

THE PRIDE

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A Message from District Governor Kamal Masand

We are kicking off the next century of Lions serving in New Hampshire in a strong way! We have so much to look forward to.

My March travels took me to Cabinet Meetings for our District and 44N. I also visited the clubs in Everest, Kingston, Dover Rollinsford-South Berwick, Salem, Derry Litchfield fundraiser, and the Hampstead Lions' Make A Wish fundraiser. Service projects being done are so impressive, what immense pride I see in clubs during the planning stages for so many wonderful projects. You are all truly making a difference in your communities. Please make sure your Club services are being reported so the district, multi-district, and international reps can see the work we are all doing as Lions of New Hampshire.

Our Spring Conventions is 30 days away. The convention committee has planned various activities for us. We are expecting a great motivational speech from our ID Guest James "Jay" Coleman Moughon III. I sincerely hope to see many of you at 44H Spring Convention May 3rd-5th in North Conway.

Let's Go Lions!
DG Kamal Masand



From International President Dr. Patti Hill:

Dear Lions,

There is strength in numbers. Throughout my 34 years of service, I have always been grateful for the close teamwork and friendships that I've experienced volunteering alongside my fellow Lions.

Teamwork generates fresh perspectives and inspires others to join the good work we do—work that would not be possible without your dedication to service, which is shared by Leos and Leo-Lions. When we bring young people into our clubs, everyone benefits. We can learn from one another, help even more people together and strengthen the future of our service.

So, collaborate with your Leos, or start a new Leo club. Encourage young people in your circle to become Leos and Lions, so we can grow our clubs and grow together through our service.

Yours in service,

Dr. Patti Hill
International President

Happy April Fools' Day! Read on.



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Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Apr 1	April Fools' Day. Watch out for pranks and hoaxes 😊
Apr 2	Deadline to get a hotel room discount for Spring Convention. Details in newsletter.
Apr 11	Last day to input any updates in MyLCI and My Lion.
Apr 12	MyLCI and MyLion no longer available. Transition to new Lion Portal begins. See more in newsletter.
Apr 14	Deadline to register for Spring Convention. Registration form in newsletter.
Apr 15	Launch of new Lion Portal. More info in newsletter.
Apr 18	Zone 1 Comedy Night fundraiser at Chunky's in Pelham. See flyer.
Apr 20	Celebrating the Life of PDG John Wynne. Details in newsletter.
Apr 20	Deadline for district newsletter submissions; newsletter44H@outlook.com
Apr 22	Earth Day. What are you doing to protect our Earth?
Apr 27	Club Officer Training, registration form in newsletter
Apr 30	End of New Membership Grant program
May 3-5	District 44H Spring Convention. The Grand Hotel, N Conway. See flyer.
May 10-11	District 44N Spring Convention. Registration form in newsletter.
May 20	Deadline for district newsletter submissions; newsletter44H@outlook.com
May 25	Camp Pride Work Day
Jun 21-25	Lions International Convention, Melbourne, Australia. Link in newsletter.
Jul 31	Deadline to email Club Excellence Award application to DG Kamal; KMAsand01@gmail.com
Sep 5-7	USA/Canada Forum, Louisville Kentucky. Details in newsletter.

In addition, Clubs have several upcoming events. Refer to info in Club Happenings section.

Celebrating A Milestone in Service



Happy Anniversary!

Plaistow Lions Club, celebrating 75 years
Wakefield Lions Club, celebrating 70 years



We Serve



District Goal Progress

Membership

District Membership*	Previous Month	2023-2024 Year	2023-2024 Goal
Opening Balance	1,223	1,246	
Added Members	12	90	
Dropped Members	5	106	
Closing Balance	1,230	1,230	+2/club
Net Gain/Loss	7	-16	



*data as of 3/30/24

International membership is currently 1,379,366.

Welcome new members!

Club	New Member	Sponsor
Atkinson	Cinda Gregorio	Not available
DRSB	Derek Aresenault	Catherine Allen
DRSB	Brian Boyle	Jennifer Halteman
Exeter	Lisa Reynolds	Jaye Garnett
Exeter	Sylvia D'Ambrosio	Michael Baillargeon
Hudson	Kalyn Robillard	Celeste Ricupero
Hudson	Sheila Jette	Celeste Ricupero
Kingston	Jennifer Klopotoski	Karen Lumnah
Meredith	Helen Altavesta	Marie Valliere
Rye	Phillip McDonough	Randy Tompkins
Seabrook	Sheila Cornn	Alice Fowler
Seabrook	June Barkas	Joyce Addison

Service

District Service	This Month	This Year	Goal
Vision Screenings	Mar 827 people	11,614 people	1+ /club
Hugs & Cuddle Bears	Feb 50 bears	725 bears	10/club
Percent of Clubs Reporting		100%	95%
Volunteer Service Hours	4,808	27,706	22,500
Service Activities	193	1,430	1,100
Individuals Served	24,497	171,825	190,000
Funds Raised	\$372,769	\$677,769	\$305,000
Funds Donated	\$91,142	\$379,441	\$222,000

LCIF Donations

District LCIF Donations	This Month	This Year	Goal
LCIF Donations	\$12,705	\$45,330	\$38,100

Peter LaPointe, First Vice District Governor & Global Service Leader

Each of us can choose to make a difference in our Lion's journey.

In the month of April all Lions are invited to attend the Club Officers Training being held on April 27, 2024, at the NH Police Standards & Training Facility, 17 Institute Drive, Concord, NH.

As I have continued my learning experience over the past several months, I became increasingly aware that for the last 25 years as a Lion, my exposure to the online learning tools and information from LCI was limited. Admittedly, not everyone needs to be exposed to all that these tools have to offer, but there is, without doubt, something there that could benefit everyone. Along with serving our communities, for many lions there is information available in almost every area one could imagine on how to better serve a specific need. The topics range from how to best run a project to steps to follow to successfully run an event. With Lions University you are able to hone those skills that can help you as a Lion and in your everyday life. One thing I found that was particularly interesting is the Lions Grant Program where funds are available for clubs to seek out and obtain for many particular causes and programs.

The bottom line for me is that information can be very powerful and can help lead to the success of every member and every club. The training through Lions and LCI can be invaluable. If you're interested in learning more, please reach out to me and I'll help you with what I've learned.

Marie Valliere, Second Vice District Governor & Global Leadership Leader

Leadership sounds scary, doesn't it? President? Why not think of it as taking a position to help your club. It's only scary if you make it so. You get out of it what you put into it. There is help all around you beginning with your past club presidents. There is training by the multiple District on April 27th and your Zone chairman is another source of information and assistance. Is your strength organization? Try being the secretary. Can you balance a checkbook? You can be the treasurer. All members of the club are responsible for getting new members but only one can be the membership chair. Why not you? The training in April will cover Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Membership. The classes are open to every member in the district whether you plan on being an officer or not. New things happen every year and it is always good to be informed. I hope to see a lot of you there.

Want training in something else pertaining to Lions? Let me know.

