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Happy February! It looks like the snow and cold has bypassed January and saved itself for February, but the good news is Spring is only 6 weeks away and COVID-19 vaccine has made its way to NH. Despite the cold weather and quarantining, many clubs are meeting and recruiting virtually. As people have become more accustomed to meeting on line they are looking for more ways to connect with their friends and neighbors, attending book clubs and virtual cocktail parties. So why not invite at least one person to attend your next board or committee meeting. Kudos to the Kingston Lions Club who recently recruited two new members virtually and held a very successful food and clothing drive this last cold and windy Saturday. One of their new members, Kirsten Arnold, jumped right in after being voted in to the club only two nights earlier. By the way, have you all heard that LCI has extended the joining fee waiver to the end of the year? An even better reason to Just Ask!

Please invite me to attend one of your virtual meetings. I am hoping for an in-person visitation in the late spring, but in the meantime I have membership chevrons to give out in most clubs and I would love to induct new members or club officers via zoom or other platform. I hope you are also attending your virtual zone meeting and working on club collaborations within your zone.

Please save the date for our Cabinet meeting on March 14th, details forthcoming.

Serving From The Heart



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District Membership	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1,182	1,178
Added members	8	59
Dropped members	9	56
Closing Balance	1,181	1,181
Net Gain/Loss	-1	3
Worldwide	1,414,930	



CLUB	NEW MEMBER	SPONSOR
Kingston	Kristen Arnold Renda Brooks	Michael Dolan Lindsey Messina
Nashua	Conor M Lyons	Ed Lecius
Seabrook	Anna Randall Kim Short	Dyan Kaplan Cher McDevitt
Sommersworth	Dakota Dearborn Christina Skoolicas	Peter Houde Peter Houde
Wolfeboro	Nicholas Ciancarelli	

Happy Valentine's Day



Due to Covid-19 DG Marie would like to make a virtual visitation to the clubs. Contact CS Pat Kimball Pg. 7

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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 COVID-19 all boards
are meeting virtually.***

UPCOMING EVENTS

**2/4 International Childhood
Cancer Day**
**2/9 Online Membership
Training 7:00PM-8:30PM**
**2/14 National Heart Day
Wear Red**
**2/14 LCIF Helping Hands
Telethon**
**3/3 MD Council Meeting
Airport Diner**
**3/7 44-N Cabinet Meeting
American Legion, Milford, NH**
3/14 44-H Cabinet Meeting TBD
3/20 Lions Day at the UN, NYC



SAVE THE DATE!
SUNDAY MARCH 14, 2021
44-H CABINET MEETING
INFO FORTHCOMING



~ MD44 MEMBERSHIP ONLINE TRAINING ~

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm



Hosted by: Multiple Council Chair Steve Middlemiss

Presenters:

PID Ed Farrington

GAT– WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO MEMBERSHIP

PID Ed Lecius

NAMI - HOW THIS EFFECTS US ALL

PDG/MDGMT Al Goldstein

RECRUITMENT 101

PCC Christine Greenwood Smart

PROPER PLANNING

PCC Kitty Callender

RETENTION TAKES 2 TO REPLACE 1

Topic: MD 44 Membership Online Training

Time: Feb 9, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

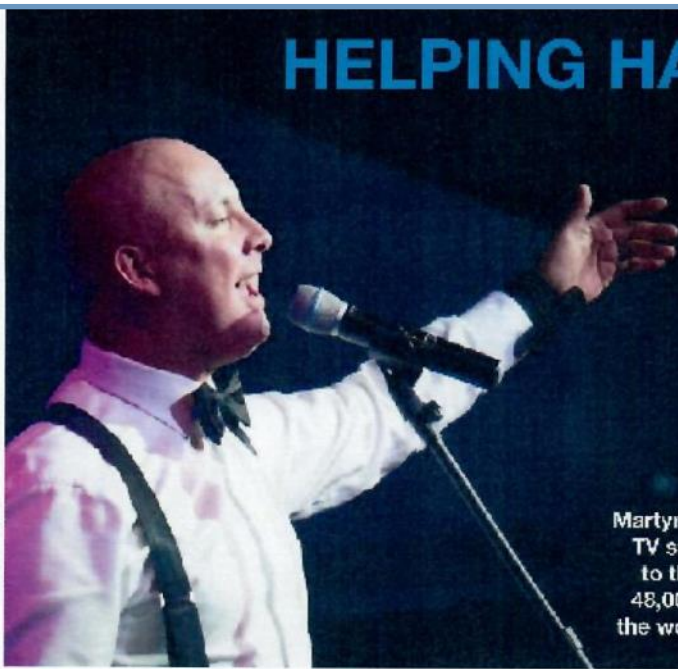
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JUST...





HELPING HANDS TELETHON


**You Tube Live Event
featuring Martyn Lucas**

**Benefitting Lions Club
International Foundation**

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

Sponsorship opportunities
are available from \$100 to \$1,000,000

Martyn Lucas - World Piano Man from his TV studio in Dallas Texas will broadcast to the world. 1.4 million members from 48,000 clubs around the world will unite the world for a Telethon musical concert.



