services provider that will save the MD \$45 per month or over \$500 per year in service fees charged for collection of State Merchandise Store purchases paid by credit cards.

Hand-in-hand with this change is an anticipated increase in credit card payments received by the MD in the areas of State Council meal reservation and State Convention registration fees.

Weighing options on moving accounts

The State Office is also currently considering its options for the possible transfer of checking account funds from PNC Bank to another bank in the wake of PNC's impending addition of a \$50 per month service charge.



Liquor not permitted in basket raffles

REMINDER: A popular staple in basket raffles is a “no-no.”

After researching the matter with the Executive Director of the PA House of Representatives’ Liquor Committee and the PA Liquor Control Board, MD-14 legal counsel Lion Ashley Grimm reported that “liquor is not permitted to be in a basket for purposes of a raffle. This also includes silent auctions.



“This equates to selling liquor without a license,” Lion Grimm said. “A wine and spirits gift card is permitted to be included in a raffle basket, though.”

Lion Grimm’s research supported the opinion expressed by Lawrence County Treasurer Richard Rapone in a recent *New Castle News* story that had prompted MD-14 State Council Chair Bill Morgan to contact Lion Grimm.

As part of the *News* story, Capt. Jamie Jones of the LCB Enforcement Bureau said including any type of alcoholic beverage – be it a six pack of beer, a bottle of wine, a bottle of whiskey or the like – is a violation of the Pennsylvania Liquor Code, Title 47, and is an unclassified misdemeanor offense. The fine upon conviction is \$500, levied to the organization sponsoring the fundraiser and not the donor of the basket.

In the *News* story, Rapone pointed out, under the state’s small games of chance law, it is illegal to host basket raffles at fundraising dinners used to benefit someone who is sick.



A reminder to all PA Lions: Printed copies of *The PRIDE of Pennsylvania*, Multiple District 14’s quarterly magazine, are now past history. Effective July 1, 2019, *The PRIDE* is available only in a PDF format and is posted on the state Lions website (www.palions.org).

The link to each issue of *The PRIDE* is emailed to members of the Council of Governors and PA International Family, as well as Vice District Governors and state committee chairpersons/coordinators. Those Lions leaders are encouraged to forward that link to the Past District Governors and club secretaries with the ultimate goal of reaching as many Lions. Lionesses and Leos as possible.

ID Edwards’ term expanded by one year

In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and the cancellation of the 2020 LCI Convention in Singapore, the Executive Board of Lions Clubs International froze all officer positions for one year. That translates to MD-14 having a “seat at the table” for one more year as Harris Township (District 14-G) Lion Larry L. Edwards will serve an additional year as an International Director.



ID Edwards was elected to a two-year term at the 2019 LCI Convention in Milan and was scheduled to leave office at the conclusion of the 2021 convention in Montreal. He will now serve through the completion of the 2022 convention in New Delhi, India.

2020-2021 state pins

The 2020-2021 state pins have been ordered and are expected to be available for sale through the



State Office in late August.

Cost of the pins are \$3.18 (\$3.00 + \$0.18 state tax) for the Regular pin



[top photo] and \$4.24 (\$4.00 + \$0.24 state tax) for the Prestige pin [left photo]. Order forms

will appear in the next issue of *The Pride*.

LCI Convention parade participant pins available year-round

The State Office has Parade Participant base pins and rockers for



MD-14 Lions who marched in the International Parade at the annual LCI Convention. Lions who did not receive a Parade Participation pin or rocker at

a convention and desire one should contact the State Office.

Lions-supported foundations 501(c)3

The State Office has confirmed with representatives of the respective Foundations that all five PA Lions-supported foundations are listed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as 501(c)3 organizations for tax credit purposes.

Those foundations include:

- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Lions of PA Foundation
- PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
- PA Lions Care For the Kids - Four Diamonds
- PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation
- PA Lions Sight Conserv. & Eye Research Foundation

LCI Legal's tax reminder

"Please remember that all Lions clubs, districts and multiple districts that have annual gross receipts less than US\$50,000 and do not have to file Forms 990 or 990-EZ must file the e-Postcard (also known as 990-N). If your Lions club, district or multiple district has a foundation, which is a separate legal entity, the appropriate form will need to be filed as well."

