



# THE ROARING District 20-E1

NEWSLETTER: FEBRUARY 2025 ISSUE

**LIONS**  
Work Together



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**Zone 6 Chair** Helen Kaprano

#### Region 4

**Zone 7 Chair** Gary Necaster

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#### Region 5

**Zone 9 Chair** Kimberly George

**Zone 10 Chair** Yvonne Morris

### CLUB NEWS INSIDE THIS ISSUE :

Andover, Attica, Avon, Batavia, Belfast, Bolivar, Brockport, Canaseraga, Chili, Churchville, Clarendon, Cuba, Dansville, Dansville Lioness, Fairport, Gates-Greece, Hamlin, Hilton, Irondequoit, Kendall, Lyndonville, Rochester Downtown Host, Rush, Scio, Scottsville, Varysburg, Walworth, Webster, and Wellsville

Hello Lions of District 20E1,

With only about 4 more months left to serve you as your DG, I would like to complement most of you on your efforts to attract new members. Fun and meaningful activities equal more people wanting to join with you to serve their community.

We recently attended, by invitation, the Dansville Lions Freeze Your Buns Off Steak Roast. We also learned about how much fun was had at the Gates-Greece Lions Snow Golf event.

It only takes one spark to get a fire going. You can be that spark for a new lion and also reignite the enthusiasm for your club. I believe that if we all stay positive, we will have a strong future.

Stay warm and safe.

Your 2024-2025 District Governor,  
Albert Merrill

May 16-18, 2025 Niagara Falls, NY



### **Celebrate Over a Century of Service!**

Join us for the **101st Annual MD-20 Lions Clubs Convention** as we gather Lions from across New York State and Bermuda to honor our shared legacy and inspire future acts of kindness. This is more than a convention – it's a moment to reflect, connect, and empower each other to serve our communities with greater impact.

- Collecting small Lego kits for Roswell Park Cancer Institute: Each kit will be given to a child waiting for and during their treatments.
- Workshops & Panels: Tools and strategies to elevate your impact as a Lion.
- Networking Opportunities: Build meaningful connections with Lions who share your commitment.
- Hands-on Service Project
- Explore Niagara Falls: Be inspired by one of the world's natural wonders!

### **Register Today – Together, We Can Achieve Even More!**

**Early Bird Registration Deadline:** April 15, 2025

**Registration Fee:** \$50 in advance (\$60 at the door)

**Secure Your Spot Now:** <https://md20lionsconvention.org/>

**Saturday Night Gala theme: Beach Party**

Learn more by visiting our sites or  
click on the Lions'  
Convention 2025 QR code.



## **SAVE THE DATES**

District 20-E1 CABINET MEETING Avon Town Hall March 2,2025

District 20-E1 LEADERSHIP MEETING Avon Town Hall April 5,2025  
(Presidents and Secretaries)

MD20 CONVENTION: Niagara Falls, New York May 15-18, 2025

107th LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Orlando, Florida July 13-17, 2025



USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Atlantic City, New Jersey September 18-20, 2025

**We want to hear about your club!!!**

**Next District newsletter deadline is April 8.**

**E-mail articles to :**

**[lions20e1newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:lions20e1newsletter@gmail.com)**

## **LA Wildfires**

### **Raging Wildfires in California Destroy Entire Communities**

- **Several destructive wildfires swept through the Los Angeles area of California in the United States are devastating entire communities.**
- **More than 28 people have died, and more than 180,000 people have been evacuated.**
- **The fires have burned over 50,000 acres and destroyed more than 16,000 structures, including homes, displacing countless families.**
- **When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation.**
- **LCIF is mobilizing funds, including 2 Emergency Grants awarded and disbursed for \$15,000 each for immediate relief supplies and a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant, to empower Lions in California to help their communities recover.**
- **Lions in California continue to develop plans.**

**All of these grants are made possible by our generous donors, including many of you. Did you know we reached a new Planned Giving milestone? We hit the US\$10 million mark, with 275 donors joining the Lions Legacy Society. These gifts, along with other contributions, play a significant role in funding our grants.**

**Anyone interested in supporting California efforts should make gifts to LCIF's Disaster Fund, noting that their gift is intended for California wildfire relief. LCIF is tracking all gifts made for the California wildfires.**

**Local Lions are in the process of assessing needs and donations will be used to support their relief efforts. Donors may not restrict donations for a specific club or district.**



Join Lions Clubs and the New York Yankees  
for a fun-filled day & Fundraiser at the

