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Newsletter of Lions District 44-H ~ New Hampshire



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Hello Lions,

Thoughts from  
*District Governor Al Goldstein*

We are entering the last quarter of our Lion's year. This is the time of year we select our officers for next year. It is very important that we choose people who have a desire to lead and want to make their mark on the future of our clubs, boards, district and international. While we are not sending a candidate for International Director this year it does not mean that someone we choose to take on a leadership position now cannot be looked at in the future of such a position.

The clubs are the starting point for all of our future leaders. The selections are import and should be well thought out. The officers you vote in are the future of your club. This is when your club needs to sit back and reflect on the past and look to the future. This is when you really have to consider the future of your club starts with adding new members. The future of Lions is yours. Every one of us was a new Lion at one time. Many of you reading this have become officers some of you will become officers. Take a chance make a difference in your club and our district.

This past March the Somersworth Lions called out for help for a fund raising project to help a your girl in the community who needed our help. The Somersworth club reached out to all of the clubs in our District for help and guidance to pull off a fundraiser of the magnitude needed to raise the money to help young Avah. I am proud to say the Lions of this District as well as our partners in 44N stepped up to make the needs of this girl a reality. Her life will change because of the service of Lions. Lions from clubs all over the District came to the event, rolled up their sleeves and worked in the kitchen on the floor as well as selling raffle tickets. These Lions never worked together as a team but because of what they all do at their own events, they knew what to do. There where lions who worked behind the scene as well to make this happen. I can honestly say it really makes me proud to be a Lion. We all lived up to the motto of the event "where there's a need there's a Lion. Thank you to everyone.

Al Goldstein  
District Governor  
District 44H  
New Hampshire  
Together We Serve





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### April

- 4/8 Camp Pride Meeting 6:30pm, Location TBD
- 4/8 Lions Youth Services Mtg, 6:30pm Location: TBD
- 4/16 LSHF Meeting, 6:30pm Hannafords, Bedford NH
- 4/28 Health Services BoardMtg,6:30pm Location TBD
- 4/29 Twin State Soccer Assoc 7:00pm Location: Elks Club, Lebanon NH

### May

- 5/10 Camp Pride Meeting 6:30pm, Location TBD
- 5/10 Lions Youth Services Mtg, 6:30pm Location: TBD
- 5/18 LSHF Meeting, 6:30pm Hannafords, Bedford NH
- 5/23 Health Services BoardMtg,6:30pm Location TBD
- 5/31 Twin State Soccer Assoc 7:00pm Location: Elks Club, Lebanon NH

Newsletter Editor Change effective July 1st!  
 Starting with the July newsletter, please send all articles, pictures, and information to Christine Goldstein at newsletter44h@outlook.com.  
 Deadline for submission is the 20th of the month!



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*Hello My Fellow Lions,*

Special Note: It was so great to see so many clubs come together to support the Somersworth Club in providing eSight digital glasses to Avah, a 10 year girl that is legally blind. The efforts were a success by providing the eSight glasses, good job DG Al bring this effort to a successful conclusion.

With the Lions year coming to an end, for me that means, I am working on completing to filling cabinet positions and Lions to fill District 44H committees.

The district has started to focus on clubs that need help grow their membership. As this effort has been one of my goals I will continue to focus on the health of clubs for the next year.

Let's help DG Al finish his year with a positive membership Growth.

My personal goal/focus is to work **SIDE-BY-SIDE** with individual Lions & Clubs  
PLEASE CONTACT ME WITH YOUR UPCOMING EVENTS

If I can help in anyway please feel free to call on me. Yours in Lionism.

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## Thoughts from Second Vice District Governor Jerry Vaccaro

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MADNESS, WHAT NEXT?



The District has been pushing "JUST ASK" for new members in March. Hopefully your club has added a new member. So what is next?

New members are usually inquisitive of what LIONS are about. Yes, they have learned from their sponsors that we help the needy, we do projects, and we serve the community. It's been proven that we loose too many NEW members the first year of their Lionistic year, so what and how do we stop this or lower this Retention issue.

First, possibly have them invited to a coffee hour with a Mentor from your club. Let them ask questions about the history of your club, the projects and fundraisers. Another words, "an orientation", but on a club and District level.

Second, encourage them to join an existing project team or fundraiser. Have them give ideas that they feel that could help the project or fundraiser. Let them try these ideas and not discourage them.

Third, encourage them to attend a Zone Meeting or District Cabinet meeting and at the same time, do not overwhelm them. Introduce them to the Zone chair, the District Governor or District leadership so they feel part the District.

These few valued suggestions will increase your club membership. They will keep your new members from dropping; in fact, they probably will bring in new members of their own. Yup, they will!!! The Snow ball effect, a happy member will bring new members.

Keep on asking and they will come!

I'm always looking forward for an invitation to your club to talk about a topic of your choice.

Thank you for what you do as a LION,

Jerry





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## Thoughts from Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer *Bob Gustafson*

Fellow Lions,

We had a nice 44-H Cabinet meeting on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> in Nashua which was well attended. I always learn something about Lionism from these Cabinet meetings and I hope you do too. The next major event on tap will be District Governor's Al's homecoming which we'll have on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Atkinson Country club. Look for the registration in the 44-H District newsletter. This should be a fun and entertaining event. A night to toast and roast, so to speak. I hope you all can make it. I can personally attest that DG Al has worked hard to forward the goals of the Lions so he deserves to be toasted and roasted. As always, Lions Secretaries, please remember to go in to the LCI system and post your fund raising and service projects so Leadership can keep apprised of your progress so we can continue to reach for our goals. Thanks.

Quote of the month: "We are such stuff that dreams are made on" - Shakespeare

Yours in Lionism,

CST Robert Gustafson

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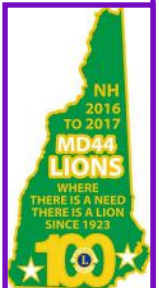
### "Forum"

noun, plural *forums, fora* [fawr-uh m, fohr-uh m]

Definitions:

1. the marketplace or public square of an ancient Roman city, the center of judicial and business affairs and a place of assembly for the people.
2. an assembly, meeting place, television program, etc., for the discussion of questions of public interest.

Each year Lions come together to share information. One of those occasions is coming up on April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Delta Dental Center in Concord, NH – The NH Lions Forum.



