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Thoughts from *District Governor Sam Longbook*

Greetings from DG Sam,

Lion Berny and I hope all Lions and their families had a Happy Holiday Season and we wish all a Happy and Prosperous New Year in 2018.

Half of our Lions 2017-2018 year is behind us.

Clubs and the District need to focus on increasing membership and improving retention.

We need to do this to strengthen the clubs and provide more service as asked by LCI going forward into our next 100 years of service.

Both of these are so very important to your club now and in the near future. The more hands the more we can serve our fellow man in need. And there is need out there. Lions Clubs International is asking us to step up to help more people in a variety of ways in the following areas; Vision, Environment, Hunger, Pediatric Cancer and Diabetes.

Thus, we need more Lions in more clubs to achieve the challenge.

Next, <u>Orientation</u> is so essential to the success of a new Lions becoming involved and staying as a Lion. Need help with an orientation contact me or the leadership team.

A challenge to every Lion in the district is to help increase Membership, develop club leadership to improve Retention and the club president to schedule Orientation for recent and new members.

My challenge to clubs, if you dropped members this year reach out to them and or replace them and add 1 or 2 more to have a positive club membership growth.

Good News: Looks like PCC Mike will have the Newmarket Lions Chartered very soon. Thanks

DG Sam.





SAM LONGBO



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Travels with the DG



LITCHFIELD CLUB VISIT



KINGSTON CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY

DG travel dates

Jan 5 – 7, NELC Meeting in MASS Jan 10, Barrington Lions Visitation Jan 16, Derry Lions Visitation Jan 18, Hampstead Visitation Jan 23, Epping Lions Visitation



Events Calendar				
	January			
1/10	Camp Pride Meeting 6:30pm, Location Auburn Tavern Exit 2 off Rt. 101, in Auburn NH			
1/11	Lions Youth Services Mtg, 6:00pm Location: Hannaford in Bedford			
1/18	LSHF Meeting, 6:30pm Blake's 353 S Main St. Manchester			
1/23	Health Services BoardMtg,6:30pm Location Hannaford ,7 Kilton Rd. Bedford, NH			
1/31	Twin State Soccer Assoc 7:00pm Location: Elks Club, Lebanon NH			
February				
2/14	Camp Pride Meeting 6:30pm, Location Auburn Tavern Exit 2 off Rt. 101, in Auburn NH			
2/08	Lions Youth Services Mtg, 6:00pm Location: Hannaford in Bedford			
2/15	LSHF Meeting, 6:30pm Blake's 353 S Main St. Manchester			
2/27	Health Services BoardMtg,6:30pm Location Hannaford .7 Kilton Rd.			

2/28 Twin State Soccer Assoc 7:00pm Location: Elks Club, Lebanon NH

Bedford, NH

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Thoughts from

First Vice District Governor Jerry Vaccaro

Its 2018, YUP! - Time to finish and set new Goals

<u>Club Membership Goal</u> Each club should have set a goal of at least 10% increase of membership by the end of Lion year----are you on that path, if not—not too late. JUST ASK!

<u>Service Goals</u> Have you completed or still working on those Community Service needs? Did your club do a Community Survey recently? If not, please plan on one. Your community needs may change, so plan a Service Goal to help these new needs.

<u>Fund Raiser Goals</u> Have you or still working on all those fund raisers goals and having fun doing them? Are you advertising them? These fund raisers should be a way to bring in new members. Invite friends, family members, and other organizations to be part of the fun. Are you planning on future fund raiser projects that you never tried before? Great way for new members to give it a try.

<u>Networking Goal</u> Have you updated your club web site? This is a must to get new and younger new members to join your Club. Your web site must be exciting, showing how your club has serviced your community and make it so they will want to join. Check out LCI's E-Club House.

Hope to see you all at the Mid-Winter Convention!

Thank you for what you do,

Jerry

Thoughts from Second Vice District Governor Steve Middlemiss

Notes From the 2nd VDG

Lion LeeAnn and I hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year.

Let's continue that spirit into the new year. As we start the second half of our Lionistic year, I hope that clubs

are reviewing their members for potential officers to lead them into the next year. Look at those who have been important in helping with your fundraising and service projects. These are two areas where great leaders come from. They have already proven themselves with their efforts. Also, don't be afraid to allow a newer member to take a position. Their insight could be very helpful. Our next Lionistic year will be here before you know it, so it is time to prepare.

