

# The PRIDE



**Newsletter of Lions District 44-H New Hampshire**

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I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving however you were able to celebrate. As predicted, with the COVID cases climbing, we again have to shift the way our clubs operate. Let's all be creative in how WE SERVE and raise funds to support our communities. Please email me if you have some great ideas to share!

There is still time to recruit new members until the end of the month and take advantage of the waiver of the Lions Club International \$35 joining fee. Have you tried a Zoom informational meeting? Or considered giving a Lions Club membership as a holiday gift, especially for a family member? Please let's not use December as a time to drop members without doing everything we can to reach out and keep them as members. COVID will end, hopefully in the spring.

The NH Food Bank is always in need of volunteers at their mobile food banks. Bill Rathbun, Al Walker and I volunteered at one in Laconia a few weeks ago. It was outside, everyone wore masks and 500 boxes were distributed. Check out the Food Bank website for dates. Bill, Al and I will be back in Laconia on 12/01.

My Mother's Obituary was sent out to district Lions. I hope you had a chance to read it. If you did, you can see where my spirit for service comes from. She saw a need in her community for a food bank and made it happen. If you would care to, a donation to the Lions Club charity of your choice in her name would be an honor.

Happy Holidays to you and your families.



**Send all articles, pictures and information to  
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**Please send as a Word Document or JPG Format.**

**Deadline for submission is the 20th of Each Month.**



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District Membership	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,176	1,178
Added members	13	39
Dropped members	8	36
Closing Balance	1,175	1,175
Net Gain/Loss	5	3
Worldwide	1,397, 562	



CLUB	NEW MEMBER	SPONSOR
Danville	Tammy Carvalho	Krissy McKeeman
Epsom Chichester	Pat Hauck	Judith Gibson
Hudson	Gail Gagnon	Brenda Gore
Nashua	Kari Gerrits Kathy L. Provost Kevin Gerrits	Ed Lecius Fran Hendrickson Ed Lecius
Rochester	Jennifer Bohan Amy Malone Kenneth Park Carole Park Marlene Graves Melissa Vaughn	Amy Malone Amy Malone



**DG Marie's Travels**

**Dec 10 Chester, Dec 14 Seabrook**

**Dec 15 Wolfboro**



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 12/10 DG Visit Chester**
- 12/14 DG Visit Seabrook**
- 12/15 DG Visit Wolfboro**
- 1/1 New Year's Day**
- 1/8-10 NELC Meeting, RI**
- 1/30 MD44 Mid-Winter Convention, Doubletree Nashua**

**Health Services of NH Meeting**

- Monthly 4th Tues 6:30PM**
- Hannaford's Com. RM**
- 7 Kilton Rd, Bedford (Virtual)**
- Sight & Hearing of NH Meeting**
- Monthly 3rd Thurs 6:30PM**
- Airport Diner, Brown Ave**
- Manchester (Virtual)**
- Youth Development Meeting**
- Monthly 2nd Thurs**
- Airport Diner, Brown Ave.**
- Manchester**
- Camp Pride Meeting**
- Monthly 2nd Weds**
- Auburn Tavern**

**Due to the Coronavirus  
Check to see if Boards  
are meeting virtually**

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**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 44  
61st MID-WINTER CONVENTION  
DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON, NASHUA, NH  
JANUARY 30, 2021**

*Our Invited Guests: First International Vice President Douglas Alexander*

Lion #1 \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Lion #2/guest \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel. # \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Meals and Registration</u>	<u># of persons</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>total cost</u>
<u>Saturday Lunch: Boxed Ham &amp; Cheese ( ) or Turkey &amp; Swiss ( )</u>	<u>X one</u>			
<u>With bag of chips, piece of whole fruit, sweet treat, soft drink</u>			<u>\$20.00</u>	
<u>A Sat. night banquet: Braised Short Rib With au jus</u>			<u>\$38.00</u>	
<u>B Sat. night banquet: Butternut Squash Ravioli</u>			<u>\$28.00</u>	
<u>C Sat. night banquet: Baked Haddock</u>			<u>\$36.00</u>	

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

Saturday Banquet: All meals above will be served with Roasted garlic mashed potatoes, Seasonal Veggies, House Salad. Dessert: Chocolate Decadence

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

FYI- Restaurant at the hotel is not open for breakfast or lunch, only dinner from 5-10pm

**Deadline for Meal Reservations is January 9, 2021**

Hotel Reservation: Lions Convention Room rate: single or double \$119.00/night plus tax

Call the Double Tree hotel @ 603-886-1200 and identify yourself as NH Lions Multiple District 44.

