

A message from our District Governor

Last month, I went over step one of the Global Membership Approach regards to projects. This month let's take a look at step two – Build a Vision. You have the idea, a pancake breakfast, now what exactly does it entail? The team should be asking the following questions to start:

1. *What are our expectations?*
 - a. *How much money do we want to raise?*
 - b. *Are we going to serve waffles, too? Eggs? Bacon?*
2. *What does the future of this event look like?*
 - a. *Is this a one-time event? Twice a year? Yearly?*
3. *Who or what are your targets?*
 - a. *Who do want to attend? Specific group or the whole community?*
 - b. *How many do we plan on serving?*
4. *Who or what benefits from the project?*
 - a. *Where does the profit go?*
 - b. *What do we do with leftover, unused items?*



Once all your questions are answered, make statements regarding each target. “We will serve 300 people.” These statements become the basis for your plan (step three). Do a SWOT analysis. What strengths do we have? We have a member who is a cook! What weaknesses? Do we have enough members to cover all the shifts? Are there any opportunities?

A message from our District Governor [cont.]

Yes, the club has a great relationship with the local grocer, who could give us a discount on items. What are the threats? What else is happening on that date and time in the community that could hinder attendance? Remember to involve all the members and get commitments from them. Be realistic and honest with your assessments to maximize your success.

I'd like to make a plea for all clubs and members to please make a donation to the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Our foundation is always there when needed. Our neighbors in Vermont know that. They received an emergency grant in July due to the massive flooding. Today there are still some areas that are working toward full recovery. Or ask our neighbors in Maine. They also received an emergency grant for the shooting in Lewiston in October. Again, recovery is still going on today. No one knows when and where disaster may strike. It could be your community tomorrow. Please give. If you have already donated, thank you!

SAVE THE DATE!

JOIN THE CELEBRATION!

Event: Spring Convention

When: May 10-12, 2024

Where: Town and Country Inn and Resort

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Shelburne NH 03581



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Greetings from your Second Vice District Governor,

I am very excited to have had the opportunity to attend the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Vancouver! Wow, what a packed 3-day session. I met wonderful Lions from all over the US, Canada, Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, and Bermuda. We had to work together in teams with people we had never met. We learned how to listen to ideas, work together, give constructive criticism and then present to all the others in our room. We learned more helpful information for wonderful teachers/leaders that we can bring back to help our districts and clubs. I highly recommend attending any of the leadership institutes or forums because not only do you meet wonderful people, you learn many new and exciting things and get rejuvenated. You learn that you are not alone with many of the issues you are facing and you can always pick up helpful hints or ideas that can be used to start new activities or tweak ones you already do.

This weekend I attended the Mid-Winter conference and again, had a great time. ID Lee Vriese gave us some very helpful information and updates on the Lions Portal system. He is on the Technology team so have first hand knowledge of what is happening. They are looking for it to roll out sometime in 2024. They have encountered some challenges and are diligently working on solving these issues. ID Lee and Lion Mary were wonderful additions to our meeting this weekend.

I have been enjoying visiting many clubs and learning about the wonderful things you are all doing. Keep up the fantastic work! Lions are so vital to help out our communities!

Pam Prentiss

Second Vice District Governor





From International Director Steve Middlemiss



LeeAnn and I hope that everyone had a safe and Happy New Year. I hope you had the opportunity to meet and speak with our Guests for the Mid-Winter convention ID Lee and Lion Mary. I appreciated and enjoyed the inspirational talks that ID Lee presented to us this weekend. I'm sure if you were able to speak with them you would agree they are two amazing Lions dedicated to the service of others. Our travels start up again this month with trips to Minnesota and Tennessee. We are looking forward to meeting the Lions from these Districts. We will then be heading to Lions Day at the UN. We were able to attend last year, and I would recommend every Lion go at least once. It's an amazing experience.

So, we are beginning the month of February and are more than halfway through this Lionistic year. It is time we doubled our efforts to grow our Clubs. You have heard from those of us in Leadership (International, MD and District) talk about the importance of membership growth. Membership growth translates into the growth of our ability to serve others. Serving others is why we joined. It's where our passion comes from. As the years have gone by the number of those in need has increased dramatically. How can we attempt to meet those needs if we don't make the effort to bring in more members. It's not about growth for the sake of growth. It's about increasing our service to others. Our motto We Serve is not just two words. It's who we are and what we are about.

As I mentioned in my December article, share your Passion for serving with others. Your own story is part of the key to others joining, then ask them to serve with you on your next project. You'll get them hooked.

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



Global Leadership Team

I would say that attending ALLI and RLLI have been wonderful experiences that I would recommend for all. Unfortunately, our ALLI class was the last. You can receive a lot of the knowledge and information we learned though, through the Lion Portal in LEARN. There are so many wonderful courses and videos to explain what role each officer has to how to run an event. Look through the service planners on the LCI website to understand what is needed, timelines for planning and then the all-important review of the activity once it has happened to see what went well and what changes can be made.

I also want to encourage all of you to seriously consider attending the Officers Training on April 27th at the Police Standards and Training Center in Concord. We will be having classes for Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries, and Membership Chairs. Whether you are a seasoned officer, a brand new one, or someone who just is interested in what it means to be an officer, you will learn valuable information to bring back to your clubs.



