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DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 1 -- The Board will meet at the Lititz Public Library in the Board Room at 6:30 PM. All members are welcome. All officers and directors are expected to attend. Attention Officers and Directors: If you are unable to attend a Board Meeting, please call and inform President Diane or Vice-President Veronica.

December 10 – Christmas Dinner at the Eden Resort at 6:30.

FUTURE DATES:

January 5 -- Board Meeting at the Public Library.

January 14 – Dinner Meeting Fieldcrest, Brethren Village.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: December 6 – Lioness Kathy Ridder
December 16 – Lioness Deb Douthart
December 18 – Lioness Brenda Long
December 20 – Lioness Barbara Weaver
December 27 – Lioness Deb Olsen**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Happy Thanksgiving, Lionesses!

The holiday season is a time of tradition, and the Lititz Lioness Club continues to uphold its long tradition of selflessness within our community. We are indeed blessed by the abundance of opportunities placed in our path to help provide for the needy and less fortunate.

With increased Lioness visibility in person and coverage in the newspapers and online, it's so good to see and feel our "pride" strengthening, isn't it? Everyone's efforts are instrumental to our club's growth and vitality. Keep up the good work as we reap our rewards in new members and greater fundraising profits to benefit our fellow townspeople!

Vice President Veronica headed up a hardworking crew whose goal was to get those SKH grocery raffle ticket sales soaring right up to the North Pole! Lioness Monica's display board artwork set the tone for this fun event, and we certainly did sell a lot of chances! We'll find out who the lucky raffle winners are at our special December dinner meeting.

Enjoy the splendor of the holiday season, ladies, and see you and our guests at the Eden!

President Diane

ATTENTION...

Special Message from President Diane

To all Lionesses,

I need your input on selecting a Lititz Lioness candidate for the Multiple District 14 "Lioness of the Year" Award.

It's a very prestigious award, always given to one of the Lionesses from our district at the State Convention Lioness breakfast.

The following is the criteria to earn this award:

- 1. The Lioness Club must be sponsored by a Lions Club**
- 2. The Lioness must be a member in a Lioness Club in good standing in a sub-district**
- 3. Have served as a member for *at least six (6) years***
- 4. Have earned 5 years perfect attendance**
- 5. Shall have promoted goodwill and harmony in the Club**
- 6. Shall have served as Club President, Secretary, or a member of the Board of Directors in the Club and have displayed exemplary service**
- 7. If the sub-district has a Lioness District, the Lioness shall have participated in sub-district projects and attended sub-district meetings**
- 8. A Lioness may only receive the award one (1) time.**

Some points to consider are: perfect attendance can also be considered as the Lioness attending a very high percentage of meetings while also participating in our projects and events; and, Kathy Ridder has already been so honored, therefore we are not permitted to vote for her.

I request that each of us carefully considers our qualified candidates and vote for just one (1) Lioness; whoever receives the most votes is the one whom I can then nominate for this honor.

The deadline for your vote is Sunday, December 13th. Please feel free to email me or call me on my cell at (717) 419-9853 to relay your choice.

We are very fortunate to have so many potential recipients in our club, and I appreciate your taking the time to help make this important decision. It would be awesome indeed if a Lititz Lioness would be named as the “Lioness of the Year” at next year's State Convention!

Thank you all.

LIONESSES ELIGIBLE FOR MULTIPLE DISTRICT 14D LIONESS OF THE YEAR

**Vivian Aichele
Marion Gotwalt
Evie Hackman
Karen Harnly
Bea Koch
Estelene Ladd
Helen Lauderman
Bettielee Loemker
Judy Matarazzo
Ruth McKennon**

**Leota Miller
Emily Oberholtzer
Jill Oehme
Irene Pettyjohn
Dot Rosenquist
Doris Shaub
Evelyn Schreiber
Olympia Sipe
Barbara Weaver
Jaris Woller**

They have all met the criteria of being a Lioness for at least 6 years and have served as President, Secretary or served as a Director. Kathy Ridder has received the award so is ineligible.

LIONESS NEWS-----BITS AND PIECES:

Lioness Brenda brought Vanni Garrison as a guest to our November dinner meeting. We hope she enjoyed the meeting and will consider becoming a member. We know she enjoyed the 50/50 drawing as she was the prize winner.

We congratulate the membership committee on a very entertaining program. “Jeopardy” proved to us how much we know (and don’t know) about Lititz and our Lioness Club. Lioness Estelene was tops in knowledge. Does that surprise anyone?

It was so good to see Lioness Pat at the November meeting after her shoulder surgery. She seems to be doing very well.

Lioness Jill is accepting jogging suits or pajamas in Large or X-Large sizes to be given to the Domestic Violence Shelter as Christmas gifts. You may take your unwrapped package to Lioness Jill's house or you may call her and she will pick up your gift. Deadline is December 10th.

Lioness Jill has a basket at each meeting (not Christmas) to receive personal items such as toothpaste, shampoo, toothbrushes, hairbrushes, etc. which are also donated to the Domestic Violence Shelter throughout the year. This is an ongoing charity so please keep this in mind when you are shopping. Just purchase one extra item for the shelter.

Lioness Bettielee collects cancelled stamps for the veterans and cards for St. Jude Children's Hospital. The veterans sent a thank you letter for the 4 ½ pounds of recently sent stamps. Christmas is coming, so save your stamps and cards and Lioness Bettielee will be extremely happy.

The Board approved a \$50 donation to the Warwick High School's March 10th Science Fair.

Lioness Vivian (Welcome Wagon representative) will be passing out flyers inviting new residents to the Club's Fashion Show in April.

FYI – We will be asking for door prize donations earlier this year. Assignments will be handed out in January.

There is still time to sell Raffle Tickets. If you need more, please contact President Diane before December 10th.

CLOSE WITH A SMILE:

There were two blondes who went deep into the frozen woods searching for a Christmas tree. After hours of subzero temperatures and a few close calls with hungry wolves, one blonde turned to the other and said, "I'm chopping down the next tree I see. I don't care whether it's decorated or not!"

One Christmas, Joe and Peter built a skating rink in the middle of a field. A shepherd leading his flock decided to take a shortcut across the rink. The sheep, however, were afraid of the ice and wouldn't cross it. Desperate, the shepherd began tugging them to the other side. 'Look at that,' remarked Peter to Joe, 'That guy is trying to pull the wool over our ice!'

Happy Holidays! Lioness Dot