



March 2020

# District 20W

# LIONS ROAR



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**MARCH 28, 2020**

**NEXT MD20 MAG. DEADLINE**  
**MAY 1, 2020**



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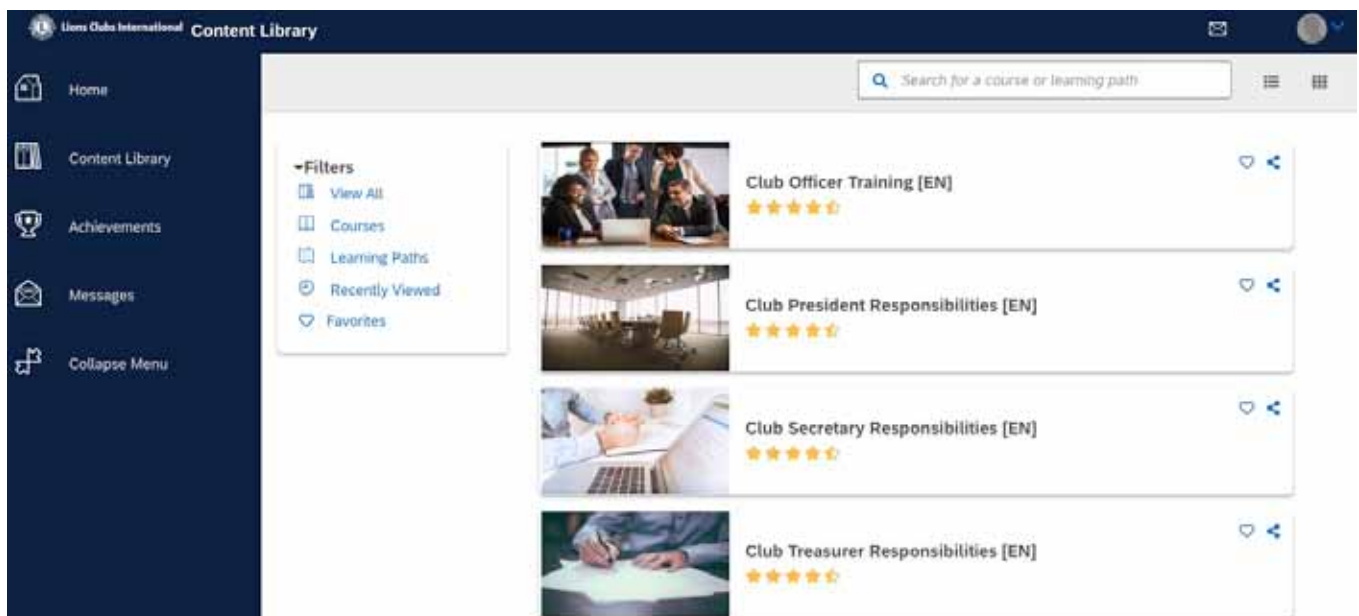
## 20-W Global Leadership Team

### NEW! – Online Club Officer Training

Over the past months many of you have met your Zone Chairs at their visits to your club or attended fun and educational zone “meet and greet” social events and advisory committee meetings.

With an overall emphasis on “**continuous orientation**”, the Zone Chairs began the summer and fall meetings with a focus on promoting your local **Service** projects and sharing success stories. These highly visible community service projects naturally drive retention and interest in new **Memberships** which was the focus of the winter meetings.

Now, as we approach the spring, it is time to begin recruiting next year’s club officers and continue these **orientation opportunities** with additional **Leadership** resources including Certified Guiding Lion training, and the **NEW LCI Online Club Officer Training** available to anyone interested in learning more about the responsibilities of prospective officers.



To begin, logon to the **MyLion** app and start your education at: <https://learn.lionsclubs.org> or click our [www.lionsqlt.com](http://www.lionsqlt.com) website in the ‘Resources’ section for an easy step-by-step “**Getting Started Guide to Accessing the Lions Learning Center**”.

