

A message from our District Governor

One more month and a new Lions year starts. How time flies! I want to thank all the members of District 44N for allowing me to serve as District Governor this year. It has been a wonderful experience filled with lots of fun and laughter – with some hiccups along the way. What a district you are! When asked to serve more – you did! When asked to donate more – you did! When asked to give us ways in which to assist you better – you did! Keep the ideas and suggestions coming – it is your district and we want to make sure it works best for you.

No one does this alone and I have been honored to work with a great team. Many lively discussions were held, but with some give and take, we managed to get things done. I look forward to working with DGE Mike and his team next year. Here's hoping it is a great success!

With one more month to go, it is time to look back at all you have accomplished. It is also time to look forward to what you can achieve next year. Will you add more service? Will your projects be bigger and better? Will you meet the needs of your communities? Will you increase your membership? Make sure your goals follow the SMART rule: specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time bound. Planning for your success now will keep you on track and assist in you reaching it!

With the new Lion Portal, some clubs may be hesitant at entering their service, don't be! If you need assistance, please reach out to FVDGE Pam. She has a wealth of information on it. Let's meet the district goal of 40,000 volunteer hours this year. I am hoping to award service banner patches to every club at the August district meeting! Again, thank you for a great year! Keep on doing what you do – serving your communities and making a difference!

Yours in Lionism,
DG Toni Olden



the ROAR

your monthly District 44N newsletter

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MCC Eric Lindberg
MCS Henry McKee
Deb & Jim Hogancamp
ID Steve Middlemiss
Lion Jacques Atwood

International President's Certificate of Appreciation
Progressive Granite State Fellow
Second Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow
Lions of the Year
Progressive Granite State Fellow
International President's Certificate of Appreciation



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District 44N Service Hours 2023-2024

	Vision	Hunger	Environment	Diabetes	Childhood Cancer	Other	Total
July	141	509	121	0	75	1720	2566
August	69	276	130	13	0	1935	2423
September	274	939	378	40	7	1053	2691
October	444	251	147	3	3	1437	2285
November	575	359	501	0	21	1979	3435
December	103	429	305	0	4	2380	3221
January	70	302	173	5	1	1566	2117
February	134	331	166	0	2	1135	1768
March	124	237	351	0	2	771	1485
April	429	67	263	0	5	298	1062
May	178	20	83	2	0	0	283
June							
Total Hours	2541	3720	2618	63	120	14274	23336
District Goal							40000
Balance							16664

Thank you

to all those clubs and members who made donations to or worked at the food drive at Spring convention!

\$1300 raised and 1666 pounds of items donated

Benefitting the Feeding Home Food Pantry in Berlin.





From International Director Steve Middlemiss



As you read this the Lions year 2023-2024 will be winding down soon. We have made great strides in increasing our membership worldwide under Mission 1.5 but there is still work to be done. As I write this article, we have 1,390,000 members a + 44,800 worldwide for the year and -20 in our Constitutional Area. Retention is a key point in our remaining positive worldwide and towards the US becoming positive for the first time in a number of years. We need to look to our members for their ideas on projects. Ask them what they are passionate about and work to create projects around those passions. Members want to feel involved. One of the leading reasons members leave is they are not engaged. Also reach out to members who you may not have seen in a while. They are our Lions family and just like our own families we need to be sure that we let them know we are thinking of them. We all want to feel valued and by reaching out we can encourage them to become involved again. One phone call could re-engage a member.

As a reminder to the incoming leadership of the district's the position of Global Extension Leader will become a required position this upcoming year. At the convention in Australia one of the items on the ballot and if it passes, we will 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.

Current 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.

LeeAnn and I have been so fortunate to have represented you this past year and are looking forward to the next year as we continue to serve on the International Board. We hope to see you in Melbourne.

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

Yours in Lionism,

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



Greetings from your Second Vice District Governor,

I am happy that Spring Convention was a success along with the Food Drive we held for the Feeding Hope Food Pantry. I have enjoyed meeting so many of you through my visitations and am so pleased at all the great work your clubs continue to do. I have had the privilege of inducting several new members and will be doing several officer installations in the coming weeks. Thank you again for your support of me through this journey. I am here to help you all serve and welcome any questions or suggestions you may have to help our District continue to be strong. USA/Canada Forum is coming up quickly and it is not too late to sign up. They will be holding a Strides Walk along with all the wonderful Seminars and there are many things to see and do in and around the Louisville area. I attended the Spring NELC meeting in Bennington, VT and it was very informative talking about some of our leaders in the area and how they got to where they are today.

