



January 2021

District 20W

LIONS ROAR



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A
message
from...



**District Governor
Rick Brisee**

**NEXT ROAR DEADLINE
JANUARY 28, 2021**
**NEXT MD20 MAG. DEADLINE
JANUARY 15, 2021**

Fellow Lions!

I hope this finds you and your loved ones safe and well as we welcome in a New Year.

To say that 2020 was a challenging year would be an understatement but through it all, I think it showed our best sides as Lions. We were forced by circumstance to alter the way we do things as it became evident early on that the traditional and historic way we met, conducted meetings, held fundraisers, and served our communities would prove unworkable.

What it did was force Clubs and individual Lions to not run and hide or to stop serving our communities, but to just alter the way we did it. Instead of meeting in-person, we all found Zoom. Instead of our usual in-person fundraising, many Clubs did it virtually or took on smaller projects that required less resources and could



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be successful with fewer volunteers. I know of a Club in our District that not only held their annual chicken BBQ, but they sold out and did it in the midst of the pandemic.

It is everyone's hope that 2021 will be a much different year, what with the vaccine distribution on the close horizon, but the reality is that the conditions of last year will carry through at least into the Spring. Hopefully not, but we need to be prepared should that happen.

I do have Club visitations scheduled for January and February, but expect most if not all of them to be held via Zoom, and that is a perfectly acceptable alternative. For those Clubs forced to postpone my visitation last Fall, please contact me with alternative dates and I will be happy to re-schedule and a Zoom visitation is fine.

Our next Cabinet meeting has been scheduled for February 6, 2021 in Saratoga Springs, but with Covid spiking virtually everywhere, my thinking is that it is not currently safe to do hold it in-person and we will either push the date back to later in the month or hold a condensed version of it via Zoom. A decision and announcement will be forthcoming in the next few days, so stay tuned.

We will be holding our initial new/newer member orientation

in late January via Zoom so Club Presidents and Secretaries, please be on the lookout for that and encourage all members with less than three years of service to attend. The session will be less than an hour in length and will include a brief international, national, and state overview with most of the time spent focusing on local resources and local Club projects.

Anyone is of course eligible to attend, but please encourage all newer Club members to tune in as I think they will come away well informed, enthused, with new ideas in mind, and their attendance will only serve to strengthen your Club.

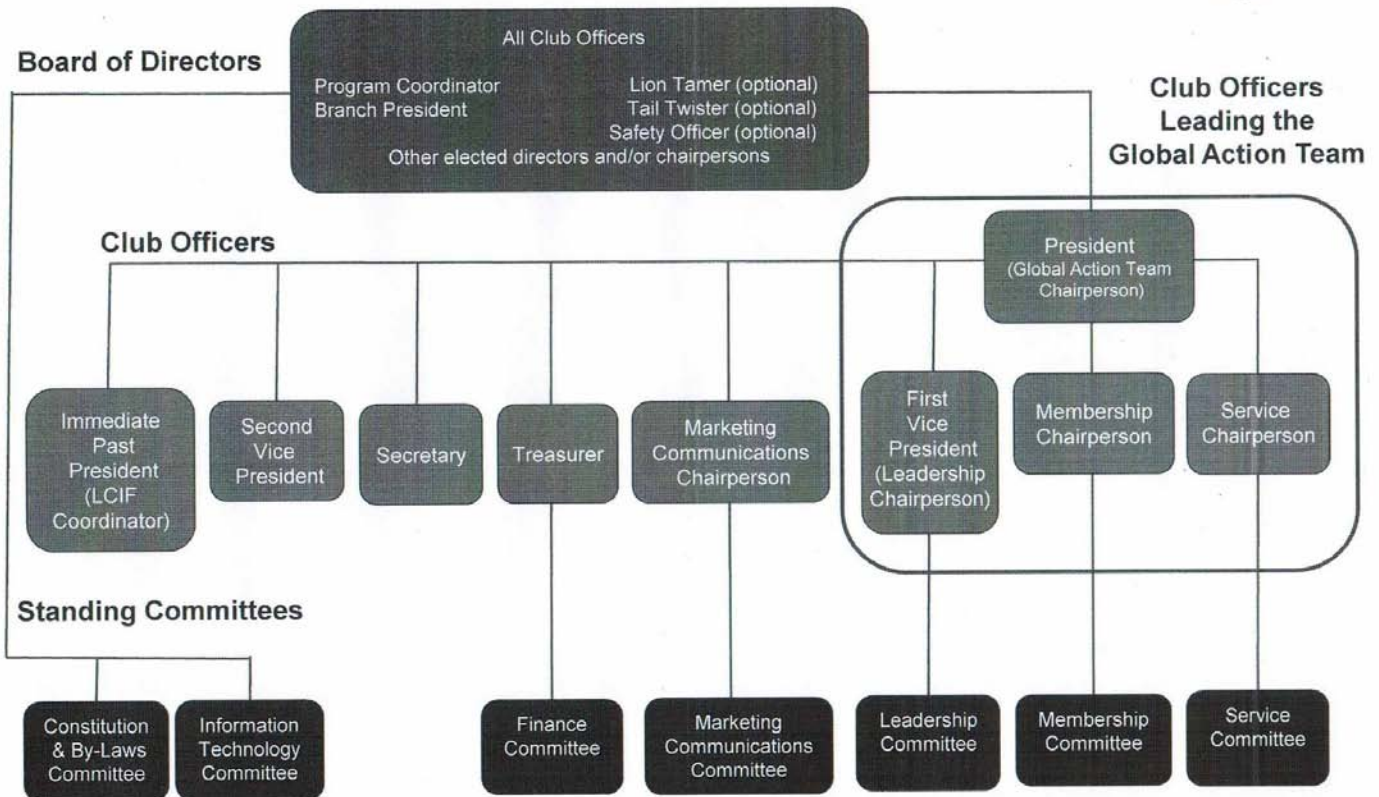
In closing, please stay safe and if you have to miss a meeting or two due to health and safety concerns, that is the better alternative to falling ill or contracting the virus. Do not take risks!

Thank you for all that you do and your service and dedication to your communities. If you did not do this, who would?

Yours in Lionism,

DG Rick

Standard Club Structure



20W Cabinet Officers

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Your Name Here!



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REGION AND ZONE CHAIRS

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ZONE A: Clinton, Deerfield,
Greater Herkimer, Holland Patent.

ZONE A: Ballston Spa, Galway,
Greater Amsterdam, Saratoga
Springs, Scotia/Glenville, Town
of Greenfield.

ZONE A & B: Albany & Troy,
Bethlehem, Duane, Greater
Ravena Area, Town of Wright/
Schoharie/Vly, Waterford.

ZONE A: Glens Falls, Hadley
Luzerne, Long Lake, Newcomb,
Town of Schroom.

