



April 2021 District 33S Newsletter



Happy Passover



SANDRA FIFE,
DISTRICT GOVERNOR
2020-2021



“Pride in Service”



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Save the Dates

ALWAYS CALL TO CONFIRM DATES AND TIMES ~ SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Save the Dates

April ~ Environmental Awareness Month ~ Plant a Tree ~ Clean a Park ~ Report!!!
April ~ Club Elections (Once Complete ~ Good to enter PU 101)
April 3, 2021 Raynham Lions Breakfast 8-11 \$5.00
April 9, 2021 ~ A Night With Helen Keller. To benefit MLERF ~ \$20 ~ See Flyer
April 10, 2021 ~ 'Regional Leadership Training'. See IPDG John Babb
April 10 ~ Lions Day at the UN Virtual
April 17 ~ Raynham Lions Breakfast 8:00-11:00 \$5.00
April 17 MLERF Awards Night
April 22 ~Earth Day ~ Let's Celebrate the Beautiful Place we live!!
April 24 State Convention – Virtual ~ More details to follow.
May ~ Strengthen Membership Month
May 15 ~DEADLINE ~ Officer Reporting Form PU 101 is due
May 29 ~ Dennis Harwich Lions White Cane Day 9:00-2:00
June 1 ~ Helen Keller Day
June 3 ~ 4th Cabinet Advisory TBD 6:00 PM (6:45 Start)
June 7^{or} 8 ~ Officer Training ~ Trainers needed. See Governor IPID John Babb
June 25-29, 2021 ~ 103rd International Convention ~ Montreal ~ VIRTUAL More info to follow

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Message from District Governor Sandy Fife

April Newsletter

Dear Lions and Leos of District 33S:

April is here, longer days and warmer nights. Happy Easter to all! I hope you've all had the opportunity to sign up for the vaccine. It's been a long winter, a long year and hopefully together we can turn a brighter spring together. I look forward to your spring events and visiting the Clubs that I have not been able to meet with, either by Zoom or in person.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

MARCH 29TH ~ MEMBER ORIENTATION

Topic: Orientation Meeting

Time: Mar 29, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://bostonu.zoom.us/j/94070211432?pwd=RUNIRGQ4S2owNC9RL0pqYlo3ZzBHUT09>

Meeting ID: 940 7021 1432

Passcode: 933517

DATE CHANGE – CABINET MEETING AWARDS NIGHT – JUNE 3RD ~ 6:00 SOCIAL 6:45 START. In person!!! See flyer. Space limited to 100 people. Location TBD. Subject to change if guidelines change.

CABINET MEETING MARCH 8TH UPDATE ~ Thank you to the 30 Clubs that participated in the 3rd Virtual Cabinet Meeting. A Virtual Twinning with Break Out Rooms by Zone. How cool was that ?? You can do this with the Clubs in your Zone!! Share ideas, fundraisers, what works, what doesn't. Great way to stay in touch!!!

- **Speaker ~ Evelyn Rankin, READS Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program** ~ We had a speaker Evelyn Rankin who spoke on a condition called CMV that causes hearing and vision loss. She informed us the Massachusetts cCMV Coalition, in its mission to educate the public and stakeholders about congenital cytomegalovirus (CCMV) filed House and Senate bills (HD2583/SD1810), an Act relative to the prevention and early detection of cCMV. Please support these bills when writing or talking to your representatives.
- **Eye Glass Recycling** ~ Great news was shared by Chair Nate Helgersen. 69,700 pairs of glasses were shipped to Haiti and South Africa!!!
- **GAT Reports** ~ Lion Kathy Salem shared 650 blankets have been made and are now being distributed to various camps for kids with cancer and other illnesses. 35 Clubs participated!
- **GLT Report** ~ Lion IPDG John Babb updated the group on Training Opportunities coming forward. Please see the newsletter for more information!

- **Diabetes Camps** ~ There will be camp this year!! Forms have been sent to your Club Presidents. Please forward to the nurses in your school.

DISTRICT AWARDS ~ Did you fill out the SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE FORM in the Newsletter and return to your Zone Chair? Deadline MAY 1st!! _Clean up your **WEBSITE**. The Cabinet will be looking at the websites soon. Is yours up to date? Please check the link on the District Website to make sure it works and is correct!!!

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR!! Is there someone in your Club, a fairly new Lion that really stands out, does so much for your Club or their Community? Please send me an e-mail and nominate them for "District 33S Rookie of the year!!"

OFFICER TRAINING ~ JUNE 7th OR 8th . More info to follow. Trainers Needed. Contact IPDG John Babb at babbjd@comcast.net .

CLUB VISIT SCHEDULE ~ Many Clubs cancelled their visitations due to the fact they were not meeting. Please contact CST Nadene if you wish to reschedule!!

TRANSFER/MEMBERSHIP FEE WAIVER ~ The \$35 Membership Fee has been waived by Lions International through June 30th, 2021. It is a great time to bring in members, start new clubs or branch Clubs. Please ask your neighbor! Or start a Lions Specialty Club, such as; a Lions' Diabetes Awareness Club, a Lions' Knitting Club, a Lions' Football Fan Club , a Lions' Virtual Club that meets only for service or a Lions' Book Club. Every Club has a unique way of serving our Communities.

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS ~ In APRIL Clubs usually FINISH their nomination process AND hold their elections at an April meeting. If you need help with this process please reach out to GMT PDG Kathy Salem. Virtual processes such as e-mail votes or on zoom are accepted by LCI. PU 101 (Next Year Officers) must be entered into MyLci by May 15th.

CERTIFIED GUIDING LION PROGRAM ~ The Certified Guiding Lion Program provides you with a detailed overview of the support that Clubs need as a newly chartered club or an established club that wants to grow stronger. We have 7 Certified Guiding Lions in our District. If you have an interest in having one attend your meetings please let me or GMT Kathy know. If you want to gain a better understanding of the role of a Guiding Lion please reach out to me or GLT John Babb or check out the Certification Process on the LCI Learning Center Website.

GOALS UPDATE ~ MLERF and LCIF Financing Goals ~ **Thank you to all who are trying to add fundraising to your spring agendas.** I truly appreciate all you have done this year. Year end will be here quickly. In the May Newsletter I will include the Year end donation form.

THIS YEARS MLERF ANNUAL DIRECTORY IS ON OUR WEBSITE. Historical Club giving is listed in the Directory. Please check your Club to see if you are near a milestone.

