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Hello D 45 Lions,

Wow how did it get to be October? September has flown by will all the activities and preparation I have done for the November and March meetings ... with Covid-19 getting dates and venues tied down , less staff etc. Just when you think you are set to go someone leaves the hotel and information is not passed forward. Finally, I think we are good to go!

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at the Holiday Inn in Rutland make your reservations and join Bill and I as we are going Friday night to chill and swim on Saturday and get ready to decorate! If you have any fall decorations that we could borrow please let me know.

Wear a costume. prizes to be awarded... some fun should be had by all.

Just a quick note the March Meeting at the Essex Inn has been changed to the 13<sup>th</sup> not the 6<sup>th</sup> ... hope you all come and support the LCIF super raffle.

FYI our friend Jackie Dutil heard Zoom is going to provide interpreters for the deaf if needed Now that is a game changer for some. Hope it comes true.

Monday September 28th I am traveling to Richford. So excited to see all the members Some of the Essex Members are bringing the traveling lion to them that day. It is exciting to see clubs taking the lion to other clubs, check out your directory for the new rules to the game. There are 3 traveling lions now: District, Northern and Southern. If you deliver a lion you get double points. Especially if it is a club that has not participated in a while! Lots of fun to be had

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**DG message continued:**

Trying to arrange a reception after the cabinet meeting for people interested in becoming a lion in the Rutland area. Have not gotten the details yet but all that will go out in a separate email. Anyone knowing anyone in Rutland area please let me know so we can invite them, I will be talking with the Castleton club about it also.

In closing let me know if you would like me to visit...I will be happy to ... see you all in November, help me reach my goal of 75 people in attendance

Yours in Service  
DG Pam

## District 45 Calendar

2020 <u>Date</u>	District 45 <u>Hosts - Event</u>	2021 <u>Location</u>
October 1, 2020	Deadline purchase Peace Poster Contest Kits	Lions Club International
October 4, 2020	Enosburg Falls Drive Thru BBQ – See Page 12	Enosburg Falls VT
October 8, 2020	World Sight Day	International
October 10, 2020	Middlebury Lions Club - Food from the Heart - Various Locations	Middlebury, VT
October 12, 2020	Troy and Area Blood Drive - Westfield Community Center	Westfield, VT
October 15, 2020	White Cane Safety Day	International
October 15, 2020	Closing Date - Vergennes Lions Club Car Raffle – See page 17	Vergennes, VT
October 17, 2020	Swanton Missisquoi Valley BBQ Drive Thru Dinner – See page 18	Alburg, VT
October 24, 2020	New England Lions Council Fall Meeting – See Page 25	Virtual
October 24, 2020	End date - Swanton Missisquoi Valley Lion Club Virtual Auction See page 17	Virtual
October 26 - 30, 2020	Food For Fright Week - Arlington Lions Club – See Page 14	Arlington, VT
October 31, 2020	Halloween on the Green - NorShaft Lions Club – See page 25	Bennington VT
November 1, 2020	District 45 - <b>Fall Cabinet Meeting – See pages 38 &amp; 39</b>	Rutland, VT
November 1, 2020	Voting - District 45 Peace Poster Contest	Rutland VT
November 3, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Chainsaw Raffle – See page 23	Norshaft VT
November 20, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Meat Package Raffle – See page 23	Norshaft VT
December 1, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Fuel Oil Raffle – See page 23	Norshaft VT
December 1, 2020	50/50 Social Distancing Raffle Deadline - Heartland Lions Club – See Page 21	South Royalton Vt
December 4, 2020	Norwich Lions Club - Deadline - Raffle Extraordinaire – See Page 15	Norwich, VT
January 9, 2021	District 45 - <b>Winter Cabinet Meeting</b>	Barre, VT
<b><u>March 13, 2021</u></b>	District 45 - <b>Spring Cabinet Meeting</b>	Essex VT
<b><u>March 13, 2021</u></b>	District 45 - <b>LCIF Super Raffle</b>	Essex VT
May 7 - 9, 2021	District 45 - <b>Spring Convention</b>	Manchester VT
June 25 - 29, 2021	Lions Club International - International Convention	Montreal, PQ, Canada

*Don't see your club activites???*  
*Email such to the Communiqué Editor*  
*See it next month!!!*

# District News

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

## DO YOU KNOW WHOM YOUR ZONE CHAIR IS??? Contest

<u><b>Zone Chair</b></u>	<u><b>Zone</b></u>	<u><b>Zone Chair</b></u>	<u><b>Zone</b></u>
Lion Claude Coulombe	1A	2nd VDG Kathy Dorman	2AB
Lion Mark Hanna	3BC	PDG Walter Hastings	3A
Lion Kendal Holden	1B	Lion Patricia Johnston-McWilliams	4
PCST Bruce Savery	3A	Lion Travis Wood	2C
*****	****	*****	****
<b>Club</b>	<b>Zone</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Zone</b>
Arlington	2C	Barre	4
Brandon Forest Dale	2AB	Brattleboro Area	3BC
Castleton	2AB	Colchester	1B
Deerfield Valley	3BC	Derby	4
Enosburg Falls	1A	Essex Junction	1B
Georgia	1A	Granville	2AB
Heartland	3A	Jericho-Underhill	1B
Londonderry Area Tri-		Manchester	2C
Mountain	2C	NorShaft	2C
Middlebury	2AB	Orleans	4
Norwich	3A	Readsboro	3BC
Pittsford	2AB	Route 100	2AB
Richford	1B	Strafford and Area	3A
Springfield	3A	Troy and Area	4
Swanton - Missisquoi Valley	1B	Vergennes	2AB
Valley	3BC	Windsor	3A
Williston	1A		

# L I O N S

What is your acronym? Originally it was:



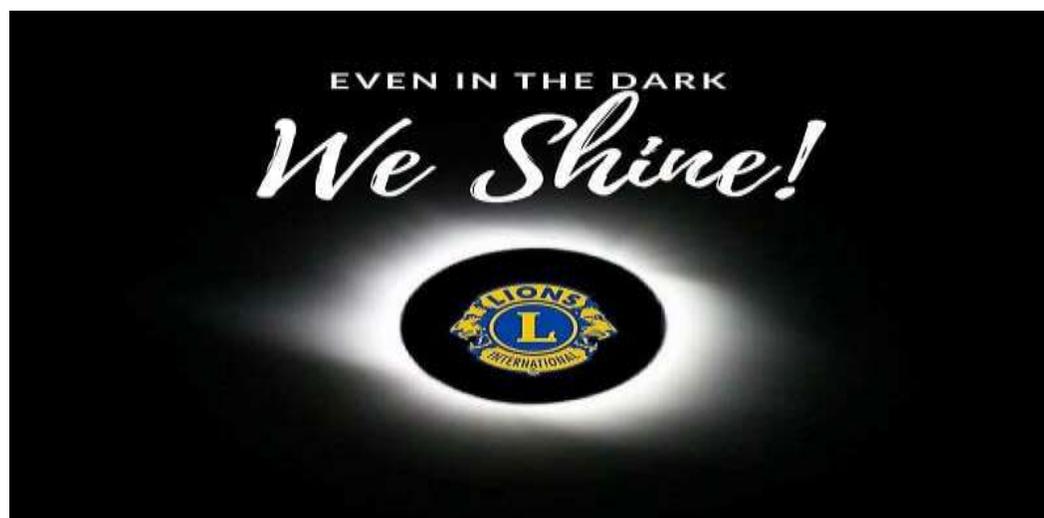
Most recently, the following is what it means:

## Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services

Please send your suggestions to IPDG Ken Emery at [kpemery1960@gmail.com](mailto:kpemery1960@gmail.com)



Hi, 2nd VDG Kathy here. One of my goals for the year is to help my fellow Lions and the clubs of the District become more visible. We are selling these shirts. \$15 each. Contact me or any of the DG team to purchase one.





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**VERMONT LIONS CHARITIES**  
**MEETING NOTICE!!!!**

Official warning of Vermont Lions Charities Annual Meeting  
Sunday November 1, 2020

The annual meeting of Vermont Lions Charities will be held during the Fall Conference, on Sunday, November 1, 2020. A full report on Vermont Lions Charities will be provide at that time.

There will also be an election for the position of treasurer for a 3-year term.

Thank you!!!! Lion Stanley Patch, Jr., PDG, President Vermont Lions Charities

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Lion Lyle Remick, Appreciation Award, presented at Zone 1A 1B Meeting by Lion Carmelita Belisle, Secretary of Vermont Lions Charitie for his many years of service.



## **Blast from the past segment:**

The first photo was when Past District Governor Betsy MaGee, 2007 – 2008, visited the Colchester Lions Club. Of the 14 Colchester Lions in the photo, only 6 remain as Lions. The second photo is of Past International President, Barry Palmer, Australia 2013 – 2014.



The below photo leads to a 3-part question:

Can you identify the 5 District 45 leaders in the photo?

Where was this photo taken?

What event was it the prelude to?



Volunteers do not necessarily have the time;  
they just have the **heart**.



This article was submitted by Lion Doris Maynard of the Essex Jct. Lions Club who found it in a family treasure hunt. Was an activity from the Burlington Lions Club:



\*\*\* Old District 45 photo's are welcomed. Please send to IPDG Ken Emery at [Kpemery1960@gmail.com](mailto:Kpemery1960@gmail.com). Thanks!!! \*\*\*

Scenes from the September 5, 2020 joint Zone 1A / 1B Meeting!!!!



From GST Coordinator, Lion Molly Celani of the Granville Lions Club.

Be proud of what you do!!!! Be proud of what you are!!!

Club Service Chairpersons: share what your club and your members are doing.

District chairs. This also includes you. Green Mountain Lions Camp, Twin State Soccer Association, Vermont Lions Charities, Sight and Hearing Committee. Don't be afraid to share your stories about what your members are doing to help the residents of our District.

Report your Club Service: **BRAG & SHARE**

Please fill in the appropriate information in forwarding your club's SERVICE activity to the Global Service Team Coordinator.

Tell what the service is and in the "Detail" section... a few sentences which include specifics explaining the size of the activity (be comfortable bragging about your accomplishments) and share with us the sort of information that will perhaps motivate other clubs to use your ideas in developing their service activities.

Send it to:

[global@lions.org](mailto:global@lions.org) Email subject: Global Brag

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Lion: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

• Direct Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
Details \_\_\_\_\_

• Indirect Service: \_\_\_\_\_  
Details \_\_\_\_\_

# PULL TABS



# RECYCLING



Pull tab recycling chair PCT Loreen Teer (Jericho-Underhill), PDG Betsy MaGee (Essex Jct.) and Lion Pamela Dartt (Williston) participating in the first of many 'pull tab weighing' parties. Keep up the great work District 45!!! Remember, what we are able to recycle helps the kids of the Shriners Hospitals!!!!



# TO ALL LIONS VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45

*Dear Cabinet Members, Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Past District Governors*

*RE: Changes to District 45 Constitution and By-Laws to be voted on at the Fall Conference Cabinet Meeting, Sunday, November 1, 2020, Rutland Vermont*

The following items are to be voted on:

**1). Article IV - District Organization Section 4 District Committees Part d). District Audit Committee:**

Update sentence "The District Audit Committee shall consist of the three (3) Past District Governors and two (2) Cabinet Secretary-Treasurers of District 45" to read as follows:

The District Audit Committee shall consist of 5 members, two (2) being a Past District Governor (PDG), two (2) being a Past Cabinet Treasurer (PCST or a PCT) with the fifth member being either a Past District Governor OR a Past Cabinet Treasurer.

**2). Article V - District Finance Section 5:**

Add the following sentence: Honorary Committee, at its discretion, can request and authorize an audit of the District Finances to be done by an established District Audit Committee at any time during the Lions year at its discretion.