As the pandemic has posed many challenges to our communities and families, Lions around the world and across the United States have responded by providing assistance both physically and financially. Whether by providing Personal Protection Equipment to frontline workers, meals for those in need, educational programs to assist virtual learners, construction of accessible playgrounds, or food and toys at Christmas time, Lions have provided whatever help their community and neighbors needed.

Lions Club International Foundation, LCIF, has been a part of these efforts, supporting Lions as they support and provide for their communities. Through its various grant programs, LCIF has provided clubs with the financial support they needed to carry out their projects to make their communities stronger.

In order to help LCIF raise the funds it needs to continue these grant programs, World Piano Man, Lion Martyn Lucas, is presenting the "Helping Hands YouTube Telethon". Martyn is an international acclaimed performer who will take your requests and perform them live just for you. The event will be live on February 14, 2021 from 11:30am to 11:30pm CST, via Martyn's YouTube channel, www.martynlucas.com/lions.

While enjoying the presentation is free, YOU can help by purchasing a special ticket, requesting a song, or advertising your business. We need you, your Club members, and your friends to tune in and listen to a great entertainer and learn more about what Lions are doing to help their communities and how LCIF is helping them do it. Please go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lions-club-global-largest-telethon-in-history-martyn-lucas-tickets-131775545203> for more information and to purchase tickets or ads. If you have questions you can also contact Lion Bill Smothermon at lionbillsmo@gmail.com



Lions Clubs International

Dear Lions of MD44

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- **Everyone's invited** – Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- **Registration fees** – The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.
- **Current registrants** – Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.
- **Elections** – Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.
- **Convention updates** – Check our convention website LCIcon for convention updates and details as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President



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Dear Fellow Lions of District 44-H,

Virtual Conventions? Who saw that coming? That seems to be the word of the times. “Virtual”., but, this too shall pass in time. Eventually, we’ll get back to normal once the vaccine gets rolled out. After all, Lions serve with gusto. We’ll find a way to serve virtually or in person. We adapt and thrive.

The winter of our discontent is still here but Spring will arrive. Spring always arrives. And once it arrives, Lions will thrive. I guess I’m a Poet and don’t know it. But, a little humor goes a long way.

Thank you again for your service and best wishes for a great February!



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Greetings Lions. The year is already half over, and the Pandemic is still hanging on, but the Service of Lions is still on the move. Service projects are still being done. Clubs are getting behind the LYS drive for Socks and Underwear for the areas at risk and homeless youth. Which is another great project taken on by Lions Youth Services.

The pandemic has dealt many blows to families and our family (Lions) is no different. Recently we lost PDG Neill Williams from the Rye Club. Thoughts and Prayers to his family. This is the time to reach out to your fellow Lions via phone, text, email, or smoke signal and let them know you are thinking of them.

I saw on Facebook today that the International Convention that is being held in Montreal Canada will be a Virtual Event. Hopefully, this will be the last virtual Convention that we have.

On the topic of membership, there has been an extension on the one fee of \$35 to International. The extension goes until the end of June. The phrase of “JUST ASK “really works, it may take three or four times of asking but do not give up. As of this morning our District is UP in membership and we need to keep the trend going.

The Lions USA / Canada Leadership Forum is still on track for September 9-11, 2021 in Des Moines, Iowa. Nancy & I are looking forward to attending.

Be Well and stay safe..., **MAKE A DIFFERENCE - BE THE DIFFERENCE**



Hudson Lions Club SVP Linda Hedrick along with President Ray Bouley, presented P President Randy Pierce with a check in the amount of \$1500.00 for 2020 Vision Quest. Randy was so pleased as he realizes that in this difficult times. Clubs are not able to fund raise as usual. The donation meant a lot to him to continue their mission efforts and now that will include more support for blind students needing to learn braille, work with technology for the blind to attend classes and connect with their families even as those losing their sight later in life get similar mobility training, computer skills and support for essential services in a world a lot more challenging to touch right now.



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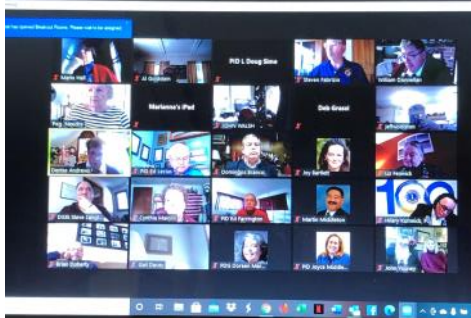
Well, we did it. Our first ever Virtual Mid-Winter event is in the books and I believe it went very well. Thank you to all who made this possible and to all of you for attending. International Director Justin Faber from Deckerville, Michigan was our guest speaker, and his presentation was exciting and informative. He brought us up to date on a number of changes happening at International.

