

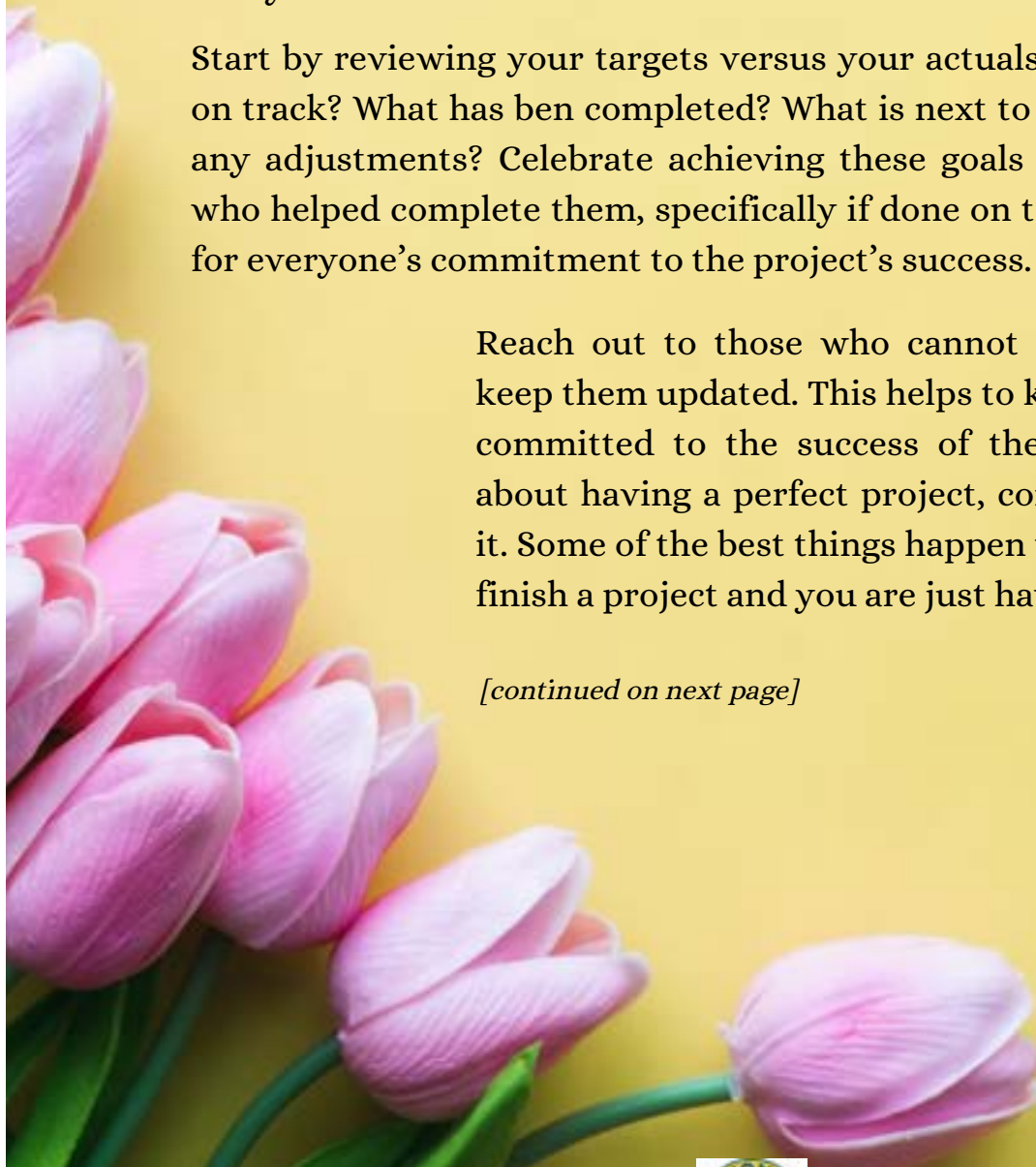
A message from our District Governor

The fourth and final step of the Global Membership Approach is Build Success. If you implement the plan, you should have success. Plan regular scheduled meetings to review your progress. Determine who will run the meetings and schedule them when it is convenient for the majority. Everyone should have a voice.

Start by reviewing your targets versus your actuals. Ask yourselves: Are we on track? What has been completed? What is next to do? Do we need to make any adjustments? Celebrate achieving these goals by recognizing all those who helped complete them, specifically if done on time or earlier. Again, ask for everyone's commitment to the project's success.

Reach out to those who cannot attend the meeting and keep them updated. This helps to keep them motivated and committed to the success of the project. Do not worry about having a perfect project, concentrate on completing it. Some of the best things happen when you are working to finish a project and you are just having fun doing it!

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A message from our District Governor [continued]

It is that time of year – time to elect new club officers! Have you always wanted to do something in your club, a specific project, but it gets shot down? Now is the time you can make it happen! All you need to do is step up to be club president or vice president. Have you looked at a club position and thought “Maybe Someday”? Is today that day? Take a chance, you might surprise yourself!

We have just spent these last few months discussing the steps of the Global Membership Approach. These steps can be utilized to build success as a club chairperson, club officer and/or district officer. Maybe it is just time to learn what your club officers’ roles are. If something should happen to one of them, who would step up? I hope your answer is “I Will!”. Club officer training is available at the end of this month (see enclosed flyer) and is always available. Just ask – you are not alone!

As mentioned above, club officer training is on the 27th. I encourage all incoming officers to take advantage of their specific class. Even if you are a repeat in your role, you can always learn something new. New instructors bring new perspectives. New officers ask different questions and bring about new discussions. If you as the incoming club officer cannot attend, send someone in your place! Things are changing at Lions International and in our districts and multiple district. Find out what those changes are and bring them back to your club.

DG Toni



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Celebrating

THE LIFE OF
JOHN A. WYNNE

August 17, 1949 – December 3, 2023

The family of John invites you to a Celebration of Life.