Membership & More Service Goal ~ Plus One Membership ~. **We have a New Club** in District 33S ~ **Cape Cod Paws of Comfort**. Congratulations to the SE Paws of Comfort who was instrumental in this effort!!. Stay tuned for the invite! **As of this writing we were up 5 !!!!!**. Thank you all!! Some Clubs are still struggling with membership or meeting. Please call your members before you drop them to find out why they are not participating or have not paid their dues. Remember there is dues relief as previously stated. May is Membership Month! Please reach out to GMT Kathy Salem or myself for help with Membership Drives. Please think about bringing in one new member this year to help us reach more people in our communities and

around the world. One new Lion can provide 70 hours of service a year.

Reporting Goal ~ Increase Reporting to 50% ~ Congratulations ~ **We are at 54%**. Let's see if we can get to 60%!! . Now if you are having trouble reporting please contact myself, PCST Jane Puccio or Lion Sabrina Boulay for assistance. Individual help is available! Let us know if you need help in your club. If you need to contact me please feel free to call me at 508-320-1654 or email me at sbfife@comcast.net.

Communication ~ Do you know only 300 Lions are signed up for the Newsletter? Is one of them you? Sign up on the District Webpage at the bottom where it says e-mail list. Once you register you will receive an email. You must accept the invite.

STATE CONVENTION ~ Virtual ~APRIL 24th ~ 9 AM to 3:30 PM

Highlights:

- Youth Speech ~ 9 AM
- Voting Environmental Photo Contest 9 am to 10:30 am
- Business Meeting ~ 10:30 AM followed by Voting on By Laws and Committee Reports
- 90 Minute Break to hold District Breakout Rooms and Vote on District Officers
- MD 33 Awards ~ Best Clubs, Leo , Leo Club and Lion of the Year!
- Key Note Speaker ~ 1st VP of Lions International Douglas X. Alexander

PLEASE SEE SCHEDULE IN THIS NEWSLETTER!!

According to the Constitution and By Laws each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International, and its district, and this multiple district shall be entitled in each convention of this multiple district to one (1) delegate and (1) alternate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereto. Rules of Order, By Law Changes and Delegate Form was sent to all Clubs. Please check with your Club President or Secretary. Delegate list must be returned by April 10th!! The following Officers will be voted at the State Convention. Candidates will be as follows:

- **Candidate for Governor ~** 1 VDG Martin Middleton
- **Candidate for First Vice District Governor ~** 2nd VDG Bob Coluci
- **Candidates Competing for Second Vice District Governor ~** CST Nadene Martin and Lion Deb Horner

Registration for Convention ~

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/MD33LionsClubs1/MultipleDistrict33StateConventionRegistration> . **PLEASE Make sure all dues are paid. District, Multiple District and Lions International so your Cub can vote in the Election.**

MLERF SUPPORT ~

APRIL 9TH ~ Please join District 33S and all the Districts in our support of President/PDG Roland Grenier by supporting **MLERF ~ "A Night with Helen Heller"**. \$20 or \$25 if you want to be part of the raffle. Checks to CST Nadene Martin or Venmo to @Sandra-Fife-1. Please include your name, club, email and District when you register. Link will be sent out on April 6th. **Hat Contest,**

Mask Contest and Trivia!!! A fun evening. See flyer in Newsletter!!

SIGHT AWARDS ~ Is your Club eligible to give a Sight Award to a well deserving member? Over the past years has your Club increased its giving by \$1000 over a past year? Doesn't have to be last year. Contact President PDG Roland Grenier at 508-951-4937 or email rolandg2@yahoo.com to find out.

MLERF SIGNATURE PROJECTS ~ PENNIES FOR SIGHT, JOURNEY FOR SIGHT AND MEMORIAL or IN HONOR CONTRIBUTIONS ~ How does your Club motivate members to contribute to these important projects? By talking about them!!!

~ The **Pennies for Sight Program** was created as another vehicle for Lions' clubs to generate funds for MLERF, literally one penny at a time. Lions clubs distribute penny canisters containing the MLERF logo at local businesses or other venues. Program motto: "Your change changes people's lives". Any Lions club that donates \$100.00 receives a Banner Patch. Once a club has received the banner patch, in any year in which they make another \$100.00 donation, they receive a rocker patch for that year. We have new canisters and labels for old canisters. It's SPRING ~ Let's get new canisters out!!

~ The **Journey to Sight Program** began after the 1982 Lions Clubs International Convention. It was an idea created by Lions Clubs International designed to enable Lions Clubs and Districts to raise funds for sight related activities and increase Club and District visibility and reputation in their communities. Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund, Inc. adopted "Journey to Sight" shortly after the 1982 International Convention and later changed the name to Journey for Sight. The first Journey for Sight Weekend was held in May of 1983. The initial idea was for all Clubs to hold a Journey for Sight project on the same weekend of May each year. The purpose of this project was to generate additional funds for MLERF over and above a Lions Club's usual annual donation. Today, Journey For Sight projects occur all year long throughout the five Lions Districts (Y-A-N-K-S).

~ **Memorial and In Honor of Contributions** ~ Envelopes are available for Clubs to give a memorial donation or in honor of an active member or organization. All donations are tax deductible as MLERF is a 501C 3 organization. A donation to honor our first responders would mean so much to our communities.

Ideas for **Pennies Collections SPRING !!** ~ Canisters are available for members or for local business. See DG Sandy or PDG Roland Grenier. Clubs can work with businesses such as Dunkin Donuts and do a Pennies for Sight Drive one morning a month in the Spring!! .

LCIF SUPPORT ~

CAMPAIGN 100 ~ WHY do we join Lions? To help, to led, to plan and to support our communities and global causes. Being a Lion is unique as we are local, supporting our communities and global, addressing the challenges that go beyond borders, changing the world. It's why you became a Lion. It's also why Lions Clubs International Foundation – our foundation – is empowering your service through its most ambitious fundraising campaign in history. The

need in the world is so great that LCIF empowers Lions to have a shared commitment to increase our service impact, fight diabetes and make meaningful progress in our global causes. How can we all help? Make LCIF your charity of choice and make a pledge. Contact donorassistance@lionsclubs.org , or call 630-203-3836 for more information or ask IPDG John Babb, LCIF Coordinator to come and speak at your club meeting. We can make a difference and your Club gets credit for the donations.

MELVIN JONES AWARDS ~ Year end is coming and many Clubs want to give a Melvin Jones. Please contact GLT IPDG John Babb for the amount of funds your Club has to give this prestigious award!!

