





District 33S WELCOME to 2018!!

Thank-you for all you have accomplished in 2017!

Did your club start the year with goals? Now is the time to reassess and revise the goals to fit your club. Review what is working and what doesn't work for fundraisers. Perhaps make a resolution! This could be fun to create club resolutions. Below I have included a few suggestions or conversation starters.

1.) Resolve to do less and accomplish more!

Eliminate the fundraiser that is no longer working or is more work than value.

Eliminate that meeting that is no longer functional.

This gives your club time to direct time towards the fundraiser that is working or service project that is touching 1000 people rather than 3.

2.) Resolve to learn and use social media.

Find out how a blog, Facebook and other social media can help your club.

3.) Resolve to Market your club and your activities to the community.

The more the community is shown what the Lions do the more they want to help.

4.) Most importantly resolve to Thank those who support your club and Lionism!

Looking for fundraiser ideas, perhaps networking with fellow Lions, stop by the mid -winter. For a \$5 fee you can spend the day, attend the business meeting, see the speech contest or visit a few educational seminars.

Hope to see you there!

Thank-you!

Yours in Lionism,

DG Deb Grassi



DISTRICT 33-S 58TH ANNUAL MID-WINTER CONFERENCE JANUARY ,5-7th 2018



Guest Speaker International Bruce Beck and Lion Erin

1620 Hotel, 180 Water St, Plymouth MA (Formerly the Radisson)

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Package #1	Friday and Saturday Nig	ghts, Friday night buffet, Satu	rday Banquet,
Ç	Sunday Brunch, for 2 pe		\$350/\$375
Package #2	Same as Package #1 but	<u> </u>	\$255/\$28
Package #3	Rooms only for Friday a	and Saturday night	\$200/\$22
Package #4	Friday Night Buffet – It	alian Buffet - Per Person	\$40/\$50
Package #5	Saturday Night District	Governor Banquet – Per Pers	on \$50/\$65
Package #6	Sunday Candidate's Bru	ınch – Per Person	\$25/\$35
Package #7	Registration only, include	des admission to meetings	\$5.00
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LEO'S CORNER

Greater Attleboro Leo's Club

LEO SERVICE PROJECTS IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

At the November 20th Greater Attleboro Leo club meeting, Leo members and advisors washed 122 pair of sunglasses and 583 pair of regular eyeglasses. South Attleboro Village Lions Club member Debbie Horner provided the eyeglasses and all of the washing materials.

Leos and advisors bought different kinds of toys and games (bubbles, stuffed animals, puzzles, crayons, small activity books etc.) and stuffed 100 red stockings for children in the Attleboro "Christmas is for Kids" program. This was a great Leo Club service project that took place on Monday evening, Dec. 4th. The stockings were brought to program headquarters that evening.





North Attleboro LEO's

North Attleboro High School LEO's Club has been busy this fall.

LEO membership is 100 members, some more active than others. They have volunteered for a few projects this fall. They include, District K, Plainville Lions Fall Festival, a Junior Football Fundraiser, helping a the Amvet "Back to School Blast", the Falls Halloween Party, the Amvet Pumpkin Stroll, the Martin Holiday Fair, and a special Olympics flag football league.

A group of LEO's raffle off Celtics tickets to raise money as well as participate in some "canning" outside of Dunkin Donuts. There have been a few groups of LEOs who have volunteered at some smaller charities as well. It's been a busy time of the year but the LEOs are doing a great job.

Dighton Rehoboth Leo's



Canned food drive sort w/

DR Student Government



Thanksgiving Dinner Social



Dighton Lights On 2017



Senior Citizens Holiday Dinner



Dighton Community Food Bank



Dighton Toy Giveaway



Food Shopping for the Leo's Soup Kitchen

Updates from Eye Glass Recycling Committee

The Eye Glass Recycling Committee is holding two eyeglass washing and bagging events at the

Raynham Lions Hall Monday, January 8, 2018 1:00PM -3:00PM And 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

This is a District wide event and is open to all clubs. Mark your calendars and invite your members to come and help with this project. This is a great opportunity to meet and catch up with other Lions from the District. With a additional opportunity to gain credit for the R.O.A.R. and P.R.I.D.E. programs by notifying your club secretary of your attendance.