# Yankee Stadium!

One East 161st Street Bronx, NY 10451

## APRIL 27, 2025

### Blue Jays vs. New York Yankees

#### 1:35 PM EDT



SCAN ME

Each Ticket includes: A New York Yankees Lions Clubs Hat



## Contact Info:

District 20-K1 Governor Romeo Hitlall 917.749.7700  
District 20-0 Governor Stephen Jennis 845.489.8350  
District 16-J Lion Alan Bowne 732-754-4727

**BUY TICKETS HERE:** <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Lionsclubs820250102-16154701>

# MD-20 PDG FOUNDATION SPRING MEETING

Saturday, March 15, 2025



## Holiday Inn Resort at Lake George

2223 State Route 9, Lake George, NY 12845

(518) 668-5781

**Attire: PDG shirts or similar**

10:00 am – 2:30 pm Meeting and Lunch - Meeting Room

Lunch Buffet in Meeting Room - Noon

7:00 p.m. Dinner Dress: Business Casual

**\*There will be a Hospitality Room Friday & Saturday\***

**OVERNIGHT ROOMS AVAILABLE:** Hotel Room Rate: \$134 per night (+ tax)

**GROUP CODE: PDG blocked for 3/14 & 3/15**

(This room rate can be extended immediately before or after these nights)

Please call (518) 668-5781 to reserve your room **BEFORE FEBRUARY 15**

Entire Day's Activities - Meeting, Lunch, Dinner: \$70pp (**best deal!** 😊)

Lunch and meeting only: \$32pp (Buffet)

Dinner only: \$42pp (Plated)



MD-20 PDG Foundation Fall Meeting, Saturday, March 15, 2024 (**RSVP by 3/1 please**)

Mail to: **PDG Fred Rieger, 1 Fairway Road, Roslyn Harbor, NY 11576**

**(Checks should be made out to: MD20 PDG Foundation).**

**PLEASE COMPLETE:** Names of attendee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Plated DINNER : Chicken Francaise ( ) or Maple Bacon Wrapped Salmon ( ) or Prime Rib ( )

DIETARY REQUESTS: Vegetarian # \_\_\_\_ or Gluten Free # \_\_\_\_ or Other # \_\_\_\_

Entire Day: \$70 pp x \_\_\_\_ # people = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch & meeting: \$32 pp x \_\_\_\_ # people = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Only: \$42 pp x \_\_\_\_ # people = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Global Membership Report**  
**January 31, 2025**  
**Dave Markham: District 20-E1 GMT Coordinator**

**Current State**

- Currently, there are 37 Active Clubs in 20-E1 and, and 7 Leo's clubs.
- In 10 of the 37 Club the Membership Chairman's office are listed as vacant. They are Albion, Alfred, Angelica, Attica, Gates-Greece, Rochester Flaum, Rush, Oakfield-Alabama, Scio and Scottsville.
- As of January 31, District 20-E1 had 21 new members, 1 reinstatement, and 39 drops for a net loss of -18 putting us into a below target for the first half of the FY of 9 net new members for the Mission 1.5 target and 37 for MD 20-E1 target (2 net/club).
- Continuing at the same current growth rate the district would be down 18 net members by FY end.
- Not seeing much response from Club's in filling 10 vacant Membership Chairperson Positions which are critical for a fully functioning club.
- Near term focus has been on club membership recruitment and fixing know issues that impact recruitment.

**Next Steps through June 30**

- Continue with actions on recruitment and retention.
- Requesting clubs provide exit interviews for any dropped members with the reason for leaving the club and to administer club member satisfaction survey.
- Work with District Leadership and Club Presidents to ensure that all clubs have a membership Chairman's role and responsibilities covered and a current membership plan.
- Provide Literature and presentations for Zone Chairman to utilize on their club visitations.
- Work with district leadership to perform a district wide assessment for opportunities for new or branch clubs.
- Work with District Leadership to see if there is any public relations/advertising the district can create to attract new membership.
- Keep Mission 1.5 in the fore front of the District 20-E1
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- Five Year Trend in District 20-E1 Membership

Year	Clubs New	Dropped Clubs	Gain/ Loss Clubs	New Members	Charter Members	Reinstate Members	Transfer Members	Members Added	Members Dropped	Gain/ Loss Members
2019-2020	0	0	0	69	2	6	0	77	92	-15
2020-2021	2	1	1	76	49	8	0	133	144	-11
2021-2022	0	3	-3	94	3	10	17	124	179	-55
2022-2023	0	0	0	69	0	12	2	83	99	-16
2023-2024	0	0	0	64	0	8	3	75	117	-42
Average	0	1	0	74	11	9	4	98	126	-28

www.wellsvillelionsclub.com




Sign up to show  
your **TALENT!**

THE LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

# WELLSVILLE'S *Got* TALENT

Presale Tickets available at:  
Modern Diner  
Brand Name Appliance  
Texas Hot

Wellsville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Any Wellsville Lions Members



**Friday,  
February 28th  
7:00pm**

**Saturday,  
March 1st  
7:00pm**

**TICKETS  
\$10.00\***

@ WELLSVILLE SECONDARY SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Tickets sold benefit Wellsville Lion's Club Charities

\*Tickets good for one night only





# Lions Camp Badger... ...Building A Brighter Future



Lions Camp Badger is operated by Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc. which is a project of the NYS & Bermuda Lions and a 501c3 Corporation.