**All reservations must be made by Friday, January 3, 2021 for the special rate.**

**You will call and pay the hotel direct for your room.**

Send reservation form and check for meals to:  
 Make checks payable to: Lions MD 44  
 Mail Registration and checks to:  
 PCC Celeste Ricupero, Convention Coordinator  
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# Underwear!



## THE MOST POWERFUL WORD WHEN YOU HAVE NONE!

As you know *Lions Youth Services* got involved with helping out with the Youth Services program with *Waypoint*, (formerly known as *Child and Family Services*) last year. *Waypoint* provides various programs some of which are for Runaway and Homeless Youth and those at risk either through their Street Outreach and Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs serving youth and young adults (12-23 yrs old).

This year *Lions Youth Services* has reached out once again to see what is urgently needed and found that “**UNDERWEAR and SOCKS**” are the most sought after items at this time.

We are asking all Lion members to donate. All donations collected from now through the end of January (Mid-Winter Convention) will then be distributed to Waypoint.

*We are looking for Newly Packaged “UNDERWEAR” AND “SOCKS  
for both Male and Female, Ages 12-23 yrs old  
All Sizes Needed including Plus Sizes*

If you have a donation, we are asking that your club set up a collection box and either you or someone from your club bring it to the Mid-Winter Convention the 30th of January 2021. Also for your convenience, please contact LYS President Al Goldstein, [algoldstein@comcast.net](mailto:algoldstein@comcast.net) or 603-913-1281 to make arrangements for a pick up from you or your club.



We are most thankful and appreciate  
all that you do !





## **Douglas X Alexander, Lions International First Vice-President**

**Guest Speaker at**

**61st MD-44 Mid-Winter Convention**

**January 30, 2021**

**Doubletree by Hilton, Nashua NH**

### **DOUGLAS X. ALEXANDER FIRST VICE PRESIDENT**

Douglas X. Alexander, from Brooklyn, New York, USA, was appointed to the office of first vice president by the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors on January 9, 2020.

Vice President Alexander is a retired vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank.

A member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, vice district governor, district governor, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, DGE group leader and international director. He also served as a Lions Eye Bank transporter, a member of the District and Multiple District PDG Association, a trustee of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, and was appointed as the Lions representative to UNICEF-New York from 2012-2014. He has served on the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning and Host Committees and has been a presenter at several USA/Canada Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the club Lion of the Year, Club President's Award, the Robert J. Uplinger Service Award, several District Governor Appreciation Awards, and the Multiple District Membership Growth Award. He is also the recipient of numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation, seven International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is a Dr. Franklin G. Mason Fellow, a W. P. Woods Fellow and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Alexander is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as chairperson of the advisory board for the New York Urban League and as a board member of the St. Francis DeSales School for the Deaf. He is also a recipient of the Congressional Record Award.

Vice President Alexander has two daughters, and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.



## Lions Youth Services



### MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2020

The November meeting was called to order by President Al Goldstein at approximately 6pm at the Airport Diner in Manchester. There was a quorum present and it was great to see some familiar faces once again.

During the meeting, a number of subjects were discussed including the possibility of a Leo's club in Salem, our on line fundraising with Terri-Lynn, the Peace Poster Contest, Calendar Raffle, and a Mid-Winter project.

Our next scheduled meeting is December 10 and it will be a Zoom meeting. Look for an email for details.

### PEACE POSTER CONTEST

Well the contest has ended and entries have been collected. I wish to thank Pam Brewster, DG Alan Ricard, DG Marie Hall and their leadership teams in providing and judging the photos of the posters that were sent to them. It certainly was a challenging year for the contest but I feel optimistic that next year the turnout will be greater than ever. The chairperson of each club may be able to introduce next year's contest in February giving the participants extra time. The contest for 2021-2022 begins in February. So let's keep that in mind, and perhaps we can start earlier in the year.

We had a total of 6 clubs participate between the two districts with a total of approximately 50 entries. Congratulations to all!

Once the multi-district winning poster is announced, I will be sure to let you know. Please look for it in the January newsletters.

There will be a photo display of all entries at the Mid-Winter Convention, January 30, 2021 which will be held at the DoubleTree in Nashua, NH. (Look for the Mid-Winter Registration form in this newsletter).

Here are just a few photos of some of the winning posters submitted by the district clubs.