Check please! EIN numbers

Each club and district should have its own Employee Identification Number (EIN) and file a yearly report with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

Clubs ***should not*** use the EIN assigned to the PA State Council of Lions Clubs and/or Lions Clubs International.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact LCI's Legal Division at 630.468.6732.

Links to information related to EIN numbers and IRS regulations on the LCI website (www.lionsclubs.org) include:

• Exempt Organizations Annual Reporting Requirements –

Annual Electronic Notice (Form 990-N) for Small Organizations

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/irs_faq.pdf

Avenues of communications

Members of State Council, Vice District Governors and Past District Governors, by virtue of their leadership positions, are prime outlets for information to the Lions, Lioness and Leos and clubs in general throughout their districts. We encourage members of those groups to read thoroughly and distribute important information received from the State Office in a timely manner. We do not send out extemporaneous emails from our office, so when you receive information from the State Office it is something that deserves your attention and, in many cases, action in the very near future. Please make sure to share information you receive from the State Office and each other with the Lions, Lioness and Leos in your districts, in particular your Past District Governors and members of the various state committees. We appreciate all the help we can receive in "getting the word out."

WANTED		
Unpaid per capita dues		
<i>The following MD-14 Lions Clubs had outstanding state per capita dues balances for more than two semi-annual periods as of July 1, 2020:</i>		
Club (District)	Past Due Balance	Current Balance
Gtr. Phila. Asian Amer. (A)	\$432.00	\$648.00
Tamaqua (U)	\$288.00	\$432.00
Shohola Area (U)	\$272.00	\$536.00
Jeannette (E)	\$200.00	\$264.00
Minersville Area (U)	\$184.00	\$504.00
Philadelphia Korean (A)	\$152.00	\$224.00
Plumstead (A)	\$152.00	\$304.00
White Haven WH Ctr (W)	\$152.00	\$296.00
Greater Lebanon Valley (D)	\$128.00	\$248.00
Robertsdale (L)	\$112.00	\$224.00
Allen. Center City Cent. (K)	\$ 96.00	\$152.00
Pittsburgh (B)	\$ 96.00	\$200.00
Pittsburgh North Side (B)	\$ 88.00	\$176.00
Total Amount Due	\$2,570.00	\$4,208.00

• Tax issues and regulations affecting Lions clubs and leadership

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/all/pdfs/tax_reg_lions.pdf

• Reinstatement of tax-exempt status:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/all/pdfs/tax-exempt_reinstatement.pdf

Help fight identity fraud

In advice from LCI's Legal Division, a general rule to follow is: Information such as individual Lions' names, mailing and email addresses and telephone numbers should not be posted on or made accessible on websites.

FAQ's: Frequently Asked Questions

Per capita dues

Lions Clubs International:

New Members pay a charter fee of \$35 or must submit the proper certification form waiver. International dues total \$43 annually and will be billed on a semi-annual basis. International dues for newly chartered clubs will be prorated for the months remaining in the semi-annual period ending either June 30 or December 31.

Family Members: The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues (\$43), and up to four additional family members pay only half the international dues (\$21.50). All family members pay the one-time charter fee of \$35. The Family Membership Program is open to family members who are (1) eligible for Lions membership, (2) currently in or joining the same club, and (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. Common household family members include parents, children, spouses, aunts and uncles, cousins, grandparents, in-laws and legal dependents.

Students between the age of majority and through age 30 pay no charter fee and half international dues. Students over age 30 and joining a Campus Lions club pay a \$10 charter fee and full international dues. New campus clubs, and clubs with a majority of students, must prepay one year international dues at the student member rate.

Graduating Leos: All graduating Leos receive a charter fee waiver. Graduating Leos, through the age of 30 who have been a Leo for at least a year and a day, pay half international dues.