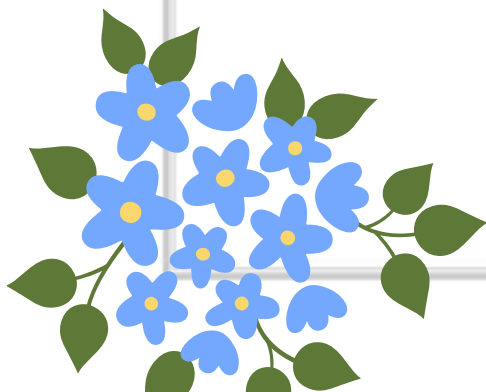
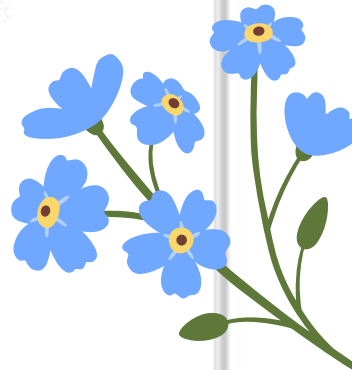
*John brought so much to our lives and many others that
we ask you to gather and celebrate his life with us.*

*We would love for you to join us , have a bite to eat, and
share your stories and favorite memories.*

Saturday, April 20, 2024 / 11am - 2pm

*American Legion Post 23
15 Cottage Street
Milford, NH 03055*

*Please RSVP: rwynnemilford@comcast.net
or 603-930-1181*





Dateline: March 10, 2024

District 45 Governor Travis Wood returned District Governor of 44-N Toni Olden's gavel to her at his March meeting on Saturday the 16 th in Vermont. According to Wood he "found" it in his truck after her district meeting on the third of the month. Olden suspects a member of District 44-H planted it there while she was preoccupied.

Wood had no more comment and Olden is on the hunt for the truth. The good news is that the gavel is safe where it belongs, for now. If you have any information about this incident, please report it to the District Tail Twister.



District 44N Service Hours 2023-2024

	Vision	Hunger	Environment	Diabetes	Childhood Cancer	Other	Total
July	77	453	121	0	75	1720	2446
August	69	276	130	13	0	1925	2413
September	274	864	213	40	7	1036	2434
October	444	231	147	3	3	1420	2268
November	508	357	501	0	21	1898	3285
December	67	309	325	0	4	2205	2910
January	59	300	173	5	0	1492	2029
February	119	225	166	0	0	1018	1528
March							
April							
May							
June							
Total Hours	1617	3035	1776	61	110	12714	19313
District Goal							40000
Balance							20687

Comments from MCC Eric

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

It’s that time of year that all clubs start working on a slate of officers to be elected for the next Lion year. If your club hasn’t yet started this process, remember that the new officers are supposed to be reported to LCI no later than 5/15. So now is the time to look at up & coming leaders with new and fresh ideas so your club continues to serve long into the future.

The new portal for reporting and accessing information at LCI is being released 4/15/2024. This has been long awaited and will hopefully be a platform that is easier to navigate, to get information you can check it out at

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digital-products/portal-updates>

Please send your new officers, Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Chairs and any other Lion member who would like to learn more to the “Club Officer Training” April 27th @ 8am at the NH Police Standards & Training Facility 17 Institute Drive, Concord NH, (look for the registrations and more info in this issue) The NH Past & Present District Governor’s Association is proud to sponsor this training and hope to see members from every club attending. Every attendee that registers prior to 4/18 will get a copy of the “Club Officers Team Manual” a 40 page booklet loaded with great information. Please register, come and meet new Lions and who knows, maybe go home with a new car! Coffee and refreshments will be provided starting at 8am.





From International Director Steve Middlemiss



LeeAnn and I have been fortunate to visit some amazing Lions over the past few months. Our travels have taken us to New York, Minnesota, Tennessee, Kentucky and recently Indiana not to mention Vancouver for the March Board meeting. Our schedule going forward after Easter weekend will be a whirlwind as we will be traveling 8 straight weekends visiting Lions across the country. Every day we thank the Lions of NE for your support as we campaigned for this position. It is an amazing experience.

A couple of things from the recent board meeting. Exciting times are ahead as we will have a new way to receive and supply information to Lions international. The Lions Portal will be launched beginning April 15. It will not be active for everyone that day as they will be launching to US Lions during that week. I have attached a QR code which will allow you access to several videos explaining the Portal. It is very important that each Lion have their own email address in order to be connected to the new Portal. Please do it soon as MyLion and My LCI will be shut down on April 12 to transfer data to the new Portal.

At the convention in Australia one of the items on the ballot will be to add the District GAT team (GET, GLT, GMT, GST) and LCIF chair to the current list of individuals as a candidate for the office of second vice district governor. All other requirements will remain. SVDG training will begin this upcoming summer. So those of you who are moving into that position watch for upcoming emails and info regarding the training sessions.

We are looking forward to continuing our travels and to the experiences we will have.

We continue to look forward to serving the Lions of NH and the World as we all work toward "Changing the World".

Yours in Lionism,

ID Steve & Lion LeeAnn
(pccmiddlemiss@gmail.com)





Lions International

Dear Lions and Leos,

Preparation is underway to begin rolling out the new Lion Portal. Here is some important information to prepare you for launch.

Phased rollout for Lion Account Users

Our target launch window is April 15 – May 13*. During this time, all current Lion Account users will receive an email inviting them to access the new Lion Portal**. We're doing this phased rollout to ensure staff are available to provide the best support possible and offer you a positive introductory experience.

- **Now – April 11:** MyLion, MyLCI and Insights will continue to function as normal.
- **April 12 and beyond:** MyLion, MyLCI and Insights are no longer available.
- **April 15 – May 13:** Invitations to access the new Lion Portal sent via email on a rolling basis to existing Lion Account users.

Please note: User permissions will not change. In other words, those who can report service, access member data and other key functions remains the same.

- **May 13 and beyond:** All visitors attempting to access the previous digital tools will be automatically redirected to the new Lion Portal.



*Dates are subject to change. Our number one goal is to create a positive experience for Lions and Leos. If determined more time is required to ensure the product is in an optimal state, the dates may be adjusted accordingly.

**If you don't see the email in your everyday inbox, please check all spam and junk folders for it first before contacting Member Support.

Note that the new Lion Portal will require a unique, unshared email, and phone numbers will no longer be supported as a log in credential.

