

The PRIDE



Newsletter of Lions District 44-H New Hampshire

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Greetings Lions,

By the time this newsletter comes out we will be in SPRING . The Cabinet meeting on March 19th was well attended with over 100 lions in attendance. There were 21 clubs in the District represented. The ability to gather in a shared purpose is something special for Lionism.

This year I have been concentrating efforts in Retention of members as well as the rebuilding of struggling Clubs. I am very pleased to say that our membership numbers are up and just as important we have several clubs that were on the brink of turning in their charters have been able to rise from the ashes.

Now is the time to start the conversation in your Club as to who is stepping forward into the roles of club leadership. The conversation during my visitations to the Clubs is that no one wants to “step up” and take on Club officer positions. This is not a new problem and I think that some of the stigma comes from the lack of Clubs doing “ new member orientation ”. Sometimes it is a FEAR of the unknown. New Member Orientation can be done at the Club , Zone or District Level if necessary. The annual Club Officer Training will be on April 22nd and your new officers will benefit from attending this training . If your club has already determined who next year’s officers are going to be please submit the information on the PU101 (next years officers) on your MyLCI page.

For all of the Club secretaries, the new Lions Portal will be coming in July. The secretaries need to start verifying your members information that is currently in MyLCI. Every lion needs to have an independent email address. The more we can prepare in advance the better the transition will be.

The International Convention in Boston is July 7th -11th and is really shaping up to be a great adventure. If you can please come and show you support for our candidate Steve Middlemiss for International Director. The Convention is a great place to meet Lions from all over the WORLD.

The Spring Convention committee is in the process of meeting and planning a great weekend. We will be honored with to have as our guest, International Director Ernesto “TJ” Tijerina and his wife Lion Juanita. International Director “TJ” will be coming to us from San Antonio Texas.

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



District Membership	This Month	This Year
Opening Balance	1274	1255
Added members	12	90
Dropped members	8	67
Closing Balance	1278	1278
Net Gain/Loss	4	23
Worldwide	1,393,127	

CLUB	NEW MEMBER	SPONSOR
Hudson	Michael Dolan	
Hampstead	James Ward	Robert Bedrosian
Kingston	Jason T Feoli	Gail Ramsey
Kingston	Jennifer R Ramsey	Gail Ramsey
Kingston	Christopher Lee	Kirsten Arnold
Kingston	Gerri Steingisser	Kirsten Arnold
Nashua	Terri Connolly	Ed Lecius
Newmarket Centennial	Andrea E. Bilello	
Wakefield	Sandra Lee	Patricia Currier
Wolfeboro	Holly Williams Aucoin	Regina Lessard
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Health Services of NH Meeting

Monthly 4th Tues 6:30PM

Meets VIA Zoom

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Sight & Hearing of NH Meeting

Monthly 3rd Thurs 6:30PM

Airport Diner, Brown Ave

Manchester

Lions Youth Services Meeting

Monthly 2nd Thurs 6:30 PM

Airport Diner, Brown Ave.

Manchester

Camp Pride Meeting

Monthly 2nd Weds 6:30PM

Airport Diner, Brown Ave

Manchester

Lions Twin State Soccer

Monthly 4th Tues 6:30

Meets Via Zoom

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 12 **Kingston Lions**

April 19 **Wolfeboro Lions**

SPRING CONVENTION May 5-7, 2023

Please email:

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Or call: 575-937-7911 to set up a visitation!!

Anyone recognize the Lion in the white shirt and long hair???





FVDG Kamal Masand
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2023 marks 100 years of Lions in New Hampshire! Manchester Lions Club will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on Saturday, June 24th, and Nashua Lions Club will be celebrating their 100th anniversary on Saturday, September 30th. We hope to see Lions supporting Lions at these grand anniversaries. In 100 years, New Hampshire Lions have grown to over 75 clubs, and over 2300 members. We have done wonderful projects to

enhance our communities, and we have raised incredible amounts of money that we donate back to our communities through service projects and support to other organizations.

The nomination and election of Club Officers should be well underway in your Clubs. Please plan to have your newly elected officers input into MyLCI before April 15th or directly after the club completes elections, so they can be included in the District Directory for next year.

Club Officer training is a way for all Lions to learn more about the roles of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chair. This training will take place on April 22nd in Concord, and is open to all NH Lions. We hope to see many Lions attend.

Don't forget to register for the 44H Annual Convention taking place on May 5th through 7th in Conway, NH.

International President Brian Sheehan recently shared these thoughts on innovation.

Like so many of you, I'm proud to carry on my family's legacy as a Lion. But today, we're doing things a whole lot differently than my grandfather did. That's because innovation is such a huge part of our tradition, and it's how we've met the changing needs of our communities for generations.

Innovation is about embracing new ideas, new service and new ways of connecting with our communities—and it begins with each of us. So let's keep thinking about new ways to innovate. Because when we ensure that our tradition of service is as vital today as it ever was, we not only honor our past, we create a brighter future for our communities and our world.

Consider what innovative new ideas you can develop for your Club.

Selfless Service to Humanity is Service to God.
Kamal Masand



SVDG Peter Lapointe

As we enter the last quarter of this lions' year, now is the time to re-assess both your club and individual goals and adjust to bring about the results you want. There is no better way to bring about positive change than to get involved in a spring service project within your community.

Your local clubs should be taking the steps to identify next year's club officers and encouraging them to attend the district leadership training classes scheduled for April 22nd at the NH Police Standards & Training Facility 17 Institute Drive Concord N.H. I strongly encourage everyone to enroll in one of the sessions, even if you're not planning to be an officer this year. It's a great way to gain exposure on what each role plays in your local club's future success.

What is the best way to impact retention and new membership growth? Get involved in a service project that serves a need in your local community. Service projects are one of the best ways to attract new members and to get existing members engaged. Take the time to call someone who hasn't been seen in a while and invite them to join along with you in an event.

In case you haven't seen the news lately, disasters like earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, train derailments in Ohio or conflicts like the war in Ukraine have created human suffering and hardships. Your Lions foundation (LCIF) has been there in all of these tragedies providing financial support, as well as, goods and services to help those impacted. Let's all do what we can to make a difference. Please donate. Every dollar helps.

I would also like to offer a challenge to all members. We have several clubs across the district that need your help. We all have family, friends and co-workers who may live in other communities. Refer someone to membership in a community where one of our 37 clubs under 20 members currently exist and help them grow to new heights. Clubs like Barrington, Derry, Epping, Epsom/Chichester, Laconia-Gilford, Litchfield, Londonderry, Meredith, Nashua Everest, Newmarket, Dover-Rollinsford-So. Berwick, Portsmouth, Saddleback Mountain, Suncook Valley, Whittier and Raymond could all use our combined help in growing membership.

Remember - Spread your wings and reach new heights!

We Serve

Lion Peter

2nd Vice District Governor 44H

Peter J. LaPointe

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Comments from GML, Gail Dacey

Global Membership April

Thank you to everyone who brought in a new member last year, because of you my position was easy and I received the district excellence award at the cabinet meeting.

Remember to keep asking people to join. Think outside the box. Check out PTA meetings, scholarship dinners, especially high school events such as safe nights sporting events and band performances. Those parents are used to volunteering and now the child will be away at college and they will be looking to find something else to keep them busy. Let me know if you need anything.

Gail

Comments from GST, Lara Middlemiss

District 44 H E-Clubhouse

Service Chart



District 44-H is on a mission to collaborate and share our successes. If you have a past or recent event that your club is proud of, please take a moment and fill out this short questionnaire so we can share your knowledge with new members and smaller clubs across our district.

[Questionnaire](#)  Click here to access template. Clubs may fill out as many as they wish.