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: _____

Phone: _____

Attendee Club Name: _____

Email: _____

Send the form to:

PCC Celeste Ricupero
7 Winn Avenue
Hudson-NH-03051
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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

Operation KidSight 2023- 2024 - for District 44N

Operation KidSight 2023- 2024 - for District 44N
 17 clubs reporting - 91 screening events to date

Please report your screening results to your District Administrator
 Screening Event Summary can be found at
<https://e-district.org/sites/kidsightnh/page-8.php>

44N

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44H

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We presently meet through virtual means the last Tuesday of each month and if you wish to be part of the Lions Health Services of NH please contact me,
 Chair Tom Reynolds
 E-mail tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net

- [Bedford NH Lions Club](#)
- [Goffstown Lions Club](#)
- [Pinardville Lions Club](#)
- [Brookline Lions Club](#)
- [Milford NH Lions Club](#)

- [Antrim/Bennington NH Lions Club](#)
- [Gap Mountain Lions Club](#)
- [Chesterfield NH Lions Club](#)
- [Keene Lions Club](#)
- [Monadnock Lions Club](#)
- [Concord Lions Club, Concord, NH](#)
- [Lions Club Merrimack NH](#)
- [Amherst Lions Club](#)
- [Lebanon-Upper Valley Lions Club](#)
- [Hooksett, NH Lions Club](#)
- [Hillsboro Lions Club](#)
- [Whitefield](#)



Row Labels	Total Kids Screened	Total # of screenings
1	925	7
Bedford	39	2
Goffstown	692	3
Pinardville	176	1
Hooksett	18	1
2	3076	16
Brookline	1343	10
Merrimack	1564	4
Amherst	39	1
Milford	130	1
3	781	11
Antrim Bennington	538	8
Gap Mountain	243	3
4	2929	37
Keene	2774	33
Chesterfield Lions Club	18	1
Monadnock	137	3
5	1725	15
Concord	1583	11
Hillsboro	142	4
6	491	2
Lebanon-Upper Valley Lions Club	491	2
7	735	3
Whitefield	735	3
Grand Total	10662	91



NH LIONS SOCIAL & RECREATIONAL WEEKEND FOR THE BLIND and VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The Vision Weekend Committee is sad to announce we will not host an event in the foreseeable future. Circumstances have changed greatly since our last event in 2019. A much smaller number of participants are still interested in attending the event after multiple polls. Our hotel, meal and transportation expenses increased, and our location options were limited. After many discussions, the committee agreed on the following plan:

- All registered participants were notified on January 22nd and our Treasurer PDG Nancy Nye will return all registration fees in full.
- All Lion volunteer deposits for hotel rooms and/or meals will be refunded in full.
- All Lions Clubs that donated in 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 will be refunded in full. PDG Nancy Nye has kept meticulous records that have been audited annually and refunds will include all donations received. Thirty-one Clubs made donations in 2020, four Clubs in 2021, five Clubs in 2022 and three Clubs in 2023. All money will be returned to allow each Club to decide how they would like to use their generous donations to benefit other worthy causes.
- NH Lions Sight & Hearing donated in 2020 and 2022 and will be refunded in full so they can use the money to benefit other NH residents in need of assistance.
- There were some funds remaining from the 2019 Vision Weekend that would have been used in 2020 had we not canceled due to the Covid-19 statewide shutdown. PDG Nancy Nye will take that amount and divide it equally by the number of Lions Clubs that made donations in 2019 and will include that amount with the refunds.
- New Hampshire is extremely fortunate to have Future in Sight; a wonderful organization with a mission "To Advance the Independence of Persons who are Blind and Visually Impaired". Over the past few years, they have added many opportunities for adults, young adults and youth to socialize at Retreats, Group Meetings, Activities, Workshops and Skill Building programs. The Vision Committee feels this organization is filling the needs of our former Vision Weekend participants and we know they are in great hands!

*With gratitude for your support ~ PCC Terri McGrew, PDG Nancy Nye, PDG Jerry Vaccaro,
MCC Eric Lindburg, PDG Bill Brown, Lion Marilyn Vaccaro, Lion Jeanne Drugg and Lion Emily Lovely*

Vision Committee Members

These eight Lions volunteered together for a combined 90 years of service in a united purpose to serve NH residents who are blind or low vision with a fun 3-day social & recreational weekend. With support from Lions Club donations and individual Lion volunteers from around



NH we were proud to serve alongside you!



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

OUCH!

This really cold weather is a challenge for a guide dog, no matter how hardy. When the snow squeaks as you walk on it, it feels even colder on hard-working dog feet. When I see my dog pause to lift a paw as she sniffs around choosing a spot to relieve herself, I know it must be too cold to go out for a walk. On sunny days, blacktop roads are warm where they are bare, no matter the air temperature, so we wait for the afternoon before we venture out for our necessary walk. And those paws are pampered with a salve to protect them from any salt on the roads. Winter requires us to adapt – and we do!

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: \$10,101





Vision



As Your Vision Fades

I speak with a lot of individuals who are losing the quality of vision they've enjoyed for most of their lives. As we age, our visual acuity may diminish significantly for a variety of reasons. Many people become deeply depressed thinking – incorrectly – that all joy is going out of their lives. Their lives are changing, there's no doubt about that, but the old adage "When one door closes, another opens" is proved here. By accepting the fact of their vision loss, it is possible to move on and discover different activities to enjoy and learn to enjoy familiar activities differently. The Marines have it right: "Improvise, Adapt, Overcome."

