



A message from our District Governor

Happy New Year!

As we start 2024, it is a time to look back at the last half of 2023 and review our club goals. Did we achieve them? Are we on track? Do we need to adjust them? Starting a new year is also a good time to start something new. As you do, take a look at the Global Membership Approach and it's four process plan. This process can be applied to any project!

Let's look at step one: build a team. Who should be on the team? Choose those that will be dedicated and provide ongoing support. Choose those interested in advancement, who want to shape the project, who are accountable and are willing to communicate. If there are two or more subgroups, have a team leader for each group and remember that all team members must play a role. Play to the members, passions.

Some courses on LEARN that you can take advantage of are Effective Teams and Effective Listening.

Our service hours through the end of November are 12,028. The district goal is 40,000. Are you remembering to tell your club secretary your volunteer hours? There is still time to add any hours you may have forgotten.

The new year brings new opportunities to make great things happen. Make your projects fantastic! Don't forget to share them before, during and after. Let your community know you serve!

DG Toni



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New Year Greetings from the SVDG!

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year holiday. Things are really gearing up as the new year starts. We have NELC January 5 & 6 in Rhode Island with International 3rd Vice President Mark Lyon being our guest speaker. I encourage everyone who can to attend. These meetings are always informative. Then I am off to Vancouver for ALLI training and am looking forward to that! When I return, our Mid-Winter Convention will be January 26th through the 28th . It is going to be a great time especially Friday night with DJ Dave, dancing and contests as we celebrate our "Lions Masked Bash"! Along the way, I have several club visitations too. I love meeting with you all and hearing all the marvelous work you do!

Pam Prentiss

Second Vice District Governor

SAVE THE DATE!

JOIN THE CELEBRATION!

Event: Spring Convention

When: May 10-12, 2024

Where: Town and Country Inn and Resort

20 US Rte 2 #1033

Shelburne NH 03581



Global Leadership Team

Be on the lookout for Officer Training which will be taking place in April at the Police Training center in Concord. It will be either April 20th or 27th . All incoming officers and anyone else who is interested in any of the offices should attend. Whether you are brand new or a returning officer, you will always learn something new.



HUNGER

Dear Lions, Lioness Lions, and Leos,

Lions Youth Services will be conducting a service project at the mid-winter convention at the Westford Regency Hotel in Westford, MA, on Saturday, January 27, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help pack 10,000 pre-sealed breakfast meals in boxes. Whether you will be attending the convention or can stop by the hotel even if you will not be attending the convention, LYS members will appreciate anyone who is able to lend a hand with the project.

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

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





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

15 clubs reporting - 84 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>

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 District Administrator / Tom Reynolds/ tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net /
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<http://e-district.org/sites/kidsightnh/index.php>

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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](#)



Row Labels	Count of Location	Sum of Total # Screened
Zone 1/Bedford	2	39
Zone 1/Goffstown	3	692
Zone 1/Pinardville	1	176
Zone 2/Brookline	10	1343
Zone 2/Milford	1	130
Zone 3/Antrim Bennington	8	538
Zone 3/Gap Mountain	3	243
Zone 4/Chesterfield Lions Club	1	18
Zone 4/Keene	31	2633
Zone 4/Monadnock	3	137
Zone 5/Concord	11	1583
Zone 2/Merrimack	4	1564
Zone 2/Amherst	1	39
Zone 7/Whitefield	3	735
Zone 6/Lebanon-Upper Valley Lions Club	2	491
Grand Total	84	10361





The DogSight Project

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

Not a Pet

Most people know that a guide dog is not a pet, but few people stop to think just what this might mean in practical terms. In part, it means that I can lavish praise and affection on my guide, but you may not. Why is this? There are two very solid reasons. Praise and affection strengthen the bond between guide and handler. Without that bond, the guide can be easily distracted. If my dog is given these rewards from random people, she may begin to expect it from others and become unmanageable in their presence. The basic rule of guide dog etiquette is to ignore the dog. Hard as it is to ignore a beautiful, well-behaved dog, my safety depends upon it – and her. So, thanks for your restraint around me and my guide. I appreciate it.