To those who attended the Cabinet Meeting, the hope is that the e-clubhouse presentation increased comfortability with navigating and utilizing the tools. For those unable to attend the Cabinet Meeting, the following shows the steps to accessing the Event Log template.

We hope that this data sharing tool can meet the needs of clubs. Please let either Brad Duquette or myself know of any additions or changes that would enable the tool to capture information that will help your club when deciding on a new service or fundraising activity to take on.

**Comments from GLT, Marilyn Vaccaro**

Ready, Set, Go!!!!

February - choose your leadership

Vote on them in March

Train them at the April Training session.

Hope you have your 2023-2024 leadership in place!

SAVE THE DATE:: Training for Pres, Sec, Tres, Membership Chair is April 22, 2023

REMINDER: Report your leadership by May 15, 2023 on LCI

Marilyn Vaccaro

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MCC Chair Comments, Robert Gustafson

The Multiple District is working toward activities for the 105th International Convention in Boston (LCICon 2023) from July 7th-11th. The cost for each Lion to register is now \$250 through June 30th. From July 1st through on- site registration, the fee will be \$325. You can register by going to www.mcsisemi.com/LCI2023. For the registration fee, you'll get an official name badge, souvenir medallion, an official convention program and one entrance for the International Show along with other free seminars. Plus, you'll get to march in the Parade where MD44 expects to have a great Float and Band. This will be a great experience. Please sign up if you can.

Please see information in the Newsletters about the Parade Uniform and how you can order it. Our Uniform Chair, Joe Kasper, expects us to dress the same to represent New Hampshire unity.

Note that on Saturday, April 22nd, the NH Past and Present District Governor's Association will be conducting Officer Training in Concord. For a \$5 fee, Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs can get vital information about their respective roles in their Clubs this upcoming fiscal year. This training is well worth it. Sign up via the registration form in the Newsletters.

And, as always, thank you all for Serving with Kindness.

PDG/Cabinet Secretary Treasurer Kitty Callender

Have you heard the "buzz"? In a few months, MyLion, MyLCI and Insights, along with some additional tools and functionality will be combined into a unified mobile-friendly experience called the **LION PORTAL**.

"What do I need to do"? You ask.

Check your Lion Account Information.

Make sure everything is up to date. This includes your name, contact info and communication preferences.

Confirm you have a unique (not shared) email address.

Stay up-to-date. Check for news and resources at lionsclubs.org/portal.

Lions Clubs International is taking the functionality of our current digital tools and evolving the overall experience.

One Lion account.

One member portal.

One streamlined user experience across all your devices; phone, tablet, and computer.

One technology platform powering it ALL.

SALESFORCE

More information to come!

Cabinet Secretary Lion Kitty Callender



The Campaign Trail

Lions Day at the United Nations

The NH delegation to the 45th Annual Lions Day at the UN held in NYC on March 3rd & 4th.

Nashua Lion Mary Ann Melizza-Golja, Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss, PCC Steve Middlemiss, Lion Elaine Lecius and PID Ed Lecius



44H Candidate for International Director, PCC Steve Middlemiss and Lion LeeAnn joined IPIP Doug Alexander and MD33 PID Joyce and PDG Martin Middleton at the pre - LDUN dinner March 3rd Thursday night in NYC.



Celebrating a highly successful 45th Lions Day at the UN PID Ed Lecius, Lion Elaine, Nashua Lion Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, Lion Lori Sheehan, IP Brian Sheehan, CID Steve Middlemiss and Lion Lee Ann Middlemiss

CID Steve Middlemiss visited VT D45 on March 11th, 2023. DG Kathy Dorman presented Area 1 PCC Hillary Kunnick, CID Steve & PDG Gary Rodgers with a personal pin, a District pin and a sign that reads:

“BEKind”

“Help Your Community, Join A Lions Club!”





Cancer Awareness

Childhood Cancer

Some of you met the Walls at the November Cabinet Meeting. I met them last year at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event at Pinkerton Academy. Their story makes you think why hasn't Childhood Cancer been researched as much as other cancers. Last year at this Event the Salem Lions were a Gold Together Sponsor. What that means is every dollar that the team raised went to Childhood Cancer research. The Salem Lions have decided to be a Gold Together Sponsor again this year. This is where we all can help with Donations to Childhood Cancer Research. Relay For Life Southern NH event is on June 17th at Pinkerton High School from 1 to 10. If you want to join our team Salem Lions/Cathy's Angels we would love to have you join us. The money donated will go towards Childhood Cancer Research. I have attached a link here so you can see what it is all about. Just highlight the link and paste it into the google. If you don't want to join the team you just want to donate your Club can do that as well by clicking on the link and hit the Donate button. Or filling out a sponsorship form. If you want more information please email me at m.ackroyd@comcast.net or call me at 603-553-5001 I will be happy to answer any questions.

https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR/RelayForLife/RFLCY23NER?px=3280656&pg=personal&fr_id=104706

Diabetes Awareness

Diabetes Awareness

Defeat Diabetes Month is observed in April each year. It is the initiative of the Defeat Diabetes Foundation (D.D.F.). It is projected that around 643 million people worldwide will be living with diabetes by 2030. Through this observation, the D.D.F. raises awareness about the preventable nature of Type 2 diabetes and focuses on the multitude of lifestyle and dietary changes that can be implemented to minimize the chances of contracting the disease.

HISTORY OF DEFEAT DIABETES MONTH

Type 2 diabetes is a life-threatening autoimmune disorder and a chronic condition that makes people vulnerable to several illnesses. Some resultant ailments such as vision loss, renal failure, heart attack, and stroke can take a serious turn.

April is designated as Defeat Diabetes Month by the Defeat Diabetes Foundation (D.D.F.). Through its progressive programs and an integrated approach to collecting resources, the D.D.F. has taken the lead to eliminate the chances of contracting the disease within our lifetime.

Since 1998, the D.D.F. has been a leading force in the field, investing in sustainable and research-based solutions aimed at identifying, preventing, and managing Type 2 diabetes. Eradicating diabetes is a social responsibility that will require a long-term plan that includes providing affordable care for vulnerable patients. Diabetic sufferers can pursue a productive, healthy, and happy life through self-management and regular care.

The D.D.F. calls for a complete revaluation of how we live our lives. With unsustainable structures such as dining out and in-house work becoming the norm, our desire to pursue healthier, more active lives has diminished. A sedentary lifestyle has wide-reaching consequences for our health. According to the American Diabetes Association (A.D.A.), 1.4 million Americans are diagnosed with diabetes every year. Since diabetes is an epidemic, the D.D.F. believes that efforts must be made at both individual and systemic levels to rein in the disease with interventionist public-health campaigns, awareness ads in print/broadcast media, and the annual observation of Defeat Diabetes Month.

Consuming fresh, unprocessed food and working out regularly not only reduces your risk but is key to living a healthy lifestyle free from lethargy and unproductiveness.

Environment

ENVIRONMENT

Earth Day- Saturday, April 22, 2023

Did you know?