Lions Camp Badger brings smiles, laughter and a sense of self-esteem, confidence and acceptance to our campers each year. This summer, over 120 campers joined the thousands of campers that for over 40 years have experienced the magic that is Lions Camp Badger. Fifteen families (22 kids and 23 parents) also registered for our Family Camp. Each year our goal is to improve the program, the Camp and the experience enjoyed by our campers. *You all can be proud of your camp!* As we plan improvements and building for the future, please visit, volunteer and support "your" Lions Camp Badger and keep our campers smiling!!

Participate  
In Work Days



Adopt A Cabin



Support  
The Camp  
Financially



Visit Us: On The Web - <http://www.lionscb.org/>  
Our YouTube channel! - <http://www.youtube.com/@lionscampbadger4251>  
On FaceBook @ Lions Camp Badger

725 LaRue Rd, Spencer, NY 14883 ~ 1-800-232-7060 ~

**The Dansville Lions Club will present its 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Show, “Flashback to the 80’s” on March 27, 28 and 29 in the Dansville high school auditorium at 7:00 p.m.**

**As always the show will feature a 40 voice chorus, songs, jokes and special acts by local and area talent. Led by the Lions Jokesters, the audience will be treated to two hours of hometown entertainment.**

**As with last year, it will be open seating. As a result, tickets will be available at the door each night or pre-sale at the Dogwood Floral Company at 152 Main Street in Dansville. With roll-back pricing to recognize the 80’s, ticket prices will be \$2 each night.**





New York State & Bermuda Lions

## Lions SEE, Inc.

Screening Eyes Early  
[www.lionsseeny.org](http://www.lionsseeny.org)



In Partnership with Kidsight USA

Looking to become a more active Lion?  
Lions SEE is seeking volunteers

Lions SEE is currently looking for Lions who have a desire to serve. If you possess a talent for marketing, fundraising, accounting or another skill useful in promoting the mission of Lions SEE, we are looking for your assistance. If you want to work on a committee or serve as a director, we want your unique skill set.

Applications for directors are on the website, [www.lionsseeny.org](http://www.lionsseeny.org) Please email the completed application to PDG Mike Lawkowski at [michaellawkowski@yahoo.com](mailto:michaellawkowski@yahoo.com)

Questions? Call Lion Mike at 716-228-9386

Please submit your application before March 15.

35th Annual Greater Wellsville



# Trout Derby

April 26th & 27th, 2025

450 TAGGED FISH

OVER \$25,000

in PRIZE MONEY!

CAMPING ON-SITE, FOOD,

CHICKEN BARBECUE,

GUN RAFFLE



REGISTER ONLINE AND JOIN THE FUN!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT

[WWW.WELLSVILLELIONSCLUB.COM](http://WWW.WELLSVILLELIONSCLUB.COM) FOR ALL THE  
DETAILS AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

No camping allowed until after 6am, Friday, April 25th



# **LIONS CAMP BADGER**

Operated by the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc.

## **CAMP CORNER: Reflections from Lions Camp Badger**

by Pat Gillule, Camp Director

Lions Camp Badger is a project of New York State and Bermuda Lions Clubs. Our mission is to provide services and create experiences that enhance the educational, vocational, personal growth and independence of individuals with diverse abilities.

### **REGISTRATION FOR OUR CAMP SESSIONS IS NOW OPEN!**

Campers ages 6-60+ can register right from our website, [www.lionscb.org](http://www.lionscb.org).



**Family Camp Registration Opens March 1:** Family Camp will be held from **July 20-22, 2025** and is open to any family who has one or more members with a disability. Enjoy supported activities with trained staff with plenty of time available for rest and relaxation. Meet other families, stay in a cabin, have fun! Register from our website, [www.lionscb.org](http://www.lionscb.org).



### **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR CELEBRATE ABILITIES DAY on Saturday, July 26:**

Celebrate Abilities Day is a special event that brings together our campers and their families, Lions members, volunteers and staff, alumni, and stakeholders to simply have fun together! Enjoy games, tours, food, and a wide array of camp activities. **We need assistance with cooking, registration table, camp store, carnival games, and cleanup.** To sign up, please contact Camp Director Pat Gillule at [patgillule@gmail.com](mailto:patgillule@gmail.com) or by calling/texting 607-768-2386.



