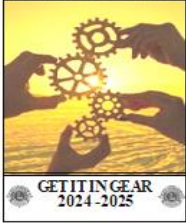




DG-44N MIKE LEAHEY



Greetings Lions of District 44N

Are the gears of Service, Membership, and Leadership turning? Now is the time to implement those strategies that allow your clubs to serve more and grow in the process. It's time for this year's District 44N cabinet to engage with the clubs and offer resources, support, and ideas to support this effort. Visitations have started; we are visiting to hear your experiences so far this year, how the district might be able to help, and exchange best practices in service, membership, and leadership to make all clubs successful this year.

Perhaps a good way to work out some new strategies for growth would be in the district's goal for each club to achieve at least one new service activity involving an outside service organization, or at least 5 non-Lions dedicated to the service. The reason for this goal is two-fold. First, there are smaller clubs looking to passionately continue service but limited in resources. Bringing in others who have the same passion about your service activity would be an excellent way to complete the service. As a side note, please also keep in mind that additional resources are likely available at the zone and district level as well as with district or multiple district committees; such as Lions Youth Services or the 44N Environmental Committee. Whatever it takes to generate the critical mass that will allow your club to serve can be done!

Second, this will allow your club to start a conversation with those volunteers outside of Lions to discuss our organization in more detail. Invite them to learn more and see where it goes. This way, it's so much easier to just ask. You already have passion for service in common. We want to measure the results of this strategy and look at better ways to develop it for growth.

We are all excited to visit your clubs, share ideas, and collaborate for our future success. We will be watching the critical metrics related to Mission 1.5 and will keep you posted on its progress throughout

the year. We'll stay on what works and work together for needed improvements.

Kind Regards in Lionism,
Mike Leahey - 44N District Governor

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MANCHESTER LIONS

will be hosting a
FREE
Spaghetti Dinner



Friday, October 25, 2024 from 5-7 pm

Jutras American Legion Post #43
56 Boutwell Street
Manchester NH

Lions Club Visitations and Donations are Welcome

CALENDAR OF EVENTS ...SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Mission 1.5 Membership Chair Meeting via ZOOM, 7PM

Saturday, October 5, 2024

*Food Pantry Benefit , Hudson, NH
Octoberfest at Fidelco, Bloomfield, CT*

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Mission 1.5 44N GAT Team Meeting via ZOOM, 7PM

Thursday, October 10, 2024

*Texas Roadhouse Dine to Donate, Concord, NH
Lions Youth Services Meeting, Manchester NH*

Friday-Saturday, October 11 - 12, 2024

NELC Weekend, Biddeford, ME

Friday, October 25, 2024

Free Spaghetti Dinner, Manchester, NH

Saturday, October 26, 2024

Psychic & Craft Fair, Hudson, NH

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Penny Sale, Brookline, NH

Sunday, November 3, 2024

44N Cabinet Meeting, Manchester, NH

Saturday, November 9, 2024, 8am & 1pm

Lions Day Window Dressers, Canterbury, NH

Sunday, November 10, 2024

District 44H Cabinet Meeting, Windham, 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

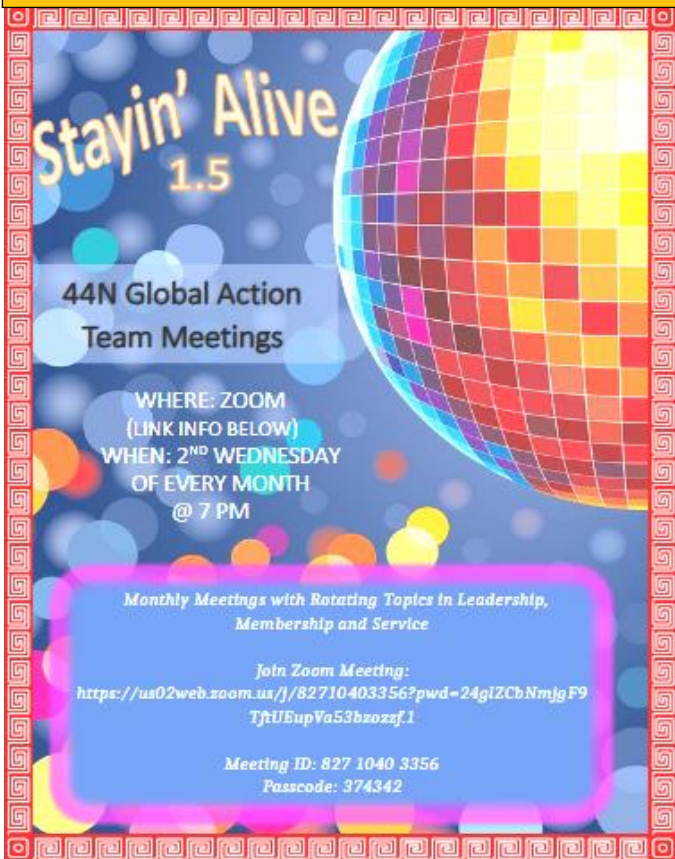
(Please See Flyers for above Event Details)

*** NOTICE ***

Deadline for Midwinter Resolutions!

Anyone with a Resolution
which needs to be voted on at the
January 2025 Midwinter Convention ,
the **DEADLINE** for submission
is **Friday, November 15, 2024.**

EMAIL the information to PID Ed Lecius,
MD44 Resolutions Chair at
lioncommish@gmail.com



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=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!

