



The Lion's Pride

December
2021

Our District 20 E2 Motto:

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs.

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From the District Governor's Desk

Greetings Lions and Leos,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends. It doesn't seem like we are nearing the end of another year. November was a very busy month for all of us. I am happy to report that we had a very successful Fall Conference, and I would like to commend all our presenters for doing a fantastic job. I also want to thank everyone that attended. We had a great time visiting the Eye Clinic in Ithaca and Camp Badger with ID Dianne and Dr. Joe Pitts as well as our social time in the hospitality room. A special thanks goes to Lion Lynn and Bill Williams for overseeing the hospitality room and IPDG Deb Bush and 1VDG Walt Murphy for keeping everything on track for me so I could complete my tasks for the conference. It wouldn't have gone as smooth without everyone's help. Great job Lions.

Jo Ann and I have visited 20 of our clubs and have enjoyed every visit. They are showing great enthusiasm and concern for their community's needs and are real examples of IP Doug Alexander's theme of "Service from the heart".

2022 will start a new year that will include two cabinet meetings. (Date and locations TBA). It is such a great opportunity to get together with our Lions friends so please consider attending. Bring along a favorite joke to tell as we all need a good laugh. Also, begin making plans to attend the State Convention May 20-22 in Niagara Falls and the International Convention in Montreal, Quebec, Canada June 24-28, 2022. Just a "heads up", my testimonial will be held June 5th at the American Legion, Campbell, NY. (More information will follow)

Quote of the month: "Somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the year through, the joy that you give to others, is the joy that comes back to you." John Greenleaf Whittier

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Hanukkah

Sincerely in Lionism,
DG Kathy Spear

President's Message

WE ARE FAMILY

Dear Lions,



As anyone who is close to me knows, there is nothing more important to me than family. Family first. That's my motto. When someone tells me they can't make an event because they have a family obligation, I tell them, "Yes, of course! Go be with your family." Quality time with our loved ones gives us the strength we need to go out and give of ourselves. We cannot fill another's bucket if our own is empty.

However, Lions are a kind of family as well – a really big family with all kinds of aunties and uncles and lifetimes of stories to share. I'm proud to be a part of this Lion family. And I want for Lions what I want for my daughters and grandchildren – to be sure that everyone stays healthy, now and for years to come.

And yet health is one of those things that isn't straightforward. There are many aspects of wellness that create health. In our roles as Lions, we work to foster all aspects of health: mind, body, spirit.

We foster healthy minds through supporting local schools and providing children with the tools and social-emotional skills they need to learn and thrive. We promote healthy bodies by educating our communities about the importance of eating well and exercising. And we grow healthy spirits by joining together in service. Because serving is one thing that can truly feed the soul. By helping others, we help ourselves.

As we enter the season of family and togetherness, remember that you always have a home in Lions. When you are with Lions, you are with family.

Yours in service,

Douglas X. Alexander

Douglas X. Alexander
President, Lions Clubs International

**Lions International
Calendar of Events**

24-28 juin 2022

Convention internationale,
Montréal (**June 24-28, 2022**
*International Convention,
Montréal*)

September 15-17, 2022

USA/Canada Forum
Calgary, Alberta





We're excited for you to join us in beautiful Montréal at LCICon 2022! Lions and Leos can reunite with each other and experience the plenary sessions, service activities, entertainment and much more.

- Enjoy music and live entertainment acts featuring top performers from all over the world.
- Celebrate cultural diversity by marching in the Parade of Nations with fellow Lions and Leos.
- Learn and grow your skills in expert-lead seminars.
- Hear from world-renowned speakers.
- Meet and chat with Lion Clubs International staff about how to enhance your service, create new opportunities, access key resources and more.
- Participate in the exciting conclusion of Campaign 100, our Foundation's historic effort to ensure our future of service.
- If you're a delegate for your Lions club, and your club is in good standing, you'll be able to cast a vote in the International Election.

Check back later for more information on what's going on at LCICon 2022 Montréal!

LCICon 2022 Webpage: <https://lccon.lionsclubs.org/>

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For information on becoming a future Trustee of the NYS&BLF (PDG not required), please contact any of the above.

MD-20 Lions Calendar of Events

May 2022

MD-20 Convention, Niagara Falls, NY

May 2023

MD-20 Convention, Buffalo, NY

Finger Lakes Region Lions Hearing Foundation



Check out the Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/flrlhf/>

MD 20 Council of Governors 2021 - 2022



MD 20 Lions at Oak Brook

Several Lions from MD-20 - The Lions of NY State and Bermuda - were personally in attendance at the Lions Clubs International Virtual Convention in Oak Brook IL. to celebrate the election of IP Doug Alexander. An excursion to LCI HQ was in order. Here are two pictures of the Globe MD-20 gifted to LCI HQ way back in 1973.





MD20 Lions New York State, USA and Bermuda

**MD-20 NYS & BERMUDA LIONS
2022 STATE CONVENTION
NIAGARA FALLS, NY
May 20-22, 2022**

HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER INFORMATION

The 98th Annual MD20 Lions of New York State and Bermuda State Convention

will take place at the Conference & Event Center Niagara Falls,

conveniently located in downtown Niagara Falls, NY.

This year's headquarters hotel is the Sheraton Niagara Falls with additional availability.

at the nearby Hyatt Place Niagara Falls.

To register only or register and make hotel reservations please use this link:

www.niagarafallsusa.com/md20lions/

All registrations and room reservations must be made online by using the link above.

If you experience any issues with the link or with the registration/room reservation process,
contact Destination Niagara USA at 716-282-8992.

For room/hotel specific questions or issues please contact the hotel you are booking with.

**Past District Governor
Lorri E. Rieger
For International Director**



**Ready to Serve with
Passion and Experience**



**Register for the MD20 Convention
Vote May 22, 2022**



Super Hero Raffle

Be A Super Hero For Children In Need

Drawing will be held Super Bowl Sunday, February 13, 2022

Grand Prize - \$5,000



2nd Prize: \$ 2,000
3rd Prize: \$ 1,000
4th & 5th Prizes: \$ 500
6th thru 9th Prizes: \$ 250

**Special
6 Tickets
For \$100**

\$20 Per Ticket

-- Purchase Tickets Online --

Tickets purchased online will be entered in an ADDITIONAL special drawing for a chance to win a large flat screen TV.

To Purchase Tickets Scan here 
Or log on to brandelmurphyfoundation.org



Or...make your check payable and send, with ticket stubs to:
Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation
P.O. Box 913
Rockville Centre, NY 11571

For Tickets & Information Contact: John Wargo
Email: jwargo@yahoo.com

**All proceeds benefit children in need through
the Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation**

For further information visit us at www.brandelmurphyfoundation.org
We are a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions are deductible to the extent allowed by law.

MD20 Delinquent Dues Policy *(from the MD20 Policy Manual)*

This applies only to clubs in excess of \$1000 beyond 120 days past due or owing any amount for more than 90 days after a second billing cycle has passed. This basically means haven't paid in 450 days.

