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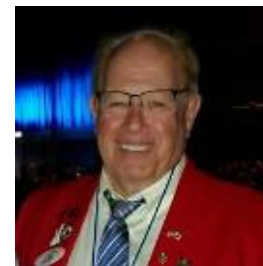
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Thoughts from *District Governor Sam Longbook*

Hello My Fellow Lions and Friends

As many of you know, I am now finally home and looking forward to completing my responsibilities as District Governor. Both Lion Berny and I are on the mend, Berny is doing well and I am in Physical Therapy. Again, thanks all of you for your support during this trying time.



I must recognize the Hampstead Lions and thank them for a great homecoming and a fantastic gift of a granite bench as part of their centennial project.

As we approach the end of the Lion's year, please think about both finding new Lions to join your club, but also retention.

Importance of Retention and Membership:

Retention is so important; please reach out to those once committed members to get them back involved. Find out what is happening and what their area of interest as you may find new energy for your club.

Membership the impact of can be great on your club as Lions Clubs International is asking all clubs to step up their community service to start the next 100 years in one or all of the 5 service project areas. The more Quality Lions with the same commitment to serve as your current club members will be an asset.

As of the latest info from LCI, 44H is one of the only districts with a positive growth.

We are only slightly positive which is changing daily. We need your efforts to complete this year positive to keep our string of years of growth.

Our Multiple District is one of the only reporting positive membership

Our District has a challenge to continue to increase membership again this year.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEE YOU ALL AT CONVENTION

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

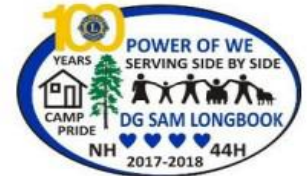
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Thoughts from First Vice District Governor *Jerry Vaccaro*

Retention and Membership



It's May already and many of you will be attending our spring convention in North Conway, this weekend. See you all there and I know it will be a great weekend for all. During this time many discussions are made about membership. Clubs are bringing in new members which is great news.

During this same time period, clubs are making decisions on what members should be dropped due to many different reasons- one being dues. You as a club have worked hard to bring in these members then should reconsider on dropping them. Please take the time to work with these members and find out how as a club, you can retain them. Help them with dues by making a monthly payment plan. If they feel that they are not involved with clubs goals ask them to be part of them. Folks, we need to shrink the number of valuable lions from leaving.

If you really need to drop a Lion please do it in June. LCI has indicated that drops have to be made in June because of dues issues. So please try hard to retain those members. Remember by being pro-active in retaining members allows your club to have more hands to accomplish your projects and fundraisers goals. Again, see you at the convention and have fun with all those fellow Lions who SERVE side by side with you.

Jerry

Thoughts from Second Vice District Governor *Steve Middlemiss*

Notes From the 2nd VDG



We have reached the month of May which means it is time for Spring convention. Marie, Jerry and I are looking forward to seeing each of you there and hope for your support.

As the Lionistic year begins to draw to a close DG Sam would like every club to make a final effort to add at least one new member. Reach out to your friends, family and co-workers. Ask them to help work an event and let them see how your efforts affect your community. They'll be hooked, so let's help DG Sam maintain the positive member growth.

If your club is looking to drop any members, **please** reach out to them **one final time** to ensure that is the route both the club and the member want to go. Our goal is to have as few drops as possible, so reach out to those members who might owe dues or you haven't seen in a little while. Let them know your club can still use their abilities. Sometimes the personal touch can go a long way.

The turnout for the Lions Forum was great this year. It was exciting to see so many Lions looking to learn a little more on how they can help their clubs and communities. Thank you for attending.

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

Don't forget to JUST ASK!

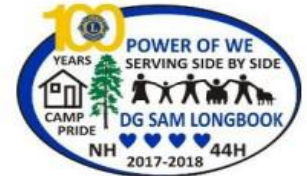
Yours in Lionism
SVDG Steve Middlemiss

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Thoughts from

Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer *Paul Gilberti*



Thoughts from

Multiple Council Chair *Christine Greenwood*

Let's talk MEMBERSHIP – WHY ?

Yes, to grow Lionism in New Hampshire however the single most important reason of recruiting and retaining is for the sole purpose of increasing our footprint of service in each of our communities where we serve – helping more people !! Additionally – **new members bring fresh new ideas, new enthusiasm with passion for helping others and will bring new leaders !!**



This year MD44 started out with 2,337 members and at this time we are currently 2,358 – NET GROWTH OF 21 members helping Lions worldwide with membership of 1,453,598 members strong. **FUN FACT** - Lions Clubs International will be holding a membership sweepstakes - each time you sponsor a new member, between NOW and June 15, 2018 – you will be entered into a sweepstakes. Two lucky winners from each Constitutional Area will be randomly selected to receive the award. SO – INVITE AND INVITE OFTEN !!

