

the LION'S ROAR....

your **DISTRICT 44N** Monthly NEWS!

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The Concord Lions Club presents Inspirational Speaker and Fellow Lion Randy Pierce with 2020 Vision Quest

It began with Randy Pierce and his Dog Guide, Quinn, climbing all 48 of the rugged 4000+ foot peaks in the New Hampshire White Mountains. Using these and other adventures to raise awareness, the core mission will continue as Randy will work to inspire others to set their own visions and help them achieve their goals through outreach, education, and support. 2020 Vision Quest leads and inspires students and professionals to reach beyond adversity and achieve their peak potential. We believe in leading by example, in climbing the highest peaks, and in sharing our successes and challenges with each other.

**Please join us for this special night on
September 2, 2015 6:00 – 7:30 pm
St. Peter Church, 135 North State Street,
Concord NH**

Come be inspired by Randy's story, accomplishments and tough mudder attitude to succeed while learning a little about Lions Clubs and how they make a difference in our community and the world.

Early in 2014 Randy welcomed his new Dog Guide Autumn and after running his first marathon in May, had successfully qualified for the April 2015 Boston Marathon. Once the Boston Marathon was complete, Randy plans to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in September 2015. Randy's passion for new experiences continues to encourage him to turn adversity into growth and opportunity, inspiring others to reach their peak potential as Randy has and continues to do.



The Jaffrey-Rindge Lions Club proudly sponsors



"Blow Your Own Glass Ornament"

To Benefit Eastin Coll
Sunday September 27, 2015

4 - 8 pm at Terrapin Glassblowing Studio
79 Hadley Road in Jaffrey, NH
(Intersection of Rt 202, Old Sharon Rd and Hadley Rd)



Eastin Coll of Jaffrey has been diagnosed with *Keratoconus*, which is a degenerative and progressive eye disease.

The profits raised by this fundraiser will go directly towards paying for Eastin's surgical eye procedure.

Please help us raise money to save this young man's eyesight and have fun doing it!

Get some friends together and schedule your 30 minute time slot by calling the studio at (603) 593-5073. Each person in your group will make their very own 2 color ornament to hang in a window, put in your garden or on your Christmas tree.

It's a fun opportunity to experience glassblowing first hand and raise money for a good cause, only \$25 per ornament!



For more information about this fundraising event,
or the Jaffrey-Rindge Lions club,
please call Terrapin Glassblowing Studio at
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USA/Canada Forum

The **2015 USA/Canada Forum** will take place in
Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA, on September 17-19.

The forum offers training and fellowship to Lions from across North America. Remember to stop by LCIF's presentation on Friday, September 19, at 2 pm and visit the LCIF booth to speak with staff about grants and programs.

NOTE: Franklin Lion's Renaissance Faire as advertised in last month's newsletter has been cancelled.



SHOUT OUT to Myla Everett—wishing you a speedy recovery to good health



& to Dick StJean — you are the

**SEPTEMBER DATES**

Sep 12	Secretary Training	Concord, NH
Sep 17-19	USA/Canada Forum	Grand Rapids, MI
Sep 30	LTSSA Annual Meeting	Lebanon, NH
Sep 30	NHAPPDG	Manchester, NH

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION & DEADLINE

Deadline for submitting articles to be published; each and every submission should reach me by no later than the **FOURTH SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**. *About two thirds of you making submissions this past month were on time, and a third of you were in the mind set that the last Saturday in August was the deadline. But...the month of August had **FIVE** Saturdays! ... all in all, it wasn't too bad..* I am, however, going to actually list the deadline dates for the following few months. This perhaps will help keep you on track. Keep in mind, you may submit anything before this deadline. The extended deadline may be better for you to report your club's activities as it should give you more time to get them to me. However, in order to keep the size of the newsletter reasonable, I will take the liberty of editing your submissions and consolidating your articles.

Deadline for October issue: **September 26**
Deadline for November issue: **October 24**
Deadline for December issue: **November 28**

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE

MD44's FIRST ETHNIC CLUB Nashua Everest Centennial Lions Club Charter Night

October 10, 2015 - 6 - 11 pm
Puritan Back Room - Manchester

6:00 pm Cash Bar Reception
6:45 pm Buffet Dinner
7:55 pm Program

~ \$30.00 pp ~

Please make checks payable to:
Nashua Everest Centennial Lions Club

and send **with RSVP** to: **Lion Shanta Bist**
4 Cobble Hill Road
Nashua, NH 03062

RSVP DEADLINE: October 1, 2015

If your club is willing to donate any of the following items,
please notify **PID Ed Lecius** at: lioncommish@hotmail.com

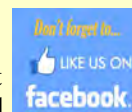
CLUB BANNER - (Nashua Lions)
GAVEL
BELL
Flag Set
Tail Twister Bank

PID Ed Lecius, GMT Area Leader CA-1-A

Visit [NHLionsDistrict44N](#) on Facebook!

Clubs may submit upcoming events and/or photos for past events on the district Facebook page.

All submissions must
Lions Code of Ethics and
Tom Reynolds



be compliant with the
should be sent to: Lion
tc Reynolds@comcast.net



October 9 to 11
Milford Pumpkin Festival



October 10
Nashua Everest Centennial Lions Club Charter Night

October 31
Homecoming for PID John Pettis - MD33
Watch for more information!

November 14
Gap Mountain annual Gift Basket Sale. *More news later.*

December 5
35th annual Amherst Lions Craft Fair (*Middle School*)

January 29 to 31, 2016
MD44 MID-WINTER CONVENTION
at the Courtyard by Marriott Hotel in Nashua

"NH LIONS ACADEMY AWARDS OF RECOGNITION"

Keene Lions Club donates pavilion to Fuller Park

◆ **Dedication:** Members Ronald Farina and Michael Forrest were honored for their work in making the \$50,000 project possible.