We were able to accomplish our virtual committee presentations, Peace Poster presentation, parade of checks, Lions Youth Service as well as Sight & Hearing annual meetings.

At last year's mid-winter, a resolution was brought forward to create a 501c3 for the MD. This was in an effort to allow the MD and it's committees to contact businesses for donations as most require a group to be a 501c3 before they will donate. It was decided at that event to create a committee to review the options for creating this. The committee chaired by IPCC Fred Plett met several times and it was determined that the best route for this to move forward was to make a change within the Sight and Hearing Bylaws to allow all activity of the MD be allowed to use their 501c3 status for donations. The subject was discussed and voted on at this year's Annual Sight & Hearing meeting and the By-Law changes were approved.

Lions Youth Services continues to collect socks and underwear for the Homeless youth supported by Wayfair. Collection points for you to drop off your items are being solidified. PDG Al Goldstein will be providing more information on the details.

The challenges of 2020 continue into as our need to hold Mid-Winter virtually showed, but we are here to help you in any way we can. Take care and stay safe. Thank you Clubs for all your efforts to help those in your communities. You are what makes it Great to be a Lion!! Contact me with any questions. Cell: 603-566-7616



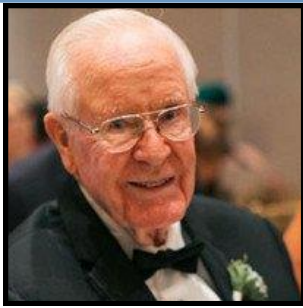
New England Lions Council Virtual Meeting January 8, 2021

The January mid-winter NELC meeting was a Zoom meeting with over 100 Lions joining in. All of the DG's from New England, including District 44-H Governor, Marie Hall, attended and gave an update on their Districts

ID Mark Lyon introduced Guest Speaker IFVP Douglas X. Alexander of New York. He spoke for an hour discussing what is going on at the International level. IFVP Douglas also went into a conference with all of the FVD's from New England to discuss next year's plans. He did disclosed that the International Convention planned for Montreal would be held Virtually.

We also had our own PDG of 44-N, Sue Lindberg, who gave a wonderful presentation on Guiding Lions and PID Ed Farrington gave an update on GAT. (Global Action Team) It was the second Virtual meeting this year of the NELC. Hopefully we will meet in person at the May meeting in Vermont.

The guest speaker for May is scheduled to be 2nd IVP Patti Hill. Stay tuned for more information. PDG, Al Goldstein NH representative to NELC



In Memory of PDG Neill Williams

May 20, 1929—January 7, 2021

Greenland - Neill A. Williams, 91, of Greenland, passed away peacefully on January 7, 2021 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital following a brief illness.

Neill was born on May 20, 1929, to Roy and Clara (Rose) Williams, in Duluth, Minnesota. He was raised in Duluth, and graduated from Duluth Central High School with the Class of 1948. Neill attended the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis prior to enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1950.

Neill served 20 years active duty in the Navy and was stationed in California, New Jersey, London, England, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Puerto Rico, Maine and finally Lakehurst, NJ, attaining the rank of Chief Aviation Electronics Technician. Following his active duty tenure, Neill transferred to the Naval Fleet Reserve, where he spent an additional 10 years on reserve status. He officially retired from his 30 years of naval service in 1980 with an Honorable Discharge.

It was while Neill was stationed in London that he met his future wife Violet McIver, and they were married on October 20, 1954.

Following his retirement from active duty, Neill worked as a manufacturing engineer in the electronic weapons industry for the US Army and US Navy departments. He retired from the weapons industry in 1990 after 20 years. In retirement, Neill worked as a real estate broker, and spent 13 years working for the NHDOT as a toll attendant.

Neill became active in **Lions Club International** after moving to Portsmouth, NH in 1971. He joined the Portsmouth Lions Club in 1972, and worked tirelessly supporting the Lion's mission. He was past president of the local club, and served as **Zone Chairman and Cabinet Secretary for District 44H**. Neill served as president of the **NH Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation**. In 1992 Neill became

the District Governor of Lions district 44H, and had the honor of being installed at the Lions International Conference held in Hong Kong, China. Neill was also the recipient of the Melvin Jones Award.

Neill had a lifelong interest in being a ham operator since assembling a radio at age 13. He held a ham operator's license for 73 years, and his call letters "K1YPM" were known by many fellow operators across the country. Neill was known to be up at 4:30 AM many mornings to connect and chat with his ham buddies. He was a member of the Portsmouth Radio Amateur Club, and served as vice president.

Neill was a member of the Rye Congregational Church, and served on the Mission Committee and the Policy and By-Laws Committee. He was a proud member of Greenland's Veteran's Organization, and a member of American Legion Post 6.

