

the LION'S ROAR....

your **DISTRICT 44N** Monthly NEWS!

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Greetings

I am writing this before our Mid-Winter Convention, the registrations are looking good and we have 2 wonderful guest speakers lined up. Both districts 2nd VDG candidates are hosting hospitality rooms for attendees to enjoy the fellowship of the weekend, catching up with old friends or making new ones.

There will be much information presented at the morning session and a great presentation on the OKS chairman. After lunch LYS and S&H will hold annual meetings.

As I mentioned briefly in the last newsletter and in my visits to the clubs, any member that has joined since July 1, 2015, is invited to the March 13th Cabinet meeting and will eat free. They need to register and note that they are new Lions. Please think about having someone from your club come with them. It will be held at the Lebanon Elks club. We will have Multiple District committees there from 9:00-10:30 and both the SPOT SCREENER and the PILOT HEARING Tester will be there for training.

Please plan on getting your new officers and other club members signed up for the Leadership Training to be held at the Manchester Community College on April 2nd. There will be some great presenters and classes to help you with your clubs operation. Have you lined up someone to do the installation of new officers?

With the mild winter many clubs are looking forward to an early start on fundraisers and service projects. Do you have updated membership packets and club brochures ready to pass out? There is time left to ask one of the many district committees to come and do a presentation to your club.

Please look to your membership in bringing in new members to help you keep doing the best in your service projects for your community; without relying on the same old group to pull it off again. New members mean new blood, new ideas, and new projects.

Let's tap into the new member pool and make sure
"where there's a need, there's a Lion".



Tight Lines- DG Henry

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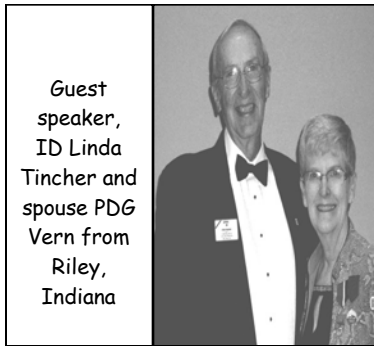
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Deadline for submitting articles to be published for March 2016, each and every submission, should reach me by no later than

12:00 pm noon time on Saturday, February 27

Visit NH LionsDistrict 44N on Facebook. Clubs may submit upcoming events and/or photos for past events on the district Facebook page. All submissions must be compliant with Lions Code of Ethics and should be sent to Lion Tom Reynolds:

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Guest speaker, ID Linda Tinchler and spouse PDG Vern from Riley, Indiana



2015-2016 MD44 Cabinet Members "Thank You For All You Do"

NH LIONS MULTIPLE DISTRICT 44 56TH ANNUAL MID-WINTER



Personal note from the editor: More photos and highlights forthcoming...but now I would personally like to shout out to all fellow Lions by making mention of **MCC Terri McGrew** through this newsletter. I would like to thank her and I know that I speak on behalf of all fellow Lions, for all her outstanding service, dedication and passion that she exemplifies. She always makes mention of her gratitude; hopefully she knows how we and the people we serve think. As we, too, are so very, very grateful for all that she does!!!
Thank you MCC Terri ~ with heartfelt Gratitude!

EVENTS CALENDAR



Fri, Feb 5
Ice Cream Social/Chili Cook-Off
Amherst Middle School, Amherst

Tue, Feb 16
Rebecca Rule Presentation
2nd Congregational Church,
Wilton

Fri-Sun, Feb 19-21
Shrek, The Musical
The Colonial Theatre, Keene

Sat-Sun, Feb 27-28
1st Annual Richard C. Gray
Ice Fishing Derby
Lake Morey, Fairlee, VT

Fri-Sat, Mar 4-5
NELC Winter Wonderland
Weekend
Crowne Plaza, Nashua

Sun, Mar 6
44H Cabinet Meeting
Puritan Backroom, Manchester

Sun, Mar 13
44N Cabinet Meeting
Lebanon Elks Club, Lebanon

Sun, Mar 20
2nd Annual Scrambler
Tournament
Milford High School, Milford

Sat, Apr 9
NH Lions Forum
Manchester Community College

Sun, Jun 5
LS&H Dinner In The Dark
White Birch Banquet Hall
Hudson, NH



LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION INC.

LTSSA Directors are as follows:

Year	44N	44H	45	
2016	Brent Crowder Richard Gray PDG Alan Ricard	Jerry Vaccaro Marilyn Vaccaro Ann Mason	PDG Ken Millay David LaRose Bruce Savery	PDG Betsy Magee Donald Lane
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We would like to fill all the open spaces with dedicated Lions who are interested in serving on the board. All Lions are welcomed, and if you would like to attend a meeting you should make reservations by contacting Director Cheryl Powers at LionCherylPwrs@aol.com or by phone at 603 768-3617 by the Tuesday prior to the meeting. Below is the meeting schedule FOR THE balance of the 2015-2016 Lion year.

