

The New Communiqué

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More than 700 Vermont Lions now get this by Email. This issue is only by email. We have been working hard to get all the email addresses of our Vermont Lions. It is saving the District thousands of dollars and the volunteers a lot of time. This special issue **e-Communiqué** is only being sent by email. **Notice: The deadline for the next issue is December 15. Email: communiqué@d45lions.com**

District Governor Bruce Bushey Writes: Not this time, it's your editor.

Notes from your Editor - - D.G. Bruce is looking pretty tired from all the club visitations around Vermont since last July. He and Lion Debbie have been on the road constantly. He expresses his great appreciation to all the Lions who have driven for or traveled with him these last several months. By Christmas he will have only about eight official visitations left for his year as District Governor.

This special **e-Communiqué** brings you the basic details of the January Cabinet Meeting. The meeting will be on Saturday, January 16, 2010 at the Burlington Elks Club on North Avenue. They are easy to find, located at 925 North Avenue in Burlington. As you can see from the registration form, events begin at 8:00 am and the cabinet meeting should conclude by mid-afternoon. Please send in your club/individual Lion reservations by the deadline to make planning easier for the committee. A special luncheon program has been set up, the title is "Imaging the World," it's a program on low cost ultrasound for rural areas of the developing world. Thanks to Lion Jayne Sorensen for setting up the speaker.

Items are needed for the January issue of The New Communiqué. We have some items gleaned from monthly reports, but we need more. Each issue of this paper has contained news from various clubs. Your editors have heard reports of items "not appearing," if they don't get to your editors computer, they can't be put into the Communiqué. Monthly reports should be copied to the editors, communiqué@d45lions.com. Membership reports are no use to the editors, except in the case of new members, such new members can be announced in the Communiqué and their email added to the list. Activity reports should tell a story. It would be great to have someone send in an article that tells the story of Lionism in your area, like the article on the front page of the September issue from the Heartland Lions Club. Keep it brief, precise and informational, tell the story. The deadline for the January issue is December 15. The deadline for items for March is February 15. Questions or complaints, communiqué@d45lions.com.



VERMONT LIONS D-45 SUPER RAFFLE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2010
BURLINGTON ELKS CLUB – 6 PM
\$100 DONATION/TICKET

- Grand Prize of \$2,000 cash
 - More than 30 2nd prizes, \$100+ value
 - Many consolation prizes
- Winners need not be present to win.



ENTER TO WIN!
VT LIONS D-45 SUPER RAFFLE

Thank You!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

2010 Super Raffle Tickets, if you haven't already sent in your ticket and check, now is the time to let the committee know that you are a part of the program for 2010. Fill out the ticket above, write out your check and put it in the mail to PDG Edgar Maskell, P.O. Box 186, Highgate Center, VT 05459. You do not have to be present to win. If you cannot attend, put a brief note on the ticket saying you won't be present. They will get your prizes to you.

Clubs are asked to purchase tickets, as a club, and be a part of this great program that has earned more than \$10,000 each of the years that it has been held. The money goes to support the work of the Lions Club International Foundation and provides many Melvin Jones Fellowships to D-45 members each year. Clubs who support the super raffle get multiple benefits. The money goes to LCIF, for every ticket purchased the club can nominate two people for possible selection to get a Melvin Jones Fellowship at the annual spring convention. Yes, the tickets cost \$100, but the benefits received from that \$100 are great. Each ticket also you two of your folks into the dinner and chances on any one of the many prizes, including the \$2,000 grand prize.

If your club hasn't discussed this at your director's meeting, now is the time. Although many of the tickets are purchased by clubs, the majority are purchased by individual members. How about one or more of you sharing a ticket? You can do it by mail, simply send in the above ticket with your check. You'll get your real numbered ticket back from PDG Edgar. Also, tickets are available from several cabinet members, PID Tom Broughton, DG Bruce Bushey, VDG Sherry Juaire, PDG Tom Bizon, and Lions Rick Dutil and Larry Larivee. Any questions, call PDG Edgar at 802.868.2476 or email: emaskell@sunhillfoods.com.

Help with D-45 Website Needed

D-45 web site coordinator needs some help. If you have some skills with or would like to learn the program **WordPress**, volunteer to help Lion Jill Bessette (Vergennes Lions), she needs help with updating and adding to the site and answering emails from Lions. There is an existing website team via email, phone and chat. The time commitment is undetermined, contact the team, emailingwebmaster@d45lion.com.

PDG Nelson Hart Memorial Scholarship

The Nellie Hart Memorial Scholarship program provides scholarships, to high school students who are going to further education in college or technical school. Eligible applicants are students are who have overcome a disability to attain success in their endeavors. Further information is available from program chair Lion Pam Nichols of the

Manchester Lions Club. She can be reached with more details at 802.362.3504 or raenichols77@yahoo.com. This program is sponsored by D-45 and Vermont Lions Charities.

Tid-Bits from Clubs

On October 3 the **Orleans Lions** sponsored an annual Senior Citizens Foliage trip for 80 of their seniors. They traveled to Canaan, treating their seniors to lunch at the Northland Hotel.

The **Springfield Lions** sponsored a Texas Hold'em Tournament on November 7, netting more than \$400.

Bennington Lions have purchased 11 pairs of eyeglasses and one hearing aid in the last two months, spending \$1300.

Georgia Lions donated \$250 to help with expenses of a local student needing surgery in Boston.



DISTRICT 45 – VERMONT LIONS

Cabinet Meeting

January 16, 2010

Burlington Elks Club
925 North Avenue, Burlington, Vermont

Luncheon Reservation

Return this Form and your check to:

**CST Mike O’Daniel
25 Hopkins Road
Vergennes, VT 05491**

Please make checks payable to District 45

Deadline for Lunch Reservations is January 8, 2010

Name(s) _____, _____, _____

Club _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Reserve _____ lunches @ \$16.00 each Total enclosed \$ _____

Please reserve and pay in advance. Lunch will cost \$20.00 at the door!

Registration (Coffee and Donuts)	8:00 am—9:00 am
Honorary	8:00 am—9:00 am
Breakout Session 1	9:15 am—10:30 am
Breakout Session 2	10:45 am—12 noon
Luncheon	12 noon—1:00 pm
Program at Lunch	12:30 pm—1:00 pm
Cabinet Meeting	1:00 pm—3:00 pm

Super Raffle in the evening!

Get your ticket now, see page 2

Social Hour from 6 pm until 7 pm

Dinner by Wetherbee’s Catering at 7 pm