Just as in the marketplace where fish or fruit is sold in exchange for money, the NH Lions Forum is offering a substantial product and the compensation for this product is just \$5.

For just \$5, you will be richly rewarded with information on a broad range of topics. Leadership training is one of those substantial and ever-enriching products available in just a couple of weeks.

The information from our incoming District Governors for our Club Presidents, information for our incoming Secretaries and Treasurers, information from the Health Services Board about Operation KidSight, and so much more.

So much of what is learned through your participation in Lions, is a benefit to you as you interact in the many other areas of your life.

**Get all of your club members engaged in this Forum. Your club and zone and the district will be so much better for it.**

Remember to keep asking ordinary people to become Lions. It turns them into extraordinary citizens!

*Thank you for all you do to help so many people around you!*

**Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.**

Warmest regards,

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We are into the final three months of this Lionistic year. It is time for all of our clubs to make a final effort to build and maintain membership.

**New Members:** **Canvassing** your areas is a great way to attract new members as well as let your communities know about Lionism. Have you planned a date where some of your members are willing to go out into the community and speak to business owners and others to invite them to your next meeting? Do you have a flyer that you can hand out during these visits as well as at your events? Many times we are lacking in membership growth simply because potential members don't know who we are or how to contact us.

**Events:** **Invite** friends, family and co-workers to join you in an event to let them see first hand what it is like to be a Lions member. Let them see the impact you have on your communities as well as the fun we have as Lions doing it. Then ask them to join, and when they reply they don't have the time you will have a valid example that yes they do. The help they just gave you is all the time they would have to give to be a Lion.

**Retention:** It takes far less work and time to retain our current members than it does to recruit new ones. Often times it may be as simple as a personal phone call to let them know we are thinking of them and that we miss them as participating members. Reach out to those members whom you haven't seen in a while.

**Most importantly get your members involved.** They became Lions to participate so get them to participate. If they don't volunteer for certain events reach out and ask them to help out.

We have an upcoming NH Lions Forum being held on April 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at Delta Dental, 2 Delta Dr., Concord. District 44 N PDG Henry and myself will be putting on the Membership and Orientation class. I strongly urge everyone to attend this Forum. It is not only for the officers of your club, there is information for everyone. Urge everyone to attend. Look within this newsletter for the registration form.

Thank you all for all your efforts to help those in your communities.

If you need to get in touch with me my cell phone is 603-566-7616 and email is [cstmiddlemiss@gmail.com](mailto:cstmiddlemiss@gmail.com).

Don't forget to JUST ASK!

Yours in Lionism

GMT Leader Steve Middlemiss



## Thoughts from Global Leadership Team Leader *Toni Olden*



Leadership Skills: Responsibility

Being a leader means being responsible for both the successes and failures of the team. When things go well, you want to praise your team. Recognize the team and individuals. To help assure that things will go well, make sure to assign tasks with care. Choose the right person for the right job. Sometimes you might want to challenge a team member to step outside their norm. A leader should encourage their team members to move forward and take on new assignments. When problems arise, it is the job of the leader to identify them quickly and seek solutions to keep the team on task. Ask for input and listen to your members ideas – they may surprise you! Yet things can still go wrong! And when they do, you want to step up and accept the blame. You are the leader – the mistakes and the failures are ultimately yours. It can be scary to say 'my fault', but the respect you gain is priceless.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Toni Olden





# MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

District Membership	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1166	1159
Added Members	0	110
Dropped Members	0	103
Closing Balance	1166	1166
Net Gain/Loss	0	7
Worldwide		1,415,250

**Congratulations Lions!**  
**1.4 Million Members**

Keep the momentum going...Ask One today!





The Atkinson Lions

Invite you to



The Homecoming for  
District Governor Al Goldstein



Please Join Us on:

Sunday April 23, 2017 @4:00 pm

Atkinson Resort and Country Club  
85 Country Club Dr, Atkinson NH 03811

For \$38 per person,  
Cheese and Cracker Herb Dip w/Fresh Vegetables  
will be followed by a Chef's Choice Buffet

Please RSVP by: April 16th

\$38 per person

Make checks payable to: *Atkinson Lions Club*

Send payment to: *Bob Gustafson at 16 East Road Atkinson NH 03811*

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ \$Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

We hope to see you there!





43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lions 44-H Convention  
North Conway Hotel  
North Conway, NH  
May 12 – 14, 2017

Welcome Lions, Leos and Guests

International Director  
Rob Wright

Weekend Schedule

Friday May 12, 2017

3:00- 6:00 pm

3:00- 5:30 pm

6:00- 7:00 pm

7:00 pm

10: 00 pm

Registration

Hospitality Room Open (Room 475 and 404)

Cocktails – cash bar

Dinner and Entertainment

Hospitality Room (Room 475 and 404)

Saturday May 13, 2017

8:00 – 9:00 am

9:15 – 9:45 am

10:00 – 12:00 pm

12:00 Noon

and in the area)

Free time till 4:00 pm

4:00 pm

Registration

Memorial Service

Cabinet Meeting

Awards & Elections

Lunch on your own (there is a restaurant in the hotel

5:30- 6:15 pm

6:30 pm

10:00 pm

District Governor Elect Reception (held in hospitality room 475)

Host: Hampstead Lions **Everyone Welcome**

District Governor's Reception

District Governor's Banquet

Hospitality room open (Room 475 and 404)

Sunday May 14, 2017

11:00 am

Checkout

Have a Safe Trip Home





## **RODERICK WRIGHT**

### **INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Roderick Wright from New Brunswick, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Wright is the director of education for the New Brunswick Real Estate Association.

A member of the Barkers Point Northside Lions Club since 2006, and a Lion since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, club membership chairperson, club director, district governor and district international relations chairperson. He has also presented at the 2009 International Convention leadership exchange and was moderator at the USA/Canada Forum in Alaska.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Membership Key Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation and an International President's Award. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Wright is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including Portage Atlantic and REvia. He was previously active in the Maine Principals Association, the Mountain Valley Principals Association, Maine Support Network of Rural Special Educators and the Franklin County Children's Task Force.

Director Wright has one son, two daughters and two granddaughters.



