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Business Cabinet Meeting

Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs

232 Broadway, Saratoga Springs

Saturday, Feb 8 9:30 am \$5/pp

Pastries and coffee/tea will be available



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to serve! Hands on service projects allow us to provide a valuable service to our communities while also enjoying the camaraderie of fellow Lions and meeting with members of our community. An additional benefit is the visibility of providing service, which leads to improved community support and new members. We continue to develop important partnerships that provide us with great opportunities to serve our communities!

One of our partnerships is with the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE). Just recently the Association officially changed its name to ADCES - The Association of Diabetes Care and Education Specialists. This rebranding is recognition of the need to raise awareness of the value and broader contributions that their specialty brings to people with diabetes, their care teams and their respective organizations. But the real impact of this change will only be measured by the collective actions and messaging of ADCES, their current and future membership, their partners and the impact on care delivery and the outcomes of people with diabetes. The bold steps taken to change the organizational name and their specialty title must be equally matched by bold actions of those whose mission focuses on diabetes education and awareness! This is where we come in as Lions. Great strides are being taken to make a position difference in the lives of those members of our respective communities who are diabetic or prediabetic. Let's continue to focus on our diabetes initiatives and the national partnership that we have with ADCES!

www.diabeteseducator.org https://www.diabeteseducator.org/living-with-diabetes/tip-sheets-and-handouts

Food Pantries are in need now of getting their shelves re-stocked. Following the Holidays there is a definite need. Our District leadership encourages our members to reach out to their local markets and schedule a food collection day on an upcoming Saturday. Let people know that the local Lions club is collecting donations to support local foods pantries. People are very generous and the pantries will be very appreciative!

This is a good time of the year to schedule vision screenings with your local school districts. Screening Eyes Early is critically important to identifying acute eye diseases early. We encourage you to reach out to NABA or CABVI to inquire how your club can help. The Hearing Conservation Society is also a great partner – the Society can assist in providing state-of-the-art hearing aids at a very reasonable cost. If a member of your community needs help please reach out to them!

At our annual Fall Convention In November we featured a number of speakers and booths that focused on Childhood Cancer. They included Ronald McDonald House Charities, Nick's Fight to be Healed Foundation and Alex's Lemonade Foundation for Childhood Cancer. Each group shared with us ideas on how we as Lions can raise awareness, support families and empower everyone to help cure Childhood Cancer! For information on how you can get in touch with one of these groups please reach out to our District Chair Lion Diane Lange at 518-409-4321.

Please be sure to report your clubs projects to LCI. By reporting our service projects we enhance our opportunity to collaborate with other major Foundations that serve, such as the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the Anthem (BlueCross BlueShield) Foundation. These relations help to further the positive influence that we have on the members of our communities.

Yours in Lionism, PDG Lion John McDonald District 20-W GST Chair



September 17-19, 2020 Louisville, Kentucky

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www.lionsforum.org

January 2020 Newsletter

From our General Chairperson, PID Harvey Whitley



As we begin 2020, in anticipation of an outstanding Forum in Louisville, we take time to reflect back on the recent loss of our deceased Honorary Chairperson 1VP Haynes Townsend. His loss has left us all in a state of disbelief as many remember him as The man in the bowtie Haynes was a friend to all and always had a kind and encouraging word whenever you spoke with him. He was always approachable and displayed boundless wisdom. His smile and sense of humor will be missed by all. Our prayers for

peace and understanding go out to Donna and the family.

We now welcome as our Honorary Chairperson newly appointed 1VP Doug Alexander. We know that Doug will continue to assist the Forum Planning Committee in every way possible. He has served on the committee in the past and is very familiar with our goals to provide the best learning experience possible for our Forum attendees.

Your Forum Planning Committee and Louisville Host Committee are putting together an outstanding program of seminars and fun events for you. Come join us---

□ And We I e Off □ To Winning Leadership! □

PID Harvey Whitley

General Chairperson, Louisville 2020





REGISTER NOW

AT EARLY BIRD RATE

www.lionsforum.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

International and MD20 Events

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month	February, 2020
LCI 1st VDG/DGE Seminar, Chicago	•
Lions Day at the United Nations, NYC	March 7, 2020
Environmental Awareness & Leo Club Awareness Month	April, 2020
Recycle for Sight Month	
MD-20 97th Lions NYS & Bermuda Convention, Buffalo	May 1-3, 2020
2020-2021 Lions Club Officer Reporting Due	May 15, 2020
Helen Keller Day	June 1, 2020
LCI 103rd International Convention, Singapore	June 26-30, 2020