Information and resources

Be sure to visit lionsclubs.org/portal-updates for the latest information and resources, which includes handy how-to videos for help accessing the new portal once you've received your Lion Portal invitation email.

We appreciate your support and thank you for your continued service as we prepare for the new Lion Portal – together.

[Learn more](#) 

Sincerely,

Sue Ben
Chief of Technology
Lions International



CLUB OFFICER
TRAINING
INFORMATION

Registration Club Officer Training April 27, 2024

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 Treasurer Training
- Club Secretary Training*
- Club Membership Chair Training

*Log in to My Lion required, Bring your laptop/tablet.

8:00-8:30 Registration
 8:45-9:00 Welcome
 9:00-12:00 Training



**Registration Fee is \$10.00 per person attending. Ck Payable to:
NHLPPDGA**

Attendee Name: _____
 Attendee Club Name: _____

Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Send the form to:

PCC Celeste Ricupero
 7 Winn Avenue
 Hudson-NH-03051
 603-321-0737
 Ricupero7@Comcast.net



"ALL LIONS ARE LEADERS"

Why not embrace the challenge?

Lions Club members epitomize leadership through their commitment to serving their communities. While many might not initially set out to be leaders, Lions step up because there's a pressing need: Whether it's organizing fundraisers, spearheading community projects, advocating for the underserved, or becoming Club Officers, Lions exhibit qualities that inspire others to action. Stepping up to become a leader within Lions Clubs is vital both to assure the organization's success and to fulfill our mission of making the world a better place. Without Leaders there would be no Lions.

Here is what a few of our leaders had to say about becoming and being leaders.

Toni Olden "I want to learn more. I have always felt that one learns more from the backside, because you see the issues differently and being part of the solution is very rewarding... Change is inevitable, and I want to be part of the change... If it really matters, don't just sit back and complain, be part of the change!"

Fred Plett "I joined many years ago to become part of the community. It paid off in spades! Then I saw all the good we do for so many needs and that was icing on the cake."

Ed Lecius "I was taught that importance of giving back by my father. He told me that if you're going to be successful, you need to be willing to give back to your community... one person can make a difference and that one person is you."

Christine Greenwood Smart. "Honestly, I never intended to step up and be a leader... I like to have fun, laugh and I believe it is how I motivate people, just with the kindness of a smile and a helping hand. People inspire me to help, people inspire me to lead, and by inspiring people, I am motivated to inspire others to lead."

Vince Giambalvo "...I thought I had something to offer... If you are going to serve, do it to the best of your ability. Without leaders we don't have followers and without that we have nothing. My favorite quote is from General Eisenhower: "Leadership is getting people to do what you need them to do because they want to."

Al Goldstein "The best way to lead is to listen. Before you make any decisions, you need to understand what is being asked."

Gregg Kleiner "when I first moved to my town, I jumped right into community service with an open heart and an open hand. This helped me learn the issues and come up with ideas to help my community grow. If one person can make a difference imagine what a community of people can do."

Henry McKee "You're not going to believe this, but all started in the men's room..." You will have to ask him about the rest of the story!



RECOGNITION TO A MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB OR COMMUNITY

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

Give recognition to someone in the community who helps and supports your club, or a member in your club that goes above and beyond. Your club may have money in your account with Sight & Hearing. Consider using those funds to thank individuals or entities for their support, and honor them with a GSF award. The Award comes with a beautiful plaque, a lapel pin and a letter honoring the recipient. By making a donation of \$500.00 to LSHF, you are not only giving recognition, you are aiding a NH Citizen in need of our services.

Services include, hearing aids, eyecare and cataract surgery.
 Donations go directly into the LSHF Endowment.
 Clubs may donate to LSHF in \$100.00 increments

Donations may be banked for up to 5 years, by putting a designation on the donation memo.

Applications online: nhlions.org (Sight & Hearing, Granite State Fellow)
 Or from Chairman PCC Roger LaTulippe at 603-566-9409
 email: dgroger@comcast.net



The DogSight Project
 A Program of the New Hampshire Lions
 Multiple District 44 – Health Services of New Hampshire

‘Tis The Season

Shedding season, that is. I’m always amazed by just how much fur I can rake off my dog every day during shedding season. German shepherd Dogs have very nice undercoats, and I always imagine that the birds will value those particular hairs for feathering their nests, or, rather, fur lining them! Mother Nature is very frugal.. Unlike my cats, Jewel enjoys being groomed and patiently stands to allow me to rake her undercoat and then slick down her outercoat.

You can make a donation to the DogSight Project by sending a check to The DogSight Project treasurer. Make checks payable to **LSHF** with **DSP** on the memo line. Checks should be sent to:

Gregg Kleiner
DSP Treasurer
PO Box 94
Keene, NH 03431

Thank you for your continued support!

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



Raised for Fidelco in 2023-2024: \$23,901.00



Vision



World Vision

My vision of the world is quite different from yours. It’s rather like living in a painting by Claude Monet: I have impressions of the colors and shapes of the world around me, but no detail. If I see motion, it may mean something is alive, or falling. I have learned to interpret much of what I “see” by including information from my other senses, sound and smell in particular. It can be quite exhausting but becomes not only easier, but second nature after a while. Claude Monet was a spectacular painter, after all!

Linda Piekarski
NH44 Vision Chair
lpiekarski@ne.rr.com





HUNGER

Dear Lions, Lioness Lions, and Leos,

Do you or does your household waste food? Here are some frequently asked questions about food waste in America.

What is the history of food waste in America?

Food waste dates back to the late 19th century and early 20th century when rapid urbanization and industrialization changed how food was produced, distributed, and consumed. Post-World War II, the advent of processed foods and a culture of abundance led to increased waste. By the late 20th and early 21st centuries, awareness about food waste grew, but so did the levels of waste due to consumer habits and inefficiencies in the food supply chain.

Why does America waste so much food?

Food is wasted due to a combination of factors, including consumer behavior (like over-purchasing and discarding foods based on cosmetic standards), inefficiencies in the food supply chain, lack of awareness about food preservation, and confusing food date labeling. Additionally, the culture of abundance and large portion sizes in food service contributes to this issue.

What is the average food waste per household in America?

