



Greetings Lions of District 44N

So far this year, the District 44N cabinet team has greatly enjoyed our visitations with our clubs. There are so many good ideas out there and great examples of Lionism throughout district. I very much look forward to what I can learn every time I visit a club. As we progress throughout the year with our goals and plans, please remember to incorporate all parts of the Global Action Team (GAT), at all levels within the district, in your activities. For each service, what part of it can be leveraged to encourage interest in membership within the community? Could we have made ourselves more visible? Also, was the leadership component for that activity adequate to make it as successful as humanly possible? What leadership skills and roles could have made it even better? What resources, skill sets, and manpower (person power) could there have been to make it even more successful? It is possible, that for each activity there could be a post event evaluation activity that could answer many of these questions allowing you to consider even more effective services in the future. This is what we are talking about when we say, "Get It In Gear."

We will know that the GAT is in gear when we see equal growth in terms of service, membership & retention, and leadership. Think about it. We would not have leadership resource issues if leadership were more visibly and obviously geared up together with

service success and membership management. Also, we would have lower membership retention issues if more club members were directly engaged and included with service activities. This is the mindset and the culture that we need for growth in increased numbers and increased value in service.

This is such a fantastic district with clubs that do fantastic things. Please keep coming to the Cabinet Meetings (**OPEN TO ALL LIONS**), and please make sure that your club has at least one representative at these meetings to report back on the activity, ideas, and fellowship that happens at them. At the August cabinet meeting we had at least 35 of the 40 clubs representing, which is fantastic! The November representation is a little lower, but still good. I would be honored and humbled to have 100% representation before the end of the year.

Let's share, engage, and collaborate more with each other and become the whole that is greater than the sum of our parts.

Service is who we are!
Membership allows us to serve!
Leadership empowers us!

Kind Regards in Lionism,

Mike Leahey
District Governor, New Hampshire 44N

REMEMBER,
Bring your
Eyeglasses to
the Meeting!
Lions Jill and
Elda will be
Collecting!



DISTRICT 44N CABINET MEETING

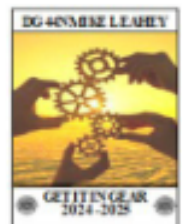
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

Jutras Post

56 Boutwell St, Manchester NH 03102

LAST MINUTE DECISION ?
COME JOIN US THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024!

Registration: 8:30 am; Meeting: 9:00 am



Exciting Announcement!

Help Us Raise \$500 for LCIF!

At the upcoming District Meeting, if we raise **\$500** for the **Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**, **Past District Governor (PDG) Toni** will dye her hair in a fun and bold color!

Let’s come together for a great cause and support LCIF’s mission to empower those in need around the world. Your contributions can truly make a difference!

- Date:** November 3, 2024
- Location:** Jutras Post, 56 Boutwell St, Manchester
- Donate:** Cash or check



A Message from Multiple Council Chair Kamal Masand

We are pleased to inform you that the MD Constitution and Bylaws have been updated to comply with the latest requirements set forth by Lions Clubs International. These updates are effective as of June 20, 2024, and reflect the necessary adjustments to align with the International Constitution and Bylaws.

Please take the time to review the updated documents, which will be available on our official website at:

https://www.e-district.org/sites/md_44/

Mid-Winter Convention preparations are ongoing, MD 44 GLT team is hosting RLLI for upcoming Lion Leaders. Details are in this newsletter, make sure to contact your District Governor.

Have a Great Thanksgiving Holiday.

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Health Services of NH is looking for a **Secretary**, if you are interested please reach out to me.

Chair Tom Reynolds
E-mail tc Reynoldsjr@comcast.net



LEADERSHIP

Do you see leaders in your club, zone or district that look like they are having fun? Do they do a good job? Have you ever thought about moving up in your club, zone or district? What is holding you back?

Everyone has the capacity to be a good leader. Are you afraid of making a mistake? Of not being effective? Of not being supported? Not to worry! We all make mistakes, we can train you to be effective and clubs, zones and districts love to support those that make that jump into leadership roles. Many club officers have had the positions more than once. They wouldn't do that if it was miserable. Ask any past district governor and they will tell you that being Zone Chair was one of the most fun leadership positions they had. Then ask if being a district governor was worth it. They will tell you it was an experience of a lifetime.

If you think you may be ready for the jump, we have training coming up in the near future. If you are not yet a second vice district governor, think about attending the Regional Lions Leadership Institute that will take place in New Hampshire March 21-22. This is a fun but intensive training to make sure that you are ready to move up.

Thinking about becoming a club officer? Attend the Club Officer Training class in April. These classes are open to all Lions. You do not have to be in the position. Plan to attend even if you are just thinking about stepping up to one of these officer roles. Can't wait for these trainings? There are online courses you can take in Learn in the Lions Portal. Just put in what position might interest you and take some courses. Or you can start Lions University through the USA/Canada Forum page.

Have questions? Attend our GAT Zoom meeting on November 13!

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS ...*SAVE THE DATE!*

Saturday, November 2, 2024
Penny Sale, Brookline, NH

Sunday, November 3, 2024
44N Cabinet Meeting, Manchester, NH

Wednesday, November 6, 2024
Food Packing North Country
Mission 1.5 Membership Chair Meeting via ZOOM

Saturday, November 9, 2024, 8am & 1pm
Lions Day Window Dressers, Canterbury, NH

Sunday, November 10, 2024
District 44H Cabinet Meeting, Windham, NH

Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 7PM
Mission 1.5 44N GAT Team Meeting via ZOOM

Thursday, November 14, 2024
Lions Youth Services Meeting, Manchester NH

Thursday, November 14, 2024
World Diabetes Day

Friday, November 15, 2024
Peace Poster Contest Deadline

Friday-Saturday, March 21-22, 2025
MD44 RLLI Training, Keene, NH

Friday, September 5, 2025
ID Homecoming

(Please See Flyers for above Event Details)



BROOKLINE LIONS CLUB

PENNY SALE

NOVEMBER 2, 2024

PRE-SALES TICKETS AVAILABLE AT 2PM

DOORS OPEN AT 4PM

EVENT STARTS AT 6PM

**Richard Maghakian Memorial School
22 Milford Street, Brookline, NH**

Monetary Donations or Gift Certificates may be Mailed to:

Brookline Lions Club, PO Box 496, Brookline, NH 03033

If you prefer to donate a gift item, please contact us by **October 25 to arrange a pickup or a drop off time.**

Please contact **Jan or **Marcia** for more information or to arrange a pickup/drop-off time. **Marcia** 's cell number 603-345-3562 or **Jan** at 603-345-7507, *please leave a message!***

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE FOR SALE



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT

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



How Do You Name A PUPPY?

Fidelco puppies are given their names by their foster parents. Until they are placed in their puppy raising family, they are known by their litter name which is a letter and a number, and their color. This color is daubed on their fur until they are old enough for a collar.