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND EVENTS

20WLions.org ~ members.lionsclubs.org/EN/events/calendar.php

District 20W 2019 - 2020 Club Events

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District Cabinet Meeting Make up	rebruary 8th, 2020
Childhood Cancer Aweareness Day	February 13, 2020
"Dance to be Healed"	March 3, 2020
Glens Falls Lions Bowl for Kids Sake	March 28, 2020
District Cabinet Meeting - Utica/New Hartford, NY	March 28, 2020
Venue to be decided; "Membership"	
Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club Open House	Saturday, April 18, 2020.
MD-20 97th Lions NYS & Bermuda Convention, Buffalo	May 1 - 3, 2020
DG Testimonial	May 23, 2020
The Bridge Walk at Perthshire,	
112 Perthshire, Amsterdam, NY	
Saratoga Lions Memorial Duathlon	May 24, 2020

District Governor Visitation Schedule

Feb.	4	Heuvelton
Feb.	5	Waterford
Feb.	6	Tupper Lake
Feb.	12	Gouvenor
Feb.	19	Bethlehem
Feb.	20	Hoosick
Feb.	26	Newcomb
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5TH ANNUAL DANCE TO BE HEALED Saturday, March 7



It all began with a simple comment to her mother: "I'm going to marry Matt tomorrow." A text to Matt followed and plans were set in motion. Amazing Abby married her nurse as doctors and staff celebrated alongside them. For the fifth year, we invite friends and family to join together for an evening to celebrate hope, courage, love, and life.



Amazing Abby

4 – 5: Hair and Make Up and Boys' Shave for patients

(To reserve spot contact: nicholm3@amc.edu)

5 - 6: Appetizers

6 - 9: Dinner and Dancing!

Wedding or cocktail attire

Children age 3 and under, Melodies Center Patients, immediate family, and staff: Free

Ages 4-20: \$15

Adults: \$25

Register by: February 29 on our website's events page: www.fighttobehealed.org/events





Supporting our Community and Community Organizations

Support the Glens Falls Lions Team and Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Southern Adirondacks by either donating or joining our team to bowl!

We bowl Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 6:30 pm at the Kingpin Alley Family Fun Center in South Glens Falls.

https://tinyurl.com/u539psa





Join us in Celebrating our 45th Anniversary Open House Saturday April 18, 2020 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

An opportunity to educate the public about Lions services

Refreshments

Mini sandwiches, cheese & crackers, fruit platter, desserts, coffee, punch

Door Prizes

Schoharie Fire Department Community Room 114 Fort Road Schoharie, NY 12157

Adjacent to the Old Stone Fort Museum Complex off Route 30

Exhibitors

FREEDOM GUIDE DOGS -- NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF THE BLIND (NABA) -- LIONS HEARING CONVERSATION SOCIETY OF NYS -- DIABETES AWARENESS & EDUCATION -- GUIDING EYES FOR THE BLIND -- CAMP ABILITIES -- LIONS EYE INSTITUTE AT ALBANY

Wright-Schoharie Valley Lions Club Pictorial History Displays

RSVP to Lion Rosemary by April 4th How many from your club will attend? So we don't run out of food!

RMCD5943@TWC.COM



16th Annual



A Saratoga Springs Lions Club Event

DISTRICT 20-W 4th CABINET MEETING

Service & Partnerships • Membership • Guiding Lion Training



SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2020

Homewood Suites by Hilton New Hartford New York 185 Woods Park Dr., Clinton NY 13323



9:00 AM Registration - Meeting Start Time 9:30am

\$25 per person, Includes Buffet Lunch

- MORNING SESSION
 Service & Partnerships
 - BUFFET LUNCH •
- AFTERNOON SESSION •

Choice of Session:

Membership OR Guiding Lion Training

Please share this with all of the members in your club and encourage them to attend.

Hotel Reservation Information will be shared once it is available.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact CS Barbara Bentley at 518-894-1375 or bbentley@saratogaspringslions.com.

If you are attending, please send the bottom part of this form and your check for \$25.00/pp to CS Barbara Bentley, PO Box 1031 Guilderland, NY 12084.

Make checks payable to: District 20W Lions Clubs.

Please return no later than Tuesday, March 31, 2020.

# Attending:	Name(s):		
Club:	-	Email:	
Afternoon Session Choice		Memhershin	Guiding Lion Training



Program Benefits



No-cost, single vision or bifocal glasses for qualified patients



Use of one account to process all of your charitable work



Real-time account creation and access to immediate ordering



Free trial collection of frames with 30 styles, sizes 42-58



Library of resources that includes best practices & guides



Join a community committed to making a difference

Changing Life through Lenses[™], an Essilor Vision Foundation platform, is a first-of-its-kind charitable solution which provides no-cost glasses to help you expand charitable efforts within your community.

The site provides real-time registration with immediate ordering of eyeglasses and frames, referral tracking and access to educational resources on how to engage in the community.