By MEGHAN PIERCE
Union Leader Correspondent

KEENE — A new pavilion at Fuller Park was dedicated to two Lions Club members at a ceremony Saturday that included the pavilion's first band concert.

Lions Club members Ronald Farina and Michael Forrest are credited with making the \$50,000 project possible.

Mayor Kendall Lane accepted the donation of the pavilion from the Keene Lions Club at the ceremony.

"The sun is shining on the Lions Club today and shining on the city of Keene today. Let's all enjoy it and make the most of it," Lane said, expressing his gratitude to the Lions Club. "This is a real tribute to their work and the work that they have done in the community over the years."

He added that it's particularly fitting the pavilion was built in Fuller Park because of the property's history.

Glass Factory. The National Guard Armory was located here. The Cheshire County Jail was located here," he said, adding that they also turned the recreation area into an area dedicated to veterans.

In addition, many people in Keene don't know that from 1925 to 1955, the city's bandstand was located in Fuller Park, Lane said.

"In 1955, it had deteriorated and burned down, and the amphitheater in Robin Hood Park was opened up," he said. "But up until then, this was the location of many, many musical performances here in Keene. So it's very fitting and proper that this pavilion be located here."

Keene Lions Club president Bill Beauregard then dedicated the pavilion to Farina and Forrest.

"Mike and Ron have worked on this since this thought was conceived some four years ago," Beauregard said. "They put in countless hours and they worked tirelessly to bring this to the beautiful structure that you see today."

After the short ceremony, the New Hampshire Na-



The New Hampshire National Guard 39th Army Band performs the first live music concert in a new pavilion at Fuller Park in Keene on Saturday.

MEGHAN PIERCE

tional Guard 39th Army Band performed the first live music concert in the pavilion.

The money used to purchase the pavilion was raised by the Keene Lions Club through its annual duck race in the summer, its annual Broadway show in February and the citrus sale in the fall.

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ects in the city. The club funded the lights and scoreboard at Alumni Field, as well as the playground at Fuller Park, Farina said.

"It's great to raise some money and give it all back," he said.

Keene Parks and Recreation is holding its free summer movie series in Fuller Park on Tuesday Nights, which was made possible by the Lions donation of an outdoor movie screen.

The above article appeared in the Union Leader, a new pavilion at Fuller Park in Keene was dedicated to two Lion Club members at a ceremony. Members Ronald Farina and Michael Forrest are credited with making the \$50,000 project possible. Mayor Kendall Lane accepted the donation of the pavilion from the Keene Lions Club at the ceremony. "The sun is shining on the Lions Club today and shining on the city of Keene today. Let's all enjoy it and make the most of it", Lane said. Keen Lions Club president Bill Beauregard then dedicated the pavilion to Farina and Forest. "Mike and Ron have worked on this since this thought was conceived some four years ago," Beauregard said. "They put in countless hours and they worked tirelessly to bring this to the beautiful structure that you see today." The money used to purchase the pavilion was raised by the Keene Lions Club through its annual duck race in the summer, its annual Broadway show in February and the citrus sale in the fall.

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LIONS SECRETARY TRAINING

Northeast Delta Dental Concord, NH

Saturday, September 12, 2015

9 am – noon

This class is designed to help Lions Club secretaries navigate the LCI website, learn how to submit reports in a timely fashion, and how to find answers to questions you may have along the way. Lion Diane Guerriere will cover all aspects of the job you have so graciously volunteered to do.

The information provided is appropriate for new secretaries and seasoned ones too.

Please register at drdiane@wolfechiro.net no later than September 1st. Include your full name, your club and district, and phone number. I will be providing bagels, donuts, coffee, tea and water. Please tell me what you would like so that everyone gets just what they need. Example: raisin bagel with butter and tea with milk or 2 powdered sugar jelly donuts with decaf coffee. Directions to the location will be sent to you after you register.

Concord Lions

1st Annual Disc Golf Classic

Join Us for FUN and FOOD, RAIN or SHINE

Saturday September 12th 2015

Top O' Hill Disc Golf Course

Registration is from 8AM until Noon

Individuals or team play are welcome -

Age 10 years and up

Cost of entry is \$20 per person -

First hole in one gets \$100

Benefits Concord Lions Club Local Charities

email Tom Geno for any questions at

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District 44N Membership

Club	As of July 1	As of August 20	Change
Total 44N	1,220	1,199	-21
Amherst	52	51	-01
Andover	20	22	+02
Antrim-Bennington	33	33	0
Bedford	21	21	0
Bristol	19	19	0
Brookline	31	27	-04
Canaan	47	47	0
Chesterfield	39	35	-04
Claremont	6	6	0
Cohasse	48	47	-01
Concord	28	29	+01
Enfield-Mascoma	44	44	0
Fall Mountain	8	8	0
Franklin Area	27	24	-03
Gap Mountain	12	12	0
Goffstown	63	63	0
Hanover	37	37	0
Henniker	18	18	0
Hillsboro	30	30	0
Hinsdale	27	27	0
Hooksett	27	26	-01
Hopkinton	26	26	0
Jaffrey-Rindge	<i>incl Souhegan</i>	<i>incl Souhegan</i>	
Keene	80	82	+02
Lafayette	16	16	0
Lancaster	25	24	-01
Lisbon	34	32	-02
Littleton	17	17	0
Manchester	19	19	0
Merrimack	26	26	0
Milford	32	32	0
Monadnock	28	28	0
New Boston	<i>incl Goffstown</i>	<i>incl Goffstown</i>	
New London	15	15	0
Newport	14	14	0
Orford	34	34	0
Peterborough	37	37	0
Pinardville	22	22	0
Plymouth	10	9	-01
Souhegan	42	42	0
Sunapee	26	26	0
Swanzy	9	0	-09
Weare	10	11	+01
Westmoreland	10	10	0
Whitefield	20	20	0
Wilton	31	31	0

Welcome New Lions! Welcome New Lions! Welcome New Lions!