## Leadership Training Calendar

- Lions Day at the United Nations, NYC : March 7<sup>th</sup> (See FaceBook Live #LDUN)
- Certified Guiding Lion Training following the 20-W Cabinet Meeting : April 4<sup>th</sup>
- 20-W NYS & Bermuda Convention, Buffalo, NY : May 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>
- 2020-2021 Lions Club Officer Reporting Due : May 15<sup>th</sup>
- LCI 103<sup>rd</sup> International Convention, Singapore : June 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>
- USA/Canada Forum, Louisville, KY : September 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>
- MD-20 Lions Leadership Institute, Binghamton, NY : October 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## International and MD20 Events

Lions Day at the United Nations, NYC .....	March 7, 2020
<b>Environmental Awareness &amp; Leo Club Awareness Month .....</b>	<b>April, 2020</b>
<b>Recycle for Sight Month .....</b>	<b>May, 2020</b>
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

“Dance to be Healed” .....	March 7, 2020
Galway Lions Community Breakfast .....	March 7, 2020
Glens Falls Lions Bowl for Kids Sake .....	March 28, 2020
<b>District Cabinet Meeting - Utica/New Hartford, NY .....</b>	<b>March 28, 2020</b>
Venue to be decided; “Membership”	
Guiding Lions Certification.....	April 4, 2020
Town of Wright/Schoharie Valley Lions Club Open House .....	April 18, 2020
Galway Lioness Craft Fair.....	April 18, 2020
Saratoga Lions Night at the Brewseum.....	April, 24, 2020
MD-20 97th Lions NYS & Bermuda Convention, Buffalo .....	May 1 - 3, 2020
<b>DG Testimonial.....</b>	<b>May 23, 2020</b>
The Bridge Walk at Perthshire, 112 Perthshire, Amsterdam, NY	
Saratoga Lions Memorial Duathlon.....	May 24, 2020

## District Governor Visitation Schedule

March	5	Saranac
March	11	Malone
March	18	Louisville
March	19	Ogdensburg
March	25	Fonda Fultonville

# DISTRICT 20-W 4<sup>th</sup> CABINET MEETING

*Service & Partnerships • Membership • Guiding Lion Training*

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## 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.**

Rooms are available for a rate of \$129/night and must be booked by 3/20/20.  
Contact the hotel directly at 315-801-7200 and use the code PDG LIONS BLOCK.

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

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**Afternoon Session Choice:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Membership** \_\_\_\_\_ **Guiding Lion Training**



## 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](http://www.fighttobehealed.org/events)**



The Global Leader In  
**Humanitarian Service**

[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)



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# **GALWAY LIONS COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**