Each household wastes about 32% of its food, equating to around \$1,866 worth of food annually. This includes food discarded due to spoilage, over-purchasing, and uneaten leftovers.

How much food is wasted in America every day?

Approximately 150,000 tons of food are wasted every day.

How much food does America waste per year?

An estimated 133 billion pounds of food are wasted annually. This is 30-40% of the entire US food supply, equating to a monetary value of about \$161 billion.

What are the most wasted foods in America?

Milk, Bread, Potatoes, Cheese, Apples, Lettuce, Avocados, Chicken, and Bananas.

[Source: Skip Shapiro Enterprises, LLC]

Planning meals ahead, buying only what we need, and being mindful of perishables can help to alleviate food waste. Thank you for making a difference in your community.

Nancy Charbono-Ricard, Hunger Chair
Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Lions Club



NH LIONS GREEN TEAM UPDATE

Project updates

DIY Gift Fair- We are in the final stages of gathering materials and making sample projects for the Fair. Please look for the flyer in this issue of Pride. We hope you can stop by on 4/28.



Windowdressers- We need you! The WindowDressers project is very close to becoming a reality, but we need 2 more coordinators to pull it off. This is an exciting opportunity to be involved with a super fun project that will really help your neighbors and the environment. If you have never led a project before, this is a great place to start. The available training and support are amazing. We have a local coordinator, a measuring coordinator, and an outreach coordinator, but we still need a food coordinator and a volunteer coordinator.

Food Coordinator(s): One or two people to organize all aspects of food for the Community Build week. Volunteers really appreciate a good lunch and this is another way that we build community!!

Volunteer Coordinator: Ensures that each shift at the Community Build is fully staffed with volunteers and customer-participants. Works with the Outreach Coordinator on a plan to recruit additional Community Build volunteers and with the Food Coordinator(s) to secure food donations for the Community Build. Sign-up software provided by WD. We already have many interested volunteers so this position will largely be about organizing with just a little recruiting.



Please email us at NHLionsGreenTeam@gmail.com if you would like to learn more about this opportunity or have any questions.



District 44N Grant Application New Member Fees



***Before Payment is made for New Member Fees. Name (s) must appear on
"LCI" District 44N New Members Reported Report***

Contact Information _____

Phone# _____

Club _____

Requester's Name _____

E-mail Address _____

Signature: _____

(President, Secretary, Treasurer or Membership Chair)

New Member's Name:	Amount
_____	\$35.00

Check Made Payable to: _____

Address check to be sent to: _____

Please email this form to FVDG/GMT Michael Leahey
@ Michael.LLeahey@gmail.com

Approved _____

Michael Leahey

Approved by District Leadership (Date) _____



Lions Youth Services

2024 Calendar Raffle

There are only **13** Tickets left, if you wish to get in on this Raffle, please Contact Harry Armstrong at harrya616@yahoo.com by **April 10th!**

You have **31** chances to **WIN!** The drawing will be held at the next LYS meeting at the Airport Diner on April 11, 2024. Meeting begins at 6:30 pm. Come join us and find out what we are all about and see what's up next!

Terri Lynn Fundraiser

Check out the latest flyer in this newsletter. We thank you for all your continued support with this fundraiser. Remember Mother's Day is Sunday, May 12, 2024 so get those orders in time for delivery. Order cutoff date is April 28. Of course you can place an order any time!

Peace Poster Contest

As you can see to the right, there were 4 Merit Award Winners from the USA for last year's Peace Poster Contest including our very own Ava Durden sponsored by the Nashua Lions. Congratulations to all!

As one contest ends, we are already at the beginning of the next with the 2024-2025 Peace Poster Contest "Peace Without Limits".

We have 10 clubs and one youth group already signed up for the contest. So if your club wishes to participate, please order your kit now. The cost of each Kit is \$12.00. Please email Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net if you wish to order a kit. **Please make check payable to Lions Youth Services and send to PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811.** If you should have any questions about the contest, please email Rhonda as well. Further details of the contest will be in upcoming newsletters.



LYS 24H
Benefit For 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 14th, 2024
No. 00000

MARCH 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 \$100.00	2 \$125.00 Value Personal Expense Draw
3 \$100.00	4 1/2 Gal NE Maple Syrup \$50.00	5 \$50.00	6 \$50.00	7 \$50.00	8 \$50.00	9 \$100.00
10 \$100.00 NE Prof Services	11 \$50.00	12 \$50.00	13 Gift Cert Pinebar Bakery	14 \$50.00	15 \$50.00	16 \$100.00 Barb's Energy
17 \$200.00	18 Cash Advocate's Club	19 \$50.00	20 \$50.00	21 \$100.00	22 1/2 Gal NE Maple Syrup	23 \$100.00
24 \$125.00 Value Personal Expense Draw	25 \$50.00	26 Fiber Cuts Gift Basket	27 \$100.00	28 \$100.00	29 \$50.00	30 \$50 Reserve Cards
31 \$500.00						



**2023-24
Merit Award Winner**

Ava Simone Durden
12 years old
New Hampshire, USA



**2023-24
Merit Award Winner**

Maria Trivisano
13 years old
Florida, USA



**2023-24
Merit Award Winner**

Caleigh-Marie Smith
13 years old
Georgia, USA



**2023-24
Merit Award Winner**

Felicity Perry
12 years old
Wyoming, USA





Fundraising with



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES continues with their efforts in helping the youth of NH to meet their needs and accomplish their goals by various means. One of our attempts in this has been participating with Terri Lynn. We know that those of you who have purchased in the past love the premium nuts, gourmet confections, and sweet & savory snack mixes that Terri Lynn has to offer. Whether you have purchased for yourself, family or friends, we thank you for all purchases you have made and thank you for your continued support.

Keep in mind all those *Basket Raffles* at your next Lions Spring Convention, or by saying Thank You to your club officers,



or perhaps a special day such as **Mother's Day**, Sunday, May 12, 2024... what better time to place an order than **NOW!**.....

TO PLACE YOUR ORDER VISIT:

<https://LYSNH.terrilynn.com>

**Mother's Day cut off ordering date is
Sunday, April 28, 2024**

*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)*



Thank You for your order!