It is equally important to continue in building our membership. Remember to invite family, friends and co-workers to help you with your projects. It is a great way to get them interested in what you do as a club, as they see how much impact you have in your community. Most people want to help others, they just need a way to do so. And we as Lions help so many. So don't Just Ask others to be members. Start out by Asking them to work with you on the many efforts you perform for your communities.

Thank you Clubs for all your efforts to help those in your communities. You are what makes it Great to be a Lion!!

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you might have. To get in touch with me my cell phone is 603-566-7616 andemail is cstmiddlemiss@gmail.com.Don't forget to JUST ASK!

Yours in Lionism SVDG Steve Middlemiss











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Thoughts from

Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer Paul Gilberti

This past month DG Sam and I visited seven different clubs, participated in 5 Christmas parties and at least four Yankee swaps. We met a lot of great people along the way and swore in a lot of new members. Nashua also added one new member and about 15 Leos. DG Sam gave out 15, 20 and even 30 year pins.

You will be receiving the second half of the year's District Dues Billing by the weekend. It is based on membership counts as of January 1st. Please send me your checks in a timely manner as the District relies on those funds for it various projects and expenses.

Our Mid-Winter Convention is Friday, January 26th through the 28th. A copy of the registration form is in this newsletter.

If any club Secretary or Treasurer would like any assistance or additional training, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. I would be happy to assist.

Serving side by side,

CST Paul Gilberti E: CSTPaul44H@comcast.net H: 603-426-2025 C: 978-595-7536

Thoughts from

Multiple Council Chair Christine Greenwood

Happy NEW Year to MD 44 !!

Hope every Lion had a wonderful holiday with your family, community, and your Lion families !

The MD44 committee is now working very hard on putting together a wonderful Mid-Winter Convention – please make sure to send your RSVP to MCST Deb Hogancamp ASAP !

And... don't' forget to call the Crown Plaza hotel directly to make your hotel reservation !

See you all soon – stay warm Lions of NH ! Christine









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Thoughts from Global Membership Team Leader Al Goldstein

Chris and I are wishing everyone the best for 2018.

Membership is starting to move in the right direction ,16 clubs have added new members this year. We have had 12 clubs add more than 1. This is encouraging. That leaves 20 clubs with some work to do. I challenge all of the clubs to discuss adding members as an agenda item at the next meeting. Look at developing a goal for how many members you want to add then formulate a plan on how you are going to accomplish this. Lions International offers so much help to get this done. I too am available to work with any club who asks. The important thing to remember is focus your growth in the amount of new members that make sense to you. By this I mean if you are a club of 12 and you add 12 new members this may be overwhelming, but by adding 3 you can work with them so much easier. Remember the most successful membership drive ever done by LCI is and continues to be "Just Add One". Good luck to all of you on adding new members. GMT/IPDG Al Goldstein

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Thoughts from

Global Leadership Team Leader Dick Lemieux

To All.



Hope you had a

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Hope to see you at the mid-winter convention







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Thoughts from

Global Service Team Leader Marie Hall

Happy 2018! As the District GST, these are the goals I have been tasked with by LCI. I will be following up with club presidents in the next few weeks to see how I can assist your club.

Goal #1: Ensure all clubs in your district appoint a GST Club Service Chairperson.

Goal#2: Ensure all clubs are aware of the new LCI Service Framework and our global cause of diabetes prevention and control.

Goal#3: Increase service activity reporting through MyLCI/MyLion.

Goal#4: Increase the percentage of hands on service projects delivered by clubs, with special focus on the Centennial Service Challenge and the new Service Framework.

Goal #5: Encourage all clubs to complete at least one diabetes project.

Goal #6: Encouage all Lions/Leos to use the MyLion mobile app when planning and implementing service projects.

Please see the 2017 Focus Platform Brainstorming in this newsletter. I will be working with the chairs of each focus platform to see if there are opportunities for district-wide service projects in 2018.

