

District 20W LIONS ROAR

DECEMBER 2023

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"Lions Serve up Hope"

A message from District Governor Priscilla Laurin



Greetings Fellow Lions & Leo's,

November was a wonderful month full of many activities including our fall conference. Our fall conference was great! Thanks to all who attended. Our special guest International Director (ID) Ron and Kitty Keller offered a lot of information and knowledge to us. Our newest club, the Albany Campus club is coming together- they have 26 students interested in becoming Lions.

Congratulations to Jerry Gordon, Jim Winkler and Eric Unislawski who each received recognition from ID Ron Keller.

Special thanks to Lion Diane Lange for arranging a tour of the Ronald McDonald House for the Kellers. Personally, I was very impressed with what they are doing. I hope our district can consider supporting Ronald McDonald House.

Our next district meeting will be February 10, 2024, at the Holiday Inn Saratoga – please mark your calendar and consider attending.

As you begin to plan your 2024 calendar year, please consider adding the NYS Lions Convention schedule for May 3 and 4, 2024. This year New York state will celebrate 100 years of Lionism. The convention committee is planning some special events.

Each December many of us consider donating to our favorite charity. If you are able to donate something this year, please consider giving

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to LCIF. Remember Lions Club International is your organization and all donations can be tax deductible.

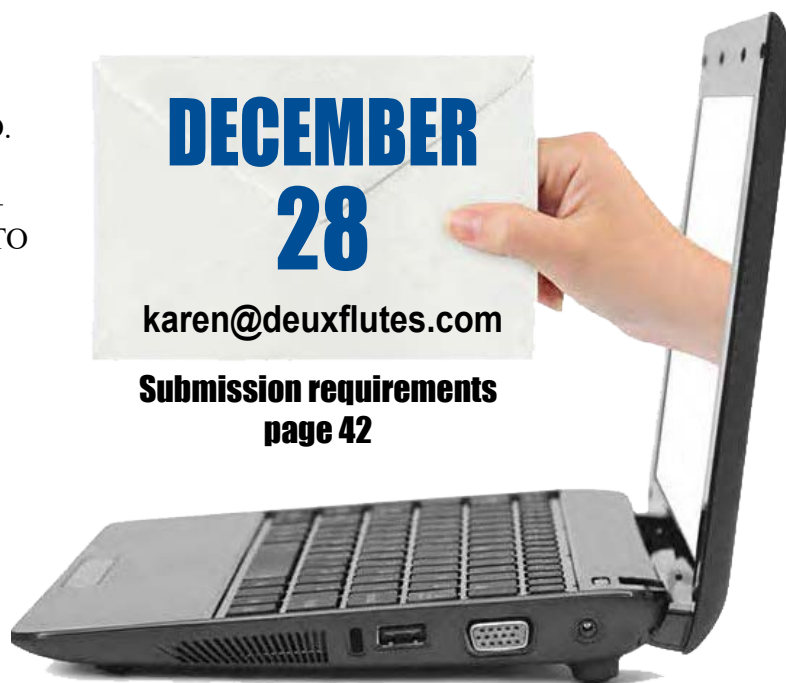
“Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone.”-Charles M Schulz

“AND SO, I’M OFFERING THIS SIMPLE PHRASE TO KIDS FROM ONE TO NINETY TWO. ALTHOUGH IT’S BEEN SAID MANY TIMES, MANY WAYS, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU.” – THE CHRISTMAS SONG (MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU)

YIL,

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NEXT ROAR DEADLINE



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**Submission requirements
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To get district 20W's newsletter

LIONS ROAR

[click here](#)

Fill all the required spaces and submit!

It's That Easy!

Get ready for the Lion Portal

We're updating the digital tools you use as a Lion. To put it simply, we're taking the functionality you have today with MyLion, MyLCI, Insights and other tools and combining them into one cohesive and consistent experience — the Lion Portal

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/digital-products/portal-updates>

WHO'S WHO

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Your Name Here

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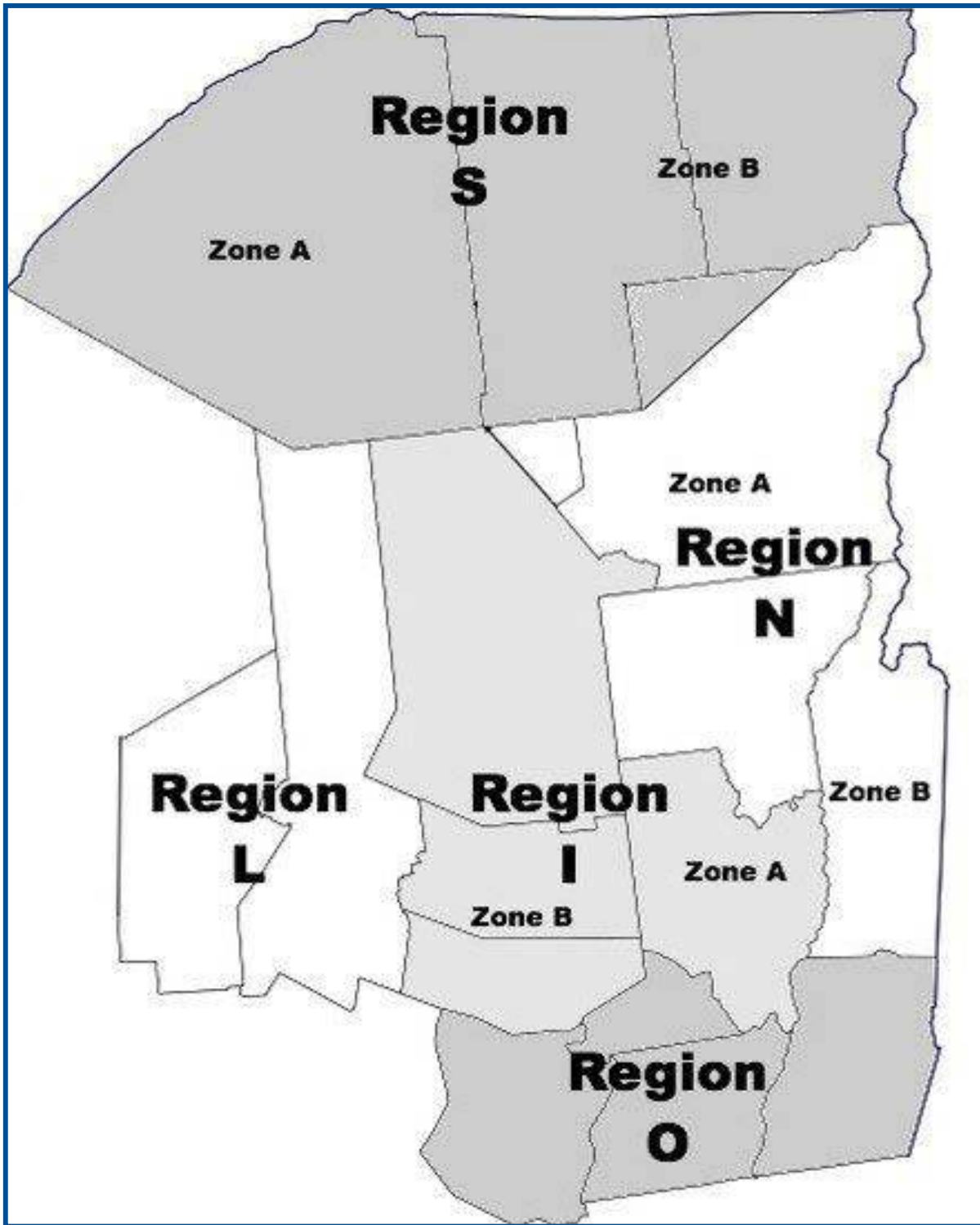
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Lake, Tupper Lake*



TEAMWORK!