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ~ MONTREAL ~ June 25th – 29th ~ We are so fortunate to all have the opportunity to attend an International Convention right from our living rooms. Online registration is \$50 until March 31st and then it goes to \$75. (\$30 for our Leos) . Pins for Montreal are on sale for \$5.00 Prestige Pin, \$4.00 for State Pin and \$8.00 for the set. See PDG Bev Dillion for more information. Let's support and see our 1st VDG Martin Middleton be sworn in as our Governor!! **Delegates must be registered.** Dues adjustment of 7\$ (\$3/\$2/\$2) to take place over a three year period starting in July of 2022 will be voted on as well new Officers! Candidate PDG John Youney needs our support so we have a NE Representative on the Board!

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ~ BOSTON ~ 2023 ~ WE NEED YOU!!! June/July 2023 will be Massachusetts' opportunity to host the Lions Club International Convention, in Boston. We are now looking for those who may be interested in volunteering in our preparatory efforts, and actual execution. If you are interested, please go the following website and provide your contact information. lclcon2023boston.com . Please see flyer in this Newsletter or contact District 33S Rep to 2023 LCI Organizing Committee, PDG John Babb

Thank you for all you've done in the first half of my Governor year. Remember **April is "Spring into Service Month"!!** Start planning your spring Service Projects!! Please look at the list of Environmental Service Projects in the Newsletter.

PLEASE GET YOUR EVENTS IN THE CALENDAR AND NEWSLETTER!!!

Stay warm, stay safe. Days are getting longer and pretty soon we can start canvassing, meeting with our Communities and our Lions!! Let us know if you need help in your club. If you need to contact me please feel free to call me at 508-320-1654 or email me at sbfife@comcast.net.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Sandy Fife ~ District Governor 33S**

"Pride in Service"



**93rd Annual MD 33
Virtual State Convention Schedule
April 24, 2021 9:00 AM – 3:30 appx.
“United in Kindness and Diversity”**

9:00 – 10:30 Youth Speech Competition

Voting Environmental Photo

Call to Order 10:30 a.m.

Joan Baptiste, Council Chair..... 33N

Five Point Opening

Moment of silence for deceased Lions

Rules of Order

Report of Council of Governors

Parliamentarian, Paul Schleicher, PCC 33S

Deb Grassi, Council Secretary..... 33S

Bill Donnellan, Council Treasurer..... 33K

Colleen Oncay, IPDG, Alternate Parliamentarian..... 33A

Cabinet Secretary – Treasurers' Reports

James Allen, CST..... 33Y

Curt Jameson, CST..... 33A

Stacie Whittier, CST..... 33N

Rich Flynn, CS..... 33K

Ken King, CT 33K

Nadene Martin, CST..... 33S

District Governors Report

John “Jack” Walsh, DG..... 33Y

Denise Andrews, DG..... 33A

Marcel Plouffe, DG..... 33N

Dr. Deb Wayne, DG..... 33K

Sandy Fife, DG..... 33S

Constitution & By-Laws, Kathryn Salem..... 33S

Voting Constitution and Bylaws – Limited discussion

Constitution Article II Section 2 / Massachusetts Lions Charitable Foundation Inc.

Constitution Article VI Section 1 paragraph 2 / Council Secretary rotation

Bylaws Article VI, Section 3, add 23 / Massachusetts Lions Low Vision Network

Bylaws Article II Duties amend Section 32 / Council Bookkeeper

Committee Reports:

Int Convention, PDG Paul & Rosemary Calnan..... 33K

Youth Speech, Lion Roxana & PZC Mike Camporeale..... 33K

All-State Band, PDG Greg Prentice..... 33Y

Youth Exchange, 2/VDG Marianna & John Riemer..... 33A

Leo Program, Lion Robert Wilby..... 33A

International Pin Design, Paul Viano, PCC..... 33K

LCIF, IPID Joyce Middleton..... 33S

LODA (Organ Donor Awareness), PCS Joy Bartlett..... 33N

Webmaster, Dennis Perron, PDG..... 33A

MLERF, Roland Grenier, PDG, President..... 33S

Global Service, Dawn Rice-Norton, IPDG..... 33K

Global Leadership, John Babb, IPDG..... 33S

Global Membership, Andy Porter, PDG..... 33K

Mass Lions Vision Network, Dr. James Roth, PDG..... 33K

Long Range Planning, PDG Deb Grassi, CS 33S

State Convention 2021, PDG David Wilson..... 33N

State Convention 2022, PDG Andy Porter..... 33K

State Convention 2023 PDG Ray Hebert..... 33S

LCICON2023BOSTON, IPID Joyce Middleton..... 33S

Report of Council Chair

Joni Baptiste, Council Chair..... 33N

Voting District Officers- 90 minute breakout

MD 33 Awards - PDG Association

Best Clubs

Small, Medium, Large, X Large and LEO club

LEO of the Year

Lion of the Year

Awards

Presidential and Leadership awards

New Voices International certificate awards

Melvin Jones Fellowship

Key Note Speaker

Douglas X. Alexander, 1st Vice President..... LCI

Remarks

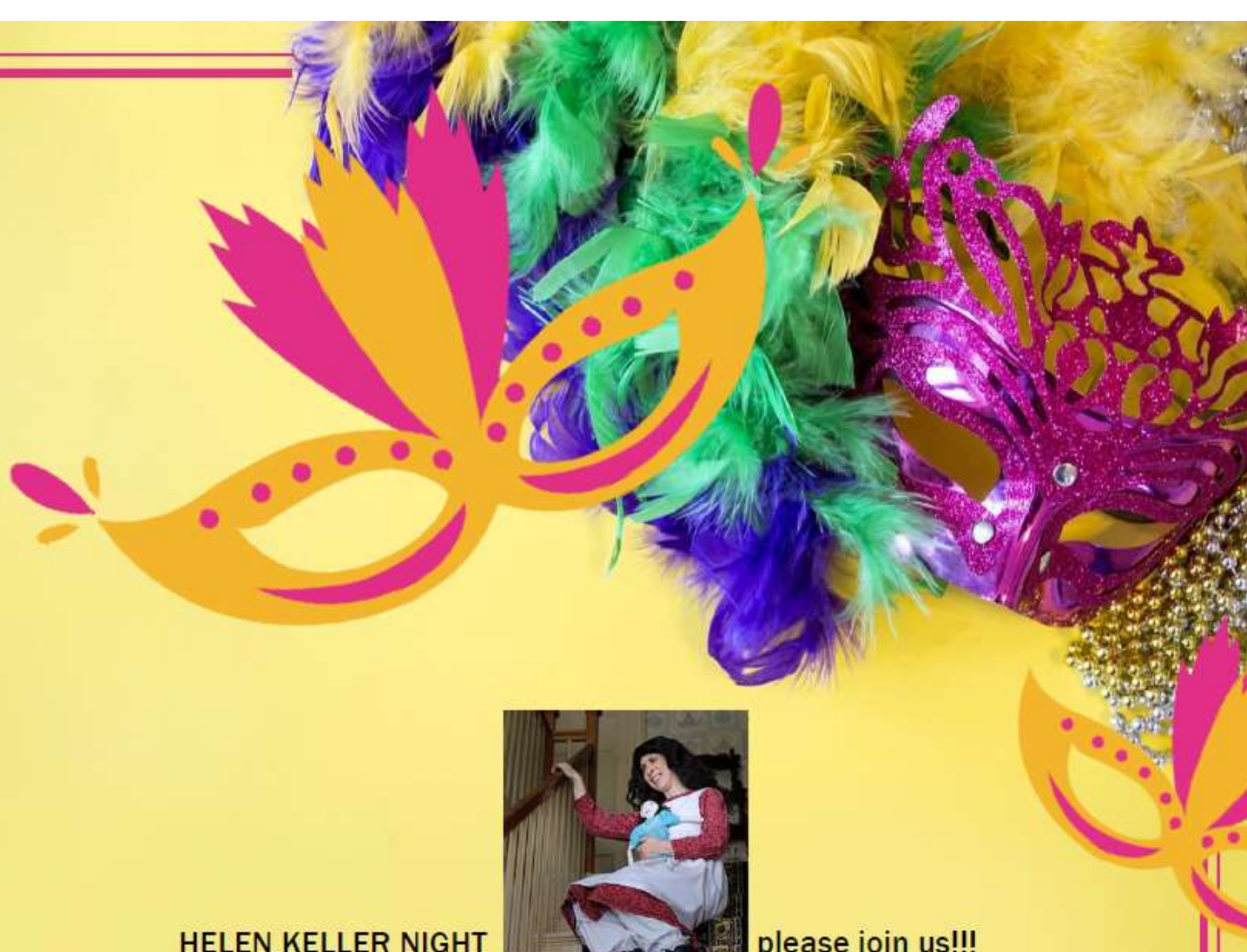
Joyce Middleton, IPID 33S

John Pettis, PID 33N

L. Doug Sime, PID 33S

Chuck Kostro, PID..... 33N

John Hoyle, PID..... 33S



HELEN KELLER NIGHT



please join us!!!



Friday ~ APRIL 9, 2021



6:30-9:00 pm



VIRTUAL ~ \$20 to MLERF (\$25 W/Raffle)

RAFFLE 50/50 Raffle ~ Please include \$5.00 to Participate

Please join us as Sheryl Faye Presents Historical Women ~ Helen Keller!!!

This Presentation Benefits MLERF!!

6:30 PM ~ Virtual Cocktail Party with Hats and Masks from the 1920-1950 ERA!! Hat and Mask Contest !! Hat & Mask Patrol on Duty!!! Prizes! Best Hat! Best Mask!

7:15 PM ~ Sheryl Faye Presents Helen Keller

7:50 PM ~ Q & A from Helen Keller

8:10 PM ~ 5 Minute Break

8:15 PM ~ Helen Keller Trivia W/Quiz Master Sam Reidy!!

SIGN UP REQUIRED: Please send checks to MLERF ~ Helen Keller Night in Memo ~ C/O CST Nadene Martin, 15 Second Ave., Taunton, MA 02780 or Venmo @Sandra-Fife-1.

Deadline April 1st. Zoom link will be sent to those registered on April 6th. Please provide Name, Phone, District and e-mail _____.



North America Membership Initiative (NoAMI)



As part of this initiative in our district, there have been additional secretary trainings, meetings with the district officers and club officers, trainings on how to hold virtual meetings, orientation sessions, a new membership piece developed, and two new clubs formed with a third in the works! We are still hoping to hold a marketing and communications workshop once we can safely meet together. Way to go, District 33-S!

Hold May 7th as the Charter Night for the newest District 33-S Club!

This is a club-based program, so we need YOU! Won't you join us at one of our virtual meetings or give a team leader or me a call or send an email? It is also not too late for you to join a team. Work with your Zone Chair and maybe we can do something specific to each Zone!

WE can do this, but it will take ALL of us!

I will look forward to hearing from you!

Kathy Salem
kathrynsalem@gmail.com
781-308-2881

Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund, Inc.
Virtual meeting: April 8, 2021, 6:30 pm



Lions dinner at Tufts 2019

Opening Remarks:

- *PDG Roland Grenier*, MLERF President 2020-2021

Welcoming Remarks:

- *Jay Duker, MD*, Director, New England Eye Center and Chairman, Department of Ophthalmology, Tufts Medical Center

Review of Research Supported by MLERF:

- *Noorjahan Panjwani, PhD*, Director of Research, Department of Ophthalmology, Tufts University School of Medicine

Research Presentation:

“Corneal Neuro-immune Crosstalk and How it Impacts Patient Care”

- *Pedram Hamrah, MD, FACS*, Professor of Ophthalmology, Director of Clinical Research
Director, Center for Translational Ocular Immunology
Director, Anterior Segment Imaging, Cornea Service, New England Eye Center, Tufts MC

REGISTER:

<https://tufts.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAscOqoqzMoHdFdwl0ndiAjl2CZTKh03raV>

After your registration has been approved, you will receive a confirmation with the actual meeting link.

ORDER NUMBER _____

RAYNHAM LIONS CLUB

KING PHILIP STREET, RAYNHAM CLAM BOIL AND CHOWDER TO GO

SATURDAY – MAY 15, 2021

PICK-UP TIME – 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. AT BACK DOOR

PLACE YOUR **PREPAID** ORDER AND PICK UP YOUR CLAMS, SAUSAGES,
POTATOES AND CHOWDER AT TIME AND PLACE LISTED ABOVE.

EACH ORDER SERVES TWO PEOPLE - \$70.00 EACH

ORDER CUT-OFF DATE IS MAY 6, 2021 – FIRST COME FIRST SERVE.

NAME _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ E-MAIL _____

NUMBER OF ORDERS FOR TWO PEOPLE _____ @\$70.00 EACH

RETURN YOUR ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

RAYNHAM LIONS CLUB

P.O. BOX 100, RAYNHAM, MA 02768

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

RAYNHAM LIONS CLUB or
508-824-7911

RAY MOREAU, CHAIRMAN
508-380-9736

JANICE STEEK, PRESIDENT
508-823-1815

SEPARATE AND BRING COMPLETED TICKET WITH YOU FOR PICK-UP

NAME _____

NUMBER OF ORDERS _____ AMOUNT PAID _____



Our **Fourth Cabinet Advisory Meeting** will be held in person!!!

