



# Shaggy Tales



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## Manheim Twp. Lions Club Newsletter

## Welcome Lori Shenk Manheim Twp. School District 6th Grade Quest Teacher

### CLUB HAPPENINGS:

#### White Cane Days:

You heard of the U.S. mail carriers who deliver the mail in spite of wind, rain or snow. Well they have nothing on the Manheim Township Lions Club who delivered on White Cane Days in rain, cold wind and luckily no snow. We had another successful White Cane fundraiser despite the weather conditions. We raised \$3,286.73 Thanks to all those hearty Lions who make it happen and the leadership of our co chairs Lions Nevin Wentz and Lion Jim Propst for making it possible to support our vision projects.

Beacon Lodge Camp For The Blind and Vision Impaired.  
Leader Dog  
Diabetes Awareness  
Used Eyeglass Collection and Shipping  
Eye glasses and exams for the needy  
Susquehanna Association For The Blind And Vision Impaired.  
N.E. Lions Eye bank

### SAVE THE DATE

Monday December 15th is our club's Christmas Party to be held at Brethren Village Fieldcrest Dining Room at 6:30 PM. **Please note we do not have a regular meeting in December. Our next regular meeting is Jan.11th.**

### Club Official Long Sleeved Shirt and 3 season Jacket

The shirt is light blue oxford, the jacket is royal blue. Shirt cost is \$28.00 Plus \$3 for your name Jacket cost is \$45.00 plus \$3 for your name Note: The first order was sent in last week, it will take 3 weeks for delivery. If there are any new orders please see Lion Sylvia.

### Lion Chet Smith's new address & Phone number:

1136 Richmond Rd.  
Fleetwood, PA 19522  
Phone # 610-944-1783 email yucki3@verizon.net

### DATES TO REMEMBER & UPCOMING EVENTS:

Nov. 23 Regular Meeting & Board Meeting  
Dec. 15 Club Christmas Social  
Jan. 11 Regular Meeting  
Jan. 25 Regular Meeting & Board Meeting  
Feb. 8 Regular Meeting we host Lititz Lions Club  
Feb. 22 Club Valentine Social & a brief Board Meeting

### Fundraising Report.

The September 19th Car Show was held at the Manheim Township Community Park in which our Lions club assisted the Manheim Township Sunrise Lions Club selling hot dogs and hamburgers. Our club offered to help the Sunrise Lions Club since a number of their members traveled to South Dakota with The We're all Gods Children group on a mission dispensing used and eyeglasses to the Native American Indians in the area. Our club receive \$275 which was 30 percent of the total net proceeds. Thanks to all the members who were able to help the Manheim Township Sunrise Club and also coming away with some much-needed funds for our club.

### New Fund Raising Committee Report

Chairperson Lion Chuck reported the committee came up with 2 new fund raising ideas. These were presented to our club's Board of Directors for consideration. The first idea presented is to hold a community yard sale at the Neffsville Community Park. This is similar to the Craft Fairs we did for many years. Yard sale participants would pay for a space and food sales by our Lion's club. The second idea of committee came up with was to chance off a motor scooter. The chances would be sold at locations in our community such as Roots Auction. Our New Fund Raising committee members welcome your comments and suggestions regarding the two new fund raising ideas. Committee: Chuck Steinman, Manny Pinto, Sylvia Miller & George Groff.

### Club Web Site

On your next log on to our club's web site check out the Myspace, Facebook & Twitter pages. A big thank you to Lion Barry for a great job keeping the web site current.

### Thanks to Lion President Judy for copying the club newsletter at no cost to the club.

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

John Kettering 11/16  
Ralph Miller 11/21  
Lynn Marie Blackman 11/26



### BOARD ACTION

1- Approved conducting a Community Yard Sale as a new club fundraiser.

## Membership

The way we ask someone to join Lions could make the difference between a yes and a no. How do you ask someone to become a Lion? When someone asks "what do Lions do" most Lions respond by saying that we do fund raisers, such as pancake breakfasts, fish fries, candy days, and many others events. Then we give that money away to various charities - food pantries, leader and guide dogs, schools, and buy eyeglasses, etc. Oh, and for doing this, you will need to attend meetings and pay dues.