Young adults, through the age of 30, receive a charter fee waiver and pay half international dues when joining a Leo Lions club.

Transfer members pay a US\$20 charter fee and must have left their former club in good standing and transfer to the new club within 12 months.

As of June 30, 2018, LCI will not issue international dues credits for membership drops after the release of the semi-annual billings on July 1 and January 1.

State per capita dues are collected to provide revenue to defray the administrative expenses

of the Multiple District and each sub-District and a Multiple District Convention Fund, annual per capita dues of \$16.00 per member per year are collected. These dues are collected in two semi-annual payments based upon a club's membership total as shown by LCI as of July 1 and January 1 of each fiscal year.

As is the case with LCI for international dues, state per capita dues are not pro-rated for members added or dropped from club membership rolls after July 1 and before December 30 and/or after January 1 and before June 30.

State per capita dues collected are used, distributed and credited as follows (/member/year):

- **State Convention**

Administrative Fund: \$0.45

- **International Convention**

Fund: \$0.85

- **Promotional Fund:** \$0.35

- **District Governors**

International Conv. Fund: \$0.35

- **Sub-District Administrative**

Fund: \$2.50

- **Public Relations/**

Communications Fund: \$1.50

- **All State Band:** \$1.50

2020 Multiple District 14
Special Election: Constitution & By Laws Amendments
November 7, 2020
Washington, Pa.
Past District Governor Voting

A Special Election to consider two amendments to the Multiple District 14 Constitution & By Laws/Policy Manual will be held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands in Washington, Pa., between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 a.m.

During those hours, delegates will present their credentials for certification at tables located outside the voting room, then step inside the Voting room to cast their ballot.

In accordance with MD-14 policy, each active MD-14 Past District Governor in good standing with a club in good standing with Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 14 and their respective sub-district is entitled to serve as a delegate for this special election.

Note: Please bring valid identification (driver's license or Lions membership card) with you when you come to the Certification area

Please bring this form to the Certification Area for the Special Election

2020 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14 SPECIAL ELECTION
PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR CERTIFICATION FORM

Club Name _____ District 14- _____

Lion's Name (please print) _____

Lion's Signature _____

The above Multiple District 14 Past District Governor hereby certifies he/she is a member in good standing with a Multiple District 14 Lions Club in good standing with its district, the Multiple District and Lions Clubs International and, thereby, shall be granted full rights to vote in the Election to be held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands in Washington, Pa.

Note: Please bring valid identification (driver's license or Lions membership card) with you when you come to the Certification area.

2020 Multiple District 14
Special Election: Constitution & By Laws Amendments
November 7, 2020
Washington, Pa.
Club Delegate Voting

A Special Election to consider two amendments to the Multiple District 14 Constitution & By Laws/Policy Manual will be held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands in Washington, Pa., between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 a.m.

During those hours, delegates will present their credentials for certification at tables located outside the Voting Room, then step inside the Voting room to cast their ballot.

Each MD-14 club in good standing with Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 14 and their respective sub-district is entitled to one delegate for every 10 club members or major portion thereof as shown on the MyLCI website July 1, 2020. Club officers should make sufficient copies of this form to provide to the appropriate number of delegates.

Each delegate credential form must be signed by the Club President or Club Secretary in order to be valid.

Note: Please bring valid identification (driver's license or Lions membership card) with you when you come to the Certification area.

Please bring this form to the Certification area for the Special Election

2020 MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14 SPECIAL ELECTION
CLUB DELEGATE CERTIFICATION FORM

Club Name _____ District 14- _____

Lion's Name (please print) _____

Lion's Signature _____

The undersigned club officer hereby authorizes that the above named individual is an active member and a duly selected Delegate of said Multiple District 14 Lions Club to the Election to be held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh-Meadow Lands in Washington, Pa.

Signature of Club Officer _____

Title _____

Note: Please bring valid identification (driver's license or Lions membership card) with you when you come to the Certification area.

