



the ROAR

your monthly District 44N Newsletter



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EMBRACE CHANGE!!!

The only thing that stays the same is change. The statement absolutely has seemed to be true to me. I look in the mirror and I see a chubby grey dude staring back at me. "That has to be my father." I haven't changed, just everything else. I bring up this topic because we all know that in order to grow our Lions International organization we need to find new ways to reach people in service by accommodating new generations, age gaps, cultural differences. People! We are at the end of another Lions' year as a district. It's been my honor to serve as your District Governor. Now comes a new year with some new thoughts, methods and approaches. The newness of everything we do will be an attempt to reach those before mentioned people in service, fellowship, and acceptance. Be kind and supportive to new attempts to reach this objective. We are the largest service organization on the planet. Sure, we have our challenges, but what has gotten us here is the one thing that has stayed the same; WE SERVE! So, how we do it, who we do it with, what tools we use, how we communicate to reach people, will and should always change to adjust for our new times and current day challenges.

Myself, and many of us, will be shifting into new roles and responsibilities within the district and that's a good thing. Nothing about these changes says anything about the fact that we are Lions, that we serve, and we will do what we can to support the concept of us. WE SERVE!!

Service is who we are.
Membership fuels us.
Leadership empowers us.

Kindness Matters in Lionism,

Mike Leahey,
District Governor, New Hampshire 44N

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44N Global Action Team (GAT) Welcome Lions - Monthly Meeting

June - Social Media Presentation - Drew Perry 2nd VDG Vermont

Stayin' Alive
1.5

**44N Global Action
Team Meetings**

**WHERE: ZOOM
(LINK INFO BELOW)**
**WHEN: 2ND WEDNESDAY
OF EVERY MONTH
@ 7 PM**

*Monthly Meetings with Rotating Topics in Leadership,
Membership and Service*

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82710403356?pwd=24g1ZCbNmJgF9TjRlEupVa53bzozf.1>

Meeting ID: 827 1040 3356
Passcode: 374342

Dear Lions,

I want to take a moment to thank you all again for your trust in me to lead our District next year.

I would encourage clubs to start contacting me or my CST Gregg Kleiner to schedule visits. One thing this year that incoming International President AP Singh has asked us to do is take part in club service activities, so if there is one that you would like me to participate in, send that request too.

FVDGE Nancy Charbono-Ricard will be sharing some of the visitations again this year so if you prefer one of us, let me know. I look forward to working along side you in your activities and for the upcoming year.

My new email is: lionpamela44N@gmail.com please try to use this so I will not miss any important information.

I am looking forward to next year but we still need to finish off this year strong. We have done well with adding members and re-engaging some of our existing members. Thank you for answering my survey.

I will be having Saturday District meetings in November and March. Unfortunately, I had reserved the Sunday in August before I had sent out the survey. I would like to reiterate that ALL Lions are welcome at the district meetings and we will be having service activities and speakers at all of them. This is a wonderful chance for members to meet new people and exchange ideas for club activities and boast about ones that have gone well for you. It is also a time to get refresher information on job responsibilities or working with the Lions Portal. Do not hesitate to contact me to request assistance in any of these.

Our Spring Convention was a lot of fun and I want to continue that fun as we go into the next Lions Year. If you have a desire to be part of the Spring Convention Planning Committee, please let me know.

Our Global Extension Team has been working hard and are ready to Charter a new club! I will be going up to Gorham this weekend to participate in their Cribbage Tournament. The club has been very active trying to get service activities scheduled as they have been looking for more members.

I was able to attend the Monadnock Lions Club 65th

Anniversary Dinner this week as well as inducting two new members into the Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club and installing their new officers for next year. Both of these clubs are very active and have been successful in recruiting new members.

I will be heading to Las Vegas at the end of June for the GAT summit along with Henry, Alan and Christine to work on our plans for membership growth for next year. It should be an exciting learning experience and I will report back to you all in the next Roar.

DGE Pamela Prentiss

MARK YOUR CALENDER



AUGUST 3, 2025 - will be our first district meeting where ALL are invited. This will be in Chesterfield at the Town Hall, (details to follow).

Please remember to bring greeting cards for a Service project we will do (*signing cards to send to our troops*).

NOVEMBER 8, 2025 in Enfield at the Enfield Community Center

MARCH 14, 2026 in Concord

MAY 15-17, 2026 at the Fireside in Lebanon, NH for our Spring Convention.

Nancy Charbono-Ricard,
First Vice District Governor Elect



It has been a pleasure to meet so many of you during my visitations this year. I am grateful for the warm welcome I received at your clubs. It was an honor to present awards and fellowships, install officers, and induct new members, all while representing District Governor Mike Leahey, International President Fabricio Oliveira, and Lions International. Your support and inspiration throughout this journey have been truly invaluable, and I sincerely appreciate each of you.

Our Spring Convention at the Town and Country Inn was a busy but enjoyable weekend. Convention Chair Christine Greenwood-Smart and the entire convention committee did a phenomenal job organizing a meaningful and fun weekend for all. Thank you to the following Lions and Clubs for your generous donations of 21 raffle baskets: Christine Greenwood-Smart & Jason Smart, Heather Hunter, Jessica Hannigan, Nancy Charbono-Ricard & Alan Ricard, Pam Prentiss, Sue & Eric Lindberg, Toni Olden & Henry McKee, NH Lions Green Team, Bedford Lions, Canaan Lions, Granite State Virtual Lions, Henniker Lions, Keene Lions, Manchester Lions, and Merrimack Lioness and Lions.

I attended the New England Lions Council Spring Meeting at Camp Pride where the theme for the day was leadership. Guest speakers were PID Ed Farrington from NH, PID John Youney from ME, and PDG Dawn Rice-Norton from MA.

The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is coming up in September in Atlantic City, NJ, and there's still time to register. In addition to the Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness, Forum Store, and Exhibits, over 90 seminars are scheduled. I attended for the first time last year, and it was a wonderful learning experience. Atlantic City is within driving distance; I highly recommend attending if you can.

Thank you for your dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment to service. Together, let's continue making a difference in our communities and in the lives of others.

Nancy Charbono-Ricard, FVDGE



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT
A Program of New Hampshire Lions
Multiple District 44 –
Health Services of NH



Challenging Times

The Kitchen and grooming area on the Fidelco campus has not been updated since the 1980's. The "grooming area" is a single tub in the kitchen which is a small and cramped space. Fidelco had arranged a grant from HUD (Housing and Urban Development department of the government). But, as they admitted at the most recent New England Lions Advisory Board meeting, they are uncertain if those funds will actually come.