CLUB NEW MEMBER SPONSOR

Andover	Patricia Cutter	Marjorie Leber
Andover	Alab Howard Edwards	Virginia Edwards
Andover	John Hanscom	Howard George
Keene	Jonathan Perry	Robert Perry

Total New Members

4



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Lions Youth Services ...

...is happy to announce that the **Peace Poster Kits** purchased for Lion Year 2015 – 2016 have just about **SOLD OUT!** **There are only three (3) kits available** through LYS.

Your cost is \$12.00 each saving you shipping and handling- **just contact me to be sure** the kit gets to you as soon as possible.

With 20 clubs and 30 kits purchased, it looks like we are off to a **great start**. The good news is the kits are also still available for purchase online until October 1st. School is just around the corner, so please **get your kit ordered soon**.

Clubs who are interested in sponsoring the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can order a Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The cost of the kit is US\$11.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Lions clubs must purchase a kit for each contest sponsored.

Each kit contains:

- **Official Club Contest Guide and Rules**
- **Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules**
- **Participant Flyer** to duplicate & give participating students to take home
- **Sticker** to place on back of winning poster
- **Certificates** for contest winner and school or youth group

You can order kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters until October 1. To order a kit, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822. To order online, go to [Club Supplies](#) (Item Search: Peace Poster Kit).

If your club is interested in sponsoring this contest and have already ordered a kit through Lions International directly and has not yet notified me, I would appreciate your letting me know, please contact me at rwynnemilford@aol.com

Your club will be contacted via email correspondence with further details and assistance in publicity for your local contest. If anyone has any questions or need assistance in ordering a kit for your club, please feel free to contact me. I believe this will be an exciting year for the contest and look forward to working with you, your Zone Chair and the youth in your community.

The following are the list of clubs who have purchased Peace Poster Kits from me: Bedford, Brookline, Canaan, Chesterfield, Concord, Hillsborough, Lafayette, Merrimack, Milford, Orford, Pinardville, Exeter, Hudson, Kingston, Moultonborough, Portsmouth, Rye, Saddleback Mtn, Wakefield and Wolfeboro.

**JUST THREE (3) POSTER KITS LEFT! -
HURRY GET YOURS TODAY!**



...is happy to announce that this year's 2015-2016 **Citizenship & Patriotism Contest** will be running

in conjunction with the Peace Poster contest. Please contact your schools for grades 5-8 to encourage participation in this contest. This is a NH Lions Multiple District 44 endeavor through LYS.

Contest Description:

for: **NH Middle School Students in Grades 5 through 8**
the theme: **"The American Flag"**

the essay: **300 words or less** (minimum of 100 words). *May be typed or handwritten (if handwritten, must be legible and written in ink). List sources and references used in the essay*

criteria: *Essays will be judged on originality, creativity & facts*
timeline: **September 14, 2015 - November 11, 2015**

Awards as follows: First place in each grade level (5-8) within each district (44H, 44N) will receive a certificate and medal and will also qualify for the Multiple District contest award of \$100.

NH Lions Multiple District 44

1st place 5th grade—\$100
1st place 6th grade—\$100
1st place 7th grade—\$100
1st place 8th grade—\$100

Please contact one of the LYS members listed below for further information and details. Completed Essays may also be submitted by November 11, 2015 to:

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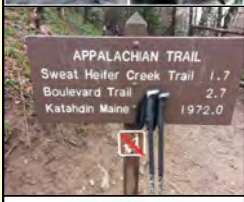
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FROM CANAAN and BACK....



Day 1- March 26, 2015 was the beginning for PDG Alan Ricard's Appalachian Trail journey. His plan was to complete the journey in about five to five and half months.

Day 82 - of his adventure, Alan upon checking into the ATC headquarters, found that he was hiker "599" for the year.

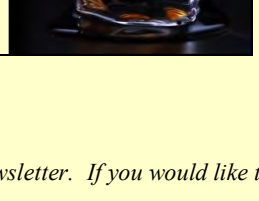
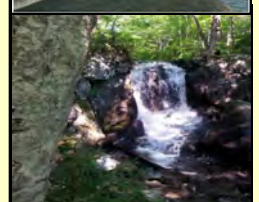
Day 88 - a half way point with 1,098.4 miles under his belt.

Day 127 – on Monday, August 10, trip miles 1,682.8, "the fun" started the day when he met up with "Special Ed" in Bangor, ME. They both hiked to the summit of Katahdin upon arrival in Millinocket. Upon arising in the am, there were two moose near their campsite. Made the summit around noon and then proceeded down the 4200ft summit. Arrived at the Appalachian Trail lodge which failed to reserve a bunk for him and he ended up on a cot for the night. This proved to be a very uncomfortable night's sleep and so hiking for the next day was not in the cards.

Day 136– after resting and relaxing for the day, Alan resumed his hiking for the next nine days when after beginning his hike on August 19, with over 2,000 miles hiked, he began tripping and stumbling on everything on the trail. With southern Maine and the White Mountains to come, he realized that if he continued, there would be a good chance of getting hurt so he made the decision to stop the hike and go home making day 136, August 19, 2015 his final day of this journey. He has decided to become a section hiker and will finish the trail over the next few years.