Linda Piekarski

NH44 Vision Chair

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HUNGER

Dear Lions, Lioness Lions, and Leos,

The New Hampshire Food Bank recently secured temporary warehouse space in Berlin to increase food distribution efforts in northern New Hampshire. The Food Bank will use the space to enhance access to nutritious food in the historically underserved North Country region of the state. The Food Bank began outfitting the 2,000-square-foot space in December 2023 and plans to open the facility for distribution in late winter. The warehouse space will be able to house up to 20,000 pounds of shelf-stable food and will also include one freezer and one cooler.

The North Country experiences the highest rate of food insecurity in the state, with 10.2% of residents, including 14.9% of children, experiencing hunger. With the additional warehouse space in Berlin, the Food Bank will be better equipped to distribute food where the need is greatest.

The Food Bank serves New Hampshire through various channels, from distributing food statewide to providing a wide array of programming, making it a necessary resource for hunger prevention and education in the Granite State. The New Hampshire Food Bank provides a variety of services, including Cooking Matters NH, free Culinary Job Training, the Fresh Rescue Program, the Recipe for Success Program, the Nutrition Pantry Program, the Production Garden, NH Feeding NH, mobile food pantries, and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) education and outreach.

The New Hampshire Food Bank has been working to relieve hunger in the state since 1984. In 2023, the New Hampshire Food Bank procured and distributed more than 16 million pounds of food to people in need through more than 400 nonprofit registered agencies. Agencies include food pantries, neighborhood centers, low-income housing sites, senior nutrition centers, family crisis centers, hospices, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, after school programs, and day care centers.

For more information about the New Hampshire Food Bank, please visit www.nhfoodbank.org.

[Source: New Hampshire Food Bank, Manchester, NH]

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

Nancy Charbono-Ricard,

Hunger Chair

Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Lions Club



Environmental Committee News

The Environmental Committee is moving ahead with our first two projects, and we launched a Facebook page!



Tired of drafty windows?

Join the Henniker Lions Club

To learn about low-cost interior storm windows with WindowDressers

FEBRUARY 22ND 2024 • 6:30 PM
HENNIKER COMMUNITY CENTER



The Henniker Lions Club is planning to host a build in late August 2024 and we are looking for volunteers and residents who would like to have inserts made

For more information email the.hennikerlions@gmail.com or visit windowdressers.org

Save the Date! On 2/22 at 6:30 p.m. Allison Pouliot, WindowDressers Regional Project Manager, will be joining Lions and community members to explain what WindowDressers does, how to host a build, and how to sign up for energy saving window inserts. The event will take place at the Henniker Community Center.



Excitement is growing for our **DIY sustainable Mother's Day gift making fair** and we are deep into the planning stages. Some of our crafts will include making reusable shopping bags out of old tee shirts and putting together birdhouse kits from pre-cut scrap wood. We hope to hold the fair on 4/28 at the Henniker Community School. More to come!



We are pleased to announce we have launched our **NH Lions Team Green Facebook page** <https://www.facebook.com/share/on7jTv9gnjJ528z9/?mibextid=%22%22>. where you can find green ideas for you clubs as well as for yourselves. We have changed our Zoom meetings to the second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please contact us at NHLionsgreenteam@gmail.com if you would like the link!



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

Terri Lynn Fundraiser

Please look for the latest flyer in this newsletter. We thank you for all your continued support with this fundraiser. All orders are greatly appreciated as we are confident that you will be completely satisfied with all the Terri Lynn products.

2024 Calendar Raffle

You still have a chance to purchase your ticket! Please contact Lion Harry Armstrong to purchase tickets if you have not already done so. Call Harry at 603-558-7298 or email him at harrya616@yahoo.com Tickets are \$5.00 each or (5) Tickets for \$20.00. Drawing will take place on April 14.

Peace Poster Contest

The 2024-2025 Peace Poster Kit is now available. The cost of each Kit is \$12.00.

The theme for the contest is "Peace Without Limits".

If you would like a Kit, please email Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net



LYSNH
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 Seacoast Repertory Theater
3 \$100.00	4 1/2 Gal NH Maple Syrup	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 Poorhouse BBQ	14 \$50.00	15 \$50.00	16 \$100.00 Inov8v Energy
17 \$200.00	18 Child Adirondack Chair	19 \$50.00	20 \$50.00	21 \$100.00	22 1/2 Gal NH Maple Syrup	23 \$100.00
24 \$125.00 value Seacoast Repertory Theater	25 \$50.00	26 Fisher Cats Gift Basket	27 \$100.00	28 \$100.00	29 \$50.00	30 500 Business Cards
31 \$500.00						