MD20 Delinquent Dues Policy

Any club in arrears to Multiple District 20 for dues in excess of \$1,000 beyond 120 days, or in arrears to Multiple District 20 for dues in any amount for more than 90 days after a second consecutive billing cycle has passed without full payment having been made, shall be subject to the following administrative actions:

1) Once the above default date is triggered, the Council Secretary-Treasurer shall send a letter to the delinquent club's president, secretary, treasurer and any PDGs therein informing these club leaders that the arrears situation must be addressed immediately. The letter must advise the leaders of the delinquent club that the failure to address the situation will result in the club being recommended for placement on status quo with the possible loss of the club charter (see Appendix A). A copy of this letter shall be sent to the district governor in whose district the delinquent club is located.

2) If the delinquent club's leaders fail to respond to the above referenced letter within 30 days thereof, by way of immediate payment or the execution of a payment plan to address the arrears, then the district governor in whose district the delinquent club is located, or his/her representative, shall make immediate contact with the club leaders to accomplish the following:

- a) a review of the club roster to determine the accuracy of each member's status and contact information, and the accuracy of the club officer information listed on the PU101;
- b) a review of the billing procedures utilized by the club for the collection of member dues;
- c) a review of club accounts to confirm the appropriate segregation of charitable and administrative funds;
- d) the creation of a plan to address the arrears owed to MD20 from administrative funds, which may include a per capita tax on members for any past dues uncollected and the appropriate billing and collection of same.

3) The district governor in whose district the delinquent club is located must submit proof that the steps outlined in paragraph 2 above were accomplished within sixty (60) days of the letter referred to in paragraph 1. Such proof must be in writing and acknowledged by the signature of the district governor, the first vice district governor, the zone chair assigned to the club in question, as well as the club president and the club secretary. Said proof may be in the form of the review and recovery report provided in Appendix B. This sixty (60) day deadline may be extended by the Council Chair for good cause shown.

4) If a delinquent club fails to cooperate with the district governor, or his/her representative, in reviewing the club's membership information, billing procedures, and finances as required in paragraph 2 above, and/or fails to enter into a payment plan to satisfy its arrears within sixty (60) days of receipt of the letter referred to in paragraph 1, then the district governor must request that LCI place the delinquent club on status quo in accordance with the policy set forth in Chapter V of the LCI Board Policy Manual. Said status quo request may be in the form provided in Appendix C. This sixty (60) day deadline may be extended by the Council Chair for good cause shown. A district governor may rely on the collection attempts made by his/her predecessor in order to satisfy the preconditions for a status quo request.

5) If the district governor in whose district a delinquent club is located fails to submit the proof required by paragraph 3 above prior to the close of the council meeting next occurring after the 60-day deadline (or any extension of same granted by the Council Chair), or fails to request that a delinquent club be placed on status quo in accordance with the policy set forth in Chapter V of the LCI Board Policy Manual after appropriate efforts were made to address the club's delinquency, then the Council Chair may direct the Council Secretary Treasurer to:

- a) withhold district dues disbursements to that district until such time as the requirements are met, except that under no circumstances may such payments be held beyond June 1 of the Lionistic year in question.
- b) withhold any MD20 reimbursement to the district governor for expenses related to travel to and from the International Convention.

6) The Council Secretary-Treasurer and the MD20 Office are directed to provide the delinquent club and the district governor in whose district the delinquent club is located all necessary documentation and assistance to verify the history of the arrears, including proof of billing, payments and collection attempts. The Council Secretary-Treasurer and the MD20 Office shall work with the delinquent club and the district governor at every stage of this process to agree on appropriate terms for the collection of arrears.

7) The Council Secretary-Treasurer shall report to the Council at every council meeting the status of all attempts to collect delinquent dues within the various districts, and the Council shall act on any appropriate requests consistent with these policies and procedures.

Lions International Trading Pin Club YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

As of 2018, the Lions International Trading Pin Club is now awarding three Youth Scholarships of \$2,500.00 each to a graduating senior who is the child or grandchild of a Lion, Lioness Lion, Lioness, or a member of a Leo Club. The most important aspect of the Youth Scholarship Program is to help a young person pursue their education and follow their dreams. The LITPC takes great pride in fulfilling the motto of Lions Club International, "WE SERVE." During the SightFirst II Campaign, the pin traders contributed \$144,000.00 to LCIF. Our Scholarship Program is another example of the pin traders' slogan, "Lions First".

Selection of the scholarship recipient is based on academic achievement, an essay stating the student's goals, a statement of reason(s) for applying, and an overview of work, community and school service, and letters of recommendation. Applications and supporting documentation are to be completed and submitted to the pin trading club scholarship chairman named below by March 1, 2022.

All graduating seniors who are the children/grandchildren of Lions members or who are members themselves of Leo Clubs are encouraged to participate in the LITPC Youth Scholarship program.

Important: Since New York usually has several applicants, all scholarship applicants from New York must submit their completed applications to PCC Jim Schiebel, Youth Scholarship Chairman, and not Lion Lana McCaulley as stated on the Youth Scholarship application. We can only forward two applicants.

To obtain LITPC Youth Scholarship Information:

1. Go on the LITPC website: LITPC.org
2. Click on LITPC Scholarship Information
3. Click on Scholarship Application Form
4. Send completed application with all required information by March 1, 2022 to:
PCC Jim Schiebel, 748 Wiler Road, Hilton, N.Y. 14468
jschiebel@rochester.rr.com 585-964-3619

Application must have:

- a) Completed current 2021-2022 Application with all five essay questions answered. Each essay response should not be more than 350 words in length.
- b) Three Recommendations. One of the three must be from a Lion member.
- c) A certified, signed, and stamped high school transcript with all grades.
- d) A list of extra-curricular activities.

District 20 E2 Calendar of Events:

TBA ----- 3rd and 4th 20E2 Cabinet Meetings, location TBD

November 4-6, 2022----- District 20E2 2022 Fall Conference, Geneva NY

Training Events

TBA ----- Guiding Lion Training
Schuyler County Human Services Complex
Montour Falls, New York

Bloomfield update

Change - Bloomfield Treasurer

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Sad News

Long time Lions Bob and Iyla Wendt of the Waterloo Lions passed away this month. Lion Bob passed away on November 19th and Iyla passed away three days later, on the 22nd. Bob was a member of the Waterloo Lions Club for 47 years, active in his club and in the District. They will be missed.

Alert Van at the 20E2 Fall Conference



Message from GST Team District Coordinator Brenda Nudd



Hello fellow Lions,

My name is Brenda Nudd and I am your new Global Service Team leader. I am a member of the Geneva Lions Club along with my husband ZC George and our daughter, Lion Allie.

DG Kathy reached out to me regarding some clubs lacking a club service chair. On her behalf I am encouraging each club that is lacking this position to canvas their members and see if another Lion will step and fill this vital club position.

YIL,

Lion Brenda Nudd

GST Leader

Geneva LC

Vice President

Message from PDG Dave Noteboom



My fellow Lions,

Our District 20 E2 just completed our 2021 Fall Conference Nov. 5-7. While it is still fresh on your mind, please take the time to respond to your opinion of this fall conference.

With this information, at the next meeting of the PDG`s, they will discuss change , or improvement for future conferences.

Please share some of your thoughts - Hospitality Room, Saturday Sessions, Saturday evening meal and entertainment.