Editor's note: I personally commend PDG Alan for his commitment and aspiration in this phenomenal hike across the Appalachians. Also for his vigilance, and for his true self-discipline in that anything can be accomplished when you are convicted to an objective. Kudos to you Alan, thank you for sharing your adventure. I am sure that Nancy missed you immensely as well as all of your fellow Lion friends. We welcome you back and look forward to seeing you soon!



I had only began tracking his journey since this past June, July and was featuring some of his entries into the newsletter. If you would like to read about Alan's whole journey, visit www.trailjournals.com/icefire/



Tight Lines- DG Henry

I would like to thank all those Lions who attended the August cabinet meeting, I know several who couldn't attend due to prior commitments, and it's a busy time for all of us. I look forward to seeing everyone at the November cabinet meeting at the Puritan Backroom in Manchester.

There is a lot of exciting changes waiting out there for us to try; there is a tentative new program line up for Mid-Winter Convention, look for details in the upcoming ROAR issues.

The Peace Poster competition is starting, it's not too late to order your kits and get them into your schools. If you need help with anything Chairperson Rhonda Wynne is a phone call or email away. Going hand in hand with the Peace Poster is the Patriotism and Citizenship contest (it is a 300 word essay on the American Flag), information will be coming out soon from the LYS committee and Chairperson Harry Armstrong.

Has your club approached the businesses in your service area about putting the Handicap Access unloading area signage in their parking lots? Amherst Lions Club is your source of supplies. They had 75 signs available at the cabinet meeting and will order more when the supply is exhausted. Please do it now and get the sign in place before winter, it is hard enough for people to get out and move around in the snow and slush without having the loading and unloading spots blocked in.

There is so much information about Operation Kid Sight, Dogsight, and Pilot Hearing Screenings. The dedicated members of the LYS, HSB, and Sight and Hearing are willing to come and speak to your club, school, and community. Please just ask the chairpersons of these committees and they will schedule a customized presentation for you.

School has started and soccer season is underway which means the members of LTSSA will be gearing up for the 2016 games. Get a head start on your club's involvement, ask a director to visit now.

Did I mention I am calling and setting up visitations? Have a special request or event you would like me to attend, please let me know.

I am running out of space in this column and haven't mentioned the branch clubs in New Boston and Jaffrey- Rindge. We are still looking for members; do you know someone in the area that might like to join? LET US KNOW.

Zone Chair Ann Bailey is setting up a membership push for the Lincoln Woodstock area as that is our newest attempt to restart a club there. If you have a prospective member or would be willing to canvas the area, please let her know.

As I was fishing this past week I looked through my tackle box looking at all the lures and wondering which one to use, so many available but what would work. It is like a Lions Club we have so much to offer to invite prospective members to join, but what is the right project? Is your Tackle box empty? Time to contact the multiple district committees and see what they can offer. PDG Sandra Hurd and the GLT are willing to help with orientation for both new and longtime members.

Remember ***"ASK ONE!"***



Comments from CST Paul Dalton

Many clubs were not represented at the August Cabinet meeting and thus unable to pick up their directories. Unless your Zone Chair picked them up for you, the District Governor plans to deliver them when he visits your club. If you want them before that let me know and we'll arrange something – mail, pony express, hand-off, whatever works. A note on the directories....when I mailed the District Dues notices, I used the addresses listed. Many clubs have a separate address, usually a PO Box number for their club mail. If you want me to use that, please be sure it is included in your club information. Many are not so listed.

District dues are coming in regularly but slowly. Your attention to this as soon as you can would be appreciated. Also the DG's calendar for club visits is filling rapidly. If you have not made arrangements for his visit at this time, please contact DG Henry directly or me to set up a date. We hope to accommodate everyone where specific dates are desired but it is a first-come, first-served schedule. Thanks for your help here.

Many clubs are just getting back to regularly scheduled meetings in September. If there is anything I can help with as you resume the year, just let me know. Glad to help where I can. Lastly, keep your eye on the next Cabinet meeting, Sunday, November 8 at the Puritan Backroom in Manchester.

Greetings Fellow Lions~ your friend in service, MCC Terri McGrew



Is your club making plans for this year?

plan (plān) *noun*

1. An orderly or step-by-step conception or proposal for accomplishing an objective
2. A proposed or intended course of action

planned, planning, plans *verb*

1. To formulate a scheme or program for the accomplishment, enactment, or attainment of
2. To have as a specific aim or purpose

Are you planning to have fun at your club meetings? Are you planning great fundraisers and heartwarming service projects? Are you scheduling Spot Screenings in your schools and daycare centers? Are you promoting the Peace Poster Contest in your local schools? Are you hosting Pilot Hearing Screenings at schools and daycare centers? Are you promoting the Patriotic Essay Contest to the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade children in your towns? Are you planning to make a donation to our Sight & Hearing Foundation of NH to support NH citizens in need of hearing aids and cataract surgeries? Are you going to purchase the Lions Twin State Soccer Association Calendar Raffle this year to support Sight & Hearing?

Kudos to every Lions Club for your successful fundraisers and service projects! You are truly making a difference in the world.

Keep up the wonderful work; and keep planning!

**IMMEDIATE PAST
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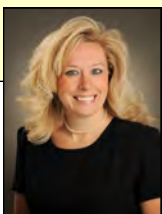
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First Vice District Governor Christine Greenwood

at

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer..... I have been busy out visiting clubs and attending the monthly Board meetings. I attended the Twin State Soccer Tournament held at Castleton College in July. What a FANTASTIC event – I encourage every Lion to try to attend the event next year. At each club meeting or event I attend, I see smiles. I enjoy seeing fellow Lion's smile with enthusiasm.