- Contributors:**
- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 Lion Lenny Hall & Family | 16 Inov8v Energy LLC/Lions Kevin, Teresa |
| 2 PDG Marie Hall | 17 In Memory of IPDG John Wynne |
| 3 Canaan Lions | 18 PDG Al Goldstein |
| 4 Woodlawn Farm/ Harry Armstrong | 19 Upper Valley Health Closet/ H.Armstrong/J. Bayko |
| 5 Upper Valley Health Closet/ H.Armstrong/J. Bayko | 20 VDG44H Peter LaPointe |
| 6 Hampstead Lions | 21 Chesterfield Lions/Jim & Deb Hogancamp |
| 7 Peni-Baker Lions | 22 Woodlawn Farm/ Harry Armstrong |
| 8 Marilyn & Jerry Vaccaro | 23 MCC Eric Lindberg |
| 9 ID Steve & LeeAnn Middlemiss | 24 PDG Marie Hall |
| 10 NE Professional Services/Kris Pavlik | 25 DG44H Kamal Masand |
| 11 SVDG Pam Prentiss | 26 Fisher Cats |
| 12 Granite State Virtual Lions | 27 Camp Pride Supporters/Jim & Deb Hogancamp |
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| 15 VDG44N Michael Leahy | 30 Budget Print West Lebanon NH |
| | 31 LYSNH |





Fundraising with



TO PLACE YOUR ORDER
in time for St Patrick's Day
SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024
(place your order by March 3)



TO PLACE YOUR ORDER
in time for the
Easter Bunny's visit on
SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024
(place your order by March 17)



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<https://LYSNH.terrilynn.com>



Orders to each person ship FREE anywhere in the U.S. when items total \$30 or more!
For orders under \$30, it's a \$5 flat rate shipping fee (per recipient address).





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





FIRE & ICE



**AMHERST LIONS CLUB 8TH ANNUAL
CHILI COOK-OFF & ICE CREAM SOCIAL**



WHEN: FEB 9 5PM TO 7PM

WHERE: AMHERST MIDDLE SCHOOL, 14 CROSS ROAD

CHILI CONTEST WITH QUALIFIED JUDGES

4 CATAGORIES

- PEOPLE'S CHOICE
- LIONS CLUBS
- RESTAURANTS
- CULINARY ARTS

INCLUDED

- CORNBREAD
- BEVERAGES
- HOT DOGS
- ICE CREAM SUNDAES

- ENTERTAINMENT

ADULTS \$10

KIDS (7-12) \$6

FAMILY OF 4+ \$30

KIDS UNDER 7 FREE

EVERY PAID TICKET GETS ENTERED IN A RAFFLE TO WIN

A NAPOLEAN ROUGE XT 425 PROPANE GRILL (A \$800 VALUE)

amherstlionsclub@gmail.com





Amherst Lions Club Fire & Ice Chili Cook Off and Ice Cream Social 2024 Lions Clubs

What: 8th annual Fire and Ice chili cook-off and ice cream community social. In the past, there were between 250-300 attendees.

Trophy: There will be four trophies awarded: People's Choice, Best Lions Club Chili, Best Restaurant Chili, and – new this year -- Culinary Arts. Winners in each category will receive a traveling engraved trophy and bragging rights for one year.

You will receive feedback on taste, smell, heat, and creativity as judged by three judges. People's Choice is as voted by those attending; thus you may win two trophies.

Location: Amherst Middle School, 14 Cross Road in Amherst, NH, 5-7 pm. Set-up begins at 4:30 pm.

Date: February 9

You Provide: 2-gallon minimum with ingredients at your cost. Please bring your own serving utensil(s). You are invited to bring your own publicity materials such as business cards, flyers, etc. You are invited to bring your own publicity materials such as business cards, flyers, etc. Each team gets one free raffle ticket for a Napoleon Rouge XT 425 propane grill, valued at nearly \$800 with accessories. No entry fee.

We Provide: Bowls, spoons, napkins. Electrical outlets will be available. Area of individual set-up depends on number of entries and space available.

Misc: In addition to chili, there will be hotdogs, cornbread, non-alcoholic drinks, and make-your-own ice cream sundaes. All proceeds earned from ticket sales go to local charities.

Contact: Linda Ribolini, 603-424-1901, amherstlionsclub@gmail.com

Mail entry form to Lion Linda at PO Box 1105, Amherst NH 03031. Deadline is Feb 1

