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A
message
from...

**District
Governor
John McDonald**

Fellow Lions, Leos and Lioness's,

Our District Fall Conference took place on Saturday November 18th in Saratoga Springs. The day was a great success, with the Saratoga Springs Lions Club sponsored "Strides Educational Activity Fair and Walk" focused on featuring Diabetes and pre-Diabetes educational insight from local medical professionals, nutritionists, fitness coaches, restaurant owners, and food suppliers at the Dance Museum that morning. These sessions took place in conjunction with a walk to promote fitness in the Spa State Park. We were joined for the day by Charles Macfarlane, the CEO of the American Association of Diabetes Educators. He was available along with local medical professionals to visit with Fair attendees that morning. Following the AM activities our Conference took place at the Holiday Inn that afternoon. Mr. Macfarlane was joined by Judy Carr of Saratoga Hospital for a presentation that focused on increasing our personal knowledge



Lions International President
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal's pin



New York State & Bermuda MD20
District 20Y2
District Governor John McDonald's pin

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with respect to pre-Diabetes and Diabetes, covering the basics of this chronic disease and helping to set us on a path to successful self-management by understanding the risks, dispelling the myths and capitalizing on the facts.

Following his presentation, I was proud to sponsor Mr. Macfarlane as the newest member of Lions International. Lion Chuck was inducted by Past International Director Lion Bill Phillipi of Kansas, and he will become a member of the Windy City Lions Club in Chicago. Additionally, meetings will begin to take place between LCI and Lion Chuck that will work to pair up Lions clubs and A.A.D.E. associates nationally to educate everyone about the risks associated with the disease and how they can best address the needs of their own communities. The model that we used in Saratoga Springs will be presented as the template for the country, likely beginning throughout NYS and Illinois initially.

Following the induction of Lion Chuck, we asked PID Lion Bill to recognize two Lions from our District with International Presidential Certificates of Appreciation. Our District recognized Lion Karen Rager of the Glens Falls Lions and Lion Rita Ware of the Galway Lions. Lion Karen serves as our District Newsletter editor and Lion Rita is our District Secretary. Both Lions give selflessly of their time and are highly focused on serving the Lions mission! Congratulations to you both!

Dr. Lion Ed Cordes, a past Lions International Director and the LCI Global KidsSight Chairman, made a presentation that focused on the Lions SEE (Screen Eyes Early) program and goals. It's critical that we screen children's eyes at an early age to detect any vision issues. His presentation was also very informative and well received.

The afternoon session was opened by PCC Lion Gary Brown, our MD20 endorsed International Director Candidate. We were fortunate to have him travel to Saratoga, and he will be working along with LCI to further the Lions Diabetes Awareness initiative.

We concluded the afternoon program by announcing the winners of our District Peace Poster and Essay Contest competition. Congratulations are in order for Schuylerville Middle School 8th grader Abby Caron, our 1st Place winner in the Peace Poster Contest!

As we begin the Holiday Season please remember to celebrate the season safely. Take time out of your day to spend it with those that you love and cherish!

Season's Greetings!

WE SERVE!

Yours in Lionism,
District Governor Lion John



Charles (Chuck) Macfarlane, the CEO of the American Association of Diabetes Educators and Judy Carr of Saratoga Hospital present on Diabetes.



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PCC Lion Gary Brown, our MD20 endorsed International Director Candidate.



Dr. Lion Ed Cordes, a past Lions International Director and the LCI Global KidsSight Chairman, presents on the Lions SEE (Screen Eyes Early) program and goals.



Lion Karen Rager (left) of the Glens Falls Lions and Lion Rita Ware (above) of the Galway Lions are presented with International Presidential Certificates of Appreciation by PID Lion Bill and DG John.



20Y2 District Governor John McDonald at the Fall conference in Saratoga Springs.



Above, Past International Director Lion Bill Phillipi of Kansas. Left, our 1st Place winner in the Peace Poster Contest Schuylerville Middle School 8th grader Abby Caron. Jimar McMaster was the winner of the Essay Contest, Glens Falls Lions.



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Lions District 20Y2 2017 – 2018 Calendar

3RD 20Y2 CABINET MEETING,
Holiday Inn, JohnstownJanuary 27, 2018

MD20 Council Meeting, SyracuseFebruary 23, 24, 2018

Lions Day at the United NationsMarch TBA

4TH 20Y2 CABINET MEETING,
Fort William Henry, Lake GeorgeMarch 24, 2018

District Governor Elect School, BinghamtonApril 20 – 23, 2018

MD20 Council Meeting, RochesterMay 3, 2018

MD20 Convention, RochesterMay 4 – 6, 2018

DG JOHN MCDONALD TESTIMONIAL,
Holiday Inn, Saratoga SpringsMay 19, 2018

DGE School, Las Vegas NVJune 25 – 29, 2018

International Convention, Las Vegas NVJune 29 – July 3, 2018

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND EVENTS,
CHECK OUT THE LIONS INTERNATIONAL
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

members.lionsclubs.org/EN/events/calendar.php

From the District Governor...