Speaking of enthusiasm, remember to continue to "Just Ask 1". Before asking, think back to when YOU became a Lion. Why did you become a Lion – was it because you wanted to serve your community, was it to be involved with a specific cause, was it to make new friends or be with friends ?? Ask potential members to attend a meeting, visit a fundraiser event or perhaps just sit over coffee and discuss how Lions has impacted your life.

As always, I look forward with working each and every one this year. And let's keep up the membership momentum with this year's President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada's theme bringing dignity to others – Dignity. Harmony. Humanity.



Second Vice District Governor Eric Lindberg

September is here, where did the summer go?

I know some of your Clubs have a light summer schedule and are now coming back from vacations and beginning to gear up for a busy Lionistic year! This year I would like to invite every Lion in our district to attend our Cabinet Meetings. Contrary to public opinion, they are not just for officers. Come meet other fantastic, energetic, and enthusiastic Lions from around the state. It is an opportunity to see what other Clubs are doing and get new ideas.

I would also like to invite you all to attend one or more of our Multi-District Board meetings (Health Service Board, Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of NH, Lions Youth Development of NH, and Lions Twin State Soccer Association). Most of these boards meet once a month at the Airport Diner in Manchester. Come have a nice dinner and learn what each group does. You will not regret your night out, I assure you of that!

Since I attend most of these meetings, it would be my pleasure to introduce you to these dedicated Lions from around the state.

Finally, let me know if I can be of any help to you or your club.



Global Leadership Team Coordinator PDG/GLT Sandra Hurd

What a great Cabinet Meeting on August 9. DG Henry McKee inspired us with a wonderful program. It promises to be a terrific Lions year for District 44N.

I presented a Member Orientation packet me and my committee put together and gave copies to those Zone Chairs who were in attendance. If you or your club would like a copy, please contact me.

REMINDER: the District 44 Secretary Training is being held at Delta Dental in Concord on September 12 from 9am to noon. Please encourage your Secretary to attend. We can all learn something. Hope to see you there. Please let Diane Guerriere at drdiane@wolfechiro.net know if you will be coming.

I hope to attend Zone Meetings this fall to say "HI" to everyone. If you need anything from me, contact me at axstewart@comcast.net

SUMMER "HIGHLIGHTS"

Amherst- Lion members participated in the town's July 4th Bikes & Carriages Parade.



Antrim Bennington - over the summer the club has some social events whereby members would potluck as well as plan for one of their major fundraising events.

Brookline - collected several boxes of school supplies to be distributed at the end of the month to the two elementary schools in town. Also involved in the Clothing Drive . 230 pair of eyeglasses were brought to the District Meeting on August 9 by KL Sue Lindberg and Treasurer Terri McGrew. Approximately 100 Christmas Stockings (pictured in last month's ROAR) for the kids at Camp Allen (activity led by Treasurer Terri McGrew).

Canaan - the Health Closet handled 86 units this past month and drove 570 miles delivering and picking up items; 5 Lions worked 59 hours. Provided a pair of glasses to a Canaan resident. 3 Lions cooked and served 47 meals at the monthly Community Dinner. 2 Lions attended the Cabinet meeting in Keene, and 1 of those Lions delivered to David's House the 110 household items that were collected at the meeting. 1 Lion attended the LYSNH Board meeting in Manchester. The club held 2 Motocross practices and 2 races in August and will hold 2 practices and 1 race in September. 3 Lions worked 20 hours to reassemble a handicap ramp that was moved from Enfield to Charlestown. A blood drive is scheduled for August 31 beginning at 1:00 pm in Canaan.

Chesterfield - five members of the club have undergone four hours of training on how to better promote the club using social media and the internet. Along with this training they have learned how to use many of the various Google apps to help with a variety of club activities and business.

Gap Mountain - August is a quiet month—two members who regularly volunteer at the local food pantry are still hard at work caring for the needy. Club members worked 109 hours selling tickets at the Cheshire Fair. Had a BBQ and sold over 200 chickens at Troy's 200th celebration. Members attended the Cabinet Meeting in Keene. Donations for David's House were turned in. DG Henry McGee was a guest at the August meeting.



Hillsboro - conducted annual golf tournament on August 1. Received 12,500 for our share of the Hot Air Balloon Festival proceeds. Hosted an ice cream social for the volunteers for the summer beach program. PCC Don & Meg Ager attended the NHP & PDGs outing. Also attended the northeast Pin Swap in Dedham, MA. Associate members ID Robert and Michelle Libin also attended the Pin Swap. PCC Don and Meg attended the Hopkinton Lions club outing.

Henniker - the harvest continues in the Lions Garden for the food pantry. Eyeglasses request being responded to. Donation of \$300 approved for the senior center thanksgiving luncheon.

Hopkinton - the June Yard sale represents the club's largest fundraising event. Thanks to Karl Thulin, who organized this event, and all the hard work by volunteers, they broke the \$6K mark for the first time ... a sizeable increase over the prior year.



Hopkinton
Lions annual
Yard Sale
raises over
\$6000 in this
fundraiser

SUMMER "HIGHLIGHTS" (cont'd)

Hopkinton - has been helping the Henniker Lions club with planting and weeding duties at the Henniker Community Garden supporting their respective food pantries. With the lack of rain, it's been a tough summer. Thanks to the Hopkinton Lions Karl Thulin and Rosalie Smith and Henniker King Lion Marti Capuco, and Lion Jerry Eisen, progress was made to keep the production and harvest going. Lion Jerry Eisen managed to get a donation of 4,000 gallons of water delivered to the garden in a tanker truck from Contoocook Artesian Wells. Lion Karl and King Lion Marti rigged a pump with a borrowed fire hose and VOILA!! Water- to the thirsty plants. The garden survived and there still was 2000 gallons of water left over.