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, and Washington.



Global Leadership Team



GLT Coordinator
PCC MARK WHITNEY

We have lots of great opportunities to learn and grow in December and January both on your own schedules and through the Lions LEARN courses online...and then later with other Lions in some zoom fire-side chats and round table discussions.



Learning Path

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Club Membership Chairperson Learning Path [EN]

The Club Membership Chairperson learning path has been creat...



Learning Path

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Club President Learning Path [EN]



Learning Path

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Club Secretary Learning Path [EN]



Learning Path

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Club Treasurer Learning Path [EN]

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When you have a quiet moment I highly encourage you to log on to the www.lionsclubs.org website and explore the Lions YouTube channel for interesting videos and also recorded seminars like this newest one covering our strategic growth plans... Click here: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/mission1.5>

Mission 1.5

We're on a mission to grow!



MISSION 1.5 is a dedicated effort. We have committed the next four years to reaching this historic Lions Clubs membership goal. Every

Lion has an important part to play. Together, we can grow Lions Clubs to extraordinary new heights, serving an untold number of people in need. Our Global Membership Approach is designed to revitalize existing clubs, charter new ones and inspire all Lions through fellowship and exciting service.

We will be having several webinar to learn more about **Mission 1.5** in the upcoming months. In the meantime, learn more by visiting <http://www.lionsclubs.org/mission1.5>

Then looking forward, on January 29th and 30th please plan to join us for one or both nights of some fun interactive virtual 'Skills Round Robins' discussions. We'll be sharing experiences of all things club officers are interested in knowing including President/VP review, Secretary instruction, Treasurer compliance, the new digital platform, and other need to know topics as requested.

And then on the 31st of January we will again be joining with the Lions of district 20Y for a newly updated Club Membership Chair orientation and sharing useful resources.

All Lions are invited to attend any of these events. We will send an email in January with a link for your free zoom registration. You can also contact me at md20pccmark@gmail.com anytime with questions.

This month don't forget to encourage your Leo Club members to register for the International Leo Day webinar hosted by the Leo-Lion Board Liaisons and the chairs of the Leo Club Program Advisory Panel!

Plan to join everyone on December 5th at 11am for the annual International Leo Day webinar. Register today and add it to your calendar. #LoudandProudLeo



The free registration link is here —>

lionsclubs-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_p53sB5rWQqyeW3Pi0kI5-g

CALENDAR

Lions Eye Bank

Raffle Drawing December 7, 2023

Town of Greenfield Lions Club

Pop up Christmas Shops December 9, 2023

St. Catherine's Center for Children

Gift Wrapping Day December 22, 2023

Lions Eye Institute

Bunny Deadline January 5, 2024

Sauquoit Valley Annual Raffle January 13, 2023

Brandel-Murphy Youth Fondation

Super Raffle February 11, 2024

New York State & Bermuda

Lions Clubs

100th Convention/Binghamton May 3 - May 5, 2024



Official Convention Pin

**New York State & Bermuda
Lions Clubs**

100th CONVENTION

in Binghamton, NY

May 3 - May 5, 2024

**Click the QR Code
to Register**



OR go to this link

www.md20lionsconvention.org

**FREQUENTLY ASKED
QUESTIONS ARE ON
THE FOLLOWING
PAGE.**

Download Brand Guidelines here:
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**Lions International
Brand Guidelines**

How to represent the world's
premier service organization.

BINGHAMTON LIONS 100TH NY-BERMUDA (aka MD20) CONVENTION REGISTRATION Q&A

Here are a couple of questions that have arisen along with the answers to assist and help you register for our Friday, May 3 – 5th 2024 Convention – “It's Historic!”

HOW DO YOU REGISTER?

A. Attendees go to <https://md20lionsconvention.org>

Then click **Register** that you see in several places on the website. When they click register, they will be prompted to fill out information. When they check out, they have a 'Zeffy' option to help allow Lions Clubs to keep every cent they are trying to raise by having attendees help pay the banking/credit card transaction fees and cost of the Zeffy registration platform we are using. Competitor pricing like Eventbrite charge up to 8% for this service. Attendees DON'T have to leave anything but they can choose to help out and there are suggested amounts...or the attendee can put their own donation or nothing.

WHEN LIONS REGISTER ONLINE, DOES IT HELP CUT DOWN OUR PRINTING COSTS?

A. HUGEY!

IF PEOPLE REGISTER ONLINE WILL THERE BE A NEED TO HAND THEM ANYTHING TO CHECK-IN AT THE CONVENTION REGISTRATION TABLES?

A. When registered attendees will receive a receipt with a Registration QR Code that they show when they checking at the Convention. They also receive links to purchase their meals that will also produce individual Meal QR Codes that they need to bring as proof of purchase on their smart device or by printing them to show them. Otherwise they can't get into the meal that they have purchased.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR THOSE THAT WANT TO REGISTER ONSITE THE DAY OF THE CONVENTION?

A. They can register on site, but they can't purchase any meals as not only does the price for everything go up, meal orders are cut off a couple weeks before the convention to allow the convention staff to coordinate the 1000s of meals they serve during the convention.

If registering onsite they will need to register when they check with a volunteer Lions convention staff who can assist those not able to use the Internet or technology – and that's okay!

Please note however that this is time consuming for our volunteers so we are asking to register BEFORE attendees get to the convention, unless they are just not able to. Essentially at the check-in table we're going through the exact process to register you as they would have if they registered online.

Not to mention when they register online at www.md20lionsconvention.org, they are helping save Lions \$\$\$\$\$ to reduce the actual cost to the multiple Lions for running the convention.

DOES ANYONE NEED TRAINING TO REVIEW AND LEARN THE NEW REGISTRATION PROCEDURE?

A. Only our volunteer staff who are working the registration tables to register people who didn't register online.

In truth, the actual registration system is very easy by just following the prompts but if there are questions you can certainly reach out to Maria P at the District Office or Aaron D through the contact form on the www.nylionsclubs.org website or the convention site. Zeffy.com - our registration technology partner - also has superb customer service to answer questions.

Since we are a volunteer organization, especially as we get closer to the convention, it may take a day or two to get back to those that need questions answered. So the earlier everyone registers, or tries to register to know they have an issue, the better.

We can't wait to see you – it's historic!

NYS and Bermuda LIONS District 20-W



Marketing Plan for the 2022-2023 LION Year

#Lions of Upstate New York

District 20-W Marketing Plan 2022-2023



What do we want to achieve?

- Specialty Club and New Club Initiative
- Increased Awareness of our Mission
 - General Public – Families and community
 - Other Service Organizations
- Membership – Growth and Retention
- Service expansion
- Leverage LCI Resources