Qualified Patients

- Individuals at or below the poverty level without vision insurance for this pair of glasses as reasonably determined by the provider
- No age or citizenship restrictions

Make a Positive Impact Today

Did you know 1 in 4 children in the U.S. have a vision problem that affects their ability to learn? 80% of all vision impairment can be prevented or cured. Without charitable eye doctors, millions of children would be unable to obtain vision services.

Questions?

View the demonstration video and register at changinglifethroughlenses.org or contact support@evfusa.org.





DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION FOCUS ON SCREENING?



Spread the Word: Go to eye doctors in your community and tell them about the program.



Share Information: Use the reverse side of this flyer and encourage eye doctors to register.



Send Qualified Patients: Begin sending qualified patients to the eye doctors who are now enrolled in the program.

DO YOU ALSO PROVIDE EXAMS + DISPENSE GLASSES?



Visit the Website: Visit changinglifethroughlenses.org to educate yourself on the program.



Consult with Your Organization: Review the program benefits and requirements with your team.



Create an Account: Register at changinglifethroughlenses.org and gain access to immediate ordering.

QUESTIONS?

View the demonstration video and register at changinglifethroughlenses.org or contact support@evfusa.org.





Club Excellence Awards

Make it your club's tradition to achieve excellence every year!

Clubs that excel in community service, membership growth, communications and organizational operations may qualify for the prestigious Excellence Awards.

Please use the qualifications outlined in the club excellence award application as your road map to excellence.

Is your club striving to finish the year with a net growth in membership?

Will your club participate in at least three service projects?

Are you promoting your club's events or activities to the community?

If you answered yes to these questions, you may be eligible for the Club Excellence Award.

The Club Excellence Award is more than an award... it is proof that your club is STRONG!

For questions, inquiries or to submit your Club Excellence Award Application you may contact us by email clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or by phone (630) 468-6890

Make achieving the award a winning tradition!

2018-2019 Club Excellence Award Application

Deadline date to submit your Club Excellence Award Application is August 31st.

(See application on the next page)



2018-2019 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION Oub must be chartened prior to January 1 of the facel year to quality.

Club Number	Club Name	
Member Number	2019-2019 Club Presidenti's Name	
	2019-2019 Club President's Email Address	
1. MEMBERSHIP	2. SERVICE	
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Name of club or branch:		
AND.	2	
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	reported to Lione Clubs International as noted below:	
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Due by: August 81, 2019

Sand to: philospedianesesso/Menschiles.org or fax to (830) 708-9245. Awards Mailed to: 2019-2020 Clairfot Governors

"If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically.

Disqualified clubs have 12 months from original due date to request a review.

Application Date



Lions Clubs and the Sight Society of NENY, Inc. Lions Eye Bank at Albany Partners in sight restoration

Together.....We can make a difference!

Looking for something different for your club's program night?

The Lions Eye Bank at Albany invites your club for a tour of our new office and state of the art laboratory located adjacent to Stuyvesant Plaza at 4 Tower Place, Suite 601, Albany, NY.

If you are looking for dinner or a snack, Stuyvesant Plaza has many wonderful eateries. A list and description of restaurants can be found at stuyvesantplaza.org. We would be happy to offer suggestions or help make arrangements.

Contact Joann Beach at 518-489-7606 or email <u>Jbeach@lionseyebankalbany.org</u> with any questions or to schedule a visit.

A nonprofit organization, the Lions Eye Bank at Albany was founded in 1952 by Lions Clubs. Since then the eye bank has restored sight to thousands of people suffering with corneal blindness. The Lions Eye Bank at Albany serves 28 counties in New York State, Great Barrington, MA and six haspitals in Vermant.



District & Club Articles

HOW TO GET THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER FOR



- 1. GO TO 20WLions.org
- **2.** Find "To sign up for the District newsletter, click here" at the bottom of the blue box.
- 3. Fill in requested information.
- 4. Submit!

It's as easy as that! You will recieve the newsletter each month in your email.

Pediatric Cancer Awareness

WHAT WILL YOUR CLUB BE DOING FEBRUARY 13?

By Lion Diane Lange

Childhood Cancer Awareness Day is February 13, 2020. How can your Lions Club help bring about Childhood Cancer Awareness?

First start with raising awareness in your own club. Appoint a chairperson for Childhood Cancer. The chairperson will be responsible to report to your club and also arrange for speakers familiar to pediatric cancer.

Identify nearby childhood cancer treatment centers and families in your district. Hold a fundraiser at a local restaurant to support these families or treatment centers.