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


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

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Passcode: 866173



MISSION 1.5
44N GAT TEAM
MEETING via ZOOM

WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 11, 2024
at 7PM



***CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIR**
MEETING via ZOOM
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024
at 7PM

***See Monthly District Goal Update**

***District Goal Progress**

Membership	Previous Month	2024-2025 YTD	2024-2025 Goal
Opening Balance	1021	1021	140 new members
Added members	5	11	
Dropped members	7	15	
Closing Balance	1018	1018	
Net Gain/Loss	-3 Loss	-3 Loss	

Worldwide Members - 1.36M

Total Clubs 49,467

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – July 1, 2024 through September 18, 2024

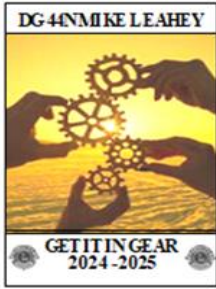
CLUB NAME	NEW MEMBER NAME	SPONSOR NAME
Keene	Molly Ellis	Christine Houston
Keene	Joseph Mabe	Christine G. Smart
Keene	Heather Herring	Heather Ells

SERVICE

DISTRICT SERVICE	Current YTD	Goal	
Total Service Activities	22		
% of Clubs Reporting	17%	100%	
Individuals Served	3,961		

LCIF DONATIONS

DISTRICT LCIF Donations	YTD	2024-2025 Goals
LCIF Donations	12%	100% Clubs
# Clubs Donating	5	41
# Individual Members	4	
Total Amount YTD	\$1,260.00	\$32,000



**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: _____

PAM PRENTISS
1st Vice District Governor

I am so excited to tell you about my first USA/Canada forum. It was really great seeing some of the people I met in ALLI but also learning about how to improve our clubs and districts. As you have heard Mission 1.5 is Lions Club International big push for the next 2 years. We need to reach 1.5 million members to serve 1 billion people! We need to look at our clubs and see what we can do to attract new members but to also keep the ones we have. Think about what your passion is that attracted you to Lions. Are you still able to serve your passion or does your club need to change the way they are doing things, or add some new activities to allow you to serve your passion? We really have to look into ourselves and to find what we need to do to revitalize our abilities to serve our passions. It is alright to revamp things or tweak them so that we can attract more people.

Also, do not forget that if you need assistance with a project, do not hesitate to ask others in your community to partner with you but also you can always ask other Lions to assist you.

We were shown how helpful using AI is and how easy it can be to use. We were shown some really great marketing tools that were generated with AI.

We do not necessarily need to reinvent the wheel every time.

Thanks to Lion Daniel Elkins, who entered loads of information about Lions International, clubs can use ChatGPT to help generate brochures, flyers and even ideas of activities based on the needs of your community and project you want to do.

NANCY CHARBONO-RICARD
2nd Vice District Governor



It is my pleasure and honor to represent the District Governor’s team by visiting approximately one-third of the clubs in the district.

A few visitations have been scheduled to date. If your club is listed below, the club president and secretary have recently received an email from me to either request or confirm a visitation date.

I’m looking forward to meeting many Lions and Leos and getting to know your clubs!

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

- Antrim-Bennington
- Bedford
- Bristol
- Chesterfield
- Granite State Virtual
- Hooksett
- Hopkinton
- Lebanon-Upper Valley
- Littleton
- Manchester
- Orford
- Pemi-Baker
- Rivendell Academy Leos



Highlight of the Month

Gloria may be retired from her professional career but she remains dedicated to making a difference in her community as highlighted below. She has served as President in the Pinardville Lions Club for the past seven (7) years. She has welcomed and recruited new membership into her club and she is hopeful that the club will continue to move forward and grow further as we all desire and she is one strong leader who is willing and capable to guide them to do this.

I first met Gloria as PID Ed Lecius began his first year as International Director. She and I sat at the same table and she spoke highly of the service that Lions do in their community and was proud to communicate that to me as I hadn't yet become a Lion. We had also discovered that we had something else in common, that being we have the same birthday, not the same year but the same day! Perhaps that is another reason we related so easily. Regardless, Gloria is a friend, a dedicated Lion and is indeed a “Community Champion”!

by Rhonda Wynne, Editor

Gloria Proulx - Community Champion



When we started to form the Mast Rd Community Market, Gloria was one of the first community champions to step up and help. Once she learned of our vision, she quickly suggested her Lions Club team was ready to be our key team of volunteers.

Throughout the season, Gloria has been an instrumental part of our Volunteer group. She accepts any assignment and always has a big smile on her face. Our vendors have loved her support and we have cherished her volunteer time with us



NEW ENGLAND LIONS COUNCIL (NELC)



"Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England"



OCTOBER 11TH & 12TH (FRI/SAT)

2024-2025 Fall Weekend

GAT Theme: Membership Development

ALFOND FORUM, UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND, 605 POOL RD., BIDDEFORD, ME. 04005

Note: There is no specific hotel with a room block, it is peak season in Maine and most hotels are not offering that option. Suggested hotel options are: Holiday Inn Express Biddeford (6.2 miles); Ramada Inn, Saco (6.2 miles); Hampton Kennebunk (13.1 miles) You may want to check other hotels in the area.

Friday Evening 6-10 p.m.

Fellowship, drinks and a meal at Batson River Brewery & Distillery.
Located at the Lincoln Hotel, 17 Lincoln Street, Biddeford, ME. 04005

Saturday AM Seminars

- 8:30-9:30 Necrology Service in memory of our deceased Lions since October 2023
- 9:30-10:30 Membership Growth - Make your Mark - Lion Daniel Marney-Elkins
- 10:30-10:45 Break
- 10:45-11:45 Membership 1.5 - Panel Discussion - Facilitated by PDG John Babb - Listen to our GMT Leaders discuss their successes in utilizing creative Methods to increase district membership. PDG Michelle Crocker, PDG Deb Grassi, PDG Christine Greenwood & PDG Michele Wyatt

Luncheon

Luncheon Speaker: Lion Daniel Marney-Elkins, Past International Board Appointee 2023-2024
LCIF - Our Global Foundation

Business Meeting and Governors' Reports

Immediately following lunch

SATURDAY LUNCHEON

Saturday Noon Luncheon: Choice of assorted pre-made sandwiches and gluten-free vegetarian wraps, garden salad, whole fruit, chips, cookies and lemonade.

