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## Top story in this newsletter

#### Caesar Rodney Council 2019 project-Working with Youth

After exploring options with the Boys & Girls Club, the Boy Scouts, and the 4H Club; we focused on a youth group from a Bridgeville church. Our secretary Phyllis Sterling and her husband Wayne brought this group to our attention because of their mission work in North Carolina.

To raise money the youth group, along with other members of the church, produce chocolate Easter Eggs for sale. Their goal this year is to produce 3000 eggs for sale. It took that many eggs to fill the orders that the church had already received.

Members of our Council participated in all aspects of the process. The first step was to meet at the store in Harrington to purchase \$1000.00 worth of material and supplies necessary to complete the task. The supplies were loaded into Wayne's truck for transport back to the church. Two weeks later, we met at the church to mix the first batch of dough. The children and our volunteers were there and did most of the hand mixing of the batches that night. While this was going on in the kitchen, others were busy in the hall preparing containers that hold the finished eggs. Saturday was the big push to complete the orders. The kitchen crew was turning out the third flavor of eggs and coating the egg shapes with chocolate. Meanwhile in the hall, skilled decorators were applying colorful flower accents to each completed egg. Boxing and stacking was the final step before delivery and pickup of the finished product.. We had 7 volunteers and 73.5 volunteer hours.

#### Dave Herron, President





Volunteers
don't get paid,
not because
they're
worthless, but
because
they're
priceless.
— Sherry
Anderson

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## Headquarters Council Telecom Pioneers Charitable Fund Grant (TPCF)

## (Pioneers Giving Hope)

Homelessness among veterans has been a major public concern for decades. The 'Veterans Homeless Project' is a part of Headquarters Council's outreach to the veterans in the Philadelphia Area who are having a difficult time in transitioning from the military to civilian life. No veteran should be without a place to call home once they have served their country. Our primary objective was to assist the VAMC in providing needed household supplies and ancillary items in support of the homeless and "at- risk" veterans who were in need of housing for their families.

As these veterans transition to their new homes, through this Grant, we are able to continue our work with the VAMC in providing needed household items. From their "needs list" we have been able to provide dishes, flatware sets, toaster oven, microwave, pots and pans, sheet sets, brushes

and household cleaning and disinfecting supplies.

Project Coordinator: Fran Spagna







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"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." — Mahatma Gandhi

#### **Blessed Margaret of Castello**

Headquarters Council donated from their membership paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, napkins and facial tissues), diapers, wipes and three handmade Afghans to the Blessed Margaret of <u>Castello Home for Crisis Pregnancies</u> in May. Approximately, 1,805 items were donated.

Project Coordinators were Linda Kane-Jones and Jim Jones.









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#### Our Lady of Angels School

Headquarters Council and Liberty Bell Chapter jointly participated in a project to provided needed school supplies and miscellaneous items to Our Lady of Angels School that experienced a massive three-alarm fire. The fire ravaged the six class rooms in the old section of the school, which was built in 1950. Subsequently the school's classroom section was declared a total loss, which included all of the educational/instructional materials, and all of their classroom supplies. From their 'needs list' we have provided ... 2 cartons of copy paper, glue, pens, regular #2 and color pencils, crayons, dry board markers, dry board erasers, highlighters, construction paper, plastic file folders, Crayola play dough, vinyl gloves, hand sanitizer, Lysol disinfecting wipes, Lysol cleaner, Kleenex tissues, and paper towels. In total 1,240 items were donated to the school.



Project Coordinators:

Bob Wyatt

Fran Spagna





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You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give." ~Winston Churchill



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### **How Can You Help?**

Liberty Bell Pioneers can help serve their communities in several ways.

- 1. Join/Volunteer your time for a Project or Activity
- 2. Attend a Luncheon or gathering and bring needed items.
- 3. Support a Project by responding to National Pioneers Direct Mail appeals. Your donation helps to sustain Headquarters and your Local Chapter.
- 4. Support Local fundraising efforts.
- 5. Become a sustained donor by contributing to Pioneers monthly though automatic deductions.
- 6. Consider becoming a member of the Pioneers Legacy Society by making a bequest.

In these ways, you are helping the Liberty Bell Chapter volunteers answer the call of those in need in communities.