I look forward to seeing many Lions at each of the District conventions – ready to wear my Mardi Gras and Vegas Friday night costumes !

Keep on recruiting !!

Yours in Lionism

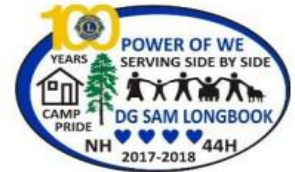
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Thoughts from
Global Membership Team Leader *Al Goldstein*



The end of our Lions year is fast approaching. The good news is District membership is plus ,the better news is 4 years in a row. The multiple District is the only one in the USA who are plus for the year. Great job!. Can you imagine if all the clubs added members this year where we would be and if we kept drops at a minimum? I thank all of the clubs who added new members this year. I have visited many clubs and attend most zone meeting this year. My message was always the same JUST ASK ONE. This past month I made a commitment to put this to work. I am proud to say I have had 3 new members join my club. I needed to prove a point that JUST ASK ONE really does work. This past year It has been an honor to work as your GMT. I enjoy working with all of you and thank you for all the support you have shown me.

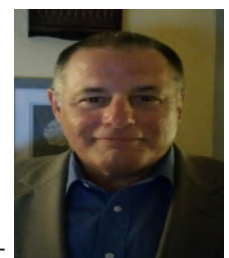
I wish you all the best in the future and challenge you all to JUST ASK ONE.

PDG/GMT Al Goldstein

Being a Lion is a truly wonderful thing

Thoughts from

Global Leadership Team Leader *Dick Lemieux*



It's that time when all clubs should of had their elections of officers for the next year.

The first of July is when the new KL takes over.

Here are a few thoughts for you to consider when you start planning for the new year:

- Have a working knowledge of the club's Constitution and By-Laws.
You will find job descriptions, how your membership chair operates, how conflicts are resolved. You might have to update this
If you fell that it doesn't work for the club.
- Understand our Mission statement, and code of Ethics. You can find this in the District's Directory.
- Have a vision of where you want the club to go . Get together with other members or the BOD to get ideas.
It's easy to repeat what you've been doing—think outside the box. Approach community leaders for input.
- Have measurable goals—get two new members, attend all zone and District Cabinet meetings for example.

All information is on line. www.lionsclubs.org is where you can find resources and access to webinars on all kinds of subjects.

Be sure to check MY LION to make sure your club's info is updated.

Last, we are told to look for leadership traits in our future leaders. The list of qualities are sometimes too long, and we probably could not fill

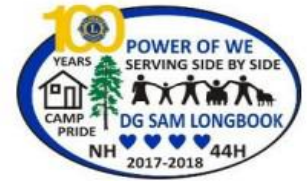
The positions if we stuck to that list. MY SUGGESTION—you want to do the job, and you need to be organized. Everything else will fall into place, if you use the above considerations.

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Thoughts from
Global Service Team Leader Marie Hall
The Club Service Chairperson



This is an elected (or appointed by the club president if your club has already had elections) position that should be reported to LCI on your club PU101. The service chair is responsible for developing service action plans that address community needs, advise service project committees and report service activities to LCI.

This position helps to relieve your club's Secretary from having to file activity reports, especially in clubs that may have challenges filling the Secretary position. Many clubs had appointed Centennial chairs, and in some cases, it may make sense for that Lion to step into the role of the Service Chairperson. Not all clubs, especially smaller clubs, will find it necessary to fill this position.

The goal of LCI in developing and promoting this new position is to stress the importance of service to the success of Lions Clubs. As PCC Bill Rathbum said to me recently "Our motto is not We Meet; it is We Serve." Let's all work together with our communities and each other to increase Lions service impact.

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Request for District 44-H Spring Convention

Hi Everyone,

As in the past few years we would once again like to hold a Friday Night raffle.

We could use your help with baskets, gift certificates or any item you may wish to donate as All Would Be Appreciated.

You can bring the item with you on Friday evening.

I will have cards available for you to write the item and name of donor on it. The raffle table will be set up in the back of the banquet hall on Friday.

Any questions please contact me

603-321-0737 Cell phone

ricupero7@comcast.net

Thank you so much for all you do.

PCC Celeste Ricupero.