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
NH44 Vision Chair
lpiekarski@ne.rr.com



Raised for Fidelco in 2023-2024: \$9,751





Environmental Committee January 2023

The Environmental Committee is excited to share our refined mission! We are committed to assisting clubs across the state of New Hampshire in implementing their choice of "prepackaged" environmentally focused projects. We are thrilled that the Henniker Lions Club has enthusiastically agreed to be our test club. We will start by initiating two projects: a Do-It-Yourself sustainable gift-making fair before Mother's Day and the construction and distribution

of raised vegetable garden beds to community members: later this summer, Lions will construct and distribute 3'x4' raised beds complete with bagged soil, frost-hardy salad seeds, and mini hoop houses. This project will be marketed to low-income families 2 weeks prior to the general public, and will include an ongoing educational component.





Environmental Committee [continued]

These projects will yield numerous benefits on community, environmental, and club levels, fostering learning opportunities for both adults and children about enjoyable, simple ways to alter habits and reduce carbon footprints. While video games and social media can be entertaining, the satisfaction of creating or growing something will always surpass virtual experiences. Rather than driving and purchasing a packaged gift from a store, you can create a unique custom masterpiece. Instead of buying vegetables shipped hundreds of miles from factory farms with nutrient-depleted soil, you can step into your yard and harvest a fresh salads and vegetables from April through December. The projects also target several Lion's causes including the Environment, Youth, Health, and Hunger, while addressing the social economic disparity in the impact of climate change.

An environmental focus can work wonders for attracting new members to your club! Thanks largely to new members' interest in environmental issues and their eagerness to contribute, Henniker gained 12 new members last year and 5 this year, with another 2 eagerly anticipating joining. The Environmental Committee also helped welcomed a new member to the Granite State Virtual Lions Club.

The Environmental Committee is continuing to spread the NH Lion's Zero-Waste Club Initiative. If your club is interested in participating, we are more than willing to assist in planning your next event. Incorporating reusable and compostable materials is simpler than you might think!

For Lions interested in having the Environmental Committee support their club in implementing these projects or in attending an Environmental Committee meeting, please reach out to Sarah Keniston at skenistonlicsw@gmail.com. We currently meet on the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm via Zoom.

District 44N Environmental Committee 



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 Leahy
@ MichaelLLeahy@gmail.com

Approved _____

Michael Leahy

Approved by District Leadership (Date) _____



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





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

2024 NELC "Winter Weekend"

Theme: Celebrating Service

January 5-6, 2024

Radisson Hotel Providence Airport, 2081 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886 / 401-298-2294

Rooms only \$119 Plus Taxes/Fees until December 17, 2023.

Call the Hotel Direct @ 833-626-1023 or the number above and ask for

New England Lions Council Room Block. Or Click/Paste this web link:

www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/G9666871

Recently Renovated Hotel near Providence airport. Offers free parking has a Bar, Restaurant, Fitness Center, Wi-Fi

Friday night we can arrange a get-together at a local Restaurant. Just let President Dom Branco know.

Saturday, 1/6/2024 7:30 - 9:30 Registration

7:30 - 9:00 Breakfast - Cowesett Room

Sat. 9:30-10:30 - Goddard Room - New England VIP Fishing Tournament - Ken Barthelemy

Sat. 10:45-11:45 - Goddard Room - Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, Inc - Mark McGrath

Sat. 9:30-10:30 - Cowesett Room - Introduction to the LCI Portal - GAT Leader PDG Dawn Rice-Norton

Sat. 10:45-11:45 - Cowesett Room - LCI Constitution and By-laws - IPID John Youney & ID Steve Middlemiss

Sat. 12PM Luncheon Featuring LCI's 3rd VP Mark Lyon

Saturday, 1:30 PM Business Meeting - Updates & New England Governors' Reports

Saturday Breakfast: -The Continental - Assorted chilled juices, fresh baked breakfast pastry served with assorted jams, marmalade and whipped butter. Freshly brewed coffee and specialty tea.

Breakfast at \$22 x _____ Total = _____

Sat. Noon Luncheon: Buffet of Salad Station, Seasonal fruit salad, Roast Beef & Swiss cheese Sandwich on a potato roll, Turkey Breast and American cheese on a mini croissant, Tuna salad wrap, Potato Chips, Fresh Baked Cookies & Brownies, Soft Drinks, Bottled Water, Herbal Teas, Caffeinated and Decaf Coffees.