Develop Partnerships with other Community/Business Groups

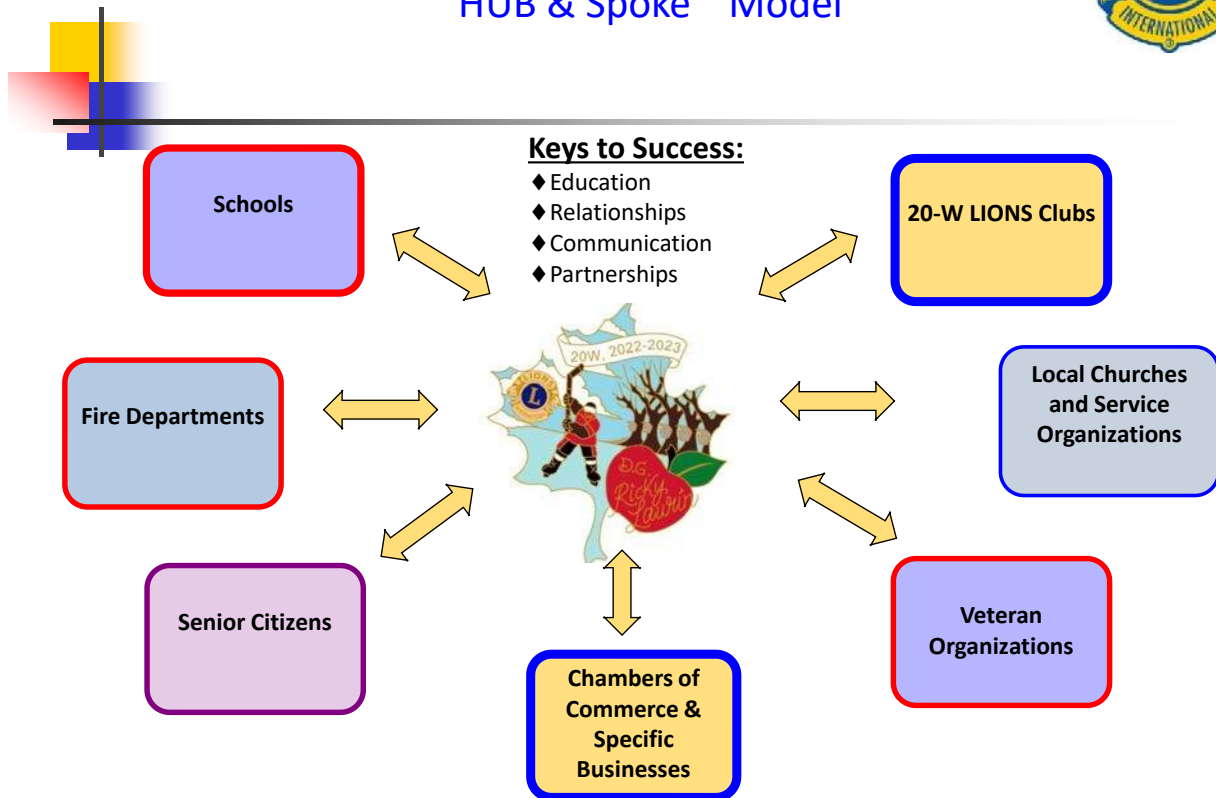


20-W Current Plans

- District Wide Coloring Book Program
 - Application to NYS/Bermuda for PR Grant to produce and distribute books and crayons
 - Plan to work with other districts on distribution
- Meeting with Communications and Marketing Team to develop focused strategy on supporting the District.
 - Lion Jerry Gordon, Lion Karen Rager, PDG James Griffith, Lion Barbara Bentley, Lion Joe Wagner and PDG John McDonald (Eye Institute Model)
 - District Facebook – Lion Barbara and PDG James
 - Website and Directory – Lion Jerry Gordon
 - Newsletter & MD20 Magazine – Lion Karen Rager
- Focus on specific messaging and communication channels
 - Content, Frequency and Education
 - Embrace "Thinking out of the Box" to bring our message
 - Obtain Funding/Grants to execute plan.
 - District and Local Clubs Partnering on the plan

How does the District move forward with a Marketing Plan?

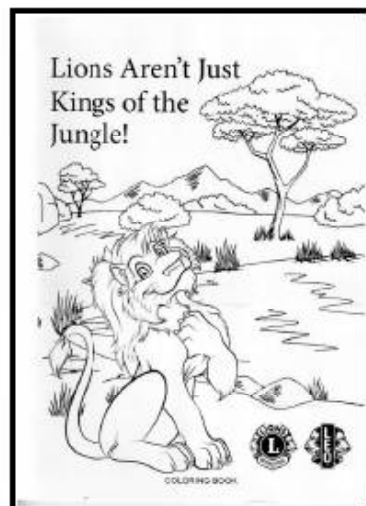
Expanding Membership & Service through a "HUB & Spoke" Model



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District 20-W Communications and Marketing Committee



❖ District Coloring Book

- Designed by DG Ricky Laurin and Lion Karen Rager
- 27 pages of Informative Fun on LIONS
- Education for Children and Adults
- Highlights LIONS Global Causes
- Publish 4500 books in early 2023
- Distributed to 20-W Clubs and neighboring Districts
- Lions Application Form incorporated
- Supports Membership and Service
- Working with Crayola Cares for supporting with boxes or crayons

Committee Members

Lion Barbara Bentley – Facebook Editor
 Lion Karen Rager – Newsletter/MD20 Mag
 Lion Jerry Gordon – Website/Directory
 PDG James Griffith – Facebook Admin
 Lion Bob Townsend – District Coordinator
 Lion Joe Wagner – Technical Support
 PDG John McDonald – Advisor

Phase 1 – 4500 books – cost of \$4,000
 Funds from District and Submitting for a Brandel-Murphy Foundation matching grant of \$2,000



District 20-W Communications and Marketing Committee



❖ Video Marketing Plan

1. Getting our Mission and Message to the public
 - ❖ Continue Efforts on Facebook and District Web Sites
 - ❖ Work with MD20 on new e-clubhouse redesign/redeployment
 - ❖ District wide Technology team for club websites
2. Develop Video Clips about our District
 - Focus on Who is District 20-w LIONS, Regional Coverage, Mission and Causes, IMPACT
 - Leverage Success from the LIONS Eye Institute and Camp Abilities Programs
 - Approach approved at November 5 Cabinet Meeting
 - Partner with Pepe Productions on producing content and videos
 - **Develop initial video focused on Hunger (Show the Impact) – 90 to 120 seconds**
 - Establish a generational approach to build additional videos for the District

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Send in your Photos and Video Clips on your club's hunger Programs
 *****Email to rtownsen@nycap.rr.com