LIONS YOUTH SERVICES
PO Box 156
Atkinson, NH 03811

~ GRANT APPLICATION ~

All completed applications MUST be sent to the above PO Box

Amount requested

Date requested

Requesting Club: _____

Club President: _____

Club Mailing Address: _____

Club Phone: _____

Club Email: _____

Briefly describe the project and how it will benefit the Youth in New Hampshire: *(continue on back if needed)*

of Youth Benefitting: _____

Project Budget: _____

Requested Amount: _____

Project Start Date: _____

Project End Date _____

Requesting Club
President's Signature: _____

Grant Request Guidelines:

All Grant Applications meeting the following guidelines will be reviewed at the next Lions Youth Services Meeting. Our meetings are held at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Airport Diner in Manchester. We encourage all clubs to join us to present their request.

- 1) All requests submitted by the President of a Lions Club in the State of New Hampshire Districts 44N and/or 44H
- 2) The Maximum Grant is \$500. LYS will consider up to 2 requests per NH Lions Club per Lions year (July-June)
- 3) Each application must be for a unique project. Applications for the same project within the same Lions Year will not be considered.
- 4) Each application should benefit more than one individual. Applications benefitting one person will not be considered.
- 5) Grant Applications **MUST** be mailed to LYS, PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811 by the last day of the month *prior* to the start of the project, otherwise the request may not be considered.

It is the intent of Lions Youth Services Grant Program to partner with the Lions Clubs of New Hampshire to serve the Youth of our state; not to replace your club's support.

Grant Application rev 07.2023





The Hooksett, NH Lions Club

Presents its 27th Annual

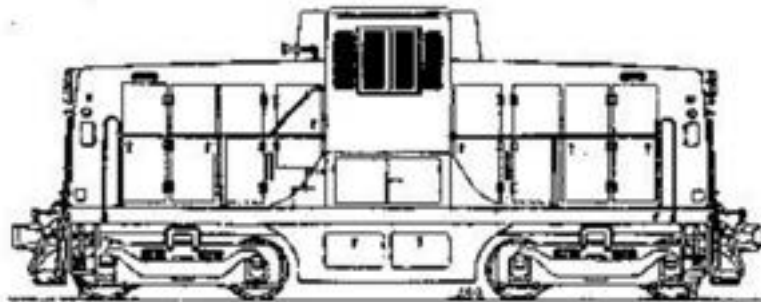
Model Train



Modeling Show

Sunday, April 21, 2024, 10am-3pm

Hooksett Cawley Middle School
Route 27, (89 Whitehall Rd), 1 mile east of Route 3
Approximately 3 mi N off I -93 Exit 9N



The Suncook Valley Railroad "Blueberry Express"

**VENDORS!
OPERATING LAYOUTS!
RAFFLES!**

WHITE ELEPHANT TABLE! FOOD! CLINICS!

Admission: Adults-\$7.00, Children 6-12-\$1.00, Children 5 & under FREE
Maximum family rate \$15.



For information call (603) 485-3881, (603) 627-4662 or E-mail hooksettclub@yahoo.com

diy gift making *Fair*



April 28th

All Ages Welcome

12pm - 4pm

Henniker Community School

Join the Henniker Lions for our 1st Sustainable Gift Making Fair! Just in time for Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduations and Teacher gifts.

**Featuring 5 gift making stations with all upcycled material
bring your own or use ours!**

Printmaking & Painting Station

Decorate your creation and make beautiful cards and wrapping paper.

Woodworking Station

We will have precut and uncut wood for making bird houses, boxes and more!

Planting Station

Decorate old cans, glass jars, strawberry containers etc. and turn them into flower and herb gardens. Cuttings and seedlings will also be available.

Cloth Station

Don't throw away your favorite old t-shirt, turn it into a truly sustainable shopping bag, plant hanger, cloth paper towel roll, and more!

Mishmosh Station

We will provide a variety of upcycled craft material for you to let your inner artist shine!

**Brought to you by the Henniker Lions and the NH Lions Green Team
For more information please contact us at NHLionsgreenteam@gmail.com**



**44H
SPRING
CONVENTION
INFORMATION**

Lions District 44H Spring Convention 2024 Friday, May 3rd to Sunday, May 5th



Come meet International Director James "Jay" Coleman Moughon, III Jay Moughon, from Clifton, Virginia, was elected in 2022 to serve a two-year term as International Director of Lions Clubs International at the association's convention in Montreal. He will be joined by his partner in service and wife, Nancy.

Meal Reservation
Deadline is April 14th.
Use the convention registration form.
Please be timely with your RSVP.



Friday Night!
Let's play games! Enjoy the evening by participating in the Corn Hole tournament, no skills needed, enjoy the fun with fellow Lions. We also will have an exciting night of Bingo with a chance to win a Full House Jackpot of \$200.



Hotel Reservation
Deadline is April 2nd
to receive the Lions pricing - No Exceptions. Contact the hotel directly 603-356-9300 to make your reservation.



Raffle Baskets
We are asking clubs to bring a raffle basket, or Gift Cards/Certificates.
Basket ideas: Coffee basket, Child's Games, Wine or Liquor, Kitchen Theme, Garden Supplies, or a theme of your choice.



Club Banners
Club banners are welcome and will be hung by the hotel.



**Don't miss out – Register today!
Registration form on next page.**





50th ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
 72 Common Ct, North Conway, NH
 MAY 03 - 05, 2024

International Guests: James "Jay" Coleman Moughon III and Nancy Moughon from Virginia

Lion #1 _____ Club _____

Lion #2/guest _____ Club _____

Home Tel. # _____ email _____

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

Plan	Meals and Registration	# of persons	total cost
A	Fri. banquet, Sat. night banquet, Conv Fee	@	\$75.00
B	Friday banquet only	@	\$ 33.00
C	Sat. night banquet only	@	\$ 42.00
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:

- Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Garden Salad, Greek Farfalle Pasta Salad, Potato Salads, Corn on the cob, American & Swiss cheese, Assorted Cookies, Brownies, sodas and water

Meal for Saturday Night Buffet:

- Vegetable Soup, Garden Salad, Seasonal Fruits & Berries, Baked Haddock, Maple-Cured Pork Loin with Spicy Apple Chutney, 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 offer lunch.