**43RD ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION  
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL  
72 COMMON COURT, NORTH CONWAY, NH  
MAY 12- 14, 2017**

International Guests: International Dir. Rob Wright

Lion #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Lion #2/guest \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel. # \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* Convention fee included in all meal packages\*\*\*

Plan	Meals and Registration	# of persons	total cost
A	Fri. banquet & entertainment, Sat. night banquet & hors d'oeuvres	@ \$ 70.00	
B	Friday banquet & entertainment	@ \$ 28.00	
C	Sat. night banquet & hors d'oeuvres	@ \$ 42.00	
D	Convention fee (meetings only - no meals)	@ \$ 5.00	
E	Friday Night Entertainment only (no meals)	@ \$ 5.00	

Total Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make meal choices :

Friday: Summer Cookout Buffet # \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday: Traditional Stuffed Chicken W/Sauce Supreme # \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus w/horseradish cream sauce # \_\_\_\_\_

Mediterranean pasta/roasted red peppers/Kalamata/mushroom/tomato # \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday and Sunday Breakfast and Saturday lunch will be on your own. There is a restaurant at the hotel.

Please note any special dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for meal reservations is **May 01, 2017.**

Hotel Reservation: Lions Convention Room rate: single or double \$89.00/night plus tax (Must be 2 Nights)  
One Night Stay \$ 129.00/night plus tax

Call the Grand Hotel @ 1-800-655-1452 and identify yourself as part of the group of NH Lions Club District 44H. All reservations must be made by Tuesday, April 13th for the special rate. You will pay the hotel direct for your room.

Make checks for banquets payable to: Lions District 44-H Convention Fund

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## 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lions 44-H Convention Friday Night Entertainment

**Jonathan Sarty** (*Classic Americana*) is a native of New England and founder of the White Mountain Boys, the Jonathan Sarty Band, and the popular Cold River Radio Show (hosted by Jonathan and his renowned Cold River Radio Band). An accomplished songwriter, recording artist, and performer with an extensive repertoire covering a variety of genres along with his own adaptations of Classic American Hits. Known for a great voice and versatility he has been entertaining crowds of all kinds throughout New England and beyond for decades. His repertoire, developed over years of professional performing, is vast. In addition to his own original music his catalog features classic crooners by the likes of Sinatra, Cole, and Fitzgerald, Classic Country songs performed by artists such as Johnny Cash, Ray Charles, Willie Nelson, Marty Robbins and other greats. As well as Classic Rock like Neil Young, Tom Petty, and more. From American Songbook Standards, Classic country, Rock, Rock'n Roll, Boogie Woogie, and love songs, to ballads and folk songs, Jonathan makes each song his own with style. Playing to his crowd adeptly has made Jonathan Sarty a New England commodity, which explains why he is performing hundreds of shows a year regionally and throughout his homeland of New England.

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## **District 44-H Spring Convention**

**Hi Everyone,**

**Our Spring Convention is once again upon us.**

**If any Club or Lion would care to donate an item for our Friday evening raffle please let me know....all items will be greatly appreciated.**

**To assure that we know who has made the donation please place a card of some sort on the item before leaving it on the table at the hall.**

**I would appreciate having you e-mail me and letting me know ahead of time the item being donated.**

**Looking forward to seeing you all at the convention,**

**Convention Chair**

**Celeste Ricupero**

**e-mail: ricupero7@comcast.net**

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## **Spring Convention Memorial Service**

**All clubs! If you have had any deaths in your clubs during this Lions year (from the last Spring Convention until now) please email the details of the Lion's service to your club and the District to me as soon as possible so we can properly honor them in May. [Lupesmom14@gmail.com](mailto:Lupesmom14@gmail.com). Please be sure to let me know what club he or she was a current member of. Thank you.**



<b>NH Lions Forum</b>			
<b>Saturday, April 8, 2017</b>			
<b>Delta Dental - 2 Delta Drive - Concord, NH</b>			
<b>8:00 am to 1:00 pm</b>			
<b>All Lions encouraged to attend - Learn about Lions of MD44</b>			
8 to 8:30	Registration	Coffee & Pastries	
8:40 Opening			
Vermont Room	Maine Room	New Hampshire Room	Merrimack Rm
9:15 to 11:00 Technology Jay DeRoche	9:15 to 11:00 Club President VDG Eric Lindberg VDG Sam Longbook Protocol PCC Ellie Johnson	9:15 to 11:00 Club Secretary Sue Lindberg Marilyn Vaccaro	9:15 to 10:15 Club Treasurer Fred Plett
11:00 TO 11:15 BREAK	11:00 TO 11:15 BREAK	11:00 TO 11:15 BREAK	10:30 to 12:00 OKS Training MCC Scott Wilson Bob Laferriere
11:15 to 12:30 Membership and Orientation Steve Middlemiss PDG Henry McKee	11:15 to 12:30 Tips and Techniques for a great meeting Public Speaking Joe Kasper	11:15 to 12:30 Blueprint for a stronger club PDG Toni Olden PID Ed Farrington	12:00 to 12:30 Tail Twisting PID Ed Lecius
12:30 Closing	Centennial Update - PID Ed Lecius		
<b>Centennial Door Prize drawings for all in attendance</b>			
<b>Registration Form Mail Form portion with check</b>			
Please list class sessions for each attendee so instructors can be prepared with enough printed materials and have enough places set up.			
Name	Class		
Email	Class		
Phone #	Class		
Lions Club	Class		
<b>Registration cost (as of March 26 and after) will be \$10.00</b> <b>Make check payable to:</b> <b>NHAPPDG (NH Assn of Past &amp; Present District Governors)</b> <b>Mail to: PDG Sandra Hurd, 166 Turkey Hill Rd, Merrimack, NH 03054</b> <b>If you find you can come at the last minute,</b> <b>Call me at 424-8922 and bring your \$10 with you that morning.</b>			

# Lions Camp Pride ..... NEWS

Lions District 44-H Service to Mankind, Inc. Established 1989 ~ 28 yrs ago



**Liberty Mutual Service Days May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Spring work days May 20<sup>th</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Please find time this spring to come by and help out at Camp. There always plenty of work and fellowship to be had by all that visit Camp.**

**Don't forget to support the:**

**Memorial Brick Program**

**TD Bank Affinity A1537**

**Team work is the key to our current and future successes.**

**Thank you for caring about our camp!     *Peter***

**Peter LaPointe, President Lions Camp Pride [hampstead.lions@gmail.com](mailto:hampstead.lions@gmail.com).**

**Camp Pride Board of Directors meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at social 6pm meeting @7:00pm, at the Auburn Tavern, Auburn NH.**



# **ATTENTION**

## **District 44-H is having a contest**

**WHICH CLUB CAN DESIGN THE BEST BROCHURE**

Pictures and what your club does should make everyone want to pick one up and read it.