For more information on the project call me at 508-336-3637or via email at nate@natehelge.com. Please call or email me if you plan to attend. Looking forward to your help on the 8th and if there is enough Lions in attendance to help we will start separating glasses between metal and plastic frames for recycling or separating per prescription.

If any clubs are looking to wash eye glasses as a club event, twinning or zone project we are willing to travel if you have the place.

Nate Helgerson Eye Glass Chairman

District 33S Eyemobile Foundation WE WANT YOU!

The Eyemobile Foundation is a District 33S Foundation that belongs to the lions of District 33S. Only District 33S Lions can serve as voting members of this foundation. We need representation from throughout the district.

The Eyemobile Foundation is always looking for Lions that would like to serve on the Board of Directors as a Director or as an Advisor. Please consider volunteering some of your time. We currently need both a director and advisors.

The Eyemobile Foundation meets on the second Monday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the Good Days Restaurant in West Bridgewater (99 South Main Street). Those wishing to have some social time or order food arrive at 6:30. The committee meets to review and vote on any activities or actions needed to operate the District's Eyemobile and Spot cameras.

If you would like to know more about your Eyemobile, come join us! If you need training on any of the equipment or would like a guest speaker for your club, contact the Eyemobile Foundation President or Secretary.

President RC Ted Cummins (617) 967-0944 or Email: onlymetc@aol.com, or eyemobilepresident@district33s.org

Secretary: RC Lorraine Thompson (508) 728-7767 or Email: lionlorraine33s@ymail.com

(To schedule the Eyemobile or Spot camera, please email the Eyemobile scheduler, Lion Bob Thompson at: eyemobilescheduler@district33s.org)

District 33S Hearing Foundation Always Need Board Members

The Hearing Foundation is a District 33S Foundations, that belongs to the lions of District 33S. Only District 33S Lions can serve as voting members of this foundation and we need to have representation from throughout are district. Please consider volunteering some of your time.

The Hearing Foundation is looking for Lion members that would like to serve on the BOD Directors as a Director or as Advisors. The Hearing Foundation meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:00PM to 7:00 PM in Somerset at 1122 Riverview Road (Route 138) Somerset. The committee meets to review and vote on Hearing Application submitted by Lions Clubs of District 33S.

District 33S Hearing Foundation is presently in need of 1 Voting Director and few Advisors.

All interested Lions should contact Hearing Foundation President Listed below

Contact: President PDG Ray Moreau Phone (508) 380-9736 or Email: lionsray@gmail.com

NEW UPDATED Applications and Guidelines are on Line

When submitting an application for hearing assistance please be sure to use the **MOST RESENT** application that is posted online at district33s.org/ .This will prevent delays in processing application.

Check to see if the applicant is Mass Health Eligible (Mass Health will pay for their hearing aids no need for Clubs to submit application) these two things will ensure that there is no delay in processing the referral.

NEW MAILING ADDRESS

All Hearing Aid Applications and Donations should be mailed to:

Mass Lions District 33S Hearing Foundation P.O. Box 249 Somerset, MA 02726









ON THE ROAD WITH THE MASSACHUSETTS LIONS EYE RESEARCH FUND

-January 2018-

MLERF MEETING IN District 33S

FOR ALL LIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS

Thursday January 18, 2018

Location: Adria Restaurant & Banquet Facility 436 Oak St., E. Bridgewater, Ma 02333

The Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund are going on the road!

MLERF will be holding meetings in each District in Massachusetts this Year.

The success of the MLERF is due to the support of the Lions of Massachusetts. The Lions of Massachusetts are invited to meet with their MLERF Board of Directors and to learn about the work and successes of MLERF. This will be an informative and inspiring meeting.

Please participate in this unique gathering as the MLERF "Hits the Road".

Dinner: Choice ofTBD...