Spring Convention Chairperson

MENU FOR DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION

MAY 4, 2018 – FRIDAY EVENING BANQUET DINNER

ITALIAN BUFFET

Antipasto platter, including salami, capicola and mortadella, assorted cheeses, olives, roasted peppers
Artichoke hearts, pepperoncini and tuna, minestrone soup, focaccia bread, tomato and mozzarella salad,
with basil and balsamic vinaigrette, cheese tortellini alfredo, penne marinara, chicken parmigiana,
Display of assorted Italian pastries
Assorted sodas and waters

MAY 5, 2018 - SATURDAY EVENING SIT DOWN BANQUET

New England Clam Chowder

Garden salad with assorted dressing

Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus with horseradish cream sauce

Grilled Marinated Vegetables over cous cous (for vegetarians)

Baked Boston Haddock with Seasoned bread crumbs, and fresh Lemon Beurre Blanc

DESSERT

Chocolate Layer Cake



44th ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
72 COMMON COURT, NORTH CONWAY, NH
MAY 04- 06, 2018

International Guests: International Dir. Connie LeCleur-Meyer and Lion Michael from Wisconsin

Lion #1 _____ Club _____ Plan _____ Meal: Fri _____ Sat _____

Lion #2/guest _____ Club _____ Plan _____ Meal: Fri _____ Sat _____

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	@	\$ 32.00
C	Sat. night banquet & hors d'oeuvres	@	\$ 38.00
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: Italian Buffet # _____

Saturday: Baked Boston Haddock # _____

Prime Rib of Beef Au jus # _____

Grilled Marinated veggies over Cous Cous # _____

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 April 15, 2018.

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 Convention 44-H
All reservations must be made by Friday, 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**

Send check for meals and registrations to: **PCC Celeste Ricupero**
Convention Chairman

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44TH ANNUAL LIONS 44-H CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
NORTH CONWAY, NH
MAY 04 -06, 2018
WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 4

3:00-6:00 PM	REGISTRATION	
3:00-5:00 PM	HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN	HOSTED BY THE EXETER CLUB
6:00-7:00 PM	COCKTAILS- CASH BAR	
7:00 PM	DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT	
9:00 PM	HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN	

SATURDAY, MAY 5

8:00-9:00 AM	REGISTRATION	
9:10-9:40 AM	MEMORIAL SERVICE	
9:50-12:00 PM	CABINET MEETING AWARDS AND ELECTIONS	
12:00 NOON	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN	
3:00-5:00	HOSPITALITY ROOM OPENS	HOSTED BY THE EXETER CLUB
4:00 PM	DGE RECEPTION WILL BE HELD IN THE HOSPITALITY ROOM (WITH THANKS TO THE EXETER CLUB) HOSTED BY THE HUDSON LIONS CLUB EVERYONE WELCOME	
5:30-6:15 PM	DISTRICT GOVERNORS RECEPTION	
6:30 PM	DISTRICT GOVERNORS BANQUET	
10:00 PM	HOSPITALITY ROOM OPENS	

SUNDAY MAY 6

11:00 AM	CHECK OUT
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NOTE

The resturant and bar in the hotel will be under Construction from April 23rd - May 10th. The hotel will have a list of resturants in the area so please check the list out as Saturday meetings will begin at 9:10 AM. There will be a morning coffee set up in the lobby on Saturday morning. The hotel sends their apologies for the inconvenience however the construction firm needs to finish the first floor renovations.
Celeste



**CONNIE LECLEIR-MEYER
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Connie LeCleir-Meyer from Mondovi, Wisconsin, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 100th International Convention held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, June 30 through July 4, 2017.

Director LeCleir-Meyer is a senior training program manager.

A member of the Altoona Lions Club, and a Lion since 2000, she has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, district governor and district and multiple district GLT coordinator.

In recognition of her service to the association, Director LeCleir-Meyer has received numerous awards, including an International Leadership Award and an International President's Award. She is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director LeCleir-Meyer has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the American Legion, National Association of Professional Women, Boy Scouts of America and her church choir.

Director LeCleir-Meyer's husband, Michael, is also a Lion.

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Lions Camp Pride NEWS ... We Serve

Lions District 44-H Service to Mankind, Inc. Established 1989



The process of opening up for another year of providing an unforgettable summer camp experience to hundreds of individuals has begun. We need all of your help to continue this long standing tradition.

Key dates May 4 and 11th Serve with Liberty, May 11th Lewis Building of Atkinson we be providing a day of service, May 19-20th Carpenters Union/Snow mobile Club 2 days of service.

We need help in many areas, raking leaves, cleaning bunk houses, carpentry, etc.

The Admin building is now open with running toilets, and hot water/heat.

We are looking for volunteers for any of these dates

May 12 May 19

June 16 June 23

Other days may be available just contact us

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

Summer Help needed, we need five kitchen helper openings, please contact us with any interest. These jobs are open July – August, just 6 short weeks.



Thank you for caring about our camp! *Peter*

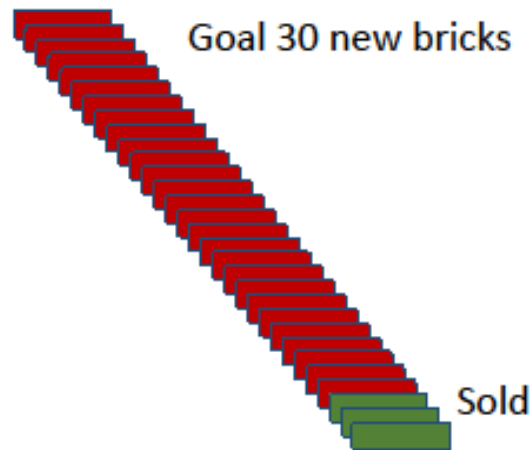
Peter LaPointe, President Lions Camp Pride hampstead.lions@gmail.com. 978-479-0454 cell

Camp Pride Board of Directors meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month,

Social 6pm meeting @7:00pm, at the Auburn Tavern, Auburn NH.