ZONE A: Clifton Fine, Edwards,
Gouverneur, Heuvelton, Lisbon,
Louisville, Ogdensburg, Quad
Town, Raquette River.

ZONE B: Marcy Telephone,
New Hartford, New York Mills
Whitestone, Sauquoit Valley,
Utica.

ZONE B: Broadalbin/Perth,
Central Mohawk Valley, Fonda/
Fultonville, Greater Johnstown,
Northville/Sacandaga, Speculator.

ZONE B: Cambridge, Greenwich,
Mechanicville/Stillwater,
Schuylerville, Town of Hoosick.

ZONE B: Chazy, Lake Placid,
Malone, Peru, Plattsburgh, Saranac
Lake, Tupper Lake.

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REGION CHAIR

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REGION CHAIR

Your Name Here!



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Revisions to this directory: bit.ly/20Wdirectory
20W Facebook page: bit.ly/facebook20w
Multiple District 20: MD20Lions.com
Lions International: LionsClubs.org

District Notes

Region L

Clinton
Deerfield
Greater Herkimer
Holland Patent
Marcy Telephone
New Hartford NY Mills
Whitestown
Sauquoit Valley
Utica

Region I, Zone A

Ballston Spa
Galway
Greater Amsterdam
Saratoga Springs
Scotia-Glenville
Town of Greenfield

Region I, Zone B

Broadalbin Perth
Central Mohawk Valley
Fonda & Fultonville
Greater Johnstown
Northville Sacandaga
Speculator

Region O

Albany & Troy
Bethlehem
Duane
Greater Ravena Area
Town of Wright/ Schoharie Vly
Waterford



Region N, Zone A

Glens Falls
Hadley Luzerne
Long Lake
Newcomb
Town of Schroom

Region N, Zone B

Cambridge
Greenwich
Mechanicville-Stillwater
Schuylerville
Town of Hoosick

Region S, Zone A

Clifton Fine
Edwards
Gouverneur
Heuvelton
Lisbon
Louisville
Ogdensburg
Raquette River
Quad Town

Region S, Zone B

Chazy
Lake Placid
Malone
Peru
Plattsburgh
Saranac Lake
Tupper Lake

District 20-W comprises these New York State counties:

Albany, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton,
Hamilton, Herkimer, Montgomery,
eastern Oneida, Rensselaer,
St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schenectady,
Schoharie, Warren, Washington

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International Vice President Doug Alexander is the candidate for International President from Multiple District 20, of which our District is a part.

For anyone planning on attending the International Convention in Montreal on June 25-29, 2021 and marching in the parade, of which MD20 will have the honor of marching first, it will be required that you wear this shirt.

Information for ordering can be found at:
www.douglasalexander.org/store/c2/Commemorative_Shirts.html
(or www.tinyurl.com/y2rvr3nn)

Please reach out if you have any questions.

CS Barbara A. Bentley
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The Committee to Elect Douglas X. Alexander for International President commemorative shirts.

Shirts are available for order online.

Short Sleeve Polo	- \$40 ⁰⁰
Long Sleeve Polo	- \$45 ⁰⁰
Sweatshirt	- \$45 ⁰⁰

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Kindness Matters



GENERAL ATTENDEE

103RD LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC, CANADA • FRIDAY, JUNE 25 - TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 2021



CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

DEADLINE - SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2021

Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation and to request a refund for registration, housing and/or ticketed event.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ATTENDEE (Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.)

First/Given Name

Last/Family Name

Badge/Call Name

Address

City

State/Province

Postal Code

Country

Daytime Phone

E-Mail

☐ Lion ☐ Leo-Lion* ☐ Lioness ☐ Omega Leo

*Leo-Lion is a Lions membership type available exclusively to Leos who served in the Leo Program for over a year.

Club #

Membership #

District

Title

COMPANION

First/Given Name

Last/Family Name

Badge/Call Name

☐ Lion ☐ Leo-Lion ☐ Lioness ☐ Omega Leo ☐ Alpha Leo ☐ Adult Guest

Club #

Membership #

District

Title

CHILD

First/Given Name

Last/Family Name

Age

☐ Alpha Leo

First/Given Name

Last/Family Name

Age

☐ Alpha Leo

HOTEL INFORMATION

PACKAGE A Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.

☐ Before January 8, 2021 - room reserved in delegation hotel based on availability
☐ After January 8, 2021 ☐ I prefer my delegation hotel ☐ Prefer another hotel:

Arrival Day/Date Departure Day/Date

of Guests in room including yourself: # of beds requested ☐ 1 ☐ 2

Special Requirements: ☐ Wheelchair Accessible ☐ Other:

• US \$200 Hotel Deposit is per room and credited to your hotel bill at check out.

• Room requests are subject to hotel availability

PACKAGE B

☐ NO ROOM REQUIRED (Registration only for each person listed above)

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OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS

MELVIN JONES FELLOW LUNCHEON (Must be registered to attend.)

☐ I/we plan to attend this event.

Date/Time: June 27, 12:30 - 14:30 Fee: US \$75 Quantity: Amount Due \$:

DISTRICT GOVERNORS/PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS BANQUET (Must be registered to attend.)

☐ I/we plan to attend this event.

Date/Time: June 28, 20:00 - 22:00 Fee: US \$125 Quantity: Amount Due \$:

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

☐ No Restrictions ☐ Indian Vegetarian ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Other:

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Name:

Emergency Contact Phone Number:

SERVICE PROJECTS IN MONTRÉAL

☐ I am interested in participating in a hands-on community service project during the Montréal International Convention.

LEOS AND YOUNG LIONS INTEREST

☐ I am interested in receiving information on sessions and activities for and about Leos and Young Lions (Leo-Lions, Campus Lions Clubs and Student Members). If you have questions, please email membership@lionsclubs.org

REGISTRATION FEES AND PAYMENT

Full payment is required with this form. US Currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US Banks. Visa, Mastercard & Discover accepted.

REGISTRATION FEES

EARLY (Before January 8, 2021)	Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$175	Omega Leo: US \$100	Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20
REGULAR (January 9, 2021 - March 31, 2021)	Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$225	Omega Leo: US \$100	Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20
LATE (April 1, 2021 - Onsite)	Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$250	Omega Leo: US \$100	Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20
PACKAGE A: Registration: US \$ <input type="text"/>	Ticketed Events: US \$ <input type="text"/>	Hotel Deposit: US \$200.00	Total Due: US \$ <input type="text"/>
PACKAGE B: Registration: US \$ <input type="text"/>	Ticketed Events: US \$ <input type="text"/>		Total Due: US \$ <input type="text"/>

PAYMENT INFORMATION

☐ Check # (payable to Lions Clubs International) ☐ Wire Transfer (payment slip must be attached to this form) ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Name as it appears on credit card. Credit card must be in the name of the registrant.