SVDG Pam



Global Leadership Team

Thank you to all who attended the Officers Training. All classes were well received and we continue to learn and better ourselves and our clubs. There will be a Zone Chair training happening soon. Be on the look out for where and when. Zone chairs are very important for the district to keep functioning and I encourage anyone who may be thinking about becoming a Zone Chair to attend this training. You may be ready now or may be thinking about it for the future and the more information you can get, the easier your decision to become a Zone Chair will be.





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: droger@comcast.net



The DogSight Project



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

THANK YOU MD44 LIONS!!

New Hampshire Lions are wonderful, generous Lions. Your donations this year totaled over \$27,000! More than half of all clubs in the Multiple District joined together to make this possible. Fidelco estimates the cost of breeding, training, placing, and providing client support for one dog to be \$65,000. Our contribution makes a very real difference in this effort. I have the most wonderful guide dog at my side thanks to your continuing support of The DogSight Project. Thank you, New Hampshire Lions!

You can make a donation to the DogSight Project at any time 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: \$27,121.00



Vision



Action Plan!

There are a surprising number of effective ways to protect and preserve your vision. There's been a lot in the news about children and the effect that too much close work (like focusing on a mobile phone screen) has on their developing nearsightedness. This applies to adults as well! Take a break; focus on the horizon, or just take time to smell the roses. The sun is another danger to the eyes when they are not protected by sunglasses, especially in the middle of the day or on the water where the effect of the sun is doubled by reflection. And, as always, regular medical care is essential.

Eyesight is precious. Isn't it worth a few simple changes to protect it?

Linda Piekarski
NH44 Vision Chair
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Operation KidSight 2023- 2024 - for District 44N

Operation KidSight 2023- 2024 - for District 44N (As of 5/20)
22 clubs reporting - 121 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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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





HUNGER

Dear Lions, Lioness Lions, and Leos,

THANK YOU and congratulations to all who participated in any way to make the Food Drive during our spring convention a tremendous success! The Feeding Hope Food Pantry in Berlin received 1,665.9 pounds of food, household products, and personal hygiene items and \$1,300 in cash and checks thanks to the incredible generosity of local community members and Lions, Lioness Lions, and Leos.

A special thank you is extended to the four stores that allowed us to set up at their locations: Berlin Marketplace, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, and Walmart Supercenter. Our thanks also go to Scott Labnon and his staff at the Town & Country Inn and Resort who went above and beyond in allowing us to set up a collection table and boxes in the main lobby for the entire weekend. A note of thanks has been sent to each business on behalf of Lions of New Hampshire.

I would like to thank DG Toni for planning the Food Drive and both DG Toni and PDG Henry for their extra work in making it happen. It was an impressive Service Project for a spring convention! My thanks as well to PDG Henry for picking up and returning the U-Haul truck!

THANK YOU all for making a difference in the North Country!

Nancy Charbono-Ricard,

Hunger Chair

Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Lions Club





Lions Environmental Action: Help Reach the Tipping and Earn a Patch for Your Club

If your club is looking for inspiration to take on a new cause or service project, consider author Malcolm Gladwell's concept of the tipping point. *"That magic moment when an idea, trend, or social behavior crosses a threshold, tips, and spreads like wildfire."*

We have all seen something become the new normal because of a tipping point being reached. Remember when we used baby oil instead of sunscreen or when everyone smoked? These changes happened slowly and did not reach a tipping point until two things happened: respected members of society promoted the changes (education and outreach) and people saw that if they did not change, it would hurt their health or the health of loved ones. Sounds a lot like the issues that we are facing with the climate crisis today.

As respected and connected members of our communities, Lions are in a unique position to help tip the scale in favor of the health of our planet and all its inhabitants. We can do this through environmental service projects that get the community involved in making changes while having fun, learning, and coming together. Here in NH, we have already started with our Trex recycling projects, becoming Zero Waste Clubs, and holding our first every DIY Sustainable Gift Fair. Let's keep up the momentum and show our strength as Lions!