Marie R Valliere, 2VDG/GLT; keylion03@gmail.com

Al Goldstein, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Chair

Hello Fellow Lions,



Great news! DG Kamal has blown away his LCIF Goal. With the help of the clubs and personal donations District 44H is doing an awesome job providing needed help here and around the world. I have just received a new spreadsheet listing all of the clubs in the District amount toward MJF. I will be happy to share this information with you.

Keep up the good work supporting our foundation.

Gail Dacey, Global Membership Leader

Happy Spring. Don't forget this is the last month to have the \$35.00 fee waived, If you have someone on the fence this might be the incentive. Remember Kamal is hoping for plus 2.

44N FVDG Michael Leahy and I have teamed up to work on retention using the GMA approach by building a **team**. We have a **vision** and we are making a **plan** and hoping for **success**. We are looking for anyone interested in joining us. Just let me know. We would really love to have some help. You should do the same in your clubs. Members join for service, fellowship, and fun. We need to keep our existing members. Reach out to members you haven't seen and ask what they would like to do. Listen and let them run with their ideas. Don't reject their ideas even if you tried it many years ago. It might work now. Get your members involved. Orient your new members. Presidents and membership chairs were sent a webinar orientation. Use it if you have nothing else. Thank you, Mike B. and Al G., for all you are doing to get a new club going. And I'm sorry I missed the Windham club last month when I reported clubs in the plus. Let me know if there is anything I can do.

Eric Lindberg, Multi District Council Chair

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

It's that time of year that all clubs start working on a slate of officers to be elected for the next Lion year. If your club hasn't yet started this process, remember that the new officers are supposed to be reported to LCI no later than 5/15. So now is the time to look at up & coming leaders with new and fresh ideas so your club continues to serve long into the future.

The new portal for reporting and accessing information at LCI is being released 4/15/2024. This has been long awaited and will hopefully be a platform that is easier to navigate, to get information you can check it out at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digital-products/portal-updates>

Please send your new officers, Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Chairs and any other Lion member who would like to learn more to the "Club Officer Training" on April 27th @ 8am at the NH Police Standards & Training Facility, 17 Institute Drive, Concord NH. Registration form in newsletter.

The NH Past & Present District Governor's Association is proud to sponsor this training and hope to see members from every club attending. Every attendee that registers prior to 4/18 will get a copy of the "Club Officers Team Manual" a 40 page booklet loaded with great information. Please register, come and meet new Lions and who knows, maybe go home with a new car! Coffee and refreshments will be provided starting at 8am.

Steve Middlemiss, International Director



LeeAnn and I have been fortunate to visit some amazing Lions over the past few months. Our travels have taken us to New York, Minnesota, Tennessee, Kentucky and recently Indiana not to mention Vancouver for the March Board meeting. Our schedule going forward after Easter weekend will be a whirlwind as we will



be traveling 8 straight weekends visiting Lions across the country. Every day we thank the Lions of NE for your support as we campaigned for this position. It is an amazing experience.

A couple of things from the recent board meeting. Exciting times are ahead as we will have a new way to receive and supply information to Lions international. The Lions Portal will be launched beginning April 15. It will not be active for everyone that day as they will be launching to US Lions during that week. I have attached a QR code which will allow you access to several videos explaining the Portal. It is very important that each Lion have their own email address in order to be connected to the new Portal. Please do it soon as MyLion and My LCI will be shut down on April 12 to transfer data to the new Portal.



At the convention in Australia one of the items on the ballot will be to add the District GAT team (GET, GLT, GMT, GST) and LCIF chair to the current list of individuals as a candidate for the office of second vice district governor. All other requirements will remain.

SVDG training will begin this upcoming summer. So those of you who are moving into that position watch for upcoming emails and info regarding the training sessions.

We are looking forward to continuing our travels and to the experiences we will have.

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

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



Attention Club Presidents, Secretaries, and Admins

The New Lion Portal is coming very soon!

The transition to the new Lion Portal is scheduled to begin on April 12th. Best practices for this sort of change encourages those impacted to be proactive such as the following.

- **Club Secretary or President or Admin best practice is to input** all membership updates such as changes to emails, addresses, phone numbers **before April 12th into MyLCI.**
- **Club Secretary or President or Admin best practice is to report** all club activity, including service activities, meetings, donations, and fundraisers. This reporting needs to be done **in MyLion before April 12th.**
- **Club Secretary or President or Admin best practice is to download membership data** for the entire club so it can be verified against data in the new Lion Portal when it becomes available. To download data, go to MyLCI, My Lions Club, Data Download, Member Data, Select All, check box “By downloading this information...”, click View/Print. Save resulting file to your computer. **Do this before April 12th.**
- **Club Secretary or President or Admin best practice is to download activity data** for the entire club so it can be verified against data in the new Lion Portal when it becomes available. To download data, go to MyLion, Metrics, Export, Save resulting file to your computer. **Do this before April 12th.**
- **Key dates to be aware of** (keep in mind that dates may change as transition moves forward):
 - **April 12 and beyond:** MyLion, MyLCI, and Insights are no longer available.
 - **April 15-May 13:** Invitations to access the new Lion Portal via email on a rolling basis to existing Lion Account users.
 - **May 13 and beyond:** All visitors attempting to access the previous digital tools will be automatically redirected to the new portal.
- **NOTE:** Based on this timeline, the new Lion Portal will be available in time for new club officers to be processed before the May 15th deadline. Any year end member additions or drops are to be processed before June 30th.

Learn about these 4 tiles that will provide access in the new Lion Portal:



Training videos on the new Lion Portal are available. Use this link to get started:

<https://www.youtube.com/@lionportaltraining>

Michelle Ackroyd, Childhood Cancer Chair



The Salem NH Lions Club presenting a check for \$3000 to Nancy Mathis of the American Cancer Society of NH for the upcoming Relay For Life of Southern NH Event to take place on Saturday June 15 at Pinkerton Field Derry NH. All money that the team raises goes to childhood cancer research. Any of the lions that want to join us please email m.ackroyd@comcast.net.

To donate follow this link:

https://secure.acsevents.org/site/SPageServer?pagename=my_team&fr_id=107518

Jeri Maynard, Environment Chair

Planet vs Plastics



You may ask why plastic? After all, plastics have saved countless lives in the medical sector, provided clean energy from wind turbines/solar panels, and made improvements in food storage safety. Why has this “miracle material” become demoniacal??

This year’s Earth Day theme is “***Planet vs Plastic***” - emphasizing the need to reduce, by 60%, **the use of single use plastic**. Single use includes plastic bottles/cups, plates, eating utensils, unnecessary food wrappings and throw-away paper products; i.e. paper towels, one-use table cloths. “Multi use plastics”(ex; storage containers) do not harm as much because they are not immediately discarded.

Let’s concentrate on the biggest villain- plastic water bottles. Did you know that it takes at least 450 years for a plastic bottle to degrade and while it does, micro bits wear off and are ingested by our food supply. It is estimated that globally, over 1 million water bottles are purchased each day and that water bottle sales outnumber soda, juices and beer sales combined.

What can we do about it?? Simply, switch to a reusable water bottle- there are so many varieties on the market – now it is “cool” to be carrying one. Otherwise, recycle in appropriate containers, look for unwrapped fruit/vegetables at the supermarket, and chose only products that you may reuse in a variety of ways.