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Be on the lookout for **Lions Camp Badger SUPER RAFFLE** tickets! Purchase them as a club or sell them to your friends and neighbors. As always, there will be ten prize winners of \$1,000 each. All of the proceeds support Lions Camp Badger. We rely heavily on your generosity to keep our camp beautiful and maintain our quality summer camp for individuals with diverse abilities. (call or email if you'd like more tickets!)

The Board of Directors recently voted to revise our **MISSION STATEMENT**:

**The mission of the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc. is to provide services and create experiences that enhance the educational, vocational, personal growth and independence of individuals with diverse abilities.**

THE DANSVILLE LIONS  
CLUB PRESENTS

# MARDI GRAS

DANCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST



FEATURING OUR LOCAL ROCK BAND

## BROADBAND

\$10 COVER CHARGE AT THE DOOR  
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT DOGWOOD FLORAL CO.  
APPETIZERS PROVIDED BY THE DANSVILLE LIONS CLUB  
DRINK SPECIALS

AT THE DANSVILLE MOOSE CLUB 6 - 9 PM

## Andover Lions Club



Andover Lions Club congratulates Rogan and Derrick for their awesome effort to spread Christmas cheer. Rogan sold his artwork and was able to buy \$1000 worth of presents for children in need, which was donated to the Lions Club Toys for Tots drive and some was given to a local daycare. Derek's "Give Back like Cheryl Briggs" was a huge success and pictured isn't all of the donations. It takes a community to pull this off.



Lion Samantha Gavin receives the Robert Uplinger Award from Past President Steve Walker at a board meeting of the Andover, NY Lions Club. Sam has been the main organizer of the Andover Lions Maple Festival for the past several years.

**The 2025 Maple Festival will be April 5 & 6 at Andover Central School.**

## Attica Lions Club

In October, local resident Lily Van Son was awarded funds to support the Trunk or Treat program which raises funds for Gateway Home. Club will help with material expenses for a local resident's home access ramp. Donation made to LCIF for Disaster Relief in wake of the recent hurricanes.

### Freedom Guide Dogs Gateway Home

The following note from Gateway Home regarding Lily Van Son & Trunk or Treat was so compelling we thought to share it:

Dear Lions, We want to thank you for the very generous donation you gave us as part of Lily Van Son's Trunk or Treat event. In total she raised \$1,520! Pretty impressive for a teenager!

We realize you are often asked for donations and we hope you know how much we appreciate your faithful support to our organization. We admire all the fine work you do for the community we love.

Thank You! With gratitude and friendship,  
All of us at Gateway Home Attica.



Lion Chris Van Son is pictured here modeling the latest Attica Lions Dri-Fit style shirt. Shirts are available in all sizes and can be ordered through club secretary Lion Peter Mark at a cost of \$35 each.



## Avon Lions Club



Avon Lions Club welcomed 2 new members to the club in January. John Snyder and Carolyn Giles pictured with their sponsor, Steve Coleman (l to r). Thanks for choosing the Lions as your way of providing community service.

The club had a chilly Chicken Barbeque in late January.

## Batavia Lions Club



Pictured front row (from left to right): Vice-District Gov. Tom Flaherty, Linda Olsen - new member, Dr. Ross Fanara - board member, Roger Bohn - membership chairperson.  
Middle row (left to right) Hal Mitchell - board member, Zac Curtis - new member, Mike Taggart - new member, John Bohn - new member. Back row: Ron Metz - President of the Lion's Club.

# Belfast Lions Club

Another successful 300 club party. Thanks again to everyone who turned out despite the inclement weather.



## Bolivar Lions Club



Macedonia Lodge #258 F&AM presented the Bolivar Lions Club with the Dewitt Clinton Public Service Award. The DeWitt Clinton Award recognizes exceptional voluntary community service by non-Masonic organizations or individuals. The award is in honor of Dewitt Clinton a former Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York and former Governor of NY and Mayor of New York City. In the photo L-R: PDG Rick Whitney, Lion President Jason Isaman, Jacob Cole (Master of Macedonia Lodge) and Jeff Johnson District Deputy Grand Master of the Allegany Masonic District.

The Club is partnering with Bolivar-Richburg School on a new community service project for Earth Day. Through the Neighborhood Forest Project, students at B-R STEM program will receive a free tree sapling to plant in honor of Earth Day in April. The Lions will work with the school on an event to distribute the trees and provide education to the students and parents on how planting trees benefit the environment,

## Brockport Lions Club



Brockport Lions Club delivering some holiday cheer while living our motto. Sixty five families received 70 pound food bags! Over 200 goodie bags delivered to residences of Evergreen Place and Elderwood!