Lunch Buffet at \$40 x _____ Total = _____

Grand Total = _____

NAME(s): _____

ADDRESS: _____ DIST/MD: _____

POSITION: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

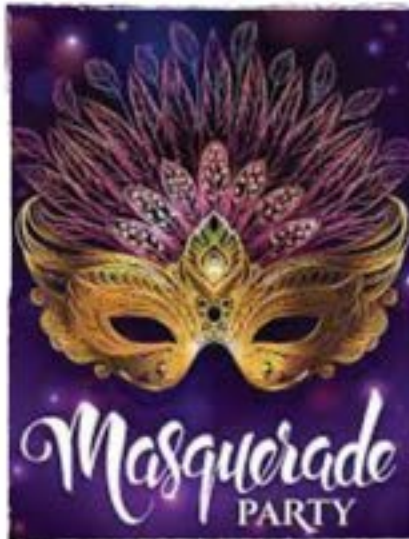
Make Check Payable to: **NELC**
 Mail Check/Form to: **Treasurer Norm Hart, PDG**
181 Port Road,
Kennebunk, ME 04043

Meal Registration Deadline: January 2, 2024

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



JANUARY
26-28
2024



**LIONS MASKED BASH!
MD 44 MID-WINTER
CONVENTION**

Mid-Winter Convention Bash

January 26-28, 2024

Westford Regency Hotel

219 Littleton Road

Westford MA 01886

Friday Night Entertainment:

Masked Bash with DJ Dave Alcott

Start looking at your pictures for the Photo Contest!





**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 44
MID-WINTER CONVENTION**



Lions Masked Bash

Westford Regency Hotel, Westford MA
January 26-28, 2024

Our Invited Guests: International Director Lee Vrieze and Lion Mary Vrieze

Lion #1 _____ CLUB _____

Lion #2/guest _____ CLUB _____

Home Tel. # _____ email _____

<u>Plan</u>	<u>Meals and registration</u>	<u># of persons</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>total cost</u>
A	Fri. dinner, entertainment, Sat night banquet (dinner both nights)		@ \$82.00	
B	Sat. night banquet Pork Roast or Pasta: # of Pork /# of Pasta		@ \$ 45.00	
C	Fri. night dinner and entertainment		@ \$ 37.00	

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Friday night: Italian Buffet of Chicken Parm, pasta, meatballs, garden salad, rolls, butter, coffee & tea, chef's choice of dessert.

Saturday Night choice of entree served with veggies, side, rolls, butter, coffee & tea, chef's choice of dessert:

Roast Pork Loin with Gravy

Pasta Primavera

Saturday and Sunday Breakfast and Saturday lunch will be on your own. There is breakfast buffet available at the hotel for \$15/person

Please note any special dietary needs _____

Deadline for meal reservations is January 9, 2024

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

Call the Westford Regency at (978) 692-8200 and identify yourself as part of the group of NH Lions Multiple District 44. **All reservations must be made by Friday, December 20, 2023 for the special rate. You will call and pay the hotel direct for your room.**

Send reservation form and check for meals to: **Make checks payable to: Lions MD 44 Convention Fund**

Mail Registration and checks to:

PCC Celeste Ricupero, Convention Coordinator
7 Winn Ave, Hudson, NH 0305
(603) 321-0737





**MD44 MID-WINTER CONVENTION
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024
LIONS YOUTH SERVICES
BREAKFAST MEAL PACKING SERVICE PROJECT**

LIONS YOUTH SERVICES has teamed up with a company that will be putting together a Breakfast Meal of Oatmeal, Cinnamon, and Raisins, 4 Servings in a Sealed Package.

~ We Plan on Having 10K Meals Prepared ~

We are looking for **Volunteers to HELP Pack** these Meals in Boxes.

We are anticipating that We Will Need

At Least **60 People to HELP** with this Packing.

We are Asking All Club Members, Family and Friends to **HELP!**

**PLACE: WESTFORD REGENCY HOTEL
DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024
TIME: 2PM—3PM**



**We Need HELPING HANDS!!!
The MORE the MERRIER!!!**

Please contact Kris Pavlik at lionkrispav@aol.com
to let her know you can HELP!



Lions Mid-Winter Photo Contest

The You Already Took That Photo - Photo Contest!

If there is one thing that all Lions have in common, it is their Love to take pictures! This year, the Multiple District Team is holding a "You already took that photo, photo contest," offering New Hampshire Lions the opportunity to show off all those fabulous shots! Which of your pictures portrays "Lions" to you? Which one wraps up all your feelings and says "Lions," you know, that perfect shot that just expresses your thoughts about "Lions." That's the one we want to see!