We have confirmed that the International board voted
to allow our redistricting plan effective July 1, 2018.

Thanks to all who worked on the plan and
who are still working on the merger.

As we proceed forward we'll continue to keep everyone
informed of our progress.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE

CLUB	DG VISITATION	MTG. INFO	LOCATION
Hadley Luzerne	12/6/2017	Wednesday	Waterhouse
Northville/Sacandaga	12/7/2017	Thursday	Sport Island Pub
Schuylerville	12/20/2017	Wednesday	Dovegate
Albany & Troy	1/3/2018	Wednesday	Red Front Restaurant
Ravena	1/10/2018	Wednesday	Quarry Steak House
Ballston Spa	1/17/2018	Wednesday	Mangino's
Johnstown	1/24/2018	Wednesday	Patricia's
Waterford	2/7/2018	Wednesday	Masonic Hall
Marcy Telephone	2/21/2018	Wednesday	Conference Call

"HEY LIONS!
Inquiring Lions want
to know what
YOUR CLUB
is up to!!!"



Details for submissions to the District 20Y2 Roar, and the State MD20 Magazine are on page 27 of this newsletter.

✓ **Articles and pictures of your clubs activities.**

✓ **Flyers of upcoming fundraisers and events.**

1. Send copy in word or .pdf

2. Send pictures in .jpg

3. Send by the 28th to karen@deuxflutes.com

Events

Lions Foundation at Albany, NY, Inc.

Easter Bunny Sales

In support of the Lions Eye Institute
A proven fund raiser that can help your club.

The 6.2 ounce, solid milk chocolate and dark chocolate bunnies are manufactured for us by the renowned Donini Chocolate Ltd. Each bunny is imprinted with the Lions insignia and comes individually boxed. There are 24 bunnies per case.

We are also offering a 3.5 ounce dark chocolate bunny. These smaller, are individually wrapped (no box).

The Lions Foundation suggests a retail price of \$5.00 per bunny as a fair price that represents a balance between price, volume and quality for a fair profit fund-raiser for your club.

The Prices To
Your Club Are As
Follows:

1 to 24 cases:
\$70.00/case

25 cases or more:
\$69.00/case



TO ORDER:

All orders should be
placed no later than

December 15, 2017

by contacting:

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Lions Foundation Easter Bunny Order Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Club: _____

Number of Cases:

Milk Chocolate (24/6.2oz): _____

White Chocolate (24/6.2oz): _____

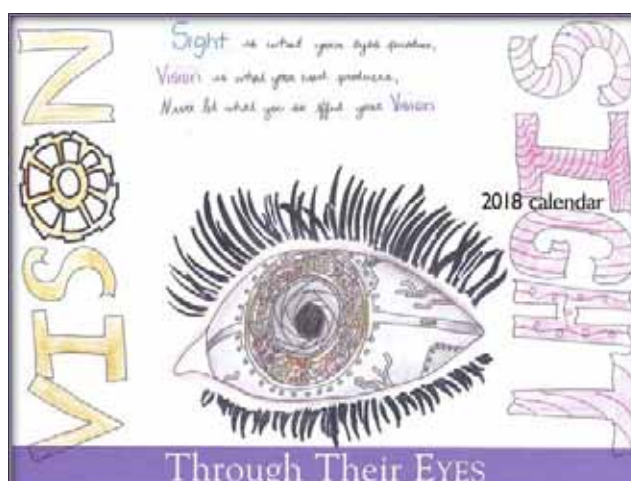
Dark Chocolate (24/3.5oz): _____

Easter is **April 1, 2018** so hurry and place your bunny orders now!

**Give the
Gift of Sight!**

**Support blind children
By purchasing a**

**“Through Their Eyes”
2018 Calendar**



**A Calendar of Artwork Created by
Children Expressing Their Appreciation
for the Gift of Sight!**

\$8.00 (no tax due)

**Please make checks payable to
Lions Eye Bank at Albany
6 Executive Park Drive
Albany, NY 12203**

**For more information
(518) 489-7606**

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December Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5 NABA Free Technology NABA, 301 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 1:00 - 3:00 pm Free to Blind and Visually Impaired	6	7 NABA Albany Blind Bowling Playdium Bowling Center 363 Ontario St., Albany, NY 6:00 pm/\$14.50/wk	8	9
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17	18	19	20	21 NABA Albany Blind Bowling Playdium Bowling Center 363 Ontario St., Albany, NY 6:00 pm/\$14.50/wk	22	23
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31		<div>Please check this Newsletter and the District Website for details on all of these events → 20y2lions.org</div>				

Lions SEE Training

Saturday January 20, 2018

Community Church of Little Neck
46-16 Little Neck Parkway, Little Neck NY 11362

Main Speakers

PID Dr. Ed Cordes, Head of Lions Kidsight USA
Lion DR. James Reynolds, Head of the Ross Eye Institute

Registration at 9 am ~ Training at 10:00 am
Representative from PlusOptix and Spot Vision have been invited
Lunch will be available for purchase

Please RSVP to Lion Laverne Harrison 917-543-5716

Utica Lions Bottle and Can Drive

(Proceeds go to help need in our community)

Stash's Hit and Run

(We have an Account
for Drop Off's here)

917 Oriskany St. W.
Utica, NY 13202
Monday - Saturday
9:00 am - 5:00 PM

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District & Club Articles

HOW TO GET THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER FOR FREE!