Meeting Schedule:

Wednesday, February 25, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge, Lebanon @ 7:00 pm
 Sunday, April 03, 2016: Players Banquet, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 9:30 am
 Wednesday, April 27, 2016: Executive Board, 68 Jack Wells Road, Danbury @ 6:00 pm
 Wednesday, May 25, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 7:00 pm
 Wednesday, June 29, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 7:00 pm
 Thursday, July 14-16, 2016: LTSSA Soccer Camp, Castleton State College, Vermont
 Saturday, July 16, 2016: Directors meeting, Castleton State College, Vermont
 Saturday, July 16, 2016: LTSSA Soccer Game, Castleton State College, Vermont

"Soccer for Sight and Hearing"

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WE NEED YOUR HELP !!!!

Membership is **CRITICAL** in ensuring that volunteer work and humanitarian service work continues to make an impact within the communities of NH. We need your help with the three most important "R" words in Lionism...**Recruit**, **Retain** and **Replace**! **Recruit** - New Lion members bring fresh new ideas and new energy that can help motivate your club. Let your community know what it is like to be a Lion - start the new members immediately with a service project. Engage your new members! **Retain** - Make sure your current members stay members by keeping them involved in your service projects. Keep your members inspired! **Replace** - Members leave clubs for many reasons and it is a true balance of the rise and fall of membership. Continue to promote your club, encourage existing members to invite guests and family members. Demonstrate the pride that being a Lion provides. We currently have two branch clubs - Jaffrey/Rindge and New Boston Lion clubs - if you know of people in these communities, let the leadership team know. The leadership team would like to contact them and invite them to a meeting. As the saying goes..."many hands make light work" - the leadership needs your help with membership. Ask a friend, a family member, a community member to your club for a visit, wear your Lion pin with pride and inspire people with what Lionism is all about - **WE SERVE**.



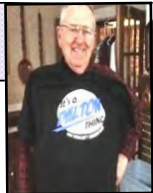
SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ERIC LINDBERG

My message to you this month is not necessarily one of our favorite subjects, but it needs to be addressed. The single most important issue facing our district is growth. To date this year we are down a couple of clubs and more than a few members. For us to remain vibrant and make a positive impact within our communities, we must grow! Regardless of the size of your club, bringing new members in increases the energy of the club, brings in new and fresh ideas for projects and fundraisers, and it brings in new leaders to chair these events.

In this regard there are many good things happening as well. Zone 1 is working on getting a branch club in New Boston/Mount Vernon to become a full club, in Zone 3 the same thing is happening in the Jaffrey/Rindge area. We are also seeing some interest in starting a club/branch club in Zone 8. If you know anyone who lives in these areas, let them know about these clubs and also tell them about the things Lions do to help our communities. Keep in mind that membership and growth are not just something the leadership needs to deal with. It is something that the clubs and zones need help with too. This will have an impact on the future of Lionism in our state. We do have five months left in our Lionistic year to turn this around and have positive numbers and stronger clubs. Let me know if I can help you in some way. I look forward to the day when membership is not the foremost issue and more interesting and fun issues prevail.

"I'm not telling you it is going to be easy; I'm telling you it's going to be worth it"

SPOT VISION SCREENER



CS PAUL DALTON

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Mid-winter is upon us which means at least three things. First, hope all of your clubs were represented by at least the number of voting delegates authorized to vote on the district constitutional amendments. Each club in good standing is allotted one vote per 10 members as of the 1st day of the month preceding the month of the convention - that is December 1, 2015 for this convention. The delegates must have been present so hopefully your club's votes were not unused by a lack of attendance.

Second, mid-year, mid-winter means the second notice of district dues. CT PDG Alan has sent all club bills via e-mail this time, - a real cost saving - so be sure your club submits payment as soon as practical. Past experience indicates that there is occasionally lost communication between the listed club address and the Treasurer responsible for issuing checks. Club KL's, please double check your status.

Lastly, mid-winter means just that - it is mid-year; and we all need to maintain our momentum and even increase it to insure a successful full year all the way to June 30. Anything I can do to help, please JUST ASK!

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MCC TERRI MCGREW



Success requires effort, hard work and dedication. Success also requires great kindness and generosity of spirit. And that effort, that hard work and that dedication, kindness and spirited generosity personifies the secret to our success.

Lions throughout Multiple District 44 exhibit effort every single day; at meetings, fundraisers and service projects. Our humanitarian projects and selfless acts of kindness help improve the welfare and happiness of those who need us.