There are guidelines for names that must be followed, of course. The name must start with the letter of their litter, be short no more than two syllables), and must be approved by Fidelco.

My first dog Ruby was from an “R” litter, and had littermates named Rembrandt and Rascal!

Linda Piekarski
Chair, the DogSight Project
lpi314@outlook.com

The Lions of NH in partnership with Lions Youth Services will be holding a food packaging event at the Town & Country in Gorham on Wednesday, November 6, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. to support the Feeding Hope Food Pantry. The pantry is located in Berlin and is dedicated to fighting hunger in the North Country of NH.

Families and individuals located in the North Country often are forgotten when they are hit with hard times and need some assistance. Helping hands are needed to package the meals.

For further information, please contact PDG Al Goldstein at algoldstein@comcast.net or call him at 603-913-1281

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

SVDG Nancy Charbono-Ricard, Hunger Chair



Raised for Fidelco in 2024-2025: \$43000

**Please Note:
My Email Address has changed to**

lpi314@outlook.com

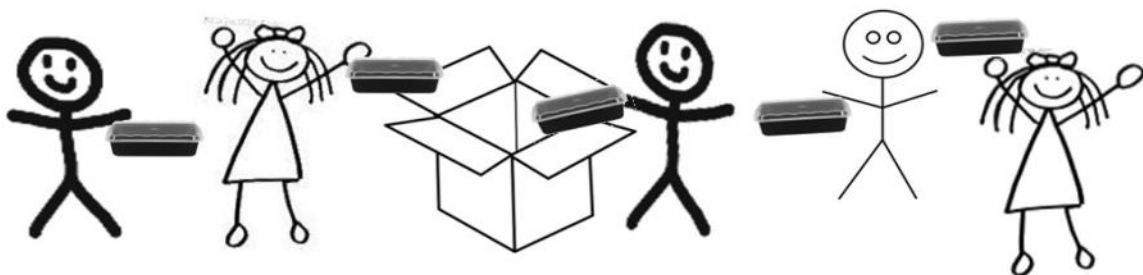
A 15 PASSENGER VAN HAS BEEN RENTED TO TRAVEL FROM ATKINSON TO GORHAM NH TO PACK FOOD FOR THE NORTH COUNTRY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED, PLEASE REACH OUT TO ME TO SECURE YOUR SEAT. I WILL BE LEAVING AT APPROXIMATELY 12:15 PM— CONTACT LENNY HALL TO CHECK IF THERE ARE ANY SEATS LEFT— lah03811@GMAIL.COM - 978-360-0958



**Lions clubs of New Hampshire
in partnership with Lions Youth Services
Wednesday, November 6, 2024 from 4-6pm**

LIONS CLUBS of New Hampshire in partnership with LIONS YOUTH SERVICES is holding a FOOD PACKAGING event to support FEEDING HOPE FOOD PANTRY, dedicated to fighting hunger in the North Country.

**PLACE: TOWN AND COUNTRY, GORHAM, NH
DATE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024
TIME: 4PM—PM**



**We are Looking for Service minded Individuals
to Give us a Hand to Help Us with this Project!**

**PLEASE CONTACT AL GOLDSTEIN at
algoldstein@comcast.net
603-913-1281**



District 44H Cabinet Meeting Registration Form



November 10, 2024

Castleton Event Center
58 Enterprise Drive, Windham, NH

All Lions are welcome to attend to learn more about District 44H - Casual Dress

8:30 Registration; 9:00 Meeting Begins; 9:15 Break for Breakfast;
Meeting after Breakfast; Noon expected Adjournment.

Buffet Breakfast includes Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Fresh Fruit, Pastries, Juices/Coffee/Tea
Cost per person: **\$25**

Please consider donating a gift basket for raffle at the meeting.



Club: _____

Name(s) Registering: _____

Number Registering: _____ x \$25 per person = \$ _____ (Amount of Check) _____

Please Make Check Payable to **Lions District 44H**
Registration & Payment due by **October 25, 2024**

Mail Registration Form and Payment to:

Bob Bedrosian, 35 Glastombury Drive Sandown, NH 03873

email: bbedrosian@comcast.net
cell: 603-560-3867

PAM PRENTISS
1st Vice District Governor

As Lions, we are united by a shared purpose: to serve our communities and make a positive impact in the world. Today, our district is calling on passionate, dedicated members like you to take the next step in leadership by joining me in the District Cabinet for lions’ year 25-26. This is an exciting opportunity to shape the future of our district and enhance the service we provide to those in need.

Why Should You Consider Joining the Cabinet? Serving on the Cabinet is not just an honor; it’s a chance to collaborate with like-minded individuals, develop leadership skills, and help steer the direction of our clubs. Cabinet members work behind the scenes to plan events, support clubs, oversee community projects, and make critical decisions that affect the lives of people in our district. Your involvement ensures that we continue to be a powerful force for good!

Whether you’re new to leadership or have experience, we welcome Lions from all backgrounds to contribute their unique skills and ideas. **We need members who are passionate, innovative, and eager to make a difference.**

What Positions Are Available? There are several roles available on the Cabinet, each offering a unique way to contribute to the district’s growth. These include:

- **Zone Chairpersons** – Act as a liaison between clubs in your zone and the district.
- **Global Membership Team Coordinator** – Help grow our membership and bring in new Lions.
- **Global Service Team Coordinator** – Lead service initiatives and ensure we’re meeting community needs.
- **Global Leadership Team Coordinator** – Support leadership development and training for members.

Communications Chair – Amplify our message through public relations and digital platforms. Each of these roles provides the chance to use your strengths, whether it’s organizing, problem-solving, or inspiring others, to further our mission of service.

Your Next Steps If you’re interested in stepping into a leadership role and helping guide our district toward a brighter future, I’d love to hear from you! Please reach out to me, Pamela Prentiss, FVDG at pepotr@myfairpoint.net or 603-499-3218 for more information about joining the Cabinet.

Together, we can continue to build a stronger district and amplify our service impact. This is your chance to lead and inspire! Let’s work hand-in-hand to serve more, achieve more, and continue to fulfill our motto: **We Serve.**

I will be showing you how all lions can enter their service into the portal at the upcoming Cabinet Meeting. All Lions can sign into the portal and enter service, check on their membership and explore lots of exciting area of Lionism. I look forward to working with all. I also encourage you to go to lionsvirtual.org and check out their site. There are many training videos as well as two new programs to help clubs market and grow. Look at LionsMap2Grow and LionsMarket2Grow. They are fascinating and will be such a help to all of us!

NANCY CHARBONO-RICARD
2nd Vice District Governor



What an honor it is to represent the District Governor’s team by making official visitations to several amazing clubs in the district!