Tail Twisters can ask their members to bring a \$5-\$10 gift card to your next meeting. (Stewarts, Dunkin Donuts, Gas Cards, Walmarts or Target) Then pass them on to a local family dealing with cancer or the Ronald McDonald House.

Prepare meals for families or contact the Ronald McDonalds House. They are always looking for volunteers to cook an evening or weekend meal. (Contact for the RMDH is 518 438-2655)

Volunteer to provide childhood entertainment at a local hospital. Distraction is a great medicine!

Sponsor a Comfort Bag or Family Hope Bag. Donate \$150 to help purchase items to fill these bags to help children and families being diagnosed for the first time at the Melodies Center at Albany Medical Center. (contact janinecammarata@fighttobehealed.org)

Please help spread Childhood Cancer Awareness! "Where There Is A Need There Is A Lion."

Donate to be Healed

Lions Clubs of 20W have been invited to "Donate To Healed." This amazing event, the 5th Annual Dance to Be Healed, will be held on Saturday, March 3rd. It is an evening when children and their families can celebrate courage, hope and love together.

As Childhood Cancer Chairperson, I am asking individual clubs to consider donating to help keep this amazing evening

"free" to all childhood cancer patients, families and staff.

Please send donations to Nick's Fight To Be Healed Foundation P. O.Box 217, Rexford, N.Y. 12148.

For more information, see our flyer in this newsletter on page 5

Thank you!

PEDIATRIC CANCER CHAIR DIANE LANGE

14 Jacob Drive, Gansevoort, NY 12831 Phone: 518-409-4321 skipper2dfl@yahoo.com

News for the District

A BIT OF PRE-HISTORY...

By Lion Jerry Gordon

We've all heard about how Melvin Jones started Lions Clubs in Chicago in 1917. In honor of his birthday on January 13, Lion Ruth Sano posted a brief history on our club's Facebook page. This prompted a comment that led me to this web site: william-perry-woods-md.com/, which claims that Lions were actually founded in 1911 by Dr. William Woods in Evansville, IN. So I wrote to LCI to find out what's what.

This is the response I got from Christopher Bunch, LCI's manager of strategic communications: "Thanks for writing us, Lion Jerry. You're not the first person who's asked this question. Here is an overview of how Lions came to be, and the role that Melvin Jones and Dr. Woods played in its founding.

"Melvin Jones is considered the founder of "modern-day" Lions and is credited with bringing several coalitions together that led to the formation of what we now know as Lions Clubs International. It is important to note that Lions clubs existed prior to Melvin Jones' involvement. Those early Lions clubs existed largely in Indiana and a few other areas. But it was Melvin Jones who called business people together in Chicago, including Dr. Woods who represented Lions.

"The "new" organization of Lions Clubs came into existence in 1917 when a charter was drafted, largely through the efforts of Melvin Jones, and those previous Lions clubs were folded into the new organization. Dr. Woods would famously go on to become the "new" organization's first president. And Melvin

Jones would continue to be the driving force behind Lions, leading our effort to expand internationally and creating a truly global force of good in the process.

"While great leaders and visionaries like Melvin Jones and Dr. Woods built the foundation for a century of service, it is the incredible men and women like you who keep our legacy, and our mission of service, alive."

And now you know the rest of the story.

Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club

TRIBUTE TO LLOYD WELLMAN, CHARTER MEMBER AND CLUB CO-FOUNDER

By Lion Rosemary Christoff Dolan

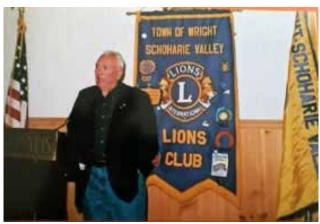
The Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club lost Charter member and club co-founder, Lloyd Wellman, who passed away on December 23, 2019. He was 93. He had been an active member until a few years ago.

Lion Lloyd Wellman was a member of the Schenectady Lions Club during the 1950s and a Charter member and past president of the Niskayuna Lions Club. When he moved to Gallupville he sought to start a club there. He solicited the help of a local man, Warren Thornton, who had recently returned from Vietnam. They recruited the 20 members required and both were instrumental in chartering the club on April 16, 1975.

Lion Warren Thornton served as Charter president. Lion Lloyd credited the late Henry McFarland with providing the impetus to start the new club. McFarland was a member of the Albany Lions Club and was Wellman's co-worker at the NYS Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped.

The club was originally named the Town of Wright Lions Club. After merging with the Middleburgh/Schoharie Valley Lions Club in 2001, it became the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club.

Lion Lloyd was a past president and sponsored more than a half dozen new members. He participated in several Lions legacy projects including the establishment of a town park at Gallupville starting in the 1970s, construction of tennis and basketball courts in the 1980s, and the construction of a picnic pavilion and planting of an arborvitae hedge at the park in the 1990s.