Starting out 2025 with special recognition of some of our very own Brockport Lions! Lion President Kevin Smith awards Lion Greg Lund for 35 years of service, Lion Lauren Lieberman and Lion Tammy Deacon, each with 25 years of service and Lion Al Hammel with the Membership Key Award for bringing in 15 new members! Other Chevron's were presented to Lion Gary Brown, 40 years of service, Lion Scott Waller and Lion Keith Marshall each with 15 years of service! Congratulations All for living and giving to our Lions Motto...We Serve!



Wednesday nights dinner meeting brought out special guest speakers Paul Kimball and Lion Scott Hunsinger who shared both heartbreaking witness accounts yet inspiring information about their mission and promise of restoration to The Morgan Manning House after a devastating fire January 14, 2025. Fundraising efforts are underway, so stay tuned for more information coming soon. The Brockport Lions Club also welcomed two new members willing to share in our Lions Motto "We Serve"! Welcome to Lion Kate and Lion Greg!

**BROCKPORT  
LIONS CLUB  
"STUFF THE  
TRAILER"**

➤ **WHEN:** SUNDAY, MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 1PM- 3PM  
➤ **WHERE:** BROCKPORT VET'S CLUB 222 WEST AVE  
BROCKPORT, NY 14420  
➤ **WHAT:** PLEASE HELP US REPLENISH THE BROCKPORT FOOD  
SHELF BY DONATING NON- PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

**FREE CHILI AND  
HOT CHOCOLATE**

ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY THE  
**"BROCKPORT BUSKERS"!**

People can drop off non-perishable foods. The Lions Club will have chili, hot chocolate, coffee and live music in the Vets building.

## Canaseraga Lions Club



Santa Hat Society loves the Canaseraga Lions Club! We continue to be so grateful into the new year. Thank you Kenny DeRitter and the rest of the entire club. We are so grateful for your generosity and support. The Santa Hat Society, Inc. is formed for the charitable purpose of providing Christmas gifts to families with children, who have suffered a traumatic loss of a parent or child, who may have an immediate family member battling a serious or incurable illness or may be a hard working family suffering serious financial distress through no fault of their own.

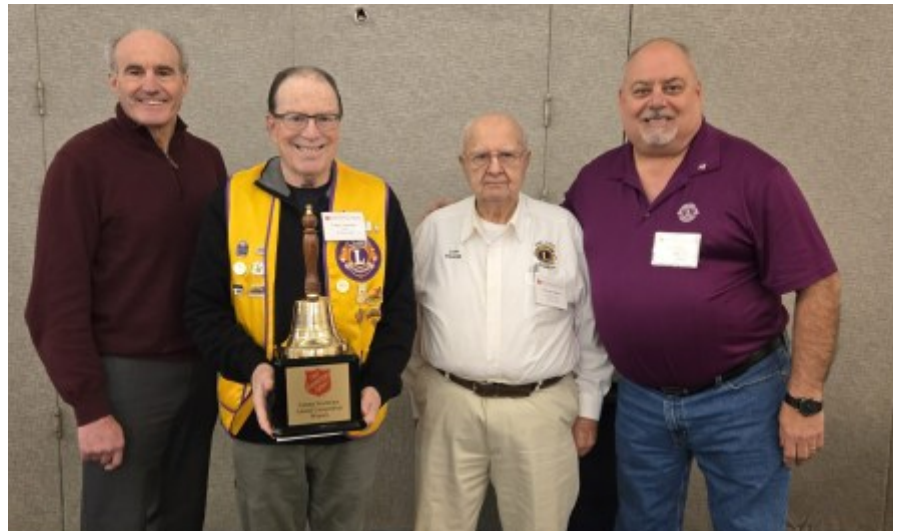
## Lions Club of Chili



Amazing Day for Lions Club Of Chili delivering the food and gift baskets to families in need in Our Community. From packing, organizing and delivering our Lions and volunteers got the job done



Larry and Joe hoist the trophy.



AL Arilotta, Larry Lazenby, George Beldue, and Joe Korn pose with Battle of the Bells trophy.

The Churchville Lions, Scottsville Lions, and the Lions Club of Chili teamed up for about a month of bell ringing in front of the Pet Plus Store in Chili. (Who says winters aren't so bad anymore?) We had some very generous people in our community. For the third time in four years the clubs won the Battle of the Bells in the Rochester area for non-profits. The trophy was awarded at the annual Gratitude Gathering in downtown Rochester.