To Earn a Patch

Report your Environmental Service Project/participation in the Zero Waste Club Initiative to
NHLionsGreenTeam@gmail.com

Mail a check for a minimum of \$100 to Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of NH
Attn: Fred Plett

P.O. BOX 970, CONCORD, NH 03302-0970



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
@ MichaelLLeahey@gmail.com

Approved _____

Michael Leahey

Approved by District Leadership (Date) _____



Lions Youth Services

The 2024-2025 Contest "Peace Without Limits"

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity. For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority. This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.

As one Lion's year ends and a new year begins, NH Lions clubs have begun this year's contest. Most clubs follow their school's schedule but the contest can be run anytime from January through the November deadline. Please be sure to name a chair to the contest for your club. As of this date, there are 12 clubs that have purchased a kit or 2. I have 8 kits left so if you need a kit, please email Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net and a kit will be mailed to you. The cost of each kit is \$12.00, payable to Lions Youth Services and the check should be mailed to PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811. If The official kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one contest at a school or sponsored youth group.

The Kit contains: Official Club Contest Guide & Rules (PPC-1), Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules *(PPC-2), Participant Flyer* (PPC-3), Winner Sticker (PPC-4), Achievement Award (PPC-5), and Certificate of Appreciation (PPC-6)

- **Please provide only the Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules (PPC-2) and the Participant Flyer (PPC-3) to your club's contact at the participating school or youth group.**
- **Your Club retains all other items in the Kit.**



2023-2024 Merit Award Winner
Ava Simone Durden, 12 yrs old
Nashua Lions, NH

Grant Applications - applications are still available, check this newsletter for the application form.

Lions Night at the Fisher Cats - the date will be Saturday, August 24. Price is \$22 for game ticket, baseball cap, hot dog, drink and chips. More ticket information to follow. See flyer in this issue.

Terri Lynn Fundraiser - we wish to thank you for your continued support with this fundraiser. Please see this newsletter for the latest flyer. If you wish to order for "Father's Day", please get your order in by no later than June 5, 2024 so that it will be delivered in time!

Next Scheduled Meeting - Please Note: our next meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm will be held at the **Poor House Bar-B-Q** in Canaan. This is a Barbecue restaurant located on 1177 US Route 4, Canaan, NH. All are welcome to join us!

Hope to see you there!





Fundraising with



As you know, we have been with **TERRILYNN** fundraising for several years now. Their premium nuts, decadent confections, savory snacks and tempting mixes are unlike anything you will find at your local grocery store. **How can you help?** By purchasing these delicious nuts, snacks, and chocolates. Please help us with a purchase today by placing an order. **Please visit:** <https://LYSNH.terrilynn.com>

Summer is HERE! What about some tasty, healthy treats as you take a hike, go camping, or go fishing? Terri Lynn's Signature nuts, snack mixes will fill that crave. Or throw a spoonful or two on your favorite yogurt and make it a special treat. They are delicious on their own; but they also make great ingredients for some homemade, tasty creations for a light summer meal. Check out an easy recipe below!

*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).*

Brown Sugar Walnut Chicken ~ This easy weeknight dinner is the perfect blend of sweet, savory, and a little spicy! Featuring our delicious [Black Walnut Pieces](#).

Ingredients

- 15 oz Chicken meat (light or dark)
- ½ cup Chopped onion
- ½ cup Chopped red pepper
- Olive oil (3T + 3T)
- ¼ cup Brown sugar
- 2 tbsp Red wine vinegar
- ¼ cup Soy sauce
- 1 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 2 Garlic cloves, minced
- Pinch of red pepper flakes
- ½ cup Terri Lynn Black Walnut Pieces



Directions

- Cut the chicken into bite sized pieces.
- Heat 3T olive oil in a large pan over medium heat.
- Season the chicken lightly with salt and pepper to taste.
- Add the chicken into the pan and cook for 3-4 minutes, stirring occasionally. Don't cook the chicken all the way through. Remove from the pan.
- In a small bowl, mix the other 3T oil, brown sugar, vinegar, soy sauce, Dijon mustard, garlic, and red pepper flakes.
- Reheat the pan the chicken was cooked in over medium heat. Add the onions, peppers & walnuts into the pan. Cook for 2-3 minutes on high.
- Add the sauce.
- Add the chicken back into the pan.
- Cook until the sauce thickens and the chicken is well coated. Stir frequently.
- Remove from heat and serve. (Delicious with steamed white rice!)