**3). Add additional section to Article V - District Finance:**

Section 7 Funds held in the Restricted Funds account (designated for International Candidate, International Convention and History Book) may be used by the sitting District Governor to be used in assisting District 45 members in attending leadership training sessions available at the International and Regional level and / or assisting in necessary means to assist in membership recruitment and / or retention. Any withdrawals must be at the approval of the Honorary Committee. At no time, can any withdrawal of funds, other than what the funds were designated for, leave the balance of such funds lower than as follows: History Book, \$2,000, International Convention \$3,000 and International Candidate \$3,000.

For copies of the present District 45 Constitution and By-laws, please contact DG Pam Nichols, CST Bob Wilcox, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Carol Greene, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Kathy Dorman or IDPG Ken Emery.

If there are any questions in regards to these proposed changes to the District 45 Constitution and By-Laws , please contact IPDG Ken Emery, (802) 578-7483 or via email at [kpemery1960@gmail.com](mailto:kpemery1960@gmail.com).



## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor's Message

Being a Lion and part of the Lions Club International family is so rewarding. We are making a difference throughout the world. Our motto "We Serve" has many meanings. It can be helping that individual with vision or hearing needs; food drives; helping with a community project or just being a friend to someone in need. I am in hopes clubs will take time and record their volunteer hours to LCI. Share what their club is doing in their monthly reports to LCI. Even with the pandemic we are finding ways to "SERVE".

Have you thought of taking on a leadership role in your club? Training sessions are available thru the district and at LCI. We are always looking for individuals to join the District Governor's Team – if you are interested please let me know. I would encourage you to look at the [Lions University](#), this offers many different topics, each one is about 1 hour long and very information. You can always complete your Lion's Bachelor/Master/Doctorate Program.

The District Governor's Team is in hopes you will plan to join us at a cabinet meeting on November 1 – if not in-person we are making plans to have it available thru Zoom. Please keep watch of the [Vermont Lions](#) website or Facebook for updates.

You can also use this QR Code with your smart phone which will take you directly our website.

We would like to give out a **SHOUT** to the new branch club, Braintree, Brookfield & Randolph Area Lions Club. Members and officers were installed on Saturday, September 19 – this club is growing and going places in District 45!



October **is observed** as the Blindness Awareness. The President of the United States annually recognizes White Cane Day by the Blind Americans Equality Day Proclamation on October 15th to acknowledge the abilities of people who are blind and to promote equal opportunities as any other American.

The mission of White Cane Day is to educate the world about blindness and how the blind and visually impaired can live and work independently while giving back to their communities, to celebrate the abilities and successes achieved by blind people in a sighted world and to honor the many contributions being made by the blind and visually impaired.

Remember "Kindness is a language where the deaf can hear and the blind can see" *Mark Twain*

FVDG Carol



# Club News

## *Barre Lions Club*



A Barre Lion meets a future Cubby Lion, future LEO and most importantly a future LION!!!

## *Essex Jct. Lions Club*



Essex Jct. Lions Club co-pres. Mary Tewarson of Essex Jct. Lions club and fellow Lion Beth Abustan, a Navy Veteran, joined VFW post 6689 Essex Aux President, Kevin Kolinich. and members to commemorate POW/MIA day, Sept 18<sup>th</sup>.

The table and the setting had many symbolic meanings

WHITE TABLE CLOTH: purity of intention to respond to their country's call to arms.

RED ROSE: shed blood.

SLICE OF LEMON: bitter fate

SPRINKLED SALT: fallen tears

CANDLE: light of hope.

EMPTY CHAIR: reminder of our lost comrade



Lions Beth Abustan and PDG Betsy MaGee delivered ten fleece blankets and eight fleece pillows graciously hand sewn by Essex Junction Lion Becca Fox to UVM Medical Center with Kevin Barry accepting them for the Pediatric Cancer patients.

Andrea of Burlington COTS (Committee on Temporary Shelter) accepted back packs overflowing with school supplies. Special thanks to Essex Junction Kinney Drugs Manager, Harley English for placing a collection barrel in the store and to all community donors.

### *Granville Lions Club*



The Granville Lions Club was pleased to welcome two new members to the club at our dinner meeting last night. Pictured L-R are 1st Vice President Roger Ellis, new Lion John Long, sponsored by Roger Ellis, new Lion Michael Angiolillo, and Lion Phil Weaver, Lion Michael's sponsor. The club extends a warm welcome to our new members!

### *Enosburg Fall Lions Club:*



## *Scenes from the Middlebury Lion Club Chicken BBQ*



## **Thank you from the 'ARLINGTON ZOO PARADE'!!!!**



The Arlington Lions Club through support from the community during our recent Zoo Parade back to school supply drive was able to donate 72 lunch boxes, 200 children's masks and hundreds of basic back to school supplies to our local schools. Thank you again to everyone who came to our event and donated to this amazing cause!





# Halloween

## The Arlington Lions Club Haunted Happenings

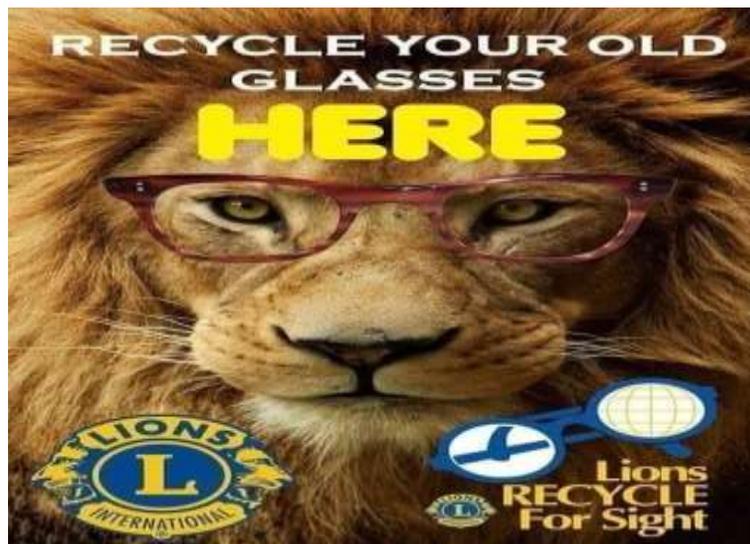
*Ghost, Goblins and Witches too will welcome you  
Making sure to frighten you with a BOO!  
Put on a costume if you dare and get ready for a scare*

Everyone is invited to the **Food For Fright** Arlington Lions Club week of haunted happenings. To raise awareness for food insecurity in our community the Arlington Lions Club is going all out decorating our pavilion located at the Arlington Recreation Park.

