THE NORTHERN LION District 20-W Monthly News Letter

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DISTRICT GOVERNORS MESSAGE





Hello everyone!

20W KNOCKED THE CONVENTION OUT OF THE PARK!!!!!!

Thank you for the fabulous support, laughter, hard work and warm welcoming smiles. This is the best District in the state.

PCC Gary Brown got us started with all the big ideas and arrangements and then **PCC Mark Whitney** picked up the reins and took care of all the details that make a convention run smoothly and be memorable. They both led a wonderful group of dedicated Lions. Thank you both for your efforts.

There are so many people to thank and I apologize in advance if I miss anyone. Thanks to **PDG Nina & PDG John Kelly** for arranging the greeters, who were all helpful, cheery and welcoming. Thanks also to all the greeters you were great. Thanks to **Mike & Gail Murtagh** and the whole **Quad Town Club** for rocking it in registration. You are one of the first faces of the convention and you did us proud. Thank you **PDG Liz and PDG Bob Walker** for the thankless job of dealing with the vendors and exhibitors, helping in registration and for the fabulous video of our history. To their son **Bobby** for actually putting together the video, thank you seems so weak you are awesome.



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DG Message cont'd

Thank you to all the volunteers on committees and to **Smitty** for getting us the Color Guard from Ft. Drum and for being an amazing Chair of the Sgt of Arms committee. I have no words for all your hard workThanks to **PDG John Kelly**, his beautiful granddaughter **Elizabeth** and his daughter in law **Becky** for a moving Necrology Service on Sunday morning. You guys made me cry, again. Thanks to everyone who took Ads in the program and/or attended the convention. This was the best 20W turnout in years. Thanks to my Council for helping **PDG Liz, Barb Brown** and I decorate for the Gala. It was so festive and fun.

Now to the news from the convention. Redistricting passed so we will start working on the next steps. Depending on what LCI decides in October, we may be merging by July 2018.

Probably the best news from the convention is that one of our own; (you will always be one of us up here in "W",) secured the endorsement of the Multiple and will be our next candidate for International Director. **Congratulations PCC Gary Brown and Lion Barb** for your next adventure and service to Lions.

Well only one more message from me after this one. This has been a crazy year but one that I would not have missed for the world. I hope that many of you can make it to my testimonial. The information is included in this newsletter. You all do amazing work for your communities and I for one would like everyone to know what we do up here for our hometowns. We truly do serve and it matters. Please report your service activities it is extremely important for us to see the impact of Lions in our various communities and it just might help you get some new members if you advertise the work that you do.

I believe at this time we have all club dues paid. Thank you all for following through on this important duty.

Please keep asking people to join your clubs. Keep reporting your activities and please keep serving your communities. Remember that Service Matters and people in our communities are depending on us! I look forward to talking to you soon.

DG/CCE Kelly Clark

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PCC Gary Brown Endorsed by MD20 Lions for Lions International Board of Directors

I was born and raised in District 'W' and attended my first Lions function there in 1963 when my Dad – Watertown Lion Bob Brown – took me to the club's Father/Son banquet. I could never imagine that on May 7, 2017, some 54 years later and in the very same District, that I would be endorsed to represent this Multiple District's Lions on the LCI Board of Directors. It seems like a fairy tale in many ways. I owe much to my Dad, much to my Partner-in-Service Lion Barb and much to you. I came into District 'W' in 2002 with 18 years as a Lion under my belt. You almost immediately challenged me to step up. That challenge has lead me to this.

Lion Barb and I will never be able to thank you enough in words. So, we will attempt to do that in our deeds. We promise to always do our best to make you – and my Dad – as proud as we can. He advised me to never forget where I came from. I never have and I never will. Thank you.

