

The Lions' Roar



The Monthly District 23B Governor's Update

October 2021



District Governor's Corner DG Ed Fenton

SERVICE: It's exciting to see how much service our clubs are doing this year! Both the number of service activities and people served have increased considerably over the same time period from last year. Our District 23B Lions have already reported 108 service projects and served 22,275 people as of September 15th! I'm sure we have done much more in service as these totals represent less than half of clubs reporting activities.

As a district we are doing a better job of reporting this year. During the 2020-2021 year we had 22 clubs report activities. We have already surpassed that number with 24 clubs reporting activities this year!

I would like to encourage all clubs to report their service in addition to fundraisers, donations, and meetings in MyLion. If you have any questions about activity reporting, please reach out to GST Chair Phyllis Perry, CS Pat Daigle, or Lion Lizette Pelletier. Any of them will be happy to guide you through the process.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION: Overall membership in the district is up slightly as many clubs have been hosting creative membership growth activities! We will be hosting a new member orientation on Friday November 5th at Camp Happy Hill in Unionville. This will be a great opportunity for new Lions, as well as longer-serving Lions, to learn more about the overall scope of what Lions do. I'd like to encourage all sponsors to also attend with the new members you have brought into your clubs. Details about the event will be available soon.

2022 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE: The 2022 Mid-Winter Theme Committee is soliciting submissions from MD23 clubs for a theme to guide the 2022 celebration this coming February. Entries must be RECEIVED by me on the official contest form by email or snail mail no later than September 30th. The winning entry will receive complimentary registration and two hotel room nights for the conference! Please submit your club entry by September 30th as our cabinet will vote on the submissions at the October 4th cabinet meeting.

GREAT CYCLE CHALLENGE: The District 23-B "CT Lions Roar" team surpassed the \$20K mark in donations on September 15th! We are rapidly approaching last year's donation total and need your help to go farther. Please consider a club or individual donation to help fight childhood cancer. You can access the team page at <https://greatcyclechallenge.com/Teams/CTLIONSROAR>.

PEACE POSTER: The theme for LCI's annual Peace Poster contest is "We Are All Connected." The deadline to order a Peace Poster Kit is October 1st and the deadline to submit an entry from your club is November 8th. The contest is open to children ages 11, 12, or 13 as of November 15th. If you use google to search "LCI Peace Poster Contest" you will find a link with all the necessary information. Please reach out to Peace Poster Chair Kathy Doody with any questions.

CT 100th CELEBRATION: Thank you to all the Lions who participated in the CT 100 Celebration! It was a fun day including family games, Lions memorabilia, a presentation by the Silver Dolphins Drill Team, a parade of club banners, and recognition of all the CT clubs 95 years and older.

PUBLICITY: Please continue to send your club event flyers to IT Chair Linda Russell (lindarus@hotmail.com) and she will be happy to add them to the district website calendar. Also send your event information to District Spirit/Lions Roar Editor Frank Longo. He will see that your events are listed in our monthly publications. The Spirit comes out next in September (district23bspirit@gmail.com) and the next issue of the Roar is October (d23bliionsroar@gmail.com). Submittals are due by the 15th of the preceding month.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming Zone meetings in October!

DG Ed

Peace Poster Contest

This year's theme for LCI's annual Peace Poster contest is "We Are All Connected" and there is still time to start organizing your local Club's contest! The contest is open to children ages 11, 12 & 13 (actual birthdate requirements can be found in the kit). This contest is really easy to organize and is great exposure for your Club too! All you would need to do is contact your local Middle School art teacher and ask if he/she would like to have their students participate in this event and provide them with a kit. (Peace Poster Kits can be bought on the LCI website for only \$11.95 plus applicable S&H and must be ordered by October 1st). I have sent out an email to Club Presidents and Secretaries with important dates for poster submissions and voting, as well as a basic letter for you to copy/paste on your Club's letterhead to send to your local schools so be on the lookout for it! I am excited to be the Peace Poster Chair and I hope we get lots of participation this year! Kathy Doody