The week long Halloween display will be open for public visits from October 26th to October 31st. On Halloween night October 31st we will have trick or treating for kids from 4pm-7pm. Please follow all current State and local health guidelines when trick or treating and visiting the display. There will be socially distanced tables set up for kids to grab treat bags.

We are encouraging the community to donate non-perishable, non-expired food items to the Arlington Foodshelf and will collecting food items at the trick or treating event if people wish to donate.

More information at [www.facebook.com/arlingtonvtlions](https://www.facebook.com/arlingtonvtlions).



# Norwich Lions Club \* Raffle Extraordinaire \*



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No.: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Choice: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost: \_\_\_\_\_ (cash or checks made payable to Norwich Lions Club)

**CLOSING DATE: December 4, 2020**

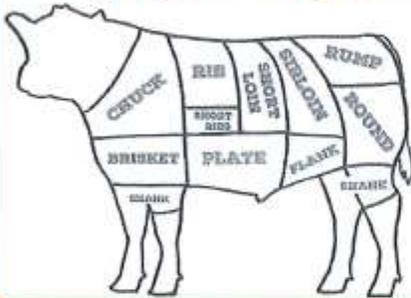
Proceeds of these raffles will benefit the targeted areas listed below:

The Norwich Lions Club, PO Box 854, Norwich, VT 05055

**We Serve \* We Honor \* We Remember**

## "FIGHTING HUNGER" in the Upper Valley Raffle

Benefiting various local food pantries and school lunches



**Top Prize: 1/4 Certified Beef with 7cu.ft. GE chest freezer**

Total Value up to \$1,200

Several more prizes available, regardless of number of tickets sold. Chances to win will remain the same.

**Choice 1:**

**\$20 per ticket**

**Choice 2:**

**THREE tickets for \$50**

Draw Date: Early December, 2020

## The "Supporting Children's Programs" in Norwich Raffle

Benefiting Organizations to promote Child Health and Education

**Top Prize: Children's Bicycle (value up to \$500.00)**

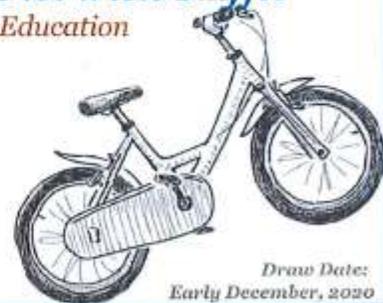
Several gift certificates available, regardless of number of tickets sold. Chances to win will remain the same.

**Choice 3:**

**\$10 per ticket**

**Choice 4:**

**THREE tickets for \$20**



Draw Date:  
Early December, 2020

## "Can you see me clearly now" Raffle for the Upper Valley

Benefiting the visually impaired in the Upper Valley, both individuals and our eye screening programs at local schools

**Top Cash Prize: \$500.00**    **Second Cash Prize: \$250.00**

Several additional monetary prizes available, regardless of number of tickets sold. Chances to win will remain the same.

**Choice 5:**

**\$5 per ticket**

**Choice 6:**

**FIVE tickets for \$20**



Draw Date:  
Early December, 2020

# Springfield Lions Club Fishing Day!!!

**Springfield Lions Club**  
Supporting Community and Promoting Accessibility, Charities and Welfare Programs since 1937

Presents



*7<sup>th</sup> Annual*  
**Fishing Tournament**

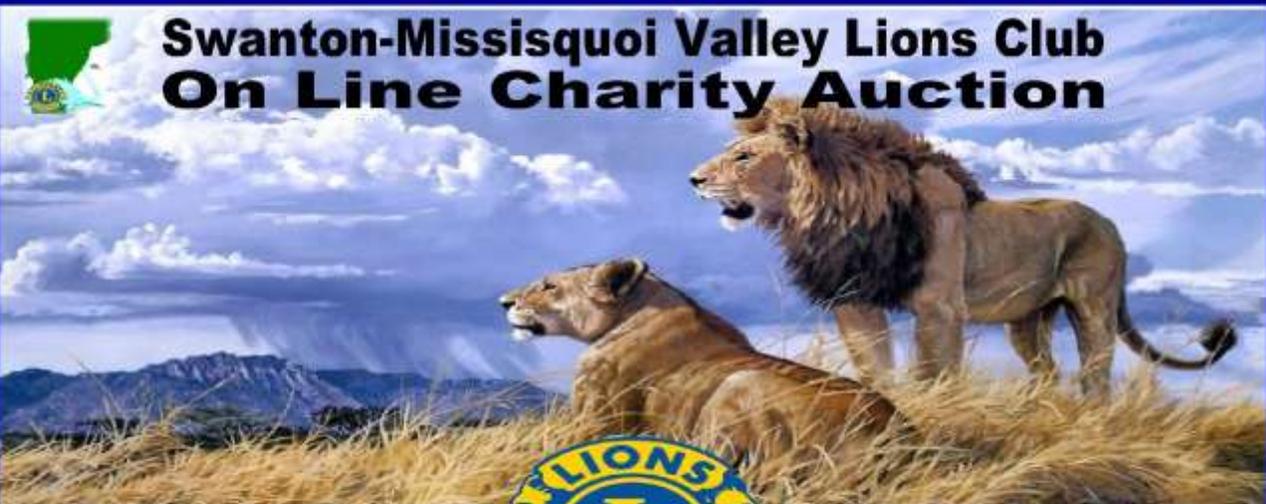
**Sunday, September 13, 2020**  
Hoyt's Landing – US Route 5 & Connecticut River – Springfield, Vermont  
8:30 a.m. Registration - 3:00 p.m. Prize awards  
\$20 Tournament Entry Fee – Includes tournament, prizes & door prize drawing  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Prizes – 3 Categories  
Live "Catch & Release" - Bass, Northern Pike and Perch  
Children 12 and under are Free  
(Special Prizes for 12 and under)  
**PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING & WEAR MASKS WHEN APPROPRIATE**  
70 Box 776, Springfield, VT 05156  
Email: [springfieldlionsclub@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldlionsclub@gmail.com)