**Sat. March 7th, 7:00-11:00**

**At Bob's Trees Ski Lodge**

**Pancakes & Syrup  
French Toast Bake & Syrup  
Home Fried Potatoes  
Ham, Sausage, Eggs  
\*\*Most items Gluten Free**

**\$9.00 Adults**

**\$4.00 Children 10 & Under**

**Take Outs Available**

**For more information go to  
[www.galwaylionsclubNY.org](http://www.galwaylionsclubNY.org)**





**GLENS  
FALLS  
LIONS  
CLUB**

SIGHT HEARING YOUTH COMMUNITY

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>



**Big Brothers Big Sisters**  
of the Southern Adirondacks

**Bowl for Kids' Sake**





**LEADERSHIP IS MORE THAN SERVICE, IT EMPOWERS LIONS TO SERVE**

**District 20-W**

**PDG Paula Flisnik, Certified Guiding Lion Facilitator  
offers**

**Guiding Lions Certification**

**April 4, 2020**

**1:00pm – 3:00pm**

**Condensed Course**

**Requirement: Complete pre-assignment, and limited breaks**

**Register and received mandatory preparation work.**

**Register by emailing [pflisnik@gmail.com](mailto:pflisnik@gmail.com)**

**Deadline for registration is March 27**



**We Serve**  
Since 1975

**Join us in Celebrating our 45<sup>th</sup> 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**

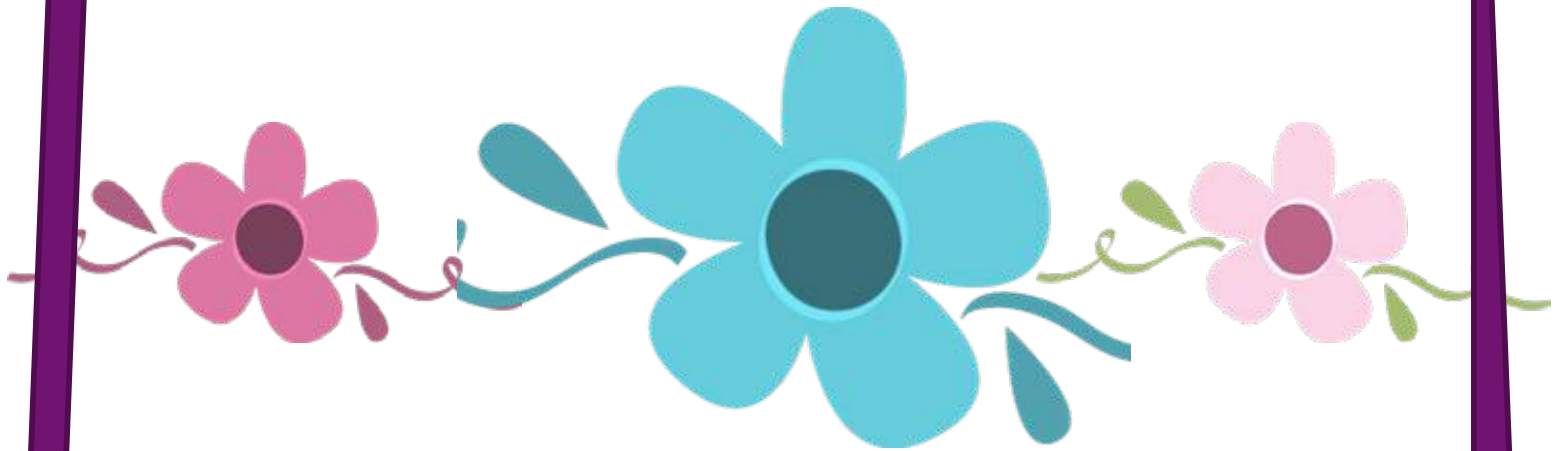
**Wright-Schoharie Valley Lions Club Pictorial History Displays**

**RSVP to Lion Rosemary by April 4<sup>th</sup>** How many from your club will attend? So we don't run out of food!  
[RMCD5943@TWC.COM](mailto:RMCD5943@TWC.COM)

*Original Lions banner created by Lion Peter A. DeBartolo*

**9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**  
**CRAFT FAIR**

Hosted by the Galway Lioness Club



**Saturday April 18**  
**10 – 3**

**Free Admission**

**Galway High School**

**5317 Sacandaga Rd (Rt 147)**

**Galway, NY 12074**



# Night At The **BREWSEUM**

Where History & Spirits Come to Life

**VIP HOUR 5PM-6PM**

Presented by the Saratoga Springs Lions Club



**Friday, April 24, 2020**  
**6pm – 9:30pm**



Canfield Casino • Congress Park, Saratoga Springs, NY

21 and Over Only • ID is Required



**16th Annual**



THE <sup>2020</sup>  
**MEMORIAL**  
**DUATHLON & 5K**

A Saratoga Springs Lions Club Event

**May 24, 2020**  
[thememorialduathlon5k.com/](http://thememorialduathlon5k.com/)

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## Changing Life through Lenses For Eye Doctors

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](http://changinglifethroughlenses.org) or contact [support@evfusa.org](mailto:support@evfusa.org).

## 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 For Referral Organizations

Are you an organization that conducts vision screenings or identifies patients who don't have insurance for vision care?