The DogSight Project hopes your club will consider an *End of the Year* donation in support of all that the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation does for its dogs and its clients.

You can make a donation to the DogSight project any time. Please make checks payable to: **LSHF** and write **DSP** on the memo line to ensure the proper account is credited.

Please mail checks to the project Treasurer:
Gregg Kleiner, PO Box 94, Keene, NH 03431

Linda Piekarski
Chair, the DogSight Project
lp314@outlook.com



Raised for Fidelco in 2024-2025: \$19,571



MISSION 1.5

District Goal Progress

Membership		2024-2025 YTD	2024-2025 Goal
Opening Balance		1021	140 new members
Added members		115	
Dropped members		94	
Closing Balance		1042	
Net Gain/Loss		21	

MEMBERSHIP IS ROCKING !

LET'S KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING INTO NEXT YEAR !

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – January 20, 2025 to May 30, 2025

CLUB NAME	NEW MEMBER NAME	SPONSOR NAME
Amherst	Richard Lack	Jimmy Desai
	Jim & Susan McIntosh	Kirk Rogers
	James Raiser	Charles Vars
Antrim-Bennington	Charles Fish	Linda Morehouse
	Sonnie Fish	Tim Morehouse
Bedford	Erin Blassberg	Sophie Cutler
	Melanie Gabree	Sophie Cutler
	Larry Khirallah	Sophie Cutler
	Marc Naro	Sophie Cutler
	Diane & Richard Phelps	Nina Casaverde
Brookline	George Winters	James Pope
Canaan	Alicia Campbell	Monica Rowe
	Lillian Coulter	Timothy Boisvert
	Kristin Fredrickson	Monica Rowe
	Michelle Garrison	Monica Rowe
	Roger Garrison	Alan Ricard
	Kelley Moody	Monica Rowe
	Thomas Oppel	Monica Rowe
	Cheryl Tourville	Monica Rowe
Cohase	Greg & Maura Mathieson	Timothy Corey
Enfield-Mascoma	Kimberly Griffith	Tracy Hill
	Christine Jespersen	Barbara Bellnoir
Franklin	Margaret Sweeney	James Wells
Hanover	Douglas Goodwin	William Hammond
	Cristina Hammond	William Hammond
	Marianne Peters	Maryanne Rankin
	Sally Tally	William Hammond
	Morton Wise	A Joseph Roberto
Hillsboro	William McGraw	Donald Ager Sr.
Hopkinton	William Palizzolo	Michael Foley
Keene	Richard Baldwin	Christine Smart
	Monica Church	Annie Colombie
	Sonia Kibbee	Susan Silver
Lebanon – Upper Valley	Joan Scelza	Thomas Zuttermeister
Lisbon	Karla Decaro	Krystyna Sullivan
	Meghan Fulford	Beverly Aldrich
Merrimack	Bob Addiss	Anna Addiss
	Melissa Baffoni	Justine Leone
Milford	Lauren Weberman	Mark Genovesi
Monadnock	Chris Frontiero	Michael Keating
Orford	Molly Darisse	Clyde Blake
	Brian Hall	Clyde Blake
	Creigh Moffatt	Nancy Hall
	Trevor Pregent	Clyde Blake
Winchester Centennial	Jane Cardinale	Marisol von Hardenberg

SERVICE



The poster features a central illustration of a person in overalls pushing a wheelbarrow filled with soil and plants. Above them, a green banner reads "Franklin Lions Club" and a blue banner reads "Raised Bed Garden Give Away". The words "SOLD OUT" are prominently displayed in large, bold, black letters. Below the illustration, a brown sign states: "Start your own garden for FREE with help from the Franklin Lions Club and the NH Lions Green Team". A large, diagonal watermark reading "VOLUNTEERS NEEDED" is overlaid across the center. To the left of the text, there are three small circular icons: a watering can, a patch of grass, and a shovel digging in the soil. At the bottom, there are illustrations of a fence and bushes. The background is a light green field with a yellow sky and clouds.

Franklin Lions Club
Raised Bed Garden Give Away
SOLD OUT

Start your own garden for FREE
with help from the Franklin Lions Club
and the NH Lions Green Team

What you get
Receive a free/pay what you can 3'x4' raised bed garden complete with a removable hoop house kit, soil, and seeds, as well as ongoing support so you can grow your own vegetables nine months a year.

Place your order
Email the NH Lions Green Team at **NHLionsgreenteam@gmail.com** to place your order or ask any questions. The order deadline is 5/31/25.

Pick up your raised bed
Raised beds will be available for pick up from **1 PM - 2 PM Saturday, June 7**, at Odell Park in Franklin. You will need a car or truck that can fit a 3'x4' raised bed.

Learn more at
<https://www.facebook.com/NHLionsGreenTeam/>



Charter Celebration!

June 22, 2025

12:30-4 pm

Elm Brook State Park (\$5 per car, entrance fee)

Elm Brook Park Road, Contoocook, NH

Join us for a special day as we celebrate the chartering of the **Granite State Virtual Lions Club!**
Let's come together to mark the beginning of this exciting journey of **service and community.**

We will be having a Barbecue Buffet to celebrate!

Brisket, Chicken, Pork

Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Corn

Water, Soft Drinks, BYOB for other beverages (no glass)

Cake

\$35/person 12 and over; 2 & under free, 3-12 \$20/ea. Families Welcome

Picnic Table seating; you can bring lawn chairs if you prefer

Join us for a day of celebration, food, fun, music, corn hole, and great Lions!

Keynote Speaker: ID Steve Middlemiss

Please RSVP by **June 13th**

Casual dress

Club: _____
Name: _____ Title: _____
Name: _____ Title: _____
Name: _____ Title: _____

Total number attending: _____ @\$35 amount: \$ _____

Total number 3-12 attending: _____ @\$20 amount: \$ _____

Registration and Check to: Sue Lindberg, 3 Ben Farnsworth Rd, Brookline NH 03033

VIRTUAL The Great Ashuelot River Race
96th ANNUAL 2025
 Presented by
 The Keene Lions Club/Keene Lions Foundation, Inc.
Official DUCK PAPERS
 Scan with your smart phone camera for more info or to order!