 **Swanton-Missisquoi Valley Lions Club  
On Line Charity Auction**

**September 21, 2020**  **October 24, 2020**

<https://www.32auctions.com/SMVLC>



## **Vergennes Lions Club 2020 Vehicle Raffle**

### *1996 Ford Mustang V-8 Convertible*

(clean, 4.6L 8 cylinder engin, automatic transmission, stereo, A/C, all power optons)



2<sup>nd</sup> prize” BBQ for 15 people provided by Porky’s Backyard BBQ  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize: A pie every month for a year provided by Ferrisburgh Bake Shop

Tickets \$30 each. The winner to be drawn after all tickets are sold or on October 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Please mail check to: Vergennes Lions Club, P O Box 94, Vergennes VT 05491

Or contact any Vergennes Lions Club member. For more informaiton please contact:  
Mark Delisle 877-3423, Tom Brigan 877-6850, Paul Bessette 349-7141,  
PDG Bruce Bushey 355-1969, Ron Childers 363-9596, Gary Russell 236-6508  
and Chair – Debbie Brace 324-1758.

When mailing check, please make sure to include your name, postal address and BEST  
phone number to contact you. Also indicate how many ticket you are buying  
(Cash donations are being accepted as well!!!)

# **Drive Thru BBQ RIB DINNER**

**Swanton-Missisquoi Valley Lions**

**\$14**



**Saturday**

**OCTOBER 17th - 5:00 pm**

**\*722 Alburg Springs Road - Alburg**

**BBQ Ribs - Baked Potato - Baked Beans**

**Cole Slaw - Chocolate Chip Cookies**

**Order Deadline October 14th**

**Pre-Pay Required**

**Order at [swantonlions@gmail.com](mailto:swantonlions@gmail.com) or by**

**calling 802-782-2090**

**Quantities are Limited Please Order A.S.A.P.**

**\*Delivery May Be Available for Larger Quantity Orders**

*Castleton Lions Club:*

**CASTLETON LIONS CLUB  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND  
IN ITS 44TH 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**

**No. 191**

Please contact a Castleton Lions Club member if interested

*Colchester Lions Club*



**Braintree Brookfield Randolph Area Lions**  
**(branch club of the Heartland Lions Club)**



The left side photo is the 2020 – 2021 officers: PDG Walter Hasting, Branch Liason, Lion Tom Thompson, Lion Tamer / Tail Twister, Lion Michael McShane, President, Lion Lisa Preston, Lion Tamer / Tail Twister, Lion Jay Van Armen, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Lion Jonathan Heins, Treasurer. Not pictured David Crosby.

Thanks to Past District Governor Phil Wheeler for inducting our newest members into Lionism: Lion Jonathan, Lion Tom and Lion Lisa (David will be inducted at the group's next meeting) and installing the officers for the coming year!!!!

**Heartland Lions**

Heartland Lions Club took time to help Sue Thomas (guest speaker at PDG Walter Hastings convention) and Debra (special guest) in Tunbridge at their fall cleanup day. Heartland Lions Club recently honored Sue and Debra making them honorary members of the club.





## **50/50 Social Distancing Raffle**

The Heartland Lions Club will be postponing our Valentines Dance until February 12, 2022 due to COVID-19, but we still need your support for our charitable causes, please consider supporting this raffle.

\$10 buys you one chance at a mail in cash raffle where 50% of the ticket sales will be returned as prizes. Weekly drawings will occur on each Friday in November and the cash prizes will be drawn on December 15th. Ticket sales will close on December 1, 2020.

There are 4 cash prizes, first prize is 25% of the pot, second prize is 12.5% of the pot, third prize is 7.5 % of the pot, and forth prize is 5% of the pot. There are other prizes such as gift certificates to local businesses which will be awarded weekly throughout November. Any winners of the secondary prizes will remain in the drawing for the cash prizes. Enter as often as you like.

More info available at:  
[www.facebook.com/pages/Heartland-Lions-Club](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Heartland-Lions-Club)

***Drawing date December 15th 2020. It is ok to reproduce this form.***

**Send \$10 check and entry information to:  
Heartland Lions Club  
PO Box 507, South Royalton, VT 05068**

Heartland Lions Club 50/50 Mail in Cash Raffle

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I have included \$10 per entry.

NorShaft Lions Club:

# NORSHAFT LIONS 2020 RAFFLES

**RAFFLE #1 HUSQVARNA CHAINSAW  
AND ACCESSORY \$600 VALUE**



**RAFFLE #2 HENRY'S MARKET  
MEAT PACKAGE \$400 VALUE**



**\$10 OR 3 FOR \$25 NO  
MIXING OF TICKETS**

**RAFFLE #3 SPONSORED  
BY KCM OIL  
200 GALS. HOME HEATING OIL  
VALUED AT A MARKET PRICE OF \$390**





NorShaft Lions making repairs at skate park in Bennington!!!



**THE NORSHAFT LIONS  
PRESENTS**

**HALLOWEEN ON THE GREEN  
AT THE OLD TUTTLE'S LOT  
ON DEPOT ST IN BENNINGTON**

**FREE  
FAMILY FUN FOR  
THE KIDS**

**OCT. 31 11AM TO 1PM**

**PUMPKIN JUDGING, COSTUME JUDGING,  
KID GAMES, CANDY**

**BRING A PUMPKIN AND HAVE IT  
JUDGED, CARVED OR DECORATED**

**SOCIAL DISTANCING PRACTICE WILL BE IN EFFECT  
MASKS ARE REQUIRED**



**TRICKER TREAT  
BOO!!**



# New England News



Join Us

Our NELC Fall Meeting will be held virtually on Saturday, October 24, 2020 on ZOOM  
9:00 AM- 1:00 PM



Our guest speaker will be Lions Clubs International 2nd Vice President Brian E. Sheehan.