HUDSON



CHESTERFIELD



MERRIMACK



MILFORD

### LYSNH/TERRILYNN FUNDRAISER

Don't forget to checkout our fundraiser with Terri Lynn - the holidays are coming up soon, what better way than to purchase some delicious nuts, snacks and chocolates to help benefit the youth of New Hampshire. Visit the webstore and place an order on line at: <https://LYSNH.terri Lynn.com> or you can call directly to place an order at 1-800-323-0775.



*Look what's new*, elegant scrolled tins packed with gourmet assortments just in time for the holidays packaged in an elegant red and gold scrollwork tin to make a beautiful gift for friends and family or select a deluxe tower gift set complete with a bow for a truly elegant gift.



Remember all orders are shipped with a flat shipping charge of \$5.00 delivered anywhere in the USA.

### MID-WINTER SERVICE PROJECT

We are reaching out to you to ask you to donate urgently needed items for the homeless youth in NH and found that "UNDERWEAR and SOCKS" are the most sought after items at this time. We are asking you for donations of these items. All donations collected from now through the end of January (Mid-Winter Convention) will then be distributed to Waypoint. If you have a donation, we are asking that it is brought to the Mid-Winter Convention or someone from your club bring it to the Mid-Winter Convention the 30th of January 2021. Also for your convenience, if you are unable to attend, please contact LYS President Al Goldstein, [a1goldstein@comcast.net](mailto:a1goldstein@comcast.net) or 603-913-1281 to make arrangements for a pick up.

**Newly Packaged "UNDERWEAR" AND "SOCKS for both Male and Female, Ages 12-23 yrs old. All Sizes Needed including Plus Sizes.**

**Check out the flyer in this newsletter for details.**

# DISTRICT 44-H CABINET MEETING NOVEMBER 1 AT THE NASHUA DOUBLETREE



Camp Pride President Peter Lapointe, Denis Stasio and PCC Sam Longbook present Lillian Bellisle of the Hudson Lions Club with the "Choo Award" for her outstanding dedication and service to Camp Pride.

Mary Tremblay, & Bob Bedrosian receive recognition from MCC Steve Middlemiss.







*In Memory of  
Donna Lee Lewis  
Mother of  
DG Marie Hall*

*Our deepest sympathies to  
DG Marie Hall at her family  
at this difficult time.*

Greenland, NH – A loving mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, Donna Lee (Lemery) Lewis, 86, died peacefully in her sleep on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, at her home. She resided there for 57 years.

Born June 6, 1934 in Randolph, VT, she was the daughter of Harold Lemery and Mary (Bettis) Lemery. She graduated high school in 1952 in South Royalton, VT. After graduation, Donna Lee joined the United States Air Force, where she attended basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX, and then dental assistant training at Great Lakes Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, IL, before being stationed at Langley Air Force Base in Hampton, VA. It is there she met her husband of 47 years, Thurston Frank Lewis, Jr. of Middletown Springs, VT; they were married in South Royalton, VT on November 8, 1953. She served in the Air Force for two years, before leaving to start her family. However, she actually served many more years for the Air Force; two in active service and the rest as a military spouse. Her husband retired from the Air Force after 20 years of service, which included deployments to Vietnam and Korea. They moved to NH in 1960, where Frank was stationed at Pease Air Force Base, and from where he retired, before going to work at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (and retiring from there). Donna Lee and Frank were both proud Air Force Veterans. Donna Lee was a retail manager at King's Department Store in Portsmouth for many years, and then at Rich's Department Store in Portsmouth until her retirement. She was a member of the Junior Women's Club of Greenland and was a Girl Scout Leader for the Cadettes. Donna Lee was active in the Greenland Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and was a loyal patron and Friend of the Weeks Public Library.

She was an active member of the Community Congregational Church (UCC) of Greenland, where she sang in the choir for many years; she loved her church family. Donna Lee started the food pantry for the church shortly after the death of her husband in 2001. She shopped for the food pantry, in addition to stocking its shelves, and serving its clients. She did this for over 17 years, and truly enjoyed serving the community.

President of the Women's Alliance of the Community Congregational Church for many years, Donna Lee enjoyed working the fundraisers, including chowder luncheons, rummage sales, and the Christmas fair. The funds raised not only helped the church, but also helped others in the community. The church participates in the Seacoast Family Promise/Interfaith Hospitality Network and hosts overnight guests for a week at a time. Donna Lee helped to provide meals and acted as an overnight host. In 2012, Donna Lee was named Greenland's "Citizen of the Year". She was described as a pillar of the community, an asset to the town, to the organizations that she belonged to, to the church and the food pantry, and to her friends.