Just remember, **Mother Earth is our planet - we must strive to protect her!**

Cabinet Meeting Recap

The third cabinet meeting of the year took place on March 10th at the Atkinson Country Club. There were 96 people in attendance representing 20 clubs in the district plus 8 clubs in district 44N. PCC Bob Gustafson from the Atkinson Lions Club welcomed everyone to Atkinson. We were encouraged to visit the Atkinson Village Store for any shopping needs before leaving Atkinson later in the day. There were several reports to update us on activities in the district including Club Officer Training on April 27th; the newly formed NH Lions Green Team encouraging clubs to become zero waste clubs; registration is open for our Spring Convention; most clubs are actively inviting new members and providing service in their communities. It was noted that our district has collected 83,676 eyeglasses for recycling this year. Active LEO clubs are making a difference, and Lion Neeta Masand shared that what she thought was going to be providing a favor by advising a LEO club has turned into a favor to her for the opportunity to work with inspiring young individuals. Several speakers expressed the importance of reporting ALL of our service. As Lions, our brand is service; it's what we need to be known for. We actually DO much more than what is being reported; help is available through DG Kamal if you struggle to get your service reported. Over 700 bears have been distributed through the Hugs & Cuddle project. Courses are available to every Lion; some are online and some are in person – we can all learn more about what it means to be a Lion. We are encouraged to retain members and invite new ones to join us. The push behind achieving 1.5 million Lions is to be able to serve more people around the world – the lofty goal is to serve 1 billion people each year. There are several initiatives being worked on to help us accomplish more. Our district will surpass our LCIF donation goal this year. Clubs are encouraged to budget a portion of charitable gaming towards LCIF donations. The Credentials and Nominations Committee has confirmed the qualified candidates for our ballot for the upcoming vote for next year's leaders. Several committees provided reports; refer to the "District Org Happenings" section in this newsletter. Camp Pride awarded the "Choo" award to Phil Busby for his dedication to the improvement of the camp. Congratulations to the 11 clubs who achieved Club Excellence last year: Atkinson, Chester, Hampstead, Hudson, Loudon, Meredith, Nashua, Portsmouth, Salem, Wakefield, and Wolfeboro. ID Steve Middlemiss thanked the clubs who have participated in donating towards solar ovens for Kenya through a service project he encountered while in Kenya. Thank you Hudson, Loudon, Nashua, and Salem Lions Clubs for your donations. If interested in learning more, contact ID Steve. We hope to see many of you at the 44H Spring Convention, May 3-5, North Conway, NH. The registration form is in this newsletter.



Club Happenings

Atkinson

Welcome Spring! Atkinson Lions continue to be busy and looking ahead to the spring. There is still lots to do. We are pleased to announce we have grown our club this year. We welcome Dena, Stefanie, Cara, Joanne, Cinda, and soon to be Robert. We look forward to having you by our sides as “We Serve”.

Last month we held our much anticipated and delicious Chicken Superior Dinner Fundraiser. This year we were joined by our Woman’s Civic Club with all the proceeds going to the revival of a past community event – Atkinson Day (more on this as it evolves). In addition, the club has brought back the Lions Scholarship to be presented to two deserving Atkinson seniors. Donations to help our local scouts (girls and boys), Jr. Firefighters, local YMCA and Wildlife Center were approved. We held a food drive on March 16. With the help of our local elementary school and the community, we were able to help stock local food pantries for those in need. Last month we also had our annual Meet and Greet, hosted at past president Ron LeBlanc’s home. It was well attended, and we enjoyed sharing the night with neighboring Lions from Danville, as well as District Governor Kamal Masand and Cabinet Secretary Linda Quebec.

We still have members working each week at Camp Pride, in preparation for this year’s campers. **Lenny Hall is looking for volunteers from any and all clubs to help with the camp cleanup on May 25. Let him know if you can join us.**

Please consider joining us for our Spring Meat Raffle: April 12. 7:00 pm at the Atkinson Community Center. We hope to see you there!



**ATKINSON LIONS
MEAT RAFFLE!**
A Cut Above the Rest!
**Friday, April 12, 2024
7:00 PM**
**Atkinson Community Center
4 Main Street • Atkinson, NH**

**Join in on the fun and you could win
high-quality meat prizes with**
PLAYING CARD BINGO!
Sponsored by the Atkinson Lions Club

**DOORS OPEN
AT 6:00 PM
SEATING IS
LIMITED!**



**BYOB
AND BRING
YOUR OWN
REFRESHMENTS**

All proceeds go back to the community.
GIFT BASKET RAFFLE • 50/50 RAFFLE
We hope to see you there!

Dover, Rollinsford, South Berwick

The Lions Club of Dover, Rollinsford and South Berwick has been busy meeting the needs of the community. Thanks to volunteers, local business sponsors and members, in 2023 the club: * Raised \$6,000 for pediatric cancer research * Donated \$500 for the Ryan Home Project * Donated \$400 to Camp Sunshine * Recycled 4,836 pounds of plastic films which would otherwise end up in our landfills * Recycled 500+ pairs of eyeglasses * Screened over 1,000 children for early diagnosis of vision issues, (15% identified as needing followup) Much more is planned for 2024!

Sponsorships are now available for the Third Annual Charity Corn Hole Tournament on August 10, 2024 at The Barn at Dunn Farm in Berwick. Funds raised will benefit local charity “Annie’s Angels” (www.anniesangels.org). Annie’s Angels helps families struggling with life threatening illness and disabilities in and around the seacoast area. Gold, Silver, and Bronze Sponsorships are available through June 30. Last year the group raised \$6,000 for Children’s Hospital at Dartmouth Health. 2024 Turnout is expected to exceed 500 people, including players and spectators. Sponsors will be featured on T-shirts, banners, plus additional options. For more information, or to become a sponsor, visit <https://birdease.com/cornholeforacure>.

NH Everest Centennial



The NH Everest Centennial Lions Club invited District Governor Kamal, PID Ed Lecius, and Cabinet Secretary Linda Quebec to a recent meeting. The meeting included welcome addresses from the Lions and Leos of Everest. They provided a great review of the service they have been providing in their community, including a very

successful blood drive, Mother’s Day gift preparation, Christmas gift donations, food drives, Clean Nature clean-up days at the beach and local parks, and providing donations of jackets and slippers to 27 HIV infected children in a hospital in Nepal. It was a heart-warming event.



Hudson

Easter Basket Drive For Children

Members of the Hudson Lions Club held an Easter Basket Drive at the Hudson Dollar Tree. Many items were donated for the children's Easter Baskets and monetary donations were given to benefit the Hudson Community Food Pantry.



Hudson Lions Club members Leona Shanholtz and Pauline Boisvert at the Hudson Community Food Pantry. Easter baskets for children were assembled with the donations received from the Hudson Lions Club Easter Basket Drive.

PSYCHIC & Craft Fair

SAT April 27, 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

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What do you wish for?

Benefit of
Hudson
Lions
Charities

Kingston

Our club had a wonderful night of celebration and friendship as we welcomed our District Governor Kamal Masand and Cabinet Secretary Linda Quebec. Also joining us was YMCA Camp Lincoln Director, Dave Lovely-Taillon, who read us a letter from a family of a camp scholarship recipient. Kingston Club President Scott West presented Dave with a check for \$3,000, proceeds from our most recent meat raffle!