*Think about font, color and size.*

Some rules do apply. The Lions Logo must be included and it must be the current one as seen at the top of this flyer. You may use the centennial logo as well or in exchange. Our motto, “ We Serve” must also be in the brochure.

*It can be tri-fold or bi-fold. Please do NOT include the list of current officers but do have a contact name, number or website address for interested persons to get a hold of your club.*

For information or to submit your entry contact Lion Marie R. Valliere at: [keylion03@gmail.com](mailto:keylion03@gmail.com). I am willing to come to a meeting to speak to your club about making a brochure.

**All submissions must be received by April 15,2017**





**Deadline:  
May 1, 2017**

# LOGGO DESIGN CONTEST CALL FOR ENTRIES

**CAMP PRIDE** is in the market for a new look...

The Board of Directors have decided to start the New Year with an updated Camp Pride logo - and because we (the Board) are not that artistic, we are looking to our Lion Community for help.

Lions are invited to create a new logo design for Camp Pride that we would use for our stationary, publications, and all other types of communication. Logo must include the Lions logo and the date the Camp was established (est. 1989).

Interested Lions should submit their designs to Lion Berry Longbook by May 1, 2017. The winning design will be revealed at the Spring Convention. There will be a prize, TBD, for the winning entry.

Questions? Call Lion Berry at 603-329-5603 or e-mail: [slongboo@comcast.net](mailto:slongboo@comcast.net)

**Get out your pens, inks, pencils, etc and let your imagination go wild!**





**THE READING NOOK  
RODGERS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
Donated by  
**the Hudson Lions Club**  
The Reading Nook is located in  
the Children's Room,  
complete with pillows and a  
very LARGE Teddy Bear.

## Hudson Lions Club Donations



The English Department of Alvirne High School were able to purchase 12 new Turtle Beach headsets with built in microphones with the support of the Hudson Lions Club. These headsets allow the students to hear every crisp high tone as well as every thunderous low tone. They block out all noise and the mics pick up the users voices loud and clear. Lastly, they are Lightweight and comfortable. "Thank you from all of us!"



## Litchford Lions Club

Litchfields own Meredith Spotts was recognized on February 14,2017 by the Litchfield Lions Club with a check and certificate for her efforts and winning Litchfields Peace Poster contest. Meredith is here with her mom Rebecka, dad Jim, brother Bennett, Club President Matt McQuesten and District Governor AL.

Congratulations Meredith on a job well done.

Semi-Annual  
**Psychic**  
**FAIR**

Sat. April 29<sup>th</sup>  
10am-4pm

Located at the Hudson  
Community Center  
12 Lions Ave, Hudson



Event Sponsored  
by Hudson Lions Club

For Info Contact:  
Lillian 603-889-0285 or Jeri 603-883-8655  
email: [llonjeri@comcast.net](mailto:llonjeri@comcast.net)

**Join in the Fun!**  
Check out our many vendors selling their wares!

[www.lions.org/hudson](http://www.lions.org/hudson)



What's in Your Future?  
What do you wish for?



## **Conway Area Lions Club Second Annual Saco River Kayak and Canoe Benefit Race**

**When:** Sunday May 28<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Registration will at Eastern Slope Camping Area with the race starting at the First Bridge on River Road and ending at Eastern Slope Camping Area

**Cost:** Adults: \$25 17 years and younger: \$15  
(Includes cookout after the race)

Cookout only: \$5

**Time:** Registration begins at 10am

**Proceeds will benefit the Laura Foundation**

For more information contact Lion Rick Lammey @ 603-452-7011  
or email us at [Saco.Race@gmail.com](mailto:Saco.Race@gmail.com)

Visit <http://conwayarealions.org/Race> or

<http://facebook.com/SacoRiverRace> for up to the minute updates





**Epping Lions Club** hosting their largest fundraiser: The Lamprey River Canoe & Kayak Race.

This year's race (the 40th running of the event) is being held on Saturday, April 22nd in Epping, NH. Participants gather at Mary Blair Park on Route 27 and anticipate the starting whistle. The morning race registration begins at 8am and the race begins promptly at 9am. Three categories are offered: Male Solo Kayak, Female Sole Kayak, 2/3-person Canoe. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place finishers in each category.

The race is 7.3 miles on the Lamprey River, ending at the Amethyst House on Route 87 in Epping, NH. There is also an afternoon race offered (begins at 12:00 noon) that is non-competitive, runs approximately 3 miles, and ends behind Epping Town Hall.

Commemorative t-shirts will be offered for sale (\$5!!!), thanks to the generosity of numerous small businesses in town. Coffee and donuts will be available for sale at the park before the morning race.

The Epping Lions Club is running the race for the eighth year in a row. They took over the event from the Conservation Commission in 2010. The Club hopes for good weather and high turn-out at the event, as all money raised is put to good use in the club's charitable account.

Attached is a jpeg of the t-shirt logo for this year's race!

Thank you,  
Colleen Palmer





**The Lions Club of Sandown NH**  
will be hosting a  
**Poor Man's Tax Supper**  
and having a  
**Centennial Celebration Cake**  
for the Lions

*~ Celebrating 100 Years Serving Communities Nationwide ~*

**50/50 Raffle**



**Wine Raffle**



*Serving pasta, meatballs, sweet Italian sausage, bread, salad, beverages, desserts*  
*100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Cake*

**Date/Time:** Saturday, April 22, 2017  
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Sandown Rec Center  
25 Pheasant Run Drive

**Cost:** \$6.00 for adults  
\$3.00 ages 5 to 12



*Proceeds to benefit the many community projects of the Sandown Lions*  
*Check us out on Facebook @ Lions Club of Sandown NH*

## Conway Area Lions Anniversary Dinner



North Conway Area Lions inducted 3 members, Clarice & Bob Girouard & Marie Fox-Meehan the evening of their Anniversary Dinner

## Conway Area Lions Breakfast & Bake Sale



Sunday April 9, 2017  
8 am to 12 noon

Where: Gibson Center, North Conway, NH  
Downtown: Corner of Main St. + Grove St.