Condolences may be sent to DG Marie Hall, 26 Moonlight Dr, Newmarket, NH 03087



FVDG Bob Gustafson  
[RobertGustafson11@gmail.com](mailto:RobertGustafson11@gmail.com)

Dear Fellow Lions of District 44-H,

I hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. Needless to say, the year 2020 has been a rough year due to Covid-19, but we all have something to be thankful for...our families and our fellow Lions. Let's focus on that and continue to serve our Communities in their time of need.

We just chartered the Rochester Lions club recently. I have to say it was an honor for me to install their various Officers. I could tell they were very pleased and motivated to serve. I was also given the privilege of presenting the club with their Banner. It was just a great night for Rochester. I know that PCC Mike and Karen Baillargeon worked very hard to make this event happen along with the help of many other Lions including PDG and now MCC Steve Middlemiss. Truly, a great thing to see done in a tough year for all.



SVDG Randy Tompkins *Happy Holidays*  
[Rye642@comcast.net](mailto:Rye642@comcast.net)

It's that time of year when we all reflect on the many blessings we have and now it is more important than ever. The service of Lionism is still moving forward in the COVID-19 era and I'm looking forward to the Midwinter Convention even if it is only 1 day. Lets keep the drive to help our communities alive and strong.

I saw a post that really summed up what we as Lions feel:

Giving is not about making a donation, it's about making a difference



MCC Steve Middlemiss  
[CSTMiddlemiss@gmail.com](mailto:CSTMiddlemiss@gmail.com)

Lion LeeAnn and I hope that everyone had a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

The MD 44 Mid-Winter will be a one day event on Saturday January 30, 2021. Please find the registration form in the newsletter. We WILL BE ADHERING TO ALL STATE COVID GUIDELINES. 1<sup>st</sup> International VP Douglas Alexander will be our guest speaker.

Through Lions Youth Services we will be working with Waypoint, formerly Child and Family Services again this winter. We will be collecting socks and underwear (which it seems they do not get enough of) to be brought to Mid-winter. We will not be stuffing backpacks. In order to be socially distant we will have collection bins for everyone to place these needed items into.

December is an important month for membership as we close out the first half of the year. Before dropping any members please take the opportunity to reach out to them one final time and let them know how valued they are by your club. Thank you Clubs for all your efforts to help those in your communities. You are what makes it Great to be a Lion!!

LeeAnn and I wish you a wonderful Holiday Season and a Fantastic New year.

**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 and email is [cstmiddlemiss@gmail.com](mailto:cstmiddlemiss@gmail.com). Don't forget to JUST ASK!





**Salem Lions Club Drive By Halloween**

Bob Dennis, Larry Seaman and Gail Dacey ready to hand out treats at the town drive by Halloween.



Sylvie Johnson-Smith And Michelle Ackroyd Taking temperatures at the AAA and Salem Lions Blood drive.. Bob Dennis getting signatures on Christmas cards for the troops at the blood drive. Gail Dacey Sylvie Johnson-Smith helping out at the blood drive.



Gail Dacey, GST E: [grd14@aol.com](mailto:grd14@aol.com)



I hope everyone had a nice safe Thanksgiving. Now that the virus is getting worse please try to continue to meet even if it is on Zoom. I have attended zone 1 and 4 meetings on Zoom and will be at a zone 2 meeting on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. I'd love to attend other meetings. It is great meeting new Lions and sharing ideas. We need to let our communities know we are still involved in the community. I know Hudson is having Santa arrive, Salem has 2 tree lightings that Lions will be involved in. I'm sure other clubs are doing great things. Please share with me. I know many clubs are saving bags for a bench. Zone 7 is doing it as a contest. Many have completed it. If you have extra bags you can always share with a neighboring community. The New Hampshire food bank still needs help in drive by sites passing out food all over the state. Please check out the website and help out near you. I've seen a few ideas lately your clubs might be interested in. I'm sending links if interested.

<https://gotsneakers.com/how-it-works/> recycle sneakers and receive money.

<https://m25m.org/pillbottles/> pill bottle collections <https://www.facebook.com/100009066858224/>

[posts/2695529294092606?sfns=mo](https://www.facebook.com/100009066858224/posts/2695529294092606?sfns=mo) to save mascara brushes for the wild life [thediabetessite.greatergood.com](http://thediabetessite.greatergood.com) is a site you go to and click on and research is funded. Once you click on it there are 8 more sites you can click on to fund mammograms. Supply books, meals for vets etc. Remember we serve. Stay safe. Merry Christmas.