Send your 8x10
matte finish photo to:

Robin Rodgers
46 Gaumont Road
Windham, NH 03087

with a digital copy to
robina.rodgers@gmail.com

no later than
Monday, January 8, 2024,
be sure to include your name and
email address.



This contest will be peer judged at the Multiple District Mid-Winter Convention in January. The convention will take place at the Westford Regency in Westford Massachusetts on January 26-28, 2024. Prizes will be awarded for the top vote takers and a calendar will be assembled with 12 entries.

Entry into the contest gives your permission to use your photo for a future MD-44 calendar fundraiser.



HENNIKER LIONS CLUB
**3RD ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS TREE
BONFIRE**

JANUARY 27TH 4-7PM
HENNIKER BREWING COMPANY

100% of proceeds
for Henniker fuel
assistance

General Admission
\$15 suggested
donation

Family Friendly
Event



\$15

*Tree pick-up
Jan 6th-7th
includes
bonfire
admission*

To arrange for pick-up visit www.hennikerlions.com or use QR code



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

Chesterfield Lions Club

We had a very successful Breakfast with Santa on December 2nd. Children and their families enjoyed cereals, donuts, fruit, juice, coffee and hot cocoa. They then had a chance to have their pictures taken with Santa and one of his elves. We were able to give a stuffed animal to each of the children thanks to the generosity of Douglas Toy in Keene.



We had Linda Piekarski come speak with the club at our first December meeting. She was so very informative about the Dog Sight Project as well as what life is like with a seeing eye dog. The club presented her with a check for the Dog Sight Project of \$700.00. We also had a wonderful Christmas party with some great games and Yankee Swap.

We continue to sell tickets to our Annual Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast each weekend at the transfer station. It will be held Sunday February 13th from 7-10:30am at the Chesterfield School. Please see any member or email Pam Prentiss if you are interested in tickets.



Henniker Lions

Our club got into the spirit of celebration by joining in to participate in the Town's "Holiday Tree Decorating Event" held on the town square. Club members gathered to create Lion's themed decorations for the tree, and we might say, had a roaring good time! In just over a year, we are proud to report the club has collected almost 4,000 lbs in plastic film for the Trex recycle program and are on our way to our 4th bench! We are remembering IPDG John Wynne with love and gratitude for helping us partner with the Lucky Moose Casino. Thanks to this partnership we have been able to more than triple our financial support to causes including our local food pantry, social services, fuel assistance, Sight and Hearing, LCIF and the environment. We are also looking forward to our upcoming and annual Christmas Tree Bonfire. This fun event will be held on January 27th from 4-7pm at the Henniker Brewing Company. Proceeds will be donated to the fuel assistance program. So be sure to stop by and join in the fun.

Although spring feels far away, we are already busy planning some exciting projects in partnership with our District Environmental Committee. We are taking on the role of test club for Environmental projects which, assuming all goes well for Henniker debuts, the committee will be helping to implement in clubs throughout the state. Please see the Environmental Committee post for more details.

**Happy New Year
from the Henniker
Lion's Club**



Peterborough Lions

Had another successful Christmas tree sale. Valley Automotive for providing the sales venue and collecting money for trees when Lions were not on site. This year we collected gently used shoes while selling trees and sent them to Soles4Souls. We were honored to have Jaffrey/Rindge Lions join us for our annual Christmas party for food, fellowship, and fun. The Scholarship Committee meet to discuss the recipient of the last award and review the requirements for the next one. We continue to collect plastic and can tabs to recycle. We are looking forward to restarting eye screenings.



Peterborough and Jaffrey/Rindge Lions and guests at our Christmas party.



Merrimack Lions

WHEW! Lions and Lioness are deserving a well deserved rest after a more than active December. See you all NEXT YEAR!!!



Last week found our group gathered at King Lion Alan and Sandy's home for a great time of celebrating our good works in the community and our fellowship.

A special thank you to our partnership with Merrimack Welfare Department and a extra special thank you to Merrimack Public Library, Merrimack Post Office, FITLAB Fitness Club, DW Diner, Tortilla Flat's, Total Chiropractic Health Center, Hot Rize Bagel Café, and Silva's Auto for graciously hosting our Operation Santa Trees! - Merrimack Lioness!