The annual Summer Lobster Party was hosted by Ted and Eileen Story. Thanks so much for putting this together. A great time was had by all. Two Melvin Jones Fellow awards were presented at this event.

Congratulations to recipients David Craig and Gary J. Gross.



Lancaster - has been busy this summer serving their famous burgers, hot dogs and french fries at many local community events. Several volunteers assist at the local nursing home with various activities offered to the residents including a visit to Santa's Village and a scenic drive to Island Pond. Clothing is collected and distributed to local agencies who serve those in need. Joined with other organizations in assisting at the local food bank and meal site. Using the SPOT Vision Screener, they are able to offer eye screenings to children visiting the area.

Milford - held free monthly community spaghetti supper for 105 people. Operated a concession stand at the New Boston "Barnful of Blues Festival" as a fundraiser, where various grilled items and sodas were sold. This was the first year at this event, and it was not too successful. Next year will be better as it was learned what works and what doesn't work.






KL Tricia Shea, Lions
John Wynne, Ray and
Sandy Hill and Herb
Adams working at the
Blues Festival.

Newport - donated \$136 for the foreign guests luncheon.

Orford - held a Lobster Fest on August 8, served a lobster and steak dinner to 400 people in conjunction with the Town of Orford's 250th Charter celebration. 14 Lions were joined by 6 students and 5 community volunteers working a total of 130 hours.

Peterborough - made a donation to The Cornucopia Project, which is a teaching and learning collaborative, comprised of gardeners and educators who value an exchange of knowledge regarding organic gardening and hands-on learning in the garden. Their mission takes them to all eight schools in the ConVal School District, where their programming helps children gain a more thorough understanding of where their food comes from. Produce is donated to the Cornucopia Food Pantry. Lions Marcia Patton and Roland Patten went to a meeting of the Jaffrey-Rindge Lions Club to discuss and demonstrate the SPOT screener.

SPOT VISION SCREENER 2015 - 2016	MD44 MAICO PILOT AUDIOMETER
<p>Be sure to schedule and reserve your vision screening with your schools and local daycare centers early so will know you have the screener available for your club.</p> <p>Many clubs have already made reservations for September and October. Our goal is to get to 20,000 screenings this year.</p> <p>We would love to see 100% participation from all clubs. If you need some help, please contact your Zone Coordinator.</p> <p>Zone 1—Jean Lemire Zone 2—Jan Reimers Zone 3—Marcia Patten Zone 4—Geoffrey Molina Zone 5—Rosalie Smith Zone 6—Mary Giveen Zone 7 - Bob Rowsell Zone 8 - Ann Bailey</p>	<p>The digital Pilot screens children as young as three years old. To schedule a screening, contact your 2015 - 2016 Hearing Equipment Coordinator listed below:</p> <p>Southern NH Coordinator Zones 1 - 4 Ana Ortega– Merrimack Lions 225 Baboosic Lake Road, Merrimack, NH 03054 ortegafam4@yahoo.com; mobile: 603.289.9174</p>  <p>Northern NH Coordinator Zones 5 - 7/8 Rosalie Smith - Hopkinton Lions 425 Little Tooky Road, Contoocook, NH 03229 thenursenice@hotmail.com; home: 603.746.5781</p>
LIONS SIGHT AND HEARING NEWS	ACCESS AISLE SIGNS
<p>Has your club considered giving a Granite State Fellow award? This most prestigious award can be given to an individual, a deserving club member or a member of the community at large, or to an organization.</p> <p>If the recipient already is Granite State Fellow, the individual can become a progressive Granite State Fellow. The application forms are readily available at http://www.nhlions.org/</p> <p>There are two forms there, for an individual and for an entity (organization). The cost is only \$500 and it helps Lions Sight and Hearing to build its endowment to fund future hearing aid and cataract surgery cases.</p> <p>For more information, please contact PCC Roger LaTulippe, at 566-9409, dgroger@comcast.net</p> <p>Fred Plett, President- Lions Sight & Hearing</p>	<p>Last fall both Districts 44H and 44N were shown a mock-up of a possible cross-hatched handicap access aisle sign proposed by Lion Ken Jones and PCC Charlie Vars of the Amherst Lions club which was unanimously endorsed at both Cabinet Meetings as a worthwhile Community Service project. These signs have been designed to emphasize that the spaces next to a HCP parking space are not to be parked in by anyone and that the State has now instituted RSA's and substantial monetary penalties for doing so. The sign has been endorsed by the MS Society and other disability groups, approved by the State of NH, produced at the State Prison and now available to your clubs at a cost of \$15.00 each. The project has also been approved by the legal department at Lions Clubs International.</p> <p>While the mounting holes will already be drilled, your Club will be responsible for mounting them either on a building or on a metal post procured and erected by the Club. You will also be responsible for obtaining permission from the business or landlord wherever they are to be installed. Participating in this worthwhile endeavor will promote and provide visibility for NH Lions Clubs while also protecting that access aisle for necessary wheelchair use. Since the State prison system will ONLY sell to one entity, the Amherst Lions club has purchased 50 of these signs.</p> <p>Please place your order and send your \$15.00 check made out to the Amherst Lions club and send to:</p>
<div data-bbox="74 1423 289 1665">  </div> <div data-bbox="289 1423 792 1969"> <p>LIONS RECYCLING</p> <p><i>Reported by Jill Healey—Eyeglasses, Hearing Aids Collection</i></p> <p>There were 2,610 pairs of glasses for the district and 14 hearing aids collected thus far for the year. Just since July 1st there were 7,836 pairs of glasses, 28 hearing aids and 74 pairs of prescription sunglasses brought over to International Lions Recycling Center.</p> <p>A special “Thank You” to the Keene Lions club for your tremendous collection this past summer~</p> </div>	<p>PCC Charlie Vars PO Box 788 Amherst NH 03031</p> 



The DogSight Project

Dog Days

These hot summer months seem to be endless. Rose and I are limited in our walks to the cooler parts of the day – lately that seems to be only the mornings. I carry water and a collapsible bowl always, even though most places will give us water for her if I ask. I worry about the heat of the pavement hurting her paws, and that's another reason for only walking in the cool of the morning. We're looking forward to the cooler fall weather.