Lions Camp Pride Memorial Brick Program

Lions Camp Pride Memorial Brick Program. Coming up to the 30th anniversary of Lions Camp Pride, we have set a Goal of 30 new memorial bricks by the fall of 2018 in recognition of this milestone.



We need everyone's help to wave the way to reaching the goal!

For \$75.00 a brick with up to three lines of text can be added to the memorial walkway in front of the administration building. It is a tremendous way to recognize a member of your club, local community leader, or a deceased member of your family, mother, father, wife, husband, child, or pet.

A brick form can be found at <http://www.camppride.nhlions.org/> or by contacting Lenny Hall by email at lionscamppride44h@gmail.com



Vision

Helen Keller International

Did you know that Helen Keller International was established in 1915?

Here is what I found in the April 6, 2018 issue of THE WEEK

Helen Keller International (hki.org)

“This is one of the oldest international nonprofit organizations devoted to fighting and treating preventable blindness and malnutrition in vulnerable communities around the world. Co-founded by the pioneering deaf-blind American author and political activist, the organization focuses on preventing blindness and vision loss by providing better access to basic eye-care services such as prescription glasses, and cataract surgery. It also works to prevent and treat tropical diseases such as blinding trachoma and river blindness that cause vision problems. To combat malnutrition, HKI trains local farmers in sustainable agriculture practices that diversify their produce and teaches them to sell surplus produce in local markets. HKI currently runs 120 programs in 20 countries across Asia, Africa, and North America.”

Check them out on the web at hki.org

Where there is a need there's a Lion

Here's looking at you – Lion Lang Plumer

ENVIRONMENT

TO PROTECT OUR PLANET



Good News – it's not too late to get your **environment banner patch** for this year! With all the damage done from the last “named” snow storms, there has to be many projects that your club can do to meet this **last** Centennial Service Challenge. This April Lions and Leos around the world joined together for the special **Worldwide Week of Service** (April 16-22) which was dedicated to promote a healthy environment in your community. Some suggestions, straight from the **Lions Green Team Booklet, if you still need ideas:**

Community Clean-up Projects: Adopt a roadway, clean a waterway, remove graffiti from a public place, landscape a public area (and put your club's name on it) - look around your town, there must be dozens of things you can do

Tree Planting Projects: trees absorb carbon from the atmosphere, conserve soil and water, provide homes for wildlife, and are a source of food and medicine. With the tree damage done this winter, there must be opportunities to replace them- suggestion: make it a living memorial of your club's anniversary or a member's birthday.

Recycling Projects: Lions already recycle eyeglasses, hearing aids and cellular phones. You might consider having a recycling campaign for paper, books, computers, ink cartridges, aluminum, metal keys, metal clothes hangers and rubber soled athletic shoes. Plastic products have codes that indicate how they may be recycled and most can be turned into numerous and very varied products.

ReUse Projects: Clothing drives, shoe drives and collection of canes, crutches, wheelchairs and other medical supplies that can be donated in your club's name to those in need

What is your reward for participating in this service challenge (1) A banner patch for each year your club participated in this Centennial Service Challenge (2) Our District will received one banner patch per year based upon clubs' participation (so you see we really need you all to join in). (3) Clubs with Leos can reward them for helping out with a Special Leo Certificate.

SO- get out and **plan** a project—**promote** your project (newspaper articles, etc. — this will promote your club itself) – **report** your project on the MyLCI Service Activity Report (be sure to include dates)

PS. Don't forget to contact Camp Pride President Peter LaPointe to see if there is a project at Camp Pride that would qualify for the patch

Hunger

No one should go hungry in the USA

The following information was obtained from the **New Hampshire Food Bank** Website. I hope you find this information helpful in your quest to help those in need in your community.

Need Food?

The New Hampshire Food Bank works to distribute millions of pounds of food to their partner agencies each year. If you need food, please contact your local Food Pantry or call a SNAP Outreach Coordinator who can assist you in applying for SNAP (Food Stamps) at 603-669-9725 ext. 1124.

The New Hampshire Food Bank's register agencies consist of several different types of direct service programs. The service for which you are searching will dictate which type of agency you should contact.

Agencies and food Programs: The New Hampshire Food Bank distributes food to qualifying charitable agencies, most of which provide food directly to needy clients through food programs. Some agencies operate single-type and single -site programs, while others operate food programs at multiple sites and sometimes operate several types of food programs.