Lunch at \$35.00 per person X _____ Total = _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

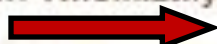
District/MD ___/___ Dist/MD Position: _____ Club Position: _____

Contact Info: Phone _____ Email _____

Make check payable to: NELC

Mail check/form to: PDG Kathy Dorman, Treasurer, P.O. Box 91, New Haven, VT 05472

Email: vtlionkathy@gmail.com



Event Registration Deadline: October 4, 2024



Questions or Special Dietary needs to: PDG Norm Hart, 207-431-0235 normhart13@yahoo.com



Fundraising with



WE THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!!

Pumpkin Pecan Bread



Enjoy this delicious twist on classic pumpkin bread, courtesy of our **Fancy Pecan Pieces** and a handful of mini chocolate chips.



Ingredients

- 1 ½ cups Sugar
- 2 Eggs
- ½ tbsp Baking powder
- 1 tbsp Baking soda
- ½ tsp Salt
- 1 tbsp Pumpkin pie spice
- ½ cup Oil
- 1 cup Pumpkin puree
- 2 cups Flour
- ½ cup Terri Lynn Fancy Pecan Pieces (chopped)
- ½ cup Mini Chocolate Chips

Directions

- Mix together first 8 ingredients.
- Slowly mix in flour.
- Hand-stir in nuts and chocolate chips.
- Pour into greased loaf pan.
- Bake at 325 degrees for 55 minutes.



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)





Hudson Lions Club Fundraiser
To Benefit The Hudson Food Pantry
Sat. October 5, 2024



The White Birch Function Hall, 222 Central St., Hudson NH
Doors open at 6:30PM—10:00PM
\$35.00 PP Entertainment, Dancing, Raffles, Cash Bar
Additional Questions: Barbara 603-305-5193



AYLA BROWN AND ROB BELLAMY

With sweet harmonies and a catchy concoction of melodies, Massachusetts natives and country duo, [Ayla Brown](#) & [Rob Bellamy](#), first began writing songs together after meeting over a 1000 miles away in Nashville. They eventually began recording demos, uploading videos on Facebook and YouTube of their songs, and booking shows together along the East coast. In 2019, they released their first EP, *Make it Mean Something*.

Ayla Brown was a contestant on American Idol season 5 where she placed in the **top 16**. A woman of many talents, she is also a former NCAA basketball player and a graduate of Boston College with a degree in communications.

Rob Bellamy, in addition to Country Music fame, was drafted by the Hockey team, the Flyers, in the 3rd Round of the 2004 NHL Entry Draft. He made his professional debut on 4/2/08 vs. Norfolk after signing an ATO with the Phantoms.



FOR TICKETS

<https://hudsonlionsclub.ludus.com>



DINE TO DONATE! FUNDRAISING NIGHT



Support
**LOUDON LIONS
CLUB**

**Thur., October 10
3 - 10PM**

10%

DONATION NIGHT

Support Loudon Lions Club by presenting this flyer to the Concord, NH location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to Loudon Lions Club!

Present this flyer to your server, bartender, or To-Go member and the Loudon Lions Club will receive 10% of your total food purchase in a donation! Barcode must be scanned to earn credit

(603) 704-5254
317 LOUDON ROAD
CONCORD, NH



DTLFFGN

PSYCHIC & Craft Fair

SAT October 26, 2024
10am-4pm

Located at the Hudson
Community Center
12 Lions Ave, Hudson



Event Sponsored
by Hudson Lions Club

For Info Contact:

Sholeh 603-557-2490 or Jeri 603-320-3614
email: Sholeh.sexton4@gmail.com

What's in Your Future?
What do you wish for?

Benefit of
Hudson
Lions
Charities

Join in the Fun!
Check out our many vendors selling their wares!

www.nhlions.org/hudson



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

 **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

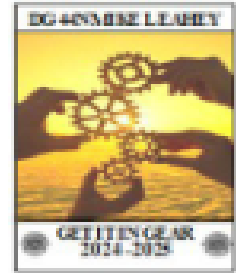
 **Location:** Jutras Post, 56 Boutwell St, Manchester

 **How to Donate:** Cash or check collection at meeting



DISTRICT 44N CABINET MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

Jutras Post
56 Boutwell St, Manchester NH 03102



ALL LIONS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ~ RED JACKETS ~

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

*Breakfast Buffet: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Link Sausage,
Fruit Bowl, Juice and Coffee*
Cost per person \$24.00

Please Make Check Payable to:
LIONS DISTRICT 44N
Or Pay Online at

<https://app.autobooks.co/pay/lions-district-44n-of-nh>

**Send Registration and Payment by
OCTOBER 21, 2024 to:**

**CT Gregg Kleiner
PO Box 94
Keene, NH 03431
Email: gckleiner1@gmail.com Cell: 617-735-7543**

Name: _____ Club: _____

Name: _____ Club: _____

TOTAL REMITTED: \$ _____ *THANK YOU!*

Please note any special dietary requirements: _____



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



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.



Dear Lion,

Our service is extraordinary, so let’s promote it with extraordinary marketing. Every Lion is a club promoter, so you should proudly share with others the life-changing service you and your club are doing.

There are many great resources on the Lion website to help you tailor social media, engage the press and market your service projects in your community.

Let’s all make a commitment to grow our great association through encouraging others to join our service by sharing impactful photos, videos and stories and wearing Lion-branded gear whenever and wherever you serve.

As your 2024-2025 international president, I’m deeply grateful for your generosity.

Donations to LCIF fund grants and programs that expand Lions’ and Leos’ humanitarian service worldwide, bringing possibilities to life for millions in need.

I’m proud to introduce the Presidential LCIF Supporter program, featuring my message, Make Your Mark, to honor those who significantly impact our mission. Don’t miss your chance to be part of this special recognition program.