You can help enlist eye doctors in your community to register for Changing Life through Lenses™ and receive no-cost glasses for patients in need.






## How to Get Involved

Changing Life through Lenses™ is Essilor Vision Foundation's charity ordering website offering glasses and resources to enhance charitable giving. Review our checklist below to understand how your referral organization can participate:

### 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](http://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](http://changinglifethroughlenses.org) and gain access to immediate ordering.

## QUESTIONS?

View the demonstration video and register at [changinglifethroughlenses.org](http://changinglifethroughlenses.org) or contact [support@evfusa.org](mailto: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

*Club must be chartered prior to January 1 of the fiscal year to qualify.*

Application Date \_\_\_\_\_

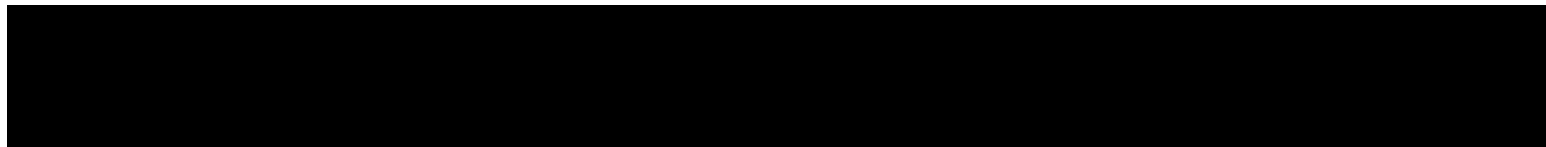
Club Number \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

2018-2019 Club President's Name \_\_\_\_\_

2018-2019 Club President's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_



**OR**

- ☐ Chartered new Lions club or Club Branch:

Name of club or branch: \_\_\_\_\_

**AND**

- ☐ Supported member retention by increasing member satisfaction

Outline strategy: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Based on June 30 cumulative membership report*

### 3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- ☐ Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension, District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LCI greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.

**AND**

- ☐ Key Officers participate in one or more of the following leadership training events:

☐ District

☐ Multiple District

**Global Causes**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

- ☐ Organized a new Leo Club

**AND**

- ☐ Contributed to LCIIF

### 4. MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

- ☐ The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media as noted below:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**OR**



Improvements include: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



Awards Mailed to: 2018-2020 District 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.





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

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



*People suffering with serious vision loss. The Lions Eye Bank at Albany serves  
28 counties in New York State, Great Barrington, MA and six hospitals in  
Vermont.*



# 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 receive the newsletter**  
**each month in your email.**

## Pediatric Cancer Awareness

### BRAVE THE SHAVE/ROCK THE BALD

By Lion Diane Lange

The month of March is known as "Brave the Shave" or "Rock the Bald" month.

These events are sponsored every March by the St. Baldrick's Organization. St. Baldrick's is a Childhood Cancer Research Charity.

St. Baldrick's raises awareness for Childhood Cancer by organizing "Shaving" events. Lions Club can support this event by hosting or supporting an event in your area. Go to [www.ballfest.org](http://www.ballfest.org) for a list of dates in your area.

On average there are seventy new patients diagnosed with pediatric cancer each year at the Albany Medical Center and every two minutes a child is diagnosed with cancer worldwide.

As Childhood Cancer Chair, I have identified eight children in Lions 20W currently undergoing treatment. I am sure that there are more of our wonderful children suffering from cancer as well.

St. Baldrick's Foundation exists to change the statistics that one in five children do not survive cancer and two thirds of the children will suffer from long term effects such as hearing and sight loss, loss of balance, and other health issues with their kidneys and liver.

Let's join hands with St. Baldrick's to change these realities. Childhood Cancer is one of LCIF's global causes. A cure and new medicines need to be found.

"Where There Is A Need, There Is A Lion."

### PEDIATRIC CANCER CHAIR DIANE LANGE

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Phone: 518-409-4321

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# Chazy Lions Club

## LIONS HOST WINTER WEEKEND

By Priscilla Laurin

Chazy Lions Club held its annual Winter weekend for the students at Chazy Central Rural School from February 19 - 22, 2020.