Deadline for MEAL reservations is TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

Hotel Reservation: Lions Convention Room rate: single or double \$134.00/per night plus 8.5% tax for a 2-night stay. One Night stays are \$194/per night plus 8.5% 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 TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 for the special rate.** You will pay the hotel directly for your room.

Make checks for meal payable to: Lions District 44-H Convention Fund
 Send check to: Marilyn Vaccaro, 74 Chase Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053
 603-204-7251 jvac1408@comcast.net





District 44N Spring Convention
 Town & Country Inn and Resort
 20 US-2 #1033
 Shelburne NH 03581
 May 10 – 12, 2024



Special Guest: International Director Honorable Anthony Paradise

Guest #1 _____ Club _____

Guest #2 _____ Club _____

Contact Number _____

Meals and Registration	Quantity	Cost	Total Cost
Dinner & entertainment, Friday & Saturday		\$77.00	
Friday buffet & entertainment only		\$37.00	
Saturday banquet only		\$40.00	

Total Due \$

Friday night buffet: Italian with plated tossed salad; sweet sausage stuffed shells; homemade lasagna; meatless fettuccini primavera; garlic bread; anti-pasta platter; raspberry cannoli

Saturday banquet: Baked Boneless Chicken Breast Vegetarian Stuffed Shells

Broiled Fresh Filet of Boston Haddock

Served with tossed salad, dressing, seasonal vegetables, steamed potatoes, rolls, coffee & ice cream puffs

Please note any special dietary needs: _____

Deadline for meal and hotel reservations is May 1, 2024

Hotel reservations should be made by calling the Town & Country Resort and Inn

1-800-325-4386 reference District 44N Lions Rate: \$119.00 plus tax & \$3 service fee

Make checks payable to: Lions District 44N

Mail checks and form to: CST Gregg Kleiner

PO Box 94

Keene NH 03431

Pay online at <https://app.autobooks.co/pay/lions-district-44n-of-nh> **Must** note this is for convention





District 44N Spring Convention
Town & Country Inn and Resort
Shelburne NH
May 10 – 12, 2024

Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, MAY 10

- 3:00 – 5:00 pm Registration
 - 5:30 - 6:00 pm Social
 - 6:00 – 7:00 pm Dinner
 - 7:00 - 10:00 pm 60's Flower Power with DJ Dave
- Followed by the Hospitality room

SATURDAY, MAY 11

- 9:00 – 9:45 am Registration
 - 10:00 – 12:00 Noon District meeting
 - 12:00 Noon – 1:30 pm Lunch on your own
 - 1:30 – 2:30 pm Round table discussion with ID Anthony
 - 2:30 – 5:00 p Hospitality room open
 - 5:30 – 6:15 pm District Governor's Reception
 - 6:15 pm Introductions
 - 6:30 pm Banquet
- Followed by the Hospitality room

SUNDAY, MAY 12

- 9:30 am Memorial Service
- 11:00 am Check-Out





**JUDGE ANTHONY W. PARADISO
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Judge Anthony W. Paradiso from Rockville Centre, New York, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Paradiso has more than 30 years of law experience and is currently a district court judge responsible for the adjudication of criminal cases in Nassau County, New York.

Looking for an opportunity to give back to his community for the scholarships that allowed him to attend college and later, law school, he was drawn to the service that Lions were providing. He joined the Rockville Centre Lions Club in 1996 where he has continuously served ever since. In addition to his leadership at the district level, he has held a number of offices within the association including multiple district council parliamentarian. He also served as the Lions Clubs International's representative to the UN Office on Drugs and Crime from 2010 to 2023. He has been a group leader for multiple DGE seminars, a panel moderator for LDUN and a forum presenter.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the Brandel-Murphy Miracles Through Service Award and Robert J. Uplinger Award. He is also the recipient of multiple International President's Awards and International President's Leadership Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Paradiso is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is an executive director and past president of the Columbian Lawyers Association of Nassau County, a past director for the Nassau County Bar Association and past president for the District Court Judges' Association.

When not engaged in Lion service, Director Paradiso enjoys traveling, art appreciation and sharing good food and wine with friends.

44N SPRING
CONVENTION
INFORMATION!



Calling All Lions Members! We Need Your Help!

To ensure a GREAT convention this year we are asking for clubs and individuals to donate a gift basket to be raffled off on Friday night.



We are also looking for snack items for the hospitality room. Club banners welcome!

And do not forget

Please provide DG Toni with a picture and short bio of any deceased members from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024 and a list of any Melvin Jones and/or Granite State Fellows that your club will be presenting. Due by May 5.



District 44N Food Drive

When: May 10 & 11



*Main Drop Off: Town & Country Inn
Shelburne NH*



**OTHER LOCATIONS
TO BE DETERMINED**

Sign up to man a location and/or bring food items or a check to support the Feeding Hope Food Pantry



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Items needed for the Food Drive at Convention:

- Soups
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, spam)
- Spaghetti sauce
- Diced tomatoes
- Pasta of all sorts
- Macaroni and cheese
- Cereals (hot and cold)
- Shelf-stable milk
- Pancake mix (also other breakfast items, i.e. pop-tarts)
- Pancake syrup
- Ravioli
- Personal Hygiene products
(toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo,
razors, feminine products)
- Toilet paper
- Tissues

Monetary donations are accepted



**Come JOIN THE
PARTY!!!!**

Friday May10, 2024

60's Flower Power

***Wear your hippest clothes
and move to the groove!***

**44N SPRING
CONVENTION
INFORMATION!**





New England Lions Council (NELC)
"Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England"

2024 NELC "Spring Weekend"

GAT Theme: Leadership Development

May 17th – 18th (NOTE: Friday/Saturday Event)

At: Bennington Elks Lodge, 125 Washington Avenue, Bennington, VT 05201

Friday Night Room Discount of \$199 at the Hampton Inn, 51 Hannaford Square, Bennington, VT/ Room rate includes Breakfast / Mention Link; *New England Lions*

Deadline for this Rate: April 5th / Front Desk/Reservations: 802-440-9862

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/benvthx-nlc-36630e94-2536-40d0-a564-ed138d9b737f/>

FRIDAY EVENING 6PM-10PM

Fellowship (& meal if you like) at the ~~Publyk~~ House, 782 Harwood Hill Road, Bennington, VT

SATURDAY AM SEMINARS

9:30-10:30 - My Leadership Journey – as told by New England’s Past International Directors
PID Joyce Middleton, PID John Youney, PID Ed Farrington, PID Ed Lecius and more

10:45 – 11:45 – Global Leadership Team Leaders – Panel Discussion – Facilitated by PDG John Babb
Listen to our GLT Leaders discuss their successes in identifying and motivating district leaders.
PCC Lori Ann Bennison, PDG Joy Doherty, PDG Sue Lindberg, PDG Pamela Nichols, Lion Lisa Montalto-Cerbone

LUNCHEON...