1. There are 2 Earth Days, March 21st, and April 22nd. Some countries celebrate both dates but in the United States, April 22 is the official date.
2. October, 1969, former plastics businessman John McConnell suggested and created the first Earth Day celebration; he selected the spring equinox (March 21) as an appropriate date. Mr. McConnell designed and created the Earth Day flag which is still used today.
3. In 1970, Congressman Nelson (Wisconsin) made a proposal to create the first official US Earth Day as April 22nd each year. It is said that Nelson, inspired by the student anti-Vietnam protests and demands to protect the environment, chose April, a time span between "Spring Break" and final exams. This would allow more students to participate in their "teach-ins". Others claim the date was chosen because it did not conflict with any other national or religious holidays. Arbor Day was also considered attributing to the April choice because it is celebrated on the last Friday in April each year- a day that promotes planting and caring for trees.
4. The first U.S. Official Earth Day, April 22, 1970, lead to the creation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the passing of many laws aimed at protecting the environment i.e., Clean Air, Clean Water, Endangered Species, etc.
5. In 1990, Earth Day became a global event that mobilized 200 million people and 141 countries to work towards saving the planet.
6. April 22, 2016 - 174 countries and the European Union signed the Paris Agreement which committed both rich and poor countries to fight against global warming.
7. Now, in the 2020 decade, over a billion people and more than the original 174 countries participate in Earth Day activities, making it the largest civic observance in the world, according to Earth Day.Org (EDO).
8. The official theme for Earth Day, 2023 is "Invest in Our Planet"- a continuation of the very successful 2022 campaign of the same name.

So how can we celebrate Earth Day??

Think Big: Plant more trees, volunteer for environmental clean-ups, spread the message to "reduce, recycle, reuse" ...

Think Small: use metal straws, use reusable bottles/cups, use toxic free cleaning supplies, rags instead of paper towels, plant a garden, donate/support local environmental organizations...

Find at least one thing in your daily lifestyle you can switch out for a more sustainable practice!

Hunger

Martha Ackerman – Hunger Chair

World Day of the Poor Part 2

"What path of justice must be followed so that social inequalities can be overcome and human dignity, so often trampled upon can be restored?" (World Day of Poor statement)

World Day of the Poor is an invitation for all of us to join the work to address the systems and structures that perpetuate poverty. All too often those effected by poverty in the United States are cast aside and judged as lesser, simply because they fall victim to a cycle of poverty that is, by design, nearly impossible to overcome. One of the most significant things we can do is to embrace and walk alongside the poor. It's about understanding the systems that led them to become marginalized, rather than placing blame on them for their situation.

Many of us live comfortably while turning a blind eye to our suffering neighbors. We need to work on improving ourselves and shift our mindset. We must not only give back to our communities but also seek guidance to understand the difference between charity and justice. Charity is an important response to immediate necessity. It is a temporary fix that doesn't address the roots of why poverty exists and how marginalized people get caught in its cycle. Addressing systems and structures that keep people in poverty, however, is the work of justice.

As we look to November 14, 2023, let us make plans to spend the day building solidarity with those in our community. Let's volunteer at local food pantries and shelters and other community agencies that not only provide immediate charitable relief but also organize and empower impoverished communities to enact systemic changes. Action for the poor is essential, yet that action can't always be achieved without funding. To ensure nobody lacks the essentials, we need to empower groups on the ground across this country who work day in day out to eradicate poverty. Please support your local community agencies that work to help feed the poor.

Why wait til November to help. Let's start NOW!

Next month...where and how to help locally.



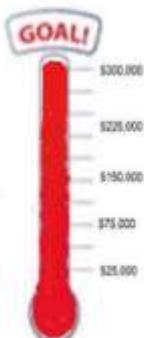
LIONS CAMP PRIDE CONNECTION

April 2023

Happy Spring,

Although it feels like Spring has sprung there is still 10" of snow at the Camp. Our first group of renters come in on April 14th. ROTC of UNH will have 50-60 cadets using our facilities for training for 3 days. That means we will need to have 5 buildings (Dining hall, One on One, Salem, Nashua, and Wakefield) ready for their occupancy. I know it's early, but we could use a little help with minimum cleanup to make those facilities presentable. So if you read the newsletter and you have the time? Please let me know. I'm thinking the week of April 3d or 10th will work. Meanwhile I will need to get the water turned on so they are ready to go. Staff and Moultonborough bunkhouses are just about where they were before Christmas. Just waiting for the warmer weather to break so construction can continue. Work continues Wednesdays at the Pavilion. It's a great place to stage and prefab other projects throughout the campus. Our Spring work days to complete building cleanups are April 15th, 22nd, 29th May 13th, 20th, and 27 and June 10th. Please let me know when you are coming so we can be ready for you. The Pavilion continues to move closer to completion. Attic insulation is done, Epoxy floors are done, cabinets and counters are done, plumbing fixtures are all set. Tables, chairs, and storage racks are on site and put together. Thanks to the Hampton Lions Club for their generous donation.

Please mark your calendar that our Pavilion ribbon cutting will take place on June 3d from 11-2, all are invited and there is no charge. Flyer attached and please RSVP to Marilyn. Headcount is critical for caterer.



LCP Board members	\$58,915
Lions	\$93,140
Clubs	\$106,445
Corporate	\$6,700
LCP Friends	\$35,505
Total	\$300,705

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Gerry and Bob B stacking chairs



What a team 96 chairs
and 3 chair racks



Bob D unpacking and cardboard control



Mike and Peter chair rack assembly

Chairs are ready to go. Let's party



Invites you to *Ribbon Cutting of*
New Recreational Pavilion



DATE: June 3, 2023

TIME: 11:00am-2:00pm

PLACE: Lions Camp Pride
154 Lions Camp Pride Way
New Durham, NH

Because of the efforts of many volunteers, service providers and contractors we are celebrating completing the Lions Camp Pride Pavilion.

RSVP BY May 15 with # of guests attending

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Come join the Celebration

Light Refreshments will be served



Atkinson Lions Events

A very successful fundraiser for the Atkinson Lions Club on March 25th, Eagles Tribune Band, "Another Tequila Sunrise"



Dover, Rollinsford, and South Berwick Club



March 28, 2023

The Lions Club of Dover, Rollinsford and South Berwick has been busy!

For Immediate Release: The Dover, Rollinsford and South Berwick (DRSB) Lions Club has been very busy serving the community in the month of March. A \$500 shopping spree for the Dover Children's Home made their Easter festivities memorable. A Lions Youth Services grant helped make this possible, with Lions member Deborah Tobar acting as volunteer liaison for the Dover Children's Home.

Members of the DRSB Lions have also conducted vision screenings at three area middle schools. Their state-of-the-art machine can identify a child's prescription and recommend additional follow up with an optometrist in a matter of seconds. Lions handed out stickers, high fives and had a great time meeting with the children.

Collection of plastics that would otherwise end up in our landfills continues to be a priority. This recycling effort is part of the Trex "Nextrax" challenge and beautiful park benches made from these materials have been donated throughout the community.

The Lions Club of Dover, Rollinsford and South Berwick is a member of the Lions Club International, which began in 1917. Their motto is "We Serve." The club gathers bi-monthly to find ways to improve their community. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at Cara Irish Pub in Dover, NH

For more information about the Dover, Rollinsford, South Berwick Lions Club, visit <https://www.facebook.com/DRSBLionsClub>



Pictured: Lions Club members Jennifer Laurent, Catherine Allen, Langdon Plummer and Caleb Allen.

Epping Lions Events

The Epping Lions Club will be hosting the annual Lamprey River Canoe & Kayak Race on Saturday, April 29th, 2022.

The race takes place on the wild and scenic Lamprey River. The race is approximately 7.3 miles long, beginning at Mary Blair Park on Rt. 27 in Epping and ending down-river at the trail-landing near the Rt. 87 bridge.

Registration begins at 8am and the race begins promptly at 9am. Categories for the race are: Male Solo, Female Solo, 2-person. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place finishers in each category.

All entrants must wear a life preserver (no exceptions!).

This race has been a staple in the community for over 40 years. The Lions took over the race from the Conservation Commission in 2009. Many entrants are familiar faces year after year and friendly rivalries continue after each running.

Registration is \$15/person and runs from 8am – 9am on race day only.

Monies raised from this annual fundraiser are used to help members in our community who are in need, of vision and hearing assistance.