Members are joyfully performing vision screenings and roadside cleanups, collecting supplies for those devastated by recent hurricanes, selling raffle tickets, planning duck races and chili cook-offs, and making monetary donations to both local and Lion causes.

In addition to their own club meetings and activities, members are also participating in activities hosted by other Lion’s clubs as well as attending Zone and Cabinet meetings.

I’ve had the opportunity to install club officers, present Granite State Fellowships and membership keys, induct both new Lion and Leo members, and meet so many caring individuals.

More visitations are scheduled in November and beyond, I look forward to meeting members and getting to know the clubs.

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

Highlight of the Month

The Bedford Lions are proud of one of their own - Lion Sophie Cutler was honored with a Spirit of NH Volunteer Award at the Capitol Center for the Arts on Monday, October 21, 2024. This award was presented to Sophie for her volunteer service with the Lions Lift program, a partnership with Future In Sight.

Her client-turned-friend Denise (pictured here with Sophie) submitted the nomination. Sophie was thrilled to receive the honor and happy to represent this important service program.



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

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LIONS LIFT

Lions Rideshare Program
in partnership with
Future In Sight





Fundraising with



WE THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!!

TO PLACE YOUR ORDER VISIT: <https://LYSNH.terrilynn.com>

A Portion of Every Product Sold Benefits Lions Youth Development of New Hampshire (LYSNH)
Free shipping when You Order \$30 or more (per recipient address).
For Orders under \$30, it's a \$5.00 flat rate per address (for any size order, anywhere in the USA)

Be sure to place your order before our Holiday Ordering Cut Off Dates to ensure that your order qualifies for free shipping and arrives prior to the holidays!

Holiday Cutoff Dates:

11/28/24 Thanksgiving
Order date deadline: 11/14/24



12/25/24 Christmas
Order date deadline: 12/11/24

12/31/24 New Years
Order date deadline: 12/18/24



Holiday Gift Tin Sets

Choose from:
Cashews, 16oz Gift Tin
Gourmet Deluxe Mix, 16 or 26 oz Gift Tin
Cherry Fall Harvest Mix, 26 oz Gift Tin
Cashew Pecan Medley, 26 oz Gift Tin



Deluxe Tower Gift Set, 68 oz

An impressive trio featuring our Cherry Fall Harvest Mix, Gourmet Deluxe Nut Mix, and Cashew Pecan Medley packaged in red and gold scrollwork tins, complete with a bow for a truly elegant gift.





Staying 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=24glZCbNmJgF9TjtUEupVa53bzozf1>

Meeting ID: 827 1040 3356
Passcode: 374342




MISSION 1.5
Challenge GOALS:
District 44N Challenge
Ends June 30, 2025

Sponsor at **ONE** new member – **Silver Star**
Sponsor more than **TWO** members –
Special **Dangler for Silver Star**
Sponsor more than **FIVE** members - **GOLD** star
The Lions Club with the **MOST** new
members by June 30, 2025 –
will WIN a Club Roll Out Marketing Banner!



MISSION 1.5
44N GAT TEAM
MEETING via ZOOM

WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 13, 2024
at 7PM



Monthly Stayin Alive 1.5
Zoom Meetings will be the
FIRST Wednesday of Each Month

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88314436877?pwd=dqWPqi4iXZaBOYcWAZnpALsHanNiVH.1>

Meeting ID: 883 1443 6877
Passcode: 866173

***CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIR**
MEETING via ZOOM
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024
at 7PM

***See Monthly District Goal Update**

District Goal Progress

| Membership | | 2024-2025 YTD | 2024-2025 Goal |
|-------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Opening Balance | | 1021 | 140 new members |
| Added members | | 32 | |
| Dropped members | | 25 | |
| Closing Balance | | 1028 | |
| Net Gain/Loss | | 7 POSITIVE Membership | |

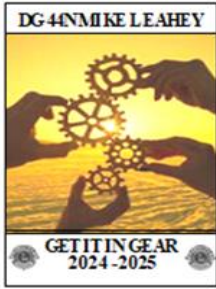
Worldwide Members - 1.37MM Total Clubs 49,632
Mission Possible 1.5 members to serve over 1 BILLION people worldwide !
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – July 1, 2024 through October 29, 2024

| CLUB NAME | NEW MEMBER NAME | SPONSOR NAME |
|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Amherst | Patricia Buben | John Buben |
| Canaan | Nancy Hall | Harold Armstrong |
| Enfield-Mascoma | Kaylee Felix | Allan Hammond |
| Henniker | Cathy Doherty | Cathy Dow |
| Jaffrey-Rindge | Roberta Dellhime | Melissa Dillingham |
| Lebanon-Upper Valley | Jeremy Ackerson | Thomas Zuttermeister |
| Lebanon-Upper Valley | Samantha Barbarito | Thomas Zuttermeister |
| Merrimack | Patti Thompson | Justine Leone |
| Milford | Betty Rodimon | Tina Philbrick |
| Milford | Liz Snell | Tina Philbrick |
| Monadnock | Denise Bennett | Larry Robinson |
| Monadnock | Rick Fuller IV | Larry Robinson |
| Monadnock | Christine Parshall | Larry Robinson |
| Monadnock | Lucius Parshall | Larry Robinson |
| Pinardville | Jeannie Cadarette | Nancy Brome |
| Pinardville | Renee Jemess | Wendy Lemelin |
| Wilton | Michaela Griffin | Richard Putnam |
| | | |

| DISTRICT SERVICE | Current YTD | Goal |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Total Service Activities | 642 | |
| % of Lion Clubs Reporting | 63% | 100% |
| | | |
| Individuals Served | 11,770 | |
| | | |

| DISTRICT LCIF Donations | YTD | 2024-2025 Goals |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| LCIF Donations | 15% | 100% Clubs |
| # Clubs Donating | 6 | 41 |
| # Individual Members | 6 | |
| Total Amount YTD | \$3,546 | \$32,000 |

GREAT JOB TO ALL WITH NEW MEMBERS – KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK !!!



**District 44N New Member Grant Application
New Member LCI Fee reimbursement**

PLEASE NOTE: Before District will issue payment, the new member must appear on the LCI website.

Club Contact Person: _____

Phone # _____

Club Name: _____

Contact email _____

Signature of contact _____
(Pres, Sec, or membership chair)

New Member Name: _____

New member sponsor name: _____

LCI Member number: _____

District reimbursement check payable to: _____

Address for funds to be mailed: _____



Please email this form to Christine Greenwood-Smart – cgreenwood@walpolebank.com

DISTRICT USE: \$35.00 LCI fee reimbursed to Club per new member –
until budget amount allotted is complete.