Please take the time out of your busy schedule to respond. Thank you.

Happy Thanksgiving to all of you. Be safe and Healthy.

PDG David Noteboom

Message from IPDG Deb Bush



Thank you to all the Clubs and Lion members who donated to the basket raffle at Fall Conference. We had a wonderful selection of baskets and was able to raise \$405.00 for district. I hope those who won the baskets enjoy their prize. Thanks IPDG Deb Bush



“Tis the Season of Giving”

As we celebrate with our families, let us not forget those who sometimes must leave our communities for services.

Please consider a donation(s) to any or all of the following vision charities:



- 1) Checks made out to” “BLIND STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND”
NYS School for the Blind (Batavia, NY)
- 2) VISIONS Vacation Camp for the Blind (Spring Valley, NY)
- 3) Southern Tier Assoc. for the Visually Impaired and the Low Vision (STAVI)
- 4) Lion’s Club Vision Clinic (for district 20E2)

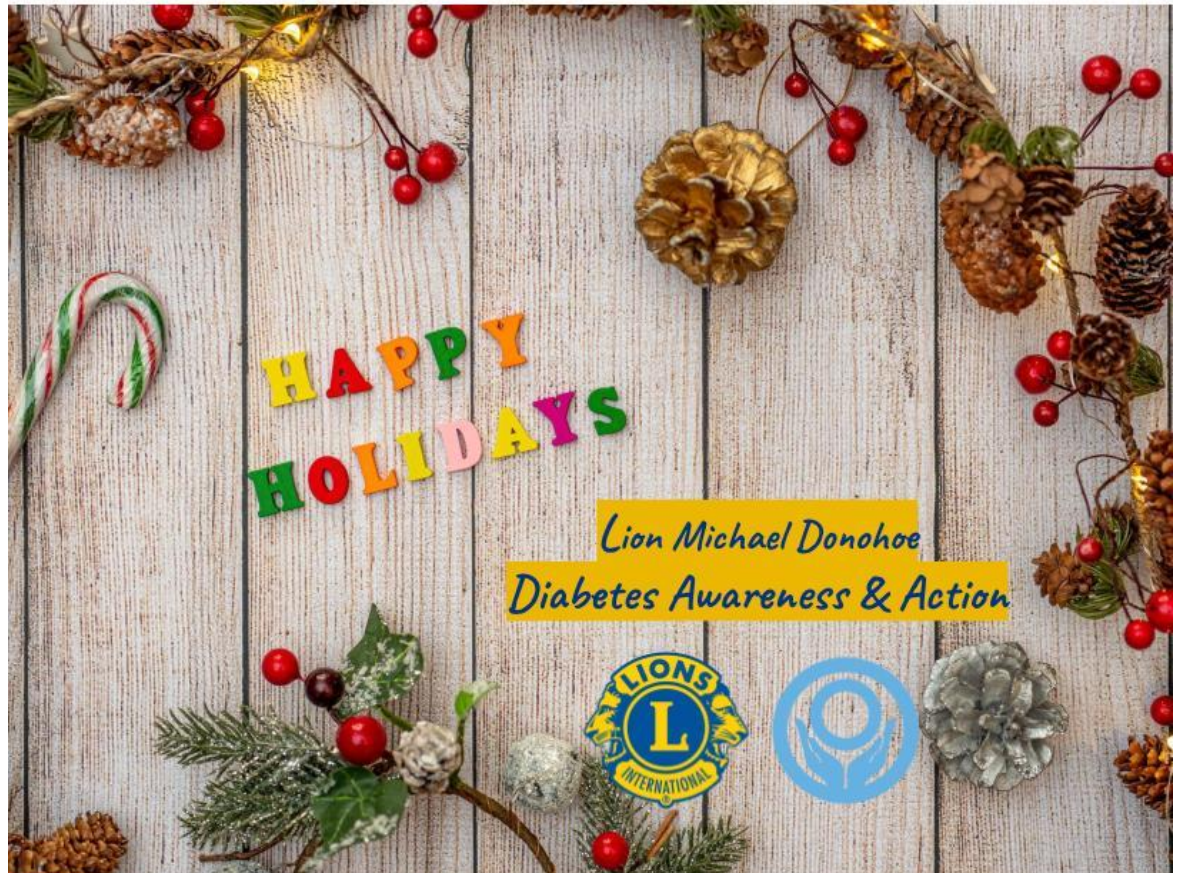
Make checks out to ITHACA LION’S CLUB (in memo -mark LCVC)

Forward checks to Dawn Young (Vision Charities Chairperson)

4391 South St. Ext. Trumansburg, NY 14886

Have a fun, safe Holiday Season with your families and friends.

Diabetes Awareness



Suggestion from PDG Dave Noteboom

Greetings Fellow Lions,

Looking to do a major Project - Where is all the money coming from?

Apply for a matching grant from NYS&BF, up to \$5000, What a great idea!

PROBLEM - Where do the NYS&BF get their money?

SOLUTION - Buy a NYS&BF raffle Ticket, better yet, buy 3 tickets and present an Uplinger award to a special Lion or Community member or organization that has stepped up in the time of crisis in time of need. Let's do the next step in our District 20E2. Our Lions clubs within our District purchase 100 NYS&BF raffle tickets and our District receives \$ 1000 Dollars. Your help is needed.

Thanks.

PDG David Noteboom



Notes from Lion Steve

When a club has a new member, if they could let me know, I would appreciate it. I will then put a "Welcome to Lions District 20E2" section in this monthly newsletter.



For some time now I have been emailing out this newsletter, and the newsletter reminder, from both my gmail and iCloud email accounts. I have been doing this because of troubles I had sending gMails both on my end and the possibility that some Lions were not receiving them. It has been quite some time now since there have been any problems, so I was thinking of discontinuing sending the iCloud version so Lions would not be receiving 2 emails for the same thing. **If you ARE receiving my iCloud email but NOT receiving my gmail email each month, please let me know.**

There will be a vote at the MD20 Convention next May to decide who will be the endorsed candidate by MD20 for the position of International Director. All of the candidates have been offered the opportunity to place paid advertisements in this newsletter, in the issues from now through to next May. Any advertisements appearing in this newsletter are from those candidates who have submitted an advertisement to us. If there are multiple advertisements in a given issue they will appear in alphabetic order.

COVID Restart – Member Retention

By Russ Ebbets, 2VDG, Union Springs Lions Club



Most Lions Clubs have come to understand that attracting a new member is only half the battle. Keeping members involves making them interested and *involved* in club activities. My 5-part presentation, along with Penn Yan Lion Judy Jones, on Member Retention at the 2021 Fall Conference in Geneva explored the issue and is detailed below.

Key points I made were to recognize new members, value them in some manner by giving them responsibility and involvement and strive for a positive personal interaction at each meeting via active mentoring.

As a former coach I noted organizations and teams have more similarities than differences. The two big common denominators are people and goals. You need the people to have an organization/team and you need the goals for the organization/team to get things done.

But one of the issues that arises is that of experience. If a Lions Club or any organization/team is forever stuck in the “new” mode the attention to (and achievement of) long-term goals will be virtually impossible. Therefore, it becomes imperative that we embrace the new Lions and take steps to diligently foster and promote within the new Lion a “service mentality” as they mature into long-term members.

