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Hello District, 45 Lions & Friends,

November is the time to be thankful, a time to remember and to embrace those who enrich our lives.

I want to let you know that I appreciate you every single day. I have enjoyed my club visits and looking to get more completed. The fall cabinet meeting will be upon us Saturday, October 30 as well as the LCIF Super Raffle, being held in the evening.

I recently attended the New England Lions Counsel meeting, which was held in Nashua, NH there were training sessions on GAT (Global Action Team), as well as having two (2) members certified as Guiding Lions.

Congratulations to FVDG Lion Kathy Dorman and Lion Tanya Letourneau for completing this program. During the weekend they were also an opportunity to take part in a service project making no-sew blankets for the Project Linus Blankets, these blankets are donated to children, infants through teens. It was also good to hear from ID John Youney about what is happening at LCI. A GAT -Town Hall meeting was held, moderated by IPID Mark Lyon, it is always good to hear how other districts are approaching the Global Action Team.



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Sunday morning was the Necrology Service, followed by the business meeting allowing each District Governor to report. I was proud to deliver this message, yes, we are small, but we are a strong district. We are all facing the same issues: membership, service projects, meeting the needs of our communities.....the list continues. Also, another big announcement was that the LCI International Convention will be in Boston, Massachusetts in June 2023!



Looking ahead our Winter Cabinet Meeting will be Saturday, January 15, 2022, at the Canadian Club in Barre. We will be packing meals again thru The Outreach Program. Our goal is to pack 20,000 meals; with up to 10,000 meals being donated by Vermont Lions Charities to the Vermont Food Bank and the other 10,000 meals to be purchased by clubs for local food shelves.

In closing, Thanksgiving Day is the perfect time to remind one another of the many reasons there are to be grateful. I'm grateful for all that you do.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

DG Carol

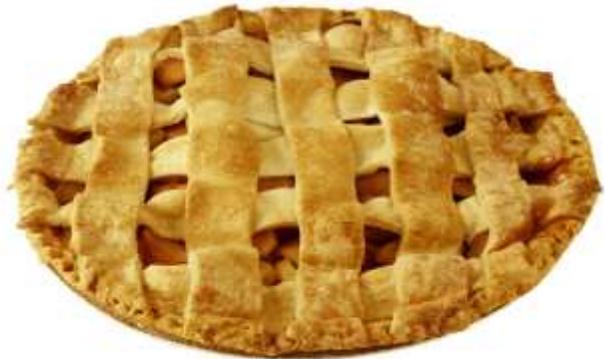
District 45 Calendar

<u>2021</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>District 45</u> <u>Hosts - Event</u>	<u>2022</u> <u>Location</u>
November 6, 2021	Scouting Salute to Veterans parade 11:00 a.m	Vergennes, Vt
November 11, 2021	Veteran's Day	Nationwide
November 13, 2021	World Kindness Day	International
November 17, 2021	Dist. 23C Webinar – Membership	Virtual
November 25, 2021	Thanksgiving Day	Nationwide
November 27, 2021	Colchester Lions Xmas Tree Sales Starts	Colchester, Vt
November 27, 2021	Arlington Lions Tree Lighting	Arlington, Vt
November 27, 2021	Arlington Lions Tractor / Vehicle Parade	Arlington, Vt
December 5, 2021	International Leos Day	International
January 8 - 9, 2022	NELC Winter Meeting	Newport, RI
January 15, 2022	District 45 3rd Cabinet Meeting	Barre, Vt
Nov 2 21 - March 15 22	SMVLC 20 20 Fundraiser Weekly Draws	Swanton, Vt
March 11, 2022	44th Annual Lions Day with UN	New York, NY

Don't see your club activities???
Email such to the Communique Editor

See it next month!!!!

*** Notice to ALL District 45 Clubs and Committees ***



Is your club or committee hosting any special fundraisers, community events or service projects during the upcoming holidays? The December edition is here to 'advertise' your events.



2021 – 2022 District 45 Directory UPDATES!!!

Here is a continuous list of updates (new one in red).
If any additional changes please let the communicate editor know.