The festivities opened Wednesday with a skating party. Thursday evening was the annual talent show. On Friday, the student volley ball games were held, with the Junior class winning. They then went on to play the Lions team, with the Juniors being the victors!

Saturday afternoon was class games with a cookout hosted by the Lions Club. Saturday evening was the annual formal dance, where a Senior Queen was crowned..

During the weekend the students worked on snow sculptures.



*Winter Weekend Queen,  
Macy Taylor.*



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## Lions SEE, Inc.

### LIONS SEE NOMINATIONS

By PDG Mike Lawkowski

Lions SEE is holding election for the Board of Directors. The election will take place at the MD20 convention in Buffalo.

Qualifications are you must be a member in good standing in a Lions Club in the district you represent and a willingness to promote Lions SEE.

Duties of directors include but are not limited to attending the quarterly board meetings. Meeting are held via computer so no physical travel is required. Promoting Lions SEE in your district. Educating the clubs and screeners on the proper procedures and reporting responsibilities.

If you want to be put on the ballot, please email your name, club and district to PCC Gary Boisseau at [liongaryB@gmail.com](mailto:liongaryB@gmail.com). Deadline of applications is midnight April 10, 2020

### PRESIDENT MICHAEL LAWKOWSKI

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[www.lionsseeny.org](http://www.lionsseeny.org)

fb: Lions SEE New York



# Empire State Special Needs Experience/Lions Camp Badger

By Cynthia Reuter

On February 1, we held our 3rd Annual Flame Concert event at Tioga Downs Resort in Nichols, NY. This year we added a Silent Auction with over 50 items/baskets. Thanks to some generous sponsors, including: The Floyd "Vic" Hooker Youth Fund of the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers, Tioga United Way, and Tioga State Bank, we were able to offer complimentary tickets to all individuals with special needs plus a caregiver. We also offered tickets to all of our valuable volunteers who share their time or talent before, during or after summer camp.

This year's event was our best attended to date with over 200 people dancing and singing along to Flame and treated to a special guest performance by one of our own campers, Claire, with a song from the hit Broadway musical, "Hamilton."

It was tons of fun for everyone, and we



hope to be able to continue this tradition. Our campers especially look forward to it as it gives them the opportunity to socialize with their friends from camp midway through the year!

## 2020 Summer Camp

Camper applications are already coming in and spots are filling up fast. If you know someone with special needs who might be interested but has not yet applied, tell them to apply soon online at [www.LionsCB.org](http://www.LionsCB.org).

## 2020 Super Raffle

Be on the lookout for our 2020 Super Raffle tickets. This raffle has been a big hit with Ten (10) \$1,000 prize winners drawn on Lions Appreciation Day in July. We have had winning clubs and individuals from all districts in MD20. Thank you for continuing to support Lions Camp Badger and the programs we provide for our special campers!

Did you know that Lions Camp Badger is celebrating our 40th birthday as a MD20 Lions state project?

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## Albany & Troy Lions Club

### SUB HEADLINE

By Lion Jerry Gordon

### General membership meeting

Our speaker was Linda Feldman from Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County. She spoke of the 225 adults who are served yearly. This program provides one-to-one and small-group tutoring to help individuals learn to read, to write, and to speak English, and to improve their math skills. Tutoring is free and confidential. Students and tutors work together for an average of 2 hours per week to meet students' goals. About 1/3 of the clients served were born in the U.S. The other clients are from other countries with various educational backgrounds. They have developed a workplace program that provides on-the-job workplace training to help improve literacy skills needed to be highly functional on the job. A program to teach sewing skills to adults has also been started to help provide job opportunities to their clients. They always need more volunteers. They do have an Adult Tutoring Training Program for anyone who is interested in helping out. Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County at 518.244.4650.