Together "We Serve" More



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	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,168	1,181
Added Members	0	58
Dropped Members	0	71
Closing Balance	1,168	1,168
Net Gain/Loss 0	0	-13



58th Annual MD44 Convention

at the Crowne Plaza

72 Somerset Parkway Nashua, NH

HOTEL RESERVATIONS JUST A REMINDER TO BE SURE, YOU MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS FOR THE 58 TH ANNUAL MD44 CONVENTION. **THE DEADLINE IS NOW JANUARY 12TH FOR THE SPECIAL RATE:** HOTEL RESERVATIONS SINGLE OR DOUBLE IS \$115 PER NIGHT & TAX **ONE NIGHT STAY IS** <u>NOW ALSO</u> \$115 PER **NIGHT & TAX** CALL CROWNE PLAZA AT 603.595.4100 AND IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS PART OF THE NH LIONS MD44 CONVENTION.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 12th FOR THIS SPECIAL RATE!



<u>58th Annual</u> <u>MD44 Convention</u> At the Crowne Plaza 72 Somerset Parkway Nashua, NH

"The Power of We"

Making a difference with passion & vision –We Serve ! 58th Annual Lions Multiple District44 MID-WINTER CONVENTION

Special Guests International Director Jennifer Ware & her husband Lion Jeff from Rapid River, Michigan.

January 26-28, 2018

Friday Night –7pm - Lions Night at the Horse Races !

- Entrance fee to the races is a non-perishable donation for Corpus Christi Food Pantry in Nashua NH.
- Ladies wear your favorite derby race hat, men can wear their favorite Fedora hats – and get ready for some betting !
- * A portion of the race proceeds will go to LCIF !
- Saturday MD44 Cabinet meeting from 9am to noon
- Saturday Afternoon 1:45 to 3pm Town Hall Meeting with ID Jennifer Ware (All Lions are welcome and encouraged to attend). This is a GREAT opportunity FOR ALL Lions to speak with ID Jennifer
- Saturday evening- "Power of We" Lions Appreciation Banquet
- Sunday Lion Paul Baker from LCI Campus Club Recruitment Seminar. Be on the lookout for more information !

58th Annual MD44 Convention

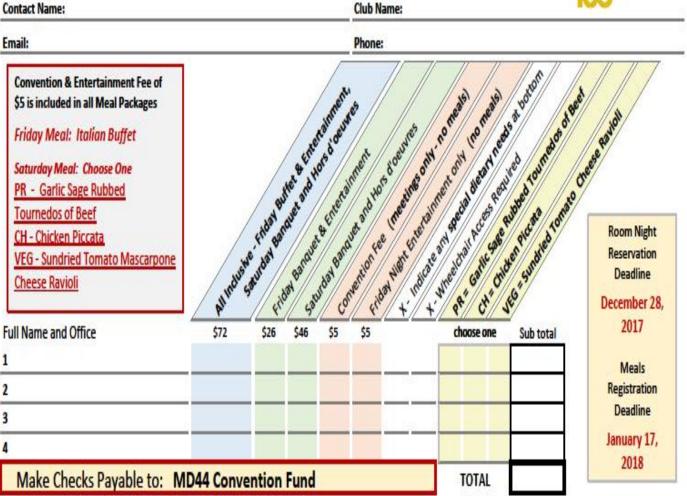


Crowne Plaza

72 Somerset Parkway, Nashua NH January 26 - 28, 2018

EVENT REGISTRATION FORM





If there are any special dietary needs, please indicate here:

Saturday Breakfast / Lunch and Sunday Breakfast will be on your own. There is a restaurant at the hotel and many other choices near the property.

Hotel Reservation Process at Lions Convention Room rate: Single or Double is \$115 per night + tax (NOTE: must be 2 Nights)	Send check for meals and registration form to: CST Deb Hogancamp
One Night Stay is \$189 per night + tax	Convention Chairperson
Call Crowne Plaza at (603)595-4100 and identify yourself as part of the	PO Box 14
NH Lions MD44 Convention	Kingston, NH 03848
All reservations must be made by Thursday, December 29 for the special rate.	For questions, please call Deb at (603) 347-5453

Hear ye, Hear ye

Please join International Director Jennifer Ware and the MD44 Council for Informative "Town Hall" open discussion Open for ALL NH LIONS to attending the

<u>58th Annual</u> <u>MD44 Mid-Winter Convention</u> <u>On Saturday, January 27th, 2018</u>



JENNIFER WARE INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Jennifer Ware, from Rapid River, Michigan, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 99th International Convention held in Fukuoka, Japan, June 24 through 28, 2016.