From the Editors:

Here's a reminder to update your club rosters on MyLCI! We have well over 1700 members in the district, yet only 1411 members receive our mailings—the rest either have no email address or an incorrect email on their LCI record. We also understand that there are members who have yet to step into our new connected world, or wish not to share their email with LCI (yes, there are a lot of emails sent by International). However, we feel it's important to keep our membership updated with our own events. For those members not willing to share their email with LCI, we would suggest sharing your internal email list with the editors at the *Roar/Spirit* only for the purpose of all our members receiving our updates. This is usually no more than two emails a month, which contains information directly relevant to them. We will not share this information with any other entity. Please help us make sure that every Lion in District 23B receives our communications. Contact us at D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com if you'd like to share your contact information with us, preferable in a .XLS, .XLSX, or .CSV Excel format.

District Calendar

Granby – Birdseed Sale – Until October 23

The Granby Lions will be holding their 26th annual birdseed sale. Place your order by Saturday 10/23/2021 and pick-up on Saturday 10/30/21. Local and large order delivery available. Contact: Lion John Spatcher at 860-930-3782 or jdspatcher@outlook.com.

CT Antique Machinery Show-Fall Festival, September 24-26

Location: 31 Kent Cornwall Rd. Kent

The Kent Lions will be manning the food both and selling burgers, dogs, and Member George's famous fries!!!

What is the CT Antique Machinery Show? It's a non-profit museum dedicated to the preservation, restoration and demonstration of antique machinery from our rich industrial and agricultural past. CAMA's central theme revolves around machinery that made America great. Main focus is to educate the general public as to early industrial and agricultural methods. Read more about here <http://www.ctamachinery.com/>

New Hartford Lions Club Giant Flea Market, September 25, 8am-3pm

Location: Brodie Park, 580 West Hill Road, New Hartford 8:00 - 3:00

Admission: \$3 Early Bird Shoppers 6:30 - 8:00 am \$10

Contact: For further information/or to be added to the mailing list call 860-489-9188 or

<http://www.newhartfordclions.org>

New vendors are always welcome!

Windsor Lions Club Community Tag Sale, September 25, 8am-3pm

Location: Windsor Town Green

A large 10'X12' space is available for \$25.00

Contact: Lion Trish at tjeffery64@yahoo.com

Marlborough Lions Cornhole Tournament and Membership Drive, October 2, 2pm

Location: Blish Park, 32 Park Rd, Marlborough

Barkhamsted Lions Club ECAD Open House, October 3, 1pm-3pm

Location: The ECAD Winchester Campus, 149 Newfield Road, Winchester

The Educated Canines Assisting with Disabilities (ECAD) Open House sponsored by the ECAD Branch of the Barkhamsted Lions Club. There will be facility tours, dog training demonstrations, raffle items, face painting, food/drink, "Smooch a Pooch" and ECAD merchandise. Come see ECAD in action, meet ECAD Lions, and learn why ECAD has been so successful enabling people with disabilities, including veterans with PTSD, to gain greater independence and mobility through the use of specially educated dogs.

Contact: ECAD Branch President Carrie Picard at carrie@ecad1.org or Club President Dave Roberts at dave@daveroberts.org.

Zone 2 DG Advisory Committee Meeting, October 7, 6pm-8:30pm

Location: Black Rock Tavern, 78 Main St, Thomaston, CT

Our first meeting of Zone 2 of the Lions Year. The discussion topic will be "Leadership". Social Time begins at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. Dinner will be a buffet at \$25 per person. Deadline to register is September 30. The meeting is open to all Lions.