Page 2: CS Kendal Holden address should be P O Box 337

Page 8: Zone 3B chair Lion Geri - last name is Kogut

Page 13: Lion Tamer is now Lion Steve Nichols, Manchester Lions Club

Page 14: Sargeant at Arms is now Lion Steve Nichols, Manchester Lions Club

Page 15: Eyeglasses Recycling is now 2nd VDG Travis Wood, Manchester Lions Club

Page 18: Nellie Har Memorial Award- Lion Cathy Coulombe's telephone number is 848-3645

Page 22: Vermont Lion Charities - Lion Alice Gonyaw should be Lion Alice Piette

Page 24: New England Lions Council – please add Immediate Past Council Chair - Bill Donnellan – (MA) – 617-840-5974, 14 Addington Circle, Weymouth MA 02189 email address of wmpd8@aol.com

Page 26: please add BBRA Lions Club – Braintree Brookfield Randolph Area Lions, branch club of the Heartland Lions Club, president Lion Michael McShane, (802) 728-3239

Page 38: Readsboro Lions Club - Secretary is now Lion Dennis Marks, 478 Shippee Rd, Readsboro VT 05350, Tel No.: 802-423-7720, email: DMarks1733@yahoo.com

Page 38 - Lion Claude's last name is Coulombe

District News



Vision Screening Report November 2021

District 45 and especially the Visioneers have much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving holiday. The new six vision screeners have arrived and four have already been delivered. The remaining two new and three of the “veteran” cameras will have been delivered on Saturday, October 30th at the Fall Conference. Overall, the process has been seamless, and District 45 is ready to screen the thousands of students waiting for their turn to “listen for the birdie”.

So far, as of this writing, 775 students have been screened with 81 referrals. This follows the norm of approximately 10% of students screened overall. These figures cover mostly September reports only. We are still running into the issue of some nurses choosing not to use our services because of their belief that a simple acuity test is enough to satisfy the state’s requirements for screening children’s vision in the state of Vermont. Yes, I did look up the word to see if I was missing something. According to Merriam-Webster: Acuity definition is - the ability to see, hear, or understand something easily. We Lions all know that the Spot vision screener test for so much more. Our screeners can uncover issues that basic acuity test cannot.

It is our responsibility to educate, educate, educate! I believe that if every school nurse in the state really knew what better data we could provide them and if parents knew what a gold mine they have in the Lions screening program, there would be no doubt that we would be in every school without question. So, over the coming months I am planning on putting together a committee, a grass roots effort as it were, of Lions who would like to help get the word out and educate Vermonters in what vision screening is all about. This would be in conjunction with the great work Visioneers do already to find their way into the schools. Lions are dedicated to see that every child in their community get the best vision care possible. We can and we will do this. If you are interested and would like more information about how you could help get the word out, please feel free to contact me at: tallships53@gmail.com.

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve District 45 in this way.

Yours in Lionism.

Lion Deb Savery, Vermont District 45 Vision Screening Coordinator



Mark's Marketing Corner

Monthly Tips & Ideas to Enhance Your Lions Club



November 2021 – Goodwill in Your Community

By Mark Hanna, Public Relations and Information Chair for D45 Vermont Lions.

Lion Alan Stewart used to say, "Mark, our club is only as effective as our goodwill in the community!" He was right. Having a great reputation – *and great awareness* – is a key to boosting support, membership, and donations. Here are some things that will boost your club's success:

- **Marketing Communications / Public Relations**

Public Relations needs to be a top priority. Does your club have a Marketing and PR Chair?

If so, do they know about the terrific resources available at the LCI website (www.lionsclubs.org)? Use the *Search* function there, and type in "Marketing" and "Relations" – you'll be glad you did.

If your club doesn't have a person (or committee) heading up Public Relations within your community, now is the best time to start – and help your club succeed! The PR Chair is an officer-level position within Lions clubs – it's that important. And, it can be one of the most fun & rewarding positions available.

- **Events**

The community will come out to well publicized events, and that's what we all want. Does your club use a variety of available resources, put out signs & posters, send press releases, and take (and utilize!) dramatic photos for future publicity? Resources can include the local newspaper, an interview with the local radio DJ, Front Porch Forum, PledgeReg.com – and many others, including the best of all: word-of-mouth with a person-to-person ask. Don't underestimate the power of Facebook / Instagram. Use them and post weekly (or more often) – it's a great outlet for free promotion that hundreds in the community will see & perhaps share. Again, at the LCI website, search "*Social-Media-Guidelines-for-Clubs.*"

- **Soliciting for Success**

People donate to organizations that they know and trust. How well-known is your club? Ask the proprietor of the corner store to name something nice your Lions club does for your area – can they tell you? When their kid enters the Peace Poster contest, when their elderly neighbor has Lions stack their firewood, and when the school nurse raves to friends about the Lions KidSight camera – you are on your way to community goodwill! But only if your acts are "known" one way or another.