2022-2023

2023-2024

*****Post Holiday Food Drive – Nov/Dec – Production in January**

Mission of the LIONS District 20W

What is the LIONS District 20W

Services of the LIONS District 20W

Projects of LIONS District 20W

Impact of LIONS District 20W Efforts

School Impact of LIONS District 20W

Videos include – Pictures, Video outtakes, Narrative, Interviews

\$750 for first Video – 15% reduction on the non-profit rates

Need input from multiple clubs across the District

<https://youtu.be/r9lOeb4P7ps>

Accessible to all clubs for Community and Club Education

DG PRISCILLA'S VISITATION SCHEDULE for 2023-2024

Rev date: October 30, 2023

<i>Alphabetical</i>		<i>Chronological</i>	
Albany & Troy	Sep 6	Saranac Lake	Aug 3
Ballston Spa	Feb 21	Clifton-Fine	Aug 14
Bethlehem	Feb 7	Scotia-Glenville	Sep 5
Broadalbin Perth	Mar 28	Albany & Troy	Sep 6
Cambridge	Nov 8	Edwards	Sep 11
Chazy		New Hart NYM White	Sep 12
Clifton-Fine	Aug 14	Fonda & Fultonville	Sep 13
Clinton	Oct 12	Raquette River	Oct 3
Deerfield	Oct 12	Duane	Oct 4
Duane	Oct 4	Schuylerville,	Oct 5
Edwards	Sep 11	Mechanicville-Still	Oct 9
Fonda & Fultonville	Sep 13	Clinton, Deerfield, Sauquoit, Utica	Oct 12
Galway	Nov 13	Town of Schroom	Oct 16
Glens Falls	Mar 26	Heuvelton	Oct 17
Gouverneur	Oct 25	Long Lake	Oct 18
Greater Amsterdam		Town of Hoosick	Oct 19
Greater Herkimer	Apr 3	Lake Placid	Oct 23
Greater Johnstown	Mar 13	Gouverneur	Oct 25
Greater Ravena	Feb 28	Plattsburgh	Nov 6
Greenwich	Feb 15	Holland Patent	Nov 7
Hadley-Luzerne	Nov 15	Cambridge	Nov 8
Heuvelton	Oct 17	Ogdensburg	Nov 9
Holland Patent	Nov 7	Hadley-Luzerne	Nov 15
Lake Placid	Oct 23	Galway	Nov 13
Lisbon	Apr 9	Saratoga Springs	Nov 30
Long Lake	Oct 18	Peru	Dec 7
Louisville		Malone	Dec 13
Malone	Dec 13	Bethlehem	Feb 7
Marcy Telephone	Mar 6	Greenwich	Feb 15
Mechanicville-Still	Oct 9	Ballston Spa	Feb 21
New Hart NYM White	Sep 12	Greater Ravena	Feb 28
Newcomb	Apr 10	Marcy Telephone	Mar 6
Ogdensburg	Nov 9	Greater Johnstown	Mar 13
Peru	Dec 7	Glens Falls	Mar 26
Plattsburgh	Nov 6	Town of Greenfield	Mar 27
Raquette River	Oct 3	Broadalbin Perth	Mar 28
Saranac Lake	Aug 3	Greater Herkimer	Apr 3
Saratoga Springs	Nov 30	Lisbon	Apr 9
Sauquoit Valley	Oct 12	Newcomb	Apr 10
Schuylerville	Oct 5	Tupper Lake	Apr 18
Scotia-Glenville	Sep 5	Waterford	May 1
Speculator		Town of Wright/Schoh	May 20
Town of Greenfield	Mar 27		
Town of Hoosick	Oct 19		
Town of Schroom	Oct 16		
Town of Wright/Schoh	May 20		
Tupper Lake	Apr 18		
Utica	Oct 12		
Waterford	May 1		

PROTOCOL FOR THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISITATION

For the District Governor to have a successful visit to your club, please adhere to the following recommendations:

1. Keep your Club's calendar open for the date agreed upon.
2. Please do not schedule any other guest speaker at that meeting.
3. Plan on conducting your regular meeting and agenda, unless the District Governor requests that he/she speak first. (In case of inclement weather or a long drive home for the DG.)
4. The District Governor will be honored to induct new members at the official visit. Please notify in advance.
5. It is customary that the meal of the DG be paid for by the club. It is optional that the meal of the Partner-in-Service be paid for.
6. Send a notice to all members of the Club that the DG will be making his/her official visit. Be sure to give them the date and request that as many as possible attend.
7. Be proud of your Club and tell the DG of your activities.



EVENTS/FLYERS



LIONS EYE BANK

of the Northeast

Drawing held Thursday, December 7th

**RAFFLE
\$20 PER
TICKET**

**07
DEC**

1st Prize \$2500 **2nd Prize \$1000**
3rd Prize \$500

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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SAUQUOIT VALLEY LIONS HOLIDAY RAFFLE

SAUQUOIT VALLEY LIONS CLUB

HOLIDAY RAFFLE

\$50/TICKET

\$1000 - 1ST PLACE | \$500 - 2ND PLACE
\$300 - 3RD PLACE | \$200 - 4TH PLACE
\$100 - 5TH-9TH PLACE
ONLY 125 TICKETS SOLD

DRAWING ON JANUARY 13, 2024

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

TICKET # 39

Contact any member or the Club Treasurer at 315-794-0908



Lions Foundation at Albany, NY, Inc.

Easter Bunny Sales

**In Support of the Lions Eye Institute
A Proven Fundraiser 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 logo and comes individually boxed with NEW PACKAGING.

This year, there are 12 bunnies per case.

The Lions Foundation suggests a retail price of \$5 per bunny as a fair price that represents a balance between price, volume and quality for a fair profit fundraiser for your club.

**Easter is March 31, 2024
Place Your Bunny Orders Now!**

**The Price
To Your Club:**

**\$38.00 / Case
12 per case**

**Orders must be
placed by
January 5th**



**Orders Must Be Placed
No Later Than
January 5, 2024
By Mailing Order Form
& Payment To:**

Barbara Bentley
P.O. Box 1031
Guilderland, NY 12084
518-894-1375 (c)
barbann22@gmail.com

Checks made payable to:
Lions Foundation at
Albany, NY Inc.

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For questions contact:

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518-894-1375 (c)
or
Phil Klein
518-378-8111 (c)

Lions Foundation Easter Bunny Order Form

Number of Cases:

Name: _____

Milk Chocolate (12/cs): _____

Club: _____

Dark Chocolate (12/cs): _____

Email: _____

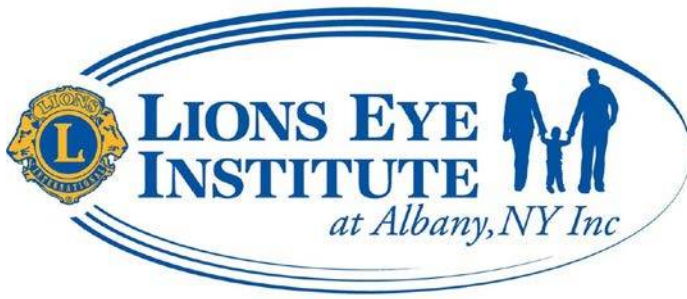
Total Cases: _____

Phone #: _____

Amount Due: \$ _____

Please keep a copy of this order form for your records

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November 2023

Hello Fellow Lions,

Even though we are all looking forward to the Thanksgiving Holiday, it is time to think about ordering Chocolate Bunnies. That is right, we are leaping across a few holidays and some cold weather to starting thinking about springtime and bunnies.

I have attached the Lions Chocolate Bunny Flyer with all the instructions for ordering them.

The pricing is the same as last year and we have been told the new packaging is beautiful!!

However, **PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT THERE ARE 12 PER CASE THIS YEAR, NOT 24 PER CASE!**

Please make sure to discuss this at your next Lions Club meeting, as the **order date deadline of January 5, 2024**, will be here before you know it!

Just as a reminder, your club can sell them to your members, to the general public or donate them to food pantries or other worthwhile causes. I would also like to remind you that this is a fundraiser for your Lions Eye Institute at Albany (LEI) and the Lions Foundation at Albany. Let's all get behind this great event and support the LEI so we can continue to help those that need the assistance.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to myself, via my contact info below, or to Lion Phil Klein at 518-378-8111.

Sincerely,

Lion Barbara Bentley
LEI Secretary/Bunny Committee Chair
barbann22@gmail.com
518-894-1375 (C)

15 Vista Blvd., Slingerlands, NY 12159

Supported by the Lions Foundation at Albany

District 20W Colorbooks Are HERE!



IPDG Ricky Laurin is busy handing them out to clubs!

When Your Club gets your colorbooks:

1. Please add a label with your club information/QR code. Stamping will just rub off.

2. Keep track of your inventory - where you deliver them to. Check periodically to refill and see how many have been taken.

3. You could include a sign that says, "Please take one".

4. Most important, keep track of any new members who have inquired and joined your club because of the colorbook.



PDG Joan Scott Leadership Award

Hear the World

The **Lions Hearing Conservation Society of NYS** is proud to introduce the
'PDG Joan Scott Leadership Hear the World Award'.

This award has been established to recognize a Lion, individual or organization that has listened to the needs of their community and helped implement that vision.



Name of recipient can be etched onto the award (total of 40 characters including award name allowed). Award is 9 ³/₄ inches high.

Purchase price \$300.00 (no tax) and shipping is included.