## Schedule

9:00 AM-10:00 AM- NELC Business Meeting and District Governor's Reports.  
10:00 AM-10:30 AM- Leo's Presentation  
10:30 AM-10:40 AM- Break  
10:40 AM-11:00 AM- International Director Mark Lyon  
11:00 AM-12:00 PM- Lions Clubs International 2nd Vice President Brian Sheehan  
12:00 PM-12:10 PM- Break  
12:10 PM-12:50 PM- Global Service Team Seminar- GST's from New England  
12:50 PM-1:00 PM- Closing of Meeting



Zoom Link:

Hope you can join us for all or part of our NELC Virtual Meeting. Please let all Lions know about this conference with Lions from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.



*~New England Lions Council~*  
*Serving The Needs of the Districts of New England*

**INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP**

**New England Lions Council Discounted Dues ~\$5.00~ 2020-2021**

**Membership Coverage is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021**

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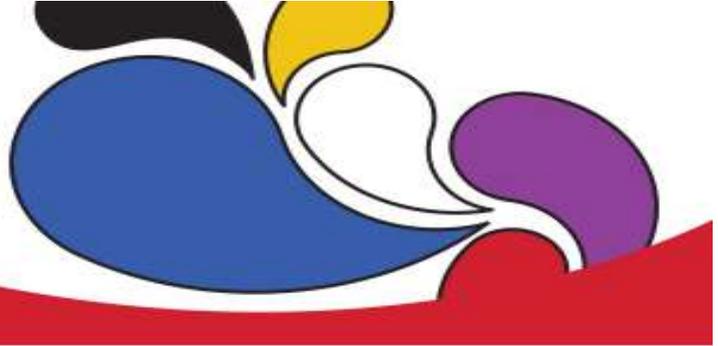
**Please send membership dues to PDG Liz Fenwick at her address.**

**Secretary Liz Fenwick, PDG  
 301 Mountain View Drive  
 Shaftsbury, VT 05262**



These is a quokkas.  
 They are marsupials native to Western Australia, and wear a perpetual:  
 "Hey there! Good to see ya! Oh, you brought pie!" smile on their faces.  
 I just felt your newsfeed needed more quokkas in it

# International News



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

### **United in Kindness and Diversity with International President, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**

**Dear Lion,**

When we serve, it's more than an act of kindness. It's personal. Your dedication enriches the lives of the people you know and strengthens the relationships you share. You are more than a volunteer—you are an essential part of your community. And that connection matters more than ever.

As you continue to serve safely, it's so important to focus on building your relationship with the community. Our mission is to serve, but our service inspires and empowers those around us to take action. And when we are united, we have the strength to face new challenges and solve the issues that matter to us most.

Regards,

**Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**  
**International President**



Vermont Lions: For more information on this please contact Lion Bruce Curtis (Pittsford) [bcurtis59@yahoo.com](mailto:bcurtis59@yahoo.com) or your DG Team!

Please see the September 2020 issue of the Communique for suggestion information from Lion Club International on how to host a peace poster contest during this time of the coronavirus.





## Social Media: Facebook

**OCT 7**  
**7 - 8:15 pm**

75 minutes packed with info on how to get started with a Club Facebook Page, using your page to promote your club & how to build quality Facebook likes. Includes a live Q&A.

**REGISTER**

**REGISTER**

### Social Media: Facebook - Getting Started

**OCT 14**  
**12 - 12:20 pm**  
 Why Facebook. Difference between pages & groups. Setting up your page. **RECORDED PREMIER on YOUTUBE**

**YOUTUBE PREMIER**

**REGISTER**

### Social Media: Facebook - Promoting Your Club

**OCT 21**  
**12 - 12:20 pm**  
 Why Facebook. Difference between pages & groups. Setting up your page. **RECORDED PREMIER on YOUTUBE**

**YOUTUBE PREMIER**

**REGISTER**

### Social Media: Facebook - Building Likes

**OCT 28**  
**12 - 12:20 pm**  
 Building page likes is key to the success of your page. Spend part of your lunch hour learning how to increase the impact of your Facebook page. **RECORDED PREMIER on YOUTUBE**

**YOUTUBE PREMIER**



Dear Lion,

What a great time to be a Lion! Now, you may be thinking, *being a Lion is tough right now*. Adjusting to life with the coronavirus (COVID-19) has been challenging. However, it is during difficult times that Lions shine the brightest. Lions and Leos are finding new ways to serve their communities while staying safe. Leos in New Jersey, USA even put together a virtual concert to raise money for LCIF! In addition, we are celebrating a major milestone for the foundation. I hope you read this newsletter and feel inspired.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir, Chairperson  
 Lions Clubs International Foundation

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### Celebrate SightFirst's 30th Anniversary!

Lions, it is time to celebrate. SightFirst is turning 30! The celebration will kick off October 5, the week of World Sight Day! Check the LCIF SightFirst [webpage](#) where you will find blogs and partner stories highlighting SightFirst's impact over the last 30 years. In addition, watch for Facebook posts on how to get involved in the celebration!

SightFirst has impacted more than 30 million people through strengthening eye care systems in underserved areas. See the world of impact SightFirst has had on communities.



### Just US\$10 Monthly Can Give the Gift of Sight to 12 People Yearly

Lack of access to eye care and unaffordable options mean people are needlessly out of work. All they need is a simple pair of eyeglasses. Learn about ways to give now or in the future.



### LCIF Awards 71 Grants to Lions

At the August Board of Trustees meeting, the Board of Trustees approved 71 grants totaling US\$7,834,702. A few project examples include expanding Lions Quest, LCIF's social and emotional learning curriculum, to students in Romania; expanding access to diabetes care in India; and establishing screening and treatment for diabetic retinopathy and other ocular pathologies in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

### Join the Discussion at LCIF's Upcoming Foundation Fridays webinar!

COVID-19 has changed the way we live and serve. Join International Third Vice President Patti Hill on October 2 for a discussion about how your club can make an impact during this new normal. Foundation Friday webinars are free and are a great way to connect with Lions and Lion leaders about topics that are important to you.