Ballot Question 1

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CONCERNS AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS MULTIPLE DISTRICT-14 (PENNSYLVANIA) CONSTITUTION. TO BE ADOPTED, THIS AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION REQUIRES AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE CERTIFIED DELEGATES CASTING A VOTE.

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TO ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4, COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON.

THE RESOLUTION ADDS LANGUAGE TO CLARIFY : 1) THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON; 2) THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTING A REPLACEMENT IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY IN THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON POSITION; AND 3) THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON ROTATION.

BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2021, Article VII, Section 4, will read as follows:

“Section 4: COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON. The Chairperson of the State Council shall be the Immediate Past District Governor who had served in the capacity of Vice-Chairperson during the preceding year, who for the year 2020-2021 shall be from Sub-District P. The Council Chairperson shall serve for a one-year term only and cannot serve in that capacity again.

In the event, either before or after becoming the Chairperson, if unable or refuses to serve, or having accepted, resigns or dies, then the District Governor of that sub-district shall appoint a Past-District Governor who is resident in and a member in good standing of a Lions Club in that sub-district to serve out the term of office. If no Past District Governor from the sub-district is willing to serve, then the sitting Council of Governors will appoint a Past District Governor from the two preceding State Councils who is a resident in and member in good standing of a Lions Club in Pennsylvania to serve the remaining term of office. The normal Council Chairperson rotation will resume when the replacement Council Chairperson's term of office is completed.

SHALL THIS RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED? YES NO



Ballot Question 2

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CONCERNS AMENDING THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS MULTIPLE DISTRICT-14 (PENNSYLVANIA) BY-LAWS. TO BE ADOPTED, THIS AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS REQUIRES AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF THE CERTIFIED DELEGATES CASTING A VOTE.

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE CHANGES TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2, DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.

THE RESOLUTION MODIFIES THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE CURRENT \$16 PER-CAPITA DUES AS FOLLOWS, STARTING JULY 1 2021:

- ELIMINATES THE "PROMOTION FUND" OF \$0.35
- INCREASES THE "STATE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE FUND" FROM \$8.50 TO \$9.60
- INCREASES THE "SUB-DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE FUND" FROM \$2.50 TO \$3.00
- REPLACES THE "PENNSYLVANIA NEWS PUBLICATION FUND" WITH THE "COMMUNICATION/WEB/PRIDE FUND" AND REDUCES THE ALLOCATION FROM \$1.50 TO \$0.25

THE RESOLUTION **DOES NOT** INCREASE OR DECREASE THE CURRENT OVERALL DUES

BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2021, Article VI, Section 2, will read as follows:

Section 2. DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS. The funds so collected shall be used, distributed, and credited as follows:

- a. State Convention Administrative fund - \$0.45
- b. International Convention Fund - \$0.85
- c. District Governors International Convention Expense Fund - \$0.35
- d. State Council Administrative Fund - \$9.60
- e. Sub-Districts Administrative Fund - \$3.00
- f. Communication/Web/PRIDE Fund - \$0.25
- g. All-State Band - \$1.50

SHALL THIS RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED? YES NO



State Council Dress Code

The following information is provided to help guide the Council of Governors and Vice District Governors on proper attire for various functions so they present themselves in the most favorable manner to the Lions of the world and to the public in general.

The following is the appropriate dress for State Functions:

Council of Governors Meetings

Preliminary Meetings

First and Fourth.....Formal Greens
Second and Third ...Formal Greens,
Informal Greens or Lions
shirt, appropriate dress pants
and appropriate dress shoes.

General Meetings

First and Fourth.... Formal Summer
Greens
Second Third Formal Winter
Greens

Saturday Banquet

..... Formal

State Convention

Banquets.....Formal dress
Necrology Service.....Formal dress
Luncheons Informal Summer
Greens
Meetings..... Formal Summer
Greens
Seminars..... Informal Summer
Greens

Definitions

Formal Summer Greens: Green blazer, white trousers/skirt, PA Lions green tie/scarf (or International President's tie or scarf), white belt, socks and shoes.