If “success leaves clues” who better to discuss practical points than 20E2’s Penn Yan Lions Club? President Judy Jones shared some of her club’s practices to attract and maintain 20E2’s largest club. Lion Judy encouraged “a people friendly personal touch” with new members. She also encouraged multiple social opportunities throughout the year. To support her point Lion Judy discussed some of the fun and interesting projects her club does. Finally, she noted that the Penn Yan Lions endeavor to **never lose a Lion** due to financial difficulty. If Lions truly take care of the world, that action starts with taking care of our own.

The challenge then becomes how to transition new members effectively and efficiently. To that end the program shifted to a workshop focusing on four areas that all clubs could develop and implement, in part or in whole, to streamline the process of member retention and increase its effectiveness. Suggestions for the four areas (Welcome Package, Orientation On-ramp, First-Year Goals and Newsletter Recognition) came from program attendees and are detailed as follows.

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Welcome Package	Orientation On-ramp	1st Year Goals	Newsletter Recognition
<p>List of club projects</p> <p>Create a club brochure</p> <p>Give history of Lions clubs</p> <p>Describe Lions’ Ethics and areas of focus</p> <p>Present new members with a hat or shirt, pins or pens</p> <p>Explain where dues go</p> <p>Give a list of club members</p> <p>Recognize on club website</p> <p>Create a questionnaire about new member’s interests and skills</p> <p>Outline of club committees and chairpersons</p> <p>Include “elevator talk” outline as to “What is the Lions Club”</p> <p>Create list of acronyms – Lions terminology</p> <p>Put all this on a thumb drive</p>	<p>Have a local focus</p> <p>Create a scrapbook of past activities</p> <p>Be social to new members</p> <p>Older members set a good example</p> <p>Create a mentor program</p> <p>What happens to the money?</p> <p>Transparency and explain where dues go</p>	<p>Work closely with your sponsor</p> <p>Keep new member actively involved via communication</p> <p>Find out what project new member is interested in</p> <p>Find out what new member’s “gift” is</p> <p>Set up a club survey with a list of projects</p>	<p>Feature new member in newsletter</p> <p>List new members in District newsletter</p> <p>Have an article in the local newspaper</p> <p>Other points – education, hobbies, education, occupation, family, work, etc.</p>

Improvement necessitates change. To repeat the practices that got us here will simply continue to produce the results at our current level – be they good or bad. The suggestions noted above are simple to implement and can be done for a nominal or “no” cost. All that is necessary is some goal-oriented behavior, determination and persistence to make it happen.

Certainly, this is not impossible, probably it is not easy but given the Lions’ track record of positive change all this becomes highly probable. Lions have a remarkable history, if not a legacy of getting things done. And that is a distinctive trait, a genetic marker deep in the DNA of Lions worldwide that is not going to change.

From PCC Bill about LED Flare Fund Raising Opportunity



Lions,

Some of you were able to view this new fund raising opportunity at the Fall Conference. You may have talked with Mr. Greg Talomie who is spearheading this effort to help our environment by reducing the use of chemical flares. Now is the time for you to check with your club and see if you are interested and if so, how much product you will commit to. You can see the pricing on the attached spreadsheet. My thought is to first see how many our district will commit to and then assemble a bulk order to include all of the clubs that are interested. I will work with your club and Mr. Talomie on this project. If you have any immediate questions please be sure to call or email me. We are looking to gather all the info by December 15th.

Hope to hear from many of you soon.

Sincerely,

PCC Lion Bill Williams

PCC Bill's article from the recent District Newsletter (repeated below) contains more information about this potential project:

A Note from PCC Bill Williams ...

I am introducing a new fund-raising opportunity for all Lions Clubs in District 20E2. I talked about this at our Cabinet Meeting in April. Since that time, the first cycle of introducing an alternative to chemical flares has been completed. Mr. Talomie is proposing that going forward he would like to work exclusively with the Lions in placing the LED flares for sale in our local communities.

I know the first question that will pop up is how much this will cost our club to get involved. As with any fund- raising project your club does, there is always a cost associated with it. Clubs that have been involved in the Lions Mint project or Broom Sales would have experience in this. We will need to coordinate this and put all clubs together in placing an order for the LED Flares. Mr. Talomie believes he can provide product to us that will allow \$1.25 - \$1.95 per flare profit. In order to activate this project, we will need to figure out the number of flares and be able to put down a 1/3 deposit at the time of ordering and full payment when delivered to the club.

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**From PCC Bill about LED Flare Fund Raising Opportunity
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The following open letter from Mr. Talomie gives a little background and history.

With goals of sustainability and safety, I started a local movement to gain significant traction to bring a cherished Finger Lakes tradition into the 21st century. Over the last year, I have been on a campaign to educate local communities about the environmental and safety concerns related to the "Ring of Fire" tradition. The concern stems from the hazards associated with incendiary flares; the solution: re-usable LED lights.

Celebratory traditions associated with the Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day are peppered throughout the country and especially prevalent in the Finger Lakes. These and other seasonal activities allow residents to socialize against the backdrop of idyllic landscapes while enjoying a shared experience. While each Finger Lake has its own traditions, it is Canandaigua's Ring of Fire celebration that caught my attention: "here we are in a land so special and precious that it was called 'the Chosen Spot' and we are using potentially dangerous chemicals every Labor Day – there must be a better way."

Today, the ring of fire event serves to illuminate the shores of Canandaigua Lake and other Finger Lakes, but its origins are ancient. The ring of fire event was originally a sacred tradition of the Seneca Nation, one of the largest nations in the Iroquois Confederacy, or Haudenosaunee. Both then and now, this shoreline lighting display is nothing short of awe-inspiring. However, increasing concerns about the safety of the light source that became commonplace in the 20th century, incendiary flares, has led many to call for the third generation of source light and it looks like light-emitting diode (LED) flares offer this solution.

The size and duration of the use of traditional flares suggests a minimal impact to water quality, but when used in large numbers during Ring of Fire celebrations, at rates greater than common use scenarios, residual ash has a high possibility of contaminating nearby soil and water. The Finger Lakes are sensitive drinking water sources and essential economic drivers that are currently threatened by pollutants that drive the increasing frequency of harmful algal blooms (HABs), among other water quality concerns. Both economic and environmental advocates contest that it is in the best interest of the region for events like the Ring of Fire to transition from chemical flares to LED flares to protect the region and the local water supply.

Partnering with several not-for-profit organizations like watersheds on Honeoye, Silver, Skaneateles, Keuka, Owasco, Indian and Seneca lakes, Chautauqua, along with Sodus Bay and Little Sodus Bay and the Boy Scouts to commit to replacing incendiary flares with their LED counterparts. Through our efforts the campaign was initiated this year and 20,000 chemical flares were replaced by LED flares.

I'm hopeful that over the next few years LED flares will totally replace chemical flares and reduce any harmful impact on the Finger Lakes' delicate natural resources so that many future generations may enjoy the area as much as I do.