Cost: by Donation

Proceeds to benefit:

THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER  
of CARROLL COUNTY

## Electronic Waste Collection Day

### Laconia-Gilford Lions Club

**Saturday, April 22**

Lowes' Parking Lot

1407 Lakeshore Road, Gilford,  
NH

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

For more information, please  
contact Marylin Brown at  
[brownam@metrocast.net](mailto:brownam@metrocast.net)

## 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Great Smith River Canoe and Kayak Race

The 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Great Smith River Canoe and Kayak Race, sponsored by the **Wolfeboro Lions Club**, will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017, starting at 1:15 p.m.

The race begins at the Allen Albee Beach on Lake Wentworth, passes through Smith River to Crescent Lake, down the lower Smith River to Back Bay and then to Docksider. The race is approximately 4 miles long and includes a mild white-water stretch and two short portages. There are 19 classes intended to accommodate paddlers of all abilities.

Registration runs from 10 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on the day of the race at the Albee Beach. Registration forms are also available at sporting goods stores in Wolfeboro, the Wolfeboro Town Hall and at the Wolfeboro Chamber of Commerce. For additional information, call Roger Murray at (603) 569-5454.



**Photo Caption 1:** Moultonborough Lion Joe Keegan enjoys the story being read by a Kindergarten student at Moultonborough Central School



**Photo Caption 2:** Sandwich Central School students (with their Dr. Seuss hats on) display the books given to them by the Moultonborough Lions Club.

**Press Release:** What a fun day it was for Moultonborough Lion(s) Joe and Pat Keegan on Wednesday at the Moultonborough Central School. Usually when the Lions go to the school they read to the students. This time the tables were turned and the kindergarten students read to them and what a great job they did. Oh so cute...so much fun... Every Wednesday in March members from the Lions Club will be read to by the students. This is the "FUN" part of the motto "We Serve"!

The club has embraced the R.I.F. program (Reading is Fundamental) and in doing so purchased books for all the students at the Sandwich Central School. [Lion members John Menken, Sally Silbulkin, Peter & Kathy Allen](#) proudly made the presentation of 79 books on Thursday to the delight of the students. What a festive occasion it was. Everyone had on a Dr. Seuss hat. After the presentation Lion(s) John and Peter had an opportunity to read a Dr. Seuss book to different groups. Another "FUN" part of the motto "We Serve"!

The Lions club runs BINGO every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. as a service to the community. People who play BINGO are super friendly and very welcoming. [Stop by any Tuesday night.](#) Bring a friend, make some new friends, get a bite to eat, win some money, lose some money, whatever, guaranteed to have fun. Just one more "FUN" part of the motto "We Serve"!

Lions Pride! You can't see it. You can't touch it. But you sure can feel it!

## Lions Twin State Soccer



- #18 Vt DG addressing Soccer parents
- #48 NH & VT Soccer coaches
- #12 boys soccer all-stars



### Lions Twin State Soccer

On Sunday, March 26th a "Kick-off banquet at the Elks Lodge in Lebanon was held where the coaches had a meeting with the players and camp coordinators. Along with meetings, photos taken, lunch, a guest speaker ended the day with the coaches introducing their teams





Londonderry Lions Club Presents...

# Bobby and the Sharptones

Rock and roll classics of the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's



*Free Coffee  
and pastries*

*Sodas and  
Water For Sale*

*Gift Certificates  
Raffles*

**B.Y.O.B**  
*Free Chips  
and  
popcorn*

Join us for a Spring Time themed Dance/Concert  
proceeds benefit High School scholarships,  
Local sight and hearing, Thanksgiving and  
Christmas baskets

Date: Friday, April 21, 2017 Lions Hall Mammoth Road,  
Londonderry, NH  
Time: 7-11pm

Cost \$20/person, \$35/couple ... Reserve tables available  
For tickets and information call Jerry,  
603-434-5307



## Moultonborough Lions Club



Moultonborough Lions Club President Mark Cotrupi, newly inducted Lion Jim Duddy with his sponsor Lion Dawn Law and Multiple District 44 Council Secretary/Treasurer GMT Steve Middlemiss

[Moultonborough Lions Club members held their Annual Saint Patrick's Day dinner of corned beef and cabbage on Monday night provided by their favorite chef Donna Grow.](#) This dinner is always a hit with lion members because they can wash down their dessert with a cup of "Irish Coffee" thanks to Lion Sally Silbulkin. Members donned green hats for a group picture. Oh... tis fun to be a Lion.

Needless to say there was a warm and merry welcome when President Mark introduced the visitors Lion(s) Steve Middlemiss and his wife Lee Ann from the Hudson Lions Club. Lion Steve is running for Second Vice District Governor and was there to ask for the clubs vote. After a brief presentation, he presided over a beautiful and inspiring candlelight induction ceremony for Lion Jim Duddy. Lion Jim was sponsored by Lion Dawn Law and received a standing ovation when inducted.

Moultonborough Lions Club is always looking for new members. The club meets on the first and third Mondays of the month. [The first Monday is a business meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. and the third Monday is a dinner meeting with social hour at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.](#) [The Lions motto is "We Serve".](#)

If you would like to find out more about Lionism please contact Lion(s) Joe & Pat Keegan at 253-9916.



**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL  
KINGSTON LIONS CLUB  
GOLF TOURNAMENT**



Saturday, May 6, 2017  
Apple Hill Golf Club – East Kingston, NH  
Scramble Format - 7:30am shotgun start



Kingston Lions Club serves Kingston, Newton and surrounding communities

All proceeds from this fundraising event will benefit:

**Drug Awareness, Treatment, Recovery Services & Education**

**Beneficiaries: Chucky's Fight, Hope for NH Recovery**

**and other Lions Club charities**

\$110 entry fee per player includes:

18 holes of golf with cart; breakfast (coffee & donuts); lunch; gifts & prizes

Registration deadline: April 21, 2017

Sponsorship Levels:

Platinum - \$1,500 – sponsorship banner, sign on course, tournament foursome & logo items in player gift bags

Gold - \$1,000 – sponsor sign on all golf carts and tournament foursome

Silver - \$500 – sponsor sign at registration and on course

Bronze - \$250 – sponsor sign at registration and at practice green

Hole - \$100 – sponsor sign at designated tee box

**Contact:**

Kingston Lions Club PO Box183

Kingston, NH 03848

[kingstonnh.lions@gmail.com](mailto:kingstonnh.lions@gmail.com) or [kingston-lions-club@googlegroups.com](https://www.google.com/groups?ik=kingston-lions-club)

Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation Presents



# DINNER IN THE DARK

A dining experience like you've never seen before!