Card Number

Expiration Month/Year /

Security Code (3 digits)

Cardholder Signature:

- Please submit all pages of completed form once via mail, fax, or email • Allow 4 weeks for processing.
- Mail: Lions Clubs International, Attn: Convention Division, 300 West 22nd Street, Oak Brook IL 60523-8842, USA
- Fax: (630) 571-1689
- Email: registration@lionsclubs.org
- Credit card information should only be entered into this form and never written into the body of an email.
- Personal checks should be mailed.
- After processing this form, Lions International will email your Official Registration Confirmation.
- Please print your Official Registration Confirmation and bring it to the convention in order to obtain your name badge. A photo ID is required.
- Information provided on this document shall be used in accordance with the privacy policies and procedures of Lions International.
- Please note: Lions Clubs International will be documenting LCIcon for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event.
- Your registration is your consent for use of images by Lions International.
- To avoid a duplicate, please do not mail original if faxed or emailed.

District Governor's Visitation Schedule for 2020 - 2021

Alphabetical

Albany & Troy	Nov 4
Ballston Spa	Jan 20
Bethlehem	Oct 21
Broadalbin Perth	Jan 14
Cambridge	Apr 21
Cent Mohawk Valley	
Chazy	Oct 20
Clifton-Fine	Oct 12
Clinton	Feb 25
Deerfield	Feb 10
Duane	Feb 3
Edwards	Nov 9
Fonda & Fultonville	Mar 10
Galway	Jan 11
Glens Falls	Jan 26
Gouverneur	
Greater Amsterdam	
Plattsburgh	Nov 2
Greater Johnstown	Jan 27
Greater Ravena	Apr 28
Greenwich	Nov 5
Hadley-Luzerne	Oct 7
Heuvelton	
Holland Patent	Nov 17
Lake Placid	Oct 26
Lisbon	Oct 6
Long Lake	Oct 27
Louisville	Nov 18
Malone	Apr 14
Marcy Telephone	Jul 1
Mechanicville-Still	Sep 28
New Hart NYM White	Oct 13
Newcomb	Oct 28
Northville Sac	Oct 15
Ogdensburg	Sep 17
Peru	Oct 8
Plattsburgh	Nov 2
Quad Town	Apr 8
Raquette River	Mar 2
Saranac Lake	
Saratoga Springs	Jan 7
Sauquoit Valley	
Schuylerville	
Scotia-Glenville	Sep 15
Speculator	Dec 17
Town of Greenfield	Nov 11
Town of Hoosick	Jan 21
Town of Schroom	Nov 16
Town of Wright/Schoh	Oct 19
Tupper Lake	Mar 4
Utica	Dec 7
Waterford	Jan 6

Chronological

Scotia-Glenville	Sep 15
Ogdensburg	Sep 17
Mechanicville-Still	Sep 28
Lisbon	Oct 6
Hadley-Luzerne	Oct 7
Peru	Oct 8
Clifton-Fine	Oct 12
New Hart NYM White	Oct 13
Northville Sac	Oct 15
Town of Wright/Schoh	Oct 19
Chazy	Oct 20
Bethlehem	Oct 21
Lake Placid	Oct 26
Long Lake	Oct 27
Newcomb	Oct 28
Albany & Troy	Nov 4
Greenwich	Nov 5
Edwards	Nov 9
Town of Greenfield	Nov 11
Town of Schroom	Nov 16
Holland Patent	Nov 17
Louisville	Nov 18
Utica	Dec 7
Speculator	Dec 17
Waterford	Jan 6
Galway	Jan 11
Broadalbin Perth	Jan 14
Ballston Spa	Jan 20
Town of Hoosick	Jan 21
Glens Falls	Jan 26
Greater Johnstown	Jan 27
Duane	Feb 3
Deerfield	Feb 10
Clinton	Feb 25
Raquette River	Mar 2
Tupper Lake	Mar 4
Fonda & Fultonville	Mar 10
Quad Town	Apr 8
Malone	Apr 14
Cambridge	Apr 21
Greater Ravena	Apr 28



MEMBERS CORNER



Hello Lions, Lioness and Leos,

As of today, it appears that Covid will be with us for some time to come. I know that some clubs are meeting in person under distancing guidelines, some are using Zoom and some are not meeting. If you are not meeting, please contact me so we can discuss how you can do something to keep your club together. It is extremely important that your club members keep in contact with each other at this time. Your district leadership team is meeting monthly so that we can get someone local to your area, i.e. zone chair, region chair, etc., to help your club in whatever you need to be successful.

The above paragraph is the same one that began my Oct. newsletter. Since things have not gotten any better, actually they are worse, everything I said still applies but now doubly. I also need all of the club secretaries to report their membership to LCI each month! It is not a hard thing to do. It may take 2-3 minutes to log on and report. This is important because this is the number LCI uses to bill your dues. The leadership team needs to have an accurate number in each club so we know where to apply our efforts. If any of you are having trouble or aren't sure how to report, please contact me or your zone chair and we will help you!

It is very important at this time that we are all focused on retention of our members. It is difficult (but not impossible) to attract new members. So in order to come out of this crisis whole, we need to keep our communication channels open to all our members. Additionally, please make sure you get your dues paid for 2020.

Remember, the NAMI process works from the bottom up. That means we need to hear from the clubs to know how you need us to help you. Continue to act responsibly to protect yourself and those you are in contact with.

It looks like the new vaccines are on their way to hopefully start putting an end to the pandemic, so please start planning for that time when our club operations can start up with normal operations. Hopefully we can start attracting new members.

Yours in Lionism,

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UPCOMING EVENTS



To all our Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation Holiday Helpers

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

Please forward this letter to all your District Lions

THANK YOU SO MUCH for you continued support of the Foundation, including your efforts promoting the Super Bowl Raffle sales, making last year's raffle a huge success. You are the best!! We are hoping for even greater success this year so we can continue to help the kids!

Once again, it is "Super Raffle" time. Due to the uncertainty of the Super Bowl event, this year the **PRIZES ARE ALL CASH \$\$\$\$\$**

Grand Prize:	\$5,000.00
2nd Prize:	\$2,000.00
3rd Prize:	\$1,000.00
4 th & 5 th Prizes:	\$ 500.00 each
6 th thru 9 th Prizes:	\$ 250.00 each

TICKETS ARE \$20.00 PER TICKET OR 6 TICKETS FOR \$100.00

The drawing will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2021.

These tickets make great holiday gifts, stocking stuffers or the thank you gift to show your appreciation to your gardener, hair salon, mail carrier, etc. Everyone wants the chance to win \$5,000.

I recently heard this statement: "We were given two arms, one to serve ourselves and one to serve others". It is a wonderful feeling when we can participate in service projects, especially in these difficult times. Please continue to help us help those in need; you will get that *feel good* feeling. Together, with your support, we can make Miracles happen!