- **Make checks payable to: LHCS**
- **Mail to: PDG Rick Brisee, 192 Middletown Road, Waterford, NY 12188**

Any questions: (518) 209-8812 or rbrisee@hotmail.com



Town of Greenfield Lions Club

Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale



TREES \$50 each

**Wreaths: Plain \$15
With Bow \$20**

Corner of Rt 9N and Wilton Road
***Self-Serve* Lions On-Site during Weekends**

The Town of Greenfield Lions Club thanks you for your continued support of our efforts. Proceeds from this sale benefit Sight, Hearing, Hunger, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer Awareness, Environment, Disaster Relief and Youth Programs in our community. *Thank You!!*

Sale starts November 19, 2023

**Town of Greenfield
Lions Club**

Christmas

Pop-up Shop

Dec 9th

10am to 5pm

**Greenfield Community Center
25 Wilton Road**



For More Information please email
vplummer122@gmail.com or
call Lion Verna Plummer 518-605-6105

Lions Fresh Homemade Hot Soups or Chili

Local Vendors & Crafters

Lions Cookbook & Leo Bake Sale

Food Drive for Food Pantry



Hope for the Holidays

Memories of happy holidays aren't always a reality for parents like Sasha and David, who have two young girls and found themselves in a homeless shelter last year. For 8-year-old Aidan, who was removed from his home after suffering years of neglect, it won't be a happy holiday season until he finds a safe and happy home with loving caregivers.

At this time of year, friends of St. Catherine's often ask how they can brighten the holidays for someone in need. St. Catherine's **Hope for the Holidays** program offers a variety of ways you can help.

Adopt-a-Child / Adopt-a-Family: The holidays can be especially difficult for parents who are unable to provide for their children. Our **Adopt-a-Child / Adopt-a-Family** program allows you, your family and friends, or your group/organization the opportunity to make a big impact. Just reach out to us, and we will match you with a child or family in need. Needs may include food, household items/essentials, clothing, or toys. If you would like to participate in this program, we ask that you plan ahead so that your shopping is complete and donations are ready for delivery or pick-up no later than December 5. Contact us to learn more!

Donate a Holiday Meal: A bag of groceries is all you need to make a memorable holiday meal for a family or someone in need. A turkey or ham, canned goods, rolls, and an apple or pumpkin pie will do the trick. Our staff will personally deliver your meal(s) to those who will most benefit from your gift.

Gift Wrapping Day: Our annual gift wrapping day is scheduled for Thursday, December 21 (snow day December 22) from 10am to 3pm at 40 North Main Avenue in Albany. We're always looking for volunteers to join us and help wrap toys or gifts. We provide the wrapping paper, scissors, tape, and snacks. You just bring a holiday smile (colorful sweaters are optional). Simply call Dori O'Neal at 518-641-6802 to get on our volunteer list, as tables fill up quickly! ***Be sure to ask about other holiday volunteer opportunities!***

Holiday Gift Catalog: You can use our Holiday Gift Catalog to make cash donations that will be used to support children, adults, and families in need. Your gift can help send a child to camp, pay for therapeutic art classes for traumatized children, and so much more. Call Dori O'Neal at 518-641-6802 to be added to our mailing catalog mailing list.

Holiday Tree: Starting in mid-November, St. Catherine's will collect gifts for children through our Holiday Trees. Simply visit Colonie Center or Aviation Mall and pick a card of your choice from the tree. Shop for the gift listed on the card, and ***drop the unwrapped gift in our collection box by the designated date.*** Or, you can reach out to us if you would like to set up your own Holiday Tree at your office or workplace. ***We will wrap and deliver all gifts by December 25, so please return your Angel donation just as soon as possible!***

Host a Children's Holiday Party: Hosting a party for children is always a great way to bring holiday cheer! Call us if you're interested, and we'll discuss the details!

Call Dori O'Neal at 518-641-6802 or Michele Puleo-O'Hare at 518-453-6702, or email holidayhope@st-cath.org to learn more about holiday giving opportunities noted above.



BRANDEL-MURPHY YOUTH FOUNDATION

PO Box 913, Rockville Centre, NY 11571

www.brandelmurphyfoundation.org

September, 2023

"SUPER HERO RAFFLE"



Dear Lion Leaders,

Greetings from the Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation team!

I am proud to "kick-off"  our annual fundraiser, the 2024 "SUPER HERO RAFFLE". Our drawing will be held on Super Bowl Sunday, February 11, 2024. The Grand Prize is **\$5,000** with eight (8) additional prizes totaling **\$10,000 in cash!!**

Enclosed please find traditional paper tickets; however, we encourage you, and your family and friends, to **purchase your tickets online with a credit card** at brandelmurphyfoundation.org or **SCAN QR code below.**

If paper tickets are sold, please mail stubs and proceeds to Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation, PO Box 913, Rockville Centre, NY 11571. Tickets must be received prior to the drawing on 02/11/2024. If you have any questions or need additional tickets, please contact me at wecare@brandelmurphyfoundation.org or on my cell phone at (315) 726-3117.

Your donations provide critical funding for our Grants Programs. Al and Maureen, as well as the entire BMYF team, want to thank you, for without your dedicated support, it would be impossible for us to fulfill our mission to improve the lives of children in MD-20.

Yours in service,
John Wargo

PCC John Wargo
President, BMYF

Scan here
to purchase
TICKETS



**Protect your vehicles from the salt, sand and ravages of weather
with a Hoffman Car Wash available from**



**Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club
and Hoffman Helping Hands**

Please support our fund raiser at:



**[www.hoffmanhelpinghands.com/fundraisers/
roarwithlions2023](http://www.hoffmanhelpinghands.com/fundraisers/roarwithlions2023)**

Bottle & Can

RETRIEVAL CENTERS™



Bring your recyclable donations to
Plc-N-Nickel Bottle and Can Retrieval Center
4303 NY-30, Amsterdam.
Credit the Broadalbin-Perth Lions
Foundation account.

Help keep your community and environment clean while
helping the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield
community when you donate your bottles and cans.



All funds donated to the Broadalbin-Perth Lions
Foundation will be used exclusively to support the needs
of the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community.

Visit bottleandcanrc.com for any fundraising inquiries or needs.



2023-2024

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

Date: _____

Club Name: _____ Club Number: _____ District: _____

2023-2024 Club President's Name: _____

Member Number: _____ Email Address: _____

1. MEMBERSHIP

☐ Achieved a net growth of one or more members **or** ☐ Chartered new Lions club or Club Branch

Name of Lions Club or Branch: _____

2. SERVICE

☐ Contributed to LCIF an amount equal to or greater than the club's membership total multiplied by US\$5.

Year-end membership count _____ x US\$5= _____

☐ Started a new service project. *Consider one of our Global Causes!*

☐ List Three service activities your club participated in that were reported to LCI:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

3. LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

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

☐ Reported Club Officers to LCI

☐ Key Officers participate in club officer training

4. MARKETING

☐ The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media

Learn more about [promoting your club and activities](#), and learn about the Marketing Award

...continued on next page

2023-2024 District Governor Signature*: _____ District: _____
District Governor Member Number: _____ Date: _____

Due by: August 31, 2024

Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org

Awards Mailed to: 2024-2025 District Governors

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

Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club will be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at LCI.



Lions International

District and Clubs Administration

Lions Clubs International

300 W. 22nd St.

Oak Brook IL 60523-8842 USA

www.lionsclubs.org

DA-CEA 4/2023 EN



This is the big one. If you used to attend or have never attended one of our Multiple Districts' Lions Convention this is the one to go to. It's our 100th. We'll be speaking a lot about it as we want everyone to attend who is a New York or Bermuda Lions Club member.

How do you register, select your meals, and reserve your hotel rooms for this next historic New York state & Bermuda Lions Clubs 100th Convention in Binghamton, NY from Friday May 3, 2024 to Sunday, May 5, 2024? Why do you want to register now? It's because pricing is now at an early bird discount. Prices go up in April 2024, so don't delay!