DG Kamal presented anniversary chevrons to our 10-year Lions and one 60-year Lion! He also inducted our 2 newest Lions: Michelle Whittier and Jennifer Klopotoski! We now have 41 club members!

Jennifer then gave us an update on all the wonderful things they are doing at Tiffany's Closet!

We celebrated our club's 10th anniversary since our charter night in March 2014. Our Guiding Lion at the time, Dick Lemieux, joined us to celebrate and take us on a trip down memory lane.

We ended the night celebrating with a delicious anniversary cake!

Don't forget to purchase your Lottery Scratch Ticket raffle ticket.

KINGSTON LIONS CLUB LOTTERY SCRATCH TICKET RAFFLE ONE PRIZE: FIFTY \$10 LOTTERY SCRATCH TICKETS! HELP FIGHT CHILDHOOD CANCER!



\$20 PER RAFFLE TICKET

Drawing will be at our May 10th Meat Raffle

For tickets, email kingstonnh.lions@gmail.com

www.kingstonlionsclub.com

We are a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization

Laconia – Gilford

Electronic Waste Collection Day

Laconia-Gilford Lions Club

April 6

Gilford Cinemas 8 parking lot, Gilford

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



Got an old computer collecting dust in your closet, or a broken air conditioner sitting on the back porch? What do you do with such items when you replace them? Everything from laptops, phones and computers to TVs cost a fortune to haul away.

Turn all that junk over to the Laconia-Gilford Lions Club during their Electronic Waste Collection Day fundraising event which will be held on Saturday, April 6, in the Cinemas 8 parking lot in Gilford (9 Old Lake Shore Road) from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **Note: this is a new location as of a few years ago.** For a small disposal fee, not only will we take your old electronic items off your hands, we will recycle them. The disposal charge is almost always less than the prices at local transfer stations. **Cash or checks will be accepted but not debit or credit cards.**

Just bring your electronics to Cinemas 8 parking lot, 9 Old Lakeshore Road in Gilford on Saturday, April 6, between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Lions Club members will even help you unload them! You do not have to be a resident of Laconia or Gilford to take advantage of this fundraiser - it is open to everyone.

Items you may want to consider dropping off are laptops, PC towers, PC LCD monitors, servers, CD/DVD players, camcorders, AV equipment, VCRs, speakers, copiers, faxes, scanners, printers, phones (land and cell), phone systems, humidifiers, and computer accessories (all \$5 unless very large).

In addition, we will also take microwaves, air conditioners, dehumidifiers (all \$10), CRT monitors less than 50 lbs. and TVs less than 25" (\$20), TVs 26" and larger (\$30). For TVs needing more than one person to lift or CRT monitors over 50 lbs., the item will be weighed on site and the price determined. Anything with a cord not listed will also be accepted.

We are also now accepting Teflon pots and pans for \$1.

You CANNOT drop off: smoke detectors, oils, paints, thinners, batteries (except car batteries), tires, items containing mercury such as fluorescent and CFL light bulbs or thermometers, capacitors, ballasts, or any other hazardous waste.

Don't miss this opportunity or you'll be storing these things another year - "Don't throw it out, Recycle it!" You'll not only help the environment by disposing of your unwanted electronics responsibly but also help the Lions, the largest service organization in the world, raise funds to meet pressing needs in our community: eye exams, eyeglasses, hearing aids, food pantries, college scholarships, holiday food baskets for needy families, youth sports programs, are just a few of the local charitable organizations that we assist. All that for a disposal fee that, in most cases, is less than the cost at local transfer stations.

The Laconia-Gilford Lions Club appreciates your help with their Electronic Waste Collection Day fundraising event and wishes to thank in advance everyone who contributes to making a real difference in our community. This project has been officially sanctioned by the Green Sanctuary Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Laconia.

Loudon



Loudon Lions Club President, Ed Friedrich (Center) presented a check to the Girl Scouts. Accepting (Left to Right) are Collette Flanders and Juliette Flanders and Josie Flanders of Girl Scout Troop 60180.



SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024

**Loudon Lions Club Celebrates
its 20th Anniversary**

More Information To Follow

Nashua

We had a fun evening raising money for Nashua Lions Club charities! Thanks to everyone who participated. Congratulations to committee members Lions Dave Fredette, Martha Ackerman, and June Caron for another great event and thank you to our auctioneer, PID Ed Lecius and to our photographer, Lion Eileen Kelly.



We have a new event!

Join us on Sunday, May 19th for our first Making Strides Against Diabetes run/walk. Invite your friends and family to go for a run or walk in Mine Falls Park, Nashua. Use the QR code to register.

NASHUA LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST DIABETES

5K RUN & 3K WALK

STRIDES
FOR DIABETES AWARENESS

SCAN TO REGISTER

SUNDAY
MAY 19, 2024
RACE START: 9:00 AM
REGISTRATION OPENS: 7:30 AM

MINE FALLS
24 STADIUM DRIVE, NASHUA, NH 03067

T-SHIRTS DONATION OPTION KIDS < 5 FREE

ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION

Salem

Congratulations to the Salem Lions Club on celebrating their 70th anniversary. It was a lovely evening of celebration, and all in attendance had a great time.



Windham



Windham Lions Club welcomes new members - Lions Glenn and Cindy Jutras pictured with Past District Governor and Windham Lion Bill Brown and President of the Windham Lions Club Pattie Provenzano.

Wolfeboro

Since the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year the Wolfeboro Lions Operation Kid Sight Team, led by John Adams, has been very busy. The most recent screening was March 15 at New Durham Elementary, screening 140 students with 19 referrals for further examination by an eye care professional. The team including John Adams (OKS Coordinator), Eloise Adams, Rhoni Harding, Brian Murphy and Patty Walker have so far worked with 5 of the Governor Wentworth Regional School District schools and this year added the private Cornerstone Academy in Wolfeboro. Across all those schools, **960** students were screened for possible vision issues. Of those, **89** referrals were generated and across the district, **12** families were provided assistance for exams and glasses. There is one more school to be scheduled. Stay tuned for a final school year update.

Wolfeboro Lions Club sponsored a table for the Kingswood High School Knights Against Hunger event, a program led by the high school students to provide meals for those in need. In addition to sponsoring, several Lions attended and enjoyed the comfort of warm soup & bread on a winter evening.

“The Wolfeboro Lions Club and the Rotary Club of Wolfeboro are joining forces for a crucial community initiative – a collaborative Easter food drive to support Life Ministries Food Pantry. This March event will take place in the Harvest Market Parking Lot in Wolfeboro. “ Updates on the event’s success to be reported in April.

Spring/Summer Events

The club is gearing up for an active summer season. First up is the Wolfeboro Lions Club 48th Annual Canoe Race on Saturday May 18th.



District Org Happenings

Celebrating the Life of PDG John Wynne



Celebrating
THE LIFE OF
JOHN A. WYNNE

August 17, 1949 – December 3, 2023

The family of John invites you to a Celebration of Life.