*At your service,
Fabrício Oliveira, International President*

Donate now ▶



L-R: Marilyn Richardson, DG Mike Leahey, Lion LeeAnn and ID Steve Middlemiss



Keynote Speaker Lion Randy Pierce, CEO of Future in Sight, Concord Lions, with Guide Dog Swirl



L-R; 2nd IVP Mark Lyon, 1st IVP AP Singh, IP Fabrício Oliveira, PIP Patti Hill, ID Steve, Lion LeeAnn Middlemiss



International Director
Steve Middlemiss



We as Lions are continuing with our efforts of Making our Mark by growing our membership and adding new clubs. I was able to attend along with the District and Multiple District leadership from many states one of the two Mission 1.5 Summits. There were some amazing and encouraging presentations on this topic which the Leaders were then able to utilize as they met in groups to review and adjust their goals regarding membership. Many Districts were able to consider an increase in the number of clubs they would work to develop and an increase in their overall membership goals. Each of us as a member of our clubs and Districts should take it upon ourselves to contribute to this effort in every way we can. To continue to serve our communities and the growing needs within those communities we need to continue to grow to maintain our Legacy of Service.

LeeAnn and I started our second year of traveling in September by going to the USA/Canada Forum in Louisville. What a great turnout with nearly 2,000 Lions in attendance. Of course, there were once again some great inspirational speakers (Hudson Lions one and only Lion Randy Pierce being one) and some fabulous seminars. Our trips continued with visits to District 24 C Virginia and District 5 SW South Dakota. What amazing Lions in these areas, creating new and interesting ways of serving their community.

In Virginia we were able to visit the Virginia Eyeglass Recycling Center with Director Lion Kay Patrick. This location is where the Lions of NH sends their used eyeglasses. What an amazing location run by such a dedicated Lion. There is nearly nothing that they throw away. If a pair of glasses do not meet their requirements, they send them on their way to a scrap company and receive funds to help run the Center. They recycled close to 250,000 glasses last year with just over 52,000 being delivered overseas. About 25% to 35% of the glasses received are considered reusable.

Director Kay commented that the Lions of NH send them nearly 50% of the glasses they receive and that

the Hampton Lions do a fantastic job of sorting and packaging what they send. She couldn't say enough great things about those Lions. LeeAnn and I were both so proud to be able to say we were NH Lions.

We continue to look forward to serving the Lions of the World as we all work toward “Making Our Mark”.

Yours in Lionism,
ID Steve & Lion LeeAnn



Lion LeeAnn and Lion Kay



Prescription reading station



They love the boxes Hampton uses



Eyeglass sorting station



If you missed the MD44 Training in April
[Online Training opportunities are available](#)

Lions Learning Center (LLC)

Club Officer Training:
 Online training options are available for club president, secretary, treasurer and more.

**Lions University is offered by the USA/Canada
 Lions Leadership Forum**

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/.../res.../club-officers-training>

If you have any questions feel free to reach out to me.

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

Operation KidSight 2024- 2025 - for District 44N

4 clubs reporting -10 screening events as of 9/16)

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/
tc Reynoldsjr@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 tc Reynoldsjr@comcast.net

	# Screenings	Total # Screened
Zone 1	2	148
Manchester	1	25
Hooksett	1	123
Zone 4	8	297
Chesterfield	2	190
Keene	6	107
Grand Total	10	445



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT

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



Octoberfest at Fidelco

Join Fidelco this fall for Octoberfest! Please attend the Fall Festival & Open House on Fidelco’s Bloomfield campus from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm on Saturday, October 5, 2024.

This fun-filled day features something for everyone: guide dog demos, blindfold walks, puppy playtime, food, kids’ corner, tours, a car show, Puppy Olympics, and more!

Guide dogs, Fidelco puppies and pets will be abundant on the grounds.

Linda Piekarski, Chair, the DogSight Project
lpiekarski@ne.rr.com



Raised for Fidelco in 2024-2025: \$3000

Here are numbers on glasses shipped to Roanoke..



Since Jack Helie (Exeter) and Ted Davis (Hampton Area} started the expanded program for collecting, inspection, and shipping, the Hampton Area Lions have shipped the following to Roanoke:::

411,981 pairs of regular glasses
74,035 pairs of sunglasses
486,016 Total

In Lions Year 2023-2024 the number of glasses shipped to Roanoke:

27,650 pairs of regular glasses
5,093 pairs of sunglasses
32,743 Total

Club Excellence Award

The Lions Clubs International Club Excellence Award is a prestigious recognition given to clubs that demonstrate outstanding achievement in service, membership growth, leadership, and organizational excellence. This award is designed to honor clubs that have made a significant impact on their communities while adhering to the core values of Lions Clubs International.

To qualify for the Club Excellence Award, a Lions club must meet specific criteria throughout the fiscal year. These criteria include:

- Service:** Clubs must conduct impactful service projects that address community needs, aligning with Lions' global causes such as vision, hunger relief, the environment, diabetes, and childhood cancer. Clubs must also start a new service project.
- Membership Growth:** The club should show a net increase in membership of 2 or 10% or sponsor a new Lions club, thereby fostering growth and

ensuring the future of Lionism

3. Leadership Development: Clubs must promote leadership opportunities by encouraging members to attend training and take on leadership roles within the organization.

4. Club Operations: A well-managed club demonstrates excellence in communication, financial responsibility, and member engagement, ensuring meetings are productive and enjoyable.

5. Lions International Clubs Foundation Donations: Clubs must donate a minimum of \$10 per member.

6. Marketing: The club must promote their service activities through local and/or social media.

New this year, is the **5 Star Excellence Award!** The club must achieve the Club Excellence Award along with a membership increase of 20% (minimum of 5 members per small club), minimum donations of \$20 per member or \$1000 (whichever is least) and annual submitted service and membership reports.

Working towards the Club Excellence Award is a great way to implement the Global Approach. Your club members are your Team and the Vision is the award. Build your Plan around the criteria and you should have Success!

You can find all the information and the application on the Club Excellence Award at:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center/grants-and-awards/association-awards/club-excellence-awards>

PDG Toni Olden
GMA Champion 44N





Lions Youth Services

Grant Applications

To apply for a grant, please fill out the application that can be found in this issue of the newsletter. Please mail the application to Lions Youth Services, PO Box 156 , Atkinson, NH 03811. (*Emails will not be accepted, mail in only please*). 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 Apple time, it's Pumpkin time! Check out all that Terri Lynn has to offer! A recipe for Pumpkin Bread using Terri Lynn's Fancy Pecan Pieces is in this issue.