Informal Summer Greens: Official Pennsylvania Lions men's or women's short sleeve green shirt with white inserts on each side with the Lions Clubs International logo and "Pennsylvania" on the front, white trousers/skirt, white belt, socks and shoes.

Formal Winter Greens: Green blazer, gray trousers/skirt, white shirt/blouse, PA Lions green tie/scarf (or International President's tie or scarf), black belt, socks and shoes.

Informal Winter Greens: Official Pennsylvania Lions men's or women's short sleeve green shirt with white inserts on each side with the Lions Clubs International logo and "Pennsylvania" on the front, gray trousers/skirt, black belt, socks and shoes.

Formal Dress: Male -- White formal jacket in the summer, black formal jacket in the winter, black trousers, formal shirt and black belt, socks and shoes.

Female -- White dress jacket in the summer, black dress jacket in the winter; black skirt or slacks, white blouse and black shoes. A tuxedo is optional.

Adult companions members of Council of Governors and/or Vice District Governors shall wear appropriate dress when participating in an official activity.

International Convention

Parade..... Formal Summer Greens
or Informal Summer Greens
as determined by COG
Mid-Atlantic Breakfast
..... Formal Summer Greens
PA Hospitality Night Reception
..... Formal summer Greens
Banquets..... Formal dress
International Night Show
..... Informal Summer Greens
District Governors-Elect
Swearing-In Ceremony Formal
Summer Greens

Beacon Lodge Camp Appreciation Day

..... Informal Summer Greens

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

Informal Summer or Winter Greens as determined by the Council of Governors. At closing banquet and/or meeting with the International President, the Council of Governors shall dress in Formal Summer or Winter Greens. Vice District Governors and all MD-14 Lions should follow the example of the Council of Governors.

Special dress may be used at other official functions as decided by the Council of Governors.

The Council of Governors may receive a gift from the incoming International President (such as a tie or scarf), which may be worn in lieu of the official MD-14 tie or scarf. The Council of Governors shall determine prior to the first Council of Governors Meeting which tie or scarf may be worn at state functions.

Any state committee chairperson or member, coordinator or Lion making a presentation to Council of Governors in the General Session shall be dressed in proper business attire or Formal Summer or Winter Greens.

MD-14 Policy 105

Mark Your Calendar

August 22, 2020

Vice District Governors Seminar
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
Mount Union

August 23, 2020

PA Lions Appreciation Day
PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp
Mount Union

August 29, 2020

**4th Annual PA Lions
Beacon Lodge Golf Tournament**
American Legion Country Club
Mount Union

August 31, 2020

Deadline for Club and District Team
Excellence and Presidential Zone and
Region Chairperson Awards

September 12, 2020

Membership Connection Seminar
Ramada by Wyndham State College
Hotel & Conference Center
1450 South Atherton Street
State College

September 15, 2020

District GST Coordinator
"Kindness Matters" Service Award
nominations due to MD GST coordinator

September 25-27, 2020

**USA Canada Lions Virtual
Leadership Experience**

September 28, 2020

**Constitution & By Laws/Policy
Committee Work Session**
PA State Council of Lions Clubs Office
949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg

October 1, 2020

Deadline to purchase Peace Poster
Contest kits from LCI Club Supplies Sales

October 10, 2020

**PA Lions Eye Research
& Sight Conservation Seminar**
UPMC Eye/Ear Institute
Pittsburgh

October 17, 2020

**GAT Fall Symposium
East and Central Regions**
PA State Council of Lions Clubs Office
949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg

October 18, 2020

**GAT Fall Symposium
Western Region**
Alwine Civic Center
592 Old State Route 66, Greensburg

October 24, 2020

Lions Day With the United Nations
New York City

November 6-8, 2020

2020-2021 State Council Meeting #2
Hosted by District 14-M
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
Pittsburgh - Meadow Lands
340 Racetrack Road, Washington, PA