Approved by GMT: _____ Date: _____ Treasurer Approved:

_____ District Ck issued: _____ Date Mailed: _____

Operation KidSight 2024-2025 for District 44N (as of 10/14)
8 clubs reporting - 38 screening events to date

| Row Labels | Sum of #Screenings | Sum of Total # Screened |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Zone 1 | 7 | 288 |
| Manchester | 4 | 126 |
| Hooksett | 1 | 123 |
| Bedford | 2 | 39 |
| Zone 4 | 22 | 1457 |
| Chesterfield | 2 | 190 |
| Keene | 20 | 1267 |
| Zone 2 | 8 | 1196 |
| Brookline | 4 | 1147 |
| Amherst | 4 | 49 |
| Zone 5 | 1 | 189 |
| Concord | 1 | 189 |
| Grand Total | 38 | 3130 |

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

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District Administrator / Tom Reynolds/ tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net /
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

The Lions Clubs International Foundation District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) program is designed to empower Lions clubs and districts to create meaningful change in their own communities. The funding for these grants is provided to clubs and districts through their contributions to the foundation. Under this program, 15% of unrestricted donations are set aside for DCGs. Minimum donation per fiscal year is \$10,000 for districts and \$5000 for clubs.

These grants allow Lions to address specific needs within their communities, such as providing resources for hunger relief, supporting local health initiatives, improving education, or developing environmental sustainability projects. By offering financial backing for projects conceived and managed at the local level, the DCG program ensures that Lions have the flexibility to serve their neighbors in ways that matter most.

Funds may be used by applying for a DCG or use them as parts of matching funds for other LCIF grants. Clubs may retain the funds for their club or release them to the district to fund a DCG. Funds can be saved for 15 years and then if unused, they will roll back into LCIF.

A unique aspect of the DCG program is that it connects global generosity with local action. Contributions made to LCIF come full circle, empowering individual clubs to invest in impactful service that directly benefits their towns and cities. From building community centers to organizing local vision screening events, these grants are a powerful tool for Lions who are dedicated to making a difference.

Since its launch, the DCG program has funded thousands of projects, allowing Lions to continue their mission of serving others while meeting the specific challenges of their communities. By combining grassroots service with global support, the Lions are making sure that no problem is too big—or too small—to address.

Do you have funds that could be used for a District and Club Community Impact Grant? Is there a project in your community that would benefit from this grant?

On another note, hurricane season is still with us and we do not know what, if any more, damage may be caused. I wish to thank all those clubs and individuals

who have made donations to LCIF this year, specially towards Disaster Relief. As of October 16, LCIF has awarded 12 grants, totaling \$350,000.

As we go forward, if your club is donating to LCIF, would you please let me know. Thank you!

Yours in Lionism, **PDG Toni Olden 44N LCIF Chair**

Become a Leader in Service!

Empower your club with the knowledge and resources to make a greater impact in your community.

Date: November 23, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88224753104?pwd=i9XZBz9bsXDabdFvGV8pJ92OkFBbRt.1>

Why Attend?

- Learn the key role of LCIF Club Coordinators
- Gain insights into LCIF grants, programs, and fundraising opportunities
- Strengthen your club’s service initiatives with expert guidance
- Network with other coordinators and Lions leaders

What You'll Learn:



- How to Promote LCIF within Your Club
- Applying for Grants to Fund Service Projects
- Fundraising Strategies for LCIF
- Communicating Impact and Success Stories

Who Should Attend?

- LCIF Club Coordinators
- Lions Club Officers
- Members interested in expanding their leadership role

Register Today!

Registration: toniolden@gmail.com

Contact: 603-677-2431



Disaster Relief

25.3 million people are displaced each year by disasters'

FLORENCE MEETS GOLIATH



When Hurricane Florence pummeled already-soaked southeast North Carolina with 26+ inches of punishing rains, residents of the economically disadvantaged area quickly learned returning

to "normal" takes time. It takes backbreaking hard work. It takes money.

Some things just aren't in abundance for this area.

Lions – so often there in the wake of natural disaster and who know the realities of restoring dignity and "real life" – got right to work using

a Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe grant.

"Everyone was suffering post Florence. Kids needed warm coats, shoes, school uniforms and supplies. Everyone needed food," said Past District Governor George Holston. "Lions were determined to be bigger and stronger than Florence. With the grant, we continue transforming the lives of children attending two schools, one of which provides vulnerable students with services promoting physical, emotional, and social development."

LCIF grants help Lions restore everyday life for victims of natural disaster. "With our remaining funds, we continue creating the next chapter in this story of hope," said Holston.

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Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



Natural Disaster Knows No Borders

Many of us can't imagine losing everything. But being victimized by natural disaster is the reality for someone's family, someone's friend, someone's neighbor.



THAT'S HERE. GLOBALLY, NATURAL DISASTER LOOKS LIKE THIS:



90% of all natural disasters are water-related¹



25.3 million people are displaced each year by sudden disasters¹

Annual economic losses are estimated at **US\$250B-US\$300B²**

LCIF AND LIONS

lcif.org/disasterrelief

Funding Service, Delivering Solutions

The past 50 years have seen a 300% increase in natural disasters globally³. LCIF and Lions have been there. To date, LCIF has awarded US\$134 million for disaster relief worldwide through:



SOURCE: UNCTAD, ¹United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination, ²Forbes, ³Natural Disaster and Emergency Administration, ⁴International Disaster Database. ⁵Number of disasters of Lions International provided and LCIF's response, grant funds subject to change.



LCIF is the gear making truly empowering Lions to create greater impacts their communities and around the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions, and a small percent of every donation supports Lions service through LCIF grants and programs. Disaster relief is just one reason you're supported by LCIF and Campaign 300. LCIF's Empowering Service. With financial support from Lions and other worldwide, Campaign 300 is empowering Lions to increase service impact in relief, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian efforts, fight the global epidemic of diabetes, and create long-term programs in affordable housing, access of educational services, hunger, and the environment.

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SUPPORT YOUR SERVICE BY SUPPORTING YOUR FOUNDATION

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NH Lions Green Team
District 44N Environmental Committee

New service projects, greener meetings, and a final chance to sign up for WindowDressers. As the end of our Windowdresser's project comes into sight, we want to remind all clubs that the Green Team is here to help you with new and existing environmental service projects. And the timing for LCI's Environment Focus Program's announcement could not be better! They have included ideas for environmental service projects that are categorized from easy to hard. https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_gOOfshK8Ac01.jpg.pdf?v=1

Zero Waste Club Initiative: We are hoping to continue our quest to make our meetings greener and are rolling out paper reduction. Starting at our 11/3 Cabinet meeting, we will have three options regarding flyers:

1. Receive the flyer in advance via email.
2. Take a pic of the flyer with your phone at the meeting.
3. Take a paper copy of the flyer. *All clubs taking options 1 or 2 will or reporting an environmental service project to a Green Team Member will receive an Environmental Patch for their club banner. As always, the Green Team is happy to help any clubs that would like to make food-related events zero waste.