Charter member Lloyd Wellman is shown presenting the early history of the Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club at the 35th Anniversary Charter Celebration at Borealis Restaurant on April 28, 2010. VDG John Samples Jr. honored the club's five Charter members at the event. Photo by Rosemary Christoff Dolan

He participated in the club's World War II and Korean War Commemorative Community projects. Starting in 1994, the club sponsored parades, air shows, and speakers to educate the public and honor veterans, including a three-week long WW II commemorative exhibit at the Old Stone Fort Museum Complex in Schoharie, "A Grateful Nation Remembers...."

He was known for his extensive community service. Lloyd Wellman served his country, first in the U.S. Army Air Corps and later in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. He was a volunteer firefighter for the Gallupville Fire Department serving on the Town of Wright Board of Fire Commissioners for more than 20 years. He was a member of Scho-Wright Ambulance Corps and served on the town planning board and zoning board of appeals.

Lloyd Wellman was a founding member of the National Board of the Neurofibromatosis Foundation, and he and his wife, Barbara, established the New York State Chapter of the foundation.

In a club ceremony at the Lions Gallupville park in June 2005, Lion Lloyd was escorted by his wife, Lion Barbara Wellman, and Zone Chair and secretary, Tom Snowdon, to be honored by King Lion Bob Muller for his more-than fifty years of service as a Lion. That day Lloyd Wellman had the distinction of becoming the club's first Melvin Jones Fellow.

KING LION GEORGIA VAN DYKE

921 Ecker Hollow Road Schoharie, NY 12157 Home: 518-296-8076 gavd@midtel.net

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Greater Herkimer Lions Club

GREATER HERKIMER 2019 ACTIVITY REPORT

By Lion Dave Parmon

The first order of business was to pursue an official name change for our club that more closely represented the areas our club is involved. With a unanimous vote by our board of directors the name of the Herkimer Lions Club was changed to the Greater Herkimer Lions Club. The name change was made to more reflect the areas served outside the town od Herkimer proper. Areas to the North and West are included in areas served.

Our Club has major fund-raising events throughout the year, listed below are the event name and the purpose of the event.

January: Tour and donation to CABVI -Central Association for the Blind and Visually impaired.

February: Annual Raffle benefitting our charitable donations.

April: Community Project- Annual Canal Clean-up. Our club participates along with other organizations to perform a clean-up of the Mohawk River Barge Canal Walkway.

May: Our club funds the placement of American Flags on the graves of Veterans at two local cemeteries. This year we purchased and placed 2800 flags. Worn or old flags are replaced by volunteers, this year we had support of ROTC students and local Boy Scouts.

June: Our club sponsors AMBA Wellness Fair. This is a wellness screening program where individuals can obtain low cost medical screening and forward results to their primary physician.

September: Our club holds our Annual Golf Tournament, which is our major fund-raising event for the year. Each year we dedicate the tournament in honor of an individual or organization. In the past we have honored First Responders & Law Enforcement, WWII Veterans, Nurses. This tournament allows us to make yearly donations to groups like the Sitrin Veterans Rehabilitation Center, Hospice Care etc.

October: The Club donates money for the purchase of Thanksgiving Turkeys and other programs and group that provide Thanksgiving meals for those in need.

November: Our club completed purchase of Buddy Benches for local schools. Two benches were place this year with cooperation of the Mohawk Community Club splitting the overall purchase of the benches.



November/
December:
For
December
our club
supports
the Gram
Lorraine
program that
provides
local
children in
need with
Christmas

gifts, such as clothes and a toy. Our support of this program allows for 10 children to receive these gifts. This year from late November to December the club responded to the emergency situation caused by the major Halloween Flooding. Our club in cooperation and coordination with the Clinton Lions Club responded in their respective areas effected along with helping in other areas in need.

List of organizations benefitting from the fund-raising event: Raffle Tickets: \$200/ Buddy Benches: \$2000/ Movac: \$1000/ Cystic Fibrosis: \$200/American Heart Association: \$100/

Freedom
Guide
Dogs: \$100/
Amazing
Gracie
Foundation
\$200/
M.J. Fox
Parkinson's:
\$150/
Cemetery

flags: \$500/



Frank: \$300/ Gram Lorraine: \$1000/ Hospice: \$500/ Humane



Society: \$500/ Sitrin Vet Rehab: \$500/ VFW Turkey: \$200/ Flood Relief \$5000 (LIEF)/ Kiwanis: \$100/ Herkimer Easter Egg

Hunt: \$100/ / Herkimer

Mohawk Rotary: \$170/ Brandel Murphy: \$100/ Herkimer Prom Lock-in: \$100. Donations for 2019 Total= \$7000.00

directly from our club and \$5000 from the LCIEF

On October 31, 2019 the Mohawk Valley experienced a flood of a magnitude not ever



seen before. In the usually quiet communities along the West Canada Creek, we witnessed major devastation, flooding homes, roads, leaving major damage of not only homes but infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, roadside culverts, all washed out or severally damaged. In Dolgeville alone twenty plus homes were lost in the flooding.