PCC Gary Brown MD 20 Endorsed Candidate for the LCI International of Directors



District 20-W Testimonial & Awards Banquet



You are cordially invited to attend our Testimonial & Awards Dinner Recognizing District 20W and

District Governor Kelly Clark Saturday, June 3, 2017 At the Tug Hill Winery

4051 Yancey Rd., Lowville, NY 13367 315 376-4336

Light Hors d'oeuvres & Wine tasting 11:30 – noon Introduction and Luncheon 12:00 Awards to follow immediately

Cost is \$25 per person

Dress: Men- Business casual or State Uniform Ladies-Business casual or State Uniform

Reservations by Thursday May 18, 2017 please

Please respond on or before May 18, 2017 with your check for \$25 per person

Name ______

Name _____

Will Attend

_____ Will Not Attend

Send check (payable to District 20W) and reply to: Gail Murtagh PO Box 161 Winthrop, NY 13697

Lions Camp Badger Message



LIONS CAMP BADGER CAMP DIRECTOR REPORT (adapted/condensed)

Where our camp fills a service gap: This is a long but comprehensive report on the state of services for individuals with autism. Though written in 2009, much of this information is relevant today. Approximately 50% of our campers have autism, and this is likely a fairly accurate representation of the challenges faced by all individuals with developmental disabilities: <u>http://www.afaa-us.org/storage/documents/</u> OAR_NYCA_survey_Current_State_of_Services_for_Adults_with_Autism.pdf

2. Staffing:

Certifications: Staff are currently recertifying First Aid/CPR, Basic Life Support, etc. for children's camp requirements. Everyone will have them completed by May.

Counselor Hires:

At this time, all needed staff have been hired including:

- 1 Program Coordinator
- 7 Counselors (1 w/lifeguard certification)
- 2 1:1 counselors (1 w/lifeguard certification)
- 1 Aquatics Director (Lifeguard-Pool/Waterfront, PSI)
- 1 Health Director 6/28-7/9
- 1 Health Director 7/9-7/28
- 1 LPN (part-time)

C. Volunteers: Local high school students will have the opportunity to volunteer through assisting campers with daily activities (arts & crafts, sports, etc.). These students will naturally serve as role models and offer our campers a more inclusive social experience. Volunteers will have the option of signing up for one or more of the following four-day blocks: 7/6-7/9/17, 7/10-7/13/17, 7/20-7/23/17, 7/24-7/27/17. Volunteers will arrive after breakfast and leave before dark. They will attend a mandatory training during orientation and will be pre-screened per New York State guidelines.

3. Programming:

We were fortunate to attract camp staff with a wide variety of certifications and talents. As a result, we are able to offer much of our programming "in-house" this summer.

Expansion of program offerings to include a rotating schedule that includes Recreation, Arts & Nature, and Cook-

ing&Gardening. Vocational programming will be built into these sessions, and campers will have an opportunity to try product design and manufacturing, recycling, food preparation, and horticulture.

Aquatics/Water Sports: Expanded to include small group swim safety instruction, and fishing.

<u>Music</u>: Singing after meals-including a camp theme song.

Evening Activities:

<u>Club Nights</u> twice a week, camper's choice (Martial Arts, Sign Language, Sports, etc.)

Additional Evening Events: Dance (with DJ)/Karaoke/Stargazing/Cookouts

Special Events:

Moreland the Magician: A favorite from prior years

Inner Limelight: New adaptive theater program, Jean Graham-Actor, Singer, Dancer, Speech/Language Pathologist

DISTRICT 20-W (G)LOBAL (M)EMBERSHIP (T)EAM MESSAGE

The MEMBERSHIP FOCUS For May is Strengthen Membership month!

<u>PLEASE CONSIDER</u> instead of concentrating on whom you will drop during this last quarter of this Lion year;

FOCUS ON HOW TO ADD NEW AND NEW YOUNG MEMBERS to you clubs and to erase our net loss of -13 to a positive 13.

IT CAN BE DONE! IT TAKES WORK and YOUR DESIRE TO BRING MORE NEW HANDS TO SERVE your community!

The key to keeping your club healthy and strong involves operating your club effectively and keeping members satisfied. Use these **LCI resources** below to create a Lions club experience your members will want to tell their family and friends about!

For Clubs

- <u>Club Excellence Process</u>
- Blueprint for a Stronger Club
- Membership Satisfaction Guide
- How Are Your Ratings?
- <u>Community Needs Assessment</u>
- Your Club, Your Way

For Members

- New Member Orientation
- Mentoring Program
- Online Courses at the Lions Learning Center

Our International President Chancellor Bob Corlew is sharing the following with us:

"Youth engagement is a cornerstone of our NEW service framework and each of its five signature service areas. **The future of service belongs to youth**, and we have an opportunity to guide them as Lions. Encourage young people to volunteer with your club. Listen to their ideas. And give them meaningful leadership roles when they serve. Young people can be more than just volunteers—they can be our partners in service."