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.



**Manchester Lions
Are hosting a free
Spaghetti Dinner**

You are invited on

Friday, June 21, 2024 from 5-7 pm

Jutras American Legion Post #43, 56 Boutwell Street in Manchester

Lions Club Visitations are welcomed.

Donations accepted.





Jaffrey-Rindge Lions Club Annual Yard Sale

Monadnock Plaza, Rt 202 in Jaffrey, New Hampshire

Saturday June 22 --8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Sunday June 23 --8:00am – 1:00 pm

-Rain or Shine-

We are looking for yard sale donations as well as volunteers that weekend. This is a great opportunity to complete service hours. Please reach out to Melissa Dillingham at dillingham.melissa@gmail.com if you have donations or are able to volunteer.

Thank you!!!



You and your guests are invited to the

DG Kamal Homecoming Celebration

Sunday, July 14th, 2:00pm

Nashua Country Club
25 Fairway St, Nashua

Kindly respond before June 26th

by completing this RSVP
and returning it with your check to
Nashua Lions Club
PO Box 3361, Nashua, NH 03061

Name(s) _____
Club _____

Please check here if you would like to speak: Yes

\$ 44 x _____ people = \$ _____ check amount

The lunch buffet will include salad, soup, rolls,
chef selected starch and vegetable, Chicken
Francaise with lemon caper butter, Garlic
marinated steak tips with peppers, onions, &
mushrooms, and dessert.

Please make us aware of dietary considerations
such as vegetarian, gluten-free, or food allergies:





Merrimack Lions Club



is proud to announce the

22nd Annual Lions Charity Golf Tournament

“Frank DiChiara Charity Classic”

Monday, July 29, 2024

Stonebridge Country Club

Goffstown, NH

\$150 Donation includes: Green Fees, Cart, Gift Bag, Several Contests, Prizes, Snacks & Banquet BBQ .

**NEW SCORING FORMAT: Every team has a chance to win!
Score high – score low, every team can win some dough!!!**

Pre-registration is required by July 22nd.

Proceeds to benefit youth programs and other local charities.

Sponsorships Available, Donations Welcome!

For more information contact:

Alan Hoyer, 424-7897

or alanh@cecent.com

or

Phil Przybyszewski, 424-3311

or philpreski@gmail.com





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!





**FIRST ANNUAL
JOHN WYNNE LIONS NIGHT AT
THE FISHER CATS
SPONSORED BY LIONS YOUTH
SERVICES**

FISHER CATS



YARD GOATS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24
DELTA DENTAL STADIUM
6:35 P.M.**

**TICKET COST: \$22 PER PERSON
PRICE INCLUDES A HOT DOG, CHIPS
AND A DRINK
DON'T FORGET YOUR FREE HAT AS
WELL!**

**GAME ENDS WITH AN ATLAS
FIREWORK SHOW**

**ADVANCE TICKET SALES END AUGUST 14!
CHECKS CAN BE MADE OUT TO "LIONS YOUTH
SERVICES"**

**PLEASE MAIL PAYMENT TO P.O. BOX 156,
ATKINSON, NH 03811.**

QUESTIONS? CONTACT LENNY HALL AT 978-360-0958



Club Highlights



Lebanon-Upper Valley Lions doing road-side pickup.

Granite State Virtual Lions Club

is happy to announce that our application to charter has been approved. We have been working on this for a bit and are very excited to be a "real" club now and no longer a branch club. At our meetings we have been having speakers (via Zoom) attend to talk about different ways we can serve. Lion Randy Pierce let us know about Lion Lift and Future in Sight and Lion Linda Piekarski told us about guide dogs and the DogSight Project. We are happy to support both organizations as well as others. June will be very busy for us since we will have one of our rare in person meetings and an event at the NH Veteran's Home.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who has supported us and most especially to our sponsoring club the Concord Lions Club who has been there for us every step of the way.

Canaan Lions

6 Canaan Lions attended the Officers Training in Concord.

Health Closet handled 86 units served 67 Individuals 46 Lions & 7 Volunteers served 130 hrs.