My goal for 2022 is to work with the Lions Clubs in the Finger Lakes region to sell & distribute LED flares in coordination with the watershed associations, Boy Scouts and other not for profit groups willing to support this program.

Regards

Greg Talomie

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WHY SERVICE REPORTING MATTERS

Brenda Nudd
GST Leader



CAPTIVATE AND CONNECT: From a single pair of eyeglasses to a brand new hospital for a large city, reporting shines a light on how-and where-local clubs are making a difference across the world. Relevant service data ensures people in need know exactly where to go for help.

INCREASE GLOBAL AWARENESS: Service data helps people understand the needs of communities around the world. Global minded Lions identify opportunities and lead their local communities into actions.

PAVE THE WAY TO PARTNERSHIPS: Service reports provide tangible evidence to prospective partnerships of Lion's International's global engagement and impact. These relationships strengthen the organization and yield benefits at the local level.

UNCOVER THE BIG IDEA: Because service activities are scalable, one small service project can become the next signature initiative of the organization: but only if it is reported and promoted by Lions!

ENHANCE OUR SUPPORT: -Service data-along with peer-to sharing and feedback from Lions-enables Lions International to identify best practices that can be shared globally.

BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE: Measurement leads to insight which in turn sharpens our focus, setting higher and more reachable goals. Each year both unifies and mobilizes the organization toward growth.

INCREASE OUR MEMBERSHIP: People want to participate in real, visible change. Service reporting allows Lions to continually engage their communities, tell their stories more effectively and ultimately grow their member base.

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District 20 E2

Current LCI Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

52,797

People Served

231

Service Activities Completed

6,965

Volunteer Hours

\$7,965

Funds Donated(USD)

\$69,681

Funds Raised(USD)

Club	People Served	Number of Activities	Total Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated USD	Funds Raised USD
APALACHIN	6,000	2	265	\$0	\$0
BIG FLATS	782	6	587	\$1,055	\$3,388
BLOOMFIELD	3,464	7	187	\$0	\$0
CAMPBELL	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
CANANDAIGUA	354	4	17	\$0	\$0
CLYDE	93	2	7	\$0	\$0
COHOCTON	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
CORNING	2,102	48	1,694	\$1,500	\$14,153
GENEVA	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
HECTOR AREA	3,000	4	24	\$0	\$14,700
HORSEHEADS	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
ITHACA	1,610	8	589	\$1,000	\$461
LANSING	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
MANCHESTER-SHORTSVILLE	1,357	9	161	\$200	\$1,150
NEWFIELD	0	1	0	\$400	\$0
NORTH ROSE	3,764	8	508	\$310	\$7,867
OVID WILLARD	4,030	23	238	\$930	\$3,930
OWEGO	39	10	30	\$198	\$900
PALMYRA-MACEDON PAL-MAC	7,683	20	341	\$602	\$0
PENN YAN	1,000	5	34	\$150	\$610
PHELPS	135	20	224	\$900	\$0
RUSHVILLE	2,575	2	485	\$0	\$12,800
SODUS	150	5	130	\$0	\$0
SODUS PRIDE LIONESS	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
SPENCER & CANDOR	2,310	18	348	\$0	\$0
TIOGA-NICHOLS	563	9	216	\$0	\$441
TRUMANSBURG	9,700	7	147	\$0	\$0
TWIN CITIES	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
UNION SPRINGS	1,882	3	729	\$0	\$9,281
VICTOR	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
WATERLOO	200	6	0	\$720	\$0
WATKINS GLEN-MONTOUR FALLS	4	4	4	\$0	\$0
WAVERLY	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
WEEDSPORT	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
WOLCOTT	0	0	0	\$0	\$0
District 20E2 Total	52,797	231	6,965	\$7,965	\$69,681

Hi Lions,



We are now ½ way through November and heading into the Holiday Season. While many of you have been adding your screening data to the system, many of you have yet to enter data. We currently have 22 multiple districts that have entered data showing a total of 164,226 children screened with an average referral rate of 16.77%. I am convinced there are many more screenings which have not yet been reported.

Remember, Project SEE CLEARLY 2021 is offering recognition and cash prizes to the top ten multiple districts and top ten districts along with recognition to the top ten clubs reporting on our system by the end of 2021. You must report if you want to be considered for this recognition. In addition our two corporate sponsors Hillrom/Welch Allyn, and Plusoptix have generously donated funds to enhance the awards to be \$500 each for the Top Ten Multiple Districts and \$350 each for the Top Ten Districts.

The system is easy to use. If you have any questions please contact me.

Thank you for all you are doing.

Ed

Dr. Edward V. Cordes, PID
Chair, Lions KidSight USA Foundation



**Details on Top Ten Awards/
Recognition on the next page**



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The TOP TEN Awards & Recognitions

The TOP TEN Multiple District Awards

► For multiple districts that report the most children nationwide screened by the new year.

Recognition shall include:

- Grand Prize of \$250 for each of the TOP TEN MDs, nationwide, based on screening numbers reported
- A special engraved walnut plaque or a special trophy
- Special, continuous recognition with highlight listings on the Lions KidSight USA national website
- A special, unique Banner Patch

The TOP TEN District Awards

► For all districts nationwide which report screening the most children by Dec. 31.

Recognition shall include:

- Grand Prize of \$100 for each of the TOP TEN Districts nationwide
- A special engraved walnut plaque; and special recognition on the Lions KidSight USA Foundation national website
- Special recognition with a highlight listing on the Lions KidSight USA national website
- A special unique Banner Patch

The TOP TEN National Club Awards

► These awards will recognize individual Lions Clubs in each and every state for reporting the most children screened between August 15 and Dec 31, 2021. The Top Ten clubs in each multiple district or single district shall be recognized, equalling 500+ Lions Clubs nationally.

Recognition shall include:

- An engraved certificate of appreciation
- A special club banner patch
- Multiple mentions and listings on the Lions KidSight USA Foundation website and social media channels



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It would be best if Clubs sent their donations right to LCIF.

The address is

**LCIF, Dept 4547,
Carol Stream, Illinois
60122-4547**

Message from Eric Rosenkrans

First of all, I would like to report on the Union Springs Lions Club. We just donated a new water fountain for our large pond in the village. This month Lion PCC Bill and Lion PDG Lynn Williams will be visiting our club for our annual Christmas party and they will be inducting 5 new members.

It's been a very busy fall, visiting other clubs in the Northern region with 2nd Vice District Governor Russ Ebbets. We both have enjoyed all the delicious meals and everyone's company. It's interesting to see what other clubs are doing to support their communities.

Update on Campaign 100 - we have raised approximately \$220 million dollars. We are still \$80 million dollars short of our \$300 million goal. We still have 7 months remaining. I want to thank everyone and all the clubs that have been so generous. It's very much appreciated.

Wishing everyone and your families a Happy and Healthy Holidays.

Lion Eric Rosenkrans - District Chair LCIF





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If you are facing a decision regarding the distribution of your IRA, please consider blessing our camp and special campers by directing your distribution to the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc. Your charitable gift will help us continue to provide quality summer programs to our special needs campers and while doing so, respite for their care-givers.

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725 LaRue Rd
Spencer, NY 14883
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2022 Lions Camp Badger Golf Classic:

Please mark your calendars for our 2022 LCB Golf Classic for Saturday, August 13th at the Wellsville Country Club.