I want to thank every Lion who touches someone's life with a kind gesture or generous donation. You are heroes to many grateful people around the world.

I look forward to seeing you at the 44H Cabinet Meeting on Sunday March 6th and the 44N Cabinet Meeting on Sunday March 13th.

Being a Lion is great. Being around other Lions is priceless.

Your Friend in Service,
MCC Terri McGrew

"We must remember that one determined person can make a significant difference, and that a small group of determined people can change the course of history." ~Sonia Johnson



MESSAGE FROM LS&H PRESIDENT

At the January 21, 2016 meeting of the LS&H Board of Directors, the Board passed a resolution that becomes future policy. Due to our continued strain to make ends meet, trying to accommodate all cases coming our way that meet income guidelines and are otherwise worthy with limited funds, the Board stated that our contribution per hearing aid must be limited to \$600, as of March 1, 2016. If the cost is higher than \$600 due to the need for form-fitted molds, fancier hearing aid needed for auditory purposes, or any other reason, the excess has to come from the patient, the patient's family, or the sponsoring lions club. One problem LS&H faces is since we instituted the Sight and Sound program a few years back, we ask for a minimum of a \$100 contribution from the club. The club doesn't see the "minimum" and contributes just the \$100, when the norm used to be much higher than that. Our endowment isn't doing well in this adverse investment climate, the cases keep coming, and we are in a perennial squeeze. We do hope the Lions world understands this predicament.

With kindest regards, Lion Fred Plett, LS&H President



**WELCOME NEW LIONS! WELCOME NEW LIONS!
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DISTRICT 44N MEMBERSHIP

Club	As of July 1	As of January 21	Change
Total 44N	1,221	1,161	-60
Amherst	53	52	-01
Andover	20	20	0
Antrim-Bennington	33	26	-07
Bedford	21	21	
Bristol	19	18	-01
Brookline	31	23	-08
Canaan	47	45	-02
Chesterfield	39	37	-02
Claremont	6	6	0
Cohasse	48	44	-04
Concord	28	27	-01
Enfield-Mascoma	44	46	+02
Fall Mountain	8	6	-02
Franklin Area	27	24	-03
Gap Mountain	12	12	0
Goffstown	63	58	-05
Hanover	37	37	0
Henniker	18	18	0
Hillsboro	30	30	0
Hinsdale	27	26	-01
Hooksett	27	24	-03
Hopkinton	26	26	0
Jaffrey-Rindge	<i>incl Souhegan</i>	<i>incl Souhegan</i>	
Keene	80	85	+05
Lafayette	16	14	-02
Lancaster	25	21	-04
Lisbon	34	30	-04
Littleton	17	15	-02
Manchester	19	21	+02
Merrimack	26	27	+01
Milford	32	30	-02
Monadnock	28	29	+01
New Boston	<i>incl Goffstown</i>	<i>incl Goffstown</i>	
New London	15	15	0
Newport	14	15	+01
Orford	34	34	0
Peterborough	37	37	0
Pinardville	22	21	-01
Plymouth	10	0	-10
Souhegan	42	45	+03
Sunapee	26	25	-01
Swanzey	9	0	-09
Weare	10	10	0
Westmoreland	10	11	+01
Whitefield	20	22	+02
Wilton	31	28	-03

CLUB

NAME/SPONSOR

Amherst	David H Chen/PDG Don Potter
Hopkinton	Robert Blank/Rosalie Smith
Monadnock	Julia Proctor/Katherine Fuller
Sunapee	Mary Danko/Tom Mickie
Whitefield	Norman LaCroix/Nathan Smith

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5





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Happy Holidays to all 44N Lions. I trust you had a wonderfully blessed time with families and friends.

As we enter a new year, make us ever mindful of those in need in our local towns and the larger communities.

If any clubs will be reaching out through year end donations, encourage your club to remember the good works our multi-district boards are accomplishing in the fields of vision, hearing and youth among others.



The DogSight Project

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



What Do Donations DO?

Anyone who donates to any cause has a responsibility to know how their money is being used. What better way to know how your DogSight donations to Fidelco are being used than to visit Fidelco at their Lions Appreciation Day on Saturday May 14?

You can tour the facility, watch K-O and obedience demonstrations and even take a blindfold walk with a Fidelco Guide Dog.

The Fidelco facility is located at 103 Vision Way in Bloomfield, CT, just a short drive off I-91. The day starts at 10 and ends at 2 pm, with a special "Lions Only" event at noon. Come for all or part of the day!

Thank you New Hampshire Lions for your support of all guide dogs, and in particular for your support of the DogSight Project!!

Donations to the DogSight Project may be sent to **DSP Chair Linda Piekarski, 15 Edgewood Ave, Keene, NH 03431**. Please make checks payable to **LSHF** with **DSP** on the memo line.

