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# THE EAST COCALICO LIONS CLUB

We Serve

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# excerpts & actions of the December 5 BoD meeting:

## Membership/Orientation/Retention -

- Outcome from Membership Meeting that was held: Will keep sending Birthday Cards, will be sending invitations to become Lions to Student of the Month's Parents, and will have another Membership Social in spring (approx. April) with goal of every member to bring in prospective member.
- Forming a Committee to develop a 5 year plan; Lion Doyne and Lion Charles Holley are Co-Chairs and will be looking for 3-5 additional members to be part of. Will reach out to newer members to get their ideas. Meetings will start in January.

# Constitution and Bylaws -

• There will be a vote at the Singapore International Convention to increase Lions International Dues by \$3 bringing total to \$46 per member. Will also be reviewed every year thereafter and will increase based on the US Inflation rates (Avg over 3 years), these additional increases will be between 1.5 and 3%. As a comparison we are still lower than comparable non-profit organizations. If approved, will take effect July 2021. No news yet on State or District but will likely follow.

#### Care of Members -

• Sam Cutts is doing 100% better, Lion Bill Macauley had a fall and is back in rehab, please keep in prayers

#### Program -

• Next meeting will be Christmas Party at Foxchase

#### Annual Church Visit –

• Will be at Salem Evangelical Church in Reamstown on Feb 9th, times will follow as Lion Bruce will have Lion Don set up.

## **Public Relations & Communication –**

• Sent 3 articles out to Ephrata Review and Shopping News. We have been Averaging 1 article per week in papers

#### Merchandise Club -

• Lion Carol found an old list from prior Club we were at and will give to Lion John to investigate, Lion Bruce also memtioned he knows Adamstown Lions Club has many more cards that we offer

#### French Frv Stand -

- YTD 8 weeks of games grossed \$9445.70, cost 75 cases of fries, 29 bottles of ketchup total expenses \$1885.50 for Net \$7560.20 with 162 working hours.
- Keep the Change which we have been doing since 2013 has total Net of \$611 with \$148 being just this year. We will be adding a Poster to let everyone who leaves change know where their extra change is going as we helped over 102 blind people (approx.. \$6 will help one Blind person)

#### Toll Road -

- Collected \$3827 Lion Bruce made motion to add \$173 to be able to make 4 even \$1000 donations to our toll road recipients, was seconded by Lion Carol and motion passed.
- Suggestions were made to add 1 person per shift to help rotate people in inclement weather and rotate buckets
- Extra THANK YOU to Lion Chester and Lion Dustin for their extra help (especially when they didn't sign up originally)

#### Golf Tournament -

• Lion Tim needs more volunteers for the committee, and more participants in the fundraiser project (see Oct edition)

#### Food Bank -

- Lion Charles Holley will reach out to EASS to see if it is possible to move spring to June or keep in July
- The EASS pantry was bare prior to our Food Drive; now it's in good shape. Still need grocery and gasoline gift cards.





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#### Christmas Baskets -

- Distribution will be Dec. 21st starting at 9AM Baskets will be picked up on Dec. 20th and taken to Reamstown Community Center. Donuts and coffee will be available.
- List will go around again to make any updates as needed

#### Student of the Month -

• December's student of the month will be at first regular meeting in January

# Community Christmas Party -

• Dec. 10 at 7PM. Setup will be before, around 6:20 PM

# Holiday Exchange Program -

• No new information. Bring wrapped gifts to Christmas Party labeled with Family and Child #

# Trailer & Fryer Maintenance -

• Trailer still at High School. Working with Lion Paul to recover and then will change Lift Jack

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Lion Tim donated his Presidential money to Reamstown Park (\$1000) and Reamstown Firehall (\$500). Checks were already issued but needed to be documented
- Dancer we helped with a donation will be doing a program (we think 2/24)

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Lion Carl wanted to get approval to put a Lion's professional accomplishments from his work into our newsletter. He was given the go-ahead and encourage other members to give info to Lion Carl if they want accomplishments in the Newsletter.
- Lion Bruce stated he received information from HS that Kathren Shanama will be our HOBY recipient this year. Check for \$395 was written which is already covered by budget.



# **Dates to Remember, Club & District:**

**Dec. 7**: Gap LC Christmas Party, Gap Fire Hall

Dec. 9: ECL Christmas party, Foxchase

**Dec. 10**: Community Christmas party, R'town FH **Dec. 14**: Baron Stiegel Santa b'fast, Brickerville FH

Dec. 21: Christmas Basket distribution from "silo"

Jan. 5: Baron Stiegel breakfast, Brickerville FH Jan. 6: Mountville Blood Drive, Trinity Ref. UCC

Jan.. 26: Akron LC Spaghetti Dinner, Akron FH

Feb. 1: Baron Stiegel breakfast, Brickerville FH

Feb. 9: ECL annual church visit, Salem Evangel,

Feb. 10: ECL 76th Charter Night Celebration

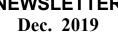






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Carrie Buckwalter was the club's November 2019 Student of the Month. Carrie's activities include being the President of the 2020 Class, President of Student Government and a member of the Cocalico Player Makers and participated in the School's Fall Play, Charlotte's Web. She's also in Model United Nations in which students can learn about diplomacy, international relations, and the United Nations. Carrie was honored to attend the 2018 HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership) Seminar and also volunteers at Aaron's Acres, a camp for children with Disabilities. Her future plans include doing undergraduate study in Political Science and then attending Law School. Even though she has not yet decided what College she plans to attend she is keeping herself, and her parents busy, by visiting 15 different campuses.