We hope to see you on race day!



PSYCHIC & Craft Fair

SAT April 22, 2023

10am-4pm

Located at the Hudson
Community Center
12 Lions Ave, Hudson



Event Sponsored
by Hudson Lions Club

For Info Contact:

Sholeh 603-557-2490 or Jeri 603-320-3614

email: Sholeh.sexton4@gmail.com

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?



Hudson Club Events



Hudson Lions at the Dollar tree to help fill the Easter baskets for Hudson Food Pantry on March 11th

Hudson Club members who took part were Ann Read, Sue Jones, 1VP Kim Fournier, Wendy Lorentzen, Lillian Bellisle, Dr. Dave Appler, Ann Mason, Sholeh Sexton, Robin Rodgers, Kate Dufour, Pauline Boisvert, Peggie Lever, Lara Raymond, and Linda Hedrick, Club President. The little helpers were Lyla and Adria Dufour, and Chloe and Brielle Fournier. 4 boxes of items to fill Easter Baskets and \$212.88 in cash donations.



Candidates Night at the March 13th Club meeting. Candidate for 2nd VDG, Peter LaPointe and Candidate for District Governor, Kamal Masand spoke to club members about their goals. President Linda Hedrick welcomed them.



Members of the Hudson Lions Club attended the District 44H Cabinet Meeting on March 19th.

Global Action Team medals were presented by MCC Bob Gustafson to

GMT Gail Dacey, GST Lara Raymond, GLT Celeste Ricupero

MCC Bob Gustafsson presented FVP Kimberlee Fournier with the Hudson Club Excellence Award.



March 20th

Members of the Hudson Lions Club attended the Nashua Lions Club "Green Auction."

Photo right: "Irish Brothers"

PCC Roger LaTulippe, PID Ed Lecius.



KINGSTON LIONS CLUB



Proceeds will benefit **HIGH POINTE HOUSE**
Hospice and Palliative Care Residence of Tufts
Medicine Care at Home in Haverhill MA

WHEN: FRIDAY, April 21st – 7:00pm

WHERE: SADDLE UP SALOON

92 Route 125, Kingston NH

Come join the fun, win high quality meat prizes and help our community at the same time! We hope to see you there!



Tufts Medicine
Care at Home



Laconia Gilford Club Events



Electronic Waste Collection Day

Laconia-Gilford Lions Club

April 8

Gilford Cinemas 8 Parking Lot, Gilford

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Bring your unwanted electronics to Cinemas 8 parking lot, 9 Old Lakeshore Road in Gilford on Saturday, April 8, between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Lions Club members will even help you unload them! You do not have to be a resident of Laconia or Gilford to take advantage of this fundraiser - it is open to everyone.

Items you may want to consider dropping off are laptops, PC towers, PC LCD monitors, servers, CD/DVD players, camcorders, AV equipment, VCRs, speakers, copiers, faxes, scanners, printers, phones (land and cell), phone systems, humidifiers and computer accessories (all \$5).

In addition, we will also take microwaves, air conditioners, dehumidifiers (all \$10), CRT monitors less than 50 lbs. and TVs less than 25" (\$20), TVs 26" and larger (\$30). For TVs needing more than one person to lift or CRT monitors over 50 lbs., the item will be weighed on site and price determined. Anything with a cord will be accepted.

Don't miss this opportunity or you'll be storing these things another year - "Don't throw it out, Recycle it!" The Laconia-Gilford Lions Club appreciates your help with their Electronic Waste Collection Day fundraising event and wishes to thank in advance everyone who contributes to making a real difference in our community.

Suggested photo caption:

Laconia-Gilford Lions Club members (from left to right) Bill Chandler, Matt Soza, Allyn Bridge, Marylin Brown and Lori Chandler working at the last Electronic Waste Collection Day.

Meredith Club Events

Scholarship season is here, and the Meredith Lions Club is offering four to be presented in June.

The first three are open to graduating seniors from the Inter-Lakes school district and are each worth \$1000.00. The original scholarship is named for the club and awarded to the student with at least four years of community service, with a proven kindness to their fellow man.

The second one is named for Lion Clyde Dolly who was a local handy man/carpenter. This scholarship will go to the applicant who will be furthering their career in the trades such as HVAC, mechanics, etc.

The Bob Valliere scholarship is sports related and honors a Lions member who helped bring the lights to Prescott Park and the Community Center to Meredith. The Jan Adams Memorial Scholarship is named for a former school nurse and dedicated Lion. This scholarship is worth \$1500.00 and is open to any student in the Meredith, Center Harbor, Holderness, and Sandwich communities who will or is taking part in medical studies. Applications can be found at the guidance office at Inter-Lakes Jr./Sr. High School or the Meredith Public Library.

Milford Club Events



COME JOIN the MILFORD LIONS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
as we kick off our FIRST ANNUAL MILFORD LION'S DASH 5K ROAD RACE!

THE RACE starts at the MILFORD COMMUNITY HOUSE and
winds through the back streets of Milford
ending back at the Community House.

RACE TIME is 10:00 am on SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

THIS RACE IS OPEN TO AGES 13 and OLDER

MORE INFO at

[https://runsignup.com/Race/NH/Milford/
MilfordLionsDash5k](https://runsignup.com/Race/NH/Milford/MilfordLionsDash5k)



Scan for Details

EARLY Registration through MARCH 31st: \$ 25.00

PRE-Registration until APRIL 27th:
(Online Registration Closes on 4/27/23) \$ 30.00

RACE DAY Registration APRIL 29th: \$ 35.00

Nashua Club Events

Nashua Lions Club News

Al Savage Receives Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship while Celebrating His 95th Birthday!



A few Lions stopped by to celebrate Al's 95th birthday with him. Lots of memories were shared, and several laughs brought smiles to all. Joining Al were PID Ed, King Lion Paul, and Lions Kelly Fox and Linda Quebec. While there, PID Ed Lecius presented Al with a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship. Al has



been a member since 1951 and he was Club President 1964-1965. Congratulations on your Progressive Melvin Jones, Al, and happy 95th birthday!

Lions Day with the United Nations: Nashua Lions PID Ed



Lecius, Elaine Lecius, and Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, joined candidate for International Director PCC Steve Middlemiss, and Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss

at Lions Day with the UN in New York City. This event celebrates the partnership between LCI and the UN, where LCI has been a consultative non-government organization to the UN since 1945. The theme was "Hunger, Nutrition and Wellness." Pictured: Lightening the mood are PID Ed and Lion Elaine Lecius, Lion Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, Lion Lori and International President Brian Sheehan, Candidate for International Director Steve and Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss.



Plastic Recycling: Nashua Lions have completed collecting plastic for our third Trex bench. When it arrives, it will be donated to Girls, Inc in Nashua. Moving forward we are collecting plastic to help the Nashua North LEOs with their recycling project.



New Members! Pictured during new member induction are Mike Soucy, Susan Lavoie, Jim Lavoie, sponsor PID Ed Lecius, Paule Ralph, sponsor Louise Deschenes, John Ralph, and ceremony facilitator First Vice District Governor Kamal Masand. Welcome to the Nashua Lions Club, Mike, Susan, Jim, Paule, and John!



End 68 Hours of Hunger: Nashua Lions volunteered with others to pack 387 bags of food for Nashua school children at risk of hunger over the weekend. End 68 Hours Of Hunger in Nashua packs bags weekly. Pictured: Paule Ralph, Linda Hudon, Linda Quebec, John Ralph, and Louise Deschenes. Lions volunteer weekly with this organization.

Congratulations to Nashua Lions Club on achieving the Club Excellence Award for 2021-2022!