1 Canaan Lion attended the LYSNH Meeting in Manchester.

4 Canaan Lions attendee 44N spring Lions Convention helped collect 1666# of food & \$1300.00 for Local food pantry.

Canaan Lion Michael Leahey was elected DG for 44N 2024-25.

Canaan Lions Moto-X held 2 practice days with over 110 participating each day.

First Canaan Lions Moto-X had 269 riders.

CANAAN LIONS MOTOCROSS 2024 SAVE THE DATES

WWW.CANAANLIONSMX.COM

PRACTICE DATES:

**MAY 4, 18 • JUNE 1, 22 • JULY 6, 27
AUG 10, 24 • SEPT 21, 2024**

RACE DATES:

**MAY 19 • JUNE 2, 23 • JULY 7, 28
AUG 11, 25 • SEPT 22, 2024**



Antrim-Bennington Lions

Club members served others in many ways during the month of May.

Antrim Elementary School received many donations this month. Beth Pimley, principal of Antrim Elementary School, spoke at our monthly meeting and expressed gratitude for the multiple ways that Lions Club members have stepped up to enhance the offerings at the elementary school. Our volunteers supervised hobby groups, led weekly lunch groups with students, donated to the snack program, and provided a field day cookout. Lions Club members enjoyed the opportunity to build connections with the students and staff.

The partnership between Great Brook Middle School and our club continues to expand. Our club hosted a "Get to Know Your Town Government" event at Antrim Town Hall. Eighth grade students and their teachers circulated through eight stations that centered around a different division of town government: police, fire/ambulance, planning board, selectboard, town clerk/tax collector, etc. Students had a list of questions to prompt conversation and had to complete a reflection about things they learned at each station. The Lions Club and staff at Great Brook are grateful to members of our town government for their participation.

Our May charity of the month was the End 68 Hours of Hunger organization which provides food to children and families over weekends when there is no breakfast/lunch program. Members donated 120 boxes of macaroni and cheese and 124 granola bars.

Our June charity of the month is the Avenue A Teen Center which serves teens from around the area. The

administrator expressed her thanks for our donation and explained that hungry teens can plow through an entire case of snacks in one night! We look forward to another great year with new members and newly elected club officers as we expand our efforts to serve the community!

Enfield-Mascoma Lions

The Enfield Club has assisted many community programs during the past several months. Donations were provided to the Mascoma Babe Ruth League to help them get their program start and to the Mascoma Area Senior Center to help with meals for local seniors. A donation was also made to Waypoint which provides child and family services in the area. We assisted our branch Lioness Club by providing the vegetables for the annual St. Patrick's Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner as well as the Lions Twin State Soccer Association with ticket purchases. Our April dinner meeting had the pleasure of DG Toni Olden and Lion Henry McKee joining us. A donation was made to the Brain Association of NH and a donation to the United Methodist Church for the food pantry shelf storage. Members are getting ready for the upcoming Enfield Family Fair at the end of June.





The Enfield-Mascoma Lioness

The last several months have been very active and busy for the Lioness of Enfield. The annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on March 16th served 100 guests as dine-in or take-out meals plus 14 workers and was a huge success. The same day several members provided coffee, donuts, sandwiches and snacks for the Town Meeting attendees which lasted seven and one-half hours – wow! Everything was gone by 2:30pm!

The club participated in the annual rose sale and 10 dozen roses were delivered in March. Breakfast with the Easter Bunny followed on March 30th with a pancake & sausage breakfast. Eighty adults, 50 children and 14 workers enjoyed plain, blueberry and/or chocolate chip pancakes, visited with the Easter Bunny, received a small chocolate gift and were able to take lots of pictures.

April continued to be busy – personalized First Grade Readers were delivered to 33 children at the Enfield Village School. It is always fun and rewarding to listen to the excitement in the children's voices when they open their book and see they are the main star along with friends and family throughout the pages.

Nominations were requested for the 2024-25 Club Officers & positions in March and we voted on the proposed slate at the April 25th meeting. Thanks to all who stepped up to leadership.

Our newest event took place on April 27th with a Craft Supply Sale at the Enfield Community Building. Tables were provided for those wishing to reduce their gently used or excess craft supplies and for customers to purchase needed supplies at a reasonable cost. Attendance was awesome in the early hours but slowed a little, possibly due to the first non-raining weekend and sunny skies. However, our first sale was successful, and we received many requests to provide another sale in the fall.