*Cabinet Secretary  
Pat Kimball*

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Wow, the holidays are upon us already, and almost half way through another LION year. Thank you for those who have contacted me to schedule DG visits. Understandable, some clubs are not conducting in person meetings, however if you are having Zoom meetings, DG Marie and cabinet can attend those, too.

Please provide the following information with the desired DG Visitation.

**CLUB:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE REQUESTED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZOOM OR OTHER METHOD?**  
**ZOOM:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**TIME** \_\_\_\_\_ **LOCATION** \_\_\_\_\_ **CLUB POC** \_\_\_\_\_  
**PHONE NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_ **MEAL MEETING?** \_\_\_\_\_  
**COST OF MEAL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SPECIAL MEETING? INDUCTION/AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS?**

Hope you all have a safe and Happy Holiday Season. Looking forward to seeing you at DG visitations to your club. I can be contacted at 603-819-8433 or email me: [PKimballion@aol.com](mailto:PKimballion@aol.com)



*Cabinet Treasurer  
Kristyne Pavlik*

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Happy December! First, I'd like to officially welcome all of the members of the new Rochester Lions Club. Your Charter night was a huge success despite COVID. I look forward to getting to know you all as we work to serve the Rochester community. The dues statements for the second half of the district dues will be sent out in January based on December 31<sup>st</sup> memberships, so make sure your Club Secretaries have updated the membership records on MyLCI by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Dues statements are being sent out to the Club Presidents and Club Treasurers via email as it appears in the Directory. Let me know if yours needs to be changed.

December is traditionally a chance to make final tax decisions for the year. Here are some things to discuss with your tax professional: In 2020 there is a deduction of up to \$300 for taxpayers who don't item. In 2020 the charitable donations deduction limits have been increased for those who itemize. You may be able to deduct 14 cents per mile for miles driven for qualified charitable services.

One thing to note, for deductible mileage or donations, stick to 501c(3) organizations (such as Lions Camp Pride, Lions Youth Services, Lions Sight and Hearing, and Lions Club International). Deductions are generally not allowed for services or donations to 501C(4) organizations (which most of our clubs are). Go Fund Me donations are a great thing to do, but are usually do not qualify as charitable donations. The IRS provides a complete list on their website IRS.gov, or check with your tax professional to determine if an organization qualify. My message is: Now is the time to talk to your tax professional! I wish you and yours a Happy Holiday Season!



**MONTRÉAL 2021**  
103rd Lions Clubs International Convention

**LCICon 2021 Montréal**  
Fri Jun 25 2021 - Tue Jun 29 2021

You'll be able to take in Montréal's rich history and culture at LCICon 2021! From its beautiful architecture and buzzing arts scene to its wide variety of cafes, restaurants and shops, Montréal sets the backdrop for an amazing LCICon 2021 experience!

The convention will take place at the Palais des congrès de Montréal exhibit hall, where you'll be greeted by modern, colorful windows and art that perfectly sets the tone for the beauty that is the diversity of Lions Clubs International.

Online registration is officially open for LCICon 2021 Montreal, where Lions and Leos from around the world will come together to celebrate a life of service while indulging in the culture and life of Montreal. Find out what's in store for you at this year's international convention!

**Nashua Lions Club Raffle.**  
**It's Not Too Late to Get Your Raffle Tickets!**

Nashua Lions are selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser, and we have great prizes. Contact Martha and Joel Ackerman at [jamamc@comcast.net](mailto:jamamc@comcast.net) to get your tickets before we draw winners on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$5 for one, or \$10 for three. Our fantastic prizes include:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize: \$250 Market Basket gift card or \$200 cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: \$100 Market Basket gift card or \$75 cash
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: \$50 Market Basket gift card or \$25 cash
- 4<sup>th</sup> prize: \$25 Dunkin Donuts gift card



### LOUDON LIONS CLUB FOOD DRIVE

On November 7<sup>th</sup> the Loudon Lions Club held a food drive to benefit the Loudon Food Pantry. Using two locations, the American Legion Hall and the local Dollar General the club collected: **1,007 pounds of food (Half a ton) \$139.00** According to the Food Pantry, this represents **1,395 individual meals**.

PDG Jerry Vaccaro, Chair Lions Health Services of New Hampshire E-mail: [lionjerryvaccaro@gmail.com](mailto:lionjerryvaccaro@gmail.com)

Not much has changed during the Pandemic within the Health Services regarding the “Kid Sight” children eye screening. Schools and Pre-school are still continuing with pandemic guidelines that have restricted children testing. The good news is that some Lion clubs have worked out testing by working with the school nurses utilizing our testing equipment.