PDG Dave Harris installed our newest Lion, Jordan Alexander. Lion Greg, his sponsor, said Lion Jordon has



already been a major asset to the club with all the work he did helping out with the Blueberry Garden Project.

### Board meetings (club & charitable fund)

KL Carol presented a new format for the board meeting where there is a limit set for the time spent on each report. All agreed it was a good idea. It's a work in progress.

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## ***Eyeglasses Program***

Lion Ruth reported that the progress with working with America's Best is still having some issues but we are working through them. There were 3 requests for eyeglasses last month. America's Best did offer to cover the cost of 2 of those eye exams and glasses to help make up for some of the glitches we have run into.

## ***Facebook***

Lion Ruth reports that she posts any relevant information to the page.

***Used Eyeglasses*** Lion Tom reported that he reached out to the NJ recycling center to find out information for Lion Greg and the cooperative effort to work with the Lions Club in Ecuador. He has also sent 32 pounds of broken metal glasses to Respect for recycling of the scrap metal.

## ***Lions Initiatives***

Lion Greg spoke for Eva. He reported that the Lions Club of Tosagua in Ecuador wants to partner with us to get eyeglasses to the people who need them in their country. The NJ Recycling Center will provide all the glasses we need, we just have to work out the logistics. The Lions Club of Tosagua is working with organizations and the government to cover the costs of transportation. Our club is interested in working on this program and will make a final decision when we figure out what the costs would be and how we would get them shipped. KL Carol said she would look into this and we will continue this conversation at a future meeting.

## ***Pin Committee***

Lion Preem said she is working on putting together a list of all the pins from the District. So far she has about 150 pins. If anyone is interested in helping Preem with this project, please reach out to her. Lion Preem also thought that we should hand out duplicate pins that we have to guest speakers as a token of our appreciation.

## ***Fundraising***

Lion John turned in \$12 he receive from collecting empty soda cans.

In the absence of Lion Shawn, discussion on the Bike Rides for the Visually-Impaired and Blind was post-poned for a future meeting.

In a discussion about our sponsorship of NABA for the LCIF grant, it was requested that we get the total cost of the project for our information since we have put out name on the sponsorship application. KL Carol is going to reach out for that information.

The board approved the cost of getting a table for the Annual Health Fair on 5/3/2020. The table costs are shared by ATLC,

Hearing Society and NABA. Our club covers the cost for NABA in exchange for the phoneline that NABA supplies for our club. Total cost of the table is \$200. Lions Jerry & Maryanne have volunteered to man the table at this event.

There will be a Special Convention of the Lions Clubs of NY & Bermuda on March 28, 2020, to elect PID Douglas Alexander to fill the vacancy of 1st VP. Since no one from our club will be attending this Convention, PDG Dave suggested we cast our vote via email to endorse PID Doug Alexander. KL Carol will send the email.

KL Carol and Lion Greg are gathering information for the 2020 - 2021 Nominating Committee Plans.

Lion Ruth reported 3 applications for eyeglasses received this month and dealt with through America's Best.

Lion Greg clarified some of our questions about the expenses for the Blueberry Project. We had a discussion about having some kind of event this spring/summer when the blueberries are ready to harvest to get some publicity for the garden. We also wanted to make sure thank you notes were sent to vendors who supplied items for the construction of the garden. KL Carol was to reach out to Lion Larry to get a check to Lion Greg in the amount of \$3500 for the balance due to him for the expenses he personally paid for the blueberry plants and supplies. \$2700 of that money came from LCI, \$500 from our club and \$500 from members who personal-ly donated money. Lion Greg had previously received a check for \$200 on 9/4/2019.

The board approved a \$50 donation to the Childhood Cancer Center "Donate to be Healed" event on March 7, 2020.

Our thanks to Lion Ruth Sano for taking notes during Lion Jerry's absence.

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# Diabetes Awareness

## DIABETES ALERT DAY

By Lion Barbara Bentley

The American Diabetes Association Diabetes Alert Day® is on March 24, 2020! Observed annually on the fourth Tuesday in March, Diabetes Alert Day is a one-day “wake-up call” that focuses on the seriousness of diabetes and the importance of understanding your risk.