December 1, 2020

Postmark deadline for DG to send
winning Peace Poster and Peace Essay
entries to MD Council Chair

December 13, 2020

Application deadline for
Advanced Lions Leadership Institute
(ALLI) in Toronto, Ontario, Canada

December 15, 2020

Postmark deadline for MD Council Chair
to send winning Peace Poster and Peace
Essay entries to LCI Public Affairs Division

January 10, 2021

Last day for early discount on 2021 LCI
International Convention registration fees

January 7-10, 2021

Vice District Governors Training Retreat
Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey
4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg

January 18, 2021

**Constitution & By Laws/Policy
Committee Work Session**
PA State Council of Lions Clubs Office
949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg

February 2-4, 2021

**First Vice District Governor/District
Governor-Elect Seminar (Days 1-3)**

February 5-7, 2021

2020-2021 State Council Meeting #3
Hosted by District 14-T
Courtyard by Marriott Shippensburg
503 Newburg Road, Shippensburg

February 20, 2021

**GAT Spring Symposium
East and Central Regions**
PA State Council of Lions Clubs Office
949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg

February 21, 2021

**GAT Spring Symposium
Western Region**
Site To Be Determined

March 1, 2021

Deadline for submitting MD
Leo of the Year Award nominations
to LCI Public Affairs Division

March 12-14, 2021

Regional Lions Leadership Institute
Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey
4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg

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— Conquering Childhood Cancer —

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Mark Your Calendar

March 31, 2021

Last day for regular International Convention registration fees

April 12, 2021

Constitution & By Laws/Policy Committee Work Session

PA State Council of Lions Clubs Office
949 East Park Drive, Harrisburg

May 1, 2021

Deadline for advance International Convention registration/hotel room requests to be received and registration refunds/hotel deposit refunds for individual cancellations

May 13, 2021

2020-2021 State Council Meeting #4

Hosted by District 14-L
Blair County Convention Center
1 Convention Center Drive, Altoona

May 14-16, 2021

98th Annual MD- 14 State Convention

Hosted by District 14-L
Blair County Convention Center
1 Convention Center Drive, Altoona

June 25, 2021

**First Vice District Governor/
District Governor-Elect Seminar (Day 4)**
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

June 25 – 29, 2021

104th Lions Clubs International Convention in Montreal, Quebec, Canada

August 6-7, 2021

2021-2022 State Council Meeting #1
Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey
4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg

September 9-11, 2021

45th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
Des Moines, Iowa

October 28-31, 2021

2021-2022 State Council Meeting #2

Hosted by District 14-A
Valley Forge Casino Resort
1160 1st Avenue, King of Prussia

February 4-6, 2022

2021-2022 State Council Meeting #3

Hosted by District 14-C
Wyndham Garden York
2000 Loucks Road, York

May 18, 2022

2021-2022 State Council Meeting #4

Hosted by District 14-A
Valley Forge Casino Resort
1160 1st Avenue, King of Prussia

May 19-22, 2022

99th Annual MD-14 State Convention

Hosted by District 14-A
Valley Forge Casino Resort
1160 1st Avenue, King of Prussia

July 1 - 5, 2022

105th Lions Clubs International Convention in New Delhi, India

August 5-6, 2022

2022-2023 State Council Meeting #1

Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey
4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg

September 15-17, 2022

46th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

October 28-30, 2022

2022-2023 State Council Meeting #2

Hosted by District 14-N
Site To Be Determined

February 3-5, 2023

2022-2023 State Council Meeting #3

Hosted by District 14-D
Site To Be Determined

May 18, 2023

2022-2023 State Council Meeting #4

Hosted by District 14-J
Frank J. Pasquerilla Conference Center
301 Napoleon Street Johnstown

May 19-21, 2023

100th Annual MD-14 State Convention

Hosted by District 14-J
Frank J. Pasquerilla Conference Center
301 Napoleon Street Johnstown

July 7 - 11, 2023

106th Lions Clubs International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts

September 14-16, 2023

47th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
Reno, Nevada

June 21 - 25, 2024

107th Lions Clubs International Convention in Melbourne, Australia

July 4 - 8, 2025

108th Lions Clubs International Convention in Mexico City, Mexico

July 3-7, 2026

109th Lions Clubs International Convention in Atlanta, Ga.