Yours in Lionism,

PDG Peg Dilorio,

Chairperson, BMYF Raffle Committee

If you would like additional tickets, please email me: pegtomdi@aol.com

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.

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.

Easter is April 4, 2021; place your bunny orders now!

The Prices To Your Club Are As Follows:

Orders received
by January 8th
\$77.00/case

Early Bird Discount:
Orders received
by December 15th
\$75.00/case



TO ORDER:

Early bird Discount for orders
received by December 15th

All orders should be
placed no later than

January 8, 2021

by contacting:

PDG Barbara Gavin
159 South Quaker Lane
Hyde Park, NY 12538
845-454-4660 (H)
845-275-9858 (C)
gvnbbbsb@aol.com

Additional contact
information:



Lions Foundation Easter Bunny Order Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Club: _____

Number of Cases:

Milk Chocolate(24/6.2oz): _____

Dark Chocolate(24/6.2oz): _____

Total Cases: _____

Amount Due: _____

Please keep a copy of this order form for your records.

NABA

**Northeastern Association
of the Blind at Albany**

301 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12206

WE NEED YOUR HELP

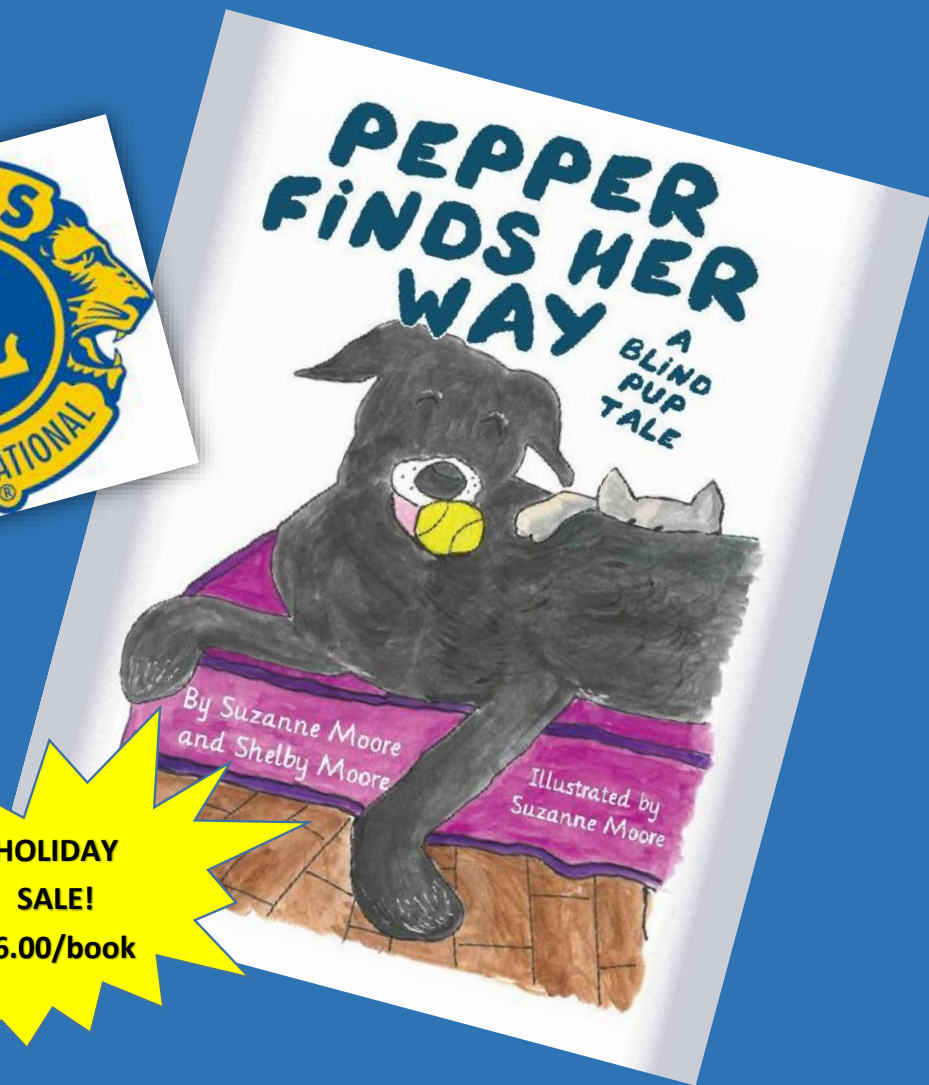
NABA IS LOOKING FOR A LIONS CLUB OR CLUBS TO BUILD DIVIDERS
MADE OF PLEXIGLASS IN THE MANUFACTURING DEPARTMENT
BETWEEN WORK STATIONS

PLEASE CONTACT VDG MICHELE O'HARE 518-463-1211X241 OR
MOHARE@NABA-VISION.ORG





**HOLIDAY
SALE!**
\$6.00/book



Pepper is a dog like any other dog, except one day, she can't see anymore. Pepper was diagnosed with diabetes and lost her sight but being a dogged dog, Pepper never lost her will or her wag! She is now the mascot of the Plattsburgh Lions Club and in conjunction with the club, her owner, illustrator and co-author, Suzanne Moore and co-author Shelby Moore of *Pepper Finds Her Way; A Blind Pup Tale*, Pepper is spreading the story of how she found her way again.

Contact the Plattsburgh Lions Club on their Facebook page, by e-mail at plattsburghlions@gmail.com or visit our Amazon page to buy your copy of *Pepper Finds Her Way; A Blind Pup Tale*

Regular Price \$10.00

All proceeds benefit the Plattsburgh Lions Club



Hand Sanitizer



\$5 per bottle, or buy 4 and get 1 free (save 25%!)

**Get yours today by contacting Ruth Sano at 518-859-3796
or albanytroylions@gmail.com**

- ◆ All proceeds benefit the Albany & Troy Lions Club and Grateful Villages
- ◆ FDA registered and approved hand sanitizer
- ◆ Made to W.H.O. standards
- ◆ 75% isopropyl alcohol for maximum efficacy
- ◆ Contains aloe for moisturizing and counteracting the drying effects of alcohol
- ◆ Only two ingredients; a natural product without the unwanted filler of industrial sanitizers
- ◆ Fine-mist spray applicator covers hands with just the right amount
- ◆ Glass bottles and high-quality packaging avoid single-stream waste and unnecessary plastics
- ◆ Sanitizer bottles are made to be refillable at local refill stations like the Honest Weight Food Coop



Grateful Villages Hand Sanitizer

2 fl-oz (59.15 ml)



PO Box 192 Troy, NY 12181-0192
(518) 512-2722 AlbanyTroyLions.org

Drug Facts

Active Ingredient:

Isopropyl Alcohol 75% v/v

Purpose:

Antiseptic

Use: Hand Sanitizer to help reduce bacteria that potentially can cause disease. For use when soap and water are not available.