Upcoming Fundraisers

Sponsoring Studio Two A Beatles Tribute Band in Concert to support Austin 17 House on Friday, October 25, 2024 in Brentwood, NH. Looking for Raffle Baskets to be donated for this event. See flyer in this issue for details.

Peace Poster Contest

2024 - 2025 "Peace Without Limits"

By now, you should be in contact with your school or group that will be involved with this year's Peace Poster Contest. Here is a breakdown of the deadlines:

Posters to be judged by the Lions club/committee by/ before **November 15**.

Peace Poster Chair to email photo of the winning poster to rwynnemilford@comcast.net by **5pm on November 15**.

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.

Once a first place winning poster is photographed and submitted—please take a photo of each entry up to 10 photos and email them to me as well. Please be sure to indicate the artist's name, age, and school.

All 1st place winning entry's photos collected by **November 15th** will be emailed to each of the District Governor's, 44H DG Peter LaPointe. and 44N DG Mike Leahey. They will choose a winner from their district. I will then contact the winning clubs to announce those that were chosen and ask that they have the actual poster be sent to the District Governors so that they can be signed off and forwarded to MCC Kamal Masand. MCC Masand will then choose 1st place and 2nd place winners and he will sign off and forward the 1st place winner only to Lions International.

The additional photos will be framed and they will be displayed at the Mid-Winter Convention in January. The 1st place and 2nd place winners will be framed and displayed at the convention along with a monetary award presented to them.

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, please let me know at rwynnemilford@comcast.net

Next Scheduled Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 10, 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!



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES

PO Box 156
Atkinson, NH 03811

~ GRANT APPLICATION ~

Amount requested

All completed applications MUST be sent to the above PO Box

Date requested

Requesting Club: _____

Club President: _____

Club Mailing Address: _____

Club Phone: _____

Club Email: _____

Briefly describe the project and how it will benefit the Youth in New Hampshire: *(continue on back if needed)*

of Youth Benefitting: _____

Project Budget: _____

Requested Amount: _____

Project Start Date: _____

Project End Date _____

Requesting Club

President's Signature _____

Grant Request Guidelines:

All Grant Applications meeting the following guidelines will be reviewed at the next Lions Youth Services Meeting. Our meetings are held at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Airport Diner in Manchester. We encourage all clubs to join us to present their request.

- 1) All requests submitted by the President of a Lions Club in the State of New Hampshire Districts 44N and/or 44H
- 2) The Maximum Grant is \$500. LYS will consider up to 2 requests per NH Lions Club per Lions year (July-June)
- 3) Each application must be for a unique project. Applications for the same project within the same Lions Year will not be considered.
- 4) Each application should benefit more than one individual. Applications benefitting one person will not be considered.
- 5) Grant Applications **MUST** be mailed to LYS, PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811 by the last day of the month **prior** to the start of the project , otherwise the request may not be considered.

It is the intent of Lions Youth Services Grant Program to partner with the Lions Clubs of New Hampshire to serve the Youth of our state; not to replace your club's support.



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

World Diabetes Day

World Diabetes Day is observed annually on November 14th to raise global awareness about diabetes, its prevention, and its impact on millions of people worldwide. Established in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation and the World Health Organization, it marks the birthday of Sir Frederick Banting, who co-discovered insulin in 1922 -- a breakthrough in diabetes treatment.

Diabetes is a chronic condition that affects how the body processes blood sugar (glucose). There are two main types: Type 1 diabetes, an autoimmune condition, and Type 2 diabetes, which is often linked to lifestyle factors. Both can lead to severe complications, including heart disease, kidney failure, and vision loss if not managed properly.

The theme for World Diabetes Day often focuses on critical aspects of diabetes care. Recent campaigns have emphasized topics like access to diabetes care, ensuring that those affected can receive essential treatment, and promoting healthy lifestyles to prevent Type 2 diabetes.

Some activities that Lions can do during World Diabetes Day include:

- Community Screenings: organize free diabetes screenings in communities, providing early detection and risk assessment to help prevent the disease or manage it effectively.
- Educational Campaigns: host seminars, workshops, and awareness campaigns to educate the public on diabetes risk factors, the importance of a healthy lifestyle, and how to manage the disease.
- Fundraising for Diabetes Research and Care: raise funds for diabetes research, support local clinics, and provide essential resources like insulin and blood sugar testing kits to underserved communities.
- Partnership with Health Organizations: collaborate with hospitals, health agencies, and governments to ensure better access to diabetes care and support.

Lions Clubs International Foundation offers districts a matching diabetes grant ranging from \$10,000 up to \$150,000. The Foundation also offers district grants

for our other global causes. How can we take advantage of these grants? By following the example of Zone Chair Sarah Keniston and forming committees for our global causes, creating mission statements and establishing plans and initiatives. Once that is done, those committees can approach District leadership to apply for grants that would allow them to impact more people and create projects on a larger scale. District 44N has always responded to the call to fund LCIF. Now let us take the opportunity to have LCIF answer our call!

For more information on LCIF Grants: <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lcif-grants-toolkit?>

*PDG Toni Olden
44N LCIF Chairperson*



HUNGER

On Friday, September 27, the New Hampshire Food Bank held a grand opening at its new warehouse location in Berlin. The new warehouse includes refrigerator and freezer space and can store up to 20,000 pounds of food. Local pantries are looking forward to offering fresh produce that will be stored in the warehouse’s refrigerators.

Food pantries in the North Country get most of their products from the New Hampshire Food Bank, and until now that food came in only once a month from the warehouse in Manchester. With the new warehouse, northern pantries will be able to pick up food weekly in Berlin.