- **Partnerships**

Partnerships are community critical for your club. Do key members of the community get regular contact from your club? Is there an open line of communication with the selectmen, town nurse, and other service organizations, like Rotary? How about Zone partnerships? Does your club appear on the town's website? The Chamber of Commerce?

- **Membership Recruitment**

New members join clubs that are perceived to be active, fun, friendly, and successful. Volunteers will be reluctant to join anything less. Rack up successes – start with just one. After planning a great event, inject energy and publicize the hell out of it!

Host a membership recruitment event! If your members' word of mouth has proven to be effective, a "big to-do" may not be needed. But an Open House with a dynamic program – with ice breakers, prizes, videos, and NO boring speeches(!) will help spread the word about how great Lions can be! In fact, our club doubled its membership this way – and the process was a ton of fun! Our last was at the CoC, socially-distanced. (Tip: Need help on this? ... ask.)

A small club may not have the resources to do all of these. Just pick a few that interest the club, and go for it. Your club will grow from there.

I hope you find these tips helpful. Feel free to contact me: lionmark2000@outlook.com. Best wishes for success.



**Come and join IPDG Pam Nichols (or guests) for weekly chats
on Facebook
Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Vermont District 45 Lions**



With 12 of 32 District 45 clubs reporting Lions Club International, following is a cumulative report of service:

As of October 29 2021	# Served	# of activities	# volunteer hours
Diabetes	0	0	0
Environment	638	3	53
Childhood Cancer	15	2	12
Hunger Relief	2466	28	440
Vision	2901	12	98
Other	12512	127	4071

What is preventing your club from service. Is it due to concerns with Covid? Is it due to lack of membership? Is it due to lack of funding? Do your members lack the ‘energy’ to do service? Are you looking for new ideas of what service project you can do (check out the 100 suggested ideas from LCI in previous communique)

If it is a matter of needing helping hands, where can you find the help? How about fellow clubs in your zone. District 45 Lions throughout the state love to travel to help so don’t hesitate to reach out to club / members throughout the district. With our participation, we have contacts with fellow Lions in New England especially our friends in Multiple District 44. And of course with have members worldwide as part of Lions Club International.

Are you trying to get some suggestions on how to plan a service project, please check out the Lion Club International website, under the ‘Start Your Service’ tab, and then ‘Service Launchpad’. Or reach out to us, our Global Service Team Coordinators for 2021 – 2022

PDG Ken Emery, Lion Pam Greene





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District 45 would like to welcome (October 31st) the following Lions to our district and association:

Essex Junction Lions Club: Jana Capello, Cindy Houston
Manchester Lions Club: Christopher Guare, Angela Wood, Dillon Wood



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

District 45 LCIF Super Raffle:

Congratulations to Lion Alice Gonyaw - Troy and Area Lions Club, Lion Colleen Mayhew – Troy and Area Lions Club, and the Colchester Lions Club for winning / sharing the grand prize at this year's LCIF Super Raffle.

The last three prizes, all cash, were worth \$1,500, \$500 and \$330. These three participants agreed to split the winnings, so all three received \$775. More information / photos from this year's event will appear in the December edition of the communique.

District 45 Fall Conference / Cabinet meeting:

More information on the Fall Conference / cabinet meeting will appear in the December edition of the communique, but would like to congratulate the following for receiving a Melvin Jones Fellow or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow from Vermont Lions Charities:

Melvin Jones Fellow: 2nd VDG Travis Wood - Manchester, Lion Doris Maynard – Essex Jct
And Lion Gia Vadnais – Williston

Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows: Lion Woody Stoddard – Springfield and
Lion Patricia Johnston-McWilliams – Tory and Area

Club News

Middlebury Lions Club:

This is the listing of 2021 Cash Calendar winners by day:

Date	First	Last	Calendar #	Amount
10/31/2021	Grace M	Aines	665	\$ 200.00
10/30/2021	John	Hoyle	75	\$ 50.00
10/29/2021	Sharon	Strassner	1122	\$ 20.00
10/28/2021	T. J.	Dimitteo	1123	\$ 20.00
10/27/2021	Lisa	Sprague	402	\$ 20.00
10/26/2021	Greg	Wry	1184	\$ 20.00
10/25/2021	Ingrid & Woody	Jackson	1338	\$ 20.00
10/24/2021	Cathy	Eddy	202	\$ 20.00
10/23/2021	Marny	Lichtenstein	1669	\$ 50.00
10/22/2021	Cindy	Sears	1643	\$ 20.00
10/21/2021	Tom`	Smith	1654	\$ 20.00
10/20/2021	Kim	Loewer	1333	\$ 20.00
10/19/2021	Lucius C	Jerome	1558	\$ 20.00
10/18/2021	Lindsey	Fuentes-George	248	\$ 20.00
10/17/2021	Michelle	Warner	664	\$ 20.00
10/16/2021	Bart & Denise	Healy	1700	\$ 50.00
10/15/2021	Rael H	Mayer	906	\$ 20.00
10/14/2021	Gordon F	Marsh III	168	\$ 20.00
10/13/2021	Danielle	LaBerge	1220	\$ 20.00
10/12/2021	Jeb & Nancy	Terrien	1076	\$ 20.00
10/11/2021	Mikayla	Farnsworth	125	\$ 100.00
10/10/2021	Taylor	Nelson	1422	\$ 20.00
10/9/2021	Rita	Glidden	239	\$ 50.00
10/8/2021	Rita	Glidden	239	\$ 20.00
10/7/2021	Brett A	Lowry	227	\$ 20.00
10/6/2021	Louise	Sandberg	1049	\$ 20.00
10/5/2021	Helen	Bigelow	1188	\$ 20.00
10/4/2021	Monica & Steve	Sanchez Webb	1665	\$ 20.00
10/3/2021	Steve	Wales	1472	\$ 20.00
10/2/2021	Ed	Bessette	1562	\$ 50.00
10/1/2021	Lorraine	Morse	1023	\$ 20.00



Granville Lions Club:

The Granville Lions Club Foundation donated \$500 on Oct. 23 to the Mettowie Valley Senior Citizens Club. The donation was in recognition of the club's 50th anniversary in Granville. Pictured L-R are Mettowie Seniors President Carol McGivern, Granville Lions Club Foundation Treasurer Phil Weaver, and Granville Lions Secretary Michael Angiolillo. Back in 1977, the Granville Lions Club donated the building the Mettowie seniors still use for their functions.



Barre Lions Club:

The Barre Lions Club surprised Lion Moe Fortier on the occasion of his 90th birthday. Moe has been an active member since 1952 and is a Melvin Jones Fellow.



The Barre Lions Club held their 7th Annual Disc Golf Tournament on October 9th at the Barre Town Forrest. Eleven teams participated and HUCK 'N FLING were the winners.



54th Annual Charity Banquet / Big Ticket Raffle



Deerfield Valley Lions Club:

HUNGRY LION BIKE TOUR

Hungry Lion Bike Tour – Tenth Anniversary Edition 9/25/21

The Deerfield Valley Lions hosted our 10th HLBT, welcoming cyclists of all abilities – as well as walkers for our 2nd year in a row. We're happy to see returning faces, as well as people experiencing their first ever.

Like last year, we offered a “Virtual Option” – which was instituted in 2020 so that fundraising could continue unabated by the pandemic. In other words, people can participate *anytime and anywhere*, and still raise substantial funds for our Lions club. It worked SO well in 2020 (when we had no vaccine) that we brought it back to compliment the traditional in-person event at beautiful Town Hill in Whitingham.

By doing so, and incorporating all the tweaks we've built in over the years, fundraising exceeded our wildest expectations, in 2021 netting shy of \$40,000! (And fundraising is still open, until 12/31.) That means that cumulatively, over the past 10 years of the HLBT, the Lions have fought back food insecurity locally to the tune of more than \$200,000!

The Deerfield Valley club is blessed with talented and ambitious Lions, many experiencing their first HLBT as new members. It took more than 25 volunteers to run the event, from registration to sag service (checking in on cyclists – our guests – to fully support them), rest stops, bell-ringing greeters for returning cyclists and walkers, and host the end-of-event party. And this year we did something new – instead of BBQ burgers, we stole a feature of the Whately (Mass.) Lions and offered baked potatoes with all the fixings – 150 of them prepared by Lion Alison Ferris. After some riders biked up to 75 miles in the hills of southern Vermont and the Berkshires, it was a welcome addition.