Lions Day at the WindowDressers Community Build in Canterbury, NH, is full (!!), but we are still looking for volunteers on Sunday, 11/8, and on Tuesday, 11/12. All Lions are invited to attend a 4-hour session (8:00 am or 1:00 pm). For info, contact Sarah Keniston: skenistonlicsw@gmail.com or sign up directly at windowdressers.org

*Participation in this project will earn you a patch and fulfill the Club Excellence Award criteria of a new Service project!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

**PROJECT IDEAS
ENVIRONMENT**

- Tour a recycling and waste management facility with your club.

ACT // BEGINNER

• Plant trees. Consult your local Environment authorities to determine the type and number of trees needed, as well as the location for planting.

- Meet on a monthly basis and clean up a beach, community space, or roadside area as a club.
- Hold an environment themed photo contest at a local school. Reward the winner with a tree planted in their honor or another green form of recognition.
- Challenge all Lions in your club or district to add at least one green habit to their daily lives. Inspire others by sharing your actions on social media. Habits might include:
 - Using a reusable water bottle or coffee mug rather than disposable products.
 - Changing to energy-saving light-bulbs.
 - Setting a time limit for your shower reduce water consumption.
- Develop a Green Living Tip Sheet and share it electronically with members of your community or network.
- Recognize a local organization or community leader for their efforts in environmental conservation.
- Calculate your carbon footprint with an online calculator. If your footprint is bigger than you would like, purchase carbon credits that are Gold Standard Certified and brainstorm ways you can lower your carbon input.
- Volunteer with your local park service to maintain trails. You will help more people access and enjoy nature!
- Commit to “Meatless Mondays”, or not eating meat one day each week.



ACT // ADVANCED

- Develop a demonstration garden or landscaping plot using native plant species to encourage restoration of the local natural habitat and water conservation.
- Sponsor a training program for small farmers on how to make and use organic fertilizers and pesticides.
- Produce a monthly nature program on the local public radio station. Feature environmental topics of local interest, interview environmental activists in your community and promote Lions environmental projects.
- Host a public debate on controversial environmental issues in your community. Share the results with government officials.
- Partner with a local carpenter (or use a DIY tutorial) to build a rain barrel. Then, hold a training with community members to promote using barrels for watering and irrigation.
- Organize an alternative transportation incentive program in your community to encourage walking, biking, public transportation and carpooling.
- Work with local schools to establish organic school gardens and a composting program to improve the quality of school meals and reduce waste.

- Collect used cellphones and donate them to individuals in need.

ACT // INTERMEDIATE

- Lead an after school nature walk for young students. Encourage them to make observations and ask questions, then have them draw a picture of their experience afterwards.
- Host a community viewing of an environmental film or documentary.
- Save water by surveying your homes and community for leaks in sinks, communal spigots or water fountains. Contact relevant officials if repairs are needed.
- Work with city officials to paint “no dumping” signs near road drainage areas.
- Identify where to recycle toxic items and share/advertise its schedule of collection campaigns.
- **Organize an environmental mural competition. Paint the winner’s artwork in an appropriate area to beautify your community and promote environmental awareness.**
- Implement a community recycling drive where people donate gently used items to charity organizations.
- Share a meal with students at your school. Afterwards, teach them how to sort their recyclables and trash.



Lions Youth Services

Grant Applications APPLICATION CHANGE:

To apply for a grant, please fill out the application that can be found in this issue of the newsletter.

Please note: *the change that has been made is that now your application may be emailed as well as mailing it.*

Please email it to Lenny Hall lah3811@gmail.com if you prefer or you may mail it to: Lions Youth Services, PO Box 156 , Atkinson, NH 03811.

The grant application will be reviewed upon receipt at the next meeting of the board. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month year round. If you should have any questions, please contact President Eric Olsen at olsenel@comcast.net

Terri Lynn Fundraiser

It's Holiday time!! Nuts and chocolate treats make for great holiday cooking and sweet and nutty gifts. Check out all that Terri Lynn has to offer! The flyer in this issue of the newsletter indicates all cutoff dates for holiday shipping so get those orders in so that you will receive them in time!

North Country Packaging Event

An email was recently sent out looking for helping hands in packaging meals for the Feeding Hope Food Pantry at the Town & Country in Gorham, NH on **Wednesday, November 6, 2024 from 4-6pm**. Car pools were suggested to drive up with members, family and friends. If you wish to volunteer and haven't as yet, contact Al Goldstein at a1goldstein@comcast.net for details.

Peace Poster Contest

2024 - 2025 "Peace Without Limits"

Last month deadlines for the contest were outlined for all participating in the Peace Poster Contest. Participating clubs are: 44H– Epsom-Chichester, Hampton Area, Litchfield, Nashua, Seabrook and Wakefield. 44N– Canaan, Chesterfield, Jaffrey-Rindge, Lebanon Upper Valley, Milford, Pinardville, Souhegan Boys & Girls Club, Winchester.

Here are the deadline dates to keep in mind:

1. Posters to be judged by the Lions club/committee by/before **November 15**. Peace Poster Chair to email photo of the winning poster by **5 pm, November 15** to Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net
2. Club to award winner at local level—to be scheduled with Art Teacher. Some clubs choose 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. This is determined by individual clubs.
3. **1st place winners photo** will be emailed to each of the District Governor's, 44H DG Peter LaPointe. and 44N DG Mike Leahey on **November 15**.
4. The DG's 1st place winners will be notified and the original poster needs to be signed off by them and they will then be sent to MCC Kamal Masand by no later than **December 1**.
5. MCC Kamal will choose 1st and 2nd place winners and he will then mail the 1st place winner's original poster to Lions International postmarked by no later than **December 15**.

Please note, the 1st place winner's original poster will be sent to Lions International and will not be returned to the artist. They will have instead a duplicate of the poster framed for them to keep. If you have any further questions or if your club is not listed here and is participating, please let me know, email me at rwynnemilford@comcast.net

Next Scheduled Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Airport Diner in Manchester. There are future fundraisers and service projects in the works! We welcome you to join us!

Hope to see you there!

**Happy
Thanksgiving!**





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.

AMHERST LIONS



Our Bridge of Flowers project, pumpkins & mums, thought you would like to see them up close.

Holiday Card Making for Cancer Patients



Lion Linda Ribolini is heading a service project to make holiday cards to go out to radiation patients seen at the radiation center in Nashua this year. Lions Linda R, Joan F, Shirley F, Kerry Z and Linda’s daughter, Jocelyn and her two talented children met to create some awesome cards. A Parkhurst resident popped in to see what we were doing.

Doors on the Green/Fun Night

Doors on the Green is Halloween night, 10/31, from 4:30-8:30 on the Village Green. Our theme is Wizard of Oz. This is a service project, serving the community and making them aware of what Lions do.

