

The Lions' Roar



The Monthly District 23B Governor's Update

January 2020

District Governor's Corner DG Ev Lyons

This issue of the Lion's Roar welcomes in a new year of service for District 23B Lions. Coming off our hectic holiday season in which Lions provided festive meals, toys, clothing and other holiday-related service to area families in need, we continue now with both traditional and new service opportunities into 2020.

In December 2019, we chartered a new Lions club, the West Hartford Lumbini Lions Club, in the district with 26 new Nepalese Lions. With leadership from PDG Dave Roberts from the Barkhamsted Lions and Lion Cindy Daniels from the Windsor Lions, we inaugurated the first cyber LEO club in New England, the Northwest CT Cyber LEO Club, providing an opportunity for youth in towns where there is not an established LEO club to join us in service. Vice District Governors Heidi and Ed, I continue to visit clubs via scheduled meeting and also in appearances at club events. It is my personal goal to visit at least one service or fundraising activity for every club during my year as governor, so please keep me informed of your club events.

A few "fast facts":

1. Our annual Mid-Winter Conference is fast approaching in mid-February with its informative seminars and camaraderie. It would be great to see many District 23B Lions in attendance.
2. We are close to having 100% of District 23B club making some level of contribution to LCIF. Our two fellow districts achieved this level last year and District 23B certainly can match our fellow Connecticut Lions. Please consider making a contribution in any amount and LCIF Chairs, PDG Bobby Clark and PCC Dan Divigilio will be contacting those clubs who have yet to contribute to ask for your support. By the way, District 23B has the distinction of having eight Model Clubs under the LCIF banner. ROAR LIONS!
3. Our zone chairs have been in contact with their club presidents to complete our first-ever district service survey. Returns I have seen thus far indicate an amazing level of service by district Lions. We will be sharing those results in later issues of the District Spirit.

I don't have to remind you that "Where there is a need, there is a Lion". We prove it every day with the difference we make in the lives of others. ROAR LIONS!

Club Notices:

Kent Lions Club Christmas Party, December 18, 6pm

Location: Bulls Bridge Inn, Kent, CT

Cost: \$30/person

Yankee Gift Swap (\$15-\$20), Ugly Sweater Contest, Most Interesting Hat Contest

Collecting Towels for Puppies and canned/non-perishable food for Kent Food Bank

Contact: Norm 860-605-5064

Woodbury Lions Club Annual Luminaria Display, December 24

Location: Main Street, Woodbury, CT

Setup at 1pm, Lighting at 4pm, display runs all night

Cleanup December 25, 6am, starting from the post office

Contact: WoodburyLionsCliff@gmail.com

The Lions' Roar, Deadline, January 10

Please send all ads, articles and pictures to D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com for inclusion in the February issue

Manchester Lions Club Multi-Club Dinner, January 21

Location: Manchester Country Club, 305 South Main Street, Manchester

Social hour at 5:30 with dinner at 6:30. Cost \$28 – Reservations required

Contact: Ed Gorman 860-212-2891 or Wayne Johnson 860-874-7820

Marlborough Lions Club "Super Bowl Roses", February 1

Cost: \$20/dozen, with pickup on 2/1 at Marlborough

Contact: Megan Lloyd - meadams9182@hotmail.com – to order before 2/1

The District 23B Spirit, Deadline, February 10

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MD23 MidWinter Conference, February 21-23

Location: Red Lion Inn, 100 Berlin Road, Cromwell

Cost: \$20 Conference registration (rooms \$101/night, meals extra)

Contact: PCC Hilary Kumnick - hkumnic@aol.com

Kent Lions Club "Hockey Night in Hartford", February 21

UConn Huskies vs Boston University Terriers

Bus leaves Kent around 4pm, returning around 11pm

Cost of tickets and transportation to be determined

Contact Lion President Marty Lindenmayer - mjlkent@gmail.com

Zone 1-4 Governor's Breakfast, March 1, 8am

Location: Chatterley's Banquet Facility, 371 Pinewoods Road, Torrington

Tickets: \$21 per person

Lions of the Year recognition, 100% Secretary Awards

Bring your collected eyeglasses and hearing aids, and please donate a door or raffle prize

Contact: Nancy Lyons – nschnyer0035@charter.net or Carol Kearns – carolkearns@charter.net

Lions Day at the UN, March 7

Location: UN Headquarters, NYC, NY

Cost: Bus Tickets - \$25 per person

Open to all Lions, LEOs, LEO Advisors and guests

Contact: Lion Dave Roberts at dave@daveroberts.org to reserve a bus seat, and for more information

Zone 5-7 Governor's Breakfast, March 8, 8am

Location: Maneeley's, 65 Rye Street, South Windsor, CT

Cost: \$21 per person

Outstanding Lion recognition

Contact: Eileen Driscoll – epda23@aol.com

Plainville Lions Club, Pancake Breakfast, May 3

Location: OLM Parish Center, 19 South Canal Street, Plainville, CT
Cost: \$8 per person (all you can eat), kids 6 and under eat free!
There will be activities for children

Connecticut Lions Day at the State Capitol, April 21

Location: The State Capitol Building, Hartford, CT
Contact: Lion Dave Roberts at dave@daveroberts.org

Opening Eyes Vision Program at the Special Olympics Summer Games, June 12-14

Location: Fairfield University and Fairfield Warde High School, Fairfield, CT
Contact: Brian Lavigne - brian.lavigne@snet.net

We have our own email address now: D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com. Please use this email address. The deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month prior to the issue date (January 10 for the February Roar, February 10 for the March 2020 Roar).

Notices should be short and include all relevant information (see below for examples). We do not print flyers, club statuses or cabinet reports. The Lions' Roar is intended to keep our district informed of upcoming events. Anything that doesn't fit our format will either be condensed for The Roar, or held for the next District 23B Spirit.