Warnings:

For external use only.

Flammable. Keep away from heat or flame.

Do not use: - in children less than 2 months of age
- on open wounds.

When using this product: keep out of eyes, ears, and mouth. In case of contact with eyes, rinse eyes thoroughly with water.

Stop use and ask a doctor if irritation or rash occurs. These may be signs of a serious condition.

Keep out of reach of children. If swallowed, get medical help or contact a Poison Control Center right away.

Directions: Place enough product on hands to cover all surfaces. Rub hands together until dry. Supervise children under 6 years of age when using this product to avoid swallowing.

Store between 15-30°C (59-86°F)

Avoid freezing and excessive heat above 40°C (104°F)

Inactive Ingredient: Aloe Vera NDC: 76829-720-02

Spread the word, not the germs.

Masks are two-ply cotton separated by a coffee filter, and they're only \$10 each.



Can be hand-washed with a mild dish detergent like Dawn®. After the masks are made, they're washed, sprayed with antiseptic hydrogen peroxide and placed into a zippered plastic bag.



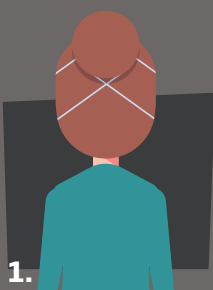
Albany & Troy Lions can call or email Jerry. This order form is for Lions from other clubs.

Mask Order Form		
	Quantity	Total \$
Masks @ \$10		
S & H (or contact Jerry to arrange delivery)		
1-2 masks: \$1; 3-4: \$2; 5-6: \$3; 7-8: \$4; 9-10: \$5. >10, ask		
Total:		
Name _____		
Address _____		
City, ST ZIP _____		
Phone _____ Email _____		
Club _____		
Make check payable to ALBANY & TROY LIONS CLUB and mail with this form to:		
Lion Jerry Gordon, 15 Hyland Circle, Troy, NY 12182-1690		
Questions? jerrygordon@juno.com or 518-235-8232		

Wearing a mask with your hearing aids



Clever tips to protect your ears and hearing aids while wearing a mask



1.

If you have long hair, pull it back into a bun and loop the elastics around the bun.



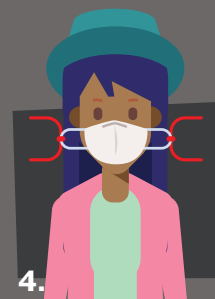
2.

Create a "mask extender" out of fabric or ribbon about 4 inches long. Buttons sewn on either side allows for a place to put the elastic other than your ears.



3.

Sew 2 large buttons onto a soft headband, placing the buttons to line up with each ear. Looping the elastic around each button will take the strain off your ears.



4.

Use masks with string or ribbons that tie in the back. There are YouTube videos on creating masks that tie, which puts absolutely no pressure on the ears.

Communicating when wearing a mask



Speak slowly, clearly and at a normal volume.



Rephrase remarks when not understood.



Take turns when speaking.



Make sure hearing aid users have them on.



Keep background noise in the room to a minimum.



Face each other (at a safe distance).

When removing your mask...

Check to make sure hearing aids are still in place after removing a mask as they may come off with mask removal.



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.**

Glens Falls Lions Club

By Lion Karen Rager

Our December 8th meeting was our only meeting for the month of December. This is normally our "Cookie Auction", but concerns over baking homegoods resulted in changing it to a "Basket Auction". Proceeds contributed to our administrative fund.

Saratoga Lions Phil Klein and PDG John McDonald attended to present two Bronze Knights of the Blind, from the Lions Eye Institute, to Lions Scott and Karen Rager.



Saratoga Lions Phil Klein and PDG John McDonald present Glens Falls Lions Karen and Scott Rager With Bronze KOBs.

King Lion Al received several "Milestone Chevron Awards" for the following Lions:

Pete Shortell	35 years
Diane Trippany	25 years
Stephen Lynch	15 years
Marianne Lynch	15 years
Peggy Ann Parker	10 years

Congratulations Lions and thank you for your service!

One of our Lions, Dick Cipperly participated the placing of wreaths in the "Wreaths Across America" project as he has for years at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery. He specifically purchased wreaths for three of our Veteran Lions: Garner Tripp,



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Rose Ora Stewart, and “Skip” LaRose. Thank you for doing this service to our veterans Lion Dick.

It is our hope that 2021 will provide you and yours, happiness, peace and most of all health.

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Glens Falls Lions Club fb page



Plattsburgh Lions Club

By Lion King Lion Dennis Hulbert

Our guest speaker was Margaret Searing from the Clinton County Health Department. She gave a very informative presentation on the Covid-19 pandemic. She explained what Health Department was doing to educate and inform the public of the safety protocols. Also the importance of contact tracing.

Due to the current uptick in the pandemic and two holiday times, we will not hold any in-person meetings in December. The Dec. 7th & 21st and Jan 4th have been cancelled. I will try to have a zoom meeting sometime in Dec. All board votes if needed will be done by e-mail. Please be alert to emails from Plattsburgh Lions and respond as requested. The next regular meeting, hopefully, will be January 18th.

“Pepper”

Book Sales

Update:

Thank you

to Lions

Tiffany

Garcia,

Lauren

Tyler, Jim

Williams,

Bob Walker,

Bobby

Wyand,

Clark Foster,

& Dennis Bardelcik. We sold 23 books in the Mall, plus another 59 to individuals and 2 by mail order. Total sales & donations thus far: \$219.00 for Pepper books and \$55.00 in donations for a total of: \$274.00.



If you think you could sell a few, please let me know and I'll get some to you.

I just got Milestone Chevrons from last years

District Governor. I am announcing them here, but will present them at the next in-person meeting:

Lion John Andrews	20 years
Lion James Williams	30 years
Lion Gary VanCour	35 years
Lion George Palmer	35 years
Lion Jayne Sorensen	35 years
Lion Ron Nye	35 years
Lion Robert Kline	60 years

Congratulations to all and thank you for your service!

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WHERE THERE'S A NEED,



THERE'S A LION!

Ballston Spa Lions Club

By Lion Ed Moore

Despite the virus shutting down our primary fundraiser—parking cars during the Saratoga County Fair, we continue to serve our community. For Thanksgiving we delivered



twenty “soup to nuts” full Thanksgivings dinners to the the Presbyterian Church and for Christmas we delivered twenty hams to each of the food pantries at the Baptist, Methodist and Episcopal Churches.