Shortly after review of the areas effected by flooding and its subsequent aftermath, the Greater Herkimer Lions Club decided to act in response to the various community needs. The most immediate need was determined to be food distribution. The club decided to approach the Lions International Foundation for funding the effort. The money would be used to buy Helping Hand Food boxes from Hannaford Food. 500 boxes were purchased with grant monies from the LCIF.

Distribution of the donated boxes was started on November 16th, 2019 and continued until 11-27,2019. Eight townships were affected, in Herkimer and Oneida counties. The distribution was accomplished at various town halls, fire stations, and other emergency stations within the effected areas. In a cooperative effort with the Clinton Lions Club and several volunteers that loaded and unloaded and distributed the boxes the following number of were given to those in immediate need.

Dolgeville - 116 delivered on 11-16-2019/ 11-22-2019
Town of Ohio - 66 delivered on 11-20-2019
Middleville - 30 delivered on 11-20-2019
Town of Fairfield - 12 delivered on 11-20-2019
Newport/Norway - 140 delivered on 11-20-2019/ 11-25-2019
Town of Schuyler - 16 delivered on 11-26-2019
Town of Deerfield- 120 delivered on 11-27-2019
Total boxes Donated 500

The effort shown by our club and other clubs and their members was exemplary, and it demonstrated in real terms what our motto means "We Serve". Thank you to all the individuals that support the Greater Herkimer Lions Club efforts by donating at our major fund-raising events throughout the year that make our missions possible.

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Utica Lions Club

By Lion Antonetta Panuccio

Tica Lions Participated with White Cane Safety
Awareness Day 10-15-19 (Proclamation).

The Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Utica Council of the Blind organized the walk as a reminder to be aware of pedestrians using white canes. Utica Mayor Robert Palmieri and County Executive Anthony Picente both made proclamations at the event, declaring Oct. 15 White Cane Safety Day and Blind Americans Equality Day. President Lyndon Johnson proclaimed the first White Cane Safety Day Oct. 15, 1964. (Vision)

Utica Lions are supporters of Lions Camp Badger with a donation of \$ 200.00. (Special needs campers)

Utica Lions Donated \$150.00 in food donations to The Utica Rescue Mission which directly provides nutritious foods to hungry community members. (Hunger)

CABVI
Annual
Holiday
Party for
who are
blind or
visually
impaired
were guest
of The Utica
Lions, A



donation of \$3,000 was presented to CAVBI for the ongoing of The Rehabilitation Facility, plus \$200.00 in gift cards. The guest also received a gift of \$15.00 from The House Of Pray who were also guest of the Utica Lions. (Vision and Impaired)

President Antonetta Panuccio of Utica Lions and the Mayor of Utica, Robert Palmieri did the monthly city sweep and also a door to door knock to the residents who were effected by the flooding that took place on 10-31-19. President Antonetta presented gift cards to the residents. A total of \$500.00 in gift cards were donated. (Donation:Disaster and Relief)

Collection of 625 pairs of eye glasses (Vision)

Utica Lions support of Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation with \$200.00, and also supported of The New York State & Bermuda

Lions Foundation with a donation of \$ 200.00.



Projects planned: PDG Lynch Literacy Program purchase of books to be donated to the Utica Public Library. (Literacy)

Utica Lions will be donating another \$500.00 in gift cards for affected flood victims of 10-31-19, President Antonetta and a fellow Lion will be going with Utica Mayor Palmieri in Feburary 2020. (Disaster and Relief)

Utica Lions will be participating in the JFS Fundraiser with other Regional Lions 10k,5k walk.

The Utica Lions have two locations of their on oing bottle and can drive.

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Lions Hearing Conservation Society of NYS

If you have collected used hearing aids, which supports the Lions **Hearing Conservation Society of NYS,** please send them to:

> **301 Washington Avenue** Albany, NY 12206

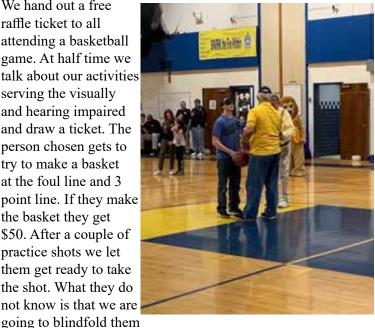
IPDG Michele Puleo O'Hare

Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club

By Lion Val Kevlin

ur club does a public awareness event with Broadalbin-Perth CSD and Mayfield CSD called "Roar for a Score".