Neill is survived by his daughter Myra Fishbein and her husband James of Greenland, his son Allen Williams and his wife Ann of Manchester. He is further survived by grandchildren Jennifer (Ira) Lehrer of Greenland, Morgan (Greg) Henneman of Belair, MD, Jillian (Michael) Fishbein-Gibson of Hamden, CT and Harrison Williams of Manchester and great grandchildren Alec and Jack Lehrer, Avery and Caroline Henneman, and Charles and Crosby Gibson. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Neill was predeceased by his parents, his loving wife Violet, and his sisters Donna Isaccson and Janice Orłowski.

Neill will be remembered as a man of utmost honesty and integrity, and a true gentleman. He had a profound love for his family and his country.

Funeral services with military honors will be held at 1 P.M. Friday, June 4, 2021 at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen. In Neill's memory, donations may be made to the Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of NH Inc-/ P.O. Box 970, Concord, NH 03302-0970. Arrangements are by the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, Hampton.



Lions Youth Services

Lions Youth Services January 14, 2021 Meeting

A meeting was held via Zoom with 11 members attending. Treasurer Lenny Hall presented the current financial report, also indicating that the Terri Lynn fundraiser was going well to date. A new flyer in a Valentine theme was created and published to the public.

PDG Jerry Vaccaro gave an update on Leo's. The Salem Leo's were up to 27 members, have named the club and are ready to begin service. The Alvine Leo's are doing well and will be hosting the Penguin Plunge.

President Al Goldstein announced that John Bayliss will be coming on board as a 44N Director.

MCC Steve Middlemiss indicated that he was working on the details and presentation of the Peace Posters for the Mid-Winter convention.

Lion Deb Hogancamp said that she would pick up the underwear and sock donations from District 4. All Zone Chairs were asked if they would coordinate pick ups of all donations within their zone clubs and have them dropped off at the Waypoint locations nearest to them.

Mid-Winter Convention Annual Meeting

We held our annual meeting during the virtual meeting with President Al Goldstein presiding; he reported on the past year's successes with LYS from the Backpack service project completed from last years Mid-Winter, LYS sponsoring day camps with the Fisher Cats, the fundraiser with Terri Lynn to this year's service project with Waypoint collecting underwear and socks for the homeless youth of NH. He gave an update on the Leo's getting a club up and running in Salem as well as Nashua.

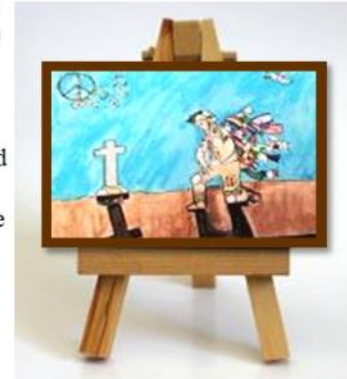
Club donations were made and virtually expressed as he concluded with the Peace Poster presentations with the first and 2nd place winners of MD44 via Zoom.

A slideshow presentation of all 49 posters was displayed for all to see. Giovanna Cook-Buell, 2nd place MD44 winner from the Conway Lions joined in via Zoom to articulate her thoughts in mind while completing her poster. LYS and all via Zoom congratulated her and she was presented with a check for \$100 along with an enlarged framed photograph of her poster.



The presentation continued with the help of Concord Lions, Norman Roberge. Lion Norm was on hand on-site in Concord while zooming in with MD44's first place winner, Madisen Eno. Madisen articulated her thoughts as to what her poster represented to her. She was presented with her poster, photographed and framed along with a \$200 award.

Many thanks to all 49 participants and the six Lions clubs from 44H and 44N who sponsored this years Peace Poster "Peace Through Service" Contest. It was a challenging effort this year for which we are thankful to have been a part of in promoting our youth's artistic creativity.



Next year's contest kits are already on sale. Please consider contacting your local schools to introduce the contest or consider promoting it to local youth groups or your local library. As you can see, the contest can be done virtually as well as in person with the guidelines established by Lions International. It will give the student a longer time frame to create. While overcoming new challenges brought on by an unprecedented global pandemic, we're celebrating the things that keep us connected—to each other, to our communities, all together around the world. This year, we invite young people to envision, explore and visually express these connections.

If any club wishes to purchase a kit for the 2021-2022 Peace Poster theme, "We Are All Connected", you may contact Lions Youth Services. The cost is \$12.00 per kit.

Terri Lynn Fundraiser



We are continuing with this fundraiser, please see the flyer in this newsletter just in time for Valentine's Day. We thank you for your continued support, please place your order early in time for shipping to you or your favorite valentine. Please go to LYSNH.TERRILYN.com to place **your order today!**

Next Lions Youth Services Meeting



Please join us via Zoom on Thursday, February 11 at 6:30 pm to check out what we are all about!



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Pat Kimball*

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It is heartwarming to see all the great service projects that continue to be conducted with great success, and fundraising during these trying times. Due to the increase in COVID-19 numbers, many clubs are meeting virtually. The DG is still very interested in attending virtually, or to schedule visits later in the spring. Please look at your club schedules and provide the following information if you have not yet scheduled a DG visit.