In May, the club voted for a very new calendar for the coming year allowing for a summer break for club members and extra room for new and service projects throughout the year. Two scholarship recipients were chosen from eight applicants and will be awarded in June at the Awards Night. Eight members took part in the Adopt-a-Highway cleanup at the end of the month and cleaned the four-mile Shaker Hill Road. A new project was introduced and members will be investigating making mastectomy pillows for patients at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital.

Donations were made to the Mascoma Methodist Community Food Shelf and the Walk By the Sea Against Brain Injury.

The club was also very excited to endorse our President, Nancy Charbono-Ricard, for Second Vice District Governor and wish Nancy the very best in her newest leadership role.

Lastly, members will enjoy an end-of-the-year dinner together in June at the Baited Hook Restaurant on Mascoma Lake. We wish all a very happy and safe summer.



Hanover Lions

Visions Hanover receives their Action Auction check from the Hanover Lions. Left to right are Sylvia Dow, Executive Director of Visions; Sara Johnson, Club President; Don Derrick Club Treasurer; Bill Hammond, Action Auction Chair and Laura Perez, Visions Development Director.

This was the fourth year we have held our "Action Auction", with each year better and better! The idea is to auction a service, not a thing. Some of the 42 auction offerings were: painting a room, appointment chauffer, yard work, hauling a load of mulch, babysitting, wood splitting and stacking, window washing, strength training lessons, rototilling, grocery shopping... The only limits were the talents and imaginations of those donating! Lions members as well as others in the community all chipped in to raise funds that were then split equally between Youth In Action and Visions Hanover, a newly constructed residence for adults with developmental disabilities.

We have also recently become a part of the Upper Valley Health Closet where, in concert with Canaan Lions we collect and redistribute durable medical equipment to those who need it in both Vermont and New Hampshire. This past month Lion Heidi Reynolds offered the use of a barn she owns here in Hanover for storage. Needless to say, that was quickly accepted, and we had a moving in party where ten Lions transported, cleaned and organized a second home for healthcloset.org! As a result, this past month 14 Lions recorded 158 hours of service that served 126 individuals with 293 pieces of equipment while covering 2,133 miles! Truly a rewarding service project.

Planned upcoming events include our 31st Hanover Lion's "Byrne Cup" Twin State All-Star Lacrosse Games. On June 22nd the girls' game will start at 12:30 and boys' at 3:00 on the field at Hanover High. This event has always provided great competition and many exciting moments. As the major fundraiser for our club, no admission is charged but, donations are accepted. For event information, visit twinstateallstars.com.

Once again, our Lions will be staffing the BBQ booth for "The Prouty" on July 13th. Our club has supported this event annually for several decades. The Prouty is northern New England's largest family-friendly fundraising event combining cycling, walking, rowing, golf and more to raise funds and awareness for life-saving research and critical patient and family support services at Dartmouth Cancer Center. For further information visit https://getinvolved.dartmouth-hitchcock.org/site/TR?fr_id=2050&pg=entry



Henniker Lions

This month the Henniker Lions are excited to announce the addition of four members to our club. Shown are new members Jack Bopp, Taylor Carroll and Lizz Van Suan. President and sponsor, Sarah Keniston, performed the new member induction ceremony along with long time Lion, Mike French, who also presented as a new member sponsor.

With Mother Nature's cooperation we have been busy with many outdoor service projects. Our recent annual spring roadside clean-up was a success with the collection of 29 bags of trash. Keeping our eye on the environment, we are happy to report we are close to collecting our 5th bench with the Trex recycling program, which means keeping five thousand pounds of plastic out of our air and landfill. Speaking of fresh air, our club shared a wonderful day with fellow NH lions and local communities by participating at the Future In-Sight fundraiser held in Concord.



Lastly, for those who enjoy gathering for music and have a sweet tooth, we will be hosting the summer kickoff of the towns summer concert series on June 11th. The club will have a strawberry shortcake table set up along with providing the attendee's information about the Lions, our club and all that we do!





Bedford Lions

On May 14, 2024, the Bedford Lions Club proudly awarded the Andrew J. Letourneau memorial scholarships to Natalie Denon and Kayla Gibson, two deserving high school seniors who attend Bedford High School.