The independence a guide dog brings to a blind person is priceless. Your contribution gives that gift many times over.

Thank you!

Linda Piekarski, Chair, the DogSight Project
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GO GREEN

I hope everyone is working on completing a Centennial Challenge Environmental Project for this year. So far about a third of the clubs have completed their project. Just think how much nicer New Hampshire would be if we all did just one environmental project to help keep our state cleaner and more beautiful.

As Helen Keller said, "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

If we all do a little, it all adds up to so much. Spring is right around the corner (hopefully). The days are getting longer. Now is the time to start planning your project.

Also, I will announce the winner of the Environmental Photo Contest at the Mid-Winter Convention and will let you all know in the next edition of the Roar which photo won. The winning photo will be submitted to International and be put on display at the International Convention in Fukuoka Japan.

Lions Club International on-line store also has Environmental Photo Contest Calendars for sale.

The cost is \$4.95.

Sue Lindberg
Environmental Chair





REBECCA RULE

Tuesday, February 16th, 7pm

2nd Congregational Church,
Gregg and Dale Streets, Wilton, NH

Sponsored by the WILTON LIONS Club

FREE presentation, open to all

Rebecca Rule is the author of *Live Free and Eat Pie!* and *Headin' for the Rhubarb: A New Hampshire Dictionary (well, kinda)* and the children's book *The Iciest, Diciest, Scariest Sled Ride Ever!*. She is also the author of three short story collections about New Hampshire, including *The Best Revenge*, named Outstanding Work of Fiction by the New Hampshire Writer's Project. That book was also named one of five essential NH books by NH Magazine. *Moved and Seconded: NH Town Meeting* chronicles the rich history of a uniquely New England institution. Rule is best known for her live storytelling events, many sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

New Hampshire humorist and writer Rebecca Rule will speak in Wilton on February 16th, 2016, in the 2nd Congregational Church sanctuary, at 7pm. Her presentation is free and open to the public, sponsored by The Wilton Lions Club. Refreshments will be served afterwards, and there will be an opportunity to meet Ms. Rule.

Rebecca Rule comes from a long line of Yankees and loves collecting and telling stories about folk in her native NH. She is interested in Yankee culture, humor in particular, and has been sharing her stories for nearly 20 years. Rule is the author of 10 books, including *Could Have Been Worse*, *Headin' for the Rhubarb*, and *The Best Revenge*.

Her book *Moved and Seconded, Town Meeting in New Hampshire*, is a guide to everything you need to know about town meetings. As we approach our own Town Meeting, come and get a humorist's view of one of the great traditions of the Granite State.

The Keene Lions Club presents its
64th Annual Broadway Musical!

FEBRUARY 19-21, 2016

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Saturday and Sunday Matinees 1:00PM

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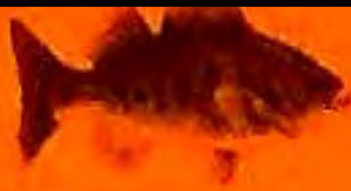
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1st Annual Richard C. Gray

Ice Fishing Derby

sponsored by

The Orford/Fairlee Lions Club

hosted at

Lake Morey, Fairlee VT

Saturday, February 27, 2016	6 am to 6pm
Sunday, February 28, 2016	6 am to 2 pm

Headquarters will be at the Fairlee Town Beach

Adults: \$10.00 a Day or \$15.00 a Weekend

Kids: \$5.00 a Day or \$8.00 a Weekend

All kids that enter will receive a prize!

Family passes will be available!

Bait will be available at check-in provided by Country Boy Bait Tackle

Top three fish in each of the five categories will be awarded trophies. Categories include perch, pickerel, small and large mouth bass and northern pike.





PEACE POSTER CONTEST SURVEY

Lions Youth Services provided the opportunity for clubs to purchase Peace Poster Contest Kits this past year as they have done in past years. LYS also has a Peace Poster Chairperson who is available to help with the contest and to help with the purchasing of these kits. This is to benefit the clubs by saving them the shipping and handling charges as well as by helping those new and old to the contest with Lions International's regulations and guidelines.

This past year, there were a total of 22 clubs from both districts who had purchased the kits either ordering directly or purchasing the kit through LYS. LYS purchased a total of 30 kits all of which had been sold. Unfortunately, the 22 clubs that had purchased these kits did not use the kits they purchased. There were only nine clubs that had purchased kits who actually participated and had made 18 submissions for the contest.