Please provide the following information with the desired DG Visitation.

CLUB: _____ DATE REQUESTED: _____ ZOOM OR OTHER METHOD? -

VIRTUAL INVITE INFO:

TIME _____ LOCATION _____ CONTACT _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ MEAL MEETING? _____

COST OF MEAL: _____ SPECIAL MEETING? INDUCTION/AWARDS/
PRESENTATIONS?

If you have a change in your email address, please ensure it is changed with your club secretary, and send me an email, so I can ensure that I get it updated in Constant Contact.



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Hello All! Happy Valentines Day!

The District Dues statements for the 2nd half of the year were emailed to Club Presidents and Treasurer's in January. I will be reaching out to clubs that have not paid after the February 15th due date.

LCI has extended the waiver of the \$35.00 joining fee for new Lions until June 30, 3031. Remember to ask JUST ONE!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach to me.

A Message from PCC Fred Plett



After a 6 week stay at the Elliott Hospital, Dartmouth Hitchcock and most recently, Encompass Health Care & Rehab Hospital in Concord I am going home. NH. COVID-19 almost got me, twice, but I'm here! It will be a couple more months before I am fully back to normal, but I am grateful to be here, making remarkable progress. Thank you to everyone for the hundreds of cards, texts, and prayers. There were so many I cannot respond, but they are appreciated.



The Rye Lions joined in on the collection of Items for the At Risk and Homeless youth in our State. 174 Pairs of socks and 180 pairs of underwear were collected and will be taken to PDG AI for LYS.

The Meredith Lions Club recently dropped off 75 dental kits acquired with the assistance of Dr. Koslow to the Meredith Food Pantry. Each kit contains a toothbrush, toothpaste and dental floss. These are requested items and the club was proud to be able to assist. They are also continuing to supply the pantry with Birthday Bags along with the usual food items.



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What was the first service project and fundraiser your club had and why is this important? One of the first steps in club orientation is learning about the club you just joined. Matching up new members with the oldest members is an easy way to learn about Lions and the community you serve. Knowing about International and all the acronyms will come in time but being prepared to take care of the people in your area is usually why you joined. New members have new ideas but may also come up with new ways of doing some of the old projects in new ways.

The Global Leadership Team is looking at a way to do an orientation for all the new members, but it begins with everyone at the club level. Share your stories, the successes as well as the failures. The average age of the clubs in the District is 47 years. That's a lot of history!

In Memory of Hampton Area Lion MJJ Edward R. "Ted" Davis April 23, 1943–December 27, 2020



Edward R. "Ted" Davis 77, of Hampton, NH died Sunday, Dec 27, 2020 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

Ted was born in Haverhill, MA , a son of the late Emery and Grace E. (Dusseault) Davis. He was a communicant of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church and an active member of the Hampton Area Lions Club, receiving the highest award in Lions, a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Due to Covid-19, a mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at a later date. In lieu of traditional remembrances, donations may be made to the Salisbury Ambulance Service, PO Box 582, Salisbury, CT 06068., or the Hampton Area Lions Club, PO Box 1088, Hampton, NH 03843.



Ted Davis led the Hampton Area Lions Club in receiving the eyeglasses from Lions Clubs District 44-H, shipping them to Roanoke, VA to a Lions club receiving station where they are then sent to other countries. The initiative began 10 years ago with Hampton Lion Jack Helie and his wife Dot, who drove to VA with hundreds of eyeglasses for the Lions receiving center. The goal was 200,000 pairs and the Lions have surpassed that goal. Davis said he was proud to have reached the goal, but he was confident the Lions would get there. Once a month the Lions meet to go through the donated used glasses to determine which are useable before shipping them out.



on June 6, 2016, Lions District Governor 44-H, Scott Wilson, presented Ted Davis with the Lions Club International President’s Certificate of Appreciation for his work in helping the Hampton Area Lions Club in collecting 204,000 pairs of used eyeglasses over the past 10 years to be sent to poverty countries who cannot afford them. DG Scott Wilson called Davis a “Lion of unassuming visage” before presenting the award at the Hampton Area Lions Club ceremony and dinner held at the Old Salt in Hampton. Wilson said, “He’s a quiet Lion but like the Wizard of Oz behind the scenes this Lion is pulling all the levers and keeping a vital program on track.”