July 2-6, 2027

110th Lions Clubs International Convention in Washington, D.C.

June 23-27, 2028

111th Lions Clubs International Convention in Singapore

“Deadline”

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, a simple definition is “a date or time when something must be finished; the last day, hour, or minute that something will be accepted.”

House of Delegates: As of Jan, 1, 2020

Delegate	Term Expires	Delegate	Term Expires	Delegate	Term Expires
DISTRICT 14-A		DISTRICT 14-G		DISTRICT 14-N	
PDG Jack Bittig.....	12/31/2020	PDG Cheryl Wilbur	12/31/2020	PCC Brian McCarl.....	12/31/2020
PDG Estella Kristiniak	12/31/2021	PDG Howard "Butch" Haus.....	12/31/2021	PDG Thomas Toland.....	12/31/2021
PDG Daniel Hummel.....	12/31/2022	DG James Wilbur	12/31/2022	DG/PDG Kim Stevenson	12/31/2022
DISTRICT 14-B		DISTRICT 14-H		DISTRICT 14-P	
PDG Mary Jane Keller.....	12/31/2020	PDG Cathy Metschulat.....	12/31/2020	PDG Stephen Wagner.....	12/31/2020
PDG Kirby Marchand	12/31/2021	PDG Pam Savitski.....	12/31/2021	PDG Phil Shober.....	12/31/2021
PDG Geoff Temple	12/31/2022	DG Frances Stepkovitch.....	12/31/2022	PDG Nancy Gauthier.....	12/31/2022
DISTRICT 14-C		DISTRICT 14-J		DISTRICT 14-T	
PDG Gordon Sinclair	12/31/2020	PDG Lester Good.....	12/31/2020	PDG Dalton Paul.....	12/31/2020
PDG George Hilsinger.....	12/31/2021	PDG Harry Kornprobst	12/31/2021	PDG Pete Van Zandt.....	12/31/2021
PDG Kerry McKnight.....	12/31/2022	PDG Ronald Kodgis	12/31/2022	PDG Frank Wedig.....	12/31/2022
DISTRICT 14-D		DISTRICT 14-K		DISTRICT 14-U	
PDG William Brown.....	12/31/2020	PDG Linwood Gehris.....	12/31/2020	PDG Paul Moyer.....	12/31/2020
PCC Steve Benedict.....	12/31/2021	PCC Karen M. Brady.....	12/31/2021	PDG Donald McConnell.....	12/31/2021
PDG Deb Burkholder	12/31/2022	PDG Fred Folland.....	12/31/2022	PDG Charles Zimmerman	12/31/2022
DISTRICT 14-E		DISTRICT 14-L		DISTRICT 14-W	
PDG Carl T. Johnson	12/31/2020	PDG James Foreso.....	12/31/2020	PDG Mimi Tosh.....	12/31/2020
PDG Dennis Taylor.....	12/31/2021	PDG Anna Clark	12/31/2021	PDG Walter Bechtold.....	12/31/2021
PDG Lance Remic.....	12/31/2022	IPDG Leanna Calhoun.....	12/31/2022	PDG Andrew Piskel	12/31/2022
DISTRICT 14-F		DISTRICT 14-M			
IPDG H. Robert Mitchell.....	12/31/2020	PDG Gloria Saloom	12/31/2020		
PDG William E. Green III.....	12/31/2021	Linda Myers.....	12/31/2021		
PCC Jim Day.....	12/31/2022	Nelson Fox	12/31/2022		