- ⇒ Go to **www.20Y2Lions.org**
- ⇒ Lower left corner/sign-up box
- ⇒ Fill in requested information
- ⇒ Respond to the request for confirmation from Vertical Response. NECESSARY!

**WHERE THERE'S A NEED
THERE'S A LION**

Hadley-Luzerne Lions Club HELPING DOUBLE H RANCH

By Lion Peter Watts

Hadley-Luzerne Lions spent the day of November 11 doing firewood for the Double H Ranch for critically ill children. The Club purchased a new wood splitter for the camp which is at the center of the picture. The fruit of our labor is the full woodshed behind us



The picture includes camp personnel Luke Mance at far left, at the far right Conrad Fleishmann and ranch CEO Max Yurenda. In between, L to R, Lions Peter Watts, Brad Hayslette, Dan Glasheen, Roger Williams, Dave VanAuken and Jim Brewster. Also, helping but not pictured were Lions Mark McLain and Dell Clement.

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Sauquoit Valley Lions Club HONORING VETERANS

By Lion John Griffin

The Sauquoit Valley Lions honored our Club Veterans during our meeting on November 9, 2017. The Club also heard from Kerri Johnson a representative of the Veterans Outreach organization on the work of the organization in supporting local Veterans. The Club presented a check of

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Sauquoit Valley Lions Veterans Lou Dunlay, Ed Collins, Michael Bader, Treff LeFave and WW Vet and Charter Member Lew Smith look on as Club President Joanne Jones presents a check to Kerri Johnson of the Veterans Outreach Center.

contest winning poster was submitted into the District wide competition.

The Club is holding its annual Holiday Raffle offering \$2,500 in cash winnings including \$1,000 to the first place winner. Tickets are \$50.00 each with only 120 tickets sold. They can be purchased from any Sauquoit Valley Lion Club member. The drawing will be held at the upcoming Holiday Party on January 13, 2018.

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Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club

DC VISIT

By Lion Rosemary Chistoff Dolan

In his annual visitation to the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club at the Apple Barrel Country Store and Café in October, District Governor John McDonald delivered a message on the "Power of We" that included quotations from Helen Keller and Lions Clubs International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal of Delhi, India.



Sauquoit Valley Lions Suzanne Ernst (l) and Karen Stedman (r) man the booth at the Sauquoit Valley Lions Middle school Craft Fair.

\$200 to Veterans Outreach and members expressed an interest in providing support during the upcoming Holiday Season.

On November 18th and 19th the Club hosted a Lions Club promotional booth at the annual Sauquoit Valley Middle School Craft Fair. The event was attended by hundreds from the local community and beyond and provided great exposure to the good works of Lions. The Club raised over \$1,000 from a Lottery Ticket Tree raffle that was held at the booth.

Club Treasurer John Griffin traveled with Region Chair Jim Winkler to the District 20-Y-2 Fall Conference held on November 18, 2017 in Saratoga. Our local Peace Poster



District Governor John McDonald, standing next to a framed print of the winning poster in the 2016-17 Lions International Peace Poster Contest: "A Celebration Of Peace" by 13 year old Lakkana Meepara from Thailand; and Tom Snowden, president of the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club. Mr. Snowden is also a Region Chair. Photo by Rosemary Christoff Dolan

"Their words speak volumes as to what we can accomplish when we all work together toward a shared goal and shared

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vision of service,” DG McDonald said.

In 1925, Helen Keller was an ambassador for the newly formed American Foundation for the Blind. She addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, and delivered a moving speech.

“Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? ... Will you not constitute



District Governor John McDonald receives a basket of Schoharie Valley items assembled by the Apple Barrel Country Store and Café, where the Lions club meets. At right is Tom Snowdon, president of the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club and also a Region Chair. Photo by Rosemary Christoff Dolan.

yourselves knights of the blind in this crusade against darkness?”

One of the leading causes of blindness is diabetes, the District Governor said. The Lions District Fall Conference on November 18th in Saratoga Springs focused on increasing knowledge with respect to pre-diabetes, diabetes and children’s vision. Members of the TOW/SV Lions club attended the presentation by Charles Macfarlane, CEO of the American Association of Diabetes Educators.