Membership Drive:

On 11/5/24 we will be holding a Membership Drive at Souhegan High School where the community will be voting.

Member Meeting

Vice District Governor, Pam Prentiss was our guest speaker for our member meeting 10/9/24.



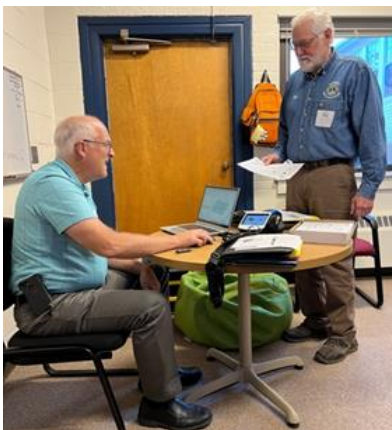
She also inducted our newest member, Pat Buben!

Welcome Pat!



Eye Screening

Our first eye screening at our Clark Elementary School in a long, long time! Lion Joe Sirois (L) took on the Kids Sight program for our club last year and we have been screening even more local daycares and private schools. We screened



33 students with three needing referrals. Lion Reed Flowers (R) and IPP Shirley Flowers assisted. We have several set up for November.

Amherst Lions (continued)

Craft Fair and Online Silent Auction

The Amherst Lions Club is preparing for their 44th Annual Craft Fair to be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024, at the Amherst Middle School on Cross Rd, Amherst, NH from 9AM-3PM.

Our juried crafters will be welcoming you to shop for your holiday gifts and treasures. As usual, we are offering free parking, admission, and a shopping bag while they last. Food will be available. There will be a raffle of items donated by the Crafters. We’ll also be offering free Eye Screenings.

Our Online Silent Auction of local merchant’s items and a Raffle for a Scratch Ticket Tree will again run for two weeks starting on Saturday, 11/23/24 and ending the day of the Craft Fair at 2PM.

~submitted by Shirley Flowers



44th Annual Holiday Craft Fair



DATE: December 7, 2024
TIME: 9 AM to 3 PM
PLACE: Amherst Middle School
14 Cross Road, Amherst, NH

***Online Silent Auction of Local Merchant Items**
11/23-12/7

If you are interested in being a crafter, Go to our website to get the application. Follow directions, and fill it out and forward to franknh11@comcast.net

For info on the silent auction, please email shirlf53@comcast.net

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Website: <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/amherstnh/>



Antrim-Bennington Lions

Our club held several outreach activities this month: Candidate Nights, Kidsight eye screenings, “Lunch with Lions”, card-making workshop for residents at a housing complex.

Our members worked hard to organize three Candidate Nights for candidates for NH House of Representatives, NH Senate, and Executive Council. Citizens from many surrounding towns attended and enjoyed the opportunity to hear from the candidates. After writing their questions on a 3x5 card, the audience handed the cards to the moderators who then asked each candidate to respond. Voters gained more information about each candidate in preparation for the November 5, 2024 election.

516 children from schools around the ConVal school district received eye screenings this month. 11% were flagged for follow-ups by an eye doctor. Our dedicated volunteers arrived at each school loaded with stickers, and smiles. One mother remarked that her daughter’s need for glasses was identified through the Lions’ efforts, and she expressed her appreciation. That simple, “Thank you!” warmed our hearts!

The weekly “Lunch with Lions” program at Antrim Elementary School continued this month. The students in grades K-4 look forward to meeting up and eating lunch with a Lions club member at small tables in the library. One small child walked into the library and asked, “Where are the lions?” We chuckled and assured her that there were no lions, just Lions club members!

The monthly outreach activity at Antrim Village housing was a card-making event. Many residents enjoyed the activity and the companionship of our members. This month we will serve a free Thanksgiving dinner for the residents. Students from Great Brook Middle School will assist in distributing meals and sharing conversation. The Antrim-Bennington Lions club continues to serve our community in many ways!

- submitted by Linda Morehouse



Bedford Lions

Bedford Lion Lois Brodsky greeted kids with a ROAR at Bedford's Trunk or Treat event on Saturday October 26. Besides giving away club bookmarks, Lion Lois and her family handed out allergy-friendly and traditional candy from their jungle-themed trunk.



Bedford Lions *(continued)*

Three Bedford Lions and two helpers attended the annual Bedford Safety Complex open house on Thursday, October 3. Besides handing out plenty of free popcorn, they completed 17 eye exams - 2 came back flagged, and the parents were grateful to have the potential concern brought to their attention. Lions Lois Brodsky and Ernie and Margie Henrichon spent the afternoon talking with many guests about our Trex bench program and all of the other wonderful projects and services we offer to the community.

At Bedford's monthly club meeting October 8, we welcomed Kathleen Ports, Conservation Planner of the Town of Bedford, NH, who spoke about Bedford's Conservation Commission and the Bedford Trail Stewards program, among many other topics, helping us understand how the town protects our natural resources. It was an enlightening presentation! ~ submitted by Sophie Cutler



Pictured here are Lions Ernie Henrichon and Lois Brodsky along with Lois' sons who were happy to help!



Chesterfield Lions

Getting ready for our offering at Trunk or Treat October 27, 2024. It is a great opportunity to meet and interact with the children of our community and their parents. We hope to recruit new members at this event. Be looking for pictures of our outing in next month's ROAR. Our Pancake Breakfast Committee is starting the planning for our Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast in February. Our sales will start in December. Speaking of December, our annual Breakfast with Santa happening on December 7, 2024. Santa and Mrs. Santa will be there listening to children's wishes, posing for pictures and handing out candy canes and cookies. Cereal, donuts, fruit, hot cocoa and coffee will be offered for everyone to enjoy. We also are partnering with the library to offer crafts for the children. It is always a fun morning. Members were able to enjoy a lovely morning completing our Fall Roadside Cleanup. They report that even though 11 bags of trash were collected, overall, there didn't seem to be as much trash strewn around the roadside.



We were fortunate to have the director of the Monadnock Humane Society as our guest speaker this month. She gave a great history of the society that started in the 1800's. She then reviewed the services that are offered currently and how busy they are. Their Spade and Neuter clinics are full every week. They help many other communities besides ours and offer a variety of classes including obedience, agility, and help with behaviors. It was amazing to hear the variety of animals they serve now.

~ submitted by FVDG Pam Prentiss

ENFIELD-MASCOMA LIONESSE

We started our new Lioness year with a social night. Nine members enjoyed an evening dinner at Jesse’s Restaurant – good food and awesome companionship – a fun evening for all!

As part of the last two month’s meetings, club members brought in 57 lbs of food and necessities for the Friends of Mascoma Food Pantry and about 10 containers of food, etc., for Enfield United Methodist Church food pantry. Awesome generosity for our community.