## Sunday, June 4, 2017

White Birch Banquet Hall  
222 Central Street, Hudson NH

Guests wear blindfolds during the dinner. The meal is served with a powerful message, raising awareness of the experience of living with some form of blindness. For many, this will be an opportunity to experience just one aspect of day-to-day life for someone who is visually impaired.

4PM SOCIAL HOUR • 5PM DINNER IS SERVED  
Entertainment immediately following.

### \$35 PER PERSON

• SEATING LIMITED TO 100 GUESTS •

RESERVE BY APRIL 30, 2017 AND SAVE \$3 PER PERSON!

RESERVE TABLES OF 8 for \$280

SAVE \$30.00 WHEN YOU RESERVE BY 4/30/17!

Make checks payable to LSHF and mail to:  
PCC Deedee LaTulippe, 136 Lowell Road, Hudson, NH 03051

Questions? [llondeedee@comcast.net](mailto:llondeedee@comcast.net) or call 603-566-0691

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LIONS SIGHT AND HEARING FOUNDATION

**MENU:**

Salad

Boneless Breast  
Stuffed Chicken

Roasted Red Potatoes

Green Beans

Dessert

Coffee and Tea

I WANT THE EARLY BIRD PRICE OF \$32 PER PERSON (BEFORE 4/30/17)

AFTER APRIL 30th, I'LL PAY FULL PRICE OF \$35 PER PERSON

I WANT TO RESERVE A TABLE FOR 8 (ONE CHECK OF \$250 BY 4/30/17. \$280 THEREAFTER)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL # OF TICKETS \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday June 4, 2017**  
**"Dinner in the Dark"**  
**White Birch Banquet Hall**  
**222 Central Street, Hudson NH**  
**4:00PM to 7:00PM**



**The Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of NH, INC**

**A 501 ( c ) ( 3 ) Charitable Organization**

**“Dinner in the Dark” is a dining experience like you’ve never seen before!**

**Guests wear blindfolds during the dinner. The meal is served with a powerful message raising awareness of the experience of those living with some form of blindness.**

**Sponsorship opportunities for you and local businesses.**

**Business cards for messages will be listed for Gold and Platinum and Gold sponsors.**

**A one line name or message will appear on the placemats for Silver, Bronze and “A Friend” sponsors**

**All proceeds are used to provide hearing aids and cataract surgeries to NH residents who have no other means of purchasing these services.**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO LSHF. MAIL ALONG WITH THIS FORM TO:**

Fred Plett 65 Wallace Rd., Goffstown, NH 03045 Email: vdgplett@gmail.com Phone: (617) 506-9852 Google Voice

**DEADLINE FOR SPONSORS IS MAY 20, 2017**

Name as it will appear on place mat : \_\_\_\_\_

Name/title/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**CIRCLE YOUR SPONSOR DONATION**

**PLATINUM \$250 + GOLD \$150.00, SILVER \$100.00, BRONZE \$50.00**

**A FRIEND \$10.00 +**



## CAMP PRIDE SCHOLARSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES

This may be the best kept secret ever! Camp Pride has a scholarship fund to help children attend either **Camp Carefree** (American Diabetes Camp that is held four weeks a year at Camp Pride) or the **New Hampshire Teen Institute** (NHTI). Both of these lease groups are New Hampshire based.

New Hampshire children who fit the guidelines for either group but are unable to afford the cost of attending may be eligible for a Camp Pride Scholarship. Clubs are asked to forward the names of any family/child that they feel might be eligible to the Camp Board; an application will then be forwarded to the club.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Camp President Peter LaPointe at E: [lapointeracingteam@comcast.net](mailto:lapointeracingteam@comcast.net)

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*Dear Fellow Lions,*

*Brittany Cilley is an 18 year old young lady from Northfield, NH who was diagnosed with Optic Atrophy at the age of 7. Her vision has deteriorated over the years to the point she is now totally blind. She has also been diagnosed with Wolfram Syndrome; an extremely rare neurological disorder which affects 1 in 500,000 people worldwide. Brittany is the only known patient in NH with Wolfram Syndrome. You can read more about her compelling story at [www.gofundme.com/brittanys-medical-miracle](http://www.gofundme.com/brittanys-medical-miracle). If your Lions Club has a little extra money in your Project Fund I humbly ask you to consider making a donation to Brittany's fundraiser to allow her to attend a drug trial in St Louis, MO to help find a cure for Wolfram Syndrome. I'm friends with her grandparents and I know her situation is very serious.*





New Hampshire Sight & Hearing Foundation

Greetings to all NH Lions from your:  
NH Sight & Hearing Board of Directors

Spring is here!!!! We made it through the winter  
And - "The Joy Is In The Journey"

\*Your Sight & Hearing Foundation is grateful for all your donations this past year.

\*Thanks to you all, our Endowment Fund is now at \$886,724.

\*PCC Roger LaTulippe reports that many Granite State Fellow awards have been purchased, honoring both Lions and Community Leaders.

\*Amazon Smiles continues thanks to your purchases.

\*If you have a Wishing Well, place it at your fund raisers and service projects for awareness, and to help us out.

AND - See you all at "Dinner in the Dark" on June 4.

See the flyer in this newsletter, and register your club and/or yourself. It will be an experience you will ALWAYS remember.

Come and join us at our next meeting on April 20, 2017, at Blake's -  
353 S. Main Street - Manchester - Starts at 6:30.

Let me know if you will attend, so I can save a chair for you.

You are ALL members of the NH Sight & Hearing Foundation.

PDG Sandra G. Hurd -- 424-8922 - axstewart@comcast.net

President, NH Sight & Hearing Foundation

**Diabetes Awareness**

Great Ready for the Future of Lions Service!