Coos County has the highest food insecurity rates in the state, and the New Hampshire Food Bank hopes to address the need in the region with the new warehouse. [Source: New Hampshire Public Radio]

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

SVDG Nancy Charbono-Ricard, Hunger Chair



LET THE GREEN TEAM HELP YOUR CLUB EARN A “CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD”

Our special guest at the September **GREEN TEAM** meeting, 44N Global Service Director (GSL) Heather Hunter, reminded us that all Lions should be sure to report every hour spent working for the club.

Reportable hours that we often overlook include travel time, preparing for and attending meetings, fundraising, service activities, and the hours of non-Lion helpers. We just do not give ourselves the credit we deserve for everything we do for others.

Heather also learned that the **Green Team** is available to help clubs throughout NH start and run environmental Service Projects.

Speaking of Environmental Service Projects; we have a **BIG** opportunity to get some new service project service hours coming up on November 9, 2024, at **Green Team’s “LIONS DAY”** at the Merrimack Valley WindowDressers Build. It will be located at the Canterbury Town Hall, 1 Old Tilton Rd, Canterbury, NH 03224 with 8 am and 1 pm shifts. ALL Lions are invited to attend either one of those shifts. To sign up for a volunteer slot visit www.windowdressers.org— For more information, contact Sarah Keniston at skenistonlicsw@gmail.com

This event will count as a new service project needed to achieve a Club Excellence Award and will give participants first-hand experience with the WindowDressers Community Build Program. Each storm window insert a Lion helps build will keep about 180 pounds of carbon out of the environment a year for up to ten years (1800 lbs!).

If you are unable to attend the Merrimack Valley Build and would like to participate in another build, WindowDressers volunteers are needed at Monadnock, Mt. Washington Valley, Kearsarge, and Exeter Community Builds.

Help meet our Districts’ goals of launching a new service project and earn a **NH Green Team Patch** by reporting your service to your club secretary and the NHLionsGreenTeam@gmail.com

AMHERST LIONS

The Amherst Lions has been busy. PDG Charlie Vars and IPP Shirley Flowers presented a Granite State Fellow to John Cochran, owner of Amherst Garden Center for his generosity with our club related to the Bridge of Flowers and other events as well as within the community.



(L-R) Lions Reed, Don H, Bruce R, Ron & Anne H, Kirk R and Jimmy D

As our guest speaker, the Honorable Judge Ellen Vars Christo, was appointed July 1st, 2024, by the NH Supreme Court as the Administrative Judge of Circuit Courts. She outlined the court systems, areas of jurisdiction, and history of the Circuit Courts. She shared how she became a circuit Judge and what it entails to be one. This is a position of service to the State of NH that is approved by the Governor.



(L-R) Lions Lynda L, Steve B, Dick S, Pat B, Jack B, John S, Art L, David A



(L-R) Lions Rolinda Vars, PDG Charlie Vars, Honorable Administrative Judge Ellen V Christo of the New Hampshire Circuit Court, our guest speaker and KL Patty Healy-Osborne.



(L-R) Lions Deb B, Kerry Z, Penny R, Nancy H, Pat H, Rolinda V, Karen Tuthill

Amherst Lions (continued)

Lion Linda Ribolini and PDG Bruce Ribolini went to the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville, KY. Two new shirts! Ask them about it when you see them

The Bridge of Flowers got some TLC by three high school seniors who need volunteer hours. They along with Lions Reed and Shirley Flowers, weeded and added mulch that was provided by the town. The mulch will help the perennial plants in the ground stay moist and looks really good.



Lions Stacey and Bill Howard helping serve



Lion Tracey Tocher did a fantastic job designing the Fall look for the Bridge of Flowers. Lions Anne Hebert and IPP Shirley Flowers and Tracey worked 1/1/2 hours to get the right look. The pumpkins, mums and cornstalks donated by Lowes and Sunny Valley Farms.



Amherst Lions *(continued)*

The club held their 13th Annual Car, Truck & Tractor Show on Saturday, 9/21 at the Walmart in Amherst despite the weather. It was not supposed to keep raining, however nature chose otherwise. We gave out trophies to the winners and ended a little early. We also honored PDG Don Potter’s memory at the show.



Lion Dick Stout and his wife handed out raffle prizes



King Lion Patty Healy-Osborne presented a check to the SHS Robotics Team acknowledging excellence among this group of potential scientists, engineers and mathematicians.

We enjoyed a fun night with a 70’s theme, fun, music, food and dress up. We played Jeopardy and Bingo guessing the tunes to win.

*King Lion
Patty Healy-Osborne
took the pic*



~ submitted by Shirley Flowers

Antrim-Bennington Lions

Fundraising and community service are central pillars of the Antrim-Bennington Lions Club. In September members served pizza lunch at the Antrim Village housing complex, met with students at the “Lunch with Lions” program at Antrim Elementary School, and participated in the annual Home and Harvest Festival in Antrim. Continue with the collection of eyeglasses and hearing aids. The monthly outreach luncheon at Antrim Village housing was a success. Residents enjoyed pizza, salad, and soda in the community room. These monthly activities have created friendships amongst the residents and Lions club members.

The Antrim Home and Harvest Festival gave our club the opportunity to build community spirit! Over half of our members worked behind the scenes to organize many events over 2 days. Children and parents queued up for free popcorn served by the Lions at the Friday night Nerf and Turf event. Cornhole competitors focused on winning the cash prizes in the Lions Club tournament. The Lions Club float roared through Main Street during the festival parade on Saturday. Over 200 barbecue meals were served prior to the fireworks that night. Our members really stepped up! It was so much fun to be a part of this community-building event.

The “Lunch with Lions” program at Antrim Elementary School restarted after a summer hiatus. Building community relationships with our young citizens has many benefits. Children recognize the Lion members out in the community and value their friendships! One young student waited at a display booth at the Home and Harvest Festival until the Lion member recognized him. He wanted to converse with the Lion volunteer in the same way that he had chatted with the volunteer during the “Lunch with Lions” program! Our club received many handwritten thank you notes at the end of the program last June. We are so glad that the principal invited us back!