Nashua Club Events

High School Basketball Unsung Hero Awards Continued: King Lion Paul Bergeron and PID Ed Lecius presented the Unsung Hero basketball awards at Nashua HS South with presentations to Karsten Lemire and Brady Murray. Later that evening, they were joined by Lion Sherri Juris for the presentations at Nashua HS North with awards presented to Jack Peters and Kaley Basford.



Nashua South Recipients:
Brady Murray and Karsten Lemire



Nashua North Boys Team
Recipient: Jack Peters



Nashua North Girls Team
Recipient: Kaley Basford



Green Auction: One of our largest fundraisers during the year, the Green Auction was lively! With nearly 100 people in attendance and over 50 items up for auction, auctioneer PID Ed Lecius kept things moving along with great bids received on auction items. Congratulations to auction winners, and a huge thank you to everyone for being a part of the evening. We are grateful to the support of the Hudson Lions and Salem Lions who join the shenanigans. Special thanks to the Green Auction committee for pulling together a fun evening with a nice variety of items. Committee members include Dave Fredette, Martha Ackerman, June Caron, Joel Ackerman, and PID Ed Lecius.

The evening also provided a great opportunity to recognize two past Presidents for their service to the Club in our 100th anniversary year. Congratulations to Lou Marino and Dr Karl Engelhart on receiving Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowships. PID Ed also presented service chevrons to four members who have reached grand milestones this year. Congratulations to June Caron on 20 years as a Lion, and Elaine Lecius on 25 years, Dr Karl Engelhart on 35 years, and Dr Robert Moheban on 50 years!



PID Ed presenting Melvin Jones Fellow to
past president Lou Marino



PID Ed presenting Melvin Jones Fellow to
past president Dr Karl Engelhart



June Caron receiving 20 year
service chevron



Elaine Lecius receiving 25 year service
chevron



Dr Karl Engelhart receiving 35 year
service chevron



Dr Robert Moheban receiving 50
year service chevron

Salem Club Events

Salem and Windham Lions at the cabinet meeting.



Donating to the Salem High School Robotics team and cooking for their competition



Salem lions at Nashua Lions green auction



Salem Lions along with AAA sponsored a successful blood drive. We had everyone sign Christmas cards for the troops.



Salem Lions collected donations for the food pantries with a showstoppers dance. Many of our Lions members were the dancers.



Saddleback Mountain Club Events

- The Saddleback Mountain Lions Club is celebrating 50 years on April 23, 2023. To celebrate this milestone, we are having a pizza party. Come join us if you can and share memories of great Lions members and activities. We will be upstairs (use the back entrance) at the American Legion Post 103 at 37 North Road in Deerfield NH from 1 -4 on Sunday, April 23. We have invited past members and also have opened the event up to the public in the hopes of recruiting new members. Live music, games, beanbag toss, and other fun activities are planned. Don't miss the fun!
- Unfortunately, this past winter didn't provide safe conditions for ice racing. Saddleback Mountain Lions still put together an ad book, and the proceeds will be donated to Lion's Camp Pride. Ads are still available.



- Saddleback Mountain Lions Club meetings are now scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month at the Northwood Community Center at 6:30. Come join us!

PID Ed Lecius and District Governor Randy Tompkins presented a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation to Exeter Lion Melanie Saunders from International President Brian Sheehan for her service to her club and district



PID Ed Lecius and District Governor Randy Tompkins presented a special Presidential Campaign 100 medal to immediate Past District Governor Bob Gustafson and Past Council Chair and District LCIF chair Bill Rathbun for their efforts in surpassing their goal for the campaign





Zone 5 Meeting

Sunday April 23, 2023

1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.

Camp Pride

154 Lions Camp Pride Way

New Durham, NH

Open to the entire district.

You are welcome to bring your own picnic lunch.

Water will be provided.

There will be a guest speaker from the American Diabetes Association.

Come hear what your dollars to the camp mean to the children that attend.

R.S.V.P. to keylion03@gmail.com by April 16th.

What is Lions Lift?

Lions Lift is an excellent opportunity to provide essential transportation for the blind and visually impaired people living in your community!

Lions Lift is a partnership with NH Lions clubs and Future In Sight's Volunteer Drivers program. It is a service project in each club's community which provides essential rides.



The Need...

Did you know that there are nearly 26,000 blind and visually impaired individuals in New Hampshire? Every Lions Club likely has many blind and visually impaired individuals who need essential rides in their community. Lions can make a difference with your help!

How It Works

- We connect Lion members and their clubs with the Blind and Visually Impaired in need through Future In Sight.
- All interested Lion participants register with the Future In Sight Volunteer Driver program.
- Future In Sight conducts an orientation and training so all participants feel comfortable and confident with the service project.
- Once all volunteer paperwork is processed including background checks, paid for by Future In Sight, participants are welcomed into the Lions Lift Program.
- Ride opportunities for your area are shared with you by the Future In Sight Coordinator of Volunteer Services, Donna Fanny. You may choose which opportunities match your comfort and availability.
- Future In Sight will track the number of individuals served, miles driven and provide regular reports for each club pertaining to all their participating members.

For more information please contact:

Donna Fanny, Future In Sight Coordinator of Volunteer Services | 603 565 2409 | dfanny@futureinsight.org
PDG Scott Wilson, Lions Lift Coordinator | 603 770 3700 | scottwils@comcast.net

Comments from Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation President PCC Steve Middlemiss

We reviewed 2 cases at our last meeting which were approved for \$2,540.00. Year to date LSHF has helped 24 individuals for a cost of \$25,606.00. **Once again clubs, please let your communities know that LSHF is here to help them with their sight and hearing needs.** Thank you to the Lions of MD 44 for supporting LSHF and allowing us to help those in need in our communities.

Presidents, please consider honoring one of your members for their work in your club this year by awarding them a Granite State Fellow. A GSF is also a great way to recognize an organization that has contributed to your success this year. With Officer Installations, Club Year End events coming up quickly time is growing short to place your orders. Please contact PCC Roger LaTulippe to place your order at dgrog-er@comcast.net. If you are unsure if you have the \$500 cost banked with LSHF please contact our Treasurer PCC Fred Plett at mccplett@gmail.com.

Please remember that every lion of MD 44 is a member of Lion Sight and Hearing Foundation and are always welcome to our monthly meetings held the third Thursday of each month at the Airport Diner at 6:30 pm.

Yours in Lionism

PCC Steve Middlemiss

President LS&HF



Lions Youth Services

Terri Lynn Fundraiser - please look for the latest flyer in this newsletter. We thank you for all your continued support with this fundraiser. Remember Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14, 2023 so get those orders in time for delivery.

2023 Calendar Raffle - Contact Harry Armstrong at harrya616@yahoo.com for Tickets. \$5.00 each or (5) Tickets for \$20.00. Drawing will take place on April 13.

Peace Poster Contest - "Dare to Dream"

Peace Poster Kits for 2023-2024 are now available, clubs wishing to purchase a kit may do so now. Please contact Rhonda Wynne at rwvnemilford@comcast.net if your club wishes to purchase a kit. Each Kit is \$12.00 and can be mailed to you. Please send your request to Rhonda with a contact name, club name, a mailing address and the number of kits and she will mail it to you. Mail in your check to Lions Youth Services, PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811 payable to Lions Youth Services and make note that this is for a Peace Poster Kit.

DRAWING WILL BE HELD APRIL 13TH.