DISTRICT 20-W (G)LOBAL (M)EMBERSHIP (T)EAM MESSAGE

LCI resources to help are:

Tools for Recruiting Young Adults

- The <u>Young Adult Recruiting Guide</u> and <u>Young Adult Recruiting Guide PowerPoint</u> teach existing clubs why young adults want to volunteer and provides ideas to revitalize how the club operates in order to attract young adults.
- The <u>Be Part of Something that Matters Brochure</u> targets young adults for membership and is useful when inviting young members.
- The <u>Become Involved Become a Lion</u> video highlights young adults speaking about why they became a Lion, the benefits of membership and what types of service projects their club is involved in.

Young adult members bring new energy and diverse skills into your club and ensure your club will be in existence in 40 years. By recruiting young adults into your club, you can:

- Gain fresh ideas for service projects and activities
- Increase hands to do more service
- Promote membership that better reflects the community
- Mirror current times
- Breathe life into your club
- Sustain your club

Contrary to popular belief, young adults want to volunteer and are volunteering at a higher rate than normal.

An example of this success is **King Lion Lauren Tyler** and the new members in the Plattsburgh Lions Club. CONGRATULATIONS on starting then process.

Lion Liz Walker, IPDG & Global Membership District Coordinator



MD 20 Magazine Information

There have been some changes to the deadlines, delivery and content of the MD20 Magazine.

The October 2016 Issue and the March (Convention) 2017 Issue will be mailed via USPS to all Lions for which a mailing address is available. The content of these issues will be 16 pages and will be made up of MD20 Committee Reports.

The January 2017 and June 2017 Issues will be emailed to all Lions for which a valid email address is available. These issues will contain reports from all the Districts along with pertinent MD20 Information.

Please submit all entries to <u>outageco@yahoo.com</u> in either Microsoft Word format or in an email. Please do not send it in pdf format. All pictures should be jpeg format and if applicable please identify those in the picture.

Below are the deadline requirements for getting information to me for inclusion in the January and June Issues.

January electronic issue:

Wednesday, December 21st, 2016	deadline
January 6th, 2017	emailed to Lions

June electronic issue:

Wednesday May	24th, 2017		. deadline
June 9th, 2017		emaile	ed to Lions

Northern Lion Reminder

The Northern Lion is emailed to Club Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers who have a valid email address listed with Lions Club International. It is also posted on the District 20-W website which can be found at www.e-district.org/sites/20w/index.php

Club officers please share with all your club members.

This years goal for sending out the Northern Lion will be the 10th of each month. I will need any entries to me by the 3rd of the month for this to happen. Please submit all entries to <u>outageco@yahoo.com</u> in either Microsoft Word format or in an email. Please <u>do not</u> send it in pdf format. All pictures should be jpeg format and if applicable please identify those in the picture.

Lake Placid Convention Greeters

We would like to thank all of the Lions who were greeters at the Lake Placid Convention this weekend.

The following are the Lions who were greeters: Liz and Bob Walker, Milledge Smith - South Jefferson Linc Sunderland and Ed Eidele - Peru George Palmer, Dennis Hulbert, Ronald Nye - Plattsburgh Don, Barb and Kelly Lustyk - Norfolk Karen Russell, Rick and Rosemary Laurin - Chazy Jeri Heinzelman, Wayne and Laura Dewey - Town of Schroon Terry and Marian Opela - Croghan Joe and Diane Latimer, Malinda Riquelme - Clifton Fine Leo Hadji , Bob Miller, Doug Hoffman - Lake Placid Sheree and Manoj Vora - Lowville

I hope I haven't left anyone out or put you in the wrong club. You all did a great job. Thank you doesn't seem enough, but we do appreciate everything you did.