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Galway Lions Club & Galway Lioness Club

By Lion/Lioness Holly McConchie

Galway Lion and Lioness Joint Event

Halloween was just a little different this year in Galway. Due to Covid, the village decided to cancel trick or treating and the town thought the children still deserved to have a Halloween. They organized a Halloween in the Park (Dockstader Park) on Halloween afternoon from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. It involved



Galway Lions – pictured back row KL John, Lion Erich; front row – Riley, Lion Holly, Sydney, and Lion Ken.

over 30 organizations, businesses, individuals, etc. setting tables up around the Trick or Treat Trail every 8 feet or so and organizations manned each table



Galway Lioness – pictured Lioness Kelly, Lioness Karen, Lioness Janet and Lioness Joan.

individually wrapped candy to about 400 children over the course of the afternoon. The costumes were varied and all exciting to see, the children were in their glory and the parents were thankful to all for the opportunity of allowing their children some sense of “normality” during this very weird 2020.

Both the Galway Lions and the Galway Lioness manned tables in costume also and distributed sweet treats to the children and enjoyed their thankfulness and their energy.

Galway Lioness Memory Tree

The Galway Lioness held their 26th annual Memory

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Tree lighting successfully in the Galway Village Park on Sunday, November 29. Due to COVID, the lighting as well as the reading of the names was held outside in the park rather than moving to the Methodist Church as we usually do.



Photo: STAN HUDY/THE DAILY GAZETTE

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Chazy Lions Club

By Lion Priscilla Laurin

Ten Chazy Lions spent fifteen hours last weekend ringing the bell for the Salvation Army.

Chazy Lions teamed up with the Peru and Plattsburgh Lions to acknowledge to recognize essential workers at Meadowbrook Healthcare.



Above, President Tom Pepper, Karen Russell, Sue Labelle, and Jack Collins ring the bell for the Salvation Army.

Lion Tim Ryan and his wife Kathy played Santa & Mrs. Clause at a "Candy Cane Lane" event. The Lions club helped decorate the area around the school pond, where families drove their children through to wave to Santa and received a goodie bag.

Chazy Lions also donated \$250 to Stewarts Holiday Match Program. Every donation is matched penny by penny by Stewarts, to raise money for local Childrens Organizations.



Left, Lion Bob Wyland, (Plattsburgh Lions), Lion Dennis Hulbert, (Plattsburgh Lions), Lion Lincoln Sutherland, (Peru Lions), Lion Karen Russell, (Chazy Lions), and Lion Ed Eisdle, (Peru Lions)

acknowledging essential workers at Meadowbrook Healthcare.



Left, Santa and Mrs. Claus, AKA Lion Tim Ryan and his wife Kathy at the "Candy Cane Lane" event at Chazy Central Rural School.



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Lion John Saxe made the presentation of a \$250.00 check to Stewarts for their Holiday Match Program, on behalf of the Chazy Lions Club.

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Clinton Lions Club

By Lion Jim Winkler

Our one and only meeting of the month was conducted the second Thursday of December via Zoom. At that meeting, attended by 16 club members, we planned how we would address the needs of community members during the upcoming Holiday Season.

Our Leo Club Advisor, Lion Tom Hullar, received a request through the Middle School Nurse for assistance in acquiring a unique pair of hearing aids for a student in our school district. The student suffers from tinnitus in both ears and severe mid-range hearing loss that the audiological specialist has



DID IT GO IN? – Lion Rick Pascucci (yellow vest) & Community volunteer Gil Pallidino (red vest) thank Clinton resident Jim Suchy for his donation.

described as hereditary. The student's father has been unemployed since January and her mother works as a Special Education Teaching assistant with insurance that does not cover the cost of assistive hearing devices. The club voted to donate \$500 toward the procurement of hearing aids for the



RED KETTLE in CLINTON – Lion Tom Hullar leaves final instructions with High School students Sarah Klein & Jaden Hillage-Scribner

student and one of our members, a retired speech and hearing therapist contacted the parents to acquire additional information and attempt to direct the family in acquiring additional financial support. Since our meeting, other members of our club voluntarily donated an additional \$1,500 toward the purchase of the special hearing devices, making the total donation from the Clinton Lions \$2,000. Needless to say the family was elated. As we've heard many times... Where There's a Need, There's a Lion!

As has become the custom, we once again accepted the responsibility of organizing and staffing the Red Kettle Holiday Campaign for the local unit of the Salvation Army.

Due to the pandemic, staffing and locations were modified. For abbreviated hours compared to past years, we staffed the kettle on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the month of December at only one location in the community. A total of seven club members, one service-minded community member and four high school students assisted

ringing the bell during this shortened period of time. Although the money collected for our local unit and community was lower than in past years, we found the reduced pedestrian traffic flows were as friendly as ever and donated what they could. We had no problem obtaining people to staff the kettles and our final tally amounted to approximately 85% of previous



ARE BOTH THESE MINE? Clinton High School Juniors Carina Pascucci & Sophie McPherson await donations.

years. The club was again visible to all in our service to the community since we donned our reflective Lions vests and caps for ease of recognition.

Again, this month we continue collecting used eyeglasses from the various collection points around the community. These glasses are stored and forwarded to collection points for use in third world countries. Assistance at our local food pantry took place on December 7. Mother Nature began to catch up with us as the weather was definitely much more December-like with temperatures in the twenties with a steady wind and occasional snow flurries/squalls. It's central New York and that's what we've come to expect this time of year.

Still being conducted outside in the parking lot due to the CDC restrictions, we served over 770 families (more than 2,000 individuals). Some kids even got small Christmas gifts! Numbers of those needing assistance continue to increase monthly due to a second wave of layoffs, children on and off at school and the ongoing financial burdens of families. Thankfully to this point our community and benefactors have been able to continue the financial support needed to acquire food supplies necessary for the clients.

TRUSTING ALL REMAIN SAFE & HEALTHY

**WE WISH EVERYONE
MUCH BETTER TIMES IN 2021!**

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ARE YOU A KNIGHT OF THE BLIND?

**Did you know that over 5,000 children
and 30,000 adults are treated every year
at the Lions Eye Institute at Albany?**

**BECOMING A KNIGHT OF THE BLIND
is one way you can support this mission.**

**For more information:
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www.leialbany.com**

Sauquoit Valley Lions Club

By Lion John Griffin

During the Holiday Season local Senior shut-ins were recipients of Christmas gift bags from our Club in conjunction with the Sauquoit Valley Friends and Neighbors. Lion Laurie Jones and her committee purchased, prepared and delivered the gift bags. In additions to an array of personal items, each gift bag included; blankets, candy, socks, face mask and a \$40.00 gift certificate for Hannafords.

On 12/10th the Club held our first virtual meeting. Our first Zoom Meeting, orchestrated by Lion Connie Griffin and President Michael Bader, was a success with ten members participating. Our next meeting on January 14th will be remote as well and are looking to increase member participation.