Interesting stats:

- Day Of: Cyclists: 93 (18 day of registrations, plus 9 prepaid, pre-registered no-shows)
- Walkers: 8.
- Virtual Cyclists: 14
- Virtual Walkers/Hikers: 9
- Furthest Away Participants - We had a visitor from Anchorage, Alaska! Furthest Virtual Participant Palo Alto, CA
- Incentivizing Custom Cycling Jerseys & Walkers' Jackets Earned by top fundraisers: 53
- Individual Fundraising & Entry fees: approx. 75% of revenue
- Support from Business Partners: approx. 25% of revenue

Event Chair Julie Muller is happy to report that, from her perspective, “this Hungry Lion was our most successful. Feedback from the participants was positive, our volunteers were helpful, enthusiastic and friendly, the procedures were well organized and executed and folks stayed safe. We raised more money than ever before and gave our participants a really positive impression of the Lions and appreciation for the work that we do.”



Castleton Lions Club:



**CASTLETON LIONS CLUB
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
IN ITS 45TH YEAR**



Drawing each week of
\$100, \$50, \$25 & \$25 for 10 weeks.

An additional 11th week drawing of
\$500, \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$100.

All additional proceeds will provide scholarships
for worthy area students.

Winning numbers are redeposited after
each week's drawing.

DONATION: \$20.00



**ANNUAL CASTLETON
LIONS CLUB & HEALTH
AND PHYSICAL
EDUCATION CLUB**

HALLOWEEN PARTY

SUNDAY OCTOBER 31ST

1:00-3:00

**AT CASTLETON UNIVERSITY
PAVILION**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR GAMES,
CRAFTS, CANDY & MORE!**

**BRING CANNED GOODS TO SUPPLY
THE CASTLETON FOOD SHELF**

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT
THIS EVENT.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
COOPERATION!**

Norwich Lions Club:

Hi, Fellow Lions!

Dimitriy Kim produced this excellent and entertaining video of the Meadow Muffins Contest, which I have put on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/li0AiwWuC3s>. I plan to send it to all the MM participants for whom I have email addresses.

Dimitriy joined us at our most recent meeting. We hope he'll join our ranks, soon!

Stephen Flanders Norwich Lions Club 802-649-1134

Swanton Missisquoi Valley Lions Club:

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Checks Payable to
Swanton Missisquoi
Valley Lions mailed to
722 Alburgh Springs Road
Alburgh, VT 05440

Tickets May also be
purchased
via phone 582-2288
or 309-3596
in person from members

20 dollars 20 weeks
Fundraiser
to Benefit Humanitarian Projects through
Swanton Missisquoi Valley Lions Club
Do Not Need to Be Present to Win
Every Ticket will have a Weekly Opportunity To Win
First Drawing to be held November 2nd, last Drawing to be held March 15th
14 Winners \$50 - 5 Winners \$100 - 1 Winner \$500
Tickets May be Purchased up until last drawing at Full Value
Maximum 200 Tickets to be Sold

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Jericho-Underhill Lions Club:

PDG Ken: Our blood drive collected 46 units of blood. Lion Mike



Essex Jct Lions Club:

Thanks to Jericho-Underhill PCT Lion Loreen Teer, Colchester Lion PDG Ken Emery for joining in the fun at this longtime fundraiser.

Photo: Essex Jct. Lions Jackie Cote, KL Botur Kosimi, Angelica Tringale, Jericho-Underhill Lion PCT Loreen Teer and Essex Jct. Lion Steve Jurnak.



NorShaft Lions Club:

Under the direction of members of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association, members of NorShaft Lions and the community joined together this weekend at the Shaftsbury Center Cemetery in Shaftsbury Vermont to learn about headstone righting, repair and cleaning. Here are just a few examples of what was accomplished.





Norshaft Lions Club inducting a new member into their club. Way to go!!! And below, DG Carol Greene presenting a Melvin Jones Fellow award to Lion Mark Wilson. Well deserved. Congratulations!!!



Brandon Forest Dale Lions Club:

A huge thank you to [Fred Pockette](#), Bruce Blanch, and the Brandon Lion's Club for the benefit last night, Studio Two did a wonderful job and everyone really enjoyed listening to them. I also want say a special thank you to my family, friends, and those that came from Morgan's football team who came out and supported my family and me. This process has been a lot harder then my family ever imagined but having the amazing support from everyone has made my day to day recovery that much easier for me.



I had the privilege of being inducted into the Otter Valley Athletic Hall of fame a week ago Saturday. I want to thank [Charles Rivers](#) for nominating me and everyone who voted for me. I would also like to thank my number 1 fan and younger brother Pat for presenting my award to me. I am truly humbled. I would also like to congratulate all the members of the 2020 and 2021 hof class that were inducted with me. It was a day that I won't forget.