Please complete this application. PLEASE PRINT

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____
 (Email is for the number only used to notify winners of prize)

Number of YELLOW DUCKS at \$2.00 per duck _____
 -OR- Number of PURPLE DUCKS at \$100.00 _____
 Number of PURPLE DUCKS at \$100.00 per duck _____
 For a grand total of \$ _____

Help us start a day with your ducks or money when the great race is over!
 payable to Keene Lions Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 62, Keene, NH
 03431. Or bring them off at Duck Central any Savings Bank of Maypole
 location.

Send to: _____
 (Address)

Keene Lions Club/Keene Lions Foundation, Inc.
 P.O. Box 62
 Keene, NH 03431

Thank you for supporting the Keene Lions Foundation.

- Since 1937 the Keene Lions Club has been dedicated to the cause of sight and hearing, and juvenile diabetes.
 - It's with your support, the Keene Lions Foundation has been able to give back nearly \$90,000 each year to local charities.
 - Over the past three decades, the Keene Lions have given more than half a million dollars back to the community.
- Help us to continue our support of the community by sponsoring a duck.**



Interested in becoming a Lion?

Being a Lion allows you to help change lives, even if you don't have a lot of spare time. The Keene Lions Club meets every Tuesday, but you can commit as much time as you wish and as your schedule allows.

As a Lion, you will help people in need, develop new talents and network with fellow members. We need the help of passionate members. By becoming a Lion, you can help us:

- Provide more hands for service for the local community
- Gain fresh ideas on service activities
- Spread enthusiasm for helping others
- Raise community awareness

For more information on how to become a Lion, contact any Keene Lions Club member, or email us at keene.lions.club@gmail.com.

Keene Lions Club/Keene Lions Foundation
 P.O. Box 62
 Keene, NH 03431

A FAMILY FUN COMMUNITY EVENT
 FUN • FOOD • FESTIVITIES
Saturday, June 28, 2025
at KEENE REC CENTER PAVILION

VIRTUAL The Great Ashuelot River Race
96th ANNUAL 2025
 Presented by
 The Keene Lions Club/Keene Lions Foundation, Inc.
Top YELLOW Duck Prize
\$5,000 Cash!

Top PURPLE Duck Prize
\$3,000 Cash!

Enter by MAY 8th
EARLY BIRD DRAWING
WIN +500 CASH Sponsored by
MONADNOCK FOREP

Scan with your smart phone camera for more info or to order!

City of Keene Public Works 800-2025-012

Prizes & Sponsors

Our sponsors are committed to serving the community

Top YELLOW Duck Prize
\$5,000 Cash!

Co-sponsored by:



2ND PLACE-\$1,000 Cash:



3RD PLACE-\$500 Cash:



4TH PLACE-\$500 Cash:



Early Bird Drawing-\$500 Cash:

Enter by May 8th to be eligible for the Early Bird Drawing. Early Bird Drawing is May 10th.

Special Thanks to Hannaford and Silver Street

City of Keene Public Works 800-2025-012
 The Keene Lions Foundation Inc 507(0)21 Corporation

Saturday, June 28, 2025
Virtual Duck Race • KEENE REC CENTER PAVILION,
Washington St., Keene, NH

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Fun & Festivities

Join us for a day of Family Fun and Festivities
 at the **KEENE REC CENTER PAVILION,**
 Washington St., Keene, NH
 (visit keene.lions.com for updated information)

Hot Dogs • Family Fun

1:00 PM - Virtual Yellow & Purple Duck Races

Winners of the Yellow & Purple Duck Races will be
 announced LIVE, immediately after the Virtual Races
 at the **KEENE REC CENTER PAVILION**

Virtual PURPLE DUCK Race
WIN \$3,000!
 Only 150 being sold, \$100 each, get yours NOW!

Our Purple Duck Sponsors:

For complete Rules and Regulations, visit www.keene.lions.com

VIRTUAL The Great Ashuelot River Race
96th ANNUAL 2025
 Presented by
 The Keene Lions Club/Keene Lions Foundation, Inc.
 Fun & Festivities begin at 11:00 AM, rain or shine, at the
KEENE REC CENTER PAVILION, Washington St., Keene NH

Official DUCK PAPERS

For complete Rules and Regulations, visit www.keene.lions.com

Completely fill out the reverse side of this form.
 Please include \$5 for each YELLOW duck you wish
 to sponsor, OR \$20 for 5 ducks,

OR \$100 for each PURPLE DUCK!



Return it with your payment to Duck Central (any
 Savings Bank of Walpole location), any Keene Lions Club
 member, or mail it to:

The Keene Lions Club,
 P.O. Box 62, Keene, NH 03431

City of Keene Public Works 800-2025-012
 The Keene Lions Foundation Inc 507(0)21 Corporation

21st Annual

Peterborough Lions Club

Lucky Duck Race!



Saturday, June 28th, 2 p.m. - Downtown

PUTNAM AND DEPOT PARKS

Win Cash & Gift Certificates!

First Prize: \$1,000

2nd prize: \$250 • 3rd prize: \$100

Bonus prize:



**Scenic plane ride for 3 - over Monadnock area
courtesy of Silver Ranch Airpark, Inc.**

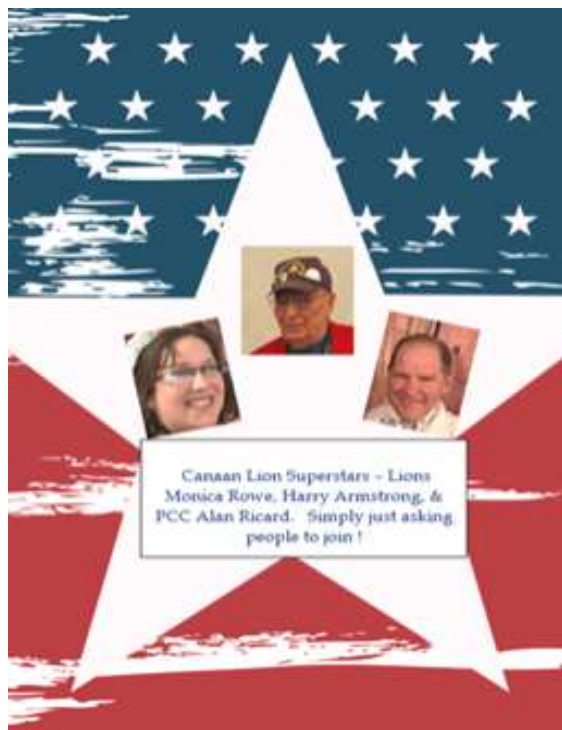
Tickets available at Peterborough Town Clerk's office,
Peterborough Camera, Copies & More and from Lions Members

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITIES

2025

DISTRICT 44N LION SUPERSTARS

Monica Rowe, Harry Armstrong, Alan Ricard, Sophie Cutler, Larry Robinson, Marisol von Hardenberg



Granite State Award Presentation



Granite State Award presented to Scott Labnon at
T & Country, Shelburne NH

Recognition – Custom Awards....And Henry.