To register, go to md20lionsconvention.org and click register or click on the QR code. Once registered you will be directed to be able to purchase tickets for scheduled convention breakfasts, luncheons, and of course the very special 100th celebration Gala, with a 'Roaring 20s-themed' party that celebrates 100 years of us as Lions at our New York & Bermuda 100th Convention. The program of all activities and workshops will be published in March and you will be able to register for them as well when they are posted.

Just follow the prompts and keep your receipts for your registration and each meal. You can print the receipts or have them on your smart device, like a cellphone, but in order to check-in at the convention and each meal paid event you want to go to you will need each of those unique QR codes that will be in your receipt(s) to access what you are trying to attend.

To make this happen, this year we are introducing a new technology to help Lions better manage our 100th New York State & country of Bermuda's (aka MD-20) Lions Convention, centrally located in beautiful Binghamton, NY this coming Friday, May 3rd through Sunday, May 5th, 2024.

To assist in this worthy but daunting task, we've partnered with a Canadian-based technology solution company called Zeffy.com. Zeffy is only available for registered charities. They offer a state-of-the-art registration, ticket and meal purchases through their technology platform and we as Lions will NOT be charged ANY banking, credit card fees, or fees to use their technology. They make it available for not-for-profits to raise more funds and serve more people.

What does that mean? That means that with Zeffy, every dollar raised by registration and meals goes to the New York & Bermuda, MD-20 Lions, which means that we'll reduce our costs up to 8% over our previous service provider called Eventbrite. So how does Zeffy do what they do for free? Well, every time you purchase something for the Convention, Zeffy will ask you to donate (it's optional not mandatory) a percent over what you are purchasing. Just like giving a tip.

This allows not-for-profits to get the full proceeds of our fundraising events..like our Convention. :)



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City/State/Zip

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LS	White Polo 50/50			White		30.00	
SS	Royal Polo 50/50			Royal		28.00	
LS	Royal Polo 50.50			Blue		30.00	
SS	Gold Polo			Gold		28.00	
	Full Zipper Fleece			Gold		40.00	
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	Checks to The Cop Shop				Pick up		
	560 Broadway						
	Massapequa, NY 11758		Proceeds to MD-20				

Total

Official NYS & Bermuda 100th Anniversary Convention shirt

Thank you for your support of the Alert Foundation.

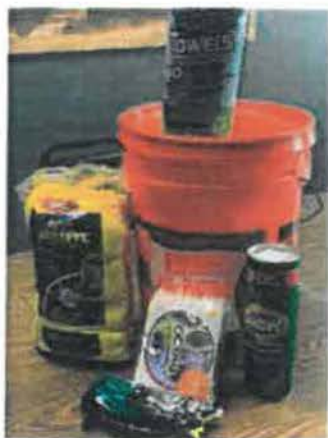
If you have any questions please contact us. kclarkmd20@gmail.com



Lions of MD 20 Alert Foundation

7643 Park Ave.

Lowville, NY 13367



Sponsor a cleaning bucket

Your club can sponsor a cleaning bucket. These buckets are filled with cleaning supplies and will be sent out to disaster areas as needed. Your club can have their name on a bucket or two or ten and then anywhere that we send it, people there will know that your club is supporting them in their time of need.

We just need your club name and district as you want them on the label along with your payment of \$40 per bucket.

Club Name: _____

District: _____ **Paid:** _____

Check payable to: Lions of MD20 Alert Foundation

Mail check and this form to:

Kelly Clark 7643 Park Ave., Lowville, NY 13367



Free Lifetime Pass for Military Veterans and Gold Star Families

This provides lifetime passes to thousands of federal recreation sites. Veterans can present one of the four forms of acceptable ID: Department of Defense ID Card, Veteran Health ID (VHIC), Veteran ID Card, or veteran's designation on a state-issued U.S. driver's license or ID card.

The pass can be obtained by visiting
www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/pickup-pass-locations.ht

District 20-W New/Current Member Orientation Date

Monday, March 11th, 2024 at 7pm via Zoom

Experience has shown that it is a good practice for each Club to hold a formal orientation session for all new members as a way of introducing them to the history and service opportunities available to them as Lions.

To help with this, the District holds an orientation session via Zoom at least twice per Lions year; typically one in the Fall and one in the Spring.

The two date for this year are **Monday, March 11th, 2024 at 7 pm**. This session has been well received in the past and runs around 50 minutes in length with Q and A during and at the end.

Members will be given a brief history and timeline for Lions Clubs International and show the MD-20 footprint, but will spend most of their time on Club officer and committee opportunities, current Club ideas for local service projects, fundraising, available grants, and an intro to affiliated Lions-supported organizations and programs.

- This program is designed to be held on an as-needed basis and can be held more frequently than indicated above.
- Additionally, if a Club has multiple new members and wishes to hold an orientation session as part of a Club meeting, that too can usually be arranged either in-person or via Zoom.

For planning purposes, when scheduling it as part of a Club meeting, please be aware that it will be a somewhat pared down version as to content and will take around 30 minutes. Planning for any time less than that will dilute it too much to be useful.

- It is encouraged that new members and their sponsor attend either session and of course, current members are always welcome.
- An invite will be sent out to Club Presidents and Secretaries a few weeks prior to each date so new members and sponsors can be notified.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Rick Brisee

**If any Lion in 20W is interested in
assisting forming new traditional
clubs, specialty clubs and a club
branch, please contact
PDG Michele O'Hare at
mapohare@gmail.com or
518-410-5941
ALL LIONS ARE WELCOME!!!!!!**





Ronald McDonald House Charities® of the Capital Region

Keeping families close™



Snacks & Beverages

Individual Cereal Cups
Individual Oatmeal Cups
Individual Nut and Trail Mix Packs
Mini Muffin Packs
Crackers & Cheese Packs
Crackers & Peanut Butter Packs
Individual Chips, Pretzels, Popcorn
Protein bars
Fresh Fruit: Bananas, Oranges, Apples
Water (6 - 12 oz bottles)
Lemonade, Sprite, Coke, Seltzer (12 oz. cans)
Powerade (12 oz bottles)
Ramen/Cup O' Noodles Soup
Infant food pouches: Fruit/Veggies/Yogurts

Household Items



Paper Towels
Standard-size Pillows
Zippered Pillow Protectors
Queen-size Mattress Protectors (Zippered)
Queen-size Mattress Pads
Ziplock bags (snack, sandwich, & quart size)
Swiffer dust cloth refills
Swiffer wet cloth refills
Laundry detergent
Clorox mopping clothes
Infant diapers
Baby wipes
Feminine products



Gift Cards

Dunkin	Chipotle
Subway	Dominos
McDonald's	Price Chopper
Hannaford	Gas Cards
Wal-mart	Sam's Club
Stewart's	Visa gift cards

Family Needs & Activities



Preemie Gerber Socks	Bubbles
Preemie Receiving Blankets	Small Infant Toys
Pop Bubble Fidget Toys	Teething Toys
Hot Wheels	Children's Board Books
Outdoor Toys/Games	Play-doh
Crayons	

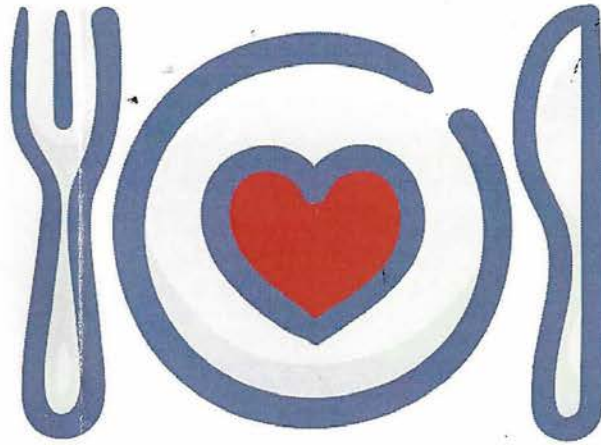
Wish List Items can be dropped off at Ronald McDonald House

139 S. Lake Avenue, Albany, NY 12208

Monday - Friday, 9AM-5PM

Questions? Call 518-438-2655

Love is Served



RMHC-CR Meal Program

When caring individuals come together to provide home-cooked meals for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House, that's when *love is served*.