Bedford Lions Ernie Henrichon and Tony Juliano co-chaired this year's scholarship committee.

Judging is based on a number of factors, including financial need, extra-curricular activities, special honors, self-help by employment, and savings for college. In addition, the committee looks at academic record and promise as well as the applicant's own expression of future plans and needs.

Natalie and Kayla, along with their parents and Mark Smith, Assistant Principal of BHS and Dean of Fine Arts, attended the dinner meeting hosted by the Bedford Lions at the Airport Diner in Manchester.

The students were each awarded \$2,500 to pursue their goals of attending Holy Cross University (Natalie) and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington (Kayla).

Since 1971, the Bedford Lions scholarship program has awarded \$116,000 to deserving students including this year's award recipients.

Pictured from left to right: Bedford Lion Ernie Henrichon, scholarship winners Kayla Gibson and Natalie Denon, along with Bedford High School Assistant Principal Mark Smith



Bedford Lions [cont.]

On Saturday, May 18, three Lions kicked off the day by volunteering at the Bedford Community Food Pantry, a program of the Bedford Lions Club. Thank you to Lions Nina and Pablo Casaverde and Margie Henrichon for keeping our monthly commitment to serve grateful Bedford residents!

Concurrently, Lion Sophie Cutler volunteered at Future in Sight's Walk for Sight in Concord, first as a greeter and then as a crosswalk attendant. The Walk provides a great way to give back to the blind and visually impaired community and all Lions and their families are encouraged to volunteer or walk next year.

The afternoon was once again dedicated to the Bedford Community Food Pantry. Lions Danielle and Mary Evansic and Sophie persevered in the rain to collect much needed donations from generous shoppers at the Market Basket in Bedford. At a previous food drive, the store manager had the idea for "shelf talkers" (see photo). Lion Danielle took the idea and produced these helpful reminders for the shoppers to easily locate the pantry's most needed items. After a brief (but wet!) 2 hours, over 130 pounds of food was collected. Another drive is scheduled for July.

Photo captions:

- 1) Lion Sophie at the Walk for Sight with a volunteer from the Kiwanis Club
- 2) Shelf talker in the store
- 3) Lions Danielle and Mary collecting donations for the food drive.



MILFORD LIONS

We received our seventh bench for our involvement in the NexTrex plastic recycling program. Until recently, we earned one bench for recycling 500 pounds of plastic within six months, but the program has changed and we now receive a bench for collecting 1,000 pounds of plastic in 12 months. We mostly collect plastic from bins that we have placed at the Milford NH transfer station. We have Lions collect the plastic from the bins five days a week, so this is a moderately labor-intensive project. This latest bench was placed at the Milford NH Skate Park that was built in the local park by the Milford Lions Club about 20 years ago. As of this date, we have collected an additional 1,000 pounds toward an 8th bench, which will be reported to NexTrex in September.

During our April membership meeting, we hosted FVDG Mike Leahy who spoke about the membership drive by Lions MISSION 1.5 to reach our goal of **1.5 million members worldwide**. FVDG Mike will continue this mission as he steps up to the District Governor position for 2024-2025.

We also entertained guest speakers on behalf of the Hutchinson Family Singers Memorial Project. The Hutchinson Family Singers were an influential family singing group in the 19th century who resided in Milford NH. They are dedicated to the goal of creating a public memorial to preserve their legacy and celebrate their contributions to America's social, cultural and musical history.

The club is preparing for their Cinco de Mayo celebration on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 - we have been holding this celebration for several years now and is enjoyed by all who attend.



Milford Lions/Lioness Skate Park Dedication Plaque



(above) 3rd Bench placed at the Skate Park



First two Trex Benches placed in the Skate Park



Merrimack Lions

Continue to Serve! As the 2023-24 year winds down, Merrimack Lions remain active in making a difference in our community.

May has come to a close with a great boost to our check book with the income from our charitable casino days at the Lucky Moose Casino and Tavern. We have completed our spring cleanup of our section of DW Highway and have had attendance at Officer Training and the Spring Convention. We also participated in the Nashua Lions Club's first "Strides for Diabetes" walk/run at Mines Falls Park. We are busy with plans for our July 29th Golf Tournament.