Lions are working to end preventable blindness and aid persons with visual impairment. To this end, the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club provides assistance for glasses and eye exams for local individuals, and makes referrals to the Lions Eye Institute at Albany for evaluation and treatment of eye diseases. The club supports the Lions Eye Institute and Foundation and other sight and hearing organizations that include Northeastern Association of the Blind, Freedom Guide Dogs, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, and the Lions Eye Bank at Albany. Several club members have become Knights of the Blind.

The Lions club also works with the District 20-Y2 Hearing Conservation Society to assist persons in purchasing a hearing

aid. A referral and application process is required for eyeglass and hearing aid assistance.

There are eight Hearing Conservation Society Loan-Out Centers in the District, including one at the local Schoharie County Office for the Aging and the nearby Madison Hearing Center in Albany, where persons with hearing impairment can try out assistive devices before purchasing. These include personal and telephone amplification devices, and devices that employ a flashing light or a portable pillow shaker to alert users to a smoke detector sounding, door knocking, telephone ringing, and alarm clock activation.

The Lions club collects outdated prescription glasses and used hearing aids to send to the District. Lions collection boxes are located at banks in Schoharie and Middleburgh, and these items can also be dropped off at the Lions recycling center in Gallupville at the town of Wright Transfer Station.

In emphasizing the Lions mission to promote international peace and understanding, the District Governor brought a framed print of the winning poster in the 2016-17 Lions International Peace Poster Contest, “A Celebration Of Peace.” The international prize winner, Lakkana Meepara, 13 years old, from Thailand, received a trip to an award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations, along with the sponsoring



From left, Lions Jim Lord, PDG Dave Ramsey and Jessica Fagan listen to District Governor John McDonald deliver his annual message to the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club. Photo by Rosemary Christoff Dolan.

Bangkok Pinklao Lions Club president. The young artist received an engraved plaque and cash prize of \$5,000.

The District Governor presented Chevron Award Certificates from Lions International to five members for their years of service: Ron Blackmur - 20 years; Jessica Fagan, Rosemary Christoff Dolan, and Sylvia Lord - 25 years; and Jim Lord - 30

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years.

In addition to sight and hearing programs, the Lions club supports local youth scholarships, a Lions park and youth recreation activities, veterans programs, disaster relief, food pantries and other community projects. For further information: Tom or Ellen Snowdon at (518) 872-1091, or visit the club's website/Facebook: Wright-Schoharie Lions or write: PO Box 42, Gallupville, NY 12073.

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Lions Eye Institute/ Lions Foundation at Albany

ORDER THE BUNNIES!!!

by Lion Karen Rager

It's that time of year again! Time to order the bunnies. I know, I know, Christmas isn't even here yet, but we at the Lions Foundation at Albany, are looking ahead to Easter. Our Chocolate bunny Sale is a **win win** fundraiser! Not only can you benefit your own club, but help the Lions Foundation at Albany raise the necessary funds supporting the Lions Eye Institute at Albany. See our flyer on **PAGE 6** of this newsletter.

ORDERS NEED TO BE IN BY DECEMBER 15TH!

In addition, the LEI/LF at Albany is looking for someone to become the "Bunny Chair" for District 20Y2. The Galway Lions Club has graciously agreed to act as the Distribution Center so this position would mainly involve contacting all the Clubs once or twice and coordinating the order taking. If you or you know of someone who might be interested, please contact Lion Phil Klein (contact at end of article).

A reminder: Your Lions Eye Institute today is testimony to the financial generosity made to the Lions Foundation at Albany, NY Inc. by countless Lions in our region. Since the area Lions first became involved in 1987, millions have been raised to build and equip the Lions Eye Institute.

Ways You Can Help!

Become a Knight of the Blind. The Lions Eye Institute took the phrase "Knights of the Blind" from Helen Keller's 1925

speech to the Lions and made it a part of their fund-raising efforts. It has become a Lion favorite-over 700 area Lions have become Knights of the Blind!

For a pledge of \$500, which can be paid over a five-year period, an individual or business can become a Knight of the Blind. Upon completion of their pledge, they will receive a Knight of the Blind pin and a personalized certificate. Also, their name will be added to the Wall of Honor at the Lions Eye Institute.

While clubs can become Knights of the Blind, they can also name a Knight of the Blind. This is a great opportunity for a club to honor a current or former member or friend. You can also upgrade an existing KOB to a Bronze, Silver or Gold KOB!

Chocolate Bunny Sales. Every year the Lions Foundation sponsors a Chocolate Bunny Sale to raise funds for the Lions Foundation. Orders are placed through participating Lions Clubs. Look for our Flyer here around the end of each year for information on how you can purchase Chocolate Bunnies!