Members participated in the town of Enfield’s Trunk-or-Treat Day for area children at Huse Park and had Lioness Membership Welcome flyers available as well.

Eight volunteers provided fall roadside cleanup of four miles of Shaker Hill Road in Enfield on a beautiful Sunday.

Five members cooked a roast chicken meal with all the fixings for the guests of David’s House in Lebanon for Halloween and included candy favors for children & guests.

Fingerprinting was completed for kindergarten students at both the Canaan Elementary School and the Enfield Village School which included child information packets that are sent home to parents to complete a child’s records.

Members enjoyed a visit by DG Mike Leahey at the October meeting. DG Mike showed a sincere caring for our Lioness projects and mission as well as bringing thoughtful messages on growing, service, and keeping the club strong, healthy and capable to serve our community.

The Thanksgiving pie sale is in full swing, and members are getting ready to bake including an apple pie bake-a-thon day.

Donations were made to the Upper Valley Haven during a match program, to the Mascoma Valley Ecumenical Council as part of its 50th Annual Thanksgiving Ingathering. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), and to the Lions Youth Services of NH Calendar Raffle.

The club also received a personal donation from a Lion member to help with the holiday meal for seniors.



Lioness Sharon Bill, Tracy Hill, Sharon Phinney, Judy Reisch, and Vicki Jones

ENFIELD-MASCOMA LIONS

The club welcomed a new member, Kaylee Felix, at their October 26, 2024 Dinner meeting. District Governor Mike Healey officiated and updated the club on the goals of the district. Three hundred glasses and two hearing aids were collected.

The Enfield club provided the food wagon for the Shaker Museum’s Harvest Festival. Our club also participated in the Town of Enfield Trunk-or-Treat Halloween celebration at Huse Park with a few tricks and lots of treats.

We helped with needed hearing aids for a gentleman as well as an eye exam and glasses for a Mascoma Valley Regional HS student.

One Lion attended the Zone 6 meeting held at the New London Lions club.

We supported the Ecumenical Ingathering which provides Thanksgiving food baskets for the needy in our area. Donations were also made to the Shaker Museum and the Good Neighbor Health Clinic.

Christmas tree and wreath sales will begin on November 29, 2024. This year the club will also have trees for sale at the Enfield Shaker Museum’s Holiday Gift Fair on December 7 and 8, 2024.

~submitted by Mary Magnell



Lions Tom Gilligan, Arlene Berry, & Jim Magnell

Henniker Lions

The Henniker Lions have much to celebrate this month. Members past and present gathered to honor the clubs 40th anniversary. Fellow Henniker Lion, Dave Currier, graciously offered his establishment, The Henniker Brewery, to hold this happy event. There were many smiles, laughter and stories shared by all. Speaking of anniversaries, it is with great pride to recognize Lion, Dave Currier. with the Chevron pin award for his 40 years of service and volunteerism to the club. Henniker president, Sarah Keniston, presented Lion Dave with the award during the anniversary celebration. My how the years fly by! Our clubs VP, Dave Carroll, is leading the formation of a new subgroup "Lions, Learning and Development" the group is in the early stages of meeting and will be meeting once a month to discuss and learn about all things Lion. Stay tuned for more details.

The very popular Henniker Handmade and Homegrown town event enjoyed another successful year. Our booth hosted a colorful beanbag toss for all ages and shared information with the community about our club and the Lions causes. Thankfully, Mother Nature cooperated with beautiful weather for our fall, environmental roadside cleanup. Twenty nine bags of trash were collected. Lion, Dave Janelle, has been the project lead for the event. He has it down to a science and we are grateful for his leadership skills. Some upcoming events in the works include the second annual holiday meal for the residents of Rush Square, Window Dressers Build, Sustainable holiday craft fair and the annual January "roaring" Bonfire! We will keep you posted.

~ submitted by Cathy Dow



Hillsboro Lions

Conducted a total of sixty vision screenings at the three Hillsboro-Deering Schools and the Washington Elementary School. Nine students were recommended for further evaluation. Many thanks to the Zone 5 Lions for the use of the vision screener.

For the 48th year, the Hillsboro Lions Club is proud to host its Annual Senior Citizens Dinner.

This year's event, led by Project Chair Leigh Bosse, will take place on Saturday, November 16th, at the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School. The event will feature a full sit-down service. Seating starts at 12:30 p.m. and a FREE turkey dinner will be served from 1-3 p.m. Last year, attendees enjoyed ten 20 lb. turkeys, 36 lbs. of green beans, 75 lbs. of squash, 30 lbs. of onions, 16 dozen dinner rolls, stuffing, gravy, pickles, olives, cranberry sauce, 20 pumpkin pies, cider, and coffee.

This year, enough food for 200 guests has been ordered. If food is available after the seated guests have finished, take-out dinners may be picked up after 2:30 p.m., while supplies last.

Seniors from neighboring towns are also invited to join the event.

A RIF (Reading is Fundamental) event is scheduled for Thursday, October 31st at the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School. Hillsboro Lions will purchase and distribute approximately 500 books to students in grades 1-5.

As part of the Club’s continued efforts to combat hunger in the community, Lion Alan Ager raveled to the New Hampshire Food Bank in Manchester, NH to pick up and deliver food to the local Hillsboro Food Pantry.

The Hillsboro Lions donated \$1000 to the LCIF “Disaster Relief” fund to provide aid to victims of Hurricane Helene in North Carolina and Hurricane Milton in Florida.

PCC Don Ager and PMCST Meg Ager attended the 36th Annual Western States Pin Swap in Reno, Nevada from October 13-16, 2024.

We collected 85 pairs of eyeglasses and 15 pairs of sunglasses. Additionally, we collected one pound of aluminum pull tabs for donation to the Shriner’s Hospital for Children.

~ Submitted by Roger Racette

Lebanon Upper Valley Lions



Four Lebanon Lions visited the Canaan Lions club to deliver a box for storage and carrying their banner. The box was built by Lion Paul Dalton at the request of DG Mike.



SVDG Nancy Charbono-Ricard inducted our newest member, Jeremy Ackerson, sponsored by Lion Tom Zuttermiester.

Lion Paul Dalton of the Lebanon-Upper Valley Lions is preparing for the second day of eye screening at the Hanover Street School.



~ Submitted by Anne Hoag

MERRIMACK LIONESS

Fall is in the air, and so is the spirit of community! The Merrimack Lioness Branch club hit the roads for their autumn cleanup to help keep our community clean and beautiful. They filled six bags of trash this time—thank you to all who participated in helping keep our town looking its best as we welcome the fall season!



Lioness Branch Club of Merrimack continues looking for donations of your old sneakers and non-metal soccer cleats.

They partner with a recycling group that supplies donated shoes to people in need in third-world countries. In return for the donated sneakers, the club receives a small payment, which is then reinvested into the local community of Merrimack. ❤️



Looking for help this Thanksgiving? The Merrimack Lioness will be whipping up their world famous pies!