We have committees working on all facets of how to approach Schools on how we could conduct testing safely. If your club has been successful in how to test kindly give me a call.

We are continuing asking for new board members and if you can give the Health Service some of time we would really appreciate it. The board works together, having fun and at the same time knowing we have made a difference in saving children’s sight. The rewards outweigh the time.

We, the members of Lions Health Services of NH, want to wish the Districts a very Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah for all. Please stay healthy.

We presently meet through virtual means, the last Tuesday of each month and if you desire to be part of the meeting please contact me, Chair PDG Jerry Vaccaro. E-mail: [lionjerryvaccaro@gmail.com](mailto:lionjerryvaccaro@gmail.com)

# Rochester Lions Charter Night



FVDG Bob Gustafson installed the members and officers of the newly chartered Rochester Lions Club on November 21.



## Presentation of Gifts

# Congratulations



### Rochester Charter Night Nov 21

PID Ed Lecius presented PDG Al Goldstein of the Atkinson Lions Club and Lion Karen Baillargeon of the Exeter Lions Club, with International Presidential Certificates of Appreciation for their continued efforts and support of the chartering of new clubs in 44H -- 10 consecutive years with at least one new club.



### Rochester Charter Night

PID Ed Lecius presented PCC Mike Baillargeon of the Exeter Lions Club with one of International President Choi's official ties for his work in bringing in new clubs in 44-H in the last decade.



## LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION OF NH, INC GRANITE STATE FELLOW (GSF) AWARD TIME

**Give recognition to 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.**

**The GSF 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 which include hearing aids and cataract surgery. Donations go directly into the LSHF Endowment**

**Clubs may donate to LSHF in \$100.00 increments**

**Donations may be banked for up to five years with a designation on the donation memo.**

**Applications are online at: [nhlions.org](http://nhlions.org)**

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The holidays are upon us and COVID-19 is still here. People's fuses are getting a little short. We as Lions are doing our best to serve in these trying times. Need help? With a couple clicks on the computer you can learn ways to deal with some of this discord. The first way is to start at Lions Club International. Click on member Log In. Not a member yet? It is quite simple to create an account. This will open you up to your Member Portal which is just for you. Click on the box with the book that reads Learn. Then click on the word GO under the Lions Learning Center. In the left column click on Content Library and there will be over 20 modules to choose from. Scroll down until you find Conflict Resolution. The session is in 6 parts and may be done at any time. You don't have to do it all at once.

The second way is through Lions University. This is also free to any Lions member. It is just another tool for learning more about Lions and things you will need to know to get along in an organization. Start with googling Lions University. Click on to the web site and register from the box in the right-hand column. Next click on Bachelor's Program. Click on 109 Conflict Resolution. You don't have to go take any other courses, but you can. The classes are highly informative with a short quiz at the end. Also, optional.

The drawbacks are no interaction or feedback with an instructor, but ideas and techniques to handle disputes that may come up in a meeting or a family event are given.

Happy Holidays to everyone. May they be filled with Peace, Laughter and Service.



Hudson's Alvirne's Leo's Club at the outdoor Halloween Event on October 31st.  
 Held in the parking lot of the Rodgers Memorial Library.  
 Themed tents made for a fun event. Members of the Leo's club safely handed out candy to the masked ghosts and goblins!



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

Halloween Event!  
 Trick-or-Treat Trail  
 Saturday, October 31  
 2 - 4pm

Visit the Rodgers Library for some curbside Trick-or-Treating!

Themed tents ("Spider on a Web," "Disney Princesses," "Coco/Day of the Dead," etc.) in our parking lot will be stocked with treats for costumed Trick-or-Treaters ONLY of all ages to enjoy.

Stop by (with your mask please!) and celebrate Halloween with us! Boo!!

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## ENVIROMENT

**How environmental friendly should your Christmas and Holiday wrappings be?? Once more, a reminder that MOST of your holiday wrappings are NOT recyclable and should go directly into your trash collections!**

### NO-Nos to remember include:

**BOWS:** most are made of a plastic/paper composite and that does not even include the glue for adherence

**WRAPPING PAPER:** Paper with metallic, glitter or velvety flocking cannot be recycled.

Unlaminated plain paper is totally recyclable. To test if recyclable, crush wrapping into a ball, if it stays bundled up, it can be recycled.