The Albany Ronald McDonald House provides a home away from home for families with children receiving critical care at nearby hospitals. Fresh, hot meals and treats prepared by caring community volunteers bring comfort and hope to these families when they need it most.

Through our volunteer Meal Program, you can help ensure that love is served to our guest families 365 days a year. Contact us to reserve a spot on our Meal Program schedule. There are several ways to help:

PREPARE A MEAL

Gather a group of 2-4 volunteers to cook dinner (serving 30-40 guests) at the Ronald McDonald House
Needed 3:00-6:00 P.M. daily

SPONSOR A MEAL

Order dinner directly from the restaurant of your choice or make a donation to cover the cost of one night's meals (~\$250).



**Ronald McDonald
House Charities**
of the Capital Region

To sign up, please contact:

Julia Geisel, House Manager
(518) 438-2655 | jgeisel@rmhcofalbany.org

139 South Lake Avenue, Albany, NY 12208 ♥ www.rmhcofalbany.org

Make a few dollars while you help the environment

Our club has signed up with CLYNK, a company that pays us for returnable cans and bottles and helps keep them out of the landfill. It's an easy way for us to increase our treasury and help the environment.

If your club would like to participate, go to clynk.com and sign up for a "CLYNK to Give" account.

If your club is not participating and you (and any friends or family members) would like to help our club, contact me at 518-235-8232 or jerrygordon@juno.com and I'll get you all the bags you want.

Here's how it works:

Bag it

Put your bottles (with caps) and cans in the green recyclable CLYNK bag. You can include any plastic or glass bottle or aluminum can that's redeemable in NYS. The bag already has our personalized white CLYNK bag tag on it.

Scan it

Bring your bag to any **Hannaford Supermarket's** bottle-return area, where you should find a hand-held scanner on the wall. Scan the white tag on the bag, which helps ensure all your bottles and cans can be properly tracked.

Drop it

There should be a chute or bin right near the scanner. Drop the bags off and go about your day!

Collect \$\$

Within a week, CLYNK will deposit our earnings right into our bank account.

Jerry Gordon

Secretary, Albany & Troy Lions Club

Webmaster for ALBANYTROYLIONS.ORG and 20WLIONS.ORG



ARTICLES

HADLEY-LUZERNE LIONS CLUB

Induction of newest member

By DG Priscilla Laurin



KING LION DAWN GRANT

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Work: 518-744-3197
Dmgrant71@gmail.com

GALWAY LIONS CLUB

Member inductions

By DG Priscilla Laurin



KING LION ROBERT EATON

1565 Kania Road, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Home: 518-882-9755
rfeaton@gmail.com

CAMBRIDGE LIONS CLUB

District Governor visit

By DG Priscilla Laurin



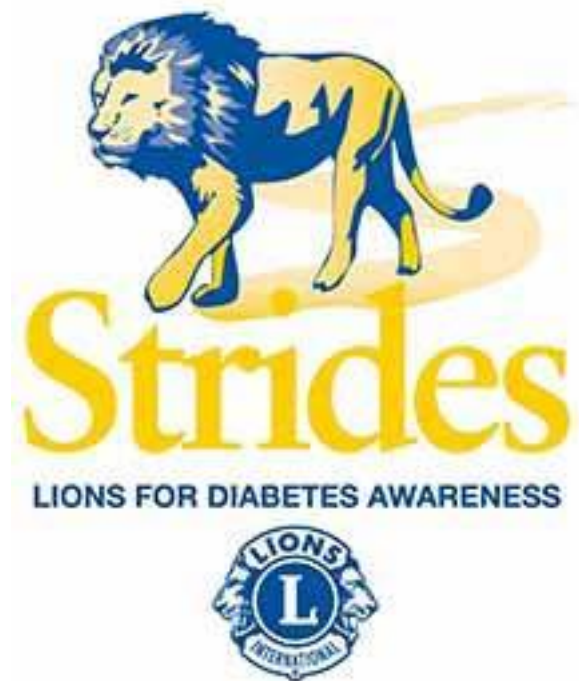
Pictured is IPDG Ricky Laurin, O/dG James Griffith, District Governor Priscilla Laurin, and 1st Vdg Holly McConchie.

KING LION CARMAN BOGLE

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carmanbogle@yahoo.com

CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

<http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/cambridgeny/>



PLATTSBURGH LIONS CLUB

District Governor visit

By DG Priscilla Laurin



KING LION LAUREN TYLER

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Home: 518-420-6173

laurenttyler17@gmail.com

CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

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Plattsburghlions@gmail.com

TOWN OF WRIGHT/ SCHOHARIE VALLEY LIONS CLUB

Wheelchair Donartion

By PDG Michele Pulelo O'Hare



Town of Wright/Schoraie Valley, Lions Club President Georgia Van Dyke, donated a wheelchair to St. Catherine's Center for Children for their Child and Family Treatment and Support Services Program. The Club collects durable medical equipment to share with communities in need.

KING LION GEORGIA VAN DYKE

921 Ecker Hollow Road, Schoharie, NY 12157

Home: 518-296-8076

gavd@midtel.net

DISTRICT 20W FALL CONFERENCE

International Director visits

By DG Priscilla Laurin

International Director Ron Keller and his partner in service Kitty, enjoyed Saratoga Springs during their vist last month. ID Ron was the guest speaker at the District Fall Convention.



DISTRICT GOVERNOR PRISCILLA LAURIN

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lionpriscilla2324@yahoo.com

106th annual convention

Lions International Convention 2024 Melbourne

Be a part of the biggest Lion event of the year Adventure awaits you in Melbourne as the city hosts thousands of Lions and Leos from all over the globe who come together at the premier event of the year. At our Lions International Convention, you'll celebrate our commitment to serving our world with your fellow Lions and Leos, friends and make new ones.

Known as the cultural capital of Australia, Melbourne offers world-class restaurants and bars, exciting nightlife, eclectic festivals, legendary street art, unique shopping boutiques, incredible beaches and dazzling views, as well as some of the friendliest people you'll ever meet.



BROADALBIN-PERTH LIONS CLUB

Christmas tree wrapping

By Lion Ed Balaban

The Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club joined forces with students of the Broadalbin-Perth High School Key Club and National Honor Society, Boy Scout Troop 5051B, and National Honor Society students from Mayfield High School in a day-long Christmas tree wrapping and fund raising project at Bob's Trees. The Lions and their young community



Student volunteers assist Broadalbin-Perth Lions in their annual Christmas tree wrapping fund raiser at Bob's Trees. Under Lion supervision, the young volunteers were shown how to safely wrap and prepare trees for transport, earning community service credit for their efforts. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions/Lion Ed Balaban).

partners staffed four locations around the sprawling tree farm and provided tree wrapping and tie down services



Broadalbin-Perth Lions and some of their student volunteers from Troop 5051 take a break in front of the Club's and Bob's Trees signs. Students and scouts earned community service credit for their participation in this annual project. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions/Lion Ed Balaban).

to customers at the popular location. Students' time spent assisting the Broadalbin-Perth Lions was credited to their community service graduation requirement and Scout merit badges.

