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Warmer weather is just around the corner as we head into the last quarter of the pin trading year. It's nice to be back to normal as attendance is picking up at our pin trading events. We just got back from the Pennsylvania pin trade in Harrisburg. It took a little time to get use to saying

Harrisburg instead of York, but it was a tremendous trade and we thought the new facilities were excellent. There was a lot of space in the pin trading room and the hotel was very accommodating.

Next on the agenda is the Midwest Swap in Rock Island Illinois and then the North Carolina Swap at Camp Dogwood. We look forward to seeing many of our pin trading friends at both events.

Director Chet Kramer gave a report on the Alternate Swap to be held in Williamsburg in June. At the present there are over 80 traders and 110 tables requested for the swap. Williamsburg has a lot to offer and it is going to be a great event. I hope you are all registered and are planning to attend.

We are also still moving forward on the breakfast plans for the International Convention in Montreal. Newsletter Editor Rich sent a reminder out to all members about the breakfast and the application is again included in this newsletter.

I am proud to say that the reports at the Board Meeting in Harrisburg kept up the tradition of being "Lions First". The scholarship committee reported that they are adding a fourth \$2,500.00 scholarship, so we will be awarding \$10,000.00 in scholarships this year. Lion George Lonneman reported that the pin traders stepped forward and donated almost \$37,000.00 to the Mayfield Kentucky area after the devastating tornadoes that caused severe damage.

It was also reported that our Campaign 100 donation stands at \$67,323.00. Hopefully we can eclipse the \$70,000.00 mark by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

June 30<sup>th</sup> will mark the end of the Circus and carnivals series. To someone like me who is a clown pin collector it has been a great series. The new series starting July 1 is Farming and Gardening. I saw some great designs being put together in Harrisburg for the new series already.

Our hobby is very rewarding, but it's the friendships and the service that binds us all together. I am proud to say I am a member of this great organization. Let's keep trading and serving.

Yours in Service and Trading.  
Sincerely, Steve Sherer, PID  
LITPC President