John brought so much to our lives and many others that we ask you to gather and celebrate his life with us.

We would love for you to join us, have a bite to eat, and share your stories and favorite memories.

Saturday, April 20, 2024 / 11am - 2pm

American Legion Post 23
15 Cottage Street
Milford, NH 03055

Please RSVP: rwynnemilford@comcast.net
or 603-930-1181

Zone 1 Comedy Night

Join Zone 1 clubs for an evening of laughs and fun with Lions and the public. Net proceeds will go to the pediatric cancer ward at CHaD (Childrens Hospital at Dartmouth). Get your tickets through FlynnFamily60@gmail.com; Susan Flynn of the Windham Club will be happy to help you.



LIONS CLUB



Derry, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Nashua, Salem, Windham



PRESENTS



LIVE COMEDY NIGHT - FUNDRAISER

THURSDAY • APRIL 18 • 7PM
CHUNKY'S CINEMA PUB PELHAM



MARK SCALIA



AMY TEE



GREG BOGGIS



TICKETS ARE \$20 EACH. DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
Please make checks payable to DISTRICT44H
TO PURCHASE TICKETS CONTACT:
SUSAN FLYNN • FLYNNFAMILY60@GMAIL.COM

ALL PROFITS TO BE DONATED TO CHILDREN WITH CANCER

Camp Pride



LIONS CAMP PRIDE CONNECTION

April 2024



Hi to all, Spring is here, and Lions Camp Pride camper season is right around the corner. There is a lot to do and much of it is underway. Bunkhouses and buildings need to be swept out, bathrooms cleaned, mattresses wiped down, curtains cleaned and rehung, maybe even help with the outside a little.

Replacement of the windows and doors in the dining hall will be under way soon. Tree and brush removal along Camp Pride Way and on our campus is also scheduled to start soon.

Looking for a major turnout of Lions on May 25th.

Please let us know if you are coming so we can have food and beverage prepared.

All our regular lease groups will be returning to Camp Pride this year and we get to welcome a new group from Newmarket called Camp Exciting Adventure. We are all looking forward to meeting them and hoping to have them return year after year.

Please visit <https://www.lionscamppride.org/> and select Support Us/Fundraisers for information on the following: Commemorative Bricks, TD Bank Affinity Program, Calendar raffle, Northwood Ice Racing, Latest Camp news and pictures.

The DogSight Project



THE DOGSIGHT PROJECT

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



'Tis the Season!

Shedding season, that is. I'm always amazed by just how much fur I can rake off my dog every day during shedding season. German shepherd dogs have very nice undercoats, and I always imagine that the birds will value those particular hairs for feathering their nests, or, rather, fur lining them! Mother Nature is very frugal. Unlike my cats, Jewel enjoys being groomed and patiently stands to allow me to rake her undercoat and then slick down her outercoat.

You can make a donation to the DogSight Project by sending a check to The DogSight Project treasurer. Make checks payable to **LSHF** with **DSP** on the memo line. Checks should be sent to: Gregg Kleiner, DSP Treasurer, PO Box 94, Keene, NH 03431.

Thank you for your continued support!

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



Raised for Fidelco in 2023-2024: \$23,901.00



Lions Youth Services

2024 Calendar Raffle

There are only 13 Tickets left, if you wish to get in on this Raffle, please Contact Harry Armstrong at harrva616@yahoo.com by April 10th!

You have 31 chances to WIN! The drawing will be held at the next LYS meeting at the Airport Diner on April 11, 2024. Meeting begins at 6:30 pm. Come join us and find out what we are all about and see what's up next!

Terri Lynn Fundraiser

Check out the latest flyer in this newsletter. We thank you for all your continued support with this fundraiser. Remember Mother's Day is Sunday, May 12, 2024 so get those orders in time for delivery. Order cutoff date is April 28. Of course you can place an order any time!

Peace Poster Contest

As you can see to the right, there were 4 Merit Award Winners from the USA for last year's Peace Poster Contest including our very own Ava Durden sponsored by the Nashua Lions. Congratulations to all!

As one contest ends, we are already at the beginning of the next with the 2024-2025 Peace Poster Contest "Peace Without Limits".

We have 10 clubs and one youth group already signed up for the contest. So if your club wishes to participate, please order your kit now. The cost of each Kit is \$12.00. Please email Rhonda Wynne at rwynnemilford@comcast.net if you wish to order a kit. Please make check payable to Lions Youth Services and send to PO Box 156, Atkinson, NH 03811. If you should have any questions about the contest, please email Rhonda as well. Further details of the contest will be in upcoming newsletters.



LYSNH
Benefits For LIONS YOUTH SERVICE
31 CHANCES TO WIN for just FIVE DOLLARS!
ONE TICKET DRAWN FOR EACH DAY!
Tickets \$5.00 each or \$ for \$20.00
Drawing to be held April 14th, 2024

No. 00000

MARCH 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 \$125.00 Lions Youth Services Raffle Ticket
3 \$100.00	4 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	5 \$100.00	6 \$100.00	7 \$100.00	8 \$100.00	9 \$100.00
10 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	11 \$100.00	12 \$100.00	13 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	14 \$100.00	15 \$100.00	16 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services
17 \$100.00	18 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	19 \$100.00	20 \$100.00	21 \$100.00	22 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	23 \$100.00
24 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	25 \$100.00	26 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services	27 \$100.00	28 \$100.00	29 \$100.00	30 \$100.00 Lions Youth Services
31 \$100.00						



2023-24
Merit Award Winner

Ava Simone Durden
12 years old
New Hampshire, USA



2023-24
Merit Award Winner

Maria Trivisano
13 years old
Florida, USA



2023-24
Merit Award Winner

Caileigh-Marie Smith
13 years old
Georgia, USA



2023-24
Merit Award Winner

Felicity Perry
12 years old
Wyoming, USA



New England Lions Council (NELC)
"Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England"

2024 NELC "Spring Weekend"
GAT Theme: Leadership Development

May 17th – 18th (NOTE: Friday/Saturday Event)

At: Bennington Elks Lodge, 125 Washington Avenue, Bennington, VT 05201
Friday Night Room Discount of \$199 at the Hampton Inn, 51 Hannaford Square,
Bennington, VT/ Room rate includes Breakfast / Mention Link: *New England Lions*
Deadline for this Rate: April 5th / Front Desk/Reservations: 802-440-9862

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/benvthx-nlc-36630e94-2536-40d0-a564-ed138d9b737f/>

FRIDAY EVENING 6PM-10PM

Fellowship (& meal if you like) at the ~~Publyk~~ House, 782 Harwood Hill Road, Bennington, VT

SATURDAY AM SEMINARS

9:30-10:30 - My Leadership Journey – as told by New England’s Past International Directors
PID Joyce Middleton, PID John Youney, PID Ed Farrington, PID Ed Lecius and more

10:45 – 11:45 – Global Leadership Team Leaders – Panel Discussion – Facilitated by PDG John Babb
Listen to our GLT Leaders discuss their successes in identifying and motivating district leaders.
PCC Lori Ann Bennison, PDG Joy Doherty, PDG Sue Lindberg, PDG Pamela Nichols, Lion Lisa Montalto-Cerbone

LUNCHEON...