Other Ways to Give. There are multiple ways to convey your LEI gift:

- Cash gifts made by check or money order.
- Credit card gifts made via your Visa or MasterCard account.
- Gifts of securities made by transferring stocks, bonds, and other marketable securities.
- **EASIEST!** USE the **Paypal** button on our homepage.

www.leialbany.org/

All gifts are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. Gifts should be made payable to the "Lions Foundation at Albany" and be sent to:

**LIONS FOUNDATION AT ALBANY, INC.
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Lions Eye Institute/Foundation at Albany, NY

Clinton Lions Club

HOLIDAY SEASON IN FULL SWING

By Lion Jim Winkler

With the rapidly approaching holiday season we, as most clubs, focus our service and activities close to home. At this time of year, it's always fulfilling to see the fruits of our efforts through the eyes of our youth and those most in need as they enjoy the seasonal festivities.

Our holiday season got into full swing the day after Thanksgiving with our annual Shopper's Stroll and Holiday Parade in our village. Sponsored by our local Chamber of Commerce and un-November-like warm temperatures with no precipitation, many visitors were attracted to our quaint New England-like village to browse the various shops lining our green and enjoy the "goodies" distributed by the merchants and service organizations in the community. For the twenty third year in a row, we assembled fourteen (14) club members who worked in shifts distributing popcorn free of charge to kick-off the Christmas season in our community. Additionally, the club once again participated in the Holiday Parade. We walked



Lions Maxam, Hullar & Winkler with Leos at float during the Holiday Parade.



Poppin' corn (Lions Martini, Reitema & Heintz) during the Annual Shopper's Stroll and Holiday Parade.

along side our "float" complete with our newly configured Lion figurine and club banner as we distributed candy along the parade route to the spectators awaiting the arrival of Saint Nick. Aiding us in the distribution of candy were our new Leo Advisor and four (4) Leo Club members. The Lions... and Leos of Clinton were well represented throughout the day's festivities (and this year we didn't exhaust our popcorn supply!)

In addition to our participation in the Shopper's Stroll, the Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive began the day after Thanksgiving. In past years some of our members volunteered to ring the bell for the Red Kettle Drive. This year, not only are we ringing the bell but we also are in charge of organizing the event in our community on the weekends between Thanksgiving and Christmas. To date, seven (7) club members have participated at the Red Kettle during the last weekend in November. In addition, we have contacted other community groups for potential bell ringers and begun scheduling their shifts during the December weekends.



Lion D. Welchons & D. Foley ring the bell during the Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive.

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We have made recent financial contributions to our local unit of the Salvation Army, Hospice & Palliative Care during their annual Telethon, Utica Rescue Mission and the Kirkland Bloodmobile to assist with their respective missions of support to their clients at this time of year. Additionally, we recently assisted a local senior in the procurement of new eyeglasses and donated to the efforts of our local High School Hockey Boosters as they back our High School Hockey program. Our efforts in collecting used eyeglasses and hearing aids from previously established locations in our community continue as does our assistance with the monthly food distribution at our local Country Pantry where approximately 370 people are served. This number seems to increase every year at this time and it's self-satisfying and humbling to be part of this effort.

We wish all clubs every success in their efforts in their communities during this Holiday Season and extend everyone the best of the New Year knowing that we as Lions make a difference!

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Glens Falls Lions Club
COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Lion Karen Rager

November has been a month of community service for the Glens Falls Lions. Six of our members volunteered to be door ushers and hand out programs for the Lake George Community Band's Annual Veterans Concert at Glens Falls High School.

In addition, we once again, volunteered to participate in the Salvation Army's Annual Red Kettle Drive/Bell Ringing in front of the 99 Restaurant at Aviation Mall. We serve!

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OF THE BLIND?**



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5,000 children and 30,000 adults
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Lions Eye Institute at Albany?**

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Albany & Troy Lions Club

By Lion Jerry Gordon

General meeting

Our speaker was Lion Katrina Plummer, district Leo Clubs chair, ably assisted by her mother, Lion Verna Plummer, president of the Gloversville Lions Club. She explained that the first Leo Club was formed in Abington (PA) High School



L-R: King Lions Carol and Verna, Lions Katrina and Erene.

60 years ago, and it was 50 years ago that LCI adopted the Leo Club program. There are now over 6500 clubs in 140 countries. Leo Clubs can be school-based or community based and require the sponsorship of a Lions Club that provides guidance and counseling.

Alpha Leo Clubs are designed for youngsters between 12 and 18 years old; they focus on individual and social development. Omega Leos are young adults between 18 and 30; these clubs focus on personal and professional development.

Lion Erene Doan, our visitor from the Central Barbados Lions Club, told us about her club's very positive experiences with the Leos they sponsor.

New shirts were distributed to those who had ordered them. Lion Ruth is collecting for them.

After the general meeting was adjourned, we started our annual folding, stuffing and stamping party for the seal campaign.

Board meetings

Committee reports:

Blood drives – Our next drive is Dec 29 at St Ambrose Church in Latham.

PR – Lion Elena has listed our meetings in Capital Region Pennysav-ers. [The listing has already produced two potential members who will be joining us on Dec 6.]

Fundraising – Lions Fran and John report that we have sold \$525 worth of SaveAround books so far. Also, we made \$300 on Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" shopping passes.