Director Ware is a psychiatric nurse. A member of the Brampton Township Days River AR Lions Club since 1993, she has held many offices within the association, including club secretary, club director, district governor, council chairperson, district GLT coordinator and district Sight Preservation and Action chairperson.

In recognition of her service to the association, she has received numerous awards including the Membership Key Award, an International Leadership Awards and an International President's Award. She is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Director Ware and her husband, Jeff, also a Lion, have one daughter.



NEWMARKET CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB CHARTER NIGHT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018 GRILL 28 @ PEASE GOLF COURSE, 200 GRAFTON RD., PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801 5:45 pm Social - 6:30 pm Dinner Reservations must be received before FEB. 7, 2018 MEAL COST \$38.00 PER PERSON **Buffet, Cash Bar**

RETURN THIS PORTION NEWMARKET CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB CHARTER NIGHT RESERVATIONS PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION WITH CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: EXETER LIONS CLUB MAIL TO: Michael Baillargeon (603) 778-8496

11 Michael Bennett Road Brentwood, NH 03833 **DEADLINE FEBRUARY 7, 2018**

kebail@comcast.net

NAME OF CLUB ______ # ATTENDING _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED:	(\$38.00 PER PERSON)
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NAME(S):

We look forward to seeing you Feb. 17, 2018 !!

NEW ENGLAND LIONS COUNCIL WINTER MEETING AGENDA 1620 Hotel – Plymouth, Massachusetts January 6th, 2018 (Agenda Subject to Change)

Call to Order / Welcome Introduction of Head Table Four Point Opening Pledge of Allegiance America Invocation Lions Toast Lion George Cooper, President Lion George Cooper, President

Lion John Youney, Past President Lion Mary Ann Hutchins, Director Lion Sandra Hurd, Secretary / Treasurer Lion Ken Emery, Vice President

Council Secretary / Treasurer Reports

Secretary's Report of October 21st Meeting Lion Sandra Hurd, Secretary / Treasurer Treasurer's Report Lion Sandra Hurd, Secretary / Treasurer

District Governor's Reports

District 45 Lion Walter Hastings District 42 Lion Nancy Phillips Lion Sam Longbook District 44H Lion Eric Lindberg District 44N District 33S Lion Deb Grassi District 33K Lion Margaret Menard District 33N Lion James Wagner District 33A Lion Todd Karkane Lion Sharyn Wentworth District 33Y District 41 Lion Norm Hart District 23C Lion Hilary Kumnick Lion Bobby Clark District 23B Lion Shaukat Khan District 23A **Old Business** Fall Weekend Lion Ken Emery, Vice President Lion George Cooper, President Winter Weekend **New Business** Lion George Cooper, President International Director Endorsement Lion George Cooper, President LCIF and Spring Weekend Lion Ken Emery, Vice President International Convention Breakfast USA / CANADA Leadership Forum Breakfast Lion George Cooper, President 2018 Fall Weekend Lion Ken Emery, Vice President Proposed Constitution Change(?) Separate Secretary / Treasurer Positions Proposed Dates for 2018 – 2019 Meetings Lion George Cooper, President International Convention Breakfast July 1st or 2nd USA Canada Forum Breakfast September 21st October 20th – 22nd Fall Weekend January / February 2019 Winter Weekend May $17^{th} - 19^{th}$ Spring Weekend **Benediction** Lion Bill Donnellan, Director

Adjournment

Round Rock Lions a Thanksgiving Community Dinner.

Every year for 20 years, a number of Civic organizations have come together to serve the less fortunate and shut ins in the Round Rock, Texas area. The event is the brain child of Lion Tino Hernandez of the Round Rock Lions Club in Texas District 2-S3.

Volunteers included Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary, Churches of all denominations, Boy Scouts, Leos's, Ameri-Corps -Youth of America, a Jeep Club, Salvation Army, and many other individuals and organized groups totaling about 200 volunteers.