MERRIMACK LIONS

Merrimack Lions hosted a special guest speaker on Oct 1, Kadroisha Ona Carole. She captured our attention with KOA’s psychic abilities and her ability to assist several in attendance in reaching out to loved ones who have passed. She also spoke of her book, “Haunted Merrimack Valley”, television, radio and online presence..

~ submitted by Rosemary Gagne



MILFORD LIONS

Celebrating 35 years, the *Milford Rotary* and *Milford Lions* teamed up during the annual *Milford Pumpkin Festival*. The weather was great for the first part of the weekend but the cold raw Sunday didn't stop many visitors to the food concession stand where many members provided burgers, sausage, and grilled cheese sandwiches. This event is one of our biggest of the year and from the looks of the attendance this year, it was a success.

We have just reached the goal for two more Trex Benches. This makes for a total of 9 benches thus far.

Seven members from the club visited the Nashua Lions club during their October dinner meeting.

We screened 130 children and had 9 flagged and referred—thanks to Lions Peter, Tina, and Rick for screening the kindergarten classes from the Jacques Memorial School.

Preparations have started for the Senior Dinner which will be held on January 11, 2025.



PETERBOROUGH LIONS

We held training sessions with our new Vision Screener. We are scheduled to be at the Monadnock Model Railroad Club at the Peterborough Community Center for screening on Saturday, November 9.

We have met our annual goal of 1000 pounds of recycled plastics to qualify for a Trex bench, which will be donated to the town.

Fifteen pairs of shoes were donated to Soles4Soles.

A donation was made to LCIF toward disaster relief.

Christmas trees have been ordered, to be delivered the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

~ submitted by Arlene MacArthur



Peterborough Lions learning about their new vision screener.





MD-44 3rd Regional Lions Leadership Institute

When: March 21-22, 2025.

Where: Hampton Inn – 126 Key Rd., Keene, NH.

Why: To stimulate and grow Leaders and Leadership Opportunities at the Club, District, Multiple District Levels and beyond.

Attendees: All LIONS in good standing who have not yet reached the position of 2nd Vice District Governor. **Only twenty-five slots available** so apply early! Please forward a completed application, **no later than Jan 31, 2025**, to your District Governor via Club President.

Cost of the Institute:

Multiple District 44 will provide meals according to the schedule of the institute. Double Occupancy Hotel rooms are included in the cost of the Institute. Hotel stay is required. By attendees. Single Room occupancy is available @\$129.00 plus taxes and Same rate will apply for Thursday or Saturday Night if desired.

Please note the cost for participation in this training event is \$125.00.

Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site. This is a 2-day intensive training program. Applicants must be willing to commit to attending both days of the Institute, including mandatory classroom sessions and scheduled group mealtimes.

Note: Acceptance to the Institute is not guaranteed. Limited to twenty-five.

Expectations of RLLI Graduates:

1. Pursue additional leadership roles and responsibilities in their respective zones and Districts.
2. Help to develop Lions Leaders and serve as a Leadership source in their Clubs, Zones, and Districts.

Regional Lions Leadership Institute Curriculum:

- List of Training Topics: Lion Fundamentals, Working in Teams, Diversity.
- Local issues and Opportunities, Public Speaking, Time Management.
- Personal Mission Statement, Member Motivation, Goal Setting.
- Join the Mission.

For further information please contact your District Governor or Event Coordinators Kamal Masand or Randy Tompkins (kmasand01@gmail.com or rye642@comcast.net).



**MD 44 Regional Lions Leadership Institute
Hampton Inn, 126 Key Road, Keene, NH
Friday thru Saturday March 21 to 22, 2025**

Part 1: Applicant Information

* PLEASE PRINT - Required information for all institute correspondence

District Number: _____ Membership Number: _____

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

Email*: _____ State _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

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

Current Lions Title: _____ Highest position held in Lions Club: _____

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

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

Check for \$125.00, Made out to Multiple District of NH 44 .

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

1. Offices held within current Lions Club:

Part 3: Acknowledgements

___ I understand that MD44 is not responsible for personal costs, including but not limited to, those associated with the following: illness, unanticipated or other personal events, lost or stolen property.

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

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

Applicant : _____ Title: _____ Email: _____

DG or GLT: _____ Date: _____

DG= Please Mail the application with checks to Council Chair Kamal Masand or FDC Randy Tompkins.



Lions International

2024-2025

CLUB EXCELLENCE AND 5 STAR EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

This application features criteria for the Club Excellence Award and 5 Star Excellence Award. As you go through the application, please check all qualification boxes that your club has met. At the end of the application are criteria for the 5 Star Excellence Award. Your club will be awarded either the Club Excellence Award or the 5 Star Excellence Award.

Club name: _____ Club number: _____ District: _____

2024-2025 club president name: _____

Member number: _____ Email address: _____

1. MEMBERSHIP

- Achieved a net growth of two (2) members or 10% or more members (whichever is greater) or
- Chartered a new Lions club.

Name of Lions club: _____

2. SERVICE

- Started a new service project. Consider one of our global causes! Explain: _____

- List three service activities your club participated in that were reported to Lions International:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. LCF

- Contributed to LCF an amount greater than or equal to the club's membership total multiplied by US\$10.

Year-end membership count _____ x US\$10 = _____

4. LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- Club is in Good Standing; Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with Lions International greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.
- Reported club officers to Lions International.
- Key officers participate in club officer training.
 - District
 - Multiple district
 - International
 - Webinars
 - Lions Learning Center

5. MARKETING

- The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media.

Provide a link to where they were publicized: _____

Learn more about [promoting your club and activities](#), and learn about the Marketing Award.

DOES YOUR CLUB QUALIFY FOR THE 5 STAR EXCELLENCE AWARD?

- Achieved the Club Excellence Award.
- Membership increase of 20% (minimum of five (5) members for small clubs).
- Minimum donations of US\$20 per member or US\$1,000 (whichever is less).
- Annual service and membership report submitted.

2024-2025 district governor signature*: _____ District: _____

District governor member number: _____ Date: _____

**If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically*

Due by: August 31, 2025

Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org

Awards mailed to: 2025-2026 district governors

Request to review award eligibility from a disqualified club will be considered only if received at Lions International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the Lion year, provided that the original application form is already filed at Lions International.



Lions International

District and Clubs Administration

Lions International

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Oak Brook IL 60523-8842 USA

www.lionsclubs.org

DA-CEA 4/2024 EM

DISTRICT 44N CABINET DIRECTORY

First Vice District Governor

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Fourth Tuesday of the month– 6:30 pm

*All Above Meet at the
AIRPORT DINER, Manchester NH*

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Last Wednesday of the month 6:30pm
Meeting place TBD