Cash bar for beverages. Dinner Fee: \$20.00 (Tax and Tip Included)

RSVP: Please RSVP the number attending and dinner choices (when posted) to either:

MLERF Secretary PDG Matthew Richardson

at: nos.servio@gmail.com

or

MLERF 3rd VP PDG Roland Grenier

at: rolandg2@yahoo.com or call 508-951-4937

*Important! RSVP no later than Sunday, January 14, 2018







2017 – 2018 District 33S Environmental Photo Contest

Name of Photographer	 _
Club Name	
E-mail address of Photographer	
Certification Club Chairperson	

Lions from clubs in good standing may enter, one from each category, an original unaltered high-quality photo paper, 8" X 10" black-and-white or color (without people) no frame, of the environment of their Lions club in the following 2017-2018 Lions Environmental Photo Contest categories:

- 1. Animal Life
- 2. Landscape
- 3. Plant Life
- 4. Weather Phenomenon

Photos should depict the local environment of the Community the Lions club serves

Photo must be submitted to Lions District 33S prior to the District 33S

Mid-Winter Conference January 5, 2018 to the Environmental Photograph Committee.

Chairman

Lion-Ken Benny Benoit

Home Phone: 508-226-0448 Email: <u>kenbenoit@comcast.net</u>



Research studies estimate that there may be as many as five million Americans living with low vision today.

Low vision is a chronic and disabling visual impairment that be corrected with cannot eyeglasses, medication or surgery. Most cases of low vision are due to age-related causes such as age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy and glaucoma. 80% of individuals with low vision are over the age of 65. For children and young adults, inherited eye disease is the leading cause of low vision. As the American population ages, the number of people coping with low vision will only grow.

Fortunately, for those coping with low vision and vision loss, Low Vision Rehabilitation is greatly effective in giving them the skills, ability, and confidence to function effectively in their everyday life.

THE MASSACHUSETTS LIONS LOW VISION REHABILITATION NETWORK



For more information on MA-LOVERNET and how you may contribute as a Lion, please use the local contact information below, or send a request to:

Info.MA.LOVRNET@Gmail.com

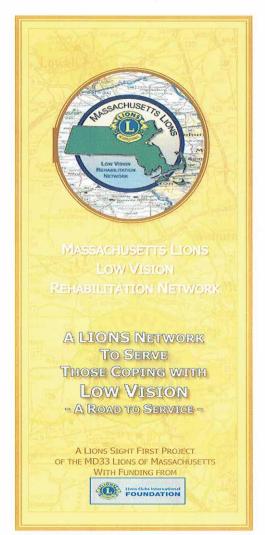
617-826-9642

Local Contact:





The Lions Clubs International Foundation is a 501(c)3 Charity supported by Lions and partners and that provides humanitarian assistance around the world.



The Massachusetts Lions Low Vision Rehabilitation Network



The Massachusetts Lions Low Vision Rehabilitation Network [MA-LOVRNET] is an initiative of the Lions of Massachusetts to identify and to link resources to help individuals who are coping with low vision and vision loss.

MA-LOVRNET is a cooperative network of optometrists, ophthalmologists, occupational rehabilitation therapists, mobility specialists, therapists, service health and social professionals providers, and volunteers that aims to reduce the barriers to receiving appropriate beneficial low rehabilitation services by those who would benefit from them.

Through a process of identification, evaluation, referral, recommendation and follow-up, individuals are guided through what can be a labyrinth of care and service opportunities.

The Lions of Massachusetts provide the community-based contact and support services to enable individuals to take advantage of the network resources.

Through education, the use of adaptive devices or visual aids and the development of skills, people with low vision and vision loss can continue to lead an active life and continue with their daily activities.



The LIONS of Massachusetts provide the essential component to making MA-LOVRNET function effectively and to reducing the barriers to assisting those with low vision.

The LIONS' vision, community involvement, outreach, education, coordination and support services make MA-LOVRNET possible.