This years Peace Poster Kits are now available but before we decide whether or not to continue to purchase a large quantity to sell to the clubs in both districts, we would like to take a survey as to how many clubs intend to participate within their communities for Lion Year 2016-2017. We know that it is early but perhaps it might be a good time to change things up a bit this year and go to your schools and/or local youth groups to see what kind of interest they may have in participating and get it into their next year's curriculum before the end of this school year. It would be an opportunity for the student as well as it would provide them with a longer time period to create their art. In addition to the schools in your area, you might want to present this to other youth groups including home-schoolers, there may be a group in your community. This years 2016-17 theme is "**A Celebration of Peace**". If you would like any more information regarding the contest, please do not hesitate to contact me. This survey was presented at mid-winter and there were a few clubs that came forward. If you know your club may be interested in purchasing a kit or kits through LYS, please let me know. The cost will remain at \$12 per kit. Please schedule and go out to your local schools and youth groups and discuss this program with them. Thank you ~ Rhonda Wynne, LYS Chair

44H Club

Atkinson__	Plaistow__
Auburn__	Portsmouth__
Chester__	Raymond__
Derry__	Rollingsford__
Dover__	Rye__
Epping__	Saddleback Mtn__
Exeter__	Salem__
Hampstead__	Sandown__
Hampton__	Seabrook 5
Hudson__	Somersworth__
Kingston__	Suncook__
Laconia-Gilford__	Wakefield__
Litchfield__	Whittier__
Londonderry__	Windham__
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Meredith__	Conway 1
Moultonborough__	
Nashua__	

44N Club

Amherst__	Lafayette__
Andover__	Lancaster__
Antrim-Bennington	Lisbon__
Bedford__	Littleton__
Bristol__	Manchester__
Brookline__	Merrimack__
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Chesterfield__	Monadnock__
Claremont__	New London__
Cohase-Woodsville__	Newport__
Concord 4	Orford__
Enfield-Mascoma__	Peterborough__
Franklin__	Pinardville__
Gap Mountain__	Plymouth__
Goffstown__	Souhegan__
Hanover__	Sunapee__
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Hillsboro__	Westmoreland__
Hinsdale__	Whitfield__
Hooksett__	Wilton__
Keene__	



PEACE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS 2015–2016



MD44 WINNING POSTER
EZRA AVERY, Orford Lions
(44N 1st place Winner)



Concord Lions,
Emmett Shea, Age 12



Hudson Lions,
Josh McCarthy, Age 13



Left to right:
Concord Lions,
Phineus Slayton,
Age 11

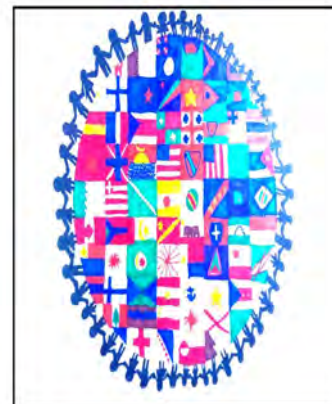
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Sean Fischer,
Age 12

Milford Lions,
Marissa Spirito,
Age 12

Left to right:
Orford Lions,
Brittney Whitcomb,
Age 12

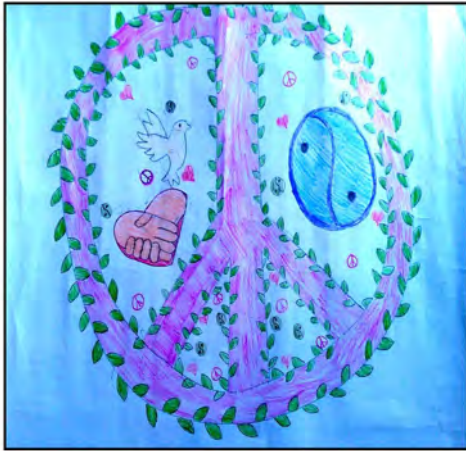
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Saddleback Lions,
Gabriella Critchett,
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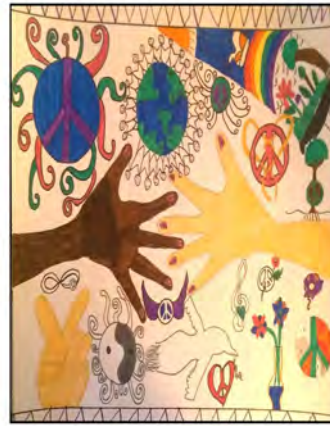




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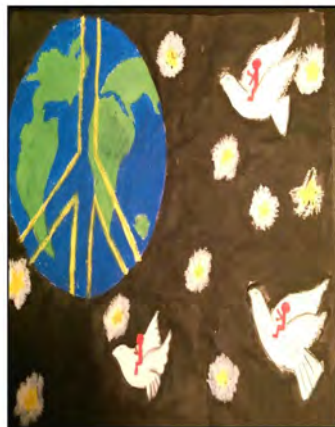
CAMERON SHANNON, Moultonborough Lions
(44H 1st place Winner)