The Club purchased \$700 in \$25.00 gift certificates from Orchard Hall Restaurant in Sauquoit to be distributed through Club members over the Holidays. In addition to supporting those in need, it was an opportunity for the Club to

support the venue which has been the Club's regular meeting place over many years. Like all restaurants, Orchard Hall has been facing many challenges during the pandemic.

The drawing for our Annual Holiday raffle will be held during our Zoom meeting on January 14th. Tickets are still available and can be purchased by contacting any Club Member.

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*Lion Connie Griffin and Lion John Griffin
participate in the Club's first virtual meeting on
December 10, 2020.*

2021

Albany & Troy Lions Club

By Lion Jerry Gordon

General Meeting

This was another Zoom meeting. It featured a presentation by Robin Ford of Street Soldiers/Troy. They distribute free food and clothing to the homeless and other needy every Thursday outside the Rourke Center (corner of State and 4th St) in downtown Troy. They can always use volunteers and donations and they have an Amazon wish list on their Facebook page. Lion Eva committed to donating Christmas dinner for 40 families. Her Bridge Tha Gap will do this in the name of our Lions club.

Board Meetings

Lion Ruth continues to update our Facebook page. Lion Carol will find us a speaker for a Zoom meeting in January. Lions Preem and Jerry will be handling PR. There were no reports from the other committees.

A new committee, comprising Lion Ruth as chair and Lions Maryanne and Carol, will come up with knitted hats, mittens and scarves from various sources to donate to the needy. They'll start with a donation to Street Soldiers.

The Coats for Kids project is coming to a close. So far, we have delivered 515 coats to the Trinity Alliance in Albany and the ERC Community Warehouse in Melrose, with more expected over the next few weeks.

Lion Ruth got glasses for two adults and two kids, and she has two free eyeglass vouchers from America's Best to use.

Lion Jerry is waiting for one hearing-aid application and is waiting for a return call from another applicant.

Lion Jerry reports that so far, the seal campaign has produced \$500 in donations from six donors at this time.

The Albany Community Development Agency grant has been successfully completed. We donated 5030 bottles of hand sanitizer and 2000 masks to residents of the West Hill, South End and Arbor Hill neighborhoods. We worked with organizations like Bridge Tha Gap, SNUG, West Hill Refugee Center, Frank Chapman Center, Alpha Pregnancy Center, and Eden's Rose Foundation. Vouchers have been submitted and we have received all payments.

We approved the purchase of four cartons of Easter bunnies for \$300 to support the Lions Eye Institute.

We approved the purchase of 20 raffle tickets for \$100 to help

send eleven Leos, one from each MD20 district, to the USA/Canada LEO Leadership Forum in Calgary next July.

We received thank-you notes from Vanderheyden for our \$250 donation and The Melodies Center at Albany Med for the gift cards we donated.

Our Next General Meeting

If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, why not try a Zoom meeting? Our next general membership meeting will be on Zoom on Wednesday, January 6 at 6:00 PM. Our guest speaker will be a surprise so please try to be there. As usual, the board meetings will follow the general meeting. I'll send out the link a day or two before the meeting.

Used Eyeglasses

Everyone knows we collect used eyeglasses, but do you know what goes into the process? We've got almost 80 locations throughout our bailiwick and in Clifton Park and Guilderland where folks can drop off their used glasses and hearing aids. They're all listed on our website. Lion Ruth Sano is one of our eyeglass-picker-uppers who regularly checks her assigned spots. Others are Lion Tom Hart, who's in charge of the whole operation, Lion Jerry Gordon, ex-Lion Elena Watson, and Tom's friend Beth. Using his brother's garage as a workspace, Tom sorts through them all and discards the broken frames and loose lenses. Any metal frames get sent to a company in California that pays us for the recoverable metal. He sends all the others to the Lions eyeglass recycling center in New Jersey, where they're cleaned and sorted by prescription, and then sent on Lions humanitarian missions around the world.

Used hearing aids are delivered to the Lions Hearing Conservation Society. They send them to a manufacturer who pays them for any reusable parts. This money is used to get new hearing aids for those who can't afford them. Our club has benefitted significantly from this program.

Seal Campaign

The seal campaign, one of our annual fundraisers, went into the mail in early November. It raised \$1540 for us last year, but so far we've received only \$750. I know times are tough and it seems like everyone's looking for money this year, but if you can spare a few bucks, you know we'll put it to good use. Make your checks payable to A & T Lions Charitable Fund and mail them to P. O. Box 192, Troy, NY 12181-0192.

Coats for Kids

As we've been doing every year since 2012, we again worked with News10/Fox23 on their Coats for Kids campaign. A number of area dry-cleaners accept gently used coats from the public and they clean them for free. Our job is to pick them up

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at the cleaners and deliver them to one of several designated distribution points, where those who can't afford new coats are welcome to take what they need. The program ran through November. This year's drivers were Lions Irv Ackerman, Dennis Fagan, Tom & Diane Hart, Larry Krug, and Carol & Paul Quantock. They delivered a total of 592 coats (plus a few hats), which is above average for the nine years, but not as many as the 640+ that we got in 2016-2018.

Coming Attractions

As this is being written (during the last week of 2020), your board of directors is working on three projects. Look for more details next month.

1. Providing financial assistance to the victims of a recent Troy fire, a single mother with two daughters.
2. Applying for a \$2000 grant from Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation to help fund the Pandemic Produce Pick-up for the month of February. This is a source of free food in Albany's West Hill neighborhood.
3. Applying for a \$50,000 United Way grant to essentially complete our blueberry orchard with the addition of 200 bushes to complete the orchard space, a proper sign, adequate irrigation, lights, fencing and other infrastructure, all required to support educational programming and youth employment opportunities so that the community may utilize this vital space for youth environmental stewardship, food access, and green space.

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Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation

By PDG Joan Scott

"THANK YOU SO MUCH for you continued support of the Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation, including your efforts promoting the Super Bowl Raffle sales, making last year's raffle a huge success. You are the best!! We are hoping for even greater success this year so we can continue to help the kids!

Once again, it is "Super Raffle" time. Due to the uncertainty of the Super Bowl event, this year the PRIZES ARE ALL CASH \$\$\$\$\$ (See our flyer on page 10 of this newsletter!).

The drawing will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2021."

TICKETS ARE \$20.00 PER TICKET OR 6 TICKETS FOR \$100.00

As of two weeks ago, District 20W had sold 142 tickets. If you need tickets or more information contact PDG Joan Scott at jmsc@roadrunner.com

Have a Safe and Happy New Year!