**GIFT BAGS:** are nice as they can be reused (so don't feel guilty if you do- you are saving the landfill...)

**RIBBONS:** remember the term "Tanglers", well, ribbons are tanglers and end up wrapping around the shafts/discs at the recycling facility. Tanglers, like plastic bags, twine, or anything else long and stringy can shut down your recycling plant.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Most are OK but not shiny, glittery, metallic or those printed on photo paper. You can safely recycle the paper portions (back part of card) and most envelopes.

**SHIPPING BOXES:** Cardboard boxes are great to recycle and, because of on-line shopping, are in abundance. However, the packing materials: plastic air pillows, bubble wrap, plastic bags/wrap must go into the trash or to the **Trek Project**

**TISSUE PAPER:** Found two different thoughts about recycling tissue paper- one thought: definitely NO because most tissue paper is already recycled paper, therefore fibers are already shortened to a point it cannot be recycled again. Others say tissue paper is OK- guess that choice is up to you.

**WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP?** (1) Reuse gift bags, ribbons and bows (2) Use less tape and sticky stuff when wrapping (3) Use old comics, maps or other paper materials to wrap (4) Use unlaminated paper or even refold used paper (remember Mom saying "save the paper")? *Follow the rule: it is better to reuse or do not use at all!*

**HAPPY AND GREEN RECYCLABLE NEW YEAR**



The Conway Area, Whittier, Meredith and Wolfeboro Lions Club have volunteered in assisting the NH Food Mobile Food Banks. Over 1200 families in Dover, Ossipee & Laconia have received assistance.

Conway: Tom & Cheryl Merrill, Linda & John Rafferty  
Whittier: Jeff Brothers, Paul & Ruth Rene, Leslie Fanti  
Wolfeboro...Nancy & John Askew  
Meredith...Marie Valliere



**A CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA! GIVE A BRICK AT CAMP PRIDE**



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Join us in creating commemorative walkways by purchasing a personally engraved brick to be permanently installed at Camp Pride. Any name or message up to 3 lines of 14 characters each can be engraved on each brick. Each line will be centered by the manufacturer. Company Logos are also possible. Personalized bricks are a great way to:

- Recognize a club anniversary, event or member.
- Remember lost loved ones with bricks in memory of them.
- Remember parents, children, grandparents and other special people.
- Mark an anniversary, birth, graduation or other special event.
- Honor a business, an employee, advertise a business.
- Give a unique and lasting gift for any occasion!

*Here's how you can contribute: THREE LINES for \$75.00*

**CAMP PRIDE BRICK ORDER FORM**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Payment may be made by check to: LIONS CAMP PRIDE. Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print in UPPERCASE Letters. Each space counts as one character.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

**Mail form to:**

**Camp Pride Commemorative Walkway % Lenny Hall, 14 Winslow Drive, Atkinson, NH 03811**



### **CAMP PRIDE CALENDAR RAFFLE TICKETS MAKE GREAT STOCKING STUFFERS**

It's that time of year again! Camp Pride's Annual Booster Club raffle is in full swing. By now, your club should have received tickets to sell (or buy). The raffle this year is of significance importance as we had our summer season was cancelled due to COVID-19; hence, no campers, no incoming funds- every penny will count...

Tickets remain at \$10.00 and may be sold to club members, friends, business associates or even bought by the club as a chance to enhance their treasury.

There will be a total of thirty (30) drawings with each drawing representing a particular day in January. **Any ticket drawn will be redeposited** into the raffle basket so there are numerous chances to win. **All drawings will take place at the Mid-Winter Convention in January;** winners will be notified shortly afterward.

**Please** return all your stubs, checks and any unsold tickets directly to Lion Lillian Bellisle at 39 Cedar Street, Hudson, NH 03051. Checks should be made out to: **LIONS CAMP PRIDE NH** If you have questions or need additional tickets, please call her at 603-889-0285 or e: mail: Lionjeri@comcast.net.

As in the past, all proceeds from this raffle will be used to further Camp Pride operations and maintenance.

**Thank you for your support! Happy New Year from the Camp Pride Board of Directors**



Ten members of the Plaistow Lions, Led by Lion Dana Charest and Lion Billy Bartlett, spent a day at camp, doing projects ranging from trimming windows and doors, spreading stone dust on walk ways, blowing leaves etc.

All clubs are strongly encouraged to assemble a work group and come up to the camp and tackle a few projects while enjoying the beauty the 370 acres has to offer.