Programs – December will be our holiday party [see below] and the DG's visit is in January.

Used glasses & hearing aids – Tom has shipped 5000 glasses

Voicemail – Jerry: Of the 15 calls we got in October, only 3 were from outside of our area.

Coming events: Diabetes education morning of 11/18 and speakers in lieu of cabinet meeting afternoon of 11/18; Victorian Stroll 12/3.

Lion Maryanne gave out eyeglass vouchers for 3 adults in Albany county and for 1 adult in Rensselaer county.

No hearing report from Lion Doug.

Tara Burke reports that the playset and the rubber mulch for the playground upgrade have been shipped [see page.

In an email vote on Nov 8, we decided to allocate \$250 for Lion Joann to again purchase holiday gifts for residents of Vanderheyden Hall.

In an email vote on Nov 28, we decided to send contributions to both Capital Roots and the Lions Foundation at Albany in memory of Lion Terry Page.

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2017 MD1 Host Committee

COMMEMORATIVE PIN ... ORDER FORM



#1

Ship to: (Please Print clearly or Type)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Email Address: _____

Three dimensional
pewter pin with raised
Lions Emblem



#2

Please send me

Pin #1 _____ Pin (s) at \$5.00 ea. ... \$ _____

Pin #2 _____ Pin (s) at \$5.00 ea. ... \$ _____

Pin #3 _____ Pin (s) at \$5.00 ea. ... \$ _____

Shipping add \$ _____

One - Two pins \$ 3.00

Three - Five pins \$ 5.00

Six - Ten pins \$ 9.00

*Orders that are for more than 10 pins, call for shipping
charges before placing the order.*

Total amount enclosed \$ _____



Three dimensional pin

#3

All Pins Not Shown
to Actual Size

Please make check or money order payable in (U.S. Funds Only) to:

Lions 2017 Host Committee

Mail to:

Lion Wm Prucha
10900 S. Avenue A
Chicago, IL 60617
(708) 606-8507

Lion Bob Block, PDG
615 205th Place
Dyer, IN 46311
(219) 671-0287



As we near the end of the calendar year, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support and generosity. Whether monetarily, or by giving of your time here at the camp, we appreciate every dollar and/or ounce of effort! Lions Camp Badger continues to grow and succeed, and we look forward to a bright future for our special needs campers thanks to you, our biggest supporters.

Thank you to all of the Lions and Lions Clubs of Multiple District 20!

Also, as we approach Holiday shopping season, we'd like to tell you about some exciting ways that you can help Lions Camp Badger without even reaching into your pocketbook! If you shop online by using Amazon or other online retailers, please check this out:

✓ **AMAZONSMILE**

Amazon will donate **0.5%** of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to ***Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc.*** This works all year, not just at holiday time.

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District & Club Resources

Is your club in The ROAR/MD20Magazine?

Let the District and the State know the GREAT THINGS YOUR CLUB IS DOING!

Below are the specifications for each publication.

MD/20 MAGAZINE SUBMISSIONS

December 15, 2017 ~ May 15, 2018

ONLY TWO ISSUES will be emailed and include district news.

I will submit everything I receive by the deadline, however submission does not guarantee publication, (I am not the editor). We are limited to one page per District so please limit your articles!

I would love to have many clubs represented.

THE ROAR SUBMISSIONS

THE 28TH OF EVERY MONTH

Everything received by the deadline will be in the next issue. Publication will be the 1st of every month.

ARTICLES

- Digital submission **preferred** in upper/lower case format.
- Microsoft Word, PDF, or text embedded in an email are acceptable.
- If it is handwritten, it **MUST BE LEGIBLE**.
- No scanned newspaper articles. Newspaper articles will be accepted IF they are in digital format, and with written permission from the originating publication.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

PHOTOS

- Digital submission **preferred** in JPEG or TIFF format.
- Hard copies are acceptable (Please do not write on the back).
- Hard copy newspaper photos are not acceptable. Digital newspaper photos are acceptable **ONLY** with a release from the newspaper/photographer, with photographer credit.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE CAPTIONS ARE IDENTIFIED WITH CORRESPONDING PHOTOS!**

EVENT FLYERS (THE ROAR ONLY)

- Original documents saved in .jpg, .pdf format or Microsoft Word are acceptable. No scanned documents. Flyers may be “reworked” due to space requirements.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

Submissions can be made to karen@deuxflutes.com
or Lion Karen Rager, 82 Hunter Lane, Queensbury, NY 12804.

**The following five pages pertain to the LEI Patient Referral Policy and Forms.
Please discard any older versions you may have, as these were recently updated!**



Lions Eye Institute at Albany, New York, Inc. Patient Referral Policy

Consultants' Management Services LLC (Physicians), Albany Medical Center and other Lions Eye Institute (LEI) approved medical facilities will accept patient referrals from Lions Clubs.