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New Voices Campaign

By Lion Rita Ware

A program launched in 2018-2019 to celebrate women's contributions and promote gender parity within Lions Clubs International. In 2019-2020 the program was expanded under International President Dr. Jung-Yui Choi to include young adults, including Leo Lions, and other underrepresented populations as diverse and sought-after New Voices in the association. This initiative is about hearing the story of the unheard and is a forum for sharing new ideas and learning from one another for the betterment of Lions Clubs International.

As the new voices Coordinator I would like to ask each club to choose one or more member, women or younger adults to provide the following information;

1. How long have you been a member?
2. Have you held any position in your club or if you have not yet are you planning on holding a position in the future?

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3. What fundraisers/service projects that your club holds do you enjoy and participate in?

4. What would you like to see your club do that it presently does not?

5. Anything you would like to share about your club?

Any other information would also be appreciated. The responses will be included in a report at the next district meeting as well as in the Roar. Let's hear from all the clubs. Send the information to rware@nycap.rr.com or to hmcconchie@aol.com

To find out more about New Voices you can check out the Lions International Web site at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/womens-initiative>

The first response was included in the last District report.

The 2nd response to the questions comes from 1st VDG Michele O'Hare of the Bethlehem Lions.

1. When did you join Lions and what made you join?

I joined in October 2009.

2. What officer positions, if any, have you held?

President of my Club, Board Member, Membership Chair, (see attached resume)

3. What fundraisers/service projects that your club holds do you enjoy and participate in?

Selling Christmas Trees, Selling Chocolate Bunnies, Food Drives, etc.

4. What would you like to see your club do that it presently does not?

More service projects for youth in the community

Some of Michele's other affiliations are:

Board Memberships

CURRENT

Lions Clubs International

(20W 1st Vice District Governor, 2020-2021)

(20W 2nd Vice District Governor, 2019-2020)

(20W District Governor, 2018-2019)

(20Y2 1st Vice District Governor, 2017-2018)

(20Y2 2nd Vice District Governor, 2015-2017)

(20Y2 Cabinet Secretary)

(Lion See Board Member, 2017-Present)

Hearing Conservation Society of NY

(President, July 2019-Present)

Brandel Murphy Youth Foundation

(Strategic Planning Member, July 2019-Present)

Bethlehem Lions Club

(Member)

Board member of New York Bermuda Lions Foundation

(June 2020 – Present)

Board Member of NYS Lion See Program

(2018-Present)

Capital Region CASH

(Executive Board Member, Chair of Marketing and Outreach)

Capital Region Caregivers Association

(Chair of the Marketing Committee, 2010-Present)

Lifepath of Albany, formerly Senior Services of Albany

(Board Member, 2016-Present)

Lifepath of Cohoes, formerly Senior Services of Cohoes

(Secretary 2017-Present)

Ladies of Charity Albany Diocese

(Member, 1983-Present)

(Vice President 2020-2021)

(Corresponding Secretary, 2015-2021)

Catholic Charities Senior and Caregiver

(Treasurer, June 2019-Present)

(Treasurer, 2015-June 2019)

Association of Fundraising Professionals

PAST

Northeast Health Foundation Board

Albany Boys and Girls Club

Junior League of Albany

Albany Country Historical Society

NYS Statewide Council for Seniors

AWARDS:

The International President's Award

(2nd Highest Award given out by Lions Club International, May 2019)

Lions International President Appreciation and Leadership Award Lions Club

(2015, 2016, 2018, 2019)

Lions International President's Certificate of Appreciation Global Action Team Honors (2019)

The N.Y. State Lions Multiple District MD-20 PDG

Organization Membership Growth Award (May 2019)

The N.Y. State Lions Multiple District MD-20 Presidents Trophy

(Recognizes the District that has achieved the highest % of new member growth, May 2019)

The N.Y. State Lions Multiple District 20 Past Director Director's Award

(Recognizes the District that has achieved the highest % of new member retention, May 2019)

2019 Progressive Melvin Jones 20-W Melvin Jones Fellow

2018 Knight of the Blind, Awarded by District 20Y-2 from the N.Y. State Sight Society

District 20Y2, Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award (NYS and Bermuda Lions Foundation, Lions NYS Past District Governors Association Leadership Award)

Lions District 20-Y2 President Award

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District & Club Resources

Important Links

Zone and Region Chairs

<https://tinyurl.com/y7dtrtz5>

Service Toolkit

<https://tinyurl.com/ybq7vnhd>

Club Resource Center

<https://tinyurl.com/y7onrj7l>

Club President

<https://tinyurl.com/ycbk9l9e>

Lions Learning Center

<https://tinyurl.com/y96hmy27>

Lions University

<https://lionsuniversity.org/>

Club Secretary

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Club Treasurer

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Membership Chair

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Services Chair

<https://tinyurl.com/y7nepq8p>

LCIF Coordinator

<https://tinyurl.com/y7w9zjzp>

Marketing and Communications

<https://tinyurl.com/y9scx447>

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

PHOTOS

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- **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.



Lions Hearing Conservation Society of NYS

LIONS LOAN-OUT EQUIPMENT

Below is a list of assistive devices available at many of LHCS of NYS's Loan-Out Centers.

(Other equipment may be available upon request)

Pocketalker

Personal amplifier. Ideal for one-to-one communication and TV listening.

Whistle Stop

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

Infrared TV Listening System

Wireless infrared amplification system.

Digital Alarm Clock

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

Personal FM System

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

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.

Amplified Telephone

Adjustable volume control with amplified ringer.

Cap-Tel Telephone

Telephone that has both amplification and caption capability. Telephone ringing, and alarm clock activation.

Amplified Telephone Ringers

Provides adjustable ring volume, frequency, and pitch tone.

Personal Body Pager

Pager works with the Alert Master. You wear it to alert to sounds while awake.

LIONS LOAN-OUT CENTERS

Madison Hearing Center

14 Columbia Circle West Drive, Suite 202
Albany, NY 12203
Voice: (518) 690-2060

Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany

301 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12206
Voice: (518) 463-1211, ext. 241

Madison & Saratoga Hearing Center

81 Miller Road, Suite 700
Castleton, NY 12033
Voice: (518) 689-0792

Center for Better Hearing

318 Ridge Street
Glens Falls, NY 12801
Voice: (518) 638-4363

Audiologic Solutions

361 Fairview Avenue, Suite 350
Hudson, NY 12534
Voice: (518) 631-2564

Saratoga Hearing Center/Saratoga Medical Arts Bldg.

414 Maple Avenue
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
Voice/TTY: (518) 584-0578

Schoharie Office for the Aging

113 Park Place, Suite 3
Schoharie, NY 12157
Voice: (518) 295-2001

Resource Center for Independent Living

131 Genesee Street
Utica, NY 13503
Voice: (315) 797-4642 Ext. 2928
TTY: (315) 797-5837

Capital Region Hearing

9 West Sand Lake Road
Wynantskill, NY 12198
Voice: (518) 326-1742