Arlington Lions Club:



THE ARLINGTON LIONS CLUB TREE LIGHTING AND
LIGHTED TRACTOR AND VEHICLE PARADE.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27TH AT 5PM

LINE UP STARTS AT 4PM AT FISHER ELEMENTARY AND THE
PARADE KICKS OFF AT 5PM, HEADING DOWN E ARLINGTON
ROAD TO 7A, TURNING RIGHT ON 7A, LEFT ON 313 AND
ENDING ON SCHOOL ST

AS THE PARADE TRAVELS PAST THE VILLIAGE GREEN WE
WILL LIGHT THE ANNUAL LIONS CLUB HOLIDAY LIGHTS.
PLEASE COME HELP ILLUMINATE US ALL IN HOLIDAY SPIRIT.

PREREGISTER AT 802-503-6240 OR
ARLINGTONVTLIONSCLUB@GMAIL.COM

Windsor Lions Club:

Food Wagon for Sale

The Windsor Lions Club is selling our food wagon and hoping another club in the District is interested in purchasing it. It is a 16' x 8' 2007 Haul trailer converted into a food wagon. The trailer would require a 2" ball hitch. There is a 240 volt/110 electrical panel wired to a 30 amp 4 prong twist lock RV connector to allow connection to either a generator (not included) or a wired outlet. It has a 12 volt battery powered trailer jack (no hand cranking needed) and is silver in color with two Lion logos affixed to it already. It comes with a Deluxe SnoKonette, Dog Hut Hot Dog Steamer, Sam's Club Popcorn Machine, Mega Breeze Cotton Candy Machine, Galanz Microwave, Crockpot, 2 warmers (Star high-performance warmer and a Server warmer), Fimco Industries fresh water storage tank, RV style propane hot water tank, Countertops and cabinets, two bowl sink, two folding chairs, 20 oz. nacho trays (approx. 200), hot dog boats (approx. 200), small boats (approx. 50 – we used for whole dill pickles), Snokone tips and quart bottles (approx. 12 each – to hold the snokone syrup for easy pouring on the snokones), 6 oz. snokone cone shaped serving cups (approx. 4,600), snokone serving cup holder, 13 one gallon plastic containers w/lids (used for mixing and holding extra snokone syrup), 8" x 4" x 18" plastic bags (approx. 700 – used for larger popcorn servings), cotton candy supplies, garbage can w/lid, two large coolers for soda and water, and other miscellaneous utensils, paper products, etc. We are asking \$5,000 or BRO. We can also provide fundraising numbers (net profit for year based on events attended). More pictures available upon request. Please contact our secretary, Jennifer Cary for any inquiries at contentedbutterfly@yahoo.com.



Heartland Lions Club:

Heartland Lions took the challenge to “Celebrate Community”. They donated food to the Food Shelf in South Royalton. The Food Shelf is maintained by BALE (Build A Local Economy). Yes, we still have the traditional food shelf which is located about a mile from the village. The food shelf is in the village, open 24/7 and even has a refrigerator. An excellent idea for those people that cannot make it to the food shelf during the hours they are open. Here is Lion Pam Greene adding to the food shelf.



Trunk/Treat in South Royalton with Heartland Lions. I love how Royalton Police had to control the Lion!



New England News



Over 25 blankets and counting were made and donated to Project Linus



Hello NELC Leaders,

Our next **Webinar Wednesday** here in the Connecticut Lions District 23C is entitled: ***“Membership – It’s Time to Brag”*** and is being hosted and presented by **Second VDG Lion Teri Schlosser** on Wednesday evening, November 17, 2021.

See the link below. Thank you!

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Nov 17, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

This is a **“one-hour” seminar!** The meeting window is open until 9:00 in the event we go past the one-hour time slot.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrdu-hrj4rHdy7nkjUnqi2N_hSI0xyT8by

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Thank you for your interest and participation!

All the best, always,

PCC Nanette Burdick
GLT Coordinator – District 23C
2021-2022

International News

"Service to others is the rent we pay for the space we occupy here on earth"



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Service from the heart with
International President,
Douglas X. Alexander**

Dear Lion,

Your commitment to the health and safety of your community makes a real difference in people's lives, especially in our efforts to fight diabetes. You are advocates, educators and leaders. And for many, your intervention is the first step toward preventing type 2 diabetes and getting back on the path toward a healthier lifestyle.