KING LION ROBERT TOWNSEND

805 County Highway 126, Amsterdam, NY 12010
Home: 518-843-6553; Cell: 518-866-1250
rtownsen@nycap.rr.com

CLUB CORRESPONDENCE

P. O. Box 331, Broadalbin, NY 12025-0331
bplions@hotmail.com
e-clubhouse.org/sites/broadalbinny/

OGDENSBURG LIONS CLUB

District Governor visit

By DG Priscilla Laurin



Pictured is IPDG Ricky Laurin, King Lion Billy Duprey, and District Governor Priscilla Laurin.



KING LION BILLY DUPREY

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Bjduprey79@yahoo.com

**EXPLORE LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL CAUSES**

www.lionsclubs.org/en/explore-our-clubs/our-global-causes

SAUQUOIT VALLEY LIONS CLUB

Raising funds for childhood cancer

By Lion John Griffin

During the weekend of November 19-21 the Sauquoit Lions held a booth at the annual Sauquoit Valley



The Sauquoit Valley Lions recognize Veterans that are members of the Club at our November 9th meeting.

Middle School Craft Fair and raised over \$2,300 to benefit Childhood Cancer research and care. Patrons making



The Sauquoit Valley Lions held a booth at the Sauquoit Valley Middle School the weekend of November 19-21.

donations at the Craft Fair, and at the local Cliff's Market on Friday night, were eligible to win lottery tickets displayed on our Christmas lottery ticket tree.

The Lions Club donated \$200.00 in fruit to the Sauquoit Valley Friends and Neighbor's organization as part of the distribution of Thanksgiving Meals to 65 families throughout our community on Saturday November 20th.

Our November dinner meeting was held on Thursday, November 9th at Orchard Hall in Sauquoit with 19 members in attendance. That evening we honored our Veterans. Lions' Lou Dunlay, Michael Bader, Mike Orr and

Ed Collins were recognized for their service to our Country.

The Club approved donations of \$200.00 to the Brandel Murphy Youth Foundation and \$200.00 to the Sauquoit Valley High School Booster Club for the After-Prom party in the Spring.

Our Annual Holiday Raffle is underway with the drawing to be held at our Holiday Party on January 13, 2024. Ten cash prizes totaling \$2,500.00 will be awarded including the first place prize of \$1,000. Only 120 tickets will be sold and can be purchased for \$50.00 from any Club Member or by contacting the Club Treasurer at 315-794-0908.

KING LION JOHN MARKLEY

2625 Oneida Street, Sauquoit, NY 13456-3209

Cell: 315-725-9644

golfjisc@aol.com

CLINTON LIONS CLUB

Student of the Month

By Lion Jim Winkler

At our first meeting this month, in addition to discussing our community service plans for the upcoming Holiday Season, we recognized our *Student of the Month* from Clinton Central High School. Alena Wratten, a graduating senior in June 2024 received a Certificate of



Clinton Lion Les LaBrecque an President Lion Bob Maxam present Clinton High School Senior, Alena Wratten, with October Student of the Month Certificate and \$25 Stewart's Stores Gift Certificate. (November 9, 2023)

Recognition and a \$25 gift certificate to a local business in the community. An experienced trumpet player, she plans on attending SUNY – Fredonia next year to pursue a degree in music education. She and her mother were our guests at our dinner meeting. Members in attendance brought 45 pounds of food staples for delivery to our local

food pantry for utilization at the next food distribution.

On November 20th, with temperatures hovering in the lower thirties, eleven (11) club members joined other



Volunteers continue preparing bags of food as client's cars move along side the tent on a cold distribution day. (November 20, 2023).

volunteers in our community distributing food to clients of our local Country Food Pantry in the parking lot of Annunciation Church in Clark Mills. This month was the supplemental Thanksgiving Food Distribution and almost 2,000 people received frozen meats and potatoes,

yogurt, milk, eggs, canned fruit & vegetables and assorted personal hygiene items.

The day after Thanksgiving our community welcomes the Holiday Season with our annual Shopper's Stroll. Many community organizations and non-profits gather on the sidewalks in front of the businesses surrounding our village green. Ten (10) club members staffed our "popcorn give-away" for six (6) hours. We popped corn and distributed it to the holiday revelers who were browsing the merchandise available for purchase from the establishments of local shops while awaiting the arrival of Santa in our Holiday Parade.



Clinton Lions Jim Winkler & Garry Colarusso continue to pop corn for the holiday revelers as our contribution in the community ushering in the Holiday Season in the village of Clinton. (November 24, 2023).

Although there was no charge for purchase of our "Lions corn", we collected a little better than \$600 that our patrons deposited in the donation jars on each side of our popcorn machine.

On that day, we also began the community's annual Red Kettle Campaign to benefit the local unit of the Salvation Army. Our club organizes this event in the community and it's held on weekends until Christmas. The kettles are set

up at two (2) well-travelled locations in the community and proceeds are remitted to the local unit of the Salvation



Clinton Lions Sally Glouse, Garry Colarusso and Dave Welchons are caught changing shifts as the ring the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive at Kinney Drug Store in Clinton. (November 26, 2023).

Army. Twelve (12) club members manned the kettles with other community volunteers that day and the next two days, collecting almost \$800 from generous passers-by.

Three (3) club members attended the Fall Conference in Saratoga on November 4th. International Director (ID) Ron Keller and his spouse Lion Kitty were the guests of the district. ID Ron addressed the need to increase and retain members in our

International Organization in order to be capable of meeting the ever-increasing service needs in our communities. He also shared many enjoyable experiences he and Kitty have been part of as they've traveled the world representing Lions Clubs International.

We continue collecting used eyeglasses. This month we collected 635 pair from our previously established collection points in our area. After inspecting and repackaging them, they will be shipped via the CABVI in Utica to the New Jersey Recycling Center.

Donations this month included sponsorship of the 5 KM "Jingle Jog" road race conducted as part of the Shopper's Stroll festivities, renewal of the dasher board sponsorship at our local hockey arena, contributing to the Utica Rescue Mission Thanksgiving Dinner for the homeless and needy in the area and sponsoring signage for the local Fire Department's "first-ever" Holiday Lights around the Park at our local Town Park.

HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON

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Are your club Events and Articles in the Roar?

DEADLINE IS THE 28TH OF THE MONTH

Except February which is the 25th

Publication is as close to the 1st as possible.

(Please keep this in mind if you have event at the beginning of the month to also submit the month prior.)

ARTICLES

- Digital submission **ONLY**, (in upper/lower case format).
- Microsoft Word, PDF, or text embedded in an email are acceptable.
- **NO SCANNED NEWSPAPER ARTICLES.** Newspaper articles will be accepted **IF** they are in digital format, and **ONLY** with written permission from the originating publication.
- **SPELL CHECK** everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

PHOTOS

- Digital submission preferred in JPG.
- Hard copy newspaper photos are not acceptable. Digital newspaper photos are acceptable **ONLY** with written permission from the originating publication/photographer, with photographer credit.
- **SPELL CHECK** everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE CAPTIONS ARE IDENTIFIED WITH CORRESPONDING PHOTOS!**

EVENT FLYERS

- Digital submission in verticle format; .jpg, .pdf format or Microsoft Word are acceptable.
- **SPELL CHECK** everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

Submissions can be made to **karen@deuxflutes.com**

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

<https://tinyurl.com/y9ke23xg>

Club Treasurer

<https://tinyurl.com/y92he2c8>

Membership Chair

<https://tinyurl.com/yckcqmq6u>

Services Chair

<https://tinyurl.com/y7nepq8p>

LCIF Coordinator

<https://tinyurl.com/y7w9zjzp>

Marketing and Communications

<https://tinyurl.com/y9scx447>



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

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