Soup Kitchens: provide prepared meals served at a kitchen to needy clients who do not reside on the premises. In some instances, kitchens may also provide lighter meals or snacks, such as sandwiches for clients to take with them when the kitchen is closed

Food Pantries: also called "Food Shelves ", distribute non- prepared foods and other grocery products to needy clients, who then prepare and use these items where they live. Food is distributed on a short-term or emergency basis until clients can meet their food needs.

Emergency Food Programs: non-permanent charitable feeding programs whose services are provided to clients in need of short-term or emergency assistance. The NH Food Bank is on the on-call list with the Red Cross, through which we provide emergency relief to those in need.

Non- emergency Food Programs: charitable feeding programs whose services have a primary purpose other than emergency food distribution, but which also distribute food. Non-emergency food programs include day care and after-school programs, senior congregate-meal programs and summer camps. For more information about these programs, please call our Agency Relations Dept. at (603) 669-9725.

Emergency Shelters: charitable programs that provide shelter and serve one or more meals a day on a short-term basis to low income clients in need. The shelter may be the primary or secondary purpose of the service. Such programs include homeless shelters, shelters with substance abuse programs, and transitional shelters such as those for battered woman.

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Lion Sight and Hearing

I have recently discovered that many of the Lions in New Hampshire are under the impression that they no longer have to provide funds to the Sight and Hearing Foundation because it has around one million dollars in the bank. In late January for a forty eight hour period the Foudation did have a million dollars invested. Since January the Sight and Hearing endowment has dropped to \$965,000.00.

As all of the clubs in the multiple district are preparing to come up with a budget for the coming year, and so is the Sight and Hearing Foundation. The money that we can plan on using in support of our projects is based upon five percent of what the endowment has on June 30th. As an example if we had \$1,000,000.00 on June 30th then we would take five percent of that money (\$50,000.00 Dollars) and designate it to support the requests from the clubs for Hearing Aids and Cataract surgeries. If we finish this year with a net of \$965,000.00 then we could only program \$48,250.00 in our budget. Obviously when the cases we approve rises above the \$50,000.00 level we have to rely on others to help us achieve our mission and that is to provide hearing aids and cataract surgeries to those that cannot afford the service.

I am asking all the clubs in the Multiple District to consider donating to the Sight and Hearing Foundation for the coming year. The clubs are our major source of income and we appreciate all that you have given in the past. Our partners, the eye clinics and the cataract surgery clinics are holding the line on what they charge. The difference, is that we are receiving more requests each year.

Thank you,

Raymond Hill

President Sight and Hearing



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,206	1,181
Added Members	0	119
Dropped Members	0	94
Closing Balance	1,201	1,201
Net Gain/Loss	0	25



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT

A Project of Health Services of New Hampshire Lions

Multiple District 44

Oh, The FUR!



This time of year, I always imagine that I walk around with a cloud of fur swirling about me, like Charles Schultz's PigPen. It amazes me how one dog can shed so much fur! I use a special tool nightly to get her undercoat out, and still there's more to get! It must be the length of day as much as the change in temperature that makes dogs (and cats) shed this time of year. By the time I get all that fur out, she'll be smaller and lighter – and I'll have enough loose fur to construct a puppy!

Fidelco is holding their Annual Lions Appreciation Day and Open House on May 19th down at the Fidelco Bloomfield, CT campus. If you've never been there, the festivities start at 10 am and end at 2 pm. The Lions check presentations are at noon. There are opportunities to take a blindfold walk with a guide dog, see demos of dog training, watch the puppies play, tour the facility and buy dog and Fidelco related things. It's a great time. Directions to Fidelco at www.fidelco.org.

To all our loyal DogSight supporters – thank you for your generosity!

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

lpiekarski@ne.rr.com



Goal: \$15,000 Raised to Date: \$24,700

WOW!!! Thank You, MD44 Lions

**3rd ANNUAL
KINGSTON NH LIONS FOUNDATION
GOLF TOURNAMENT**



Saturday, May 5, 2018
Apple Hill Golf Club – East Kingston, NH
Scramble Format - 7:30am shotgun start



The Kingston NH Lions Foundation is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization
Serving Kingston, Newton, Fremont and surrounding communities

All proceeds from this fundraising event will benefit:
Drug Awareness, Treatment, Recovery Services & Education
Beneficiaries: Chucky's Fight, SoROCK, Austin 17 House and other charities

\$110 entry fee per player includes:
18 holes of golf with cart; coffee & donuts; BBQ buffet; gifts & prizes
Registration deadline: April 20, 2018

Sponsorship/Advertising Levels:

Platinum - \$1,500 – banner, signs throughout the course, tournament foursome & logo items
in player gift bags
Gold - \$1,000 – sponsor sign on all golf carts and tournament twosome
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

All donations are tax deductible!