Luncheon Speaker: PDG Keith Lemire

Leadership in Lions: Strengthening our Bench

Immediately Followed By: Business Meeting & New England Governors’ Reports

Saturday Luncheon

Saturday Noon Luncheon: Choice of assorted pre-made Sandwiches or Wraps, Potato Salad, Pesto Tortellini Salad, Garden Salad, Chips, Pickles, Dessert Platter of Cookies and Brownies, Assorted Drinks, Teas, Caffeinated & Decaffeinated Coffees. Gluten free sandwiches/wraps available upon request.

Lunch at \$35 x _____ Total = _____

NAME(s): _____

ADDRESS: _____

DIST/MD: ____/____ DIST/MD POSITION: _____ CLUB POSITION: _____

CONTACT: Phone: _____ Email: _____

Make Check Payable to: NELC
Mail Check/Form to: Treasurer Norm Hart, PDG
181 Port Road,
Kennebunk, ME 04043

Email: normhart13@yahoo.com

Event Registration Deadline: May 13th, 2024

Questions or Special Dietary Needs to: PDG Dom Branco, President Cell/Text: 401-714-2819 or: dombranco@verizon.net

"GAT" Global Action Team, "GMT" Global Membership Team, "GMA" Global Membership Approach & "NAME" North American Membership Initiative

Lions District 44H Spring Convention 2024

Friday, May 3rd to Sunday, May 5th



Come meet International Director James "Jay" Coleman Moughon, III
Jay Moughon, from Clifton, Virginia, was elected in 2022 to serve a two-year term as International Director of Lions Clubs International at the association's convention in Montreal. He will be joined by his partner in service and wife, Nancy.

Friday Night!

Let's play games! Enjoy the evening by participating in the Corn Hole tournament, no skills needed, enjoy the fun with fellow Lions. We also will have an exciting night of Bingo with a chance to win a Full House Jackpot of \$200.



Meal Reservation
Deadline is April 14th.
Use the convention registration form. Please be timely with your RSVP.



Hotel Reservation
Deadline is April 2nd
to receive the Lions pricing - No Exceptions. Contact the hotel directly 603-356-9300 to make your reservation.



Raffle Baskets

We are asking clubs to bring a raffle basket, or Gift Cards/Certificates. Basket ideas: Coffee basket, Child's Games, Wine or Liquor, Kitchen Theme, Garden Supplies, or a theme of your choice.



Club Banners

Club banners are welcome and will be hung by the hotel.



**Don't miss out – Register today!
Registration form on next page.**



50th ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
 72 Common Ct, North Conway, NH
 MAY 03 - 05, 2024

International Guests: James "Jay" Coleman Moughon III and Nancy Moughon from Virginia

Lion #1 _____ Club _____

Lion #2/guest _____ Club _____

Home Tel. # _____ email _____

*** Convention fee included in all meal packages***

Plan	Meals and Registration	# of persons	total cost
A	Fri. banquet, Sat. night banquet, Conv Fee	@	\$75.00
B	Friday banquet only	@	\$ 33.00
C	Sat. night banquet only	@	\$ 42.00
D	Convention fee (meetings only – no meals)	@	\$ 5.00
E	Friday Night Entertainment only (no meals)	@	\$ 5.00
Total Amount Due			\$ _____

Meal for Friday Night Buffet:

- Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Garden Salad, Greek Farfalle Pasta Salad, Potato Salads, Corn on the cob, American & Swiss cheese, Assorted Cookies, Brownies, sodas and water

Meal for Saturday Night Buffet:

- Vegetable Soup, Garden Salad, Seasonal Fruits & Berries, Baked Haddock, Maple-Cured Pork Loin with Spicy Apple Chutney, Vegetable, Potato or Rice, Assorted Desserts, Coffee and Tea

Please note any special dietary needs _____

Saturday and Sunday Breakfast and Saturday lunch will be on your own. Hotel does not offer lunch.

Deadline for MEAL reservations is TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

Hotel Reservation: Lions Convention Room rate: single or double \$134.00/per night plus 8.5% tax for a 2 night stay. One Night stays are \$194/per night plus 8.5% tax.

Call the Grand Hotel @ 603-356-9300 and **identify yourself as part of the group of Lions District 44H Spring Convention.** **All HOTEL reservations must be made by TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 for the special rate.** You will pay the hotel directly for your room.

Make checks for meal payable to: Lions District 44-H Convention Fund
 Send check to: Marilyn Vaccaro, 74 Chase Rd, Londonderry, NH 03053
 603-204-7251 jvac1408@comcast.net



**50th ANNUAL DISTRICT 44-H SPRING
CONVENTION
NORTH CONWAY GRAND HOTEL
72 Common Ct, North Conway, NH
MAY 03 - 05, 2024**

**BREAKFAST AVAILABLE
Saturday Morning**



- Assorted Danish Freshly Baked Muffins
- Butter and Assorted Jellies
- Fresh Sliced Seasonal Fruits and Berries
- Thick French Toast with Maple Syrup
- Scrambled Eggs
- Sausage Links
- Chilled Orange, Cranberry and Apple Juice

\$20.00pp

Lion# _____ Club _____

Lion #2/guest _____ Club _____

Home Tel. # _____ email _____

Amount enclosed _____

Make checks for meal payable to: Lions District 44-H Convention Fund

Send check to: Marilyn Vaccaro,
74 Chase Rd,
Londonderry, NH 03053
603-204-7251 jvac1408@comcast.net

Vince Giambalvo, Ph.D.

Candidate for SVDG



We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Spring Convention and socializing at the our hospitality suite. Any assistance/donations such as snacking foods, cookies or financial support will be greatly appreciated.

For information contact:

Ed Friedrich - erfriedrich@yahoo.com

or (781) 775-9397



The Loudon Lions Club
proudly endorses
Vincent Giambalvo



Candidate for
2nd Vice District Governor
NH District 44H
2024-2025



Location: NH Police Standards & Training Facility,
17 Institute Drive, Concord, NH

Please choose which training you would like to attend (select 1):

Club President Training
 Club Secretary Training

Club Treasurer Training
 Club Membership Chair Training

8:00-8:30 Registration
8:45-9:00 Welcome
9:00-12:00 Training



**Registration Fee is \$10.00 per person attending. Ck Payable to:
NHLPPDGA**

Attendee Name: _____

Phone: _____

Attendee Club Name: _____

Email: _____

Send the form to:

PCC Celeste Ricupero
7 Winn Avenue
Hudson-NH-03051
603-321-0737
Ricupero7@Comcast.net



New Membership Grant Request Form (good through 4/30/24)



District 44H
New Membership Grant Request Form



Grant Information: District 44H is extending the grant to clubs bringing in new members through April 30, 2024! The grant is to refund the one-time \$35 international entrance fee for each new member input into the Lion Portal through April 30th. To qualify, the form below needs to be completed and submitted by May 15th.

Club:	
Club Address:	
Name(s) of members(s) added between 7/1/23-4/30/24:	
Entrance fee: \$35x _____ (# new members) = \$ _____ (requested grant amount)	
Email this form to LindaQuebec@Ymail.com (not Gmail).	