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Apalachin Lions

Fellow Apalachin Lions & Friends – A nice article and photo of our Open House at the “Lion’s Den” by JoAnn Walters from the Owego Pennysaver (11/7/21).

Lion Bob J.

Apalachin Lions unveil new storage building

BY JOANN R. WALTER to an Open House at Muth Park in Apalachin. The gathering was held to announce the completion of their brand new storage building.

The Apalachin Lions welcomed guests on Nov. 4

Muth Park, a Town of Owego park, is located on Barton Road and is also home to the Apalachin Lions. Please see **LIONS** on page 12



The Apalachin Lions and their guests gathered on Nov. 4 at Muth Park in Apalachin to celebrate the completion of their brand new storage building. The new structure will help the Lions continue to serve as they have since 1956. Communities served include Apalachin, Campville, and Little Meadows, Pa. (JoAnn R. Walter Photo)

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AYAA. The Apalachin Lions association with the park also includes the building of the pavilion there in 1994.

The new storage building is a 20 x 24 pre-fabricated unit situated on a gravel pad. Apalachin Lions members remarked that the structure was built for “the benefit of the community that we serve.”

At the unveiling, the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, along with the Community Foundation of South Central New York and the Mildred Faulkner Truman Foundation, were thanked and recognized for their support in pro-

viding financial grants. Also recognized were the Town of Owego Board and staff for allowing the building to be constructed at Muth Park, and also for their support in the planning process.

Rick Allabaugh, Apalachin Lions president, shared that he is pleased with the result and that it benefits the community even more since, “It is centrally located within Apalachin.”

The previous storage option used for many years was a trailer acquired via the USPS.

The Apalachin Lions has performed a number of notable community services since 1956. One issue the group faces today is that their total membership of just over 50 members is “aging out.”

Encompassing the Apalachin and Campville, N.Y. and Little Meadows, Pa. areas, community services provided by the Lions include eye screenings, hearing exams, medical equipment, several youth programs and special events, drug awareness programs, holiday

baskets, civic improvement projects, and an association with Camp Badger located in Spencer, N.Y., just to name a few.

In the near future, members will be discussing other uses for the new building. One idea tossed around at the Open House was holding their annual broom sale there in conjunction with re-creating the “Baron’s Chowder Shack,” and something long-time residents will remember was a favorite at the Fireman’s Field Days.

Currently the Apalachin Lions are coordinating a Coat Drive through Nov. 21. Clean and useable winter coats can be donated at these drop-off locations; in Apalachin at St. Margaret Mary’s, the Apalachin United Methodist Church and the Apalachin Library, and in Owego at Johnson’s Pools and Spas.

To learn more about the Apalachin Lions, visit www.apalachinlions.com. You can also reach out to them via email to WeServe@ApalachinLions.org.

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Bloomfield Lions

Bloomfield Lions Club held our second Take-Out Spaghetti Dinner on November 17th at Veterans Park in East Bloomfield. Approximately 110 dinners were served and this was our last dinner for 2021. There was a good turnout of club members and additional help from Ontario County Family Promise to make this event a success. Looking ahead to 2022 our club has to evaluate our ability to hold these dinners during the winter months, more information to follow.

BLC Lion Rick Francis has kicked off Light up Bloomfield for a second year. This is a Home Christmas Lighting event where homes entered in the completion will be judged on December 24th for the 3 most popular. Lion Michael Donohoe has posted contest rules and dates on BLC Social Media Platforms listed.

Lion Mike Bartle has been busy preparing for the Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held on December 5th. Saturday morning members of BLC Lions and Rotary met to install new stars and lights on Christmas Trees at CNB and Pickle Park. Rochester Rigging & Erectors fabricated a star for both locations and Chris Andolino owner of Extreme Tree in Bloomfield provided his Lift and services for the installation. BLC thanks CNB, Dolco, Rochester Rigging, Lowes and Extreme Tree for their donations of time, materials and talent to make this annual event possible

BLOOMFIELD TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY and Hayride

JOIN US FOR:

- ★Lighting of the Tree at Main & Maple
- ★Hay ride from Canandaigua Bank to Pickle Park
- ★Lighting of the Tree at Pickle Park
- ★Cross over to Fire House for COCOA & Cookies
- ★Chat with Santa's Helpers
- ★Visit with SANTA - Visit with Family and Friends

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 5, 2021

4:30 PM

MAIN Street and MAPLE Ave
(Canandaigua National Bank Parking Lot)



Community Event sponsored by:
Bloomfield Lions Club
East Bloomfield Fire Dept
Bloomfield Rotary



Lion Mike Bartle has started working on BLC Eye Screening in our local schools. If all goes well we hope to schedule this valuable community service in January 2022.

Follow us on:

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Instagram at "Bloomfield Lions Club of NY"

Twitter @ bloomfieldlions

Big Flats Lions

The Big Flats Lions and guests enjoyed a trivia evening guessing the answers to questions regarding the history of Big Flats. Some members from the Historical Museum were on hand to help. We learned a lot about our history. Several historical booklets were won in our raffle drawing.

Pictured are Lions Tom Rhodes, who is part of our history, and organized this fun night, and Lion Jim Jacobus looking over the answers submitted by the teams.

For our participation in the zone project "Making Spirits Bright", the club adopted two veterans' families, and is doing their Christmas shopping for them from their "wish" list.

Another ramp was built for a handicapped family, making the total for this year, 6 ramps!

We wish all a very Merry Christmas.



Corning Lions

Corning Lions Club donates \$1,600 to Salvation Army to purchase Christmas Turkeys for needy families in our area.



Corning NY Lions Club is making today's delivery extra special! Last evening, Lions Club members donated and packaged fresh fruit for our homebound & frail seniors to enjoy over Thanksgiving week. Thanks to the Lions, our volunteers will be delivering the colorful gift bags containing three pieces of fresh fruit to each of today's ~140 meal recipients. Well done, Lions!



The Corning Lions Club has started a new fundraiser. We are selling gift bags of delicious nuts and candies. All proceeds go to support our charitable projects in assistance for the blind and visually impaired, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Kids Fun Day, building handi-capped ramps, etc. your order will be shipped directly to you. Click on the link to see our offerings. Thank you for your support.

[Fundraising for Corning NY Lions Club | Corning, New York \(terri Lynn.com\)](http://terri Lynn.com)

Thanks
Ed & Gail

Horseheads Lions

We had 13 Horseheads Lioness Club Members convert to Horseheads Lions on 9/29/2021, at our meeting place, The Casablanca in Horseheads, NY.

Lion Jake Brown and Lion Deb Bush, along with Lion Harold Bush, joined us to perform the initiation.

Prior to the conversion we had 4 new members join, so our club has become healthy and strong again!

We have merged our funds and gotten new accounts with our new club name on them.