Contact: Kingston NH Lions Foundation
PO Box 183
Kingston, NH 03848
kingstonnh.lions@gmail.com



CONWAY AREA LIONS CLUB

4th CHARITY

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Proceeds will be donated to the Conway Police Department to purchase additional Tactical Simunitions Equipment utilized to train officers in active shooting situations

FRIDAY MAY 18th 2018

North Conway Country Club Golf Course

4-person team Scramble

Entry Fee \$90 per person

Individuals can also enter & will get on a team

Entry Fee includes chance to
Win a Golf Vacation in our
Hole-in-One Contest

Other Contests include
Closest to the Pin
(Mens & Womens)

Straightest Drive & Putting



EVENT SCHEDULE

7:30 - 8:15 Registration

8:30 Shotgun Start

1:00 Luncheon

Awards & Raffles

Contact John Rafferty (603) 356 - 9383 or johnjrafferty@gmail.com to register

DEADLINE Friday May 11th



SALEM NH LIONS CLUB

FUNDRAISER

DANCE FOR HUNGER

A DANCE AEROBIC CLASS TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY MAY 18, 2018 AT 5:30 AT THE WOODBURY SCHOOL TO BENEFIT THE FOUR FOOD PANTRIES.

YOU GET SPONSORS AND ASK FRIENDS TO DO THE SAME. ON MAY 18TH, YOU REGISTER AT 5:30 AND PASS IN YOUR DONATIONS. WE GIVE YOU A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS AND INVITE YOU TO TAKE THE DANCE CLASS IN THE GYM. FOR ONE HOUR YOU WILL HAVE FUN AND BURN CALORIES.

SO GET YOUR FRIENDS TO COME, GET YOUR SPONSORS TO DONATE, BRING YOUR SNEAKERS, WEAR LOOSE CLOTHING AND COME ON FRIDAY MAY 18 AT 5:30PM TO THE WOODBURY SCHOOL. YOU WILL HAVE A GOOD TIME, GREAT WORKOUT AND FEEL WONDERFUL ABOUT YOURSELF FOR HELPING.

Adults and teens welcome. Beginner to advanced levels





New England Lions Council Spring Weekend
At the Doubletree by Hilton
16 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Windsor Locks, CT
Celebrating Lions Appreciation Day at Fidelco,
103 Old Iron Ore Road (Vision Way), Bloomfield, CT (Saturday)
Friday, May 18 to Sunday, May 20

Friday, May 18

5:00 to 7:00 pm Registration check-in at Double Tree
 7:00 to 9:00 pm Welcoming Reception, hot and cold appetizers

Saturday, May 19

Breakfast on your own Doubletree restaurant open 7 am to midnight every day
 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Lions Open House at Fidelco
 2:00 to 3:00 pm Registration at Doubletree (for those who did not arrive on Friday)
 3:00 to 3:45 Seminar at Doubletree, LCIF History in New England - Lion Frank Rowe
 4:00 to 4:45 Seminar NELC Webpage Introduction - Lion Mike Haws
 6:00 to 10:00 pm 6:00 - Purchase dinner at Skyline Restaurant if desired
 8:00 - Comedy Show at the Skyline Restaurant (\$20). Raffle
 Proceeds to benefit LCIF

Sunday, May 20

8:30 to 10:00 Breakfast at Doubletree - Keynote Speaker, Lion Mark Lyon ID candidate
 10:00 to 11:30 NELC Meeting - D6 Reports
 11:30 End of Weekend

*****REGISTRATION*****

NAME: _____ DISTRICT: _____ POSITION: _____
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 ADDRESS: _____

Hotel Room Rate per night is \$119 plus tax. Call 860 627-5171.
 Identify self as with the New England Lions Council - May 18 to 20 (Either one or two nights)
DEADLINE for Rooms - May 4, 2018

Comedy Night @ \$20 per person	Number attending _____	Total \$ _____
Sunday Breakfast @ \$27 per person	Number attending _____	Total \$ _____
TOTAL DUE		\$ _____

Make check payable to: NELC and mail to: PD6 Sandra Hurd
 NELC Sec'y Treasurer
 166 Turkey Hill Road
 Merrimack, NH 03054

Phone: 603 424-8922 Email: axstewart@comcast.net
Registration Deadline for Comedy Night, and Breakfast - May 6, 2018

Semi-Annual
Psychic
FAIR

Sat. May 19th
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 603-883-8565
email: lionjeri@comcast.net*

Join in the Fun!

Check out our many vendors selling their wares!

www.nhlions.org/hudson

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





44th Annual Great Smith River Canoe and Kayak Race

The 44th Annual Great Smith River Canoe and Kayak Race, sponsored by the Wolfeboro Lions Club, will be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018, 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 Dockside. 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.