LIONS YOUTH SERVICE						
31 CHANCES TO WIN for just FIVE DOLLARS! ONE TICKET DRAWN FOR EACH DAY!						
Tickets \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 Drawing to be held April 13, 2023						
No. 00000						
March 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
BONUS DRAWINGS TO BE ANNOUNCED						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Coronado Brewery Gift Card \$50.00		\$50.00	New England Professional Services \$100.00	Stearns Repertory Theatre Gift Card \$100.00	Deer's King \$100.00 Gift Card & 1 Year \$50.00 Gift Card	John & Vicki \$50.00 Bleach Clean
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Coronado Brewery Gift Card \$50.00		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$200.00	Stearns Repertory Theatre Gift Card \$100.00
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
\$50.00	\$50.00	Stearns Repertory Theatre Gift Card	\$50.00	Half gallon Maple Syrup	\$100.00	\$50.00
26	27	28	29	30	31	
\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	Half gallon Maple Syrup	\$50.00	\$50.00	

Contributors:

- 1. Luanne Bell
- 2. PGD Al Gottschalk
- 3. Woodlawn Farms
- 4. John Reiley & Harry Armstrong
- 5. Casino Rewards
- 6. NYNG GIN Michael Endley
- 7. DEI Ringtop
- 8. New England Professional Services
- 9. PGD Marie Bell
- 10. Art DE. John Wynne
- 11. Bette Energy LLC Caspax
- 12. Casino Rewards
- 13. Casino Lanes USA
- 14. PGD Harry Masse
- 15. NYNG Tom O'Brien
- 16. NYNG Peter LaPonte
- 17. NYNG John & Rhonda Wynne
- 18. PGD Marie Bell
- 19. DEI CS Pen Projects
- 20. Lorraine & Walter Davis CHW
- 21. Julie Cestra Lorraine
- 22. NYCC Alex Reed
- 23. H.L. Armstrong & Woodlawn Farms
- 24. IPCC TD Candidate Jerry Malibene
- 25. PLV-Jim Hogerson
- 26. Art DE. John Wynne
- 27. NYNG Robert Gantman
- 28. UPI & CS Penning & Shelling-Terry Bell
- 29. H.L. Armstrong Casino Lanes
- 30. NYNG Kristi Masse
- 31. Bette Energy LLC Caspax



PEACE CONTESTS
LIONS INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER CONTEST
325 W 22nd St, Oak Brook, IL 60521 USA
PEACE STARTS HERE

Peace Poster 2023-2024 Contest
Kit, "Dare to Dream".
Each kit contains all the materials
needed to sponsor the contest in a
school or youth group, including
complete rules, promotional
material and recognition
certificates for participants.

Next Lions Youth Services Meeting
April 13, 2023



Fundraising with

LIONS YOUTH SERVICES continues their efforts in helping the youth of NH to meet their needs and accomplish their goals. This fundraising campaign with **Terri Lynn** helps us one step at a time in achieving that goal. Your purchase today will help — and we know you will love the premium nuts, gourmet confections, and sweet & savory snack mixes that Terri Lynn has to offer. Visit their website to see their full product line.

With  **Mom's special day** coming soon, (Sunday, May 14th), what better time to place an order than now.....
for that special "Mom" in your heart!



Dark Chocolate Sea Salt Caramels

Buttery caramels covered in decadent dark chocolate with a pinch of sea salt.



Milk Chocolate Pecan Clusters

Classic combination of tender roasted salted pecan pieces and buttery caramel generously covered in creamy milk chocolate.



Thank You for your order!
TO PLACE YOUR ORDER VISIT:

<https://LYSNH.terrilynn.com>

Mother's Day cut off ordering date is
Saturday, April 22, 2023



A portion of every product sold on this website
benefits Lions Youth Development
of New Hampshire (LYSNH)
Free shipping when you order \$30 or more (per
recipient address). For orders under \$30, it's a
\$5.00 flat rate per address (for any size
order, anywhere in the USA)



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES
PO Box 156
Atkinson, NH 03811

~ GRANT APPLICATION ~

All applications must be mailed

1. Contact Info: _____
2. Phone # _____
3. Club _____ District _____
4. Requester's Name _____ Club President Signature _____
5. Mailing Address: _____
6. E-Mail Address: _____

7. Project Details _____

8. Project Budget: _____
9. Requested Amount: _____

10. How does this benefit the Youth of New Hampshire? *(Evidence of impact)*

Grant Request Summary: All requests made must be made through Lions in 44H and/or 44N in the State of New Hampshire for \$500.00 with no more than 2 within a Lion's Year. (Jul-Jun) and they must be for different projects.

Project Title; Start and End Date _____

Today's Date: _____

Board Approved _____

Board Denied _____



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT



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

Spring is On the Way

And Spring means mud and sloppy roads and sidewalks. Keeping a dog and harness clean at this time of year is a challenge! Since we go into places like grocery stores where an impeccably groomed dog is a must, I need to take special care to keep Jewel looking her very best. I use leather conditioner to keep the harness supple, and lots of brushing to keep her coat clean. Spring also means warmer days – and shedding! Although German Shepherd Dogs are known for constantly shedding their coats, they shed a lot more at the turn of the seasons. We keep a lot of birds happy with soft hair to line their nests!

Please send contributions to the DogSight 2022-2023 campaign 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!!

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



Raised for Fidelco in 2022-2023: \$16,701.

Club Officer Training, 4/22



No Need To Panic...Club Officer Training Is Here!

April 22, 2023 At the NH Police Standards & Training Facility in Concord.

See Flyer in this newsletter!

Get your registrations in the mail!

Send everyone, it's only \$5 per Person.

Be there and be prepared for next year!



Location: NH Police Standards & Training Facility,
17 Institute Drive, Concord, NH

Please choose which training you would like to attend (select 1):

Club President Training

Club Secretary Training

Club Treasurer Training

Club Membership Chair Training

8:00-8:30 Registration

8:45-9:00 Welcome

9:00-12:00 Training



Registration Fee is \$5.00 per person attending. Ck Payable to: NHLPPDGA

Attendee Name: _____ Phone: _____

Attendee Club Name: _____ Email: _____

Send the form to:
PDG Eric Lindberg
3 Ben Farnsworth Road
Brookline, NH 03033
ericlindberg@me.com
603-801-9421



Lions Clubs of District 44H

Spring Convention

Deadline for *Hotel* Reservations is **March 25th**

Deadline for *Meal* Reservations is **April 24th**

See Registration Form for details

Come meet

Int Director Ernesto “TJ” Tijerina



Marlena Phillips

SINGSINGER • ENTER-
TAINER • SONGWRITER



Please Bring a **raffle basket** to the
MD44H Spring Convention.



49th ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
72 Common Ct, North Conway, NH
MAY 05-07, 2023



International Guests: International Director Ernesto "TJ" and Juanita Tijerina

Lion #1 _____ Club _____

Lion #2/guest _____ Club _____

Home Tel. # _____ e-mail _____

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

Plan	Meals and Registration	# of persons	total cost
A Fri. banquet & entertainment, Sat. night banquet			@ \$80.00
B Friday banquet & entertainment			@ \$33.00
C Sat. night banquet & hors d'oeuvres			@ \$47.00
D Convention fee (meetings only – no meals)			@ \$5.00
E Friday Night Entertainment only (no meals)			@ \$5.00
Total Amount Due			\$ _____

Meal for Friday Night Buffet:

- *Summer Cookout- Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken Sandwiches, Garden, Pasta and Potato Salads, Corn on the cob, Assorted Desserts sodas and water*

Meal for Saturday Night Buffet:

- *Vegetable Soup, Stuffed Chicken with Supreme Sauce, Baked Ham with Pineapple, Penne Pasta Primavera garlic Olive Oil and Pesto White Wine Sauce, vegetable, Potato or Rice, assorted desserts, Coffee and Tea.*

Please note any special dietary needs _____

Saturday and Sunday Breakfast and Saturday lunch will be on your own. Hotel does not do lunch.