### This Makes It Easy to Commit to Campaign 100

Donors can submit a pledge to Campaign 100 through an online form. Holding a fundraiser? This online form makes it easier to collect pledges from your fellow Lions and friends, especially as Lions are dedicating themselves to serving safely. Try it out at your next fundraising event or submit your pledge today! Support the foundation that supports you.



### Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service

Our world is in need, and caring Lions, supported by our global foundation, are changing it. Learn more about the power of Campaign 100 to support Lions as they transform the lives of friends, families, and community members, and then help create the change we want to see in the world.

**October 15, 2020 is White Cane Safety Day.**  
**Here is an article with a little history in regards to the white cane**  
**found on the Lions Club International website. Enjoy!!**



**Touchstone Story #7**  
**The White Cane**

**Photo Caption:** The white cane is the international symbol of independence, mobility and safety for people who are blind or visually impaired.

Great ideas often take ages to form before taking hold all at once. The white cane, the now universal and indispensable aid for the blind, follows that path. It came into wide use beginning in 1930 as two caring problem solvers stood on busy street corners thousands of miles apart—one in Paris, France, and the other in Peoria, Illinois.

Throughout history, visually impaired people have carried canes, staffs and walking sticks to help get around obstacles. But, they faced terrifying new challenges in the 20<sup>th</sup> century as cars replaced carriages on city streets—streets that were frequently without stoplights and crosswalks. The plain, walking stick still worked as a way-making tool, but it was useless as a warning sign to motorists. A blind Englishman named James Biggs claimed to have found an answer in 1921 when he painted his walking stick white. A decade later, this simple invention began to gain ground.

The white cane crossed first to continental Europe through a one-woman campaign. From her home on the bustling Boulevard de Courcelles, a wealthy Parisienne named Mme. Guilly d'Herbement would watch nervously as sightless students commuted to a nearby school for the blind. In November 1930, she wrote a letter to a leading Paris newspaper urging the use of attention-getting *batons blancs*, similar to those carried by traffic police. A few months later, Mme. d'Herbement arranged for the French president to ceremoniously present one white cane each to a blind war veteran and a blind civilian. She then made personal gifts of 5,000 more white canes to the city's blind residents.

Meanwhile, Peoria Lions Club President George A. Bonham rallied the help of thousands of partners when he introduced the white cane to North America. Lions had eagerly embraced Helen Keller's call to aid the blind at the Lions Clubs International



Convention five years earlier. Now, they were primed to act on a fellow Lion's compelling new idea for service.

Like his Parisian counterpart, Bonham was moved one day in 1930 in downtown Peoria when Bonham saw a blind man tapping his cane helplessly as traffic swirled around him. No one seemed to notice the man's dilemma, which set Bonham thinking. The answer again was the white cane, this time with a red band for even greater visibility. Bonham shared his idea with club members who immediately voted their endorsement. Members took up the cause, painting white canes for the blind and writing letters to city officials. In December 1930, the Peoria City Council passed the nation's first "white cane safety law," giving blind citizens the right-of-way and other protections when carrying a white cane.

At the 1931 international convention in Toronto, Lions heard a detailed presentation on the white cane program and received copies of the Peoria ordinance to bring home. By 1956, with the help of a full-scale awareness and advocacy campaign, every state in the United States had enacted white-cane safety laws.

The white cane has become a symbol of the independence, confidence and skills of those who rely on it to guide their walk through life. Every Oct. 15 on International White Cane Safety Day, many Lions wear a white cane lapel pin, reminding us how far we have walked together.



## General News

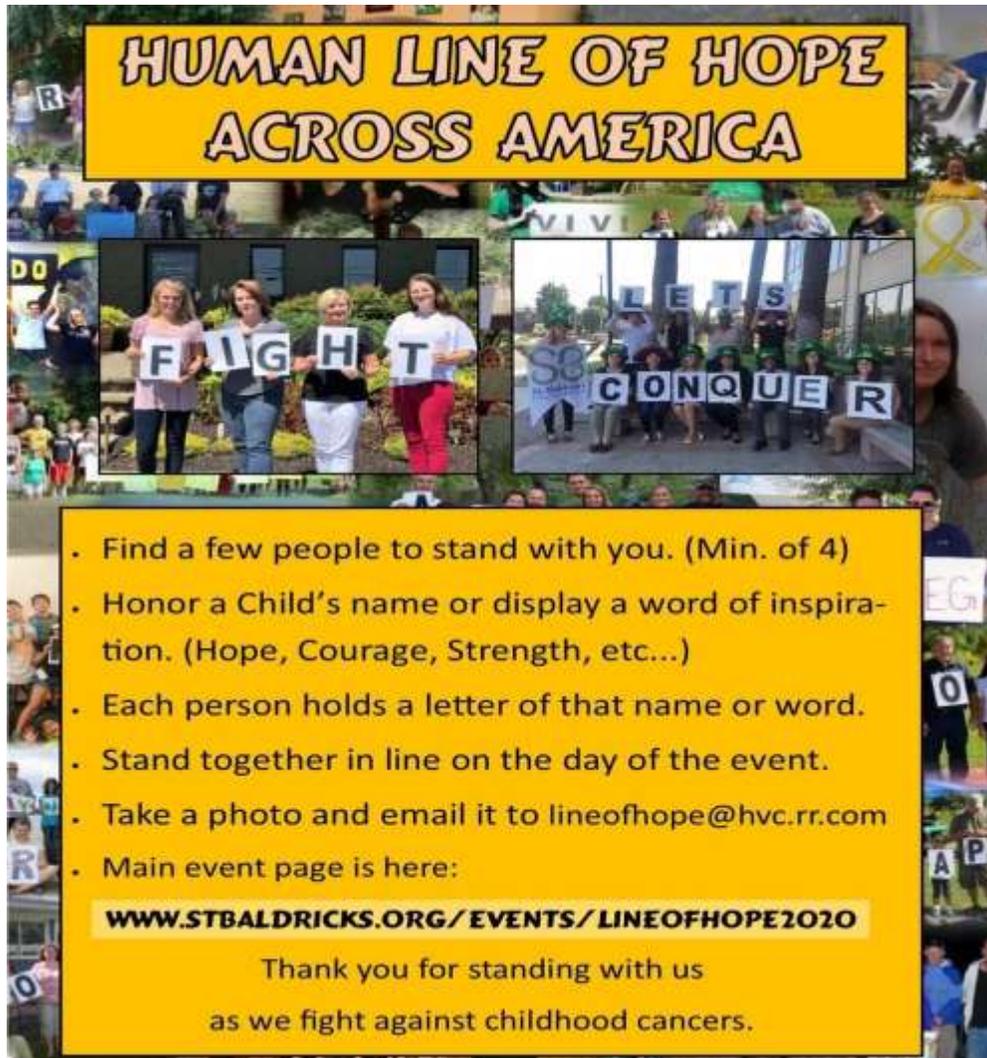
And not to be outdone, there was a celebration of a birthday in the South Strafford area. Lion Sue Coburn was honored by a parade by her community friends. We won't give away her age!!!