The Brookline Lions Club
Homecoming Luncheon
Honoring
District Governor Eric Lindberg



Saturday June 9, 2018
11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The Brookline Event Center
32 Proctor Hill Road • Brookline, NH 03033

BBQ Buffet Luncheon • BBQ Chicken & Ribs
Baked Beans • Cole Slaw • Corn Bread • Dessert

\$35.00 per Person

Please Make Checks Payable To:
Brookline Lions Club

RSVP no later than May 30th, 2018 to:
PCC Terri McGrew • 11 Rock Ramond Rd • Brookline, NH 03033
terrimgrew@charter.net

Please be considerate of our caterer and make your reservations no later than May 30th.

SAVE THE DATE

HOMECOMING LUNCHEON for

DG Eric Lindberg

Saturday June 9th, 2018

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Hosted by the Brookline Lions Club at

The Brookline Event Center

Details to be announced in April

Portsmouth Lions Club

Gas Raffle

June 23rd

Portsmouth Lions will be holding a gas raffle on **June 23**

We will be selling raffle tickets at the

Irving gas station at 2470 Lafayette Rd

on May 5 & 12 and June 9 & 16

Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20

We will have 3 winners

1- \$250.00 winner

and

2 -\$50.00 winners

Contact Club President **Stephan Smith at (603) 498-1709** to purchase tickets or he can be reached by email at: portsmouthlion@gmail.com

BREAKING NEWS.....

Nashua Lions Selected for Legacy Award

The Nashua Lions Club has been selected as one of the 2018 Union Leader Granite State Legacy Award winners for their 95 years of dedication and service to the city of Nashua.

KL Kamal Masand was informed of the selection by the paper. Presentation of the award will be made on May 31, 2018 in a ceremony at St. Anselm College in Manchester.

"This is recognition of the dedicated work the men and women of our club have done for the past 95 years. I am honored and very happy for them," Masand said.

The Legacy Award recognizes political and professional contributions by individuals and organizations in the state. The award comes as the club begins their 95th Anniversary celebration.

On Memorial Day, May 30, the club will re-dedicate a plaque honoring members of the club who served in WWII at Deschenes Oval as part of Nashua's Memorial Day program.



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

PEACE POSTER KITS -LYS Director Virginia Edwards will be handling the administration of the 2018-2019 "Kindness Matters" Peace Poster Contest. Peace Poster Kits have been ordered and received and will be delivered during the Spring Conventions to those clubs who have placed orders for them. For those clubs who have yet to place an order, here is your chance to pick up a kit. If you will not be attending the convention and wish to purchase a kit for your club, please notify Virginia Edwards at zinnthewhitexmas@aol.com or get in touch with her at 603.520.9604. Please have ready a check payable to Lions Youth Services. The Kits are \$12.00 each. If you wish to order kits directly through LCI, the cost is \$11.95 plus additional shipping, handling charges. But, if you do order a kit directly through LCI, please let Virginia know so that we may be able to keep track of all clubs participating in the contest. More details regarding rules, guidelines, etc. on the 2018-2019 Peace Poster Contest will be forthcoming. Remember, this is the time to contact your schools and youth groups in your community!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS -Lions Youth Services is looking for Lions to step up and volunteer their time and support and serve on the Board. If you are interested in supporting the youth of New Hampshire, this would be a great opportunity to share your ideas and support the programs that LYS serves. The board meets only once a month, the second Thursday of the month at Hannaford's in Bedford. Come find out how you can help!
Remember, the meetings are open to **ALL LIONS!**



LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER NEWS

Calendar Raffle tickets are in the mail. I want to thank everyone who responded right away with their ticket stubs and checks. It is so easy to lose sight of chances to win and to help those in need with vision and hearing challenges if we put it aside till it's closer to the date of drawings. Of course, we would love to have everyone attend the games at Castleton University, Castleton, VT on July 21, 2018.

Remember, Top Prize is \$1,000

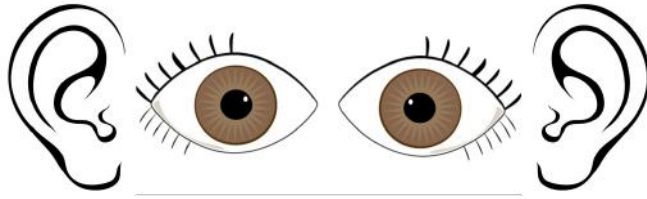
There will be:

- 1 - \$300
- 1 - \$200 on game day
- 1 - \$150 on July 4th
- 7 - \$100, and
- 20 - \$50 winners

Thanks again for your support in our effort to support the Sight and Hearing Foundation of NH, Inc. and the Vermont Lions Charities and the Green Mountain Lions Camp for the deaf and hard of hearing.

Cheryl Powers, Director

Health Services of NH (formerly HSB)



We have been soooooo busy!