Seabrook Lions,
Aria Kleimola



Seabrook Lions,
Ashleigh Trimarco, Age 13



Left to right:
Milford Lions,
Renee Wilson,
Age 12

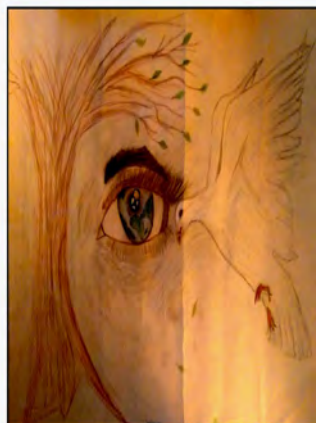
Seabrook Lions,
Ava Cestrone,
Age 12

Saddleback Lions,
Hannah Jeong,
Age 12

Left to right:
Seabrook Lions,
Aimee Currier,
Age 13

Seabrook Lions,
Harmony Rowe,
Age 13

Milford Lions,
Grace Kelly,
Age 12



READING ACTION PROGRAM



This is to re-introduce The Lions Club International Reading Action Program (RAP) Campaign. Literacy -- the ability to read and write -- is the foundation for education and social development. Yet, hundreds of millions of adults lack minimum literacy skills and millions of school-aged children are not attending school to obtain them. The Reading Action Program is a 10-year commitment to increasing reading and literacy rates. It's a call to action for every Lions club. So Lions, are you ready to expand our impact by jumping on board the Reading Action Program? There are many ways Lions can help in their respective communities. Consider the following:

- Developing after school reading programs
- Reading to children at local libraries
- Contacting your local school and asking how you can help
- Donating books and/or computers to your local school or library
- Volunteering as tutors through a local school
- Working with local literacy experts and agencies
- Working to promote braille literacy

Any club already doing the reading action program please let me know. Please use the form 'BELOW' for reporting any activity and return it to me.

I can be reached at mbi1220@gmail.com or by my cell phone

603-770-9396. ~ Sincerely, Mario Izzo, Lions Youth Services



Lions Youth Services
Multiple Districts 44
Reading Action Program



Reporting Club Name: _____

Activity Type: _____

Activity Description: _____

Number of People Served: _____

Number of Lion Hours: _____

Number of Lions Participating: _____

Funds Raised: _____

ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS !

Amherst - will be hosting an Ice Cream Social/Chili Cook-Off on Friday, February 5 starting at 4 PM at the Amherst Middle School. Tickets are available from any member. Mark your calendars for the 44th Annual Amherst Lions Club Pancake Breakfast! On Saturday, March 20 starting at 9 AM enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage with genuine maple syrup accompanied by fresh strawberries and blueberries. Contact us at amherstlionsclub@gmail.com for more information or to purchase tickets. The Amherst Lions celebrated the January 13th birthday of Melvin Jones by collecting and donating books to babies born on that day. Members visited a local hospital and presented the families with the donated books. The activity was also part of LCI's Reading Action Program, the 10-year commitment to increasing reading and literacy rates. The Amherst Lions donated funds to provide 33 Amherst families with food baskets this past Christmas season. Lions members also delivered the baskets to the recipients on December 19. Members of the Amherst Lions Club donated items requested by the elderly or disabled clients of Caregivers, Inc. Twenty-five personalized gift bags were provided. The Club held an impromptu soap drive during the holidays and collected a whopping 256 bars of soap. The soap was requested by SHARE Outreach, the local community group which provides food and emergency services to the needy.

Brookline - will be sponsoring a bus trip to one of the CT casinos (still TBD) on **March 19**. The bus is scheduled to leave Brookline between 8 am and 8:30 am and arrive at the casino 2 hours later. Refreshments will be served on the ride down. The bus will depart the casino between 4 pm and 4:30 pm and arrive back in Brookline by 7:00 pm. A movie will be shown on the return trip. Check the Brookline Lion's Club Facebook page for more details.



Amherst Lion Charlie Vars, and helpers installing new Access Aisle Signs



Concord Lions with their delivery vehicle for the Capital Region Food Program



(Joe, Barbara, Bonnie, Dick)

From Manchester and Milford, Manchester Lion friends Bonnie and Dick StJean stop in to visit Milford Lions Barbara and Joe Stella in their new home in Atlanta GA on their way to Panama City. Miss you all!

ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS !

Canaan – handled 94 units of medical equipment and drove 420 miles; four Lions worked a total of 39 hours. Four Lions cooked and served 39 meals at the monthly community dinner, giving 11 hours of service time. Ten bags of clothing were delivered to the Franklin Area Lions Club for distribution. Thirteen purple infant hats were delivered to Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital in Lebanon. The hats were made and donated by a Grafton resident whom the club assisted with a handicap ramp. Received a \$100 donation for their "health closet." One member attended the monthly meeting of the LYSNH in Manchester. One member participated in a Lions Webinar on recruitment of new members. Hosted a Zone 7 meeting on January 7, with 13 members and 5 guests present. The club placed an ad in the Enfield-Mascoma Lions Club's junior high basketball tournament program book. Also donated \$500 to a Canaan resident who lost his home and all of his possessions, including his pet cat, in a fire.

Enfield-Mascoma LIONESSES - placed an ad in the Enfield-Mascoma Lions Club's junior high basketball tournament program book. The club also donated \$200 to a Canaan resident who lost his home and all of his possessions, including his pet cat, in a fire. The club will be fingerprinting kindergartners at the elementary schools in Enfield and Canaan. The club will be distributing Valentine's Day gift bags to residents of the two senior housing complexes in Enfield and Canaan.



The Milford Lions and the Milford Fire Department removed the decorations from the Milford town common (The "Oval"). It was a rainy Sunday morning, but the work was successfully completed.

ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS!

Monadnock -

The show was a great success thanks to all the Lions that pitched in and gave a helping hand. We had over 200 people in attendance. Made over \$150 on concessions, we took in \$ over \$1500 in Donations, and \$600 came from advertising. A great big thanks needs to go to Lion Kate Fuller for pulling this all together.



Peterborough - DG Henry McKee and PDG Alan Ricard visited the Peterborough Lions Club, spoke about Lionism, encouraged adding new members, and presented chevrons for years of service. Lions Marcia Patten, Roland Patten, Anthony DiBlasi, and Lisa Koziell-Betz held a SPOT screening at Peterborough Elementary school, along with community volunteer Andrew Creed. 188 kids were screened, with 10 referrals. A donation was made to Lions Twin State Soccer.

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ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS !



“GOT SOCKS”

Hooksett - on Dec 19th the remaining socks were distributed for the "Got socks" initiative from the **Hooksett Lions** club. There were 701 pairs collected in total between Thanksgiving and Christmas and they were delivered to the needy families of Hooksett.

Hopkinton - between the Thanksgiving pancake breakfast and cash contributions, a tad over \$1000 to benefit the Hopkinton Food Pantry was raised. The rest of the month including December had been occupied by Christmas Tree sales. Had a pleasant break at a dinner meeting with DG Henry McKee at the Number 5 Restaurant in Hopkinton. It was a pleasure to entertain the DG at this informative meeting.



Hopkinton Lions dinner meeting with DG Henry McKee (center) at the Number 5 Restaurant.



Santa's helpers: Craig, Rosalie, Carl, Keith and Mike working hard at Hopkinton tree sales.

ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS !

Newport - annual calendar raffle netted \$3235. 35 pints collected at NMHS Blood Drive. Friends of Recreation \$1300 donation towards construction of new recreation center. \$1300 donation to food pantry. \$200 donation made to Eric Bailey and Down Under Sports, and \$50 for glasses and exam, \$550 for 120 books for Montessori school and Headstart, \$300 LSHF DogSight project, \$50 Vision 2016 and 170 pair of recycled eyeglasses to Teddy T's.

New London - has issued a **CHALLENGE** to other clubs to see which club can raise the most money for American Cancer Society Kearsarge - Lake Sunapee Relay for life and the ACS's mission to cure Cancer. The winning club will receive 5 tickets, (hard to come by) to the American Cancer Society's Fall Research Symposium at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. This is a unique event in that it opens up the labs for tours, keynote speakers will be addressing groundbreaking research and breakthroughs on several different types of cancer. Lunch will also be provided. To assist any clubs that desire we will have scratch cards available that have 25 spaces available to scratch off. When you uncover a spot, it will have a number \$1, \$5 or \$10. This is the amount that will be owed . When all 25 spots are uncovered you will have raised \$100. Please let me know if any club needs any further information or explanation. I will be glad to answer any questions or if need be to attend a meeting. Richard King, New London Lions
rich.king.nh@gmail.com 603-763-3297

Merrimack - collection and recycling to foreign countries with a need. Program has been going on for over a year with six drop off boxes throughout the community. Club earns a percentage after sending boxes into organization and about \$200 earned to date. Delivered groceries, took clients to doctor and other health appointments and assisted in home repairs. Starting the Scarecrow kits for Diabetes -ongoing through start of sale in September. Leo club now has 35 members and has become inter-city with members from Nashua and other surrounding towns. Plans for soup kitchen volunteering and senior home visitation and entertainment activity.