Let's try another approach. I would think that most, if not all, of us believe that in some sense that Lions are miracle makers. It seems, however, that we have a difficult time telling others about those miracles.

When our club members drove a young township paraplegic man to college classes who now is employed and able to drive his own van giving him the ability to be independent., it's just what Lions do. To that individual, it's a Miracle!

When we put food on tables that might be otherwise empty, Lions say it's just what Lions do. To the families that say, "Thank you" to the Lions in their prayers, it's a Miracle!

When we do eye exams and buy glasses, we give the gift of sight so a young child can see the board in school; it's just what Lions do. To that child, it's a Miracle.

When millions of people in the world can see because of Campaign Sight First II, it's a Miracle!

We need to tell people what we **accomplish**. We need to tell them we are a strong group of individual who help those less fortunate than ourselves. We are an International Association, 1.3 Million strong, with the resources to provide disaster relief to their communities. Tell them Lions are the world leader in humanitarian service and we need to grow to serve in the future. Ask them to help and become a member. Do it with passion. You can do it. If we practice this, maybe we can be more effective in gaining new Lions. Try it. You might like it.

## Remember to honor all Veterans Wednesday November 11th

*Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing. It's when you had everything to do, and you've done it.*  
*Margaret Thatcher*

### PLEASE NOTE:

To Cancel dinner reservations if you are A-K on our club roster call Lion Don Bragg at 581-1677 and M-Z call Barry Caldwell at 569-9959 Friday prior to the meeting.

**Remember if you forget to cancel a meeting you cannot attend you will owe \$13.00 to the club. Brethren Village bills our club for the meal count we give them.**

Manheim Township Lions Web Site  
<http://manheimtwplions.blogspot.com>

## A Message from our District Governor

Dear Lions, Lioness & Leos,  
October is now history and what a good and busy month it was. The five region rallies and the Lioness rally were all successful with good food, fellowship and total attendance was up. Congratulations to all that received awards or recognition. Attendance was great at our Special Convention on October 18th and we did endorse Cabinet Secretary Lion Leonard Smith, PDG as our candidate for International Director. He and his campaign staff will be busy as he seeks the endorsement of the Multiple District (State).

The District also did their part by being in the State Blitz to start new clubs. 15 District 14D Lions were at the training sessions near Boalsburg, Pa. on October 11th and we worked in our District on October 12,13 & 14 with the groundwork done to start a new Lions Club in our District. Thanks to all the Lions that worked to make this happen. Thanks to 1st VDG Jim Bolin, 2nd VDG Bob Eberly and Extension Chairperson PDG Bruce Carpenter for spearheading this effort.

I am enjoying the Official Visits to the Clubs and First Lady, Lion Sue thanks the clubs that are inviting her as their guest.

As always it is an honor to serve the fine Lions, Lioness and Leo's of our great District and we thank you for the opportunity. We are looking forward to seeing you at the official club visits, keep up the good work you are doing for Lionism and thank you for serving.

Lion Steve Benedict  
District Governor

Lion Sue Benedict  
First Lady

## Message from the 1st Vice District Governor

Lions/Lioness and Leos,

Our Membership Chair of the Merlow team, Michael Guinivan, sent an article to Cabinet members recently which was taken from the proceedings of the Leadership Forum held in Memphis. The article the "horsepower" that will move our carriage into the future. Reading this article makes you proud to be a Lion. A good article to share with other clubs when visiting them.

The mini-convention held recently was well attended. District 14D is proud of PDG Leonard Smith and supports him as he becomes a candidate for International Director.

My partner-in-service Gloria and I have enjoyed attending the Region rallies this past month. A lot of good food, fellowship with other Lions members and seeing the presentation of well deserved awards being given to fellow Lions. We look forward to the Council Meeting in Scranton, PA and seeing Lion members from other Districts of Pennsylvania.

Yours In Lionism,  
Lion Jim Bolin  
1st Vice District Governor