This year's meal hosted **600** at a Community Center, and delivered **435** meals to shut-ins in the area. The food is <u>all</u> donated, prepared and delivered to the Center. The Center has a full commercial kitchen where the food is kept warm until packaged for delivery or served. Needless to say Jim and I were overwhelmed with the generosity and positivity we encountered-best Thanksgiving so far!

Jim wore his Keene, NH Lions Club shirt. Of the 200 volunteers, 3 approached him due to the shirt. 1) a Keene State College graduate 2) a gentleman who is a waste water systems consultant to Walmart Super Store in Hinsdale, NH and stayed in downtown Keene, NH and 3) a former Albany, NY resident who is Dr.Ridge's (a Keene chiropractor), sister in law

PS: Every month Leaders of the local service organizations meet and share up coming events, ask for volunteers, invite each other to participate, and offer support to each other.

The photo includes Lion Tino Hernandez ,PDG Shirley Dillman of the Round Rock Lions Club of Texas District 2-S3.

All the Best to you and yours!! Happy Christmas & a very Happy New Year! Deb Hogancamp



How You Can Fight Diabetes in Your Community

Donate a diabetes magazine subscription or diabetes – related books to your local library Provide an organized physical activity to promote healthy exercise for children who are in afterschool programs

Write about healthy lifestyle choices in your community or school paper

Develop a list of diabetes patient resources and services and distribute them in your community

Organize a Strides Lions for Diabetes Awareness event in your community

Invite a role model with diabetes to a local school to talk about healthy lifestyle choices

Organize a weekly walking club at your place of work and share a healthy snack afterwards

Sponsor a healthy cooking demonstration for people with diabetes and pre-diabetes

Bring fresh produce to a local pantry or food bank

We can do so much to prevent diabetes and improve the lives of those who already have the disease.

Stay Healthy

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

PCC Celeste

Vision

Great accolades for the Lion's Club Importance of Eye Screening

This email was brought to my attention by the director of a local pre-school that participates in the OKS program. It is a thank you note from a parent whose child was screened at the school – just shows us how important OKS Screening is!

"I just wanted you to know what a fantastic program that Kids Sight / Lions Club program is. Our new doc's office mentioned that their office in Newburyport or someplace thereabouts sees hardly any children, and hardly ever works with patches to help retrain the kid's eyes as preventive measures. It's a lifetime of glasses we are talking about that can be avoided by properly training the brain at his critical stage! Here in Newmarket, however, they get a number of these cases every year. This all of course is anecdotal, but still I am so thankful for this program, which caught what my child's pediatrician did not!"

"Could you please forward my thanks to the relevant people at those organizations? I would love for them to hear about the difference they are making in these kids' eyes. And thank you school director participating in the program!"

This points out the importance of screening preschoolers when their eyes are still developing. Where there is a need there's a Lion

Here's looking at you – Lion Lang Plumer

Sight & Hearing Foundation



January begins the second half of the Lionistic year. I hope everyone has enjoyed a very wonderful holiday period.

All of us on the Sight and Hearing Board are anxious to work on our projects and to work with all the New Hampshire Lions clubs. Together we can provide and help those less fortunate that us, in providing them with hearing aids and

cataract surgeries.

The Sight and Hearing Board is still seeking new members who can join us on July 1, 2018. If you know of someone who would enjoy working on the board, please pass his or her name to me.

Raymond Hill, President

Sight & Hearing Foundation

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THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT

A Program of the New Hampshire Lions Multiple District 44 – Health Services Board



It's a New Year!

I love celebrating the New Year! There's so much gratitude for past blessings and optimism about the future packed in to one grand day. When I think about my life with a Fidelco Guide Dog, there are so many wonderful things to ponder. This wonderful animal loves me despite my human failings and keeps me safe no matter how incomprehensible my actions are to her. ("But, Ma, we just went there two seconds ago!") Even though I only speak Dog with a very heavy Cat accent, she understands me and loves, and serves, me anyway.

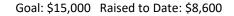
To all our loyal DogSight supporters – we wish you the happiest of New Years!