Ithaca Lions

The Ithaca Lions Club hosted Executive Director Norb McClosky from the Ithaca Health Alliance. He was our dinner meeting speaker on November 9. The Ithaca Free Clinic, part of the Ithaca Health Alliance, hosts the Lions Free Vision Clinic opened in April 2019 by Lion Dr. Ted Bryant (optometrist), Lion Dawn Young (optician) and the Ithaca Lions Club with continued support from District 20E2 Lion donations. Norb said that the monthly Vision Clinic has been an important and well received patient service and was the first in person service to return to the clinic after COVID shut down. Lion Dawn reported at the Fall Conference that the clinic has done 133 eye exams and dispensed close to 200 pairs of glasses since opening in 2019. Norb thanked the Ithaca Lions Club and District 20E2 Lions for their support.



At the conclusion of the meeting Club Secretary PDG Rich Shaff presented Director Norb an RJ Uplinger Award for the Ithaca Free Clinic's dedication and service to our community. We voted to present the award in 2020 but were unable to present in person due to COVID restrictions.

Four Ithaca Lions attended the November District Fall Conference in Geneva, NY – Helen Dormady, PDG Peter Romani, President Linda and PDG Rich Shaff. ID Dr. Dianne and Fred Pitts inspired the collection of \$391 at the Saturday luncheon towards the Lions Free Vision Clinic. Thank you to everyone that contributed. Lion Helen Dormady received a much-deserved International Presidential Certificate presented by ID Dianne and DG Kathy Spear for her service, commitment, and enthusiasm over the years.

It's Red Kettle time again for the Salvation Army. The Ithaca Lions will be ringing bells on Saturday December 4 at the Tops store on Triphammer Rd. In addition, Club members Ted Bryant and Rich Shaff will be ringing for 24 hours December 17 and 18 from 8 AM to 8 PM at the Ithaca Walmart.

The Club will hold its annual Christmas party on Tuesday evening December 7 at Dr. Ted Bryant's office on Dryden Rd Ithaca. We will be enjoying a dish to pass dinner. Our members will also collecting new, unwrapped children's toys which will be donated to the Salvation Army's annual Christmas assistance program for local families.

Secretary Rich Shaff

Manchester Shortsville Lions And Twin Cities Lions

Joint meeting between Manchester Shortsville Lions and Twin Cities Lions to discuss projects we work on together.



Preparing holiday baskets supported by both clubs.



Ovid-Willard Lions

Ovid-Willard Lions Club provides hot chocolate, and smores at the Three Bears November 28th tree lighting event



North Rose Lions

On October 27 we had three guests visit the North Rose Lions at Skippers Landing Restaurant.

Rosa Fox, the Huron Town Historian, and the co-chair of the Wayne County 2023 Bicentennial. She spoke about the elephant story of 1907 which was quite humorous! Seems a circus elephant would not cross Bay Bridge that needed repair and had to be transported to North Rose to arrive in Wolcott for the show. Pictures of the Sodus Point Trestle Fire of Nov. 5th, 1971 were shown and discussed. Rosa mentioned there is a web site, roadway signs are being placed and Town Committees being formed for communications. A 2-year Bicentennial Calendar was available to purchase.



Lion Eric Rosenkrans and Lion Russ Ebbets spoke on LCIF activities and Junior Olympics program. Pictured left to right are Lion Russ Teeple, program chair, Rosa, Lion Eric, Lion Russ and North Rose Lion President Paul Wilson, who presented guests with club pins and delicious home grown Jonagold apples.



The North Rose Lions have donated to the Toys for Tots Program in Wayne County and the Angel Tree Program at the North Rose United Methodist Church, which helps families in need. The club is assisting a nearby young community member with repaired eyeglasses.

Lion Paul Wilson and Lion John Hewes attended the Fall Conference in Geneva on November 6th and enjoyed the workshops and programs very much, the speech by Lion Dr. Diane Pitts, International Director was inspiring indeed. Lion John won a crock of Chocolate Chip cookies as a door prize raffle and they were delicious! He shared them with club members at the next meeting, congratulations to the donor!

We have learned that our Treasurer Lion Randy Croniser has had a fall from a tree stand and needed surgery and is home now at 5915 Lasher Rd. Wolcott, NY 14590. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lion Randy for a successful recovery!

The Lions are making plans for a Christmas Dinner Party on December 15th at The Heights Restaurant in Sodus Point. The club also enjoyed visiting the Sodus Lions at their meeting on November 18th at the Steger Haus Restaurant.

The North Rose Lions would like to wish all our friends in District 20E-2 a very Safe and Happy Holiday Season! Lion John Hewes, Secretary

Owego Lions

Congrats to the Owego Lions!

Lion PDG Bob J

Owego Lions Club members 'Make a Difference'

The Owego Lions Club members chose the Riverview Manor Nursing Home for their "Make a Difference Day" project for 2021. Riverview's Activity Director, Debbie Savich, was thrilled with the Lion's choice to provide the residents with some items for daily activities at the home.

Over 100 items were donated by members and purchased by club funds. These items included beads, playing cards, large print crossword and word search books, adult coloring books, velvet coloring pictures, markers, and puzzles. Other donated games



Pictured, from left, are Don Jessup, Riverview resident; Lion Eve Kretsch, Owego Lions member; and Karen Burrell, Riverview resident. Provided photo.

included Checkers, Bingo, Wheel of Fortune, Uno,

Dominos, and other items. They donated hand lotion and socks, too.

The Owego Lions Club is happy to serve the older community. They have for several years provided Christmas gifts to individual residents at Riverview and continue to do so this year.

The Owego Lions are always looking for ways to serve others. If you are interested in helping people, the Owego Lions Club would welcome volunteering your time with this organization. You can email to donna.metcalfe64@gmail.com for more information.

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Pal Mac Lions

Pal-Mac Lions Club have been holding off on meetings during the month of November with the exception of November 2nd, 2021. Special guests for this meeting were DG Lion Kathy Spear and Lion JoAnn Twist, Zone Chair and traveling partner. DG Kathy spoke about the District Fall Conference in Geneva on Nov. 6-7th with a number of excellent seminars. Pal-Mac's PDG Rena Haigh, current Lion President Bonnie Hays, and Secretary Sandy McMenamain attended the conference. Pal-Mac Lions prepared a special basket for the raffle during the conference.

The Pal-Mac Lion trailer had been cleaned and put away by Lion Ray Marr until next year. The annual Bell ringing for the Salvation Army is being planned and will begin on Dec. 1st for 8 days in front of the Macedon Walmart Store. The Vision Screening camera was used at the Trick or Treat on Main street by Lion Don Dantz. The camera were taken to the conference for a once over and any necessary adjustments.

Pal-Mac Lions Irene Unterborn and Treasurer Tammy Heckman volunteered to make a small tree and wreath for the Wayne County Family Promise on line auction raising funds to help families on hard times with a location to stay, sleep, food, and regular, normal family life until getting back on their feet. This Family Promise's purpose is to see that the families are not separated and remain together.