The Project needs new members, people with ideas and energy. We meet every other month, September through May, via Skype. Meetings are only an hour long, productive, and the work is rewarding. Contact me if you are interested – if Skype is new to you, I can help with that – it's a free product and doesn't require much more than a computer and an internet connection.

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** in 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!

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



GO GREEN!

Well, last year we had a great response and over half the Clubs completed the Environmental portion of the Centennial Challenge! **YEAH!!!** This year, let's have **100% of our Clubs complete this portion of the Centennial Challenge.** This year we are going to promote the **Lions Environmental Photo Contest.**

THE RULES ARE EASY!

1. Each Club in good standing can submit 1 photo to the district
2. The photo cannot have people in it
3. It must be printed, 8"x10", and in either black & white or color
4. Photos will be judged on originality, artistic merit, and portrayal of the Environmental theme

You can submit your photo in any one of the following categories:

- * Animal Life
- * Landscape (urban or natural)
- * Plant Life
- * Weather Phenomenon
- * **Special Theme: Dignity, Harmony, Humanity**

(This should show peaceful co-existence of species)

Bring the photo your club would like to submit to the November Cabinet Meeting!

Please label the photo with the Lion's name, the Club name and which category it is entered in.

Since the Multiple District is only allowed to submit 1 photo to LCI, the final entry will be selected at the Mid-Winter Convention. That photo will be on display at the International Convention and one photo from each category that is selected by LCI will appear on their Web site.

So, go grab your cameras and start taking pictures!



This is going to be FUN!

Some **UPCOMING “EVENTS”**

Antrim Bennington - September 18 - 19 2015 Home and Harvest event in Antrim; whereby the club offers the community a wonderful chicken dinner complete with all the fixings. Please note this supper provides much needed funds for our ongoing goals of helping those in need from local eyeglass purchases to the Dog Sight program.

Brookline - Yard Sale on September 12 in conjunction with the Town Wide Yard Sale

Chesterfield - beginning year with a membership drive on September 1. All visitors and prospective members are encouraged to attend our meeting at the Spofford Fire Station at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 1st.

Enfield-Mascoma LIONESS - The annual Harvest Dinner will take place on Saturday, September 26, and will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Enfield Community Building.

Hopkinton - September 12 - the Contoocook Carry fundraiser for the Hopkinton Wood for Warmth program -Lions assist with timing of race participants. The Hopkinton Lions club also contributes \$500 to this event. Our second event this fall is “The Run to See so Others Can See to Run” 5K sanctioned Road Race. This event raises funds for those with sight and hearing loss and will be held in Hopkinton on Saturday, October 5. Please consider entering the race/walk to support this worthy cause.

Peterborough - Scheduled to participate in the Rotary Club’s Wellness Festival in September with the SPOT screener. Our first meeting of the year will be at the Peterborough Community Theater, as donors supporting the purchase of the DVS system. This is a listening device that describes visual elements of a movie through and headphones for the visually impaired. This theater is one of only four in the state with this service.



Lions Twin State Soccer Association, Inc.

ANNUAL MEETING

**Election of LTSSA Directors and Officers
Lebanon NH Elks Lodge
7:00 pm ~ Wednesday, September 30, 2015**

Every Lion in the state of New Hampshire and Vermont belongs to the Lions Twin State Soccer Association, Inc. We strive to have equal number of directors from each state; Districts 45 and MD44 with an equally divided number of directors between 44N and 44H. Currently, we have positions open in both 44N and 44H.

All proceeds of the games are divided between the two states. Vermont supports the Lion’s Camp for the hearing impaired through the Vermont Lions Charities. New Hampshire supports Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of New Hampshire, Inc which supports our local clubs with grants specifically for sight and hearing projects.

We have changed our regular meeting night to the last Thursday of the month.

I will be making the reservations for this meeting on Monday, September 28th by 10:00 am. Besides e-mail, I can be reached at (603) 768-3617 and ask for Cheryl Powers – or be sure to leave a detailed message.

Looking forward to **SEEing** you at **THIS** meeting.

Yours in Lion Spirit,
Cheryl Powers, Director





District Convention Questionnaire

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:

BY SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

FVDG Christine at cgreenwood@walpolebank.com
or mail to Christine Greenwood, PO Box 832, Keene, NH 03431

1. What could we do to improve attendance at Convention?
2. What would you like to see us do more or better at convention?
3. What do you think keeps Lions from attending convention?
4. Should we consider more activities for NON-LIONS at Convention to encourage greater participation by Lions? Such as:
5. How much are you willing spend up to for a Lions Convention Weekend price - for a two night hotel, breakfast, lunch & banquet dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday ?

How much per person fee _____

Couple convention fee _____
6. Do we have enough family oriented activities for those in your party that are not Lions?
7. What else would you recommend to make our convention an overall more enjoyable and better attended event?