Volunteers will bring the KidSight Eye Screening Program to over 500 children in the ConVal school district in October. Volunteers are trained and will rotate through the schools according to the time schedule requested by each school. The chairman of the program also contacted homeschoolers and the

local preschool to schedule eye screenings! This is another great way that we serve the youth in our community!
~ submitted by Linda Morehouse



Bedford Lions

In mid-August, Bedford Lion Matui Adossi was given the opportunity to participate in Amazon's "Together We Give" program. The campaign aims to support up to 60,000 students across the United States and Canada as they return to school. Matui was allowed to select a school in his Amazon service territory [Somersworth NH and York ME], to receive 60 new backpacks and other school supplies.

Matui asked Bedford Lion Sophie Cutler for help with this mission. They decided to try to stay within NH, so they contacted Peter Houde, President of the Somersworth Lions. Peter was able to connect Matui with Idlehurst Elementary School's Principal, who was grateful for the donations. This is a great example of Lions partnering across the state to bring much-needed support to young students.

Pictured here are Bedford Lion Matui on the far left, Somersworth Lion Peter on the far right, and Idlehurst School staff along with other Amazon employees in the center, with the donations that were delivered on September 5.



When Marie Hall had a desperate need for volunteers at the Hampton Seafood Festival Sunday, September 8, Bedford Lions Gina Spleen & Claire Sills answered the call!

Lion Gina, pictured here with Salem Lion Michelle, served by volunteering at the Admission table. Lion Claire helped with wrist band sales. Thank you both for stepping up to help!



Bedford Lions Mary and Danielle Evansic hosted another successful food drive to benefit the Bedford Community Food Pantry, a program of the Bedford Lions. The generous Bedford community donated 125 pounds of food and other essential items, plus much needed monetary donations, during our drive on September 14. The Lions delivered the donations to the Food Pantry, where those facing food insecurity will receive the much appreciated support. Photo caption: Bedford Lion Mary Evansic with carts filled with donations.



On September 13, the Bedford Lions participated in an ice cream social, volunteering alongside members of the Goffstown Lions to bring smiles to many of the residents at the Veteran's Home in Tilton. Photo caption: Bedford Lion Greg Munson, between Goffstown Lions John and Ken.



~ submitted by Sophie Cutler

Chesterfield Lions

We were able to screen 16 preschoolers and 180 elementary school children on Friday the 13. It was a lot of fun especially when I went to pick up each class the children were would say, “Are you going to give us our shot?” You see, not only was it eye screening day, it was also flu shot day for the schools. It was great to say, “No, we are the fun ones, all you have to do is look at the camera and listen to the birds sing!”

We are also sponsoring 10 children for an 8-week experience at Coopers’ Cross Roads. An experience for those who have experienced some trauma in their lives to go to the farm, work with the animals and learn that they are worthy of love and compassion. Last year, our first set of children we sponsored gained so much from the experience that we knew we needed to offer it to another set of children!

Our club is already preparing for our Breakfast with Santa and Super Bowl Sunday Pancake Breakfast.

~ submitted by FVDG Pam Prentiss



FVDG Pam Prentiss, Lions Linda Thomas, Kimberly Lauffer, Doreen Monahan, Cheryl Patty, Mallory Horn, Mike Harvey

HILLSBORO LIONS

Completed two vision screenings thus far this month. The first screening was held on September 24 at Hillsboro-Deering Middle School and the second screening was held at Hillsboro-Deering High School on September 25. Additional screenings are scheduled for the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School on September 26 and Washington Elementary School on October 1.

King Lion Kathy Audette and Lion Leigh Bosse are busy planning our annual Senior Thanksgiving Dinner event which is scheduled for November 16. As part of the club’s continued efforts to combat hunger in the community, Lion Alan Ager completed his monthly trip to the New Hampshire Food Bank in Manchester, NH to pick up and deliver food to the local Hillsboro Food Pantry.

This month, our club made the following donations: \$25 to the Hampton Area Lions Club to assist with the cost of shipping used eyeglasses to a Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (LERC), \$200 to “End 68 Hours of Hunger” as part of our \$1200/year commitment to the program, \$250 to Harbor Care, and \$100 to the Skip Curtis Fund for Alzheimer’s Research.

We collected 79 pairs of eyeglasses, 13 pairs of sunglasses, and one hearing aid. Additionally, we collected 1.5 pounds of aluminum pull tabs for donation to the Shriner’s Hospital for Children.

~ submitted by Roger Racette



Henniker Lions

As we bid farewell to summer, we say "Hello and Welcome" to Fall and to our newest members who have joined the Henniker Lions. This month we were privileged to have as our guest of honor, PDG Al Goldstein, who presided over the induction of our seven newest members. It was wonderful watching the ceremony and learning about our PDG's long history with the Lions along with the many roles and positive experiences he has had in both leadership and service.



Speaking of service, our club could not carry out the numerous community events, projects and service activities if it were not for the commitment in volunteerism of our members. This month we recognize fellow Lion Marti Capuco for our "Henniker Lion of the Month" award. We thank her for the many hours dedicated to both old and new projects and the unwavering commitment towards the continued success of our club.

We are excited to once again participate in the upcoming and very popular Henniker Handmade and Homegrown which will be held on 9/28 and 9/29. We will be hosting a booth and providing vision screening for the community during the event.

Be sure to stop by and say "hello" if you are in the area. We are also looking forward to our second year hosting the Thanksgiving Holiday Dinner for the Henniker residents of Rush Square and don't forget the upcoming Window Dressers event scheduled for 11/7-11/13.

There is still time to sign up to help out with this important community service/environmental project.

Please contact Henniker President, Sarah Keniston, with questions or to help out.

Lastly, we will be holding a sustainable holiday crafts fair event for the community and our annual fall roadside clean up. Dates to be determined so stay tuned. ROAR!