We hand out a free raffle ticket to all attending a basketball game. At half time we talk about our activities serving the visually and hearing impaired and draw a ticket. The person chosen gets to try to make a basket at the foul line and 3 point line. If they make the basket they get \$50. After a couple of practice shots we let them get ready to take the shot. What they do not know is that we are



and put on ear muffs so they experience what it is like to be blind and deaf. If they miss we let them take off the blind fold and shoot again.

This year in attendance was our "Lion", Lion Val Kevlin in full Lion Uniform - tail and all, our King Lion Bill Suchy, Lion Kirk Hardenburg and Lion Bob Townsend.



PDG John McDonald presented our President Lion Bill Suchy with a grant of \$2,000 from the Brandel Murphy Foundation towards our committment to the new Broadalbin Youth Commission Sports Park.

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Clinton Lions Club

By Lion Jim Winkler

t our first meeting Aof the new year, in addition to recognizing our Student of the Month - Shayla Pominville and hosting her and her family at dinner, we voted to contribute \$300 to each of our two Town Volunteer *Fire Departments* to be utilized in purchase/



repair of equipment for use in combating future flooding in the community. Shayla is a well-rounded honor student who will be graduating from our local high school in June and continuing her education in pursuit of a degree in biology at college next year. We also once again approved advertising in our local *Chamber of Commerce Community Guide* this year and discussed the preliminary plans for sale of the 19 cases of chocolate bunnies the club ordered as part of the annual *Lions Eye Institute Fundraiser*.

Our Assistant Town Supervisor addressed us at our second meeting of the month. He discussed a recent meeting with our State Senator Rachael May regarding the on-going flood abatement efforts in the town and surrounding areas. Unfortunately, there does not appear to be a quick fix to the flooding that has been occurring along the banks of the Oriskany Creek and the majority of the initiative will be left to the local communities to remedy. One very interesting fact was uncovered – while the number of dairy farms in our county have decreased over the last forty years, more farm land is being utilized for the growth of corn to feed the existing dairy cattle. Corn is planted in long narrow rows very close together. The root system does not retain water when heavy rain occurs. Hence the silt from the washed-out fields runs off very quickly, inundating creek beds, roads and storm sewers – exacerbating the flooding problem. Reducing the size of corn fields and alternating them with other types of crops such as hay and certain types of grass will assist in the retention of run-off and are being implemented. While this will not eliminate flooding completely, changes in land yield such as this will assist in its reduction.

We continue *collecting used eyeglasses* from drop-off buckets at seven local business establishments in our town and surrounding area and this month eight club members assisted on *Distribution Day at our local food pantry*. Approximately 400 people took advantage of this month's distribution and although it makes for a long day, we are proud to assist in this service to those in need in our community!

Finally, our local hockey arena was one of the stops on the western-most route from Buffalo to Lake Placid of the *Empire*

State Winter
Games Torch
Relay. The
torch left
Buffalo on
Saturday
January
25th and is
scheduled to
arrive in Lake
Placid for
the Opening

Ceremonies



on Thursday January 30th. During the relay stop at our arena, our club's existence in Clinton was evidenced by four club members standing behind our *parade banner* along the



railing at the arena. Members of our youth figure skating teams took turns skating around the arena ice carrying the torch. The sports anchor from our local television station (WKTV in Utica) interviewed some of the torch bearers before they carried the "Game Torch" around the ice.

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Saratoga Springs Lions Club THE MEMORIAL

By Lion Tony Catalano

The Saratoga Springs Lions Club will host their 16th annual Memorial Duathlon & 5K, on Sunday, May 24, 2020. The event consists of two separate races, a duathlon that draws top performers from around the country and a 5k that attracts experienced runners, but also includes participants of all abilities that want to start their day with a meaningful run or walk. This year's event will once again start at the Saratoga Casino Hotel. The start times are: 8:00AM for the duathlon and 8:20AM for the 5k. Registration for both events is now open at www.thememorialduathlon5k.com and discounts are available for those who sign up online and in advance.

"Once again, The Memorial presents a chance for individuals of various abilities to participate in a fun and extremely well-run and well-intended event. We have refreshments for everyone and many awards for top performers. It's a good time, a fun course and great cause as proceeds go to support the Saratoga Lions Club ongoing efforts that benefit sight and

hearing conservation, increase diabetes awareness and fund community projects throughout our local area" said Tony Catalano, Lions Club member and co-chair of The Memorial. "The event in its 16th year, has always been deemed a huge success not only by the participants, but our sponsors and the Saratoga community", Catalano added, "The Saratoga Casino Hotel, continues to be a great partner and venue for our races. Plus, the timing with Memorial Day Weekend allows us to showcase our Honor -a Vet, Save a Vet program, where we show our support for those who have served, including those who have given their lives, in order to protect our freedom."