Contact us with any questions: Email: [lionscamppride44h@gmail.com](mailto:lionscamppride44h@gmail.com)  
or 603-482-6115



Lions Camp Pride NH  
PO Box 157  
Atkinson, New Hampshire, 03811

There are many ways to contribute to the ongoing development of the camps assets listed below are just a few;

**Sign up for the TD Bank Affinity Program “A1537”**

**Sign up in Amazon Smiles**

**Purchase a memorial Brick for the walkway**

**Sign up for a monthly, or annual EFT donation**

**Make a one-time non-taxable donation from your retirement fund**

**RMD [[required minimum distribution](#)]**

**Volunteer your time and talents**

### **Making Charitable Donations from Your Retirement Accounts**

You can't give your required minimum distribution from a 401(k) to charity without triggering a tax, but you can donate your 401(k) RMD tax-free if you roll the money over to an IRA.

**Question:** I know you can give your [required minimum distribution](#) from an IRA to charity tax-free. Can you also give your RMD from a [401\(k\)](#) to charity?

**Answer:** No, the tax-free transfer of your RMD to charity only applies to [IRAs](#). Still, there is an indirect way to give money from your 401(k) to charity tax-free. To do this, you will have to roll over money from your 401(k) to an IRA and then donate it to charity.

You will have to take your RMD from the 401(k) for this year before you can do the rollover. After that, you can roll over 401(k) dollars to the IRA for future charitable transfers. If you do this by the end of the year, you'll be able to start transferring some of the money to charity in 2018, which can satisfy all or a portion of the RMD from your IRA, says Jeffrey Levine, CEO and director of financial planning for the [BluePrint Wealth Alliance](#) in Garden City, N.Y.

If you're 70½ or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 from your individual retirement account directly to charity. The contribution counts towards your required minimum distribution and isn't included in your adjusted gross income. That could qualify you for tax breaks tied to your adjusted gross income and reduce or eliminate taxes on [Social Security](#) benefits.

### **Year-End Moves for Charitable Donations**

**Studies show that November and December are the most popular months for charitable giving. Before donating to your favorite charity, you may want to consider whether your donation will qualify for a deduction on your 2020 tax return.**

**Here are some ways to maximize your deduction if you itemize, along with a limited time opportunity to claim a deduction even if you don't itemize.**



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This month, I'd like to discuss one case that Sight and Hearing deliberated on last month.

But first a question- who are the members of the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation? Answer, every lion in 44H and 44N. It is managed by a Board of Directors made up of Lions from both Districts. Currently, 15 people fill the positions on the board. I mention this, because the board heard case #20-015 presented by the project chair Dan Diemand. A 16 year old boy needed eye surgery. He was at a point where if he did not receive that service, his vision would have been severely diminished. The cost was \$11,414.00. The discount was \$4,524.00. Between the club and the client's mom there was another \$200.00. That left \$6,890.00 for Sight and Hearing. The max that the Board issue's is \$1,200.00. Needless to say there was passionate discussion about how to handle this situation.

This was a first, and the ramification of this was a great concern. One member of the Board asked "aren't we in the business of helping people". The Board voted to spend the money for the surgery. Project chair Dan followed up with the mom, and the surgery was a success. His vision has been restored.

I wanted to share this with all of you because we are in the business of helping people and LSHF represented all of you in this case. I am extremely proud on how the board members discussed the situation and came to the conclusion to help this young man.



## *THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT*

A Program of the New Hampshire Lions  
Multiple District 44 – Health Services of New Hampshire  
Linda Piekarski Chair: [lpiekarski@ne.rr.com](mailto:lpiekarski@ne.rr.com)



### Gratitude

I am awed by the number of clubs who are still able to contribute to the DogSight Project during the pandemic. Fundraising opportunities are very thin on the ground right now. Lions are ingenious people, though, and are finding many new and inventive ways to do what needs to be done. Club projects continue because the need continues. We deeply appreciate your commitment to the DogSight Project.

Be well, be kind, be hopeful.

You can always contribute to the DogSight 2020-2021 campaign by sending a donation to the project chair. Checks should be made out to **LSHF** with **DSP** on the memo line. Please send checks to: The DogSight Project, c/o Linda Piekarski, 15 Edgewood Ave, Keene, NH 03431

**Thank you for your support!!**

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**LIONS YOUTH SERVICE**

Second Thursday of the month at  
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Bedford, NH at 6:30PM

**SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION**

Third Thursday of the month at the  
Airport Diner, Manchester at 6:30PM

**HEALTH SERVICE OF NH**

Fourth Tuesday of the month at  
Hannaford's , Kilton Rd.  
Bedford , NH at 6:30PM

**TWIN SOCCER ASSOCIATION (LTSSA)**

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