NEW ENGLAND LIONS MELVIN JONES WEEKEND
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2015 THROUGH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
801 Greenwich Avenue, WARWICK, RI 02886

INTERNATIONAL GUEST: PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT JIM ERVIN

LION _____	Club _____	DISTRICT _____
TITLE _____	Home Phone (____) _____ - _____	Bus. Phone (____) _____ - _____
ADDRESS _____		
CITY _____	STATE _____	ZIP _____
GUEST _____ Relationship _____		
Lion? Yes _____ No _____ CLUB _____ TITLE _____		
Email: _____		

√	Please indicate your selections	# Of Persons	Cost
	Friday Night Social- BRING YOUR CHILDREN and spend some family time with them and old friends at the Hospitality Room or enjoying the pool		
	Saturday Breakfast Buffet		@ \$10.00
	Saturday Lunch Deli Buffet (tossed Garden Salad, Roast Beef, Ham & Turkey, Swiss, American and Provolone cheeses, deli garnishes and condiments, chips, bread rolls)		@ \$20.00
	Saturday Night Banquet — Petite Sirloin with wild mushrooms sauce, soup salad. Choice of starch and vegetable, dessert, coffee and tea		@ \$36.00
	Saturday Night Banquet— Stuffed Chicken Breast with apple & sage stuffing, tortellini with spinach and sundried tomatoes, fresh green beans and Duchess Potatoes, dessert, coffee and tea		@ \$36.00
	Saturday Night Banquet— Baked Stuffed Scrod , soup salad. Choice of Starch and vegetable, dessert, coffee and tea		@ \$36.00
	Sunday Morning Breakfast Buffet		@ \$13.00
Please note any special dietary needs: _____			
All registrations due by October 15, 2015			
		Total Amount Due _____	

Hotel Reservations: Room Rate - \$129 + taxes - per Room /per Night.

Call the **HOTEL** for room reservations: from RI 401-732-6000, from outside of RI: 1-866-716-8120

Be certain to indicate that you are with the Lions District 42

Chairman PDG Domingos G. Branco 6 Westgate Rd, Cumberland, RI 02864 401-658-4837 domgbranco@msn.com	Co-Chair PDG Rosa Branco 6 Westgate Rd, Cumberland, RI 02864 rbranco58@msn.com	Registrations Chair Lion Patricia Frazier
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Complete this registration form and enclose with a check to cover the cost of your selections. Make checks payable to "NELC Melvin Jones" **MAIL TO:** Co-Chairperson Rosa Branco

If a Melvin Jones is being presented, please enter information on the back of this page →

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Name of Recipient # 1: _____

CLUB: _____ **DISTRICT:** _____

Please check all that apply:

First Award	Progressive	How many times?	Surprise
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Previously presented? Date ____/____/____ Date ordered from LCI ____/____/____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

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Name of Recipient # 2: _____

CLUB: _____ **DISTRICT:** _____

Please check all that apply:

_____ First Award _____ Progressive How many times? _____ _____ Surprise

Previously presented? Date ____/____/____ Date ordered from LCI ____/____/____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

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Name of Recipient # 3: _____

CLUB:_____ **DISTRICT:**_____

Please check all that apply:

_____ First Award _____ Progressive How many times? _____ _____ Surprise

____ Previously presented? Date ____/____/____ Date ordered from LCI ____/____/____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

Note: All Melvin Jones awards being presented on Saturday evening must be given to the committee by 10:00 AM



NELC

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARDS WEEKEND

DATE: Friday, October 16; Saturday, October 17
and Sunday, October 18, 2015

LOCATION: CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
801 Greenwich Avenue
WARWICK, RI 02886

****CONTACT HOTEL DIRECTLY TO BOOK
RESERVATIONS****

From RI 401- 732-6000 Code Word NELC
Long distance 1-800-227-6963

Chairpersons for this weekend's festivities:
PDG Domingos Branco 401-658-4837 email:
domgbranco@msn.com

Co- Chair Rosa Branco email: rbranco58@msn.com

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 16 2015

JOIN YOUR FELLOW NEW ENGLAND LIONS FOR A
NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP AND FAMILY TIME

*****4:00 pm - HOSPITALITY ROOM OPENS*****

Registration 4:00 – 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015

BREAKFAST IN HOTEL (7:00 - 8:30 AM)

Registration 8:00 to 10:00 AM

Note: 10:00 AM is the deadline for Melvin Jones Fellows
recipients Registration

9:00-11:30 am - Family time, games & children pool activities

9:00-10:00 am - LCIF Coordinators meeting with PIP Jim Ervin

10:00-11:00 am - GMT&GLT Coordinators meeting, DGs meeting

11:00-12:00 pm - NELC Meeting



NELC

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 to 1:15 pm	LUNCH
1:30 to 2:30 pm	Necrology service at Roger Williams Park Lions Memorial
2:30 to 5:30 pm	Free time sightseeing or shopping in Warwick or Providence

EVENING SCHEDULE

5:30 to 6:30 pm	SOCIAL
6:30 to 7:30 pm	BANQUET (Business casual)
7:30 pm	PIP JIM ERVIN, Guest Speaker

CEREMONY FOR PRESENTATION OF MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP immediately following

Due to size of room, plaques will be presented by district in
the following order:

MD DISTRICT 23	SD DISTRICT 42
MD DISTRICT 33	MD DISTRICT 44
SD DISTRICT 41	SD DISTRICT 45

Please be present 15 minutes before your scheduled time.

Pictures with PIP Jim Ervin

Presentation of Gifts and Raffle

*****HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN*****

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015

BREAKFAST & FAREWELLS
(7:00 am to 8:30 am)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION AND HAVE A
SAFE TRIP HOME

WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED YOUR WEEKEND
IN RHODE ISLAND!