To help with the Hampton Club with the cost of shipping used eyeglasses to the recycling center in Roanoke, VA, checks may be sent to:

Hampton Area Lions Club
P.O Box 1088
Hampton, NH 03843

Zone 7 Collection of socks and underwear for Waypoint Homeless Youth Very proud of my zone, Linda Rafferty, Chair



Beginning Top left: Rochester Lion Amy from Waypoint receiving items dropped off by John & Linda Rafferty, Conway Lions. The trunk was filled with items from Zone 7 Lions Clubs.. Wolfeboro Lions John Askew & President Nancy Askew with a trunk of donations. Conway Area Lion Rosie Klaus & ZC Linda Rafferty organizing and packing the trunk for delivery and Conway Area Lions Deb & Rich Mattei with their donations. Wakefield President Anne Palmariello and Moultonborough President Peter O. Allen. Some clubs donated checks and some are still collecting for the Homeless Youth Program

GMT PCC Kitty Callender E: callendergirl54@notmail.com



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL has given Lions a gift!! If you missed it or didn't use it the 1st half of the year-NEW LIONS will NOT pay the \$35.00 fee to join! This will end on June 30, 2021. Many clubs in MD44 did add new members. CONGRATULATIONS!! If your club didn't, why not? Do you feel your club is "good as it is"? New members bring new ideas, new energy and skill sets clubs may need. It is imperative that we add new members to our multi-district. I, for one, don't want to see our membership shrink so badly that we become one district.

Please give people in your communities the **opportunity** to become Lions!! They will benefit as much as your club and our state!

I still have Membership Applications-NEW. And my "gift" for your new members? New member kits at no cost to your club! Call me at 575-937-7911 (yes, it's a New Mexico #) or email me.



**In Memory of Hudson Lion
M.J.F. Daniel D Guimond
July 10, 1958-December 26, 2020**

Daniel Guimond passed on December 26, 2020, due to complications of Covid-19. He was born on July 10, 1958 in Concord, NH, the son of David and Carmen Guimond.

Daniel graduated from New Hampshire College in 1980 and was employed at Belmont Medical Technologies. He gave much of his life to volunteering beginning as a Boy Scout and achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in 1973.

Daniel was a Past President of the West Manchester Jaycees and Chaplin of the NH Jaycees. He received the Jaycees highest award, the Granite Statesmen, and the highest honor in the U.S. Jaycees, that of JCI Senator. In addition, he also served as auditor for the Miss NH's Outstanding Teen program and volunteered for the Miss NH Organization.

He was a past elected member of the Pelham Budget Committee and served as Chair and was a member of the Manchester Lions Club before transferring to the Hudson Lions Club where he held the office of Treasurer from 2017-2020. He was also a member of the NH Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation where he held the office of Treasurer for several years. The Hudson Lions Club recognized his volunteerism with a Melvin Jones Fellow Award, the highest award in Lions International, and the highest honor in the state of NH, the Granite State Fellow Award. The awards were well deserved. He loved to give back.

Daniel is survived by his wife of 34 years, Judy (Graceffa), of Hudson, NH, who was the love of his life. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his mother, Carmen Guimond, a sister, Cindy Ott and her husband Jeff, of Louisville, KY, a son, Matthew and his wife April of Salem, NH, a daughter Gina and her husband Ross Menia of Cary, NC.

A private service of burial was held on December 31, 2020, in Peabody, MA.

Cards may be sent to Judy Guimond, 19 Cedar St, Hudson, NH 03051



Nashua Everest Centennial Lions Club Christmas Gifts to COVID-affected Children and Homeless Children

Christmas can be a sad and lonely time for a child in out-of-home care. They are away from their families, they have had numerous disappointments in their young lives and have little hope that things will change. By fulfilling one small wish they have for Christmas, the message of love and hope is given to these children.

Our Christmas gift program is created for those children who are Homeless and affected by COVID19. So Christmas Gift will bring a smile to their face and get a little warmth and hope to their hearts.

A small act can make a big impact. We have successfully distributed 100 Christmas Gifts to COVID-affected Children and Homeless Children on Christmas Day among Dover Children's Home, My Friend's Place, and End of 68 Hours of Hunger.

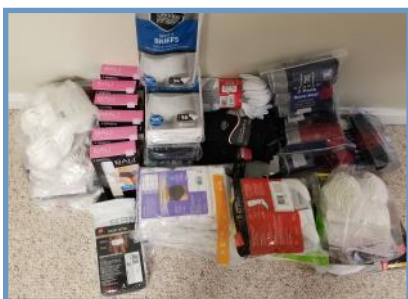
We extend our hearty thanks to our Lions Umesh Koirala, Alina Karki, and Ajay Rana Bhat for organizing this program and distributing all collected gifts.

Special thanks to, Mahesh Adhikari & Punam Adhikari, Sunita Mainali Gyawali, Abhishek Karki, Alina Karki, Neighborhood of Ezra's Way, Dover for donating their generous gifts to COVID-affected Children and Homeless Children. It would not be possible without your support. We are grateful for your vested trust which is very valuable for us. We hope your Christmas Gifts will bring a smile to their face and get a little warmth and hope to their hearts.

Thanks again to all for making this project successful. We hope you will continue to support us in the future.



Kingston Lions had a great day for their community at their annual Food & Clothing Drive! THANK YOU to all who donated and all Lions who volunteered and braved the cold weather in the parking lot at Saddle Up Saloon! 2 truckloads of clothes were dropped off yesterday along with food for local food pantries! Where there's a NEED, there's a LION!