MD-14 State Convention host rotation

Year	Host	Site	Dates
2021	14-L	Blair County Convention Center, Altoona	May 13-16
2022	14-A	Valley Forge Casino Resort, King of Prussia	May 19-22
2023	14-J	Frank J. Pasquerilla Conf. Ctr., Johnstown	May 18-21
2024	14-T	To Be Determined	May 16-19
2025	14-H	To Be Determined	May 15-18
2026	14-M	To Be Determined	May 14-17*

** Dates are subject to change*

Updated 04/27/2020

International Board of Directors approves dues adjustment resolution

The following message was emailed 11/20/19 by International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi to Council Chairpersons, District Governors, Vice District Governors and Past District Governors and is being shared with all MD-14 Lions:

Lions Clubs International supports clubs and members around the world so we can advance our global mission of service together. Our international support and the work of Lions Clubs International is fueled by the international dues of our incredible members.

At the International Board of Directors meeting in October 2019, the Board voted to approve an international dues adjustment resolution that will be voted on at the International Convention in Singapore in 2020.

***Note:** In the wake of the cancellation of the 2020 LCI Convention, the Board pushed back the vote on this constitutional amendment to the 2021 LCI Convention in Montreal.*

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust dues by US\$3 effective July 2021, raising dues to US\$46, then adjusted annually for U.S. inflation thereafter. We will use a three-year inflation average not to exceed 3.0% or be lower than 1.5%.

Why an international dues adjustment is needed

We realize the association has been reluctant to adjust dues over the years, and we have not adjusted international dues since 2011. The proposed adjustment will help cover our costs and allow us to suitably serve our members' needs. With that said, the Board of Directors did not take this issue lightly, nor are we minimizing the value of each dollar that our members contribute.

As we consider this dues adjustment, it is essential that we keep in mind that our global efforts and initiatives support more than 1.4 million members in 48,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of staff, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources, training events and software, club operational support, international meetings, language services, technology, Foundation support, leadership support, and everything else we have come to expect as Lions.



A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products such as our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as a new online learning platform, development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and others tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand, and our membership.

Why your help is needed

Essentially, we have to decide whether or not we want Lions Clubs International to continue to grow and thrive. Lions is more than a way of life. It's also an investment of money, time, energy and passion. As with any good investment, the more we put in, the more returns we see.

We need you to help our members and leaders understand why this adjustment is needed. We have developed an international dues adjustment FAQ and PPT to help you present it to your Lions. I hope that you will see this adjustment as we do: as an investment in the future of Lions. Through your support, we can ensure that Lions are positioned for success in the future.

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President

State committee chair reporting schedule

PA MD 14 Committees/Coordinators	Appointed at COG Meeting	Present Reports at COG Meetings described in the policies				
		1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	General Session
Bldg Maintenance and Property – none listed	4th					
Constitution ByLaws/Policy	4th	X	X	X	X	
Diabetes Program Coordinator	4th				X	
Disaster Relief Coordinator	4th				X	
Finance Committee	1st	X	X	X	X	
GLT Leadership Coordinator – no dates in policy	3rd					
GLT Membership Coordinator – no dates in policy	3rd					
GLT Service Coordinator	3rd					
International Convention Committee	1st	X	X	X	X	
Investment Committee	1st		X	X		
Leader Dog for the Blind Coordinator	4th		X		X	
Leo Clubs Coordinator	4th		X		X	
Lioness Coordinator	4th			X		
Lions Intern’l Youth Camp & Exchange Coordinator	4th		X			
Lions of PA Foundation LOPF	1st		X			X
Long Range Strategic Planning – no dates in policy	3rd					
MD 14 LCIF Coordinator -no dates listed	4th					
PA All State Band	1st				X	
PA Beacon Lodge	4th	X				X
PA Lions Hearing Research Foundation	1st		X	X		
PA Lions Sight Conserv and Eye Research Foundation	4th		X	X		
PRIDE Magazine	4th				X	
Protocol Chair	4th					
State Convention Host Committee						
State Council Host Committee						
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum	2nd					
Website Coordinator – only as needed						
Website Designer – no dates listed						

Notes

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