Diabetes affects nearly 10% of the world's adult population—and half of those currently living with the disease are undiagnosed. That's where Lions can be the difference. Let's all work together to raise awareness and educate our friends and neighbors so we can keep families healthy and our communities strong.

Yours in Service,
Douglas X. Alexander
International President



Maximize Your Service

There are more great ways to make an even bigger difference in diabetes, and every cause you serve. Here are some resources that can help you maximize your service.

- **Access your Lion Account** – Your [Lion Account](#) gives you access to our digital product suite and can help you streamline your service, set up virtual meetings through Connect, and so much more. Log in or [sign up for your Lion Account](#) today.
- **Report your service** – Bring attention to the great work you're doing when you [report your service](#) through MyLion or your regional reporting system. Remember to include any virtual meetings and activities, including your next diabetes service project.
- **Tell your story** – Maximize your social media by posting photos and videos of your club serving safely using the hashtags **#WeServe** and **#LionsFightDiabetes**. Or [download our press release template](#) to leverage your local media to help tell your story to the community.

So be sure to take advantage of all that your international association has to offer, and stay connected with your global network of Lions. That's how we change the world together.



Plan a Diabetes Screening

There are currently more than 463 million people around the world living with diabetes—and that number is on the rise. But you can help reverse this trend, starting with the people in your own community.

Watch a [special video message](#) from President Alexander about how Lions are leading the fight against diabetes. And visit our [diabetes global cause](#) page for project planners, fact sheets and other resources to help you plan your next diabetes service project.

LCIF Grants for Diabetes Service

According to the International Diabetes Federation, one in 11 adults globally has diabetes, making it a disease of epic proportion.

LCIF Diabetes grants (up to US\$250,000) support screenings, health facility access, education and special camps so you can deliver local solutions to this global epidemic. Matching grants and District and Club Community Impact grants are available too.



LCIF's [Campaign 100 makes your diabetes efforts more impactful](#). Support your service; [support LCIF](#).



We can always begin again.



Sharon Salzberg

ID John Youney's Tale of the Service Trail

TALES OF THE SERVICE TRAIL UPDATE

OCTOBER 2021

Thank You! Thank You!

I want to thank each of you Lions for your support in this election.

I especially want to thank the campaign team again: the co chairs, Lion Ann McFarland, PDG, and Lion Paula Beach, PDG; the Honorary Chairs, Lions Lew and Ron, our PIDs, and the entire committee! As a committee, you all did yeoman's work, and without you Karol and I would not be on the road as International Director.

As we recounted in July, we had been flown to Oak Brook for the convention when it became apparent that victory might be at hand. That was a whirlwind since we had my first Board meeting just hours after the convention concluded! Karol and the other spouses were able to sit in for the first half of that meeting, then had to leave on cue! Karol has a hobby as a stage manager, and she could see the hidden hands of the stage manager at work as the Directors and officers went into private session.

Since then, we have limited our travels to New England mostly, thankfully.

The CT Lions of MD23 had a state gathering in New Britain at a minor League ballpark to celebrate 100 years of Lionism in CT! They honored 10 clubs that were 95 to 100 years old. They had games, fun events, displays and a parade of all clubs! I had the pleasure of a few remarks, celebrating their past service, but reminding them also that our emblem has two heads - one looking to what we have accomplished, but the other looking to our next service and fundraiser as we build the second 100 years. The Lions of CT have been so supportive throughout this run, and Karol and I refer to the weekend as our "soft opening" serving as an ID.

Karol and I did join 8 other Maine Lions in Des Moines for a highly successful USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. There were 1500 Lions there all with the same goal of learning and fellowship. If you have never been, make plans for next year! You will be in Calgary!

The next weekend we were back in CT for a special homecoming that saw more than 200 Lions from all New England states gather to welcome Lions Mark and Lyn Lyon home to CT from their unprecedented three year term serving on the International Board. It was quite a turnout of appreciation. I was even able to meet the Lion responsible for sponsoring Lion Mark in the first place. And yes, he was joyously taking credit for their great service. While the Lyons are happy to be home, Mark is training new DGs and is the GAT leader for all the northeastern United States. Can never let good Lions out to pasture!

This weekend is on to Nashua and the New England Lions Council training and meeting. Again, this is like old home week for us! But eight days later we are off to the International Board meeting in San Diego for 6 days, on to Board service projects in Long Beach (the Rose Bowl float barn where the LCI Rose Parade float is under construction) and Catalina Island (a tree planting Project with the local Lions Club as part of their conservation trust to stabilize the island soils). That is followed by a flight to Syracuse, NY, for the MD 20Y fall conference, which is their district convention. Can you believe that I have been paired with a DG who has a long whitish beard! The podium display will

be in black & white, for sure!