Luncheon Speaker: PDG Keith Lemire

Leadership in Lions: Strengthening our Bench

Immediately Followed By: Business Meeting & New England Governors’ Reports

Saturday Luncheon

Saturday Noon Luncheon: Choice of assorted pre-made Sandwiches or Wraps, Potato Salad, Pesto Tortellini Salad, Garden Salad, Chips, Pickles, Dessert Platter of Cookies and Brownies, Assorted Drinks, Teas, Caffeinated & Decaffeinated Coffees. Gluten free sandwiches/wraps available upon request.

Lunch at \$35 x _____ Total = _____

NAME(s): _____

ADDRESS: _____

DIST/MD: ____/____ DIST/MD POSITION: _____ CLUB POSITION: _____

CONTACT: Phone: _____ Email: _____

Make Check Payable to: NELC
Mail Check/Form to: Treasurer Norm Hart, PDG
181 Port Road,
Kennebunk, ME 04043

Email: normhart13@yahoo.com

Event Registration Deadline: May 13th, 2024

Questions or Special Dietary Needs to: PDG Dom Branco, President Cell/Text: 401-714-2819 or: dombranco@verizon.net

*GAT® Global Action Team, *GMT® Global Membership Team, *GMA® Global Membership Approach & *NAME® North American Membership Initiative



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Join volunteers from around the state! This is a great opportunity to serve blind and visually impaired members of our community!

To find out more and to sign up please visit

<https://futureinsight.org/walkvolunteer/>





Lioness
of Merrimack

Sneaker Drive

Donate your reusable sneakers & non-metal cleats. We gladly accept adult and kids sizes, as long as they have no holes or tears but may show signs of heavy use.

Drop Off Locations

Look for the Designated Boxes in the Lobby of:

- *Merrimack Post Office*
- *Merrimack Library*
- *St. John Neumann Church*
- *Fit Lab - Merrimack*

Thank You for Your Kindness & Support!



Club Highlights

Bedford Lions

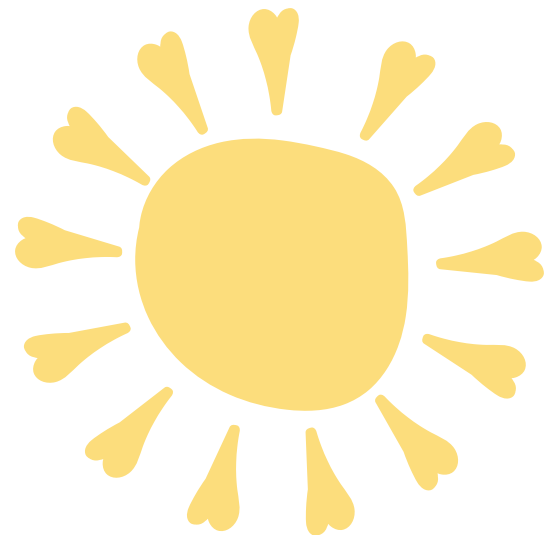
The Bedford Lions hosted a community pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 3. Invited guests included local candidates appearing on the March 12 ballot, and Bedford Fire & Safety personnel. The event was a success with many of the candidates thanking the club for putting on the breakfast and for being a service to the community.



March 12 was another busy day for the Bedford Club. After hosting an informational table at the town elections, speaking to the community about how great it is to be a Lion, the Club was seeing green ahead of St Patrick's Day! We hosted 3 prospective members along with Betsey "Betz" Golon from Joppa Hill Educational Farm who spoke about the community gardens program at the Farm. In addition, special guest Lion Sarah Keniston from the Henniker Club not only blessed us with a lovely prayer, but also spoke to us about their own garden program and the NH Lions Green Team. Speaking of green, we also kicked off our Happy Bucks program at the meeting, to help replenish our Admin account - we had many happy Lions that evening!



The Bedford Lions want to thank the Merrimack club for volunteering and attending the event!





NH PCC Paul Reitsma and Nancy worked with the Ocala Lions where he now holds membership with 40 years of service in the LCI organization.

The Lions Club supports the youth and the event was the Southeast Youth Fair, held at the cattle stockade in Ocala Florida.

The youth maintained a Bar-B-Que from the start, with fire, preparing and set ups of tables to cooking. The Lions judged the process and requirement and were food tasters. A great day for all. Lady Nancy also helped judge and be photographer. Lion Paul is fourth from left.



Milford Lions

Our newest member Elizabeth “Liz” Keenan sponsored by KL Rob Mikkelsen was inducted into the club during our March 19th meeting by PID Ed Farrington.

“Liz” WELCOME to our Lions club!

The club continues collecting recyclables under the Trex program, looking to fill BOD positions for the next upcoming year, held our Community Supper, and preparations are underway for our May 7th “Cinco de Mayo”.



Left to right; New Member Liz Keenan, KL Rob Mikkelsen, and PID Ed Farrington

Hillsboro Lions

Purchased and distributed books for students in grades K-5 at Hillsboro-Deering and Washington Elementary Schools. Four Lions and one non-lions participated in the event totaling eleven hours.

Donated \$200 to David’s House located on the campus of Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital in Lebanon, NH. David’s House is a non-profit organization that provides a “home-away-from-home” and support for families with children receiving treatment.

Purchased sixteen gate tickets (\$80) and sixteen calendar raffle tickets (\$160) to support the Lions Twin State Soccer Association.

PCC Don Ager and PMCST Meg Ager attended the annual Pennsylvania Lions Pin Swap in Harrisburg, PA. on March 12-15.