Donations may be sent at any time 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

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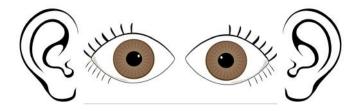
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Health Services Board - Stories to Warm Your Heart



Many Lions throughout the state have volunteered to help at NH LIONS RECREATIONAL & SOCIAL WEEKEND FOR THE BLIND and VISUALLY IMPAIRED (otherwise known as Vision Weekend). Others give donations to make this weekend possible. There is a standing argument over who has more fun and looks forward to this weekend more, the volunteers or the participants! Here are some excerpts from the thank you notes from participants: "The weekend is such a gift to us through the Lions and we need to let you know. We all spent the week after feeling special and empowered. Thank you so much. "Thank you, thank you, thank you. Your Vision Weekend surpassed my expectations!!! It truly raised my spirits to converse and play games with such an upbeat, truly "seeing" group of people (the Lions) "I have been 10 years living with the decline of my vision. Life can take us to some very low points. Five years ago I came to NHAB Support Group; next I was invited to my first NH Lions Recreational and Social Weekend compliments of the Lions Clubs. On May 5, 2017 a good feeling came over me. I haven't felt like this until now. The individual inspirations I felt from everyone ~ I can't wait to share those feelings. I want to thank the Lions and the volunteers. The kindness you show is overwhelming. You don't always realize how much of an impact your donations of time and money can have. Thank you to all Lions who support this and many other projects in New Hampshire and beyond. Remember: Submit your vision screening reports! 44H goes to Becky Brown (beckbrown@hotmail.com)

44N goes to Darlene Royce darlene.b.royce@hitchcock.org)

Also, please send in your heartwarming stories so that we can share the good feelings! We want to have one for every month this year.

Keep Screening!

Sue Lindberg, HSB Chair



Nearly 800 million people go to bed hungry every night. This January, join Lions around the world for a special Worldwide Week of Service dedicated to eliminating hunger in your community. This international event is a great opportunity to support our new global service framework, and our goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021, by relieving hunger in your community.



Host a project to fight hunger in your community during January 8-14. Help stock a local food pantry, bag school lunches or distribute food to those who need it most. No matter how you choose to serve, be sure to join us for this Centennial service event!

Join Us for the Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger

Here's how your club can take part in this special event:

1. **Plan your project** - Host a service project that impacts hunger in your community during the week of January 8-14. Consider inviting members of your community or another local service club to serve with you.

2. **Promote your project** - Publicize your project to showcase your club and the power of service. Remember to wear your <u>Lions branded gear</u> when you're serving to increase your visibility.

3. **Report your project** - Report your service on the <u>MyLCI</u> Service Activity Report to help us reach new levels of service in our Centennial Service Challenge. Be sure to include the project date.

Celebrate Your Service

Share photos of your project on social media so everyone can see what a difference you're making in your community. Use the hashtag **#Lions100**, and we'll share your images on the <u>LCI Facebook page</u>!





ENVIRONMENT

Now that the <u>New Year</u> is here and <u>Christmas</u> is a <u>Merry Memory</u>, did you know that approximately 25-30 million real Christmas trees are sold in North America each year and about 93% of them are recycled through recycling centers throughout the country? The art of recycling trees is also appropriately called **"treecycling**" (a real word). Because "treecycling" returns a renewable and natural source back to the environment, most conservationists agree that real trees are more environmentally friendly then their plastic counterparts. Christmas trees are recycled into mulch and used in landscaping and gardening or chipped and used for playground materials, paths and walkways. They are also used for beachfront erosion prevention, lake and river shoreline stabilization and fish and wildlife habitat.

Artificial trees are attractive to people for many reasons, cost, time, and clean-up being among the pros given by most consumers. But many experts believe that artificial trees have a greater negative effect on the environment when all things are considered. Today's artificial trees are manufactured with metal and polyvinyl (PVC), a non-biogradable, petroleum-deprived plastic. Some older trees may also contain lead. Artificial trees are non-recyclable and non-biodegradable meaning they will sit in landfills for years and years after disposal; most artificial trees last an average of 5-7 years and then what? - try getting rid of one at a yard sale or thrift shop... Lastly, most artificial trees are imported from China while the US tree farm industry employs upward of 100,000 Americans (according to NCAT- National Christmas Tree Association).