~ submitted by Cathy Dow



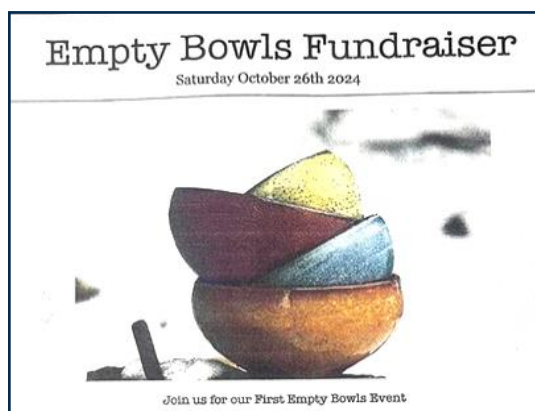
MONADNOCK LIONS

Voted in two new members at our September 18 meeting. Will be inducted during our upcoming October meeting.

Fidelco Octoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 5th.

Will be holding our first Empty Bowls Fundraiser on Saturday, October 26, 2024 at the Marlborough Community House. Meal from 4pm to 6pm with a raffle to follow. This is to raise much needed funds for the Marlborough NH Food Bank.

~ submitted by Larry Robinson



MERRIMACK LIONS

We have hit the ground running with projects this 2024-25 year. We have just completed a Senior dinner for 62 senior citizens of our town. All had a great time, for both the served and the servers. Below are the Lions who worked the event. Leftover food was donated to the town Fire Department.



Our first meeting of the year featured Hillsborough County Sheriff Officer Mike Merrifield, the department’s Community Outreach Officer, gave a great talk on the history and current role of the County Sheriff’s Department.



Stay tuned for reports of our service projects in the works for October!

~ submitted by Rosemary Gagne

ENFIELD-MASCOMA LIONESSE

The club held its first business meeting of 2024-25 on September 26 with twelve members attending. In recognition of Hunger Action Month, members brought food items to the meeting to be donated to the Friends of Mascoma food pantry.

Members will be preparing a meal this month for families staying at David’s House in Lebanon.

A monetary donation was made to the Upper Valley Haven, a nonprofit that provides temporary shelter and educational programming for homeless families and adults as well as food to anyone in need.

The membership voted to participate in a new service project – Halloween “Trunk or Treat” – on October 26 in Enfield. Over 600 kids attended last year’s event, so the organizing committee is preparing to purchase a **LOT** of candy!

Four Lioness and three Lions participated in the club’s Adopt-a-Highway roadside cleanup activities for fall which took place on September 29.

On September 5, eight members met for a sewing bee and completed twelve post-mastectomy pillows for surgical patients at Dartmouth Hitchcock hospital. Many hands made light work of sewing, ironing, and stuffing to complete the pillows. This will be an ongoing service project for the Lioness year.

~ submitted by Mary Magnell and Nancy Charbono-Ricard

MILFORD LIONS

It’s apple picking time and the Milford Lions met at McLeod Orchards to pick apples for Milford’s SHARE Food Bank. Rumor has it that there may be apple desserts to be served at their monthly Spaghetti Supper at SHARE on 9/24 as well. The Lions really had a lot of fun on a beautiful day and we thank the McLeod family for their donation.

Pictured below left to right; PID Ed Farrington, Lions Rick Mossey, Peter Petrigno, Trent Blalock, Rhonda Wynne, Beth SanMartino and sitting front and center is Elaine Farrington.



Milford Lions Help Church Go Green

The First Congregational Church of Milford approached the Milford Lions in March concerning a solar array project. The proposal was to install a 107-panel array on the roof of the church that would create 45KwH of energy and meet 100% of the electrical needs of the Church and Parish House.

The estimated project costs were \$130,000. Much of the costs would be funded via donations and cost savings over the next six years.

The donation is not only helping the environment but it is also helping support over a dozen non-profit organizations like Meals-On-Wheels, Alcoholics Anonymous, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Lifeline Screening, Souhegan Valley Chorus, Summer Youth Camps and others. The solar panel array was installed on August 30, 2024.



Lions support Hunger Action Month



It is that time of year again when Milford is transformed into a Fall family fun destination. Celebrating 35 years, the Pumpkin Festival is being held October 11th thru October 13th; Rain or Shine. Let’s hope for a delightful weather forecast. This is one of our major fundraisers of the year! Many Lion members, family and friends who volunteer to help throughout the weekend make it a fun service for all.

All proceeds support Milford Lions charitable giving and scholarship programs in the community.



PETERBOROUGH LIONS

District Governor Mike Leahey attended our annual Picnic at MacDowell Dam. He spoke to the club about his vision for the upcoming year and installed this year’s officers. Chevrons were presented to Sue Blanchette and Diana Griffin for 25 years as Lions. Not present to receive their chevrons were Peter Leishman for 15 years and George Sterling for 40 years. Gary Fischer was presented an award for bringing two new Lions into our club. Perfect attendance awards were presented to Deidre McGrath-Fischer (10 years), Linda Guyette (12 years), Arlene MacArthur (13 years), and Roland Patten (37 years). Membership Chair Roland Patten presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship plaque to Linda Guyette.

Plastic continues to be collected and delivered to Trex. Another shipment of gently used shoes was sent to Soles4Souls. Christmas trees have been ordered for our annual Christmas Tree Sale.

Our second meeting of the month was devoted to our new screener. Lion Roland Patten demonstrated its use and discussed resuming our Vision Screening Program. ~ submitted by Arlene MacArthur



Melvin Jones Fellow Linda Guyette and Membership Chair Roland Patten



President Sandy Williams is installed by DG Mike Leahey



Lions Roland Patten and Michael Reimer with our new Vision Screener

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LIONS YOUTH SERVICES

2nd Thursday of the month—6:30 pm

SIGHT & HEARING Foundation

Third Thursday of the month –6:30 pm

**LIONS MD44 HEALTH
SERVICES of NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Fourth Tuesday of the month– 6:30 pm

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

LTSSA TWIN STATE SOCCER
Last Wednesday of the month 6:30pm
Meeting place TBD