Nian and John Kelly

DISTRICT 20W CONTINUING LEGACY PROJECT UPDATE May 2017

The video with the three requested pictures from each club has been completed and was shown at the 94th MD-20 Lions Convention this past weekend. Thank you to all who participated.

Thirteen clubs have submitted written information on the history of their club. This information will be put into a booklet form so all can enjoy. This lets us have a detailed history of 20-W as we know it now.

If you have not sent us your club history on one or two sheets, PLEASE do so. Send to : <u>lionLwalker@twcny.rr.com</u>

If you have any questions, please call me at 315-232-4359.

Thank you for helping us to complete this project.

PDG Bob Walker, 20-W Centennial Coordinator



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MD20 Lions 2017 Convention

Mountaineering and Lionism

To Encourage service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors

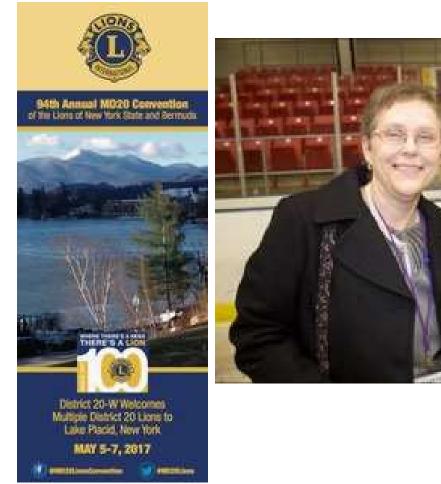


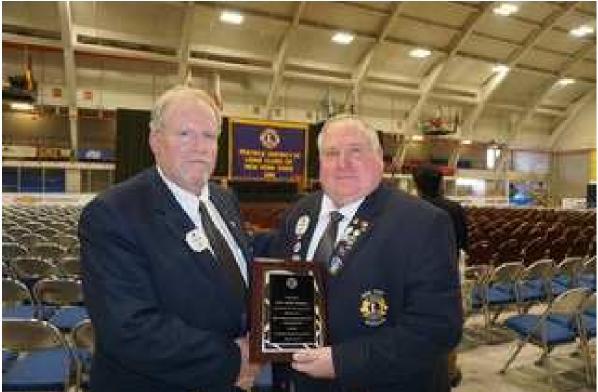












Around District 20-W

From Lowville Lions Club

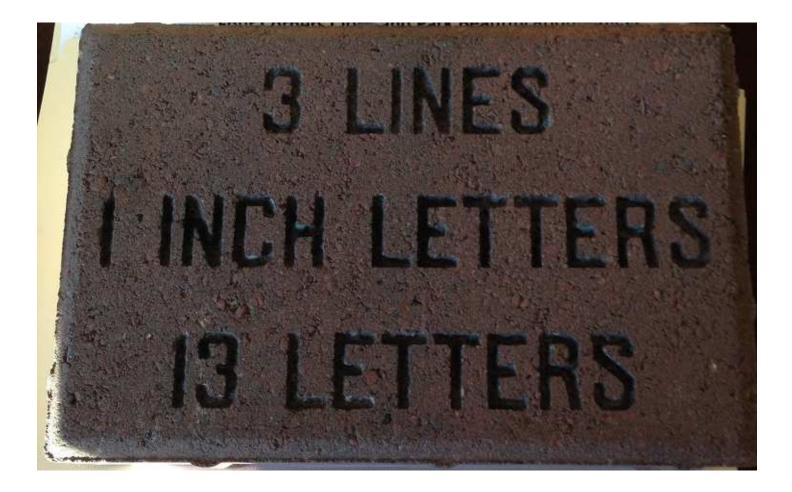
The Lowville Lions Club is in the process of finalizing their Legacy Project. Their project known as the "Four Corners Project" is a joint effort between the Lowville Lions Club and the Village of Lowville. By combining their efforts they are beautifying a vacant four corners lot in the middle of the village. There will be a large four sided clock, park benches, shrubbery, flagpole, and much more. They will also be placing pavers (much like the one pictured below) around the flagpole. The paver will have 3 lines, with 1 inch letters and each line capable of 13 letters. They are \$99 each.

Any club wishing to the donate to Lowville's Legacy Project and invest in a paver please use the form on the next page.

