

The Lions' Roar



The Monthly District 23B Governor's Update

November 2019

District Governor's Corner DG Ev Lyons

Our progress in District 23B continues thanks to the hard work of a number of Lions. We are seeing initiatives in the areas of service, leadership and membership. I am grateful for the efforts of so many of my fellow Lions.

Our Lions Low Vision Centers in 23B have announced the opening of a new service center in conjunction with MT. Sinai Hospital that will service the central core of our district. Progress is being made in our diabetes work with planning ongoing for a second childhood diabetes screening to be held in collaboration with the CT Children's Medical Center staff. We continue to experience strong support for LCIF donations, and were fortunate to receive a bequest of nearly \$90,000, which will augment our district LCIF goal. Clubs are still encouraged to donate to our international foundation. As I travel about the district, I am proud of the service projects undertaken at the club level to benefit our local communities, as well the international goals of our association. KEEP UP YOUR GREAT WORK!! ROAR LIONS!!

We had the largest contingent of Lions at the recent Emerging Lions Leadership Institute from the three districts, and I was impressed with their efforts when I visited the Institute. Lions is primarily about service, but it also can lead to self-improvement for those who take advantage of its many leadership training opportunities. We have a good contingent already registered for the upcoming Certified Guiding Lion training on November 2, 2019, but can always use more as we support new clubs and clubs experiencing issues. ROAR LIONS!!

Finally, I am pleased to report that we will be chartering a new Lions specialty club in early December. Twenty-two Nepalese Connecticut residents have elected to form the second Nepalese Lions Club in our district. Currently, planning is also underway for a new cyber Lions Club as well as the possibility of a diabetes specialty club composed of medical practitioners and parents of children with diabetes. Our overall membership is holding with slight losses which I am confident will be offset with new members as I have heard from a number of clubs that they are poised to induct new Lions. ROAR LIONS!!

Be proud of what you have already done and will accomplish as a Lion. Let your pride show in all you do as we are indeed "Ordinary People doing Extraordinary Things". Above all else, ROAR LIONS!!

From the Editors:

Welcome to November's The Lions' Roar!

We have our own email address now: D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com. Please use this email address so we can give District Secretary Pat Daigle a break from sifting through submissions and deciding where they go. The deadline for submissions is the 10th of the month prior to the issue date (November 10 for the December Spirit, December 10 for the January 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*.

Club Notices:

Woodbury Lions Club 29th Annual Haunted Hayride, October 18,19,25,26, 7:00 p.m.

Mitchell School, 14 School Street, Woodbury, CT

Adults \$12, children \$6

Ticket sales start at 6:30

www.WoodburyCTLions.org

Greater Hartford Host Lions Club, Lions, Libations, and Cheer, October 18, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Location: West Hartford Town Hall Auditorium

Tickets: \$40/per person in advance (includes parking)

Sample over 30 different libations, plus a wide variety of hors d'oeuvres from local restaurants and markets. Music by the Straight-up Jazz Trio, and there will be a silent auction and a wine pull.

Contact: www.lionslibationsandcheer.com

New Milford Lions Club, Haunted Trail, October 18, 19, 25, 25 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Location: Harrybrooke Park in New Milford

Tickets: \$20/each, online discounts before Oct 16

Bring extra change for food

Contact: <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/newmilfordct/contact.php>

Marlborough Lions 2nd Annual Marlborough Masquerade 5K, October 27, 10:30 a.m.

Location: Blish Memorial Park, 32 Park Rd, Marlborough, CT, \$20 pre-register, \$25 day of, \$50 for families

It's the same great race as our Spring 5K, but with costumes!

Online registration at www.plattsys.com

We're seeking sponsors at the \$250, \$500, and \$1000 levels – contact the club at marlboroughclions@gmail.com

East Windsor Lions 48th Annual Turkey Shoot, October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, 9 a.m.

Location: Route 140, 37 North Road – East Windsor

Prizes: Frozen turkeys, hams, roasts, gift cards, cash

District 23B Guiding Lions Training, November 2, 8 a.m.

Location: Connecticut Association of Schools, 30 Reality Drive, Meriden, \$5 per attendee

The Training certification listed above is for existing Guiding Lions who's certification has expired along with Lions who would like to be certified as a Guiding Lion. If you are interested in participating or learning more about this position, contact Jim Trompeter GLT by October 28, 2019, to insure we have adequate training materials and most important of all enough Coffee, Donuts and Juice.

Contact: Jim Trompeter, 203 910 9262, m20t50@aol.com

Multiple District 23B Membership Chairperson Skill-Building Session, November 2, 8 a.m.

Location: Connecticut Association of Schools, 30 Reality Drive, Meriden, \$5 per attendee

Open to all club membership chairpeople, their membership teams, and any Lion interested in increasing the membership of their clubs

Contact Frank Longo, FMLongojr@gmail.com by October 28 to register

Burlington Lions Club 51st Annual Turkey Shoot, November 3, 10, 17, 24

Location: Burlington Recreation Center, 39 Foote Rd, Burlington

Each round will win a 12 to 13 pound turkey! Food and drinks will be served.

Harwinton Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, November 3, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Harwinton Consolidated School on Rt. 118

Suffield Lions Club Annual Winter Coat Collection, November 9, 10, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Location: In front of the old CVS next to Dunkin on Mountain Road

These coats are provided to anyone who needs a warm coat, free of charge.

East Hartford Lions Club Craft Show, November 10, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Club, 200 Clement Road, East Hartford

Holiday shopping, raffles, food truck, bake sale

Free parking and free admission

The District 23B Spirit, Deadline, November 10

Please send all ads, articles and pictures to District23BSpirit@gmail.com for inclusion in the December issue

World Diabetes Day, November 14

Plan an event to commemorate this important day.

Contact: Wendella Battey-Benjamin, D23B Diabetes Chair wabattey@gmail.com

ASD Lions Club Dinner, November 18, 6:00 p.m.

American School for the Deaf, 139 North Main Street. West Hartford, CT

RSVP no later than Monday, November 11, 2019 to Liz DeRosa 860.570.2212 or elizabeth.derosa@asd-1817.org