1. Lions may identify qualified individuals who appear to require subspecialty ophthalmologic services, who do not have private and/or governmental health insurance or the financial means to pay for such services, and who in the absence of assistance from the Lions are not likely to receive the needed ophthalmologic care.
2. Only the Club President and/or Secretary may make referrals. Referral is limited to these two individuals so that the club leaders will know who has been referred and can evaluate the appropriateness of the referral and monitor the progress of the referral.
3. Referrals must be made in writing. All forms must be completely filled out and signed. Patients must sign the HIPAA-compliant consent form allowing the exchange of medical information between the patient, Lions and LEI Physicians.

- a. For patients residing in Lions **District 20-O**, send completed forms to:

PDG Lion Wilfred Roehe, 8 Skyview Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY
12603

With copy to:

VDG Lion Barbara Gavin, 159 South Quaker Lane, Hyde Park, NY
12538

- b. For patients residing in Lion **District 20-Y2**, send completed forms to:

Lion Phil Klein, 29 Walter Drive, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

With copy to:

Lion John McDonald, PO Box 91, Galway, NY 12074

- c. For patients residing in Lion **District 20-W**, send completed forms to:

PDG Lions Liz & Bob Walker, 66 East Church Street, Adams, NY
13605

With copy to:

PDG Lion Wilfred Roehe, 8 Skyview Drive, Poughkeepsie, NY
12603

4. Referrals are limited to emergency, diagnostic, therapeutic and/or surgical care. Routine eye care is more appropriately handled by local eye care providers and shall not be referred to the Lions Eye Institute.
5. To qualify as a referred patient, the individual, agent, guardian or Lions Club must make reasonable attempts to obtain private, charitable, or governmental health insurance such as Medicare, Medicaid, Fidelis, etc. It is the responsibility of the Lions Club to make sure this has been done. Any financial assistance provided by the Lions Eye Institute shall be limited to a **maximum total of \$4,500 per patient**. Applicants who may require surgery and/or hospitalization must also apply to Albany Medical Center for financial aid by contacting AMC's Patient Financial Services department at 518-262-1981 or 1-866-262-7476.
6. Requests for information concerning a referred patient may be received. For ethical, legal and confidentially (HIPAA) reasons, information will not be released to a third party unless there is a signed release from the patient.
7. Questions regarding this policy shall be made to the LEI Board President, 1220 New Scotland Road, Suite 102, Slingerlands, NY 12159. Questions and comments can also be sent via email to leialbany@gmail.com or leave a voice message at 518-290-8939.



leialbany@gmail.com

Patient Referral Form

Date: _____

Patient:

Name _____ DOB _____ Age _____
 Last First Middle

Home Address	City	State	Zip
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Home Phone _____ # of Dependents _____ Employer _____

Business Address	City	State	Zip
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Business Phone	Yrs Empl	Annual Income
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Spouse/Parent/Guardian:

Name _____ DOB _____ Age _____
 Last First Middle

Home Address	City	State	Zip
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Home Phone _____ # of Dependents _____ Employer _____

Business Address	City	State	Zip
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Business Phone	Yrs Empl	Annual Income
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Total Annual Household Income

Insurance:

Applicant must attempt to obtain private, charitable or governmental health insurance such as Medicare, Medicaid, or Fidelis Care. If you need additional assistance, contact the Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program (HICAP) at 1-800-701-0501. Applicants who may require surgery and/or hospitalization must also apply to Albany Medical Center for financial aid. Please contact AMC's Patient Financial Services department at 518-262-1981 or 1-866-262-7476.

Ins. #1	None	Policy Number
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Ins Address	City	State	Zip
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Ins. #2 _____ Policy Number _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Policy Holder Name _____ Relationship _____

Do you qualify for Medicaid? Yes _____ No _____. If no, please enclose a copy of the denial letter.

Description of Visual Problem:

I, _____, authorize the _____ Lions Club to refer the above stated patient to the Lions Eye Institute and to release the above information to the Lions Eye Institute and Lions Eye Institute Physicians, Albany Medical Center or other Lions Eye Institute approved medical facilities. I further release this Lions Club and the Lions Eye Institute of any legal or monetary obligation for their assistance in arranging for services. **Any financial assistance provided by the Lions Eye Institute shall be limited to a maximum total of \$4,500 per patient.**

Signature _____ Relationship _____ Date _____

Personal Physician and/or Eye Specialist:

Name _____ Speciality _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Speciality _____ Phone _____

Lions Club:

Club Name _____ Lions District # _____

Club Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Referring Members Name _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

President's or Secretary's signature _____

IMPORTANT: Forms must be completed in full before they can be processed. Referrals must be made through the appropriate local Lions Club. Incomplete forms or forms sent directly to the Lions Eye Institute will delay care and/or may result in denial of the referral.

Once the patient has completed his/her part of the form it should be forwarded to the Sight Chairman of the appropriate local Lions Club for approval at the Club level.