So now that you might consider a real tree what can YOU do with your tree besides putting it out in the trash? Here are a few ideas:

Buy a living potted tree and plant outdoors as soon as possible- but if not
Cut off all branches and use the trunk to edge your garden; use the evergreen boughs on perennial beds and protect them from winter freezes and spring thaws.
See if your community collects trees and makes mulch for the residents in town
Use the needles to make aromatic potpourri and sachets to enjoy (store in brown paper bags).
If your community allows tree burning in the spring, burn the branches and spread the ashes in your garden. Branches contain valuable nutrients and minerals for a richer soil in your flower beds.

So what is <u>YOUR</u> final verdict REAL or Artificial????????



New Year's Resolution #1—Buy a Calendar RaffleTicket New Year's Resolution #2—Give a Calendar RaffleTicket New Year's Resolution #3—Encourage your club members to buy a Calendar RaffleTicket

Camp Pride's Annual Booster Club Raffle

Time is getting closer!! Calendar Raffle time is almost here! Clubs are asked to return their ticket stubs and any unsold tickets as soon as possible to Lion Lillian Bellisle, 29 Cedar St., Hudson, NH 03051. All checks should be made out to Lions Camp Pride.

If you have questions or need additional tickets, please call her at 603-889-0285 or e: mail: Lionjeri@comcast.net.

Remember, tickets may be sold to club members, friends, business associates or even bought by the club as a chance to enhance their treasury

All drawings will take place (a total of thirty-one (31) drawings) at the Mid-Winter Convention on January 27 2018. Each drawing represents a particular day in January.

Any ticket drawn will be redeposited into the raffle basket so there are numerous chances to win.

THANK YOU

Camp Pride Board of Directors

2017 Focus Platform Brainstorming

Diabetes:

Education to young school children about what not to eat and why

Supply all diabetics with their needs; have a clinic to direct them to****

Diabetic Alert dogs (in addition to Fidelco)

Retinal scanner at each hospital/district for Diabetes**

After school cooking classes

Free test strips

Hunger:

Mobile food truck

Central food kitchen

Adopting families to provide food for the holidays and possibly each season*****

Open restaurant/Lions food center- No charge*

All service organizations work together to help*

Canned good collections at all town elections***

Provide free garden fresh food to families

Vision:

Mobile OKS Van***

Glasses for all who need them**

Open a Lions vision center that provides exams and glasses free of charge****

Low vision aids to libraries***

More than one vision screener per zone**Establish an Eye Bank in NH*

Mobile eye exam van

Provide info to people with low vision about new advancements in research and aids.

Environment:

Planters/flowers with Lions emblem along roadways**

New multi-field complex

Clean river project

Community gardens (covers hunger,too)***

Adopt-a-highway**; employee school-age kids

Lions-owned public land/forest

Pediatric Cancer:

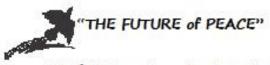
House for families up here to support

Van to bring families/friends to visit children

Scholarships for medical students who will be working in pediatric hospitals**

Provide for families going through pediatric cancer with whatever they tell us they need**

Gift cards for benefit of children



The first place winner has been selected and has been submitted to LCI. The winning poster was done by Mackenzie Franek, Age 12 from the Hudson Lions club. The runner up is Bella Parks, Age 13 from the Concord Lions. Both entries will be displayed at the Mid-Winter convention on Saturday at the end of January. Please be sure to attend the Saturday morning presentation meeting. All Winning posters as Well as all participants from both district clubs will be on display.



Above, MD44 Winning Poster by Mackenzie Franek Below, MD44 Runner-Up Poster by Bella Parks



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

This year, Lions Youth Services will be providing copies of all artwork for sale. Print orders will be taken immediately after the meeting. Pricing will be determined on unframed or framed photo print requests.

The new Lions Youth Services LOGO Winner will also be announced during the convention!

Don't forget to bring any new or slightly used books to donate for the CHaD Book collection. Please bring them to the Mid-Winter convention in January. Please contact either Marie Hall or Henry McKee to prepare Where to drop off your books.

LIONS YOUTH SERVICES MEETING

There are several openings on the LYS Board. All Lions from both districts are Welcome to join and come on board. There will be elections of these director seats during the meeting. Please let Marie Hall or Henry McKee know that you are interested in taking a position on the board for Lions Youth Services.