#### DISTRICT GOVERNORS OFFICIAL VISIT



President Paul presenting the Club's Contribution of \$3,969



# From PDG Lion Bruce:

# Important News from your Membership Chairperson

The other year we had a very good year, recruiting 11 new members, which still has the District buzzing.

But last year we only brought in 1 new member and part of that is my fault. I made the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary my Number 1 priority, spending a lot of time on that and made Membership secondary and I apologize for that.

So it's time to get back and get serious about membership.

For your information another one time strong club in the District, Manor Ridge, has folded and we have to constantly recruit new members so we can continue to serve at the level we have been.

And again, I must emphasize, that membership is the club members' job and not the Membership Committee's. We are here to help and encourage the members to just 'Ask".

The membership committee has met and is working on several ideas including having another "Membership Social" in the Spring of 2020.

For those who attended President Honor Night, we heard PID Gary Anderson talked about a club who set a goal to increase their membership by 50 members within 5 years. They achieve this goal and more by developing a major 5 year membership drive

I received the Board's permission and support to do something similar to this and to develop a Major Membership 5 Year Plan for the East Cocalico Lions Club.

A new Committee is being created to develop this 5 year plan and will start meeting after the New Year. We already have two Co-Chairpersons and one additional member.

If you would like to be part of this committee and to help in the growth of the East Cocalico Lions Club, please contact Lion Bruce Carpenter as soon as possible.

Also, if you are asked to help please seriously consider doing so as we need your help.

If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to ask me.

Membership Chairperson, Lion Bruce Carpenter





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# Annual Church Visit

Each year, as part of our Charter Celebration, we worship together as a club and a community at a local church.

We will be worshipping with the Congregation of Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church, 12 East Church St in Reamstown, on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Lion Ron Horning will be making the arrangements for our service.

The Service starts at 9:00 AM and additional details on the time we will be gathering to enter as a group will be given at the January Club Meeting and be included in the next newsletter.

In the past few years we had a Great attendance from the Club members for these visits. Please consider attending and show our support to the community and the club.



## **Kudos to ECL's newest member**

(excerpted from press release)

<u>Pathway Financial Group</u> announced recently that Alexander (Alec) Jones has completed all the requirements to become a fully licensed Financial Representative.

Alec has been employed by Pathway Financial Group since January 2019 as a financial paraplanner. Having passed his series 7 and series 63 exams in September, Alec advances to the title of Registered Representative.

Alec attended Clarion University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Personal Finance, Corporate Finance, and Industry Accounting. During his time at Clarion, he was inducted into Clarion University's Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society, graduated Summa Cum Laude, and was involved in numerous community service events and volunteer opportunities through the Student Honors Association.

Outside of the financial scene, Alec can be found fly fishing in local streams and rivers, as well as practicing his golf game at different courses throughout Lancaster County. Also, Alec serves as a member of several local organizations, including the Northern Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce and East Cocalico Lions Club.





#### from your newsletter editor:

As the Chairperson/committee for the Holiday Exchange Program I'd like to acknowledge the donations and participation of each member, but privacy issues require that I maintain everybody's anonymity, both donors and recipients. I don't make any effort to keep score of who gave/how much; in many cases I don't know what gifts came from whom --- and that's as it should be. I do need to remind you that the gifts are collected at the Club Christmas Party, but I'll be available to receive/pick up gifts that are forgotten or purchased after the party.







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...and then there's the annual Artic Weather Challenge: The Toll Road



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Santa Claus is coming to the town of Gap!!!

Christmas Bazaar

Presented by The Gap Lion's Club

Gap Fire Hall, December 7<sup>th</sup> 9am-2pm

Join Gap Lion's Club as we welcome Santa Claus into town!



Vendor & Craft Shopping!

Kids Santa's Shoppe (all under \$1.)

Cookies & Candy Canes & Free Crafts!

Don't miss a chance to meet Santa himself from 12-2pm!

Take your free family Christmas photo with Santa!

Enjoy Chicken Pot Pie, Hot dogs, chips & drinks!

Call for vendor & volunteer opportunities!

Tables \$25. Gap Fire Hall, all proceeds to benefit

Pequea Valley CORE Program

Supporting Children learning Trades.

717-442-3158

# Community Blood Drive Trinity Reformed UCC

Social Hall 450 West Main Street - Mountville

Monday, January 6, 2020 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



AKRON LIONS CLUB SPAGHETTI DINNER

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2020 TIME: 11:00 A.M TILL SOLD OUT PLACE: AKRON FIRE HALL

> COST: ADULTS \$10.00 CHILDREN (6 TO 12): \$5:00 CHILDREN UNDER 6 FREE

All proceeds to benefit community projects, Boy Scouts and sight conservation