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Hillsboro Lions

Monthly Activity Report – May 2024

Donated \$50 to the 21st Annual Walk for Sight fundraising event organized by Future in Sight (formally known as the NH Association for the Blind). The event took place on Saturday, May 18th in downtown Concord, NH.

PCC Don Ager and PMCST Meg Ager attended the LITPC Alternate / Midwest Pin Swap on May 20-23, in Bettendorf, Iowa.

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 36 pairs of used eyeglasses, 9 pairs of sunglasses, and 5 pounds of aluminum can pull tabs.



Without community service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient. It's the way in which we ourselves grow and develop.



The Peterborough Lions Club has begun selling tickets for our Annual Lucky Duck Race to be held June 29 as part of Depot Square Days. Thanks to local businesses for providing sponsorship and selling venues. We will be collecting for Soles4 Souls at our selling venues and on Duck Race Day. The Scholarship Committee has chosen a recipient for the Peterborough Lions Club Scholarship based on Community Service and financial need. Donations were made to the Cornucopia Project, Project Linus, and the Peterborough Recreation Department Scholarship Fund. Lion Arlene MacArthur participated in the Monadnock Hunger Walk.



Carol Cleary, Linda Caracappa, and Martha Dahl from End 68 Hours of Hunger ConVal, along with Pastor Bob Marrone from host church Peterborough Union Congregational, along with Lion Arlene MacArthur.





Chesterfield Lions

Our club enjoyed a marvelous evening with "Helen Keller" on May 2nd. The actress portraying Helen started out as a young child and brought the audience through Helen's life into adulthood. She did a wonderful job and it was quite inspiring to see all that Helen had done and overcome.

We also had a great time at Spring Convention, dancing up a storm but also having our President, Jacques Atwood receive a Presidential Certificate of appreciation. Our members Jim and Deb Hogancamp were awarded Lions of the Year for all they have contributed to Lions and continue to do!!

We were happy to have our member Pam Prentiss get elected to First Vice District Governor for next year.

Pam is greatly appreciative of the support the club has and continues to give her.



The club will be awarding scholarships to deserving graduates of Keene High School on June 5th. They are also working hard on the preparations for our 25th annual John K. Schlichting Golf Classic taking place at Brentwood Golf Course in Keene, NH on July 9th.

We had several members attend Officer Training and Spring Convention of 44H, and New England Lions Council, as well as inductions and installations of officers throughout the district.

We are looking forward to meeting our scholarship recipients at our last meeting for the year on June 18th along with a pot luck celebration for this year.

Member Becky Auger and members of the local garden club cleaned up the garden space in the center of town!



MILFORD LIONS



On May 7th we celebrated our 7th annual Cinco de Mayo meeting with all clubs in Zone 2 invited and in attendance along with the DG and PDG's and member's spouses. Unfortunately, no one in our club took photos, they were too busy having fun and staying out of trouble!!! Special thanks to Lion Elaine Farrington for coordinating this event and many thanks to all who contributed in food and drink and making this another fun night among our Lion partners in service. Looking forward to May 6, 2025!



Milford Lions will be dedicating a Maple Tree on Tuesday, June 4th at 6 pm which was planted at Lions Park by Lions John Miller and Rick Mossey in memory of Lion Sandy Hill who sadly passed away on November 26, 2023.



LCIF NEWS

Unfortunately, I have slacked off the past 6 months as being the LCIF Coordinator. I sincerely apologize and I wish to thank **PDG Al Goldstein, MD44 LCIF Coordinator** who has taken on the position for me.

PDG Al has been on top of this and reminds all that it is not too late to make a donation to LCIF as well as awarding a special Lion with a MJF. (*Melvin Jones Fellow*).

If you have any questions or need help, please reach out to him at algoldstein@comcast.net or call him at 603.913.1281.

Thank you,
Rhonda Wynne



What has your club been up to?

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Send articles and fliers to the ROAR!

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

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*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



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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

June 21, 2024 - 5-7pm

Manchester Lions Spaghetti Dinner

June 23, 2024 - 8am-3pm

June 24, 2024 - 8am-1pm

Jaffrey-Rindge Annual Yard Sale

July 14, 2024 - 2pm

DG Kamal Homecoming Celebration

July 29, 2024

22nd Annual Lions

Charity Golf Tournament

August 24, 2024 @ 6:35

1st Annual John Wynne Lions Night at the Fisher Cats

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

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