Murder Mystery Fri Night event



Friday Night FUN !



Cabinet Meeting



Convention FUN



Leadership & Presidential Medals



PDG Alan Ricard presented with a Leadership Medal



PCC Christine Smart presented with a Presidential Medal



PDG Henry McKee presented with a Leadership Medal





When Christine found out she was MD44 Convention Chair !

Check out DG's smiles !



Dear Fellow Lions,

As my journey as Council Chair comes to a close on June 30, 2025, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each of you. Your dedication, leadership, and commitment to serving our communities have been truly inspiring. It has been an honor to work alongside such enthusiastic and driven individuals who embody the very essence of Lionism.

A heartfelt thank you to DG Peter and DG Mike — your leadership and accomplishments this year have been outstanding.

I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Boards of NH Sight and Hearing, Lions Youth Services, Lions Health Services, and Twin State Soccer. Attending your meetings has been a valuable learning experience, and your unwavering commitment is truly commendable.

Special thanks to MCS Linda Quebec and MCT PDG Jerry Vaccaro for their steadfast support and dedication throughout the year.

At the start of this term, I set several goals for myself:

- Update the MD Constitution & Bylaws for 44-H and 44-N
- Conduct a successful Regional Lions Leadership Institute
- Host the Mid-Winter Convention in the heart of our state, featuring a Service Project and a Town Hall Meeting
- Improve our web portals
- Run council meetings efficiently, while ensuring they remain effective and productive
- Distribute meeting minutes and financials in advance

I am proud to share that all of these goals were accomplished.

Wishing you all continued success in your future endeavors — both within Lions and beyond. May we always remain united in our mission to serve.

Best wishes to incoming Council Chair Mike Leahey, and to DGE Pam and Marie.

Let us always serve selflessly, expecting nothing in return.

In Lionism, Kamal
WE SERVE



International Director
Steve Middlemiss



April and May were busy with District and Multiple District visits. We visited Ohio, Michigan, Louisiana, Ontario our own 44H convention, West Virginia and Georgia. There are some amazing Lions in these areas just like the amazing Lions here at home in New England. Working to grow our Association through Mission 1.5. Raising funds in support of their District, MD Foundations as well as LCIF. Applying for grants and using the funds to serve even more. As we have seen recently there have been some devastating natural disasters occurring and LCIF and the Lions of these areas are there to help those in need. That's what we do as Lions, we help those in need. Not only is the funding important but having boots on the ground to use those funds. In order to use these funds to their fullest we need more Lions. Let's each of us work together to grow and continue our Legacy of Service. It's up to each of us to work to accomplish all of our goals. Please help us reach our goal of 1.5 million members.

The International Convention in Orlando is just around the corner. Remember there are a few changes to this convention. The Parade will be on Monday the 14th and the step-off time has been changed to 8:00 AM. Those of you who will be delegates, voting will be held on Days 3 & 4. There will not be a half day on Day 5. We both hope you will be attending this year's convention in Orlando. Please join us as we bring in a new year of Lionism.

We continue to look forward to serving the Lions of the World as we all work toward "Making Our Mark". Thank you all once again for your support and we look forward to seeing you in Orlando.

Yours in Lionism,
ID Steve & Lion LeeAnn
(pccmiddlemiss@gmail.com)

Lions International Vision Grant: A Beacon of Hope for Better Sight

Vision is one of the core focuses of Lions Clubs International, and the Lions International Vision Grant serves as a shining example of the organization's dedication to improving eye health around the globe. This impactful grant empowers Lions clubs and districts to address vision-related challenges in their communities and beyond.

The Vision Grant provides financial support for projects aimed at combating preventable blindness and ensuring access to quality eye care. These grants align with Lions' mission to alleviate eye health disparities and enhance the quality of life for individuals affected by vision issues.

Vision Grants fund a wide variety of initiatives, including: vision screenings; eye surgery and treatment; educational programs; and equipment and technology.

Clubs interested in applying for a Vision Grant must demonstrate the need for the project, outline its expected impact, and provide a plan for sustainable implementation. Applications are reviewed based on their alignment with LCIF's goals and the scope of their impact. To maximize your impact: partner with local healthcare providers to identify needs and leverage their expertise; mobilize club members and community volunteers to expand outreach efforts and incorporate follow-up care and education into your project plans to ensure long-term benefits.

Lions clubs worldwide have already achieved extraordinary results through the Vision Grant. From distributing thousands of prescription glasses to restoring sight through surgeries, these projects are changing lives. Each success story is a testament to the power of Lions' commitment to service and the belief that everyone deserves the gift of clear vision.

Your club could be the next to make a difference! For more information on the Vision Grant and how to apply, visit the LCIF website at:

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit?utm_source=Eloqua&utm_campaign=MTG_EN_2022_8_1VP%20Newsletter%20Monthly%20Mes-sage&utm_medium=email&elqTrackId=245b68def1a74b6f98bed3d430d4bf87&elq=b49ce557761b4fcca b971096d40e9d29&elqaid=25194&elqat=1&elqCampaignId=3501

PDG Toni Olden
LCIF Chair



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Leave a Lion Legacy

**AS A LION, YOU'VE DONE
SO MUCH FOR SO MANY...**

To ensure generations of Lions to come can continue serving those in need, consider creating your Lions legacy by including a gift to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) in your will.

In 1917, Lions Founder Melvin Jones realized his resources could offer tremendous hope. Yours can too. With a lasting gift to LCIF, you'll empower Lions worldwide to deliver kindness and compassion to those in need well into the future.

LEARN MORE
lcif.myplannedgift.org

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HUNGER

Hosting a community meal, especially for those who could use a good meal and friendly conversation, is a wonderful way to bring people together and provide support. Here are some ideas to help make the meal meaningful, cost-effective, and welcoming.