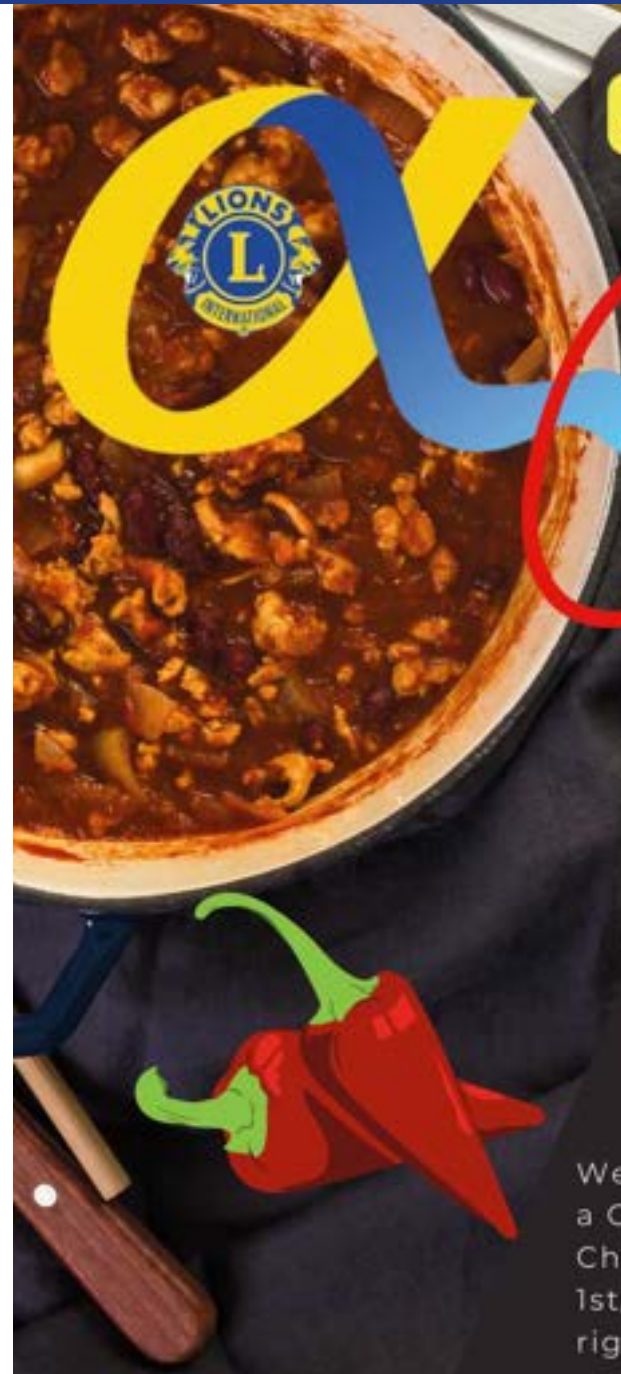
Lions Club: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Point of Contact: _____

Join Us Fri/Feb 9 @ 5:30pm!



Chili

BOWL

FRIDAY

FEBRUARY 9

5:30 - 8:00PM

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 37
5 RIVERSIDE STREET, HOOKSETT**

We invite all our community chili champions to a Chili Cookoff to see who will win the Hooksett Chili Bowl. No fee entry, independent judging, 1st/ 2nd/3rd prizes and shameless bragging rights.

Those who are looking for a good person to invite to their "big Football Game Party" come down and join us for some World Championship Chili. For a small cover charge. **(Proceeds to support the mission of the Hooksett Lions Club)**

Make the best chili to win bragging rights

**NO ENTRY FEE
NOMINAL FEE TO TASTE**



For more information:
Cooks | Judges | Sponsorships
Inquire: dnhutch@yahoo.com



District 41 is excited to host the Regional Lions Leadership Institute

When: March 1-3, 2024

Where: Manchester Lions Club (Maine)

Why: To learn and grow leadership in Lions in New England

Who: All LIONS of New England that are in good standing who have not yet reached the position of 2nd Vice District Governor.

Please forward a completed application, prior to February 16, 2024, to your District Governor

Registration Fee: \$30 (snacks, beverages and meals included)

Reservations for Lodging available at Maine Evergreen Hotel (65 Whitten Rd, Augusta)
Call: 207-622-3776 (be sure to tell them you are staying with Regional Lions Leadership Institute)

Room Options: 2 Double Beds or King for \$124 or upgrade to King or 2 Queens for \$141 plus tax per night (2 nights)

Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. This is a 3-day intensive training program and applicants must be willing to commit to attending all 3 days of the institute, including group mealtimes, and understand that personal time is **extremely** limited. Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is **mandatory**.

Please note: Acceptance to the Institute is not guaranteed.

Expectations of RLLI Graduates:

1. Pursue additional leadership roles and responsibilities in their respective zones and Districts
2. Help to develop Lions Leaders and serve as a Leadership source in their Clubs, Zones and Districts
3. Share their Institute experience with members of their Club, Zone and District and encourage others

For questions or further information please contact the Event Coordinators:

District Governor Deb Maddox (207-441-9906
debrahmaddox@yahoo.com)

Past District Governor Michelle Crocker (207-458-3232
dolphin0569@yahoo.com)





District 41 Regional Lions Leadership Institute

Manchester, ME

March 1 – 3, 2024

Part 1: Applicant Information

* PLEASE PRINT - Required information for all institute correspondence

District Number: _____ Membership Number: _____

First/Given Name: _____ Last/Family Name: _____

Email*: _____ State/Province: _____ Gender: Male ___ Female ___

Month and Year Joined Lions Clubs: _____ Club Number: _____

Lions Club Name: _____ Current Lions Title: _____

Highest position held in Lions Clubs: _____

I confirm that I am capable of understanding and actively participating through reading, writing, and fluent speaking skills in English.

Lions Leadership Institutes Previously Attended (Locations & Dates): _____

Part 2: Experience and Skills Please type or print using additional sheets as needed.

1. Offices held within current Lions Club: _____

2. Committee positions held within current Lions Club: _____

3. Previous Lions Clubs you have been a member of and Offices held: _____

4. Why do you feel that this institute is important to you? _____

Part 3: Acknowledgements

I understand that District 41 is not responsible for personal costs, including but not limited to, those associated with the following: illness, unanticipated or other personal events, lost or stolen property.

I understand that I am expected to attend all classroom sessions and group meals and activities.

Participant's Signature: _____

Part 4 Endorsement The applicant's District Governor or Global Leadership Team (GLT) District Coordinator must complete this section. In what ways will this applicant benefit from attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute?

Completed by: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____



Calling All Lions

Personal, professional and Lions leadership development opportunity!

Does this describe YOU?