On **THURSDAY– JUNE 3TH, 2021**

Social 6:00 PM, 6:45 Opening, 7:00 PM Dinner

BEST CLUB, NEW VOICES, BEST WEBSITE, SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

BEST PRESIDENT, BEST SECRETARY

AWARDS NIGHT !!!!



The **Rochester Lions** will be hosting this meeting at the

Location TBD

Cost: \$16.00 Meal Choices: **Roast Pork, Potato, Veggies or Vegetarian Meal**



Theme: Patriotic !!

RAFFLE- 50/50 ~ COOKBOOKS ON SALE

RSVP By Monday, May 24th, 2021

RSVP to CST NADENE MARTIN at cst@district33S.org or call 508-822-4146

Payment sent ahead of time is welcome! Please include names of Lions w/position!

Space is limited to 2 Lions per Club. On May 25th we will open up spaces up to 100. No Walk Ins!!

Make checks out to **District 33S** and Mail to CST Nadene Martin 15 Second Ave, Taunton, MA 02780

NO CANCELLATIONS AFTER MAY 26TH OR WE HAVE TO PAY FOR MEALS!!! .

Timely response by Clubs will guarantee 2 places per club!!!

We hope to Zoom to if WiFi is available. Invite your Leos!!

There will be a webinar for

Lions KidSight USA Training & Certification

Presented by Dr. Edward Cordes on Saturday, April 10 at 10:000 am. Please plan on 3 hours for the webinar, which includes the Certification Exam and a break.

Please let PDG Sharon Audette know before April 8th if you would like to attend and I can send you the link for the webinar.



The Southeastern Massachusetts Paws of Comfort Lions Club is organizing a fundraiser to lend a helping paw to our community: "Paws Helping Paws" is a drive to collect both wet and dry pet food, toys and treat donations of all kinds. The Paws of Comfort will anonymously make donations to local fur families in need. If you know anyone who would like to donate or is in need please contact: Attleboro, area Joeana 617-784-0740 or Gail 508-399-8559, North Attleboro area, Debbie 508-889-2185 or Ginny 508-840-2106, Mansfield area Lori 774-254-0006 or Joan 508-243-9130 or Facebook: [www.facebook.com/SEMPawsof](https://www.facebook.com/SEMPawsofComfort) Comfort. Boxes for donations have been provided at the following locations: Pet Supply Plus, 309 Central St. Franklin, Tractor Supply 2101 Bay St Ste A Taunton, The North Attleboro Animal Shelter Cedar Rd and more Thanks from your furry friends. For more information, please contact Lori @ 774-254-0006 or email katielilyp@gmail.com

Due to the increase in COVID on the Cape and many towns in the red zone we are cancelling the Charter Night. All checks will be returned.

May 8th ~ we hope to do a virtual/in person induction for the 28 members of the Club. Attendance by invite only. More information to follow.

The Club is having discussion about a June Charter event outdoors. More information to follow. Thank you for those who sent checks and supported the Club.

DG Sandy



LCICON 2023 BOSTON

JULY 7 - JULY 11
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS



February 2021

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Greetings Fellow Lions,

These are exciting times!!

Picture this!..Lions and Friends from all over the world converging in Boston for the 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention. Imagine, if you will, being able to attend a LCI Convention just a short drive away! Imagine further being a part of the planning and hosting of this event!!! Look no further!!

Boston, Massachusetts has been selected to host the 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention. This means that the Lions of Massachusetts will have a huge undertaking. We have taken on the challenge and we are up to the task.

To stage a first-class event, we will need to raise approximately \$150,000. Income will be generated from Corporate Sponsors, Host Committee Sales, and the Lions of Massachusetts.

We know that we can count on your support. We are asking the clubs and individual Lions to donate and/or pledge funds over the next three years to help defray the expenses.

The suggested donation for each club is \$200.00 per club, per year. Checks are to be made payable to **LCICON 2023 BOSTON**. If you would please, fill out the attached donation/pledge form and mail it to:

LCICON 2023 BOSTON
PO Box 8343
Haverhill, MA 01835-9992

Information regarding the Convention and Volunteer Opportunities will be coming soon. Please join us!!! www.lcicon2023boston.com

In Lionism,

Your LCI BOSTON 2023 Host Committee

LCICON 2023 BOSTON Donation Pledge



- In support of Massachusetts (MD33) Lions hosting activities of the Lions Club International Convention in Boston 2023

Donor Information (please print or type)

Individual's Name _____

Club Name: _____

District Name: _____

Billing address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Donation/Pledge Information

I (we) pledge a total of \$_____ to be paid over 3 Lions Years:

2020-2021: \$_____

2021-2022: \$_____

2022-2023: \$_____

I (we) will make this contribution in the form of: ☐ cash ☐ check

Acknowledgement Information

Please use the following name(s) in all acknowledgements: _____

☐ I (we) wish to have our donation remain anonymous.

Signature(s)

Date

Please make checks payable to:



LCICON 2023 Boston
PO Box 8343
Haverhill, MA 01835-9992

LODA?

Lions' Organ Donation Awareness

What can you do to help?

Help spread the word.

Does your family know you are a donor?

Tell them, tell everyone.

Like our Facebook page

"Lions Organ Donation Awareness Program"
Follow us!!

Let friends and family know what we are up to.

AND most importantly encourage everyone to register and spread the word.

Register at : USA - <https://registerme.org>

Global Membership Team (GMT)



NEWS From the Global Membership Team (GMT)

Well done, Lions of District 33 S!
We have begun to turn things around!

As of this writing, we are a plus in membership! Keep up the good work. Let's try to have all our clubs a plus in membership by the end of the year!

One of the keys to being a plus in members is to hold on to the ones we have. So, don't forget to set up that phone tree in your clubs and check in on your members. These have been very tough times for people and our members may need our help. Let's let them know we are here for them! That includes helping with dues if that is a concern. Just let us know! Members who need assistance will be kept confidential.

*Congratulations to the newest club in our district! In March, we began the **Cape Cod Paws of Comfort Lions Club** with 21 new members. As of today, they are already at 27 members. Well done to the chief organizer, Lion Debby Horner!*

Another club is also in the works, but let's remember to also help out our current clubs. We can add members even in the time of COVID. Just ask, and the membership team will help!

Don't give up and don't forget to track your activities this year and submit them at the end of the year for next year's Roar and Pride awards! We have had difficulty finding a vendor who can create the rockers we need and it has caused a delay in getting this year's and prior year's awards delivered, but Lion PCST Lorraine and I are committed to seeing this through and getting you your well-deserved awards. Hang in there!