The Lions Club of Chili started the New Year with a New Member! Welcome Sherry who was sponsored by Lion Secretary Keri. Pictured with President Joe and PDG Mike performed the induction.

The Lions Club of Chili held Vision screenings for students at Pearce4kids School in January.



Lions Club of Chili serves! L-R Mike, Ann, Dorinda, Bonnie, and Sherry. Some members got together to make sandwiches for the area homeless. We had fun while we got everything ready in 2.5 hours. We are planning to this some more during the winter months. Some of the recipients commented on how good are PB&J sandwiches were.

## Churchville Lions Club

Throughout the months of November and December Lions Clubs from Churchville, Chili and Scottsville took to their bells and kept their Salvation Army Red Kettle as full as possible. Situated between the Aldi's Grocery and Pet Supplies Plus in Chili Center, the Lions weathered chill hands and feet to thank their patrons who donated whatever coins or soft money they could gather when prices for goods are still high. Thanks go to the Lions who gave of their time to the Red Kettle Campaign!



Lions Buzz and Linda Mantegna take up the cause as bell ringers on Nov 22nd



Lion Doug Eisele was in the spirit on the last hour of the campaign



Lions Al and George display Battle of the Bells trophy that was awarded at the Rochester Downtown Hyatt in February.

The Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony was held in the Village of Churchville Hall on December 8th complete with storytelling, music, carols and Jolly Old Santa to guarantee a fun event. Santa arrived in his Fire Truck Sleigh and chatted with the children about their Christmas wish lists. The Lions Club handed out candy treats and a chance to win with Santa a lucky child to help light the Village Holiday Tree at the Nancy L. Steedman Gazebo.



Lion Joe DeLeo and Marsha hand out tickets for a chance to light the Village Holiday Tree.



The Holiday Tree beams with light as Santa and the winner pose for photos.

## Clarendon Lions Club

### Breakfast with Santa – December 21, 2024

Clarendon Lions had our annual holiday celebration in partnership with the Eastern Orleans Community Action at the Community Center in Holley.

## Cuba Lions Club

The annual Sweetheart Steak Bake was held at Moonwinks! Money made from this event goes directly back into the community!

## Dansville Lions Club

It was a very cold day but we are grateful for the generosity of our community and the warmth of Tops Market. Some of our littlest Lions helping ring bells for the Salvation Army.



Another successful Freeze your Buns Steak Roast was held at Stony Brook State Park. A roaring fire, steaks roasting and great company.



## Dansville Lioness Lions Club



The Dansville Lioness Lions Ice Sculpture.

## Fairport Lions Club

This was a busy holiday season for our club. It began with a presentation by Regina Civiletti from Matthew's Closet. She explained how they operate mostly on donations. Shoppers receive a voucher from the case worker or social services to come and shop at the store. They offer clothing and basic household items. Many of the people who come there have almost nothing and so they also give towels and basic health items.



Lions Sherry and Dick presented Regina with a check for \$100 and many of the members had items to donate.

Our members, Dick and Cheri Livoti and Jim and Pat Rice also volunteered their time to ring the bell for the Salvation Army to raise funds for the Christmas holiday. Their efforts were greatly appreciated and they represented us well.

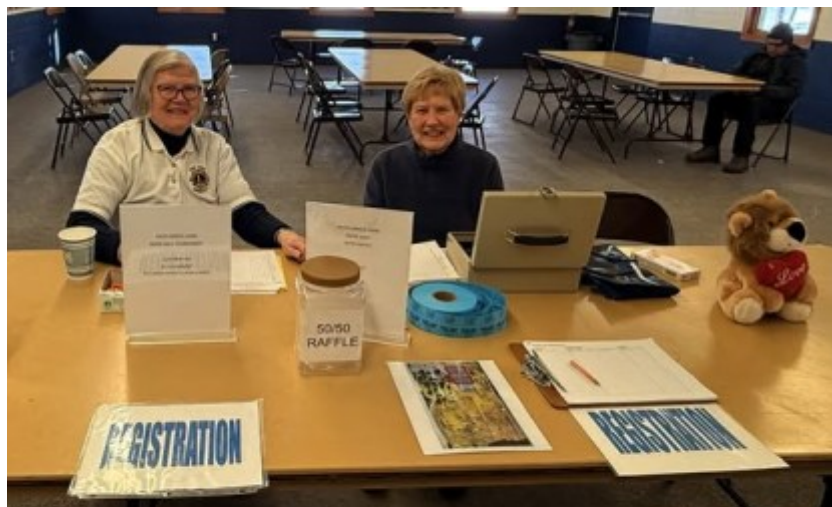
Finally we held our Christmas Dinner with our key guest, Anna Valeria, CEO from Open Door Mission in Rochester. In lieu of giving the shoeboxes as we had done in the past, this year we were able to raise funds to give more basic items such as toiletries, socks, underwear. Working with MJ, our ingenious Dick Livoti was able to secure bulk items on our behalf.