- You have never served or served a maximum of one year as Club President
- You are seeking personal growth opportunities
- You understand the value of high-quality training
- You are willing to dedicate a weekend to training

If this DOES describe you, there is an opportunity you should be aware of this session coming up!

Details

Session: Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI)

Location: Zoom and Holliston Senior Center, 150 Goulding Street, Holliston MA 01746

Dates: March 1 to March 3, 2024

Selection Process: Names of Lions who have indicated an interest will be forwarded to the District Governor, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG and District Leadership Chairperson for the final selection of attendees.

LIMITED TO SIX (6) LIONS FROM EACH DISTRICT IN MD33

To be considered for this opportunity, you should [fill out this online form](#). Remember, indicating your interest does not guarantee you will be selected! Seating is limited and selections will be made in mid-February. Remember, the sooner you register, the better chance you have of being selected! Take advantage of this great opportunity for personal, professional and Lions growth! You will never regret your decision!



44N District Meeting

March 3, 2024



Celebrating 100 years of Service!

Location: Charlestown VFW, 365 Lovers Lane,
Charlestown NH

Registration: 9:30 AM

Meeting: 10:00 AM

Cost: \$17.00 per person



Spring is almost here! Let's brighten up the day with some flowered or tropical shirts!

Guest Speaker: Eileen Luponis, NH Food Bank

Please bring donations for the NH Food Bank

Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, February 27

Checks should be made out to Lions District 44N

Mail to: CST Gregg Kleiner; PO Box 94; Keene NH 03431

Contact information: Gckleiner1@gmail.com; 617-735-7543

Attendees: _____

Club: _____ Amount remitted: \$ _____





**BEDFORD LIONS CLUB
COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**SUNDAY MARCH 3
7:30 - 11 AM**

BEDFORD OLD TOWN HALL



MEET LOCAL TOWN CANDIDATES!

**BREAKFAST BY DONATION
PROCEEDS GO TO LOCAL CHARITIES**





District 44H Cabinet Meeting Registration Form

Sunday, March 10, 2024
Atkinson Country Club, 85 Country Club Dr, Atkinson, NH

All Lions are welcome to attend to learn more about District 44H.
Red jacket if you have one. If not, please wear business casual.

8:30 Registration, 9:00 Meeting; 9:15 Breakfast; Noon expected adjournment.

Cost per person: \$24

**Please consider donating a gift basket for raffle at the meeting.
Contact LindaQuebec@Ymail.com if you are able to help.**



Club:	
Name(s) registering:	
Number registering _____ X \$24 per person = \$ _____ (amount of check)	
Please make check payable to Lions District 44H	
Registration & Payment due by February 21 st .	
Mail registration form and payment to	
Linda Quebec, 16 Woodcrest Dr, Nashua, NH 03062	
Contact info: LindaQuebec@Ymail.com (not Gmail); 508-380-4098 (cell)	



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/>



Club Highlights

Brookline Lions

On Saturday, December 9th, we held our annual Senior Luncheon. Thirty five people attended. We also had twenty deliveries and pick ups. A good time was had by all.

One member continues to do food deliveries from local super markets to the Food Pantry every Sunday.

Two members have been driving for Future In Sight. Sight impaired individuals have been driven to their doctor appointments and other activities.

One member helps deliver food for the United Way/Nashua Soup Kitchen every Thursday.

Kidsight screenings were done at local schools in December on the 9th and 13th. A total of 70 students were screened.

Forty \$25 gift cards from Target were given to the Nashua Children's Home for Christmas.

For individuals who would be staying at local Nashua Shelters on Christmas Eve, eighty three Christmas stockings were put together.

Here is a picture of the stockings:



Bedford Lions

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Peterborough Lions

Club continues to meet and exceed our monthly goal recycling plastic to qualify for another Trex bench, which will be donated to the town. The Scholarship Committee met to review requirements for awarding a scholarship this year and to check in with last year's recipient. Shoes and boots were sent to Soles4Souls. Donations were made to NH Sight and Hearing, in memory of PDG John Wynne, and to National Braille Press. Planning is under way for our annual Lucky Duck Race, to be held June 29 during Depot Square Days.



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The Bedford Lions Club hosted an informational table at voting day on January 23. Many voters stopped by after casting their ballot, to learn about how the club makes a positive impact on the community. The club collected signatures of residents interested in finding out more.



Chesterfield Lions

The Chesterfield Lions are on their final 2 week count down to the Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast. Although our local team is not playing, it will still be a fantastic event. All you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon, baked goods, coffee, juices and milk for just \$7.00!! It is happening at the Chesterfield School our Rt. 63 from 7-10:30 so please come join us!

Our Peace Poster winner, Molly Mitchel was the district's second place winner and was awarded her prize at Mid-Winter this past weekend. We are so proud of her and thankful for our Art Teacher who continues to support this valuable effort through her curriculum in the Sixth grade classrooms.

We are excited to partner with our local Douglas Toys, Inc. to purchase 75 Lions for the Hugs and Cuddles program to provide to our local first responders and other local organizations. These lions will be used for those individuals that are going through rough times to provide a little comfort to them.

We continue to collect plastic and believe it or not, are starting planning for our annual Golf Tournament in July. Keeping busy is the lions way!