For more information on participating please visit: www.thememorialduathlon5k.com

For information on becoming a sponsor please contact: tcatalano@saratogaspringslions.com

(The Saratoga Springs Lions Club is the local chapter of the Lions Club International. The Saratoga Springs Lions Foundation, is a 501 (c)(3) corporation whose mission includes raising funds that are used to support sight and hearing conservation, youth, diabetes research and community)

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Albany & Troy Lions Club

By Lion Jerry Gordon

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our speaker was Karen Mort, a community nutrition educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension. She told us about the various programs they have to educate folks about the dangers of diabetes, who's at risk, how diet affects the disease, and what you should eat whether or not you have diabetes.

Our Joint Service Club Holiday Party with Troy Kiwanis and Lansingburgh Rotary was very successful and several Lions mentioned a desire to continue having joint events.

Board meetings (club & charitable fund)

Most of our newer members have day jobs and are coming from Albany, so it's getting tough to start the meeting at 6:00. Starting in February, our call-to-order time will be 6:15 PM.

Preem Cabey was appointed chair of our club's pin committee. And at his request, we have added Greg Sheldon to the nominating committee, joining Lions Carol and Chris Horan.

Lion John will be collecting bottles at his apartment complex and donating the redemption money to our club.

Stratton VA Hospital will no longer be a drop-off spot for used eyeglasses because our program does not specifically benefit veterans.

We've been invited to participate in a health fair at Troy Middle School on Wed, Mar 11, from 4:30-6:30 PM. Kathryn Miklowitz, NABA's LPN, has agreed to do vision screenings there and Lion Larry has agreed to man our table.

Lion Eva, chair of our new initiatives committee, said her team will be looking into working on health inequalities. Lion Preem mentioned Channel Albany, Youth Bureau and National Endowment for the Humanities as orgs we could possibly affiliate with or as possible sources of funding.

Lion Shawn's Bike Rides for the Blind committee is ready to start serious planning for a spring event. Permits from the City of Albany will cost \$50-100. Shawn also mentioned a possible tie-in with Tour de Cure.

Lion Ruth is still working with America's Best to supply eyeglasses. She looked into the Essilor program and thinks it's much too complicated.

Lion Jerry sent out two hearing-aid apps.

Instead of shopping at amazon.com, please shop at smile. amazon.com/ch/22-3255679. You'll get the same great deals, plus a percentage of your purchases will be donated to the Albany & Troy Lions Charitable Fund.

2VDG Michele O'Hare asked us to sponsor an LCIF grant to transform NABA's second floor into a vision center. All their rehab services and programs will then be located on one floor, along with office space for diabetes education and for Lions Hearing Conservation Society. We had asked Michele what our financial obligations would be, but in the absence of an answer, we postponed our vote. [Since the meeting, we found out there would be no obligations of any sort but there would be a request for a donation. In an email discussion over Jan 22-24, we voted to sponsor the grant request and to make a donation of \$500.]

We have received \$2700 from LCIF for the blueberry project. Lion Greg submitted a spreadsheet of expenses, but there are many questions. We'll address them when he and Jodi return from Ecuador.

Lion Greg wrote from Ecuador that Tosagua LC is very interested in partnering with us on an eyeglass mission. Questions are going both ways on our Facebook Special Projects page, but this will be another subject for discussion on his return.

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Glens Falls Lions Club

BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE

By Lion Karen Rager

The Glens Falls Lions Club welcomed a new member at their January 28th meeting. PDG Dick Nason inducted Lion Andrew Sorensen in to the club. Next month we will be reinducting a former Lion.

On Saturday March 28, 2020 the club will be sponsoring a team to bowl in Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Southern Adirondacks "Bowl for Kids Sake". this annual event has grown to cover three days of bowling. Teams are represented by businesses, families,



Sponsor Lion Scott Rager, Lion Andrew Sorensen, King Lion Al. Cerny, PDG Dick Nason

schools, and other community service clubs.

There has been a gentle competition among the service clubs in past years. Last year the Glens Falls Rotary Club invited the Lions to join them in helping with this importand fundraiser for the youth of our community. We only had a team of 4, but we had a blast! This year we are recruiting more team



members and donations. So far we have a team of 7.

Most of the service clubs will be bowling the week before on the 22nd. We will have the advantage to see how they end up, allowing us to acquire more donations! We'd love to have Lions in the forefront in our community! See our flyer on page 7. You can join our team or make a donation.

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



Lions Hearing Conservation Society of NYS

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