1. Plan the Event

- Choose a Location: Community centers, churches, schools, or outdoor spaces work well.
- Set a Date and Time: Consider weekends or evenings when more people can attend.
- Determine the Guest List: Focus on reaching those in need through local shelters, food banks, or social service organizations.

2. Gather Resources

- Food Donations: Partner with local grocery stores, restaurants, or food banks.
- Volunteer Support: Recruit helpers for cooking, serving, and cleanup.
- Funding: Seek sponsorships or small grants from local businesses and nonprofits.

3. Create a Welcoming Atmosphere

- Simple and Nutritious Menu: Offer hearty meals like soups, pasta, or casseroles.
- Comfortable Seating: Arrange tables to encourage conversation.
- Entertainment: Music, storytelling, or games can make the event more engaging.

4. Promote the Event

- Flyers and Social Media: Spread the word through local organizations and online platforms.
- Community Outreach: Connect with shelters, food banks, and social workers to invite guests.

5. Make It Sustainable

- Regular Gatherings: Consider hosting weekly, monthly, or seasonal dinners.
- Leftover Distribution: Package extra food for guests to take home.
- Build Partnerships: Work with local businesses and nonprofits for ongoing support.

6. Keep It Budget-Friendly, Nutritious, and Easy to Serve

- 🍰 Starter: Simple salad with fresh greens and dressing
- 🍲 Main Dish: Hearty soup or chili with bread
- 🥗 Alternative Option: Pasta with marinara or creamy sauce (vegetarian-friendly)
- 🥤 Drinks: Water, coffee, milk, tea, iced tea, lemonade
- 🍪 Dessert: Cookies or fruit trays

Thank you for making a difference in your communities.

Nancy Charbono-Ricard, Hunger Chair



A Dream Service Project

Many Lions have a dream project—a service idea that lights us up and reflects something we deeply care about. Often, this passion project connects to one of Lions Clubs International's global causes. It's the kind of project that inspires us with the good it can do and the joy it brings when shared with others.

For me, the upcoming Raised Bed Garden Giveaway in Franklin is a perfect example. My father and I started planting annual vegetable gardens when I was eight years old, and gardening has been a passion of mine ever since. Sharing this with others, especially kids, is deeply powerful. This project checks so many boxes: it serves **youth** and communities by bringing together families, neighbors, and communities with a healthy screen-free, educational activity; it helps alleviate **hunger** by teaching people to grow their own food, it helps people **save money**, and it helps the **environment** by cutting emissions, reducing harmful chemicals, and supporting healthier ecosystems. And best of all, it has the potential to have an impact that can last a lifetime. And it sold out in less than 4 days, so we know there is a need!

This project reflects why I'm proud to be a Lion: We help others, serve with compassion, and work for a more just and sustainable world. When we bring our passion to service, everyone benefits. That's how dream projects become real—and how we serve together as Lions.

If you would like to be a part of this project, we are looking for more volunteers on 6/7, any time between 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Email us for more information at **nhlionsgreenteam@gmail.com**

Operation KidSight 2024- 2025 - for District 44N

22 clubs reporting - 137 screening events reported from 07/01/24 to 05/20/2025

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

District Administrator / Tom Reynolds/ tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net /
District Coordinator / Jan Reimers/ jan.reimers@charter.net /
<http://e-district.org/sites/kidsightnh/index.php>

44H

District Administrator / Becky Brown / becky.brown@verani.com /
District Coordinator / Bob Laferriere / f.laferriere@comcast.net /

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

Row Labels	Sum of #Screenings	Sum of Total # Screened
Zone 1	16	1700
Manchester	6	204
Hooksett	2	496
Bedford	3	132
Goffstown	4	692
Pinardville	1	176
Zone 2	30	3951
Brookline	11	1371
Amherst	11	276
Merrimack	8	2304
Zone 3	13	914
Hillsboro	1	60
Antrim Bennington	7	516
Gap Mountain	2	231
Souhegan	3	107
Zone 4	49	3439
Chesterfield	2	190
Keene	40	2642
Hinsdale	2	236
Monadnock	3	135
Winchester Centennial	1	40
Keene/Winchester Centennial	1	196
Zone 5	14	1952
Concord	13	1715
Henniker	1	237
Zone 6	3	662
Lebanon-Upper Valley	3	662
Zone 7	5	489
Orford	3	329
Bristol	2	160
Zone 8	7	902
Cohase-Woodsville	7	902
Grand Total	137	14009



Lions - Leadership Opportunities

District 44N is looking for passionate Lions to step into leadership roles! Whether you're a seasoned Lion or a rising star, your unique talents and heart for service can help guide our clubs and grow our mission.

We're currently recruiting for:
Zone Chairpersons
GLT, GMT, GST Team Members
District Committee Leaders
Future Vice District Governors

You won't be doing it alone.

We'll equip you with training, mentorship, and support every step of the way—because that's what Lions do!

Send us a message or talk to your current district leadership.

We believe in YOU.

If you want to know more or have any questions feel free to reach out to me.

Tom Reynolds, GLT - District 44N
(603)494-2690
tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net

Lions Lift for 2024 Calendar Year

These Service Hours are reflective of
22 Clubs and 58 Lions Lift Drivers

2024

1,315 Hours

21,912 Miles

736 Rides

If you want to be part of something truly
meaningful, join the
Lions Lift program today!

<https://futureinsight.org/volunteer>





Lions Youth Services

May 8, 2025 Meeting

The May 8 meeting was held at the Airport Diner in Manchester.

Grant Applications

There were 3 grant applications approved in the month of May, Hooksett Lions \$500 Six Flags trip, Lebanon Upper Valley \$200 Pizza party with Girl Scout troop, and Hampstead \$500 Lions Eighth grade graduation celebration.

Terri Lynn Fundraiser

As most of you may already know, Terri Lynn will be closing their webstore, therefore, the fundraising program has ended. We wish to thank all who have supported this fundraiser for the past four plus years.

Upcoming Fundraisers

Under discussion/suggestion was a theme based upon literacy. This will be under consideration for the 2026 Mid-Winter Convention. All Lions are welcome, come to a meeting with an idea or suggestion!

Peace Poster Contest

2025-2026 "Together As One"

Another peace poster contest has begun. As of date, there are (6) clubs who have purchased a kit. Two from 44H, Nashua and Meredith and (4) from 44N, Chesterfield, Jaffrey-Rindge, Milford, and Pinardville. Email Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net and she will get one to you. The total cost of the kit is still \$12.00 per kit. A check for \$12.00 payable to Lions Youth Services, with Peace Poster Kit in the memo line, may be sent to Lions Youth Services, PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811.