MJ and Anna at our festive Christmas dinner table. You can see the bulk items Dick procured in the picture to the far left.

## Gates-Greece Lions Club

The Gates Greece Lions Club hosted their annual Snow Golf event. It was 16 degrees and the wind chill was 2 degrees. However, the golfers were laughing and having fun with lots of rosy cheeks.





Lion Wayne ready to measure closest to the pin. The kitchen crew served up some hearty meals.



Lions Michelle and Doug were definitely dressed for the conditions!

Lions Club of Chili were first of the tee and had fresh snow throughout the 10 hole course.



## Hamlin Lions Club



Our club was pleased to host guests Linda Kent and Mark Ballerstein from Life Solutions of Hamlin, Inc at our dinner meeting this evening. They shared insights on Life Solutions' outreach initiatives for 2024 and discussed their objectives for 2025. President Randy Paap presented Linda and Mark with a gift to support Life Solutions' ongoing efforts in delivering valuable services to our Hamlin Community.

## Hilton Lions Club



Three members of the Hilton Lions Club were recognized last evening for their long service to the Hilton community. Pictured are Mayor Joe Lee, who has 30 years of service; William Smith, who has 10 years of service; and, not present, James Schiebel, who has 30+ years of service. Congratulations to all three.



## Irondequoit Lions Club



Lions Years 2025 started out with members of our Irondequoit Lions club celebrating with an after holiday Christmas gathering and dinner at Nick's Sea Breeze Inn in Irondequoit. In a relaxing atmosphere the members enjoyed a great meal and conversation.

Upcoming Lions year is well under way with our annual Dr. Robert Santo Memorial Scholarship applications to the 3 area high schools. Deadline is March 30<sup>th</sup>. Winner and family will be invited to the club's year end picnic.

A committee has been formed and is working on our club's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary which will be in June.

In the month of January we collected approximately 570 pairs of glasses, with additional sunglasses of approximately 100 pair which are being donated to InterVol. Glass cases are donated to Goodwill. We had 1 vision screening in January at St. Ambrose academy and still have 1 that needs to be scheduled at a new location.

At our meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup> Mitch Carr from InterVol gave a presentation on what they do, and the trips that have been taken to Belize. In the past they have provided medical supplies to various countries and the USA in the hurricane zones and the LA fires. They are always looking for volunteers because of the amount of work they do.

At our upcoming meeting end of February on the 24<sup>th</sup> we will be inducting a new member.

Our first fund raiser of the 2025 year will be our annual place mat which will be used at Uncle Danny's Restaurant during the week of Easter. Ads are \$50 for a business card size. If anyone is interested in purchasing an ad contact Lion Bill Davis at [bdavis12@rochester.rr.com](mailto:bdavis12@rochester.rr.com)

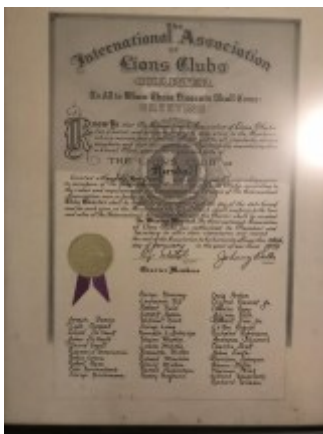
## Kendall Lions Club



Lion President Zina and Lion Eric take a shift ringing the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign. Kendall lions volunteered throughout the day at the Tops in Hamlin, a yearly tradition valued by our club.



In support of Lions Clubs Global Causes of Vision and Diabetes, the Kendall Lions Club was pleased to share the proceeds of our club's Annual Christmas Party Auction with the Batavia School for the Blind and The Orleans County Pre-diabetes education program. Lion President Zina Cappatelli Presented each organization a check for \$1000.00 at our January 16th meeting.



50 Years ! On January 28, 1975 we received this Charter, officially constituting us as THE LIONS CLUB OF KENDALL. We have proudly been serving and supporting our community ever since. Congratulations Kendall Lions!



The Kendall Lions are pleased to introduce our newest members Leanne and Jim Richards sponsored by Lion President Zina Cappatelli.



Scott Robinson and Kerry Miller from Medina Memorial Hospital presented a program, Stop the Bleed, to our members. Medina Memorial Hospital is celebrating 100 Years of Serving the Community.



The annual Kendall Lions Annual Chicken BBQ was a big success! Proceeds will benefit CURE Childhood Cancer.