Contact: Frank Longo, fmlongojr@gmail.com

Windsor Lions Club Fall Arts & Crafts Festival 2021 October 9, 2021, 9am-4pm

Location: Windsor Town Green

This year, our Craft Fairs will be operated in compliance with all state mandated COVID regulations. At this time, The Chili Challenge, sponsored by the Windsor Jaycees, is on target to be on the Town Green as well. Lion Debbie Loomer is chairing the Fall Arts and Craft Fair. Contact Lion Debbie for information or for an application to be a crafter at this event. dcginger3@yahoo.com

Plainville Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, October 17, 8am-Noon

Location: OLM Parish, 19 South Canal Street, Plainville

Kids under 6 Free!

Woodbury Lions Club 30th Haunted Hayride, October 22,23,29,30, 6:30pm-9pm

Location: Mitchell School, 14 School Street, Woodbury

Our celebration of all things spooky! Jump on a real hay wagon and enjoy the ride around the scarier parts of town, with a stop at the infamous Haunted Barn. Ticket sales start at 6:30 each night, with the first wagon leaving at 7pm. Refreshments will be for sale at the school. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$7 for children under 10. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://woodburylionsclub.ticketspice.com>

Woodbury Lions Club Children's Hayride, October 23 1pm-3pm

Location: Mitchell School, 14 School Street, Woodbury

The Woodbury Lions will hold a special Children's Hayride on October 23 from 1PM to 3PM for younger children for whom the regular hayride may be too frightening, and who might be too cute to spook. The wagons start at Mitchell School and go through some of the quieter streets in town, and stop at the "pumpkin patch" where children can select a pumpkin to take home. Tickets for this ride are \$4 for adults, \$3 for children. In the case of rain, the children's hayride will take place on October 30.

East Windsor Lions 2nd Annual Golf Tournament, October 24, 9am

Location: Grassmere Country Club, 130 Town Farm Road, Enfield, CT

Registration starts 9:00 am. Shotgun start 10:00 am. \$95 includes 18 rounds of golf with cart and lunch plus 2 drink tickets. All proceeds will go to E. W. Lions' Charities.

Contact: Lion Derek Lussier 860-758-7793

Winsted Lions Club Halloween Dance, October 29, 6:30pm-11pm

Location: Crystal Peak, 164 Torrington Road, Winsted

Join us for a night full of fun! 3-G live band, Hors d'oeuvres, a table full of Homemade Desserts, Cash Bar 6:30-11:00, Raffles and Costume Contest (Costumes are encouraged, but not required to join in the Halloween Festivities.)

Contact: Joe Zibell, Joezib@att.net or 860-921-6644, or Gina Sartirana, Gsartirana@yahoo.com or 860-307-6617

Marlborough Lions 4th Annual Marlborough Masquerade 5K, October 31, 10:30am

Location: Blish Park, 32 Park Rd, Marlborough

Marlborough Lions Generator Raffle, October 31, 2pm

Plainville Lions Club Red Cross Blood Drive, November 19, 9am-2pm

Location: The Parish Hall at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 19 South Canal Street, Plainville.

To schedule an appointment, Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit the Red Cross online at www.RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: PlainvilleCT

Contact: craig.r.banks@my.ccsu.edu

Marlborough Lions December-Pallet Christmas Tree Fundraiser

Details to follow

Windsor Lions Club "Breakfast Sandwich a Go-Go", December 18, 8am-11am

Location: LP Wilson Center, 599 Matianuck Ave. Windsor

Windsor Lion Elves at this fundraiser, in compliance with all CDC and State of Ct Guidelines, including the wearing of gloves, masks, or a face shield and working with a Ct. Certified Food Handler, will serve hot, freshly made breakfast sandwiches and coffee. All proceeds from this Drive Thru, No Contact fundraiser will go to Windsor's "Project Santa."

We have our own email address now: D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com. Please use this email address. The deadline for submissions is the 15th of the month prior to the issue date: August 15 for the September District Spirit—submit to District23BSpirit@gmail.com. September 15 for the October Lions' Roar to D23BLionsRoar@gmail.com. Notices should be short and include all relevant information. We do not print flyers 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.