You may also order online either a Physical Kit for \$11.95 plus shipping or **now available**, a Digital Peace Poster Kit for \$11.95. Get immediate access to all kit components via email, and download and print

the digital kit to save shipping fees. *To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822.*

Lions Night at the Fisher Cats - the date will be Saturday, August 9, 2025. More details to follow.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 6:30 pm at the Poor House BBQ in Canaan. Please contact Harry Armstrong harrya616@yahoo.com if you plan to attend so that you can preorder your meal for this meeting. As a courtesy, meals and attendance is asked prior to the meeting. To review the menu visit their website at: <https://poorhousebbq.com/>

Please contact Harry as soon as possible to that he can notify the restaurant.

Also if you would like to share a ride, please contact Lenny Hall at lah03811@gmail.com

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR THIS FUN END OF THE YEAR MEETING!





LIONS YOUTH SERVICES

PO Box 156

Atkinson, NH 03811

Email: lah03811@gmail.com

~ GRANT APPLICATION ~ *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. If possible, 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 received 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.

Highlight of the MONTH!



**WELCOME TO THE NEW MILFORD
LION CUBS**

LANAH, MAGGIE, KATE and CAMILLE!

AMHERST LIONS

The Amherst Lions Club engaged in various activities throughout May. Attended the 44N Spring Convention, 5/2-4 "Stayin' Alive"



King Lion Patty Healy-Osbourne



PDG Charlie Vars



Linda and Bruce Ribolini



Additionally, six members assisted the Amherst Garden Club with a plant sale on 5/9 & 10.



KL Patti, DG Mike, Lions Bruce Ribolini, Shirley Flowers, in back Lion Anne Hebert

13 Members visited with the Milford Lions for their Cinco de Mayo meeting



PDG Charlie Vars, Speaker Bill LeBlance, KL Patty Healy-Osbourne



Trainer Bill LeBlance & Jellybean

We hosted a speaker Hudson's Guiding Eye Trainer, Bill LeBlance with black lab "Jellybean" at our member 5/14 meeting.

We also conducted a New Lions Orientation 5/21 for three new members.

ANTRIM-BENNINGTON

Every week small groups of students at Antrim Elementary School enjoy eating "Lunch with Lions." Organized by Lion Stephen Ullman, volunteers engage in conversation with students during their lunch block. One parent shared, "My daughter loves to have lunch with a Lion!" In early June Lions club volunteers will be honored at a school-wide assembly. Additionally, students and staff look forward to Field Day in June and a free barbecue served by Lions Rich O'Connell, Mike Connelly, Tim Morehouse, and Stephen Ullman in partnership with the AES PTA.

Lion Sue Conklin led a blanket-making event on Saturday, May 17 to benefit the Southwest NH Chapter of the Linus Project which provides blankets to children at hospitals, trauma-centers, and other child-centered service organizations. Sue, Sonnie Fish, Mary Devine, Cindy Riordan, Arlene McArthur from the Peterborough Lions, and one guest finished 10 blankets and prepared them for delivery! Well done!

The Grapevine Resource Center received a large donation of personal care items (soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, etc.) for their pantry during our Charity of the Month program for April. The Grapevine staff serves residents from nine surrounding towns, and they appreciate our efforts to fill the needs of families in our region. In May, members will donate to the nurse's closet at the Antrim Elementary School: underwear and socks for emergencies.

Two of our members attended the District 44N Convention in Gorham, NH. Lions Tim and Linda Morehouse enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about the Lions organization and meet so many wonderful Lions from around the state. Tim Morehouse received an award from DG Mike Leahey at the evening banquet.



BEDFORD LIONS

On Thursday of Nurses Week, May 6-12, Bedford Lion Elda paid a special visit to the Hillsborough County Nursing Home in Goffstown. She met with the Director of Nursing, Paula Adams, and presented her with 80 gift cards donated by the Bedford Lions - one for each nurse at the facility. We love being able to recognize, appreciate and give back to the hard working men and women who care for the residents.



At this year's Spring Convention, Bedford Lions Lois Brodsky and Sophie Cutler each received awards, presented by DG Mike. Lois was named Rookie of the Year for all of the incredible service she's provided since joining Lions in April 2024. Sophie was presented with the Kindness Matters award, for showing kindness and respect for all Lions. The Bedford Lions are proud of our winners!



The Bedford Lions had a busy evening on May 13, 2025. First we welcomed 3 new members: Diane & Rick Phelps, and Larry Khirallah! We are excited to serve with you! Lions Sophie, Nina and Elda are the proud sponsors



The club also awarded scholarships to two very deserving Bedford High School seniors, Luis and Brady. Each student received a \$2,500 scholarship plus free dues for a year (courtesy of the Bedford Lions) if they join any Lions Club in the next 5 years. Pictured with the winners are the principal of Bedford High School, Bob Jozokos, and Bedford Lion VP Ray Bellemore.



BEDFORD LIONS

The Bedford NH Lions Club kicked off Bedford's 275th Anniversary celebration by showing how much we care about our senior community! On Thursday May 15 we hosted a delicious catered lunch, served with a smile to over 40 guests. We also held a raffle for a gorgeous floral arrangement generously donated by our local florist. The seniors felt loved and appreciated by all of our hardworking, kindhearted members.



CHESTERFIELD LIONS

Our club members had a great visit to the Milford Lions club for their Cinco de Mayo celebration. Thank you to the Milford Lions for an enjoyable evening filled with great food, drink and fellowship. We then attended 44N's Spring Convention and 44H's Spring Convention. Some members will be attending VT's Spring Convention in another week. We also attended the New England Lions Council Spring Meeting at Camp Pride. Some of our members helped with the Friends of Chesterfield (PTA) color run. Students and adults did the mile run where they were doused in colored chalk while running and then others did a 5K run through Friedsam Forest. Members through the color and did traffic control with the runners and motorists. It was great fun. We were fortunate to have Vicky Pittman the Director of Education & Community Engagement speak to us about the programming at the Colonial Theater in Keene. It was fascinating to hear how the students respond to the opportunities to attend shows. She also discussed some of the other programs they have and some of the funding challenges they have been experiencing and anticipate to experience. Our Golf Committee is working hard to plan the tournament. If you are interested in sponsoring a hole or playing in the tournament, see the flyer that can be found in this issue of the newsletter.