I encourage you to get out in the community on March 24th, possibly at your local library or coffee shop, to encourage everyone to find out if they are at risk of Type 2 diabetes by sharing with them the quick and simple Diabetes Risk Test.

Here is the link for the test: [www.cdc.gov/diabetes/prevention/pdf/Prediabetes-Risk-Test-Final.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/prevention/pdf/Prediabetes-Risk-Test-Final.pdf)

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## Ballston Spa Lions Club

By King Lion Ed Hersh

PDG Frank Blair handed out 4H Veteran pins to some of the veterans that were present that night.



The club held their first Zone Social they have have had in many years. Members from five clubs, (Ballston Spa, Saratoga



*Pictured are four of the five presidents who attended. DG Ed Pike, Zone Chair and special guest “Bailey” puppy in training with his handler from the Guiding Eyes program.*

Springs, Galway, Greenfield and Scotia-Glenville), were present. I was told 58 lions attended that evening.

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## Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER

By Lion Val Kevlin

Broadalbin-Perth Lions recent community service project “Rise against Hunger”, assisted several community groups and families, packaging meals for 3rd world families at the Broadalbin-Perth High School. Together we packed over 46,000 meals. We had 9 of our Lions members along with one of our member's Grandson. A lot of fun was had by all while helping others. And it only took us 2 1/2 hrs.



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## Sauquoit Valley Lions Club

By Lion John Griffin

On January 11th the Sauquoit Valley Lions held their annual Holiday Party at Orchard Hall Restaurant in Sauquoit.

The event was well attended by Lions and their families and friends. A highlight of the night occurred when Charter Member, and WWII Veteran, Lion Lew Smith received his 65 Year Chevron.

The annual Holiday Raffle drawing took place following dinner. The Club raised \$3,500 from the raffle.

On February 13th, the Sauquoit Lions joined Lions and Lioness throughout Region L for the Annual



*Charter Member Lion Lew Smith receives his 65 Year Chevron from Lion President Michael Bader*



*Sauquoit Valley Lions family and friends enjoy the Annual Holiday Party.*

Journey for Sight Kick-off dinner. The 2020 Region L Journey for Sight will take place on May 9th, 2020 at the Sauquoit Valley High School Track.

The evening of the Kick-off dinner Sponsors of the 2019 Journey for Sight were recognized. Representatives from Clinton Lions, New Hartford/New York Mills/Whitestown Lions, New Hartford Lioness, Utica Lions and Marcy Telephone Lions also attended.

Steve Gannon of the CABVI was also recognized for his contributions to the Region L Journey for Sight over the years.

In February the Sauquoit Valley Lions donated \$200 to the Sauquoit Valley Central School After-Prom Party and \$300 to the NYS and Bermuda Lions Foundation. The SV Lions will hold our annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 5th, 2020.

The event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until noon at the



*Sauquoit Valley Lion Gary Puleo is presented with a plaque by Region L Zone Chair Bill O'Mara in recognition of the sponsorship of the 2019 Journey for Sight by Utica Glass Co.*



Willowvale Volunteer Fire Department in Chadwicks.

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## **Clinton Lions Club**

By Lion Jim Winkler

At our first meeting of the month, we joined members from five other area Lion organizations to kick-off our 40th annual Regional Journey for Sight. It will be held at 9:30 AM on May 9th at the Sauquoit Valley High School track complex. Those in attendance enjoyed Orchard Hall's traditional buffet, followed by an overview of the journey event and a description of the methods in which participating clubs could financially benefit from what has become a "ready-made fundraiser". Copies of last year's Advertising Book were available and we recognized our 2019 Corporate Sponsors for their backing of our annual fundraising event which enables us to support our many humanitarian and charitable service activities. Clubs were encouraged to recruit other people and organizations to join in our "journey" around the track while listening to music supplied by our DJ.