International President Bob Corlew will announce diabetes as a new global service focus at the 2017 Centennial convention in Chicago. You and your club can get a jumpstart by learning more about diabetes. This month I will focus on the symptoms of diabetes:

- Urinating often
- Increased thirst
- Increased hunger, even though you just ate
- Increased fatigue
- Blurry vision
- Cuts that are slow to heal
- Weight loss without dieting (Type 1)
- Tingling, pain or numbness in the hands or feet (Type 2)

Type 2 diabetes is preventable with lifestyle change. To learn more, I am always available for club or community presentations or private complimentary counseling.

Marie Hall, RN

Certified Diabetes Educator

Mariehall326@gmail.com



## Multiple District 44

*The Multiple District Directory for 2017-2018  
is getting ready to go into mark-up.*



**We need your club information for the next year's MD Directory.**

For each Lions Club, we need to collect the contact information for your:

President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Membership Chair  
Operation KidSight  
Centennial Chair

Club meeting location, dates, time, etc. All the information that allows one club to contact another club.

Website address, facebook, tweeter, etc.

All information should be sent to:

**MCC Scott Wilson at: [scottwils@comcast.net](mailto:scottwils@comcast.net)**

**Any question, please call me at: (603) 770-3700**

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NH SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPENING EYES VISION SCREENING ON JUNE 3,  
2017 NEED LION VOLUNTEERS

THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT UNH IN DURHAM DURING THE SPECIAL  
OLYMPICS SUMMER GAMES BETWEEN 9:00AM AND 4:00PM

This will be the 16th year of the Special Olympics Opening Eyes Program here in N.H.. Last year at UNH 152 athletes were screened and 92 athletes received prescription eye glasses including sports glasses at no charge. The Lion volunteers have helped to make this event a success over the past 15 years and NH Special Olympics and Opening Eyes thank all the Lion Volunteers.

The Lion volunteers help with registration and taking histories, visual acuities, refractions and help the athletes to find the different stations. **This year we will be using the Spot Vision Screener again.** Lions also help with set up the day before and tear down and what ever else needs to be done.

To volunteer or for more information contact: Lion John Deschenes,

[lideschenes@netzero.net](mailto:lideschenes@netzero.net) or 603-888-3911



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

# OUR FOUNDATION

## Lions Clubs International Foundation Surpasses Exciting Grant Milestone

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) recently surpassed the US\$1 billion milestone in grants awarded for global humanitarian service.

Since its founding in 1968, LCIF has strived to sustain Lions' humanitarian service goals throughout the world, awarding more than US\$1 billion in the four focus areas of sight, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian efforts.

In 1972, what seemed like routine flood warnings to the community of Rapid City, South Dakota, USA, soon turned into ravaging floods that took the lives of more than 200 people and left more than 5,000 homeless. LCIF awarded its first grant to help the community of Rapid City rebuild, and Lions quickly got to work providing relief supplies in the wake of this catastrophic event. LCIF's legacy was born: providing local Lions with the assistance they need to improve the lives of people within their communities.

In addition to disaster relief, LCIF is dedicated to a range of humanitarian service projects, and continues to develop and expand programs that meet emerging needs worldwide.

"In our nearly 50 year history, LCIF has enabled Lions in communities around the world to make a significant difference in the lives of millions of people," says Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, 2016-2017 Chairperson of LCIF. "We are proud of our accomplishments.

The US\$1 billion milestone in grants awarded is something of which all Lions can be proud."

LCIF is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International, supporting the compassionate works of Lions around the world. View the 2015-16 LCIF annual report at

[lCIF.org/AnnualReport](http://lCIF.org/AnnualReport).

Does your Club donate to LCIF, do YOU?

Let your local community know what you are doing;

Thanks to all the Clubs that have donated so far this year

Give your club the recognition it deserves! Tell the local community about your club's support of LCIF to garner more community interest and awareness of your club and its various programs. [Read more](#) about how to promote your club and the Foundation.

Go to [LCIF.org](http://LCIF.org), click on resources and select 'Sample Press Releases' Simply click on a sample release and localize the release by replacing the bolded text with your club's information before submitting it to the local newspaper. All releases are formatted in a Word document. Be sure to delete the bold and (parenthesis) and then copy the final text onto your club's letterhead and e-mail to the newspaper. Be sure to include a local club contact name, phone number, e-mail address, website and social media links so the newspaper and readers can contact you to follow-up for more information. It's that easy!

When you give to the Foundation, you can be sure that your contribution is making a difference in the lives of people in need. It's easy to make a [donation online](#), and there are several [other ways](#) to make a donation and contribute. [Recognition programs](#) for Lions provide one way for us to honor the generous dedication Lions have to supporting LCIF.

If your Club does not donate to LCIF please encourage them to do so. As individuals we can also give. For as little as \$20.00 you can become a contributing Member. You can also set up a plan, either through your Club, or directly with LCIF to give on a regular basis.

As your District LCIF Chairperson I am here to help in any way I can. If you have any questions or would like to donate, please contact me at [PccBill.LCIF44H@yahoo.com](mailto:PccBill.LCIF44H@yahoo.com)

Thank you.

Bill Rathbun, Past Council Chairman  
LCIF District Coordinator

"Give 'til it hurts"

# Environment



**SPRING HAS SPRUNG!!** And most of us are anxious to get outdoors, whether to start a garden or get back to our outdoor exercise routines. Maybe this year as we look at the beautiful areas around us, we can make a “**New Spring Resolution**” and promise to become more environmentally friendly.

Learning to be friendly to the environment is easier than you may think; start small to make changes easily and a part of your normal life. Here are just a few ideas to help you start thinking “green”

**Practice Conservation:** become aware of how natural resources are used in your life- turn off your lights, watch your water usage and what you put down your drains

**Plant trees:** trees are necessary for life- they give off oxygen, give fruit, clean the air and prevent soil erosion. Shady areas around your home cool your home in the summer

**Conserve water:** water takes a lot of energy to move from rivers and lakes into your home. Conserving water reduces the amount of energy needed to filter it. Ways to conserve H<sub>2</sub>O- take shorter showers, fix leaky pipes, use water saving appliances. How about collecting rainwater in a barrel to water your plants, wash your car, etc...

**Reduce use of harmful chemicals:** Paint, oil, ammonia and other chemical substances can seep into ground water/soil causing pollution and threats to human health. Dispose of them as directed on packaging

**Buy recycled products:** look for products that are made of recycled materials or are minimally packaged. Look to see if product was manufactured using plastics or chemicals

**Composting:** take the remains of plants and kitchen waste and convert it into nutrition for your plants or garden. Composting reduces the amount of garbage that goes to landfill which ends up polluting the air.