Hinsdale Loins

Lions Tom (pictured) and Smokey (for some reason not pictured) made our annual driveway sand delivery to the elderly in Hinsdale in January. Not many takers this year, likely due to the mild winter we've had so far.

We were pleased to hear that with our help, the Hinsdale Community Assistance Department provided 29 Thanksgiving Baskets and 50 precooked meals over the holidays.



Henniker Lions

Looking forward to our annual January Bonfire fundraiser! We are grateful for the Brewery's



continued support in providing their venue to host this popular event. We are also excited to have the Leo's join us this year to help provide a fun and active evening for all. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the Capital area fuel assistance Community Action Program.

At our January monthly club meeting, we enjoyed having our guest of honor, 2nd Vice District Governor, Pam Prentice speak with our club about upcoming and current LCI goals, programs and training events. It was very interesting hearing and learning about the many opportunities for serving our communities and we hope to continue working towards achieving the LCI goals.

In the spirit of service, many of our club members attended the "Lions Lift" training program and are enthusiastic to help get the program up and running to assist the visually impaired within our community.

This month, the club collected and donated, 160 pairs of eyeglasses and one pair of hearing aides to the Lions Sight and Hearing. We will also be participating in the "NH Dictionary Project" where the program works to distribute dictionaries to third graders within the school system.

Our community Trex recycling program continues to Roar along with almost 4,500 lbs to date! January looks to be a great start to the year for our clubs fundraising and community service projects which we hope to continue throughout 2024.



Amherst Lions

We welcomed our guest speaker from Camp ExSighting to our monthly meeting. Camp ExSighting provides visually impaired youth an opportunity to experience summer camp here in NH and the Club was honored to sponsor a camper for the summer of 2024. The Club set up a table at the local polls during the Presidential Primary in order to meet and greet town residents and provide complimentary water. Many people showed interest in joining or learning more about Lions from this initiative! The Amherst Lions enthusiastically welcomed two new members to the Club this month! Seven members attended the District 44 Mid-Winter Convention in Westford. Plans are being finalized for the annual Fire & Ice Chili Cook-off on February 9, come on down to enjoy a festive night with the Amherst Lions Club!



Enfield-Mascoma Lioness

The Lioness enjoyed an informative visit from District Governor Toni Olden at their January meeting. DG Toni reviewed the goals for 2024 of membership, service hours and change. She also presented a Membership Key Award to Lioness Sharon Phinney for inviting three new members to join our club.

The club updated their Constitution and ByLaws with member approval. January’s project was the purchase of toys for CHaD to ease the anxiety of children needing to be admitted to Dartmouth Medical Center. Several committees are busy at work on multiple projects coming up in February and March. Donations were made to Mascoma Valley Regional High School Project Graduation and to the Spark! Community Center. Lioness members are looking forward to a training session in February on the Vision Screener. Be sure to watch for our annual Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner in March.

Hillsboro Lions

Club approved a donation of \$3000 to pay off the negative balances of student accounts related to the breakfast and lunch programs at the Hillsboro-Deering School.

Donated \$40 to a needy individual to assist with the purchase of eyeglasses. The Club decided to open an account with Bridgemart.com and provide vouchers of up to \$120 for a basic pair of eyeglasses at Walmart.

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 sixty-four pairs of eyeglasses, four pairs of sunglasses, and two pounds of aluminum pull tabs.

Completed 818 volunteer hours as part of DG Toni’s challenge of 42 hours per member by June 30th , 2024. Hillsboro’s goal is 672 hours.

Month	Year	No. of Members	No. of Meetings	Club Number:
January	2023-2024	14	1	14149

The Monadnock Pride



Home club of Ruby, Rosie, Jewel the Fidelco guide dogs



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The Ruby Report

Events for February

Tuesday Meeting

Tuesday -February 6th, 2024

In-person:

Federated Church 8:00 AM



Thursday Meeting

Thursday, February 15th, 2024

In-person:

Federated Church 6:30 PM



Ground Hog Day

We seem to do the same things every year at this time, making resolutions and then breaking them. It's like watching Punxsutawney Phil see his shadow – or not. Those resolutions don't seem to matter. But what if we decided to set a SMART goal for the year? You know the ones, "Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound." As a bonus, you can make goals at any time of the year. Our club engages in SMART projects every year! Think about the upcoming Roast Beef Supper. We add an additional goal for that event which is to make it a wonderful time for all who come. That's pretty SMART too.

Stay well, stay safe, stay hopeful.

Projects for the Month:

Food Pantry

All Lions

Plastic Collection

Lions Mike Keating, Earle Spafford, David Fairfield, Norm Bemis, Dominick Tralli and Larry Robinson



Linda's 



The Monadnock Lions Club is into another cycle of collecting plastic film sponsored by the Trex Corporation. By collecting 1000lb in 12 months we receive a Trex Bench. We donate the benches to places all around the towns we serve. Currently, we have three benches at the Veteran's Memorial Park, one at the Marlborough Town Offices, one at the Homestead Thrift Shop, one at the Marlborough Country Store, and one at the Dublin Library. Collection locations are at the Frost Free Library, Federated Church of Marlborough, Marlborough Community House, Mother's Hardware, Homestead Thrift Shop, Marlborough Town offices, and the Marlborough Transfer Recycling Center.