Lions Youth Services only meets once a month, usually the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at Hannaford's in Bedford. So please consider giving some time once a month to get involved with and support the Youth in our State through Lions Youth Services!!!

Contact:

Marie Hall at 686-6935 Henry McKee at 960-1732

LIONS FUNDRAISER



CONWAY AREA LIONS FUNDRAISER

\$20 PER SQUARE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN

\$200 PER QUARTER for first 3 quarters, \$400 for FINAL SCORE

PROCEEDS FOR LIONS EYECARE FUNDS

WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT END OF SUPERBOWL GAME OF FINAL SCORE Contact John 603-356-9383

Kingston Leos Club InductionKingston Lions should be very proud of this group



Lions Float in the Rose Bowl Parade 2018



Moultonborough Lions Club Press Release

The Moultonborough Lions Club continues with its Christmas tradition of giving \$500 to each of the four towns they serve to help the needy. Recently President Mark Cotrupi presented a check for \$500 to Robin Woodaman, Town Clerk of Center Harbor, for the town's use in providing Christmas meals and treats to those in need. The Lions also presented checks to organizations in the other three towns they serve; namely, the Federated Church of Sandwich, the Tuftonboro Christmas Fund, and the Moultonborough Children's Christmas Fund. An additional \$1,325 was split between Make a Wish, HOBY Youth Leadership Seminars, The Humane Society, The Annie Forts "UP" Syndrome Fund, and the Hampton Lions Club to help with the mailing costs of all the eyeglasses people so generously donate. Just another way for the Moultonborough Lions to give back to the community. If you would like to find out more about Lionism please call Joe & Pat Keegan at 253-9916. Remember our Motto is "We Serve".



Submitted by Patricia Keegan 253-9916

The Rye Lions Club completed their 2017 Legacy Project when they presented a Scenic Viewer to The Seacoast Science Center located at the Odiorne State Park in Rye, NH. The viewer will allow the public to SEE the beauty of the seacoast including 4 Lighthouses as well as the Isle's of Shoals.







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Lions Clubs International Multiple District 5M-Minnesota-Manitoba-N.W. Ontario

December 10th, 2017

CC Christine Greenwood/CST Deb Hogancamp and Lion Leaders of Multiple District 44;

I cannot explain to you how humbled Lori and I are for the support we have received from your Multiple District for the endorsement from your leaders to stand for election to the office of Third Vice President of Lions Clubs International! It is a great honor.

Please convey to your Council and membership how honored we are to have your support

We are so excited to run for election at the International Convention in Las Vegas in 2018. If given the opportunity I look forward to bringing my strong personal and business skills to work for you and the Lions of the World.

Again, from the bottom of our hearts we want to thank your Multiple District for all for the support you have shown us – THANK YOU.

Please join the team Facebook page at T.E.A.M. Sheehan for 3rd VP or visit our website at LionBrian.com for more information

Thank you, and make a great day!!

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PID Lion Brian E. Sheehan Endorsed Candidate for International 3rd Vice –President Minnesota, USA - NW Ontario and Manitoba, Canada

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Santa Sam at a cookie swap



I hope you and your family had a nice holiday season. Berny and I wish you and AI a Hoppy 2018 new year.

CENTENNIAL LION SHIRTS

Did you want to order a special Centennial shirt however missed the deadline to order....

Well.... NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO ORDER AGAIN !!!

Please email MCC Christine at <u>cgreenwood@walpolebank.com</u> the following information:

- Name on Shirt (exact spelling)
- Name of your home Lions Club (Exact spelling)
- Size of Mens or Womens shirt (these shirts are true to size and will not shrink)

Please note, the cost of the shirt, will depend on how many shirts are ordered – CC Christine will be in touch with everyone with the price, BEFORE submitting the order.

Thanks !!

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1 Coombs Farm Rd, Greenland NH 03840	
Res Phone: 603-431-7352	
E-mail: <u>Rye642@comcast.net</u> Please remember to bring your clubs collected	
Eyeglasses and hearing aids to the next Cabinet	
Meeting. November 12 th 2017 in Moultonborough.	