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## Calendar of Events .. July, Aug, Sept

#### 2019 July

07/01/19 Monday Nominations and Write-Ups for the Hall of Fame and Council of the Year Awards are due to Mary Jane Tollok by this date. Candidates will be voted on at the July 17, 2019 Chapter Executive Board Meeting.

07/02/19 Tuesday Caesar Rodney Council Talking Books

07/02/19 Tuesday HQ.s Council Exec. Mtg. - 9:30 am - 900 Race St., 9th Flr. Philadelphia, PA Call: Marie Yotsko - 215-331-7486

07/02/19 Tuesday \* West Council - Magee Rehab "4th of July Beach Party" - 6:00 pm - contact Jody Ryan 610-220-5627 (cell)

07/03/19 Wednesday (CANCELLED) Caesar Rodney Council Ex. Bd. Meeting - 11:00 am

07/13/19 Saturday Caesar Rodney Council - Fund Raiser - Nanticoke Riverfest

07/17/19 Wednesday Chapter Meeting - 900 Race Street 9th Flr. - 9:00 am Debbie Kelly/ Sect. 610-328-5616

07/19/19 - Friday - 41st Telecom Pioneers International Sports Jamboree - to be held at North Bend State Park in Cairo, West Virginia

07/21/19 Sunday contact Diana Buzzard (304) 965-1779 for more information.

07/23/19 Tuesday Caesar Rodney Council Talking Books07/24/19 Wednesday C Northeast Council Meeting - 10.00 am- contact Bernie Allen 610-828-4471 if you plan to attend

2019 August

08/01/19 Thursday Vouchers and Write-Ups on Grant Money Projects must be completed and turned in to Mary Jane Tollok by this date. Any questions call Mary Jane Tollok (215) 757-0806.

08/06/19 Tuesday Caesar Rodney Council Talking Books

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08/07/19 Wednesday Caesar Rodney Council Ex. Bd. Meeting - 11:00 am

08/20/19 Tuesday Caesar Rodney Council Talking Books

08/21/19 Wednesday Chapter Meeting - 900 Race Street 9th Flr. - 9:00 am Debbie Kelly/ Sect. 610-328-5616

08/28/19 Wednesday Northeast Council Meeting - 10:00 am - contact Bernie Allen 610-828-4471 if you plan to attend 2019 September

09/03/19 Tuesday Caesar Rodney Council Talking Books

09/03/19 Tuesday HQ.s Council Exec. Mtg. - 9:30 am - 900 Race St., 9th FIr. Philadelphia, PA Call: Marie Yotsko 215-331-7486

09/04/19 Wednesday (CANCELLED) Caesar Rodney Council Ex. Bd. Meeting - 11:00 am

09/04/19 Wednesday Caesar Rodney Council Membership Picnic - 11:30 am - Marvel Museum

09/04/19 Wednesday West Council Meeting - 11:30 am - Perkins Restaurant, State Rd. & Lansdowne Ave. DrexelHill, PA

Contact - Debbie Kelly 610-328-5616

09/05/19 Thursday Germantown Council Meeting

\* Indicates New Item / C Indicates Change



## West Council is still on the job!!!



Here is a nice thank you note from <u>The Gift of Life House</u>, which is the project chaired by our wonderful Jody Ryan of West Council. Every month West Council prepares either a Sunday Brunch or a Sunday Dinner, with a great group of volunteers, usually over a dozen or

so. ...... <u>Debbie Kelly - West Council</u>





Hi Debbie.

When we ask the families who stay at <u>Gift of Life Family House</u> how they feel about Home Cook Heroes like you—the people who give so generously of their time and talent to feed them on their toughest days—sometimes it's hard for them to find the words. There's just so much they want to say: Thank you. You made our family feel safe. You helped us stay strong. You gave us a community who could really help when we felt alone. You made us feel welcome.

We want to thank you, too, for your hard work and being a part of "our family". Volunteers like you are an essential part of helping transplant families on their journey.

**HEY GANG!!!..DONT FORGET TO** 



# SAVE THESE DATES FOR NEXT YEAR, {2020}



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PIONEER GET- A -WAY WEEK TO WILDWOOD N.J.

*MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>, TO JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>,2020*