2025 Golf Classic Entries

Player 1		Entry _____
Name _____		
Address _____		
City _____		
Daytime Phone _____		
Evening Phone _____		
Player 2		Entry _____
Name _____		
Address _____		
City _____		
Daytime Phone _____		
Evening Phone _____		
Player 3		Entry _____
Name _____		
Address _____		
City _____		
Daytime Phone _____		
Evening Phone _____		
Player 4		Entry _____
Name _____		
Address _____		
City _____		
Daytime Phone _____		
Evening Phone _____		



Chesterfield Lions Club
P.O. Box 181
Chesterfield, NH 03443

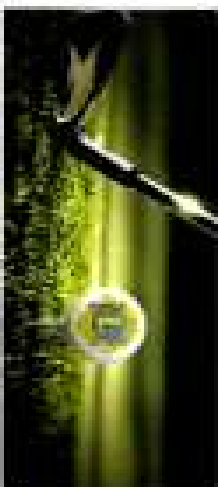
**Chesterfield Lions
John K. Schlichting
26th Golf Classic
Tuesday, July 8, 2025**



**Bretwood
North Golf Course**

Tuesday, July 8, 2025 Schedule

7:00-8:00 am	Check-in & Practice Range Open
8:00 am	The Assignments & Instructions
8:30 am	Shoutgun Start
1:30 pm	Barbecue
2:00 pm	Awards



Entry

Information

Enter by June 21, 2025

We are limiting to 30 teams. Entry is on a first-come, first-served basis. Your entry fee includes green fees, cart, barbecue and prizes.

For entry forms or additional information call:

- Becky Auger: 603-903-5726
- Mallory Stone: 774-121-5772
- Dave McLoughlin: 603-499-2106

2025 Chesterfield Lions John K. Schlechting Golf Classic

The Golf Classic consists of an 18-hole tournament using a scramble format with teams assigned to selected flights based on handicaps. The site of the tournament is Harwood Golf Course. You may designate your own foursome or we will assist in selecting a group for you. The entry fee is \$125 per person or \$500 per foursome.

We also invite you or your company to sponsor a hole with \$125 contribution. A sign with the sponsor's name will be displayed at one of the 18 holes.

The John K. Schlechting Golf Classic benefits the Chesterfield Lions Club and many local charities.

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2025 Hole-In-One Sponsor

Dress Code

Collared Shirts, Soft Spikes,
No Jeans

Entry Form

(Please fill out information below)

Yes, I'd like to play!

Individual Entries @ \$125 x _____ = _____

Foursome Entries @ \$500 x _____ = _____

I wish to sponsor a hole for \$125 _____

The Woods

(Team and hole sponsor) @ \$500 _____

Name of organization to appear on hole sponsorship _____

No, I can't play this year. Fee waived to my donation for \$ _____

I would like to donate a table price. Please contact me at _____

\$ _____ Total amount enclosed

Payment and Registration must be received by June 21, 2025.

Please make checks payable to:
Chesterfield Lions Club - Golf

Mail to:
Chesterfield Lions Club
PO Box 151
Chesterfield, NH 03043

GOFFSTOWN LIONS

David Pierce of the Goffstown Lions Club presents Carol McKillip of Meals on Wheels of Hillsborough County with a check for \$880 to help sponsor the upcoming seniors BBQ.



L-R; Ken Lawrence, President Goffstown Lions Club, Sean Conley, Meals on Wheels volunteer, Carol McKillip, Meals on Wheels Community Director, David Pierce, Treasurer-Goffstown Lions Club.

Henniker concert committee for their ongoing support and allowing us to help celebrate with them, as they kick off their season



HENNIKER LIONS

The Henniker club had another successful spring roadside clean-up. Thirty-two bags of trash were collected, helping to protect and keep our community looking beautiful! Our other environmental/ community service project was providing the Henniker residents of Rush Square with flowers and vegetables for planting in their community garden and individual raised beds. This is the clubs second year hosting this event and we couldn't be happier seeing how excited everyone was to begin their spring planting

We are also happy to report collecting 170 pairs of eyeglasses for donation to the Lions eyeglass recycling program.

Our spring membership drive was held downtown at our popular, Scoops Ice Cream Parlor. In keeping with the sweet theme, the club will be hosting our second Strawberry Shortcake fundraiser, at the towns summer concert on the common's series. We are grateful to the

KEENE LIONS CLUB

Keene Lions chartered on 8/23/1937

Meeting date: May 13, 2025

Newsletter



Thank you Monadnock Ford – Early Bird Sponsor.
the Lucky Early Bird winner was
Nancy Hitchner, Keene NH



HILLSBORO LIONS

The Hillsboro Lions Club was one of many groups participating in the recent H-D Fun Fest. Seated from left to right are Club President Kathy Audette, Club Secretary Roger Racette, 1st VP Mary Rogers and Lion Ron Audette.

Behind the camera is Club Membership Chairperson Leigh Bosse.

The Scholarship Committee has been busy reviewing the twenty-nine scholarship applications received last month. At our annual scholarship review meeting held on May 19th, ten graduating seniors and five H-D Alumni students were selected to receive \$1,000 scholarships, totaling \$15,000. Club President Kathy Audette and Scholarship Committee Chairperson Roger Racette will present the Awards at the annual Awards Night on June 3rd.

Plans are underway to complete our third of three Reading is Fundamental (RIF) events for the 2024-2025 school year. Over 500 children's books will be purchased and distributed to every K-5 student at

Hillsboro-Deering and Washington Elementary schools.

The Hillsboro Lions Club recently donated \$1,000 to the LCIF General Fund, \$1,000 to the Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of NH, \$200 to "End 68 Hours of Hunger", and expended over \$1,500 to purchase five C-PEN 2 Readers for the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School to assist young readers with reading impairments.

On May 4th, PCC Don Ager and PMCST Meg Ager attended the Lions Memorial Service to honor past Lions Presidents Walter Radermacher and Donna Baldwin.

In the past month we collected 75 pairs of eyeglasses, 7 pairs of sunglasses, and 5 pounds of aluminum pull tabs for donation to Shriner's Hospital for Children.

LEBANON UPPER VALLEY LIONS

The Lebanon Club is wrapping up a busy year with our first Adopt-A-Highway pick-up May 24.

Initiation of next year's officers at a dinner meeting on June 18 with PDG squared Henry presiding at the meeting.

We continue with our monthly food donations to David's House, Waypoint and Listen.