For more information please contact Lowville Lions President Sheree Vora at:

5608 Ridgeview Terrace Lowville, NY 13367

Email: shereevora@yahoo.com Phone: 315-778-8833



Around District 20-W

From Lowville Lions Club

Four Corners Clock and Park Beautification Project "The Lowville Lions Club Legacy Project"

6" x 9" Engraved Paver ORDER FORM - \$99 each

Name:	Date:	
Address:		
Phone #:	Method of Payment:	

Please make checks payable to: New York State & Bermuda Lions Foundation Please send order/payment to: Kelly Clark, 7643 Park Ave., Lowville, NY 13367

Each paver will have 3 lines of 1" letters with a limit of 13 letters per line. Please enter exactly what you would like engraved on your paver in the boxes below. You must include a space where one is necessary.

	g 100 Years of Lionism 1917-2017"
	RECEIPT
	Clock and Park Beautification Project
"The Lowville Lions Clu	b Legacy Project" - 6"x9" Engraved Paver - \$99
Name:	Date:
Address:	
Phone #:	Method of Payment:

Thank you for your support!

Around District 20-W From Lowville Lions Club



ATTENTION ALL 2016-2017 LIONS, PARTNERS IN SER-VICE AND FRIENDS OF DISTRICT 20 W THE LOWVILE LIONS CLUB INVITES YOU TO COME CELEBRATE THE LIONS SQUARE CENTENNIAL CELE-BRATION JUNE 10, 2017! WE WILL BE UNVEILING A 12' 7¼" FOUR FACED VERDIN PEDESTAL CLOCK WITH GOLD LIONS ON THE CORNERS!! THIS IS OUR CEN-TENNIAL GFIT TO THE VILLAGE OF LOWVILLE. PLEASE COME OVER AND WALK OR RUN WITH US FOR THE OPENING OF THE DOWNTOWN PARK BEAU-TIFICATION PROJECT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON. EACH OF YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE! BRING YOUR CLUB BANNER AND WALK WITH IT THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF

LOWVILLE TO SUPPORT 100 YEARS OF LIONISM AROUND THE WORLD.

THE KICK OFF BEGINS WITH REGISTRATION OF THE 5K TIME TO ROAR RUN/WALK AT 8:30A. WE PLAN ON STARTING THIS AT 9:30A. (See next page for more info) THERE WILL BE FACE PAINTING, BALLOONS, MUSIC, DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES WILL BE OPEN FOR GREAT FOOD AND GIFT IDEAS, CHICKEN B-B-Q AND FRIENDS OF 20W WILL ALL BE TOGETHER. BUT, I NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A SUCCEESS!!

OUR LOWVILLE LION WILL BE MAKING A PRESENCE TOO!! DO YOU HAVE A LION FROM YOUR CLUB? BRING THEM OVER AND WALK WITH US!! WE ARE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS OF DISTRICT 20W TO COME MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVITIES. THIS IS OUR FINAL YEAR OF 20W AS WE HAVE KNOWN IT. LET'S ALL COME OUT AND CELE-BRATE WITH OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES.

WE WILL ALSO BE HOSTING A 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION JUNE 7, 2017 FROM 4P-7P AT THE LEWIS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. CAKE, PUNCH, TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE SERVED.

CALL LION PRESIDENT SHEREE VORA AT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU ARE AVAIL-ABLE TO HELP IN ANY WAY OR HAVE SUGGESTIONS!!

WHERE THERE'S A NEED, THERE'S A LION!!

Around District 20-W From Lowville Lions Club



Time to Roar 5K run/walk

To benefit Lowville Lions Club Lions Square Clock Project

Saturday June 10, 2017

Registration 8:30 am Run begins at 9:30

Registration \$25

Call (315)778-4202 or Pre-Register at http://www.signmeup.com/119717

2017 USA/Canada Forum - Portland, Oregon September 22 – 23, 2017

Keynote Speakers



THURSDAY EVENING OPENING BANQUET

<u>Colonel Don Pettit</u>: The fourth most experience Spacefarer of all time, Pettit has spent 370 days in space & 13 hours walking in space. He is from Silverton, Oregon. During his months aboard the International Space Station, Expedition Six NASA ISS Science Officer Don Pettit wrote about the many unique aspects of living and working in space. His Space Chronicles covered everything from spacewalk preparations to his Saturday Morning Science experiments. He also wrote in great detail about what it was like to view the universe around him, as well as the Earth below.