*Mike Bader (Revere Copper Products, Inc., Rome, NY) receives 2019 Journey for Sight (J4S) Major Sponsor Recognition from Clinton Lion Bill O'Mara at 2020 Kick-off Dinner (Feb. 13, 2020).*

Participants raising \$25 or more in pledges will receive uniquely designed commemorative t-shirts, and hot dogs, popcorn, fruit, soft drinks and water are available to all participants both during and after our walk. A 50/50 drawing, grand prize, awards and door prizes conclude our day sometime around noon. The event is pet friendly with water provided for our four-legged friends and we're usually joined by representatives from Freedom Guide Dogs in nearby Cassville, NY since they are one of the benefactors of the proceeds received by each club.

District Governor Ed was scheduled to visit our club for our

second meeting of the month. However, due to anticipated traffic congestion/sparse parking in our small village because of viewing hours for a member of the community and Mother Nature forecast to unleash her fury on us, we had to cancel at the last minute. The visitation is rescheduled for March 12. At that meeting, in addition to his regular presentation, DG Ed has agreed to assist us recognizing our high school student of the month and induct a few new members into our club. Hopefully the weather cooperates!

Three members from our club made the trip to Saratoga on February 8th for the make-up business portion of the cancelled Cabinet Meeting in Canton. We congratulate the new candidates for 2020 – 2021 Cabinet Officers: DG Rick Brisee, 1st VDG Michele O'Hare and 2nd VDG Rick Laurin. Good luck in your terms next year!

Throughout the month we continued collecting used eyeglasses from previously established business locations in the area and nine members once again assisted our local Food Pantry on Distribution Day the last Tuesday of the month.

This month approximately 500 people received supplemental food through the efforts of the volunteers at this pantry. After the last client was served, we presented the pantry with a contribution of \$1,000 to be



*Clinton Lions Club present donation to Clark Mills Food Pantry to defray operating expenses in providing food to clients (February 25, 2020). Pictured (l. – r.) Mary Zimble - Food Pantry Executive Director, Sally Glouse – Food Pantry Volunteer Coordinator and Lions Jim Winkler & Bob Maxam.*

utilized as deemed necessary – those in need of food in our community are fortunate this type of operation exists for their utilization; all community organizations are responsible for ensuring its long-term existence.

In response to an appeal from the District Childhood Cancer Chairperson, Diane Lange, we contributed \$100 toward the attendance of four adults at the 5th Annual Dance to Be Healed being held at the Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia, NY on Saturday, March 7th from 5:00 – 9:00 PM. It's a celebration of life for families affected by childhood cancer. By dressing up, enjoying dinner, music, dancing and most importantly themselves - together as family, the evening attempts to make them forget about cancer! We can't think of anything more worthwhile contributing toward.

The days have begun to lengthen an Easter is fast approaching. Daylight Saving Time begins on Saturday March 7th. The weather should be getting nicer so we can more easily be able to sell our 19 cases of milk chocolate bunnies to benefit both our club and the Lions Eye Institute at Albany, obtain Journey for Sight advertising and pledges for our upcoming fundraiser on May 9th and begin collecting "attic treasures" for our Garage Sale July 30 – August 1 at the Clinton Arena. We've got a good deal in front of us and hopefully the weather cooperates.

THINK SPRING &  
DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ON  
SATURDAY MARCH 7th!

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## Greater Johnstown Lions Club

By IPDG/2ndVDG Michele O'Hare

The Greater Johnstown Lions Club welcomed 9 new members into their club this month!!! 2VDG Lion Michele Puleo O'Hare had the honor of inducting 5 of those



new members last night at their monthly dinner meeting. The Greater Johnstown Lions Club has seen tremendous growth in their membership due to their commitment of service in their community! Keep up the great work!! #WeServe

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## Sunday, March 8



# District & Club Resources



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- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

Submissions can be made to [karen@deuxflutes.com](mailto:karen@deuxflutes.com)  
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