At our May 21 dinner meeting, we enjoyed a presentation by Dr. Frank Perotti, Superintendent of the Lyme schools on the Dominican Republic Projects, a local group that travel to the country and support schools, medical clinics and the general welfare of rural residents.

We will be awarding four (4) \$1000 scholarships to area high school graduates during June graduations.

We have started a year-long project to earn another Trex bench.

Planning is also underway for our 4th annual Duck Race this coming Labor Day and a possible Comedy Show fundraiser next October.

Lastly, we plan to change our meeting night for next year to Mondays and the location to the West Lebanon Congregational church.



Dr. Frank Perotti presenting what the project local groups provide the Dominican Republic

MERRIMACK LIONS

As the fiscal year winds down, the Merrimack Lions continue to make a difference in their community and to have fun.



Adopt-A-Highway Team



Lions Michele, Liz and Rosie presented two High School teachers with \$1,000 Teacher Grants. Nicholas Pierce, Civics Teacher (pictured above) and (pictured below), Michael Valinski, Woodworking Teacher



Waypoint donations, David's House and Listen



MERRIMACK LIONS (continued)



On April 23rd, Merrimack Lions joined the Bedford, Goffstown, Manchester and Pinardville Lions to pack 1,200 food bags for Manchester children to have over school vacation.



*Lions Cheryl and Rosie had a hoot at this year's convention.
Lion Cheryl raised \$500 for LCI !*



Eleven Merrimack Lions joined in the fun at the Milford Lions' Cinco de Mayo meeting



MERRIMACK LIONS (continued)



In conjunction with Lion Elda of the Beford Lions, a Trex bench was donated to Camp Allen. King Lion Paul shown here testing it out with Camp Allen Program Manager Emily Dirusso.



Honored Nurses at Hillsborough County Nursing Home with Dunkin Donuts and Starbucks coffee cards for National Nurses Week. They do such great job!



Lion Paul and Lions Anna & Rosie competed in Nashua Lions "Strides for Diabetes"

MILFORD LIONS

The Milford Lions held their membership meeting by holding their annual Cinco de Mayo. All club members in Zone 2 were invited along with leadership. We had approximately 67 in attendance way more than in previous years sparking conversation of holding it next year at another location. Many thanks to Lion Elaine Farrington and all the members who contributed to food, drink and entertainment. We nixed the pinata this year but had a fun Mexican bingo game. All look forward to this

festive meeting each year as it is a fun way to wind down the year.



MILFORD LIONS (continued)



Cinco de Mayo photos courtesy of PID Ed Farrington



We are also in receipt of our 10th Trex Bench and are deciding where to place it.

We have a new member Lauren Weberman who is in the process of recruiting Cubs, in line with a program from Lions International. This program is geared to children 12 yrs and under to do Community Service activities chosen by the Cubs. As far as we know, this is a first in NH. A recruitment party was held the end of May and 4 Cubs were recruited and given their Cub Patch. A service project is in the works for some time in June.

See the "Highlight of the Month" in this issue to catch a glimpse of some of our new Cub members doing

their first project making paper flowers to bring to the Pillsbury Home here in town.

Families of the children do not have to be a Lion (*but maybe they can be persuaded*) and they do not have to live in Milford. If you have any children or grandchildren 12 yrs or under who might be interested in becoming a Cub, please email Lion Lauren for details and more information at laurenweberman@gmail.com



PETERBOROUGH LIONS

The Peterborough Lions Club hosted Tim and Linda Morehouse from Antrim/Bennington Lions at our dinner meeting and were interested to hear about the activities of their club.

Sales for our annual Lucky Duck Race are going well heading toward Race Day, June 28.

The Scholarship Committee has chosen a recipient for the Peterborough Lions Club Scholarship.

Lions Linda Sharkey and Arlene MacArthur joined Antrim/Bennington Lions at their Project Linus workshop to make blankets for children in need.

Lion Arlene MacArthur participated in the Monadnock Hunger Walk to raise money for local food pantries. Collection of plastics for Trex continues.

Lion Deidre McGrath-Fischer spoke with New Hampshire Ball Bearing, and they will partner with our club to recycle their plastic packaging.

Six pairs of shoes were sent to Soles for Souls.

A donation was made to David’s House in memory of Lion Linda Guyette’s brother.



Lion Arlene MacArthur with the staff of End 68 Hours of Hunger Conval



Lions Linda Sharkey (second from left) and Arlene MacArthur (second from right) at the Antrim/Bennington Lions Project Linus workshop

SOUHEGAN LIONS

Souhegan Lions Club has been pretty busy lately. We started May with our annual Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast which included announcing the winners of the Draw Your Mother contest. Kids of all ages from our community participated with several taking home family fun prizes such as ice cream parlor and pizzeria gift certificates.

Souhegan also completed eye screenings at three local schools, screening a total of 105 students and flagging 11 for follow-up care.

We wrapped up the month by awarding four citizenship scholarships worth a total of \$2000 to graduating seniors and wished our fellow Souhegan Lion Mary Whitehurst Happy 100th Birthday!

Souhegan Lions Club serves the towns of Temple, New Ipswich, Mason and Greenville.



Outgoing District Governor's Mike Leahey (44N) and Peter (Who) LaPointe (44H) were presented with their official jackets by the NH Lions Past and Present District Governors Association at their final meeting of the year.

Taking part in the ceremony were PCC Kamal Masand, who presented them with their new badges and patches and Association President Randy Thompkins who presided at the meeting.



LOVE THE SMILES !

***THANK YOU FOR ALL
THAT YOU DO!***



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

DG MIKE LEAHEY HOMECOMING

In Lieu of a Homecoming: ***Support LCIF***

Traditionally, Lions across District 44N have gathered to celebrate the District Governor's Homecoming, a time to reflect on accomplishments and share fellowship.

This year, District Governor Mike has requested a different kind of celebration — one that reflects our service mission.

In lieu of a Homecoming event, DG Mike is asking clubs throughout the district to consider making a donation to LCIF/
Lions Clubs International Foundation.

These donations will support the life-changing work LCIF makes possible — from disaster relief and humanitarian aid to youth initiatives, vision care, and global health programs.

DG Mike's request reflects the spirit of Lionism: service above self. By contributing to LCIF, clubs can honor his year of leadership while helping communities in need, both locally and around the world.

No matter the size, every donation helps LCIF carry out its mission. Let's show our support, not with a celebration, but with service.