Have you tried one of those membership ideas you've seen in the newsletters? How about encouraging a small group of people who would like to focus their efforts on an area of common interest as you've seen the Paws clubs do, or people who have helped you or attended one of your events as potential members? You could have a specialty branch of your club.

Here to serve you,

Kathy Salem, GMT Chair

781-308-2881





SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE FORM

This year instead of doing a Best Website" we are doing best Social Media Presence. In order for the Cabinet to view this and vote on it we will need each Club Secretary to submit this form by May 1st to their ZONE Chairperson. Please fill out with your link so we can view the site. Social Media includes, but is not limited to Website, Tik Tok, Twitter, and Instagram . The Cabinet will be looking for activity on these sites.

Club Name _____ Contact Person _____

Website _____ Number of Followers _____

Tik Tok _____ Number of Followers _____

Twitter _____ Number of Followers _____

Instagram _____ Number of Followers _____

U Tube _____ Views _____

Other _____

Does your Club have a Zoom or any type of Social Meeting Account? Yes _____ No _____

Does your Club have a Blog? Yes _____ No _____

Does your Club has its own Email Account? Yes _____ No _____

Has your Club done Fundraising on Social Media? Yes _____ NO _____

Explain: _____

Has your Club don't a Virtual Membership Drive? _____

Other Information you want us to know _____



How We Serve



Polio/Cancer



Children



Environment



Hunger



Vision



**Congratulations
International President
Douglas X. Alexander
2021-2022**

From Lions District 33S



**MASSACHUSETTS LIONS
DISTRICT 33-S
HEARING FOUNDATION, INC.**



Audiology Service Program Procedures and Application

Effective December 1, 2016

Program Purpose: To identify residents of District 33-S who are in need of a professional hearing evaluation and/or hearing aid/s who qualify for the program. For such persons, services are provided by either the Speech, Hearing and Language Center of Morton Hospital, a Steward Family Hospital, Inc., located at 2007 Bay Street, Suite B-100, Taunton, MA 02780 or Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital of Cape Cod, 311 Service Rd., East Sandwich, MA, 02537.

Qualifications: A resident of District 33-S whose household income does not exceed 250% of the current year's Federal Poverty Guidelines, which can be found at <http://familiesusa.org/product/federal-poverty-guidelines>

Such a qualifying person must be sponsored by a Lions Club. It is the responsibility of the Lions Club to complete this application, verify and attest to its accuracy and provide a \$200.00 donation payable to "Lions District 33-S Hearing Foundation, Inc.".

Completed applications must be mailed to:
Lions District 33-S Hearing Foundation
P. O. Box 249
Somerset, MA 02726

PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete applications will be returned. Children under the age of 21 are **USUALLY** covered by insurance for hearing aids in Massachusetts and therefore, would not qualify for this program. Adults with MA Health Standard Insurance are also covered for hearing aids and do not qualify for this program. Persons approved for the program will need to provide a physician's order for audiological testing and medical clearance for hearing aid use. All personal information is held in the strictest confidence.

Lions District 33-S Hearing Foundation Application

SOMERSET ____

Applicant would like be seen in: TAUNTON ____ or SANDWICH ____ DARTMOUTH ____

SPONSORSHIP: The _____ Lions Club voluntarily agree to participate and sponsor the undersigned applicant in the Massachusetts District 33-S Hearing Aid Program.

APPLICANT:

Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

Alternate contact person and phone #: _____

INSURANCE: PLEASE NOTE: Health insurance coverage is so varied that a copy of the applicant's current insurance card/s must be provided with the application.

Primary Insurance: _____ Member # _____

Secondary Insurance: _____ Member # _____

Morton Hospital Speech Hearing and Language Center and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital Cape Cod reserve the right to investigate all possible sources of reimbursement indicated above and ensure that all alternatives for reimbursement have been exhausted by you. Morton Hospital Speech Hearing and Language Center and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital Cape Cod under no circumstances supply free hearing aids, ear molds, hearing aid batteries, accessories or repairs.

INCOME VERIFICATION

Number of persons living in household: _____

Total income of household: _____ monthly

The income of each member of household must be verified by the following: copies of bank statements from the three previous months and a copy of the most recent federal tax return.

No exceptions. The Lions Clubs may not seek any contribution from the applicant for the cost of this application or toward any services provided as a result of approval.

ATTESTATION:

With my signature, I attest that all information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge:

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Lions Club Hearing Chairperson: _____ Date: _____ Phone: _____

Lions Club President: _____ Date: _____ Phone: _____

President Hearing Foundation: _____ Date: _____

CHECKLIST FOR LIONS CLUBS

How to apply for a Hearing Evaluation and Hearing Aids.

- ☐ Download the LATEST application (Rev. 1/2016) from District 33-S website
- ☐ Download income guidelines from District 33-S website or <http://familiesusa.org/product/federal-poverty-guidelines>
- ☐ Meet with applicant and complete all required information on the application.
- ☐ Advise applicant that three months' bank statements and the last federal tax return for each member of the household must be provided and forwarded with the application.
Account numbers and social security numbers may be blacked out.
- ☐ A copy of all current insurance cards is now required with each application.
- ☐ Application must be signed by applicant, hearing chairperson and club president
- ☐ Check for \$200.00 must accompany application
- ☐ Make sure there are no blank spaces
- ☐ Mail everything to Lions District 33-S Hearing Foundation
P. O. Box 249 Somerset, MA 02726

The Board of the Hearing Foundation meets on the second Tuesday of every month.
Incomplete applications will delay processing.



...ne, Sit, Stay!!!

*You are invited to celebrate Charter Night with the
NEW Cape Cod Paws of Comfort Lions sponsored by the
Southern Paws of Comfort.*

...7, 2021
6:00 ...ial Hour
7:00 ...er
\$...
Checks payable to ... 33S
RSVP by ...
CST Nadine ...

Masonic Loc...
242 Old Bass River...
So. Dennis, MA 020...
191

ABINGTON LIONS CLUB

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hold the dates for thee two events planned for the spring:

May 12th, a fun night with South Shore Pottery creating something just for you, or someone you love! Will it be a painting, a piece of pottery, or a decorated beverage glass?



Stay tuned! The details will be sent out soon!

May 16th, we will have the return of the Abington Lions Softball Tournament. It will be a round-robin day of games. Teams of 12 with fun and food! Contact Abington President and Chair of this event, Joe Russell for more information. Space is limited.

Joseph_rssl@yahoo.com





COMMITTEE NEWS !!

[PLEASE SEE DISTRICT 33S MID WINTER REPORTS ON OUR WEBSITE!!!](#)

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DISTRICT 33S COMMITTEES WHO ARE SO HARD AT WORK!!