**REMEMBER: THE # 3 R's of Waste Hierarchy: REDUCE- REUSE- RECYCLE**

**PS: don't forget the week of April 17-23 is the “World-Wide Week of Service to Protect Our Planet”**



## “THE FUTURE OF PEACE”

Lions Youth Services (LYS) purchased (30) kits for the upcoming years' contest and has already sold out. However, if your club wishes to participate, you will still be able to purchase a kit from LYS for \$12.00 as another order will be placed for any/all additional kits shortly.

This year LYS has two Directors helping with this contest. Lion Stephanie Crawford will cover the northern part of the state and I will cover the southern part of the state. This will be for both Districts 44N and 44H – this process is being implemented to assist clubs more closely and to help promote the contest to those clubs who have never participated in the past or have not participated for a long time. This is the 30<sup>th</sup> year for Lions International holding this contest and we want to make sure we get more clubs involved in this Peace Poster contest for 2017 – 2018.

### *What is expected from those clubs who participate in the contest?*

- Choose a member in your club to:
- Promote the contest to your local schools – Principals, Art Teachers for middle school ages 11, 12, 13 (must be these ages on November 15, 2017)
- Promote to youth groups, libraries, after school programs (same age requirements)
- Inform leaders of the contest with the rules and regulations (you will find this info in the kit).
- Advertise winners (past and present) on social media or in local newspapers.
- Choose 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners – award monetarily, and/or with certificates - all participants should be given a participation certificate. It is your club's choice.

### *What will LYS do?*

- Sell your club a contest kit for \$12.00 each.
- Photograph all participant's posters, frame them, and collect for display at Mid-Winter convention in January 2018. Original poster and a framed photo will be returned to participant.
- Guidance of each club's winner to be selected within their district by the District Governor.
- One winner from the two districts will be selected and guided through judging by the MCC.
- The MCC will select the final winner and sent it onto Lions International for judging. – please note the winning original poster will not be returned to them.
- LYS will have the winner's original poster photographed, enlarged, and framed and will be given in its place at the convention. The winner will also receive a monetary award during the convention.

These are some of the highlights of the process, more information will be provided in next month's newsletter. If you need additional information and/or wish to purchase a kit for your club, please contact me at [rvynnemilford@comcast.net](mailto:rvynnemilford@comcast.net) The first step is to have a member dedicated to this contest, purchase a kit, and start promoting it to your local schools and youth groups. The sooner the better! Thank you.

Yours in Lionism,

Rhonda L. Wynne, LYS Director



**District 44H March Cabinet Meeting**



Lions from MD44-New Hampshire made their first appearance in **Manchester's St. Patrick's Day parade** this past Sunday. They were marching to celebrate Lions Clubs International Centennial year and prior to the start of the parade, Senator Maggie Hassan stopped by to thank them for their work. Left to right, 44N District Governor Christine Greenwood from Keene, 44H District Governor Al Goldstein from Atkinson, Senator Hassan, Past International Director Ed Lecius from Nashua and Past International Director Ed Farrington from Milford. A total of 60 Lions from 20 clubs marched in the parade led by the Bishop Guertin High School marching band from Nashua.



**THE DOG SIGHT PROJECT**  
 A Program of the New Hampshire Lions  
 Multiple District 44 – Health Services Board



**May 13 -- Save the Date!!**

The Fidelco Open House and Lions Appreciation Day is Saturday, May 13 this year. As always there will be dog demos, facility tours, blindfold walks with a guide dog, (human) food, and vendors of dog and Fidelco related items. If you weren't going to the 44H Spring Convention, you could drop down to Fidelco and see where they do their wonderful work. Those in 44N can go to Fidelco with no conflict. The 44N Spring Convention is May 5 – 7.

The DogSight Project is always proud to represent the Lions of MD44 at this event, but we're always a little bit sad that all of you aren't there to hear the thanks of the CEO Elliot Russman and the staff and trainers – the people you support with your donations.

There's still time to be included in the May donation! Donations to the DogSight Project may be sent to **DSP Chair Linda Piekarski, 15 Edgewood Ave, Keene, NH 03431**. Please make checks payable to **LSHF** with **DSP** on the memo line. The independence a guide dog brings to a blind person is priceless. Your contribution gives that gift many times over. Thank you!

Linda Piekarski  
 Chair, the DogSight Project  
 lpiekarski@ne.rr.com



# Celebrate the Century NH Lions

The District Centennial Coordinators are selling NH's Official Centennial Car Magnet! These custom magnets can be purchased for \$5 each from your District Centennial Coordinators:



44-N Lion Phil Przybyszewski  
44-H PDG Stanley Brothers

The fund raised will be used to support MD44 celebration of the Centennial with a parade in downtown Manchester next June.

April

## Newsletter Contest:

What did the Big flower say to the little one

Submit your answer to [newsletter44h@outlook.com](mailto:newsletter44h@outlook.com) for a chance to win a 2 night mid-week stay @ The North Conway Grand Hotel. All correct responses will be entered in the drawing! The drawing will be held the weekend of the 44H convention. You do not have to be present to win.

Have fun Lions!

A final list of correct answer winners will be sent out VIA constant contact Wednesday April 5th

## HEALTH SERVICES BOARD

<http://www.nhlions.org/healthservice>

## EYEGLASS & HEARING AIDS COLLECTION & RECYCLING

Dave Rogers  
166 Rockingham Road, Auburn NH 03032

## NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

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Presidents and secretaries, please coordinate and make a copy available to members that do not have E-Mail. All E-Mail changes must be made on the LCI website by your club secretary. If you have opted out of receiving the fellowship in the past, you also opted out of the district newsletter because we shared the same contact list. This issue has been resolved. To receive the newsletter again, you must obtain a copy of the newsletter E-Mail and click on the **join our mailing list** link.

Please take note of the editorial change!

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

Deadline for submitting articles to be published in the newsletter is the

**20th of each month.**

To keep the size of the newsletter reasonable, most event articles will be reduced to 1/4 page. Clubs and district committees with multiple articles for the same newsletter should consolidate the articles into one submission that does not exceed one page.

Newsletter submissions should be sent to Christine Goldstein at [newsletter44h@outlook.com](mailto:newsletter44h@outlook.com)