Spread Kindness

Hugs & Cuddles

- Get sponsors for \$18 bears
- Arrange bear assembly
- Donate bears to spread kindness
- Track your Service & Donations



Hugs & Cuddles Project Plan for 44H Lions Clubs

Get sponsors for \$18 bears

- Set Club goal of getting sponsors for 10-20 bears
- Individuals, Clubs, and Companies can be sponsors
- Use order form to collect bear headcount and sponsor name and contact info
- Keep cost at \$18 for consistency across the district
- Send thank you notes to sponsors; use contact info for potential members

Arrange bear assembly

- Contact Build-A-Bear in Manchester, Nashua, or Salem
- Request Lil Brownie Cub and Condo (box)
- Typical lead-time is less than one week
- Pick up bears, pay for them from sales money
- If cost is less than \$18, donate excess to childhood cancer org such as St Jude, CHAD, or other org selected by Club

Donate bears to spread kindness

- Coordinate with organization of Club's choice for donation
- Consider orgs with sick children, children recovering from trauma, org serving at-risk children (Police, Fire, EMT), or elderly dementia care facilities

Track Your Service & Donations

- Track service project and donations in the Lion Portal
- Provide project success details to district Childhood Cancer Chair

USA/Canada Forum



Each year there is an educational forum for Lions of USA and Canada. Other forums are held around the world, and this one is for us. There are seminars, sessions, exhibitors, and events during the time at the USA/Canada Forum. Get ready for Louisville from September 5th through 7th later this year!



Use this link to see more about the Forum: [USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum | \(lionsforum.org\)](https://lionsforum.org)



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

FISHER CATS

VS

YARD GOATS

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

TICKET COST: \$22 PER PERSON
PRICE INCLUDES A HOT DOG, CHIPS
AND A DRINK
DON'T FORGET YOUR FREE HAT AS
WELL!
GAME ENDS WITH AN ATLAS
FIREWORK SHOW

ADVANCE TICKET SALES END AUGUST 14!
CHECKS CAN BE MADE OUT TO "LIONS YOUTH
SERVICES"
PLEASE MAIL PAYMENT TO P.O. BOX 136,
ATKINSON, NH 03811.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT LENNY HALL AT 978-380-0858



Fundraising with 

LIONS YOUTH SERVICES continues with their efforts in helping the youth of NH to meet their needs and accomplish their goals by various means. One of our attempts in this has been participating with Terri Lynn. We know that those of you who have purchased in the past love the premium nuts, gourmet confections, and sweet & savory snack mixes that Terri Lynn has to offer. Whether you have purchased for yourself, family or friends, we thank you for all purchases you have made and thank you for your continued support.

Keep in mind all those *Basket Raffles* at your next
Lions Spring Convention,
or by saying Thank You to your club officers,
or perhaps
a special day such as **Mother's Day**,
Sunday, May 12, 2024...
what better time to place an order than NOW!...



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

Mother's Day cut off ordering date is
Sunday, April 28, 2024

*A portion of every product sold on this website
benefits Lions Youth Development
of New Hampshire (LYND)*
*Free shipping when you order \$50 or more (per recipient address).
For orders under \$50, it's a \$5.00 flat rate per address (for any size
order, anywhere in the USA)*

Thank You for your order!



Lions Camp Pride NH Commemorative Walkway

PO Box 135

E Hampstead, New Hampshire, 03826

Become a part of History – BUY A BRICK TODAY

Join us in creating a commemorative walkway by purchasing a personally engraved brick to be permanently installed at Lions Camp Pride NH. Any name or message up to 3 lines of 14 characters each can be engraved on each brick. Each line will be centered by the manufacturer. Company logos are also possible. Personalized bricks are a great way to

- Recognize a club anniversary, event, or member
- Remember lost loved ones with brick: in memory of them
- Recognize children, grandchildren, parents and other special people
- Mark a birth, anniversary, graduation or other special event in your life
- Honor an employee, or friend, advertise a business
- Give a unique and lasting gift for the Holidays
- Honor a first responder, nurse, doctor, or public official

Here's how you can contribute: Three Lines \$75.00

Brick Order Form

Name _____

Address _____

City/state/Zip _____

Phone _____

Payment may be made by check to Lions Camp Pride NH - Check Number _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____ Amount: _____

Please print in UPPERCASE Letters, each space as one character

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Mail to Lions Camp Pride NH, PO Box 135, E Hampstead, NH 03826

For more information contact Marilyn Vaccaro [603-437-1408](tel:603-437-1408)



RECOGNITION TO A MEMBER OF YOUR CLUB OR COMMUNITY

LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION OF NH, INC

GRANITE STATE FELLOW (GSF)

Give recognition to someone in the community who helps and supports your club, or a member in your club that goes above and beyond.

Your club may have money in your account with Sight & Hearing. Consider using those funds to thank individuals or entities for their support, and honor them with a GSF award. The Award comes with a beautiful plaque, a lapel pin and a letter honoring the recipient.

By making a donation of \$500.00 to LSHF, you are not only giving recognition, you are aiding a NH Citizen in need of our services.

Services include, hearing aids, eyecare and cataract surgery.

Donations go directly into the LSHF Endowment.

Clubs may donate to LSHF in \$100.00 increments

***Donations may be banked for up to 5 years,
by putting a designation on the donation memo.***

Applications online: nhlions.org (Sight & Hearing, Granite State Fellow

Or from Chairman PCC Roger LaTulippe at 603-566-9409

email: dgroger@comcast.net

LYS Grant Application



LIONS YOUTH SERVICES
PO Box 156
Atkinson, NH 03811

- GRANT APPLICATION -

All completed applications MUST be sent to this PO Box

_____ *Amount requested*

Requesting Club: _____

_____ *Date Requested*

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: _____

Required

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) for different projects.
- 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.
- 4) 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. *No reimbursements will be approved.*

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.

Grant Application rev 07.2023



Lions International

2023-2024

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

Date: _____

Club Name: _____ Club Number: _____ District: _____

2023-2024 Club President's Name: _____

Member Number: _____ Email Address: _____

1. MEMBERSHIP

- Achieved a net growth of one or more members or Chartered new Lions club or Club Branch

Name of Lions Club or Branch: _____

2. SERVICE

- Contributed to LCIF an amount equal to or greater than the club's membership total multiplied by US\$5.

Year-end membership count _____ x US\$5= _____

- Started a new service project. *Consider one of our Global Causes!*

- List Three service activities your club participated in that were reported to LCI:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LC greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.

- Reported Club Officers to LCI

- Key Officers participate in club officer training

4. MARKETING

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

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

44N Spring Convention

DG Toni Olden's Spring Convention will be May 10-11th. Read on for more info and the registration form.



**JUDGE ANTHONY W. PARADISO
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Judge Anthony W. Paradiso from Rockville Centre, New York, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 105th International Convention in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, July 7 through July 11, 2023.

Director Paradiso has more than 30 years of law experience and is currently a district court judge responsible for the adjudication of criminal cases in Nassau County, New York.