Zone 1A donated socks and underwear collected by Nashua, Nashua Everest, Salem and Windham Lions clubs for the Lions Youth Services project for homeless youth.



AWARD TIME IS APPROACHING

Honors someone with a Granite State Fellow
The highest Lions Award in New Hampshire

Proceeds Benefit the NH Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation



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

Contact Chairman PCC Roger LaTulippe at 603-566-0691

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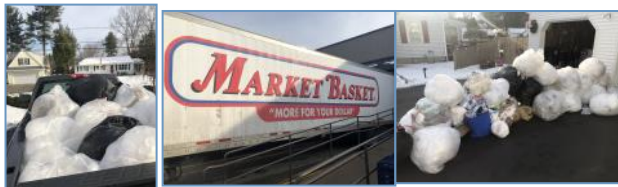
“Hunger is a problem without borders. Let’s join together to make strides in providing meals and nutrition for those in need – in hope that one day no senior will ever have to live without knowing when their next meal will come.” Meals on Wheels proudly serves nutritious meals to thousands of homebound older and disabled adults every day regardless of immigration or refugee status, ethnicity/race, religion or disability with a variety of options. Our meals meet one third of the daily nutrition requirements for older adults and provide 3 oz of protein, 2 servings of fruit/vegetables, whole grain baked product, dessert, and milk. To volunteer please contact St. Joseph’s Community Service (424-9967 or mfeals@sjcsinc.org).

Join the Lions Feed the Hungry Team.



Feeding the hungry. Members of the Windham Lions Club Present a check as their annual donation to the Windham’s Shepard's Food Pantry.

PLASTIC BAG COLLECTION PROGRAM The Nashua Lions Club reached their goal of collecting 509 pounds of plastic for which they will receive a Trex Bench made of recycled plastic. Thanks to all the Lions, their family and friends who collected plastic, to Mr. Maguire at Market Basket for being an awesome community partner, Mark Hendrickson for his help getting the plastic to Market Basket, to Eileen Kelly for her collaboration with Kohls, Jeremy Freda and Home Depot and Martha and Joel Ackerman for chairing this event. In addition the club has been collecting plastic pill bottles to be sent to facilities where they are not available and patients are given pills in their hands to take home. Market Basket, our community partner, Mark Hendrickson’s truck filled with plastic, Ackerman’s driveway and Joel Ackerman holding the final bag.



Lions Health Services of New Hampshire

The Pandemic is still with us, but the good news is that schools are welcoming back their students. So this is the time to make contacts with your community school nurses and Pre-schools to set up some Kid Sight Screenings.

Some school testing have already happened during the Pandemic; even though, lions are still not allowed on school property. So, how does this work? The Kid Sight team trains the nurses on how to use our screeners and loan the screeners to them to complete their screenings. The Lions usually are available for help outside the school building to answer any questions and issues. This loan program has been successful and may be a way for future screenings during the Pandemic.

The bad news, the Health Service board has been told that some of the older screeners will no longer be serviced under our Service Agreements. What does this mean; in some cases, some of Zone and Districts screeners have to be replaced. We have a team working on how to go about purchasing replacements. Further information will be forth coming.

Vision 2021 weekend, Dog Sight and our Eyeglass assistance programs are still going strong during the Pandemic. Reports will be forthcoming from their chairs. Kindly keep those contributions coming so that we can continue serving the needs of New Hampshire.

We presently meet through virtual means the last Tuesday of each month and if you wish to be part of the Lions Health Services of NH please contact me,

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

LSHF President, Dick Lemieux Email: 04dlemieux@comcast.net



Greetings Lions of MD-44,

The last BOD meeting for the LSHF was on Thursday, January 21. We had a very special case in the pipeline for consideration from the Hooksett Lions club and Lori Pinkham, consideration for financial assistance for a Mom with a 4 year old son who is autistic and non-verbal. Project chair Dan Diemand brought this to my attention around Christmas, and asked if this was something we, as the LSHF, could get involved with help. Normally, this is something that happens at the club level with a fundraiser. As we all know, these are not normal times.

We discussed it with the BOD, and it was suggested that I get in touch with the Lions Youth Services and the Health Services Board to see if they would be interested in joining the LSHF to pursue this case. The Mom is looking for an iPad 8 gen 10.2 screen and a lamp words for life app, for a total of around \$800.00.

President Al Goldstein of Lions Youth Services and Chair Jerry Vaccaro of Health Services reached out to their respective Boards and got positive feedback for this joint venture. We are waiting for the Mom to send in the application so we can assign a case number and bring it up for formal consideration. Once again, Lions coming together to help someone in need.

Dick Lemieux, President



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



MID WINTER CONVENTION VIRTUAL

PARADE OF CHECKS

One of the highlights of the Mid-Winter Convention has always been the “Parade of Checks.” Clubs take this opportunity to proudly showcase their support of and dedication to the DogSight Project. This year, of course, there will be no Parade. Twenty-three Clubs and two individuals have already recognized this fact and the USPS has provided the Parade. Thank you for your continued support!!