Many things are  
cancelled  
but we haven't  
cancelled  
Happiness & Hope.



The following are couples of examples of service projects / fundraisers being or could be done by Lions!!!



## HUMAN LINE OF HOPE ACROSS AMERICA

- Find a few people to stand with you. (Min. of 4)
- Honor a Child's name or display a word of inspiration. (Hope, Courage, Strength, etc...)
- Each person holds a letter of that name or word.
- Stand together in line on the day of the event.
- Take a photo and email it to [lineofhope@hvc.rr.com](mailto:lineofhope@hvc.rr.com)
- Main event page is here:

**[WWW.STBALDRICKS.ORG/EVENTS/LINEOFHOPE2020](http://WWW.STBALDRICKS.ORG/EVENTS/LINEOFHOPE2020)**

Thank you for standing with us  
as we fight against childhood cancers.



**West Bridgewater Lions Club  
Walk for Sight**



**RUN WALK & Roll**  
K5. free style WALK, RUN, ROLL  
open start time 12-3

**Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Starts and Ends at

**West Bridgewater Public Library**  
80 Howard Street, West Bridgewater

**\$20 Suggested Donation**

or get family and friends to sponsor you  
for an even bigger donation!

**Rain or Shine**

**To benefit Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund!**

To help practice social distancing, participants can start anytime, but please plan to end between 12-3pm at the Library to turn in donations. You can choose to follow our marked approximately 3mile road side course, use the track or free style your own 3 miles course.

Participants Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

If you're affiliated with a Lions or Leos Club, other than West Bridgewater Lions, what club? \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSORS**

Name	Amount
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____



# Scene of District 45 Walkers:

Whether it is for just plain exercise or a fundraiser, Lions of District 45 are great walkers (also runners, hikers, bikers!!!). Cystic Fibrosis! Hungry Lion Bike Tour! Walk to End to Alzheimers! Relay for Life! Walk for Sight!  
Here are some items to share about what is happening in our District.  
Do you have anything you like to share!!!

Hi, fellow Colchester Lions,

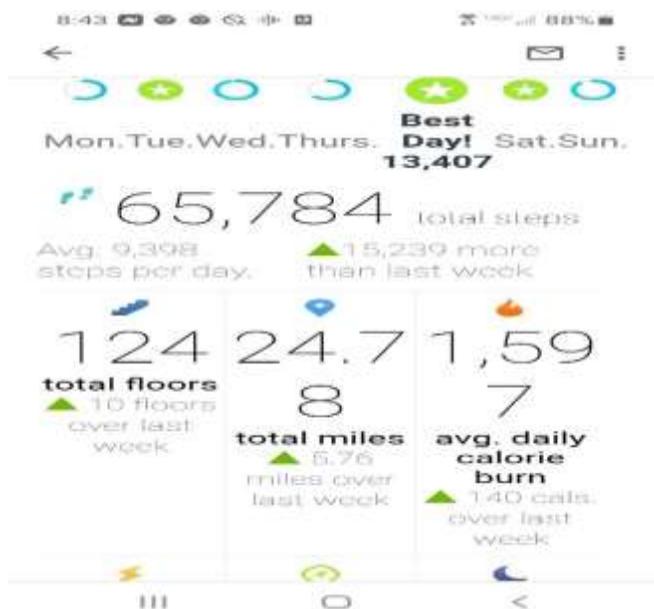
As most of you know, I have been involved with a walk or fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis for at least the last 40 years! This would have been the 28th year of the event held in Burlington and it had been scheduled to be held in Colchester this year, but due to the pandemic, we are unable to hold the event as we have in the past.

So, trying to be creative: I would like to offer you a bit of a challenge. The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation was established 65 years ago and we had been planning a rather big celebration this year. For those who may not know, several years ago when a child was asked about his illness; he replied he had 65 ROSES!! (being a young child he was repeating what he thought he heard; (65 roses instead of Cystic Fibrosis!) The slogan has stayed!

The Lions have played a vital role at the event with donations, the grill, and volunteers and you have always been so appreciated!

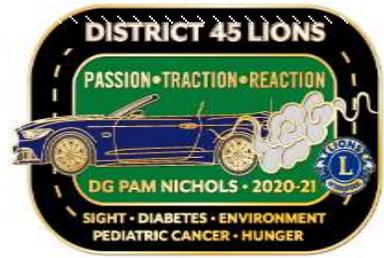
So, I would like to offer a challenge- if you walk, run, hike, bike, etc (all steps can count) and can do 65 miles total in 10 days or if you could do 6.5 miles on either Saturday, September 19th or Sunday, September 20th, I am prepared to sponsor 10-15 participants \$50 .00 each. ( Team name is Team Titi -after our daughter). I am not sure how to use the social media tools to get the word out so consider this an invitation to participate on your own. If you would please let me know if you are interested, I would appreciate it. Maybe there is something else you can think of to do that will tie into the "65" theme. I am going to challenge my grandson to catch 65 fish!!! We will all stride till we find a cure!!

Thank you,  
Lion Carmelita



*Scenes from the Hungry Lions