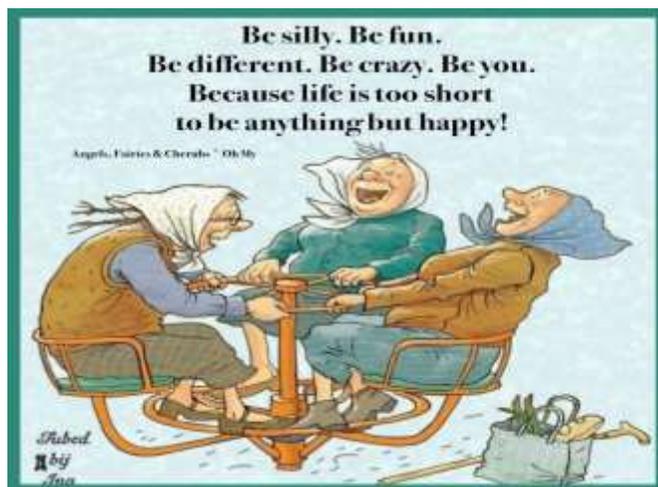
Well, next there is Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Christmas to keep each of you and us busy. I am sure that we will be having Board committee meetings even then as we have already been reviewing and voting remotely on issues. Karol and I feel fortunate in that we actually get to attend the sessions considering that certain directors and the 3VP cannot yet travel to the US. While we will be hybrid so they will be “there”, it would be so much nicer if the whole Board could be in one place.

But that is the same in our Maine clubs. Skowhegan started to meet in person, albeit at an arena across from the Fair Booth. With the flood of Delta variants, we have had the last two by Zoom. The next one might be hybrid, we hope that more of us can contribute. Please take care of your Lions' safety as well as you figure how to serve in the brave new world of ours!

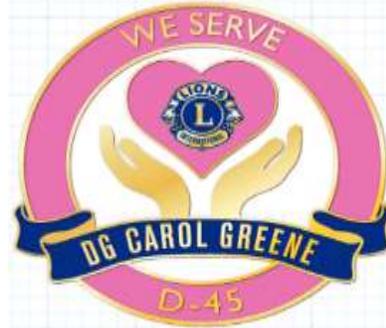
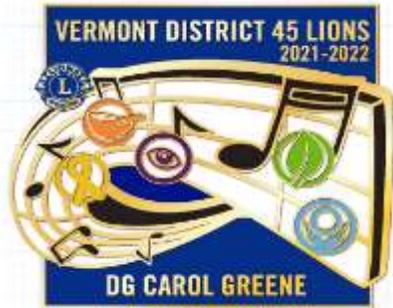
I thank all of you again for this honor to serve Lions and the world. I promise that we will do our best to represent all Lions,

AND THANK YOU!

Lion John W. Youney, PDG
International Director 2021-2023
&
Lion Karol Kish Youney



2021 Registration Notices



WE SERVE VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45 - WINTER MEETING

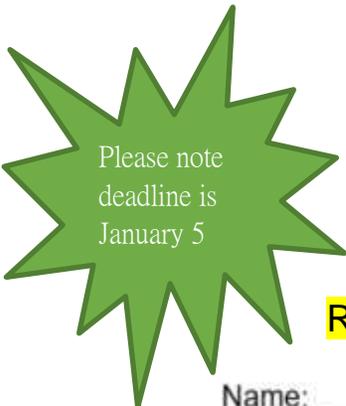
Saturday, January 15, 2022

Time: 8am-3:00pm

Location: Canadian Club
414 E. Montpelier Road
Barre, VT 05641

Registration: \$15.00 per person

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 5, 2022



Please note
deadline is
January 5

Name: _____

Club Name & Position: _____

District Position: _____

_____ Attending @ \$15.00 Per person Amount Due: \$ _____

Phone#: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS:

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS Monday, January 5, 2022, to:

CS Kendal Holden, PO Box 337, Underhill, VT 05489

Phone: 802-899-2514; OR email to: kendalholden188@yahoo.com

Registration Deadline: Monday, January 5, 2022



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2022 - Canada 

2023 - USA 

2024 - Australia 

2025 - Mexico 

2026 - USA 

2027 - USA 

2028 - Singapore 

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