Deadline for MEAL reservations is MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023.

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

Call the Grand Hotel @ 603-356-9300 and identify yourself as part of the group of Lions District 44H Spring Convention. **All HOTEL reservations must be made by MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2023 for the special rate.** You will pay the hotel direct for your room.

Make checks for meal payable to:
Send check to:

Lions District 44-H Convention Fund
Marilyn Vaccaro
Convention Chairman
74 Chase Rd
Londonderry, NH 03053
Tel. 603-204-7251
Email jvac1408@comcast.net

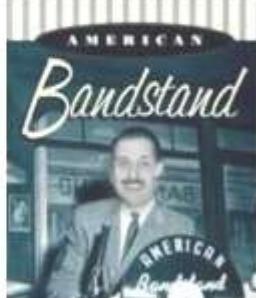
It's Time for the 44N Spring Convention

Come join us for the 49th District 44N Spring Convention for a great weekend at the Town & Country Inn & Resort situated in the glorious New Hampshire White Mountains on May 12-14, 2023.



Friday Night

- All American BBQ (see menu in this issue)
- Enjoy American Bandstand with DJ Dave Alcox featuring sounds from the 50's, 60's & maybe some 70's. Get your dancing shoes on and rock out on the dance floor.
- There will be contests for Best Dancers & Best Dressed!



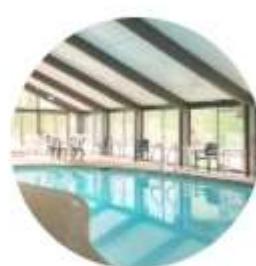
Saturday

- Breakfast to start your day
- Lions Memorial Service 9:15 am to 10 am
- Cabinet Meeting 10 am to noon
- Enjoy your Saturday afternoon—either playing a round of Golf, Corn Hole, or Bocci Ball or relax a bit, or take a walk and enjoy the beautiful views. Did I mention, the Indoor Heated Pool? Take a dip before you get ready for the evening.
- Evening Banquet 6:30 to 9 pm
Guests International Director Jeff Gans & his wife, Lion Ellyn



Sunday Morning

- Before you head out, enjoy a Breakfast at the Inn's restaurant!
- **Deadline for Registration** for this all-inclusive weekend package is **April 21, 2023**. (You will find the Registration form in this issue).
- **Room Reservation**, please contact GMT Christine Greenwood-Smart at cgreenwood@walpolebank.com or call her at 603.762.4124
- **Gift Basket for the Raffle**, please let her know if you will be donating a basket.



Thank you—Looking forward to a great weekend!





49th ANNUAL
DISTRICT 44N SPRING CONVENTION
MAY 12 -14, 2023

Town & Country Inn and Resort
20 State RT 2, Gorham, NH



REGISTRATION FORM

(1) Name: _____ Club Name: _____

(2) Name: _____ Club Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone/Cell: _____

ROOM(S) RESERVATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Single Person Occupancy (Two Nights)*	\$ 370.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Two Person Occupancy (Two Nights)*	\$ 485.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Person*	\$ 175.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Attending Saturday Cabinet Meeting Only	\$ 5.00

RESERVATION DEADLINE

APRIL 21, 2023

**Above Room Rates include: Friday All American BBQ/Saturday & Sunday Breakfast/Saturday Banquet*

SATURDAY BANQUET

Dinner Choices

<input type="checkbox"/> New England Baked Chicken ~ <i>Boneless Chicken Breast stuffed with homemade Cranberry Sage Stuffing with Pan Gravy, Cranberry Sauce</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Baked Haddock ~ <i>Fresh Boston Haddock broiled in signature Sherry Seafood Stuffing</i>

Above includes: Garden Salad, Rolls, Baked Potato, Seasonal Vegetable, Coffee/Tea, Dessert

(Any special dietary needs, please indicate here: _____)

**CONTACT CHRISTINE GREENWOOD-SMART TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION
BY EITHER EMAILING THIS COMPLETED FORM OR MAILING IT TO HER.**

Make Check Payable to: **DISTRICT 44N** and send with this Registration form to:
Christine Greenwood-Smart, 613 Old Walpole Road, Surry, NH 03431

Questions, please call Christine at 603-762-4124
or email cgreenwood@walpolebank.com

BOSTON 20 23



July 7-11, 2023

Get ready for LCICon 2023 Boston!

The 105th Lions Clubs International Convention is happening in Boston, Massachusetts, from July 7 to July 11. Make your way to this historic American city to look back at all that we've done as Lions, where we are now and where we'll go next. Join us in Boston as we forge a path

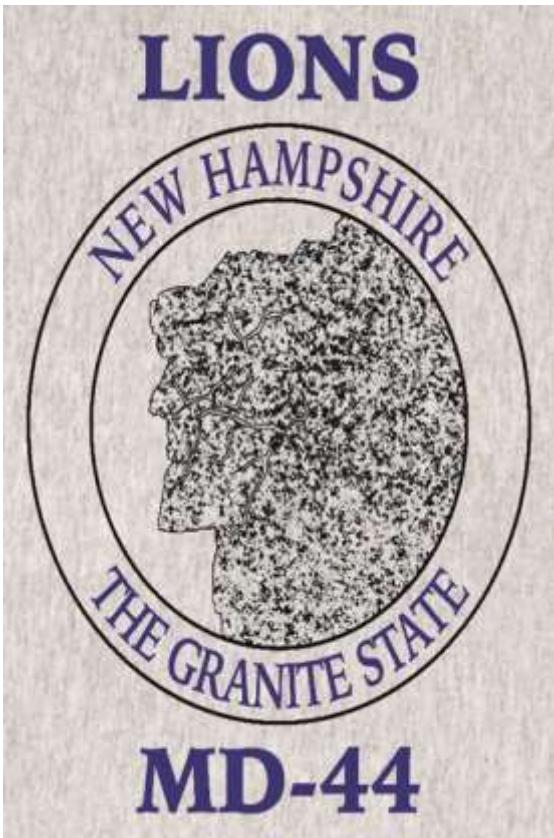
New to LCICon?

[Get the details on the Lions Clubs International Convention](#)

Every year, Lions and Leos from around the world gather in one place to celebrate the past, present and future of service. It's when we catch up with friends from around the world, see what's going on in the organization, and make decisions about the future.

Official Parade Shirt Order Form

MD 44 PARADE SHIRT ORDER FORM



MENS		Quantity
SMALL	16.00	
MEDIUM	16.00	
LARGE	16.00	
XL	16.00	
XXL	16.00	
XXXL	16.00	

LADIES		Quantity
SMALL	16.00	
MEDIUM	16.00	
LARGE	16.00	
XL	16.00	
XXL	16.00	
XXXL	16.00	

NAME	PHONE	CLUB	DISTRICT	EMAIL

Send order form and payment to:

Al Goldstein

35 Main St
Atkinson, NH
03811

Deadline: May 1st

Going to the International Convention in Boston and Marching in the International Parade of Nations on Saturday, July 8th?

Here's what you will need to march in the Parade:

You must be a registered delegate for the convention and have a badge. No walk-ons!

All Lions marching must wear the following (No deviations allowed!!):

- Lions Baseball Style Hat:



- This hat has a vented back to help you stay cool! Cost is \$12.00. It available from the Lions Store at Stitches NH.com. Please click on this link to order your hat:
<https://http-stitchesnh-com.printavo.com/merch/lion-s-club-2022-spring-store>

You will need to hold down the Ctrl key and also click the left button on your mouse to get to the website. Credit cards are accepted on the website.