We have helped out the NH Deaf and Hard of Hearing with a casino fundraiser.

By the time you read this, we will have completed another very successful Vision Weekend. Dog-Sight will be going to the Fidelco Open House, Lions Appreciation Day on May 19th.

And clubs are continuing to do screenings all over the state.

Wow!

This truly does warm the heart to know how many people we help in big and small ways.

At the end of June, it would be wonderful to be able to tell you all how many children we have screened this year. The only problem is that many clubs have not sent in their reports yet so we have quite a few blank spaces. We really want to know how we are doing in our goal to screen every child in New Hampshire. So, if you have forgotten to send in a report, please please send it in now so we can tally up all the numbers. Thank you for helping us with this. It really is a big piece of this service project.

Remember: Submit your vision screening reports!

44H goes to Becky Brown (beckbrown@hotmail.com)

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

Keep up all the good work!

Sue Lindberg

HSB Chair



Dear Lion Leaders,

Starting on June 30, 2018, **dues credits for membership drops will not be issued** after the release of the semi-annual billings on July 1 and January 1.

In the past, Lions Clubs International has given clubs a grace period in January and July to adjust their club rosters and receive a credit for unreported membership drops. This practice has been a courtesy extended to clubs by Lions International despite rules governing the practice in Board Policy. The board of directors recently decided that enforcement of existing policy is necessary in order to be in compliance with Board Policy.

This will also provide greater alignment with district billing and create more accurate reporting that better reflects true membership growth. We realize that this will have an impact on some clubs, so we would like you to help them prepare for the upcoming billing cycle.

Here are a few best practices that can help you prepare your clubs for their July dues billing:

- **Remind** club officers to update their membership rosters using MyLCI or their regional reporting system.
- **Encourage** club officers to submit their membership roster to MyLCI or their local reporting system prior to **June 30, 2018 CDT**.
- **Inform** current and incoming leaders that membership dues credits will no longer be issued.

Please contact Accounts Receivable and Club Account Services at membershipbilling@lionsclubs.org if you have any questions. And thank you for all of the kindness and tremendous service that you bring to your community.

Sincerely,

Tony Benbow
International Director
Chairperson Finance & Headquarters Operation Committee
Lions Clubs International

RUNNING LOW ON ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS???

We have the solution!! For 15 years the Epsom-Chichester Lions Club has organized a Lions group to inspect incoming picnic coolers and backpacks at the NH Motor Speedway for glass, umbrellas, and sharp objects. We have never had a problem with the very happy guests that come to the races. They appreciate our effort.

Again this year, we will be working at the track and we are signing clubs up. The track loves our group because we are so reliable.

The dates this year are July 20, July 21, and July 22. The shifts are usually 8 hours. We have a special place to park so there are no issues with traffic coming or going. You can choose to work as many days as you want. The pay has been \$7/hr and the check for your club goes directly to the club to be deposited into the Administrative Fund.

This relieves any anxiety about administrative costs for your club and the pressure to increase dues.

Consider joining us this summer. Please let us know as soon as you can if you are interested. The Gibsons of the Epsom-Chichester Lions Club gibjudi@gmail.com

NH SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPENING EYES VISION SCREENING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 2, 2018 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. In 2016 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, ljdeschenes@gmail.com or 603-888-3911



LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION OF NH, INC

GRANITE STATE FELLOW

In January 2002, PCC Peter DeMoya, implemented a fund raising program for LSHF. This fundraiser he named as the GRANITE STATE FELLOW.

You can recognize an outstanding member of your Lions Club or a person in your Community with a Granite State or Progressive Granite State Fellow. Many clubs recognize an outgoing president with this award. This is the highest form of recognition in the State of New Hampshire.

This recognition comes with a beautiful plaque, a lapel pin and a letter honoring the recipient.

By making a donation of \$500.00 to LSHF you not only give recognition but you are aiding a NH Citizen who is in need of our services. Donations go directly into the LSHF Endowment. Clubs may donate to LSHF in \$100.00 increments for up to five years with a designation on the donation memo for a Granite State Fellow.

Currently there are 383 Granite State Fellows and 16 Progressive Granite State Fellows.

Applications are online at: nhlions.org

Contact Chairman PCC Roger LaTulippe at 603-566-0691

email: dgroger@comcast.net

THANK YOU
ATKINSON LIONS for
your continued support, inviting
us to be your guest, and for your
generous donation to the
Barrington Area Lions!



The 150 Club is the perfect opportunity to recognize outstanding members of your club.

The application for the award is located on the nhlions.org website. Click on the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, scroll down to 150 Club application and pin. Send the completed application to PCC Forrest Powers, [68 Jack Wells Road, Danbury, NH 03230](mailto:68JackWellsRoad@nhlions.org). Needed the application yesterday? Call or e-mail Forrest at 603 768-3617 or ForrestPowers@aol.com.



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