40TH ANNUAL LIONS BEMIS-DUMONT ROAST BEEF SUPPER



Don't miss it

Marlborough Community House
160 Main Street

Marlborough, NH

Adult tickets are \$15.00

Children 6-11 \$8.00

Under 6 Free

Saturday, March 23rd, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM



**To benefit Marl Harris First Aid
and Emergency Squad.**

Lions Sight and Hearing.

MILFORD LIONS

Another holiday season came to a close at the beginning of January as Lion members took down all lights and Christmas decorations adorning the Milford Oval, gazebo and town hall. Many thanks to all who help make this happen every year. From the Milford Lions, the Milford Fire Department, the Milford Police and of course, Santa and Mrs. Claus. We will see you again in November 2024.

But before the holiday was wrapped up, the Milford Lions hosted their annual Senior Dinner on January 20th for approximately 85 in attendance despite a very cold and frigid day. A complete Turkey Dinner with all the fixings was served to all. Entertainment was provided by local DJ Dave Alcox. There was also a huge gift raffle which I believe all in attendance went home with a raffle prize.

A special thank you goes to Lion Beth SanMartino who prepared and planned for this big event with the help of DJ Dave Alcox, and Lions Tricia Shea, Tina Philbrick, Elaine Farrington, Ron Carvell and PID Ed Farrington and many, many more who were not captured by photo as they were busy in the kitchen behind the scenes. Thank you's to all who cooked turkeys, prepared and served the meals and helped with the setup and takedown. Another successful event and is so appreciated by all.

The following Tuesday, November 23, we resumed the monthly Spaghetti supper. Approximately 35 were in attendance for this supper. This free supper is open to all in the community.

We have been collecting plastic to recycle under the Trex program since October 2021 and have received and placed six (6) Benches in the community, this is approximately 3,500 lbs of recycled plastic. We had begun again in October 2023 and as of January 2024, we have already reached the goal (1,000 lbs), bringing the total to approximately 4,500 + pounds collected with our 7th Bench on its way!



DJ Dave Alcox mixing up the music!



Lion Elaine Farrington cutting into the cake!



Lions Tricia, Tina & Elaine checking the raffle prizes!



Lion Tricia calling out the prize numbers!



Senior Dinner January 20, 2024



Antrim-Bennington Lions

Club hosted the monthly Antrim-Bennington Community Supper in January. The Avenue A Teen T.A.C.O group and Lions Club members collaborated to serve about 60 people at this free event. Tacos, rice, beans, and all the fixings were served.



The Club started a Charity of the Month program where members were encouraged to bring items to our monthly meetings that support a local charity. In January, club members donated boxes of large size diapers as requested by the Grapevine Family Resource Center which gives diapers to families in need. The February Charity of the Month is the Antrim-Bennington Food Pantry. They requested jars of jelly and cans of chicken and tuna.

February events include collecting eyeglasses and hearing aids and making blankets for Project Linus, an organization that donates blankets to children in need. Plans are underway to assist programming at the local middle and elementary schools. Our members stay active in service to our communities and continue to meet our target of 3.5 service hours per month, per member.



10 Reasons to Become a Lion

1. **Friendship.** In an increasingly complex world, Lions provide one of the most basic human needs - the need for friends and friendship.
2. **The opportunity to make a difference.** As an individual, you can have a limited impact but as part of a group, you can achieve so much more - in your community, your country, your world.
3. **Personal growth** and development. Membership in Lions aids your growth and education in human relations and personal development.
4. **Leadership development.** Every Lions member is encouraged can build leadership skills and serve in a variety of positions, both at club level and beyond.
- 5 **Continuing education.** Interesting guest speakers bring a range of views and information for club members. Opportunities for personal and leadership development are offered.
6. **Lions is a lot of fun.** Each meeting is fun. The club projects are fun. Social activities are fun. And the service is fun.
7. **The opportunity "To Serve".** Lions is a service club. This is the best reason for becoming a Lion: the chance to do as a group what we cannot hope to achieve on our own, to serve our fellow man, and to make the world a better place. Our motto is simple, but it says it all. "We Serve".
8. **The absence of an "official creed".** Lions have no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meetings, or rituals. It is an open society of men and women who simply believe in helping others.
9. **The development of social skills.** Lions are for people who like people. Twice a month at meetings, and various events and functions, Lions helps to develop social and people skills in its members.
10. **Lions "Make Things Happen".** Wherever there is a need, you'll find Lions there, actively involved in getting the job done and Making Things happen. Always ready to roll up your sleeves and find a solution. No job is too big or too small.



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:

February 9, 2024 5-7pm

Fire & Ice

Chili Cook-off & Ice Cream Social

February 9, 2024 5:30pm

Chili Bowl

February 12, 2024

Environmental Committee Meeting

February 22, 2024 6:30pm

Windowdressers Informational Event

Henniker Community Center

March 1-3, 2024

Regional lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI)

March 3, 2024 9:30am

44N District Meeting

March 10, 2024 8:30am

D44H Cabinet Meeting

March 23, 2024 5-7pm

40th Bemis-Dumont Roast Beef Supper

April 27, 2024

Club Officer Training

April 28 (tentative)

Sustainable DIY Gift Fair

Henniker Community School

May 10 - 12, 2024

Spring Convention

May 15, 2024 (Save the Date)

Walk for Sight

July 21 - 25, 2024

International Convention

Melbourn, Australia