MA-LOVRNET LION VOLUNTEERS serve to provide:

Community Outreach
Community Education
Lions Training
Initial Client Interviews
Preliminary Client Evaluations
Client Referral
Transportation
Support Services
Club Coordination
Community Coordination
Service Coordination
Technology Assistance
Network Support
Resource Development

MA-LOVERNET serves a growing population of individuals with low vision. This is a continuation of the Lions Mission as *Knights of the Blind*.

LIONS are:

Loving Individuals Offering
Needed Service

Be a LOVER for LOVRNET today.



As Literacy Chairperson, I would like to officially launch a book drive for an early literacy parent engagement organization, Raising a Reader MA. Raising a Reader MA is a non-profit independent affiliate of a national organization brought to Massachusetts by The Green Light Fund. The Green Light Fund chose Raising a Reader for its demonstrated success in dealing with the academic readiness gap between low and middle- to upper-income children.

Raising a Reader MA provides and evidence-based early literacy program that helps families of young children build and maintain habits of reading together at home and has more than 700 implementation sites across the state teaching high impact, easily accessible Dialogic Reading to thousands of parents, many without an established reading practice at home. Over 25 years of research shows that being read to at home regularly before kindergarten has the most significant impact on a child's academic success.

It is my hope that we can help Raising a Reader MA in "opening doors by opening books" by collection and donating children's books that meet the programs specifications. Books should be new or in excellent used condition without rips, writing or drawing, appropriate for newborn through age 5, and not be religious, holiday themed or commercial (Disney or other movie and TV show character based). Picture books with a small amount of text and foreign language books are acceptable. I would like to focus our efforts toward foreign language children's books as this type is the least often donated, but also much needed in the communities served by Raising a Reader MA.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you have about the program, and visit their website at www.raisingareaderma.org.

Kathryn Guy kathryneg@ymail.com 508-525-5539

LIONS YOUTH SPEECH CONTEST

SUGGESTED PROCEDURE FOR RUNNING A LOCAL CONTEST

2017-2018 topic: "What is the impact of Volunteerism?"

- 1. Get local Lions <u>club support</u> including authorization of some prize money (Sept)
- 2. <u>Contact local high school</u> Principal through an introductory letter (see below) outlining eligibility, nature and purpose of the contest. Copy to school superintendent. Offer to follow up the letter in a few days with a phone call. (late Sept)
- 3. Soon after letter, call the high school Principal and <u>arrange to promote the contest</u> to students in the eligible grades. Set date for promotion and date for contest. Promotion could be at an assembly or by visiting English classes. Alternatively, make flyers and ask school to post them in halls and in English classes. Stress the extracurricular and non-mandatory nature of the activity. (Sept October)
- 4. <u>Promote the contest</u> to eligible students in person or by flyers. In either case, make flyers as a reminder and ask school to post them in halls and in English classes. (Sept Oct.)
- 5. <u>Contact next level coordinator</u> to let them know your club is participating and to find the date of the zone or regional contest. (October)
- 6. Arrange for judges to judge the contest. Remember no Lions and no HS staff may judge. (October)
- 7. <u>Hold the contest</u> for eligible students. Normally, location is at the HS after school. Pay prize money at contest. Let winner know date of next contest.

www.lionsyouthspeech.org

Sample Letter to School Administration:

	LIONS CLUB
	Return Address
Date	_
Mr	, Principal
	High School
St	reet
,	MA zip
RE:	Lions Club Youth Speech Contest
Dear	_,
given to the the teachers an	o seek your support for the annual Lions Club speech contest OR Thank you for the support that you have Lions Club and the _HS students in past years for our annual Speech Contest. With the support of adadministration ofHS, we have conducted this event atHS for the past years. Normally, five to articipate. OR Last year students participated.
curricular activity to	ent of the Lions Club to interfere with core curriculum teaching. Rather it is our goal to offer an extra- vity that will support and supplement the excellent job that your staff does. For this reason, I do not want be mandatory for any students. If a teacher wants to offer a small extra credit opportunity for participation ch teacher. I hope that you concur with these objectives.
believe is a val	f the contest is two-fold. First, it gives the students a chance to do competitive public speaking, which we luable skill and helps them to develop as individuals. Second, it gives the students the opportunity to speak public interest.
The local spee	state committee selects a topic. This year the topic is "" All students speak on this topic. ch contest will be judged by members of the community. No Lions Club members or High School staff ash prizes of OR similar to the past are again available.
	to come into the High School to promote and explain the contest to the eligible students. Eligibility is open. Promotion can be a personal appearance and/or posting flyers in the school.
informational	later this week to answer any questions that you have and, with your approval, to arrange a date for my visit and the contest date for this year. I can be reached during the day at phone # or by e-mail @gmail.com).
	, Lions Club, Youth Speech Contest Coordinator, Superintendent of SchoolsYour Lions Club – key members