Diabetes Awareness Committee ~ Cheryl Germaine Chairperson

All camps are opening for the T-1 diabetic kids. Our committee will be holding a yard sale fundraiser in May/June in Bridgewater, a dining for cash at Chipotles, and selling Diabetic Awareness signs for a fundraiser in November. Possibly some other fundraisers. We had our first meeting on Sunday, February 21st and will be meeting every two weeks. Thus far we've sent out on applications to be forwarded to Zone Chairs and Club Presidents asking that they be distributed to the school read nurses in their town. We have already gotten four applications back from our parents.

Cheryl Germaine
Chairperson

HEARING FOUNDATION AND HEARING ADVOCATE

Due to the Covid-19 the Hearing Foundation continues to meet primarily thru emails . In recognition of the support the District 33S Lion Clubs has given to the Hearing Foundation and of the financial struggles the Corvid-19 has placed on the Lion Clubs, the **Hearing Foundation Board voted to waive the Club's \$200 sponsor-** application fee for the Lions year 2020-2021. Donated hearing aids can be mail to our Somerset address or to my home- 24 Buckley St., Fall River, MA 02723. As the Advocate and Secretary contact with Spaulding and Morton is maintained. Assistance/ clarification is provided to applicants and Lion Clubs as requested. Forward any questions or concerns to the President, Rena Jacobson, hearing.president@33s.org or myself tefsb@aol.com .

Respectively submitted,
Lion Terry Berard
Secretary
Hearing Advocate

Eye Washing Committee ~ Chair Lion Nate Helgerson

Glasses Needed!!!

Updates from Eye Glass Recycling Committee

The Eye Glass Recycling Committee is holding eyeglass washing and events plus separating of glasses for missions at the

Raynham Lions Hall

April 5th and April 19th

1:00PM -3:00PM

And

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Please note that it may be cancelled due to the Virus. If we have your email you will be notified by email. If not please email me or call me.

This event is open to all clubs. Masks are required and social distancing is required. This is an ongoing project to come and help with this program and great opportunity to meet and catch up with other Lions from the District.

For more information or a project please call me at 508-336-3637 or via email at nate@natehelge.com . Looking forward to your help on the 1st and the 16th

We NEED glasses to wash because we are still going to the prison every 2 weeks and we are running out of glasses to wash!

Hand sanitizer is supplied and we all need to be safe!

Nate Helgersen

Eye Glass Chairman

Webmaster ~ Chair Michael Middleton

The MD33 State IT Committee is offering to help clubs update their website from HTTP to HTTPS. This is an important update that will make your website safe to use whenever people visit your site. Every popular website that you use is most likely using HTTPS. As Lions trying to spread our message of service and information about our clubs, we should be dedicated to ensuring people's data privacy by updating our websites to HTTPS.

If you have questions, please email your District IT Committee Chairperson (lionmichaelmiddleton@gmail.com) or the State IT Committee (INSERT_EMAIL_ADDRESS_HERE). If you are unfamiliar with HTTPS/SSL or would like a basic overview of how it works, please watch this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJJmoDZ3il8> ~Michael Committee News and Pictures! Michael Middleton

Please check out our Website for the MLERF Directory and Eye Catcher Report.

Newsletter ~ Chair Lorraine Thompson

All Newsletter articles and pictures are due by the 20th of the month to appear in the following month's newsletter. Events should be entered no more than 2 months in advance of the event. All entries may be sent to newsletter@district33S.org . The District encourages sharing stories and pictures in our newsletter.

ONLY 300 LIONS GET THE NEWSLETTER ~ PLEASE SIGN UP!! Please sign up at the District Website. Once you register you will be sent an e-mail to accept. You must do both sign up and acceptance.

Pride and Roar ~ Chair ZC Lorraine Thompson

Pride and Roar forms will be in June Newsletter and on the District 33S Website!! . Forms are due August 1st to lionlorraine33S@ymail.com.

LODA ~ Lions Organ Donation

Paula Doherty has agreed to represent us again as our LODA Representative!!!

Lions Organ Donor Awareness is tasked to raise awareness of the importance of registration as an organ and tissue donor. You can register at the MA Registry website.

Lions wishing to get involved in spreading this message, please e-mail us at Lionsorgandonation@gmail.com to learn more.

Literacy Program ~ Lion Bev Saccocia Chairperson

Read Across America was March 2nd. Thank you to all the Clubs that participated. If any club has delivered books and has a record or pictures of donations please forward them to me. Whether you are an educator, a business person, or someone who simply enjoys reading to a child, no effort is too small to make a big difference.

The following are a few project ideas that members of your club and district may consider taking on:

- Serve as a volunteer reader
- Promote Braille literacy
- Provide support to your local library
- Help build a classroom for underserved children
- Organize a book drive

Please check out the Reading Action Program ideas on LCI.

Thanks so much. Beverly Saccocia



COVID Weight Challenge

Let's get the COVID 15

15? Just about everyone has gained a few extra COVID pounds.
Lets' have some fun and raise money for our district
Here is the **Weight Loss Challenge**



Everyone that wishes to participate pays a \$25.00 entrance fee.
You follow whatever diet works best for you.

Everyone weighs in weekly on their honor.

If you lose weight, great if not or you gain, you \$5.00 to the district.
Not \$5 per pound, \$5.00 per week.

Lets' see how much we can donate during this time.



EYEMOBILE SCHEDULE 2020-2021

Due to the current situation with COVID 19, there are no bookings at this time.

Hope this finds everyone well. We continue to do our best to serve. Please contact me at
Katielilyp@gmail.com or 774-254-0006.

Lori Porteleki

Do you have your Massachusetts trading pins? They are now available!

A set costs \$8.00. State pins are \$4.00, prestige pins are \$5.00.





Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



Join us in collecting bags. Bags can be dropped off at Cyd's Creative Kitchen, 2331 Acushnet Ave, New Bedford or Cyd's Grab 'n go, 3A Tremont St, Wareham. When we collect 500 pounds, Trex will donate a trex park bench.