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!!



Gail Dacey, GST E: grd14@aol.com

I'm sorry we were unable to meet in person for the midwinter convention but I hope you were all there virtually. Underwear and socks should have been given to LYS if you haven't already donated make sure you arrange to get them distributed. Thank you to all the zones who did this as your zone projects. I've visited 3 zones so far and have heard some great ideas. Please invite me to your meetings. I've been on many webinars put on by LCI and have heard some interesting ideas. Please consider joining to bring back ideas to your club and zone. Some ideas I have heard were: make blankets for cancer patients, distribute diabetes book marks, put a toilet bowl on neighbors' lawns and make them donate to flush out cancer, you could also flock them with flamingos and get a donation for a cause to have them removed, have a souper bowl drive and collect soup for the food pantry or 68 hrs. If we should get snow go to a nursing home with children or do it yourself and make snowmen for the residence, make Valentine cards for nursing homes or for meals on wheels or shut ins. You can also do some calling of neighbors to see how they are doing and offer to shop for them. FVDG Doug Alexander said "Service is the rent we pay for our space on earth. Please remember to report your hrs. of service. Last month I enclosed a list of 100 service ideas. Look it over and try something new and share how it worked.

PCC Bill Rathbun: pdgbill33y@yahoo.com



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

OUR FOUNDATION

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the charitable foundation of Lions Clubs International

Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission: **"To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants."**

DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES OUR DISTRICT RAISED MORE THAN \$27,000 FOR LCIF IN THE PAST YEAR. AWESOME!!!

AS WE GO FORWARD LET'S KEEP THE FOCUS AREAS OF CAMPAIGN IN OUR FUNDRAISING. THEY ARE: HUNGER, VISION, DIABETES, CHILDHOOD CANCER AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

Your continued hard work and dedication will insure we are successful

Where there's A NEED THERE'S A LION

Let's work together to make District Governor Marie's goal of 100% Club Participation a reality. During these trying times it is understandable that Clubs are struggling to meet the needs of their communities. Now is the time for us as Lions to step forward and make a choice to personally support LCIF through your own individual pledge or contribution..

**DISTRICT 44N
CABINET MEETING**



SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021

**AMERICAN LEGION
15 COTTAGE STREET,
MILFORD NH 03055**



LUNCH: Corned Beef & Cabbage and Dessert - \$15.00 per person

EARLY REGISTRATION: Please Register by contacting PDG Henry McKee either by phone 603.960.1732 or via email hanknh@netzero.net to let him know you will be attending.

Payable to DISTRICT 44N: BEFORE MARCH 1, 2021

Mail to: PDG Henry McKee, 13 Town Road, Orford, NH 03777

NAME: _____

CLUB: _____

Number Attending: ____ @ \$15.00 each Total Due: _____

**EARLY REGISTRATION REQUESTED: ALL SUBJECT TO CHANGE
~ MORE DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED ~**

Fundraising with Terri Lynn

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is working to help the Youth of NH

to meet their needs and accomplish their goals by running this fundraising campaign with **TERRI LYNN**. **YOU CAN HELP TOO!** by purchasing these delicious nuts, snacks and chocolates. Every purchase brings us one step closer to achieving that goal. Please help us with a purchase today! A portion of every product sold on this website benefits Lions Youth Development of New Hampshire (LYSNH)
Go to: <https://LYSNHterriLynn.com> to place your order!
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Add a little sweetness to your day or your favorite Valentine with our premium chocolates and confections! Whatever your preference, from rich dark chocolate to kid-friendly treats. Sweets that taste all the sweeter when you show your support.

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Lions Camp Pride NH est. 1985 opened 1989

How can your club help with the ongoing improvements of the Dining Hall?

We began a project in the past year to give our dining hall a face lift, some of you may have had the opportunity to see phase 1 first hand, it's quite an improvement and makes a huge statement about our camp.

We are looking for clubs to sponsor a section of the continued improvements to the interior walls.

Sample of the current wall A few views of the wall improvements



How you can help is by adopting a wall section, there are a quantity of 6-10'x25' sections to be completed. Each section will cost \$750 for the material, wood, insulation, poly, fasteners and volunteer labor. Your club would receive recognition in the way of a 5"x 6" plaque reflecting your sponsorship.

Can we count on your support?

Contact us with any questions.

Thank you Wakefield Lions for your support of a section of the wall!!!

WE Serve



September 9-11, 2021

YOU'RE GOING TO LOVE DES MOINES!

What are the best things to do in Des Moines?

**GREATER DES MOINES BOTANICAL GARDEN
JOHN & MARY PAPPAS SCULPTURE PARK**

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LIONS YOUTH SERVICE

Second Thursday of the month at
Hannaford's Kilton Rd.
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)

Last Wed of the month at
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Mall, Subject to change

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