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Horsham, PA 19044

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Upcoming Events:

- ◆ Dinner Meeting
Thurs, March 6th
7pm Williamsons
- ◆ Night at the Races
Narberth Lions
Saturday March 8th
- ◆ Dinner Meeting
Thurs March 20th
7pm, Williamsons
- ◆ District 14-R
Health Awareness Festival, March 15th
- ◆ District Convention
April 4th-5th,
Harleysville
- ◆ MCAB Golf Outing
April 16th

Did You Know?

- ◆ The female Victorian aristocracy in Britain would change their clothes at least four times a day.
- ◆ If every OREO cookie ever made were stacked on top of each other, the pile would reach the moon and back five times.

District Governor Visit

During our February 7th meeting, District Governor Joanne George and Vice District Governor Steve Hilbmann visited our club. Luckily for all, the weather didn't ruin our plans, as in years' past.

DG George's theme involved "Tweaking It": even if we make minor changes to things like membership initiatives or meeting format, a small change is better than no change. Tweak little things where possible, rather than stagnate.

She stressed the themes of increasing membership, as well as increasing our presence and participation online (ex: submitting club reports). She reminded us that many helpful and informative seminars will be held at the upcoming convention, which we are encouraged to attend.

DG George had less-than-fantastic news about the district: declining membership, transitional status, potential redistricting, average Lion age of 63. All of these things are



indicators that we need to redouble our efforts for the benefit of Lions and the countless people we help daily.

VDG Hilbmann also gave us a brief explanation of the newest club, which conducts their meetings online (instead of in person). He explained how it worked, how it helped Lions interact more efficiently, and how he was trying to spread the word of this technology to other clubs and districts nationwide and even worldwide.

HEY YOU !



Yes, YOU! Have you visited our website recently? We're one of the few clubs in District 14-R that actually HAS a website. All our accomplishments and upcoming events are listed, as well as helpful links to District resources. Maybe YOU can contribute an article (like John Campisi did!). Do yourself a favor, and come visit!

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March Birthdays:
Jim Doherty
March 2nd



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Horsham Day

Nobody do a rain dance! We're planning our most ambitious Horsham Day ever. The township has asked us if we would sell MORE pork than last year, and so we agreed. We're planning on doing the ice cream sales again as well. But new for this year, we're also going to be doing a Dunk Tank. The financial outlay for the tank is a mere \$75, and we're planning on canvassing the township, daring people to sit in as "victims". Lion Tara Smith is spearheading this new endeavor.

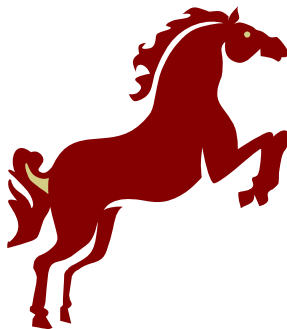


JT Binstead and Narberth Lions Visit

During our February 21st meeting, Past District Governor JT Binstead came to visit to talk about LCIF. And he brought several members of his Narberth club with him. We all got to make new connections and share Lion stories. JT reminded us all of the important things that LCIF can do worldwide, and urged us to continue to support Lionism and LCIF.

Narberth Lions Night at the Races

During their visit, the Narberth Lions asked if we could promote their upcoming "Night at the Races" fundraiser. It will be held March 8th at the Narberth Borough Hall. Betting \$15 on a horse could win you \$30! Contact Andy at the Horsham Lions website for more information.



MCAB Golf Invitational

The Montgomery County Association of the Blind will have their 7th annual golf outing at Whitmarsh Valley Country Club in Lafayette Hill on Wednesday, April 16th. If you or anyone you know is an avid golfer, why not come out and support a very worthy cause, and enjoy a great day of golf in the process! For details, visit the MCAB website at www.mcab.org.



Health Awareness Festival

The Lions Clubs of Montgomery County present a FREE International Health Awareness Festival, on Saturday March 15th from 9am to 2pm. It will be held at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in Elkins Park. Events include eye screenings, hearing screenings, dental screenings, diabetes testing, and used eyeglass collection. College students from various countries will be there, showing pride in their heritage and wearing traditional wardrobes. Plus there will be plenty of ethnic foods to try, and you can come meet the newest Lions club, the Elkins Park Chinese Lions Club. Come on out and meet other Lions in your district!



Horsham Lions Scholarships

Once again we are gearing up for scholarship season. We've reworked the application form and laid out a more definitive set of selection criteria. We're expanding things to include numerous private and parochial schools in the region, to try to reach more Horsham residents. Applications are available online on our website.



District 14R Convention

This year's convention will be held April 4th-5th at the Inn at Towamencin in Harleysville. Go to our website for a full schedule of events and all relevant details. A Melvin Jones banquet is planned as well as plenty of seminars. Seating is limited and tickets are required. Get tickets from your club secretary as soon as possible.



Monthly Brain Teaser!



If you pick 500 people at random from the phone book, how many will have unlisted numbers?

Last Month's Answer:
Mashed Potatoes