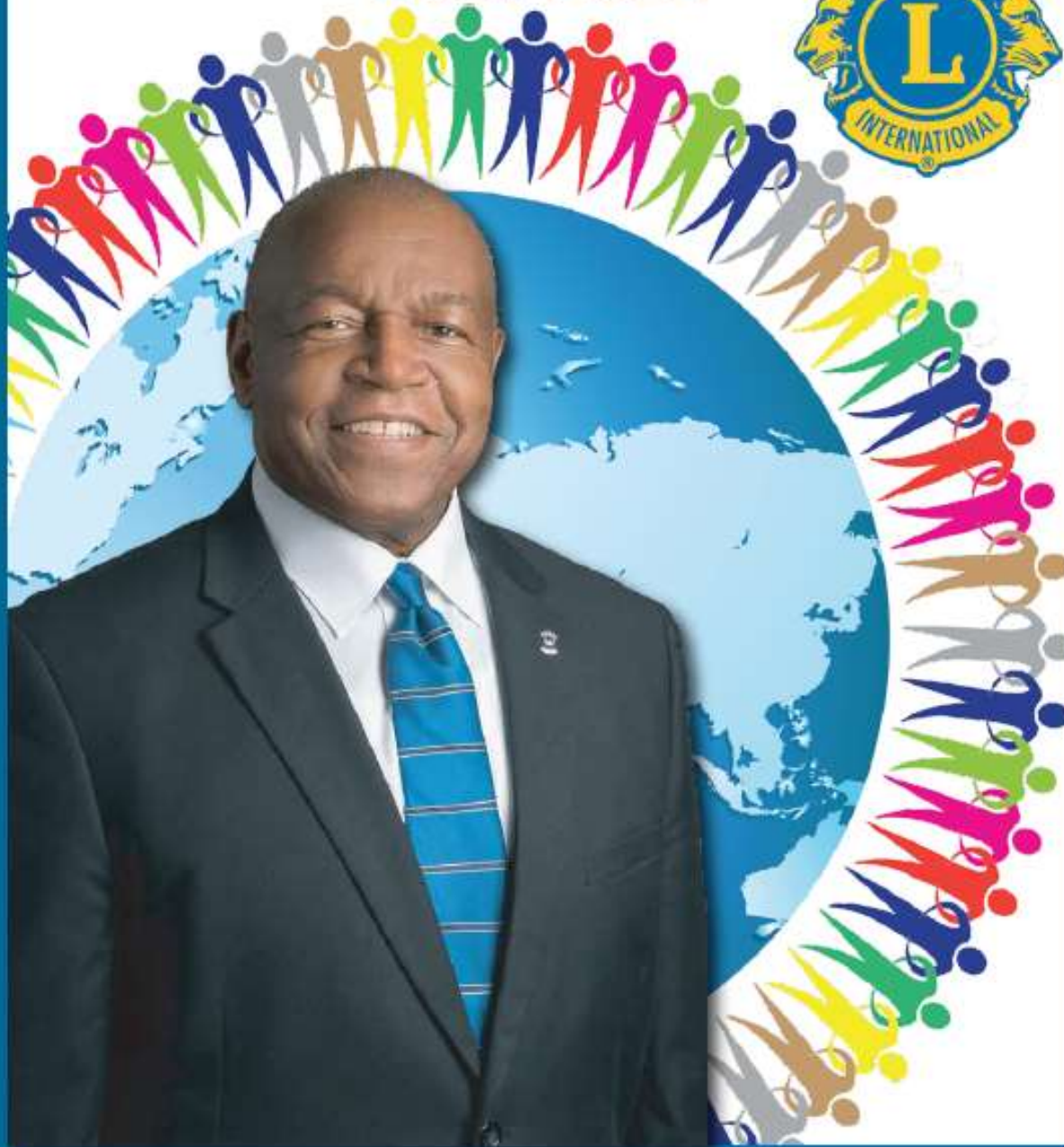


Thank you for your support

Plastic must be clean & dry!

The Rochester

**Congratulations
International President
Douglas X. Alexander
2021-2022**



From District 33S

Come out & support your Raynham Lions Club
Join them for breakfast on the following Saturdays



April 3rd
April 17th
May 1st
May 15th



See you at
Raynham Lions Club Hall, 2234 King Phillips Rd
8:00 to 11:00 am \$5.00 each



**Save the planet and keep “stuff” from landfills!
Clean out your closets and cupboards for the
Southeastern MA Paws of Comfort Lions!**

Clothes:

*Men's, women's, &
children's clothes;
Coats, shoes, scarves,
handbags,
wallets, ties, belts,
backpacks, etc.*



Household Textiles:

*Bedding, comforters,
blankets, sheets,
towels, linen,
tablecloths, curtains,
pillows, etc.*

We're fundraising for local Lions charities by collecting all of the things from your clothes or linen closet that you don't need any more. You can help by filling 33-gallon garbage bags with gently used clothes, bath and linens and drop them off at one of our community collection days.

Sorry, no hard goods like small household items, toys, books, etc.

Drop-off Schedule for Bethany Church, 516 Newport Avenue, So. Attleboro, MA:

Saturday, April 10, from 9:00 – 11:00 am

Saturday, April 24, from 9:00 – 11:00 am

Saturday, May 8, from 9:00 – 11:00 am

Saturday, May 15, from 9:00 – 11:00 am

Can't make it to one of our drop-off locations? Text or email Sabrina at 774-282-0255 or saboulay@comcast.net to arrange for a pick up.

FUNDrive®

FUNDrive® is an eco-friendly fundraiser for nonprofit organizations.
Collect gently-used items in your community and FUNDrive® will buy them.



Fill your Easter Basket with \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$



Feeling Lucky????? Take a chance and have some fun with us!

\$20 per chance could win you an entire book of 300 \$2 scratch tickets.

ONLY 125 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Proceeds to benefit local Lion's charities. Once all 125 are sold, a live drawing on Facebook will be held. The winner will be selected by a computer-generated app.

Purchase your chance through VENMO @ssilvestri12 or call/text (617) 417-2201 for cash purchases.

Thank you and good luck!!!!

As chances are sold, names will be posted on
www.facebook.com/SEMPawsofComfort

Spread a little sunshine
Our fellow Lions
need some cheer.
Send some sunshine
And prayers



Club	Member	Address	C,S, z
Bridgewater Academy	Vale Sime	396 South St	Bridgewater, MA 02324
Fall River Carousel	Muriel & PDG Bert Patenaude	5 Waring Rd	Somerset, MA 02726 Middleboro, MA 02346
Middleboro	Mike Chilcotte	15 Mitchell St	New Bedford, MA 02745
New Bedford	Nat Hoyle	15 Kelton St	
So Attleboro Village	Barbara Klang	650 Pearce Rd	Swansea, MA 02777
So Attleboro Village South Attleboro Village	Janet Kennedy	45 Cohassett Rd	Foxboro, MA 02035
	Rachel Mooney	113 rock Ave	Pawtucket, RI 02861
Bridgewater Academy	Paula Doherty	2 Meadow St Apt 2	Bridgewater, MA 02324 Middleboro, MA 02346
Bridgewater	Eric Rodriguez	76 Vernon St	