Dec 7 Merrimack Lions hosted and sponsored the annual Christmas party for the Friars Club. This group of mentally challenged adults have been together since the 1970's and is now about 85 clients strong. They enjoy this visit from Santa, the food, the gifts and the entertainment.



Amherst Lions Club

Held their 43rd annual Craft Fair in early December. It was another successful event with dozens of Lions members volunteering their time to create an enjoyable community event and fundraiser for the Club.



Service - it's what the Lions Club is all about. In coordination with another local non-profit group, the Amherst Lions delivered baskets to the homes of local families in need of extra food and provisions for the holiday. Sixteen Amherst Lions members took time from their busy Saturday morning to get this accomplished in record time. Twenty-five families were served with an estimated 75-90 total recipients.



The Lions Club once again held a Spaghetti Supper immediately following the Town's annual Tree Lighting ceremony. It was a record year serving over 150 people at this meal and many Lions members volunteered their Friday evening to make this a fun night for everyone.

Our local safety officials weren't left off the holiday list. As we have for several years, the Club purchased and delivered dinner from a local restaurant to our local police and fire officials working on Christmas Day.

After a very busy month of December serving our community and fundraising in support of those in need, the Club celebrated the holidays with our own Club dinner party and Yankee Swap. Here's to a wonderful 2024!



Antrim-Bennington Lions



Children at the Grapevine Family Resource Center-Antrim express thanks for the rebuilt playground fence.



Celebrating the holidays!

A small group of A-B Lions club volunteers removed and then rebuilt the wooden fence at the Grapevine Family Resource Center in Antrim. The fence had to be moved due to tree work and then placed back on the edge of the playground. A job well done and much appreciated by the children at the Grapevine!

In December many volunteers from the Antrim-Bennington Lions Club sold 125 Christmas trees to support area charities. Sales were brisk, and 80 trees were sold in the opening weekend!

Some trees were purchased by townspeople who then donated the trees back to local families. Their generosity was inspiring. The Antrim-Bennington Club values social events as well as work events. The club celebrated the holidays with a social event at the Toll Booth Tavern in Bennington in early December.

Members enjoyed a meal together and participated in a fun tail twister activity. Lions Club members continue to record service hours to attain the goal of 3.5 hours per month, per member. Members have collected over 1,000 hours of service. Perhaps the club will earn a banner pin in recognition of our efforts.

Upcoming events include hosting the January 2024 free community supper, collecting eyeglasses and hearing aids, and providing items to a charity of the month at our business meetings.



Enfield-Mascoma Lions

The weekend after Thanksgiving started off the 2023 Christmas Tree Sales and a busy time for many members. Another successful event with lots of community families enjoying the lovely trees, wreaths and greenery arrangements.

A donation was given to the Friends of Mascoma to cover the purchase of hams for Christmas packages that are provided to food insecure families. The club provided the cost of an electrician to repair and improve the lighting for the pavilion at Huse Park in Enfield, NH. A large donation was provided, along with two other organizations, to give students a gift card to help with holiday needs.

Happy New Year to all.

The Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club

Lioness members enjoyed a dinner social at a local new barbeque restaurant to celebrate the holiday together – an awesome meal and a really enjoyable evening for all.

With assistance from the Enfield-Mascoma Lions Club, the Lioness provided a Senior Christmas luncheon for members of our community who are 60+ years old. Approximately 75 lasagna, salad and apple pie meals were served. Our seniors loved the menu and enjoyed visiting with each other for the holiday.

Lioness also prepared weekend meals for the Lions covering Christmas Tree sales to help the long hours they spend on this project.

We wish all Lions and their families a very Happy, Healthy and Safe New Year.

Never doubt
that a small
group of
thoughtful,
committed
citizens
can change
the world;
indeed, it's
the only thing
that ever has.



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!

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Editor of the ROAR



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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

January 5-6, 2024

2024 NELC "Winter Weekend"

January 11, 2024

Environmental Committee Meeting

January 26-28, 2024

MD44 Midwinter Convention

January 27, 2024

3rd Annual Christmas Tree Bonfire

May 10-12, 2024

Spring Convention

May 15, 2024 (Save the Date)

Walk for Sight

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

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ENVIORNMENTAL COMMITTEE

2nd Thursday of each month - 7pm

Meetings via Zoom

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