Donated \$200 (as part of our \$1200/year commitment) to “End 68 Hours of Hunger”. This program provides nourishing food for school children.

PCC Don Ager and PMCST Meg Ager attended the District 44N Cabinet meeting in Charlestown, NH on 3/3/2024.

Lion Alan Ager completed his monthly trip to the New Hampshire Food Bank in Manchester, NH to pick up and deliver food to the local Hillsboro Food Pantry.

Collected forty-one pairs of used eyeglasses, three pairs of sunglasses, two hearing aids, and two pounds of aluminum can pull tabs.

Completed 900 volunteer hours as part of DG Toni’s challenge of 42 hours per member by June 30th , 2024. Hillsboro’s goal is 672 hours.



Merrimack Lions

continue to work for the betterment of our community and beyond.

A Blood Drive was held on March 2, helped Bedford Lions with their Pancake Breakfast March 3rd, we hosted the Amherst Lions Club March 5th, and assisted a Girl Scout working on her Silver Award with the first phase of renovations to the theatre building at Wasserman Park.

We are working on a Senior Citizens' Dinner for May. In addition, our branch Lioness Club has made 7 fleece blankets for the Linus Project, donated clothing to the 3 Elementary Schools, served lunch to local firemen, and are gearing up for their annual Calendar raffle next month. This busy branch club also has hinted at signing up a couple of new members soon!



Antrim-Bennington Lions

Club continued to show its commitment to service this month. Several members attended the district 44N meeting in Charlestown, NH, and district updates were shared with members. Our club collected 218 glasses, 39 sunglasses, and 3 hearing aids.

Our March charity of the month was the Antrim-Bennington Food Pantry, and members donated items requested by the pantry director: 55 cans of tuna, 18 cans of chicken, and 6 jars of jam/jelly. In April the charity of the month is the Antrim Elementary School snack fund which provides snacks for students.



Our club sponsored another meal at the Antrim Village complex on state election day in March. A delicious brunch menu with waffles, eggs, muffins, finger sandwiches was enjoyed by the residents. These meals promote community among the residents and our members.

A lunch buddy program at Antrim Elementary School started with the support of the AES principal. Eight volunteers sat with 2nd-4th graders during the lunch block and chatted with them about school, interests, sports, pets, etc. It was hard to tell whether the adults or the children enjoyed the experience more! One child asked excitedly, "Are you going to be here every day?" We are looking forward to many more lunch dates with the children of AES.

The club joined with the Trustees of the JA Tuttle Library and the Antrim Historical Society to support the Great Brook Middle School trip to Washington, D.C in April. Children from Antrim, Bennington, Hancock, and Francistown will cherish this opportunity. This will be the first trip out-of-state for some students, and we look forward to hearing from the students at an upcoming meeting.

Several of our members prepared a homecooked corned beef meal that was shared at our March meeting. A representative from Southern NH Services was the featured speaker. She described the lack of affordable rental units across New Hampshire and how families struggle to pay for housing that doesn't fit their income levels, if they can find available housing. It was a very interesting presentation!



Amherst Lions

held their longest-running fundraiser, the annual Pancake Breakfast, our 50th, on 3/24. The successful event was well attended by most of the Club members and great participation from the community including the Police Chief, police officers and Fire Department.



March was a busy month with 5 members attending the Cabinet Meeting in Charlestown, NH. For the club's "Fun Night" we ventured out to a fantastic local restaurant for conversation, laughs and lots of Lions camaraderie with several of our new members joining us. Our regular dinner meeting featured the Executive Director for Bridges, a local non-profit, assisting victims of domestic and sexual abuse.

The Club enjoyed a wonderful club visitation with the Merrimack Lions Club on 3/5.



Peterborough Lions

hosted Margaret Nelson and Kristen Garland from The River Center, who discussed the ways they service ten towns in the Monadnock Region, supporting families in numerous ways and acting as a community clearinghouse of information. Lions Deidre McGrath-Fischer and Roland Patten attended the Cabinet meeting. Planning continues for our annual Lucky Duck Race, scheduled for June 29. We are again reading out to partner with a casino. We have collected more shoes for Soles4Souls, and plan to have collection boxes at our duck ticket sales sites.

Henniker Lions

are excited about our continued growth in membership and new, larger location at the towns Community Center for our monthly meetings. During our first meeting, we were able to incorporate remote access via zoom allowing those members unable to attend in person to still be able to participate and stay connected.

We are happy to announce our club has achieved the Lions award for "Club Excellence". The badge of honor will be displayed proudly on our banner! We are also happy to announce another successful turn out with our wonderful volunteers for the ongoing vision screens at our local schools. Two hundred and seventy-nine were screened with twenty students being flagged for further evaluations.

Stay tuned for more information on upcoming events for our popular annual golf fundraiser, kite day and craft fair!



What has your club been up to?

Do you have a great service project and you want to get the word out?

Send articles and fliers to the ROAR!

Please send files in .doc, .jpg or .pdf format.

I would appreciate any entries you have as early as possible.

*My deadline for entries will be the **27th of each month.***

You can contact me at d44ntheroar@gmail.com

*Smyth Bouchard
Editor of the ROAR*



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES

2nd Thursday of the month - 6:30 pm

SIGHT & HEARING Foundation

3rd Thursday of the month - 6:30 pm

LIONS MD44 HEALTH SERVICES of NEW HAMPSHIRE

Meetings via Zoom

Email: md44healthservices@gmail.com

LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Meetings via Zoom

Email: ltssavtnh@gmail.com

ENVIORNMENTAL COMMITTEE

2nd Thursday of each month - 7pm

Meetings via Zoom

Email: skenistonlicsw@gmail.com



Upcoming Dates to Remember:

April 21, 2024

Model Train & Modeling Show

April 27, 2024

Club Officer Training

April 28, 2024

DIY Gift-making Fair

May 3 - 5, 2024

D44H Spring Convention

May 10 - 12, 2024

**Spring Convention
District 44N Food Drive**

May 10 - 12, 2024

NELC Spring Weekend

May 18, 2024

Walk for Sight

July 21 - 25, 2024

**International Convention
Melbourne, Australia**