Claremont - District Governor Henry McKee and Past District Governor CT Alan Ricard joined the Claremont Lions club at its January 12 lunch meeting at the Pleasant Street Restaurant. They shared lots of information and inspiration. At the end of the meeting, we were left with this thought.... *find a cause to be passionate about.*

ACTIVITIES and HIGHLIGHTS !

Antrim- Bennington - during the month of January club continues with eye screening, particularly with school children. The local middle school has had 170 students screened. The general public will be screened at the local library as well as local preschools and daycare facilities. Will host the community supper featuring homemade soups, breads and desserts.

Hillsboro -Christmas trees sold netted \$325, with 40 unsold trees. \$220 donated to Hillsboro Area Food Pantry. Collected and donated 16pairs of eyeglasses for recycling. Helped with the removal of the downtown Christmas pole decorations. Twenty four free dictionaries distributed to the fourth and fifth graders, spent \$114 for the books. Donated \$100 to the North East Deaf and Hard of Hearing. President Meg Ager and Secretary PCC Don Ager attending the mid-winter convention in Nashua. Also attended the Hillsboro Hot Air Balloon committee monthly meeting.

Gap Mountain - purchased 15 Hash Tag Signs to be affixed in the lined parking spaces adjacent to handicapped parking spaces. The signs will remind people that it is illegal to block wheelchair access. The signs will be put up at local businesses and community buildings. Donation of \$100 to LCIF. Two members donate their time each week to the local food bank. Procure, box and distribute to families as they come in. Visitation by Zone Chair Brenda Salmonson. Donated \$300 to Vision Weekend, \$250 to LSHF, and \$100 to the Dogsight Project. Presentation of donations made at Mid-Winter convention.

Orford - had a restful holiday season following a busy early December, capped off by our annual "Christmas Party" and Yankee swap Jan. 10 with 16 members and 2 potential new members attending. We anticipate an active 2nd half with our Rose Sale, Fishing Derby and Golf Tournament fundraisers, our first eye-screening scheduled for Jan. 28 and hosting the Zone 7 meeting in April.

Westmoreland - setup table and chairs as well as assembling and delivering a food basket door prize for the January 19 "Friendly Meals" dinner at the Town Hall. Provided a luncheon for 8 students at the January 8 gathering for these students performing an outstanding act of courtesy, kindness, citizenship or scholastic improvement. Donated \$50 to Lions Vision 2016, \$300 to the Dogsight Project and \$100 to the Keene Lions club in appreciation for eye screenings at the Westmoreland School.



2nd Annual Milford Community  "Scrambler"

Sunday March 20, 2016

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(Registration starts @ 12:30 p.m.)

Milford High School Cafeteria

100 West Street - Milford N.H.

All proceeds from the "Scrambler" will be used to promote literacy efforts in the community ... this event is sponsored by:



Pre-Registration is **REQUIRED**. **Only** the first 40 teams to register will be allowed to participate. Each team is expected to raise a minimum of \$100.00 to participate in the tournament. Registration deadline 03/09/16.

Registration materials are available by contacting:

Don Jalbert @ (603) 673-4201 x3441 OR djalbert@sau40.com



NELC *Winter Wonderland* Weekend Training Seminars & NELC Meeting

March 4 & 5, 2016
~ Crowne Plaza ~ Nashua

FRIDAY- MARCH 4

Deluxe Room w/ Saturday morning Breakfast \$106+ tax

Call the Crowne Direct 603-886-1200 to Reserve Room

SATURDAY- MARCH 5

- 8:30 am REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 am Celebrating the Centennial ~ PID Ed Lecius**
9:45 am BREAK
- 10:00 am LCIF Today ~ what's New?**
10:45 am BREAK
- 11:00 am Club Administration ~ Are We Doing It Right? ~ PDG Ned Merrick**
12:00 pm LUNCH
- 1:15 pm NELC Meeting ~ DG Reports**
3:00 pm Have a Safe Trip Home



NELC Registration
Winter Wonderland Weekend ~ March 4-5, 2016

Crowne Plaza
2 Somerset Parkway
Nashua, NH

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

DISTRICT: _____

EMAIL: _____

LUNCH: SOUP DU JOUR

With your choice of:

- () Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad
- () Chicken Fattoush Salad
- () Spinach & Arugula Salad w/ Grilled Chicken

DESSERT-COFFEE-DECAF-TEA-ICE TEA

\$25pp Lunch & Registration
\$10pp NO LUNCH-Registration Only

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

MAIL REGISTRATION & CHECK (Pavable to NELC) to: PID Ed Lecius
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Merrimack, NH 03054

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Sunday, June 5, 2016

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I want the early bird at \$28 pp because space is limited & I don't want to miss the fun

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TOTAL # OF TICKETS _____

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