Once the referral is approved and signed off by the Lions Club the completed forms must be forwarded to:

For patients/Lions Clubs in **District 20-O**

PDG Lion Wilfred Roehe
9 Skyview Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

With copy to:

VDG Lion Barbara Gavin
159 South Quaker Lane
Hyde Park, NY 12538

For patients/Lions Clubs in **District 20-Y2:**

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29 Walter Drive
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

With copy to:

Lion John McDonald
P.O. Box 91
Galway, NY 12074

For patients/Lions Clubs in **District 20-W:**

PDG Lions Liz & Bob Walker
66 East Church Street
Adams, NY 13605

With copy to:

PDG Lion Wilfred Roehe
9 Skyview Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603



District 20 - Y2 Lions Hearing Conservation Society

LIONS LOAN-OUT EQUIPMENT

Below is a list of assistive devices available at many of the District 20Y2 Lions Loan-Out Centers.
(Other equipment may be available upon request.)

Pocketalker

Personal amplifier. Ideal for one-to-one communication and T.V. listening.

Infrared T.V. Listening System

Wireless, infrared amplification system.

Personal FM System

Wireless portable amplification system. Transmits up to 300 feet. Helpful for an individual or large group situation.

Amplified Telephone

Adjustable volume control with amplified ringer.

CapTel Telephone

Telephone that has both amplification and caption capability.

Amplified Telephone Ringers

Provides adjustable ring volume, frequency and pitch tone.

Whistle Stop

Phone adapter to prevent feedback from using telephone with hearing aid.

Digital Alarm Clock

Wake to an alarm, a flashing light, or a portable pillow shaker.

Alert Master

Uses a pillow shaker and a lamp flashing simultaneously to alert you to a smoke detector sounding, door knocking, telephone ringing, and alarm clock activation.

Personal Body Pager

Pager works with the Alertmaster. The person wears it to alert to sounds while awake.

District 20Y2 Hearing Conservation Society Loan Out Centers

Albany - Madison Hearing Center
One Executive Center Drive -Suite 202
Albany, NY 12203
Voice: 518 690-2060

Amsterdam - Resource Center for Independent Living
347 W. Main Street, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Voice: 518 842-3561 TDD: 842-3593

Herkimer - Resource Center for Independent Living
401 East German Street, Herkimer, NY 13350
Voice: 315 866-7245 TDD: 315 866-7246

Glens Falls - Center for Better Hearing
318 Ridge St, Glens Falls, NY 12801
Voice/TTY: 518 798-4800

Saratoga Springs - Saratoga Hearing Center – Saratoga Medical Arts Center
414 Maple Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
Voice/TTY: 518 584-0578

Schoharie County Office for the Aging
113 Park Place, Suite 3
Schoharie, NY 12157
Voice: 518 584-0578

Madison Hearing
81 Miller Road, Ste. 700
Castleton, NY 12033
518-689-0792

Utica - Resource Center for Independent Living
PO Box 210, Utica, NY 13503

LIONS WEBSITES

DISTRICT 20Y2

www.20y2lions.org

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 20

www.md20lions.com

LIONS INTERNATIONAL

www.lionsclubs.org

LIONS MEMBER CENTER

<http://tinyurl.com/gs6bwcs>

ZONE CHAIR REPORTS

tinyurl.com/jwewgvk

CLUB OFFICER RESOURCES

<http://tinyurl.com/hyxxzc2>

PUBLICATIONS AND FORMS RESOURCES

<http://tinyurl.com/hmrkzhc>

CLUB SUPPLIES FORMS

<http://tinyurl.com/zje6s5b>

LIONS APPROVED LOGOS

<http://tinyurl.com/ho7qrjd>

These are VALUABLE resources! Take a look! Lots of FREE PR!

Watch the video from the Lions Eye Institute Albany
<http://tinyurl.com/gopuypc>

SEE WHAT WE DO!!!

DID YOU KNOW

Lions has a Brand?

A brand is a distinctive visual identity attributed to an organization. The Lions brand is a way of talking about and promoting Lions. Our brand helps celebrate our heritage while presenting Lions in a fresh and modern way. The following resources are available for download and can provide guidelines on brand messages and usage.

[Lions Brand Book](#)

Includes information such as core messages and how to use them.

<http://tinyurl.com/y7kz43xb>

[Lions Clubs International Graphic Identity Manual](#)

Maintains all aspects of the Lions brand, and serves as a guide on such topics as logo use, stationery, signatures, preferred type font and more.

<http://tinyurl.com/y8nym5kg>

This is the current two color logo that is to be used in promotional materials for print, internet, and current clothing.

Logos can be EASILY downloaded for use by your club or printer at <http://tinyurl.com/ho7qrjd>





www.guidingeyes.org/



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of the Blind at Albany

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LIONS QUEST CONTINUES TO GROW

LCIF is excited to announce the publication of the newest edition of Lions Quest social and emotional learning program for students from preschool through grade 12. There are new digital resources and updated course content to help address the issues facing today's youth. Visit www.lions-quest.org to learn more about the program and its effectiveness.

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