- New Gray Lions Polo Style Jersey:
 - PDG Al Goldstein has an order form in this newsletter. Please order the jersey directly through PDG Al. Men's and Women's size available. Payable by check to Al Goldstein.
- Pants:
 - You will need to wear sand colored (not white) khakis long pants. No shorts or skirts or skirts!
- Shoes:
 - White sneakers or white shoes. No sandals. I recommend good white sneakers as you'll be on your feet for 4 hours!

New Hampshire MD 44 has a candidate, Steve Middlemiss, running for International Director, and we are hoping for a great turnout of NH Lions at the convention and parade to support PCC Steve in his quest for International Director! Please adhere to the uniform guidelines above if you are planning on marching in the parade. We want all to be in the same marching uniform, so there will be no deviations as to what to wear for this convention.

Any questions, please contact me at: jkasper@nedelta.com or 603-548-0286.

Thanks, Joe Kasper, Uniform Chair



**48th
Annual VT- NH
Lions All-Stars**

*A package was sent or was given out
at the convention for
Lions Twin State Soccer*

You will Find In This Package:

**Calendar Raffle Tickets to Purchase
Admission Tickets to Purchase
An Ad & Sponsor Request**

***Check the Player Rosters to see if a
Player is from your Area!!!***

**Please Help Support
Lions Twin State Soccer!!**

**LTSSA
PO Box 1013
Londonderry, NH 03053**

LCIF

Tornado destroys communities in Mississippi—LCIF grant funding will empower Lions to help storm victims recover. On the evening of Friday, March 24, strong storms and a tornado hit southeastern sections of the USA, leveling communities in Mississippi. So far, 26 people have been killed as a result of the storm and dozens more have been injured. The mayor of Rolling Fork, Mississippi reported their entire town was destroyed after enduring sustained winds of 170 miles per hour.

When a natural disaster strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation. LCIF is mobilizing funds, including a \$50,000 Major Catastrophe grant and a \$10,000 Emergency grant to empower Lions in District 30-M, Mississippi to help their communities recover.

Your donations make a difference when communities are impacted by natural disasters.

Your generous donation to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, specifically reserved for all disaster relief, helps Lions continue to serve!

To learn more about LCIF Disaster Relief grants, visit lionsclubs.org/disastergrants or email LCIFGlobalGrants@lionsclubs.org

LCIF GAME ANSWERS FOR MARCH 2023

1. When was LCIF founded? **Answer: 1968**
2. In 1993 what program was created by LCIF? **Answer: Melvin Jones Fellowship**
3. What was announced at the 101st Lions Club International Convention? **Answer: Campaign 100, LCIF Empowering Service**
4. Twenty years ago what program did LCIF & Johnson and Johnson Vision establish? **Answer: Sight for Kids**
5. What did the Irish potato say to his sweetheart? **Answer: I only have eyes for you!**

This will be the last month's LCIF Game Challenge but I encourage club members and clubs to continue making donations to LCIF.

I wish to thank all of you for your donations and your participation in this game challenge.

All your answers will be tabulated at the end of the Lion year when the winner of the \$100 Gift Card will be announced.

Please make your Donations payable to **District 44N** with the notation either **LCIF** or **"LCIF Game"**.

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You can email me your answers or mail them along with your donation check. My email address is:

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Let's see how much we can give to **LCIF**, by participating in this challenge, contributing to a great cause in **LCIF** as we continue to **SERVE!**

If you have any questions, please reach out.

Thank you for your LCIF support!

LCIF GAME CHALLENGE for APRIL 2023

1. Why is everyone so tired on April 1st?
2. Where and when is the next Psychic & Craft Fair?
3. Who just announced a new Environmental Committee?
4. What is the most romantic part of the ocean?
5. While on the "Campaign Trail", who presented a personal pin, District Pin and a Sign Be Kind, Help your community, join a Lions Club?





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TALES OF THE SERVICE TRAIL UPDATE

MARCH 2023

Well, winter, Maine-style showed up the last couple of weeks! While Karol and I were in Wisconsin and Minnesota for 10 days, this state had snow without rain!

We had back-to-back conventions, so we started in southwest Wisconsin - Tomah, the cranberry capital - with the MD 27 D2 Lions. WI Lions are great hosts. We met most of the WI DGs and had a great feel for the state of Lionism in the Badger state.

From Tomah we crossed MN to the SW corner - Fairmont, 10 miles north of Iowa and 120 miles east of SD. We had the joy of accompanying the DG on Monday night about an hour northwest to Mountain Lake Lions Club to join them for their 47th anniversary! Now that is the joy of serving all of you to carry the Lions International appreciation to a small but active club in middle America, especially since we did not announce our attendance before arriving in the DG's truck.

The Lions of MD 5M3 went out of their way to be sure we spent our time in Fairmont with them on personal levels. While Karol and I shared an "office" in our hotel room each day (while wondering if this companionship was what retirement might look like, absent the work emails, phone calls, etc.), there was only one night that we ate alone.

Last weekend saw us in Evansville, IN, with MD 25E. We caused quite a stir when we arrived in town. As the plane stopped at the jetway, and all of us started to stand, all cell phones started blaring loudly - a tornado alert!!! They rushed everyone off the plane, backed off the jetway, and herded us into the terminal baggage claim to be safe. After 90 minutes or so, the ultra-high winds and absolutely pouring rain abated, our gate checked luggage was finally unloaded, and delivered with the regular baggage.

Meanwhile, the MD 25E leadership team was waiting in the casino hotel lobby across the street from the Ohio River praying that we were safe and then thankful we landed minutes ahead of the weather. But that dedication was evident all weekend with those leaders. And the Bally's had given us the "Presidential" suite overlooking the river and all the barge traffic, so we had them all in for breakfast Saturday morning and the 2VDGE came with dominos for 6 of us to play between the last business meeting and dinner out that night. Now that is hospitality!

Friday, we leave for the Board meeting all next week, followed by a week of Board service projects. But the return to the convention trails the next weekend will find us back in real winter I suspect as we journey to MD 5SE, in South Dakota! If it is as flat and solidly windy as Fairmont is, we shall pray that we thaw out enough to produce next month's column!

As to your home front - please look around your own community. There are needs there if we open our eyes. With the winter storms and power outages so common, there are shelters that can use our efforts. There are food pantries that can use a few more cans of soup, or even a helping hand or two! We are Lions first in our own communities as well as across this earth. Work for your community and you will raise the world! Please keep that with you in your heart. But remember, your work will attract more to help you - new Lions even!

For several months, I have closed each "Tales" with ten ideas for finding new members (totally stolen from other Lions). For 2023, I asked you for your ideas to include here! On more than one occasion in the last few visitations to discuss one major membership approach. If you want to entice a prospective Lion, do not bring them to a meeting as a start. Approach them to help the club on a project ... or two! Once the prospect sees the results of service and gets the satisfaction of serving the community, then bring them to a meeting with that pre-approved membership application in hand.

So, what is next? There are ideas in your head as well - even "second hand", aka theft!! All of my original 100 ideas were collected from other Lions. Tell you what, let us share ideas for attracting members under 40, or even under 50! Please send them to youney@mhfy.us so I can share your ideas.

And remember - **LCI CON 2023 BOSTON** is here soon! Vote for Lion Mark Lyon, 3IVP! And we should not forget your Foundation - LCIF! We still have the need for ongoing support as troubles seem to occur the world-over, including our own backyard sometimes. Ask the Lions of Mayfield, KY, after the tornados there last year.... Become a donor again, and consider a Legacy gift by pledging through your will! All is good!

I thank all of you again for this honor to serve Lions and the world. We promise that we will do our best to represent all Lions world-wide.

Lion John W. Youney,
International Director 2021-2023,
& Lion Karol Kish Youney,
Partner-in-Service



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