FRIDAY LUNCH

Jen Bricker: Everything Is Possible – Born without legs, Bricker's amazing adoptive family gave her one simple rule, 'Never say can't, & helped her forge a life of triumph, not tragedy Born without legs, one would think Jen Bricker would be destined for a life of hardship. However, the hand of destiny brought her an amazing adoptive family, who gave her one simple rule, "Never say can't" and helped her forge a life of triumph, not tragedy. As a child, Jen was obsessed with gymnastics, and her idol was Olympic gold-medalist Dominique Moceanu. Seemingly against all odds, Jen went on to compete against able-bodied athletes, and became a State Champion in power tumbling.



SATURDAY LUNCH

<u>Naresh Aggarwal</u>: President of Lions Clubs International 2017-2018, The Power of We – 2017-18 LCI President Aggarwal will inspire all with his story & International Program.



SATURDAY EVENING

<u>Willie Jolley</u>: Goals: Dreams With A Deadline – Dr. Willie Jolley is the number one motivational speaker in America today, according to the Zig Zigler 'Get Motivated Organization'.Dr. Willie Jolley has been described as a world-class, award-winning speaker and singer, best-selling author and media personality.

With corporate audiences that include Wal-Mart, GM, Comcast, Verizon, Marriott or The Million Dollar Round Table...Dr. Jolley's presentations are high energy, enthusiastic, and deliver nuggets on how every person can live a better life,one day at a time!



District 20-W Schedule of Events 2016-2017



District 20-W Events

District 20-W Awards/Testimonial Banquet

Saturday, June 3, 2017 Tug Hill Winery for Lunch Lowville, NY

International Events

100th Annual Lions Club International Convention

June 30 thru July 4, 2017 Chicago, II.

District Governor Kelly Clark (315) 771-1817 *kdclark@frontiernet.net* 1st Vice District Governor Donna Ober 315-244-1141 *oberde@potsdam.edu*

2nd Vice District Governor None

Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer Gail Murtagh (315) 389-4165 gail_tc2002@yahoo.com Newsletter Editor & District 20-W Reporter Mike Murtagh (315) 389-4165 outageco@yahoo.com





LCIF Luncheon

at the

MD20 Lions Annual Convention

Friday, May 05, 2017 - 12:00 p.m.

Lake Placid Convention Center Lussi D (2nd Floor)

Lake Placid, New York

Program

Call to Order Pledge to the Flag Lions Prayer Lions Toast Toast to the Queen Welcome and Introductions

Lunch

MD20 LCIF Update - PCC John Wargo Introduction of Program Speaker LCIF - International Perspective - ID Bob Libin Special Presentations Closing Remarks - PCC John Wargo



2016-2017 District Coordinators

20-NPDG Mike Lawkowski20-E1Lion Tom Bartolini20-E2PDG Wayne Wagner20-WPDG Milledge Smith20-Y1PDG Kerry Brown20-Y2PDG Ed Stano20-OPDG Manny Pardo20-R1PDG Cary Smolen20-R2PDG Kwang Suk Kim20-K1PDG Barbara Moody20-K2PDG Norm Alpren20-SPDG Marie Petraitis

MD20 Coordinator: PCC John Wargo

Program Speaker Robert M. Libin, International Director

Robert M. Libin from Rego Park, New York, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the Association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 - 30, 2015.

Director Libin is a retired attorney.



A member of the Rego Park-Forest Hills Lions Club since 1989, he has held many offices within the Association, including Club Secretary, District Governor, District LCIF Chairperson, LCIF District Coordinator and Club Director. He is also the foundation director for Lions District 20-K1 Foundation and foundation secretary for the Brandel-Murphy MD20 Lions youth Foundation..

In recognition of his service to the Association, he has received numerous awards, including Lion of the Year, the Senior Master Key Award, Life membership Award, Friend of humanity Award, five International President's Certificates of Appreciation and two International President's Awards. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Libin has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the American Bar Association, the Queens Count Bar Association, Eagle Scouts and Boy Scouts of America.