District 33S and Club Events - Save the Date

For more information, you can view the Calendar on the District Website

1/5 – 1/7 District 33S 58th Annual Mid-Winter Conference, 1620 Hotel, Plymouth, MA (formerly the Radisson)

1/18/2018 MLERF On The Road Meeting in District 33S, Adria Restaurant, 436 Oak St., E. Bridgewater

1/19/2018 Raynham Lions Sportsmen's Dinner 2234 King Philip St, Raynham MA, 6pm

1/26/2018 Bridgewater Community Lions Trivia Night, Polish Club (123 Spring St, Bridgewater MA) 6:30pm

3/6/2018 Bridgewater Community Lions Twinning, Cole Yeaton Senior Center (10 Wally Kreuger Way, Bridgewater MA) 6:30pm (Half Chicken Dinner)

3/23/2018 Raynham Lions Sportsmen's Dinner 2234 King Philip St, Raynham MA, 6pm

3/25/2018 District 33S Spring Bowling Day, Somerset Lanes, Somerset MA

4/20/2018 Dartmouth Lions 80th Comedy Night, 7pm, Whites of Westport

5/20/2018 Dartmouth Lions Turtle Derby, Dartmouth Middle School Gymnasium, 10am

Clubs with On Going Events
Easton Lions Thrift Store – Middleboro Lions Computer Sales



RAYNHAM LIONS GLUB PRESENTS THEIR ANNUAL SPORTSMEN'S DINNER

Friday, January 19, 2018

and

Friday, March 23, 2018 King Philip Hall

2234 King Philip Street, Raynham, MA Cocktails at 6:00 pm ~ Dinner at 7:30 pm



Donation \$30 per person For Tickets Call 508-823-7911

Bridgewater Community Lions Club



January 26 6:30pm

Polish Club

123 Spring Street, Bridgewater MA 02324

Snacks Provided

Cash Bar

See the BCLC Facebook for more details

Bridgewater Community Lions Twinning

March 6 2018 at 6:30pm

Guest Speaker: Diabetes Researcher

Cole Yeaton Senior Center

10 Wally Kreuger Way

Bridgewater MA 02324

½ Chicken Dinner

Donation \$15.00 per person



Proudly Presents

"Laugh Your @'s Off"

Featuring 4 Boston / Providence Comedians

Tom Dustin, Rob Pierce, Kristine Blinn & Jeff Furtado

Friday, April 20, 2018

Doors Open 7 pm

Cash Bar & Raffles

Show time 8 pm

White's of Westport

66 State Rd. Westport

Tickets are \$10.00 pp in advance \$15.00 at Door

Call: **774.929.7352** for tickets

Email: <u>DartmouthLions@comcast.net</u>

Proceeds Benefiting Mass. Lions Eye Research and Lions Community Projects

The Turtle Debry is coming to town!



"It's Offical"



The Dartmouth Lions Club announces the official opening of applications for Children 12 & under to become Jockeys in this first ever Turtle Derby.

Only 256 positions!

Sunday, May 20, 2018

Dartmouth Middle School Gymnasium

Pre-Registration Required - \$10.00 entrance fee for Jockeys

E-Mail for Application to DartmouthLions@comcast.net

Sign in 11AM, Races start at Noon.

Spectator tickets \$5.00 each

Proceeds to Benefit Mass. Lions Eye Research

Note: Electronic Turtles will be used for racing