Looking for an opportunity to give back to his community for the scholarships that allowed him to attend college and later, law school, he was drawn to the service that Lions were providing. He joined the Rockville Centre Lions Club in 1996 where he has continuously served ever since. In addition to his leadership at the district level, he has held a number of offices within the association including multiple district council parliamentarian. He also served as the Lions Clubs International's representative to the UN Office on Drugs and Crime from 2010 to 2023. He has been a group leader for multiple DGE seminars, a panel moderator for LDUN and a forum presenter.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the Brandel-Murphy Miracles Through Service Award and Robert J. Uplinger Award. He is also the recipient of multiple International President's Awards and International President's Leadership Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Paradiso is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is an executive director and past president of the Columbian Lawyers Association of Nassau County, a past director for the Nassau County Bar Association and past president for the District Court Judges' Association.

When not engaged in Lion service, Director Paradiso enjoys traveling, art appreciation and sharing good food and wine with friends.

**District 44N
Food Drive**

When: May 10 & 11



*Main Drop Off: Town & Country Inn
Shelburne NH*



**OTHER LOCATIONS
TO BE DETERMINED**

Sign up to see a location and/or bring food items or a check to support the Feeding Hope Food Pantry



**Come JOIN THE
PARTY!!!!**

Friday May 10, 2024

60's Flower Power

**Wear your hippest clothes
and move to the groove!**



District 44N Spring Convention
 Town & Country Inn and Resort
 20 US-2 #1033
 Shelburne NH 03581
 May 10 – 12, 2024



Special Guest: International Director Honorable Anthony Paradise

Guest #1 _____ Club _____

Guest #2 _____ Club _____

Contact Number _____

Meals and Registration	Quantity	Cost	Total Cost
Dinner & entertainment, Friday & Saturday		\$77.00	
Friday buffet & entertainment only		\$37.00	
Saturday banquet only		\$40.00	

Total Due \$

Friday night buffet: Italian with plated tossed salad; sweet sausage stuffed shells; homemade lasagna; meatless fettuccini primavera; garlic bread; anti-pasta platter; raspberry cannoli

Saturday banquet: Banked Boneless Chicken Breast Vegetarian Stuffed Shells

Broiled Fresh Filet of Boston Haddock

Served with tossed salad, dressing, seasonal vegetables, steamed potatoes, rolls, coffee & ice cream puffs

Please note any special dietary needs: _____

Deadline for meal reservations is May 1, 2024

Hotel reservations should be made by calling the Town & Country Resort and Inn
 1-800-325-4386 reference District 44N Lions Rate: \$119.00 plus tax & \$3 service fee

Make checks payable to: Lions District 44N

Mail checks and form to: CST Gregg Kleiner

PO Box 94

Keene NH 03431


Green Team

NH LIONS GREEN TEAM UPDATE

Project updates

DIY Gift Fair- We are in the final stages of gather materials and making sample projects for the Fair. Please look for the flyer in this issue of Pride. We hope you can stop by on 4/28.





Windowdressers- We need you! The WindowDressers project is very close to becoming a reality, but we need 2 more coordinators to pull it off. This is an exciting opportunity to be involved with a super fun project that will really help your neighbors and the environment. If you have never led a project before, this is a great place to start. The available training and support are amazing. We have a local coordinator, a measuring coordinator, and an outreach coordinator, but we still need a food coordinator and a volunteer coordinator.

Food Coordinator(s): One or two people to organize all aspects of food for the Community Build week. Volunteers really appreciate a good lunch and this is another way that we build community!!

Volunteer Coordinator: Ensures that each shift at the Community Build is fully staffed with volunteers and customer-participants. Works with the Outreach Coordinator on a plan to recruit additional Community Build volunteers and with the Food Coordinator(s) to secure food donations for the Community Build. Sign-up software provided by WD. We already have many interested volunteers so this position will largely be about organizing with just a little recruiting.



Please email us at NHLionsGreenTeam@gmail.com if you would like to learn more about this opportunity or have any questions.

“All LIONS ARE LEADERS” Why not embrace the challenge? Lions Club members epitomize leadership through their commitment to serving their communities. While many might not initially set out to be leaders, Lions step up because there's a pressing need: Whether it's organizing fundraisers, spearheading community projects, advocating for the underserved, or becoming Club Officers, Lions exhibit qualities that inspire others to action. Stepping up to become a leader within Lions Clubs is vital both to assure the organization's success and to fulfill our mission of making the world a better place. Without Leaders there would be no Lions.

Here is what a few of our leaders had to say about becoming and being leaders...

PID Ed Lecius “I was taught the importance of giving back by my father. He told me that if you're going to be successful, you need to be willing to give back to your community... one person can make a difference and that one person is you.”

Vince Giambalvo “...I thought I had something to offer... If you are going to serve, do it to the best of your ability. Without leaders we don't have followers and without that we have nothing. My favorite quote is from General Eisenhower: “Leadership is getting people to do what you need them to do because they want to.”

PDG Al Goldstein “The best way to lead is to listen. Before you make any decisions, you need to understand what is being asked.”

diy gift making

Fair

FREE

April 28th

All Ages Welcome

12pm-4pm

FREE

Henniker Community School

Join the Henniker Lions for our 1st Sustainable Gift Making Fair! Just in time for Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduations and Teacher gifts.

Featuring 5 gift making stations with all upcycled material bring your own or use ours!

Printmaking & Painting Station

Decorate your creation and make beautiful cards and wrapping paper.

Woodworking Station

We will have pre-cut and uncut wood for making bird houses, boxes and more!

Planting Station

Increase old jars, glass jars, tin canisters etc. and turn them into flower and herb gardens. Cuttings and seedlings will also be available.

Cloth Station

Don't throw away your favorite old t-shirts, turn it into a truly sustainable shopping bag, plant hanger, cloth paper towel roll, and more!

Mishmash Station

We will provide a variety of upcycled craft materials for you to let your inner artist show!

Brought to you by the Henniker Lions and the NH Lions Green Team
For more information please contact us at NHLionsgreenteam@gmail.com



Resources

Camp Pride

Second Weds of the month, 6:30pm
Airport Diner, Manchester

Health Services of NH

Fourth Tues of the month, 6:30pm
Meets via Zoom
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Lions Twin State Soccer Assoc.

Fourth Tues of the month, 6:30pm
meets via Zoom
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Lions Youth Services

Second Thurs of the month, 6:30pm
Airport Diner, Manchester

Sight & Hearing Foundation

Third Thurs of the month, 6:30pm
Airport Diner, Manchester

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Facebook Resources:

Use the search feature in Facebook to find these sites, and look up other clubs you want to follow. For example, Hudson NH Lions Club, Salem NH Lions Club, or Nashua Lions Club.

NH Lions District 44-H

- Our district page

Global Lions Forum

- Learning from Lions leaders around the world

Lions Clubs International

- Posts from Lions International

Lions Club Members: Public Image, Graphics & Ideas Hub

- Great Lions images to use in your marketing, social media, newsletters

Lions SMiLE (Social, Media, including, Lions, Everywhere)

- Excellent resource on how to improve your club's social media marketing.

Online Resources:

Lions International website

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/>

District 44H website

http://e-district.org/sites/district_14-1/index.php

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