After this meeting things seemed to change and Wednesday, November 2nd, the laundromat next to the Alling Coverlet Museum, the Lion's meeting space, had a dreadful fire. At 10 a.m. on that day, the Historic Palmyra folks working in the museum were alerted that they had to leave the building as the fire next door was in full flame. Wires were burned and sparked, electric was turned off, heavy smoke billowed, and the roof began to smoke on the side. Damage was caused under the roof of the museum, in the kitchen and on the second floor. The museum will be closed for at least 2 months. With the holidays coming up, there will be only one meeting during December which will be the Pal-Mac Lions Christmas Party. The regular budgeted donations will still be given out. At this Christmas Party the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will present the Lions' Club with a plaque for their many years of working at the Hill Cumorah Pageant by Pageant President Neil Pitts. Our Christmas Silent Auction will also take center stage to raise some funds for the our Admin. fund. We decided that our Christmas Party was too important for all of our members and will be held at Lion Kathryn Woodlock's home.

Bonnie Hays, President, Pal-Mac Lions



Pal-Mac Lion PDG Rena Haigh was surprised with a special International award

The Palmyra Lion Boy's Band from the late 1890's



Penn Yan Lions

Here is a picture of Conor Clancy, grandson of Lion Mike Christensen. At the Veterans' Day meeting Conor presented a program called Hometown Heroes Banner Program as his Eagle Scout project. This project will honor past and present members of the Armed Forces as they will be recognized with banners displayed in the Village of Penn Yan. The goal of the banner committee is to execute the first round of banners for display by Memorial Day 2022.



Here are a couple of pictures of the Penn Yan Lions installing a ramp in Penn Yan. Under the direction of Lion Don Willmott, a crew of dedicated members pre-fab and install ramps for people who would otherwise be confined to their home. This is Lionism at work, "neighbors helping neighbors".



The Penn Yan Lions also installed a ramp for another Lion member, Lion Jack Snow



Phelps Lions

Our Club President, Lion PCC Gary Boisseau, received recognition and a certificate during the Club Presidents Recognition at the District 20E2 Fall Conference



Lion ZC Jo Ann Twist made her visitation to our club on November 17th, accompanied by Lion DG Kathy Spear

Phelps Lions did vision screening for 11 children on November 22nd in the Early Childhood School located at the Phelps Community Center



Spencer-Candor Lions

The Spencer-Candor Lions handed out beverages, doughnut holes and candy to Trick-or-treaters and their family members on Halloween evening in the communities of Spencer and Candor. Our members truly enjoy this time of year and participating each year at the Halloween event.

Many members attended the Fall Conference and attended the different sessions and also interacting with many Lions within the District.

Lions sold brooms and handed out pamphlets at the INSPIRE Small Business Saturday.

Members are looking forward towards ringing the Salvation Army Bell next week for the Red Kettle Campaign and looking forward to our annual Christmas Dinner.



Watkins-Montour Lions

The Watkins-Montour Lions' November meeting was particularly poignant with a presentation by Kevin Waters and his seeing-eye dog, Saxton. The Club is researching the possibility of assisting a vision impaired community member who could benefit by having a seeing eye dog. The club invited Kevin to share the process of obtaining a seeing eye dog and the impact that the dogs have had in his life. Kevin lost his sight due to diabetes and has since had three dogs from Freedom Guide Dogs.



A greeting between Lion Katie LaMoreaux and seeing eye dog Saxton



Veterinarian Kirk Peters and Guests Kevin Waters and Seeing Eye Dog Saxton



Kevin Waters and Saxton presenting to the club

Kevin spoke so highly of the organization that has given him the best dogs that he could ever want. He received the professionally trained dogs at no cost and two weeks of further personal support and training right in his home and neighborhood. The organization has two schools and works with about 16 clients each year. Kevin's engaging story-telling ranged from the serious glucose monitoring and street savvy that his dogs have performed on a daily basis to tender and funny moments that indicated that the dogs had reached retirement age.



Lion Tammy Waite sponsors new member John Yuhasz as Vice President Rod Weeden reads the Lions' induction



Lions Meeting and dinner

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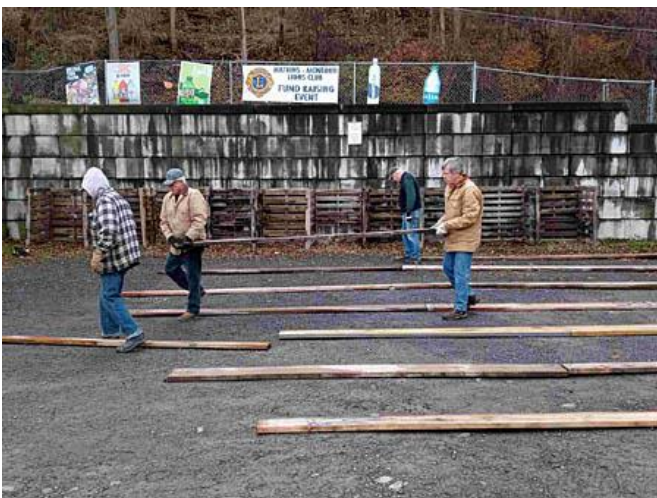
This month, the Club packed 125 Thanksgiving food bags at Schuyler Outreach, assisted the Office of Aging with the drive-thru Thanksgiving dinner and volunteered at the ARC 5K. The Club continues its Random Act of Kindness, a gift of \$100 to a person in need. Each month, a lucky Lion goes into the community and delivers the gift to the person of their choosing. Recent gifts included the purchase of glasses and a donation to a family who suffered a house fire.

The Watkins-Montour Lions ' Christmas Tree Sale is in full swing! Each year, Lion John Terry orders the trees and organizes the set up and sales schedule. Trees were unloaded and set up by club members with the help of the Watkins Glen Indoor Track Team and Coach Kelly Sterner. Ramping up the Christmas spirit, the

Club's December meeting will be devoted to packing up Christmas food bags to assist our local families via Schuyler Outreach. A club dinner will follow the work party!



Watkins Track members and Coach Sterner lend a hand!



International Director Lion Dr. Dianne Pitts visits District 20 E2



ID Dr. Dianne Pitts speech at Fall Conference Luncheon

Lion ID Dr. Pitts told us that in this time, the need (for community service from Lions) is greater than ever before.

To meet this challenge Lions should

Reboot

Reignite our membership

Reengage our communities

At the Luncheon, funds were raised for the Lions Club Vision Clinic in Ithaca



Awards:

Melvin Jones Fellow

Lion ZC Jo Ann Twist, Campbell Lions



International President's Certificate of Appreciation (Lions Year 2020-2021)

Lion PDG Rena Haigh, Pal-Mac Lions



International President's Certificate of Appreciation (Lions Year 2021 - 2022)

Lion Mary Daniels, Waverly Lions

Lion Helen Dormady, Ithaca Lions



Presidential Medal

Lion IPDG Deb Bush, Ovid-Willard Lions



New Member Recognition

Barbara Caufield - Canandaigua Lions

Nancy Lyon - Canandaigua Lions



Seminars and Workshops

Which is Better, 1 or 2? - Lion Dawn Young
Being a Change Leader – Leadership After COVID – PDG Dave Rupright
How to Twist a Lions Tail – “Larry, Leigh & maybe Moe”
COVID Restart – Keeping Members Interested – 2nd VDG Russ Ebbets
Lions and Diabetes Screening – Lion Michael Donohoe
Open Forum with Lion ID Dr. Dianne Pitts
Show Me the Money – Lion IPDG Deb Bush



Hospitality Room



Registration and Saturday Dinner