# Lyndonville Lions Club

Snowflake Bowling Tournament 2025.

Great People! Great Fun! Great Cause!



## Rochester Downtown Host Lions Club



We had a Christmas party with the Gates Greece Club.



The club had breakfast with those involved with Toys for Tots. Club members included Tom Flaherty, Joe Gorman, Bing and Vet Reeves. Also an associate member, Judy McKnight was there.



Next year's District Governor, Tom Flaherty, (3rd from bottom left) is in DG school in Chicago with next year's District Governors from all over the world. Let's hope he learns a lot, makes connections, and has some fun!

## Rush Lions Club

This past Thursday the Rush Lions Club sorted and packaged up Christmas gifts for two families in need. The support of the Members and the Rush Community made this possible.



The Rush Lions donated and set up a pinball machine at the Ronald McDonald House this last week.



**Scio Lions Club**



# Pancake Dinner

March 13, 2025

Let us make dinner!

More details coming soon!

All proceeds go back to community to support such things as:

School for the Blind, Allegany County Diabetes Foundation, SPCA, Wellsville Trout Derby, Hart House, Food Banks, Scio School: (Coat and Boots program, Nurse clothing, Backpack program, Toys for tigers, Senior Scholarships, and many more!



# Scio Lions Club

## Scottsville Lions Club

It's that time of year again. Scottsville Lions Club will be calling their annual lottery ticket winners beginning February 1st thru March 31, 2025. Good Luck!



Our club is quite proud to be involved with ringing the bell for the Salvation Army with the Chili and Churchville Lions. We are humbled to have won the annual award with along with them in the annual Battle of the Bells; a good-natured competition in a very cold, but very rewarding effort.

### Scottsville Lions Club FISH FRY



Friday, March 14, 2025

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Jack's Place @ Chili Country Club

760 Scottsville Chili Road

Your choice of Beer Battered, Breaded or Broiled

Served with French Fries and Cole Slaw

Presale (Ends March 7, 2025) \$15

Day of Event \$16

For Presale Tickets:

Email: [ScottsvilleLions2023@gmail.com](mailto:ScottsvilleLions2023@gmail.com) OR

Call Lion Patty @ 609-335-4250



# Varysburg Lions Club

Lots of great people came out for the Fran Kehl Memorial Dice Run! Organized by the Folsom Trailblazers and the Varysburg Lions Club.



## Walworth Lions Club

The club hosted a huge pasta dinner in January. Plan ahead, the Walworth Lions Club offers tents for rent from May through September.



## Webster Lions Club

Another successful year in the books for the Webster NY Lions pancake breakfast with Santa! We thank all those within the community who attended and thanks to all the Webster Lions who helped out! Also a special shout out to Webster Boy Scout Troop 163 and Schroeder High School!



## Wellsville Lions Club

Mark your calendars. Wellsville's Got Talent is back. Come enjoy the fun February 28th and March 1st in the Wellsville High School auditorium. Tickets are available at the Modern Diner, Brand Name Appliance, Wellsville Area Chamber of Commerce and Texas Hots or see any Lion member.

### ENTER THE 2025 TROUT DERBY GUN RAFFLE

Tickets for the 2025 Trout Derby Gun Raffle are available now. They can be purchased at the Wellsville Area Chamber of Commerce and the Modern Diner, or from members of the Wellsville Lions Club. Tickets will, of course, also be available at Derby Headquarters during the event. Tickets can be purchased for **\$1.00 each**, or you can purchase **25 tickets for \$20.00**.

This year, you will have the opportunity to win one of three great prizes. The 1st Prize is a Weatherby Vanguard rifle with a synthetic stock in 6.5 Creedmoor. The 2nd Prize is a Savage Axis II with a Weaver 3X9 scope in 26-06 caliber. The 3rd Prize is a \$200.00 Runnings Gift Card. All three prizes were supplied courtesy of the Wellsville Runnings Store. If you win one of the rifles, you will be provided with a voucher for that item to be picked up at Runnings. **The winner will be responsible for paying the fee for the background investigation.** If the winner prefers, they can use the value of the voucher to purchase another rifle or any other Runnings merchandise.

Your purchase of these raffle tickets helps to support the Wellsville Lions Charities in this great fundraising event and is greatly appreciated.

35th Annual Greater Wellsville




**Trout Derby  
Gun Raffle**

1st Prize - Weatherby Vanguard



6.5 Creedmoor

2nd Prize Savage Axis XP W/Scope



25-06 Rem

3rd Prize - \$200.00  
Runnings Gift Card



Ticket Donation: \$1.00 each, 25 for \$20.00



Winners are responsible for Federal  
Firearm Background Fees



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