Director Libin and his wife, Michelle, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one daughter, two grandsons and one granddaughter.

Lions Clubs International Foundation supports the humanitarian work of Lions clubs. The Foundation aids Lions in making a greater impact in their local communities, as well as around the world. Through LCIF, Lions ease pain and suffering and bring healing and hope to people worldwide. Thank you for your support.

We Give Sight. We Support Youth. We Provide Disaster Relief. We Combat Disability. We Serve.

<u>History Quiz</u>:

- 1. What year was LCIF incorporated as a foundation? 1968
- 2. When did LCIF award the first grant? 1972
- 3. When was the MJF program created? 1973
- When was the first Major Catastrophic Grant issued? 1985
- When was the Progressive MJF program established? 1986
- 6. When did LCIF establish the CORE 4 Grant program? 1999
- How much money was raised WW for 9/11 relief? \$3.2M
- 8. When did Campaign SightFirst II (CSFII) start? 2005 (thru 2008)
- How much money did MD20 raise for CSFII? \$1,686,277
- When was the LCIF Multiple District & District Coordinator roles initiated? 2009
- 11. When was the Ten Thousandth LCIF Grant awarded? 2011
- 12. How many grants has MD20 received from LCIF? 159
- 13. What is the total amount of the MD20 grants received? \$6,500,110.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's):

- Why should we contribute to LCIF when all the money goes overseas? It doesn't; see items 12 & 13 under History
- Why are there so many un-named MJF's? Clubs may not be aware they have this money in the "LCIF bank"
- 3. How do we name a MJF or PMJF with the un-named money? Contact your LCIF DC (see listing on page 2).
- Can a MJF be awarded to a non-Lion? Yes, especially with partnering organizations. This good also help with member recruiting.
- How do I get more information on donations, grants and any other questions related to LCIF? Contact your LCIF DC
- 150 million children around the world treated for childhood blindness
- 350,000 Special Olympics athletes given vision screenings
- More than 5 million cataract surgeries completed in China
- More than 21 million at-risk children provided with vision screenings in Asia

Accomplishments like these could not be done alone. It is only through partnerships that LCIF is able to continue preserving and restoring sight to the blind and visually impaired around the world. Through new and long-standing partnerships with corporations, governments, foundations, other non-governmental organizations and local community leaders, we are able to reach common goals, share expertise and leverage funds.

Our Current Sight Partnerships

Childhood Blindness Project

LCIF's SightFirst program and the World Health Organization have joined together on the Project for Elimination of Avoidable Childhood Blindness, which has strengthened or established 45 needs-based pediatric Lions eye care centers around the world. This partnership has provided preventative, therapeutic and rehabilitative eye care services to 140 million children.

Lions Lens and Vision Centers

Essilor International is working with LCIF to offer a high-quality, low-cost eye glass lens for humanitarian purposes worldwide. The Lions Lens Program is being piloted in several refractive error projects in Africa and the United States.

Measles Initiative

LCIF is supporting a worldwide effort spearheaded by the Measles Initiative to protect children from measles and strengthen routine immunization services.

Opening Eves

Since 2001, LCIF and the Special Olympics have worked together to provide vision screenings, eyewear and other vision care services for athletes.

Pediatric Cataract Initiative

Bausch + Lomb and LCIF are partnering to develop and provide innovative, capacity-building prevention and treatment programs for children with cataracts.

Sight for Kids

LCIF and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care Companies have collaborated to develop this program that provides vision screenings and eye health education for children in nine Asian countries.

SightFirst China Action

This partnership with the Ministry of Health and the Chinese Disabled Person's Federation has provided the development of rural surgical centers and secondary eye care units, as well as millions of cataract surgeries, restoring sight to the blind.

District		otal Grants ved Since 1974	Most Recent Grant	Detail of Most Recent Grant Received
20-N	\$	398,786	10/09/15	Nicaragua Medical Mission
20-E1	\$	538,159	8/14/16	Equip Miracle League Field of Rochester
20-E2	\$	140,661	1/10/17	Equip Handicapped Accessible Playground
20-W	\$	70,654	06/24/06	Habitat Home in Parishville
20-Y1	\$	226,962	10/09/15	Renovate Woman's Shelter
20-Y2	\$	303,941	07/09/13	Flood Relief
20-0	\$	327,275	6/25/15	Vision Screening Equipment
20-R1	\$	828,643	8/14/16	Construct Vocational Rehabilitation Center
20-R2	\$	893,055	03/31/05	Lions Playground at School for the Deaf
20-K1	\$	374,542	5/05/16	Renovate Project Hope Food Pantry
20-K2	\$	221,963	1/10/17	Renovate Beacon House For The Blind
20-S	\$	393,538	10/09/13	Diabetes Promotion and Wellness Initiative
Multi- District	\$	1,781,932	06/25/13	Lions Quest
	\$ 6,500,110 Total LCIF Grants Received in MD20			

MD20 2015-2016 Leading Supporters of LCIF

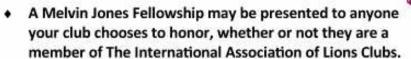
20-E2 82% of clubs donated	20-R2 \$35,318 donations
20-E1 51% of clubs donated	20-K1 \$25,677 donations
20-Y1 50% of clubs donated	20-E2 \$16,739 donations

There is still time to send in your 2016-2017 donation!

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District MJF		PMJF	Highest Level PMJF Recognition	
20-N	515	22	5 Diamond Yellow Gold—BK	
20-E1	519	20	6 Diamond Yellow Gold—JR	
20-E2	235	17	6 Blue Sapphire White Gold –WW	
20-W	233	17	2 Diamond Yellow Gold-RW	
20-Y1	377	24	10 Diamond Yellow Gold-FR	
20-Y2	327	12	5 Diamond Yellow Gold-JK	
20-0	252	15	1 Blue Sapphire Yellow Gold-JW	
20-R1	365	31	4 Diamond Yellow Gold (3)-MD/	
20-R2	989	211	8 Blue Sapphire Yellow Gold-RC	
20-K1	757	106	10 Amethyst White Gold-RL	
20-К2	589	65	2 Yellow Sapphire White Gold-AB	
20-S	457	55	1 Blue Sapphire Yellow Gold-LR	

Did you know ...



 Many clubs show "unnamed" fellowships on our records see chart below. (Dollars already donated to LCIF but not yet designated for a specific Melvin Jones Fellowship.)

Unnamed Fellowships Currently Available in MD20 (to name)				
(over \$450,000 in un-named fellowships in the "LCIF bank")				

20-N: 44	20-E1: 22	20-E2: 32	20-W: 17
20-Y1: 18	20-Y2: 15	20-0: 30	20-R1: 35
20-R2: 18	20-K1: 41	20-K2: 84	20-S: 98



Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs worldwide in serving their local communities and the world community as they carry out essential humanitarian service projects."

Since our founding in 1968 we have strived to sustain Lions' humanitarian service goals throughout the world, awarding over 12,000 grants totaling more than US\$1,200 million, in the four key areas of sight, youth, disaster relief and other humanitarian efforts.

<u>We give sight</u>. LCIF is providing vision for those in need all over the world by combating eye diseases, creating infrastructure to improve eye care delivery, increasing the number of trained eye care professionals and making vision care more equitable and sustainable.

<u>We support youth</u>. All young people deserve to have an education, feel cared for and experience healthy development so they can have the chance to achieve their dreams. Through our positive youth development program, Lions Quest, LCIF is helping children learn to work together, make positive decisions and serve their communities. The Foundation also supports youth through constructing schools, youth centers and vocational training centers.

<u>We provide disaster relief</u>. Lions are often some of the first to arrive at a disaster to provide relief, and Foundation support is right there with them. We help devastated communities survive after disasters and bring hope by assisting in long-term efforts of rebuilding of homes and lives.

<u>We address humanitarian needs</u>. From working to combat global health issues such as measles and diabetes to empowering those with disabilities to lead more independent and fulfilling lives, LCIF is dedicated to a range of humanitarian service projects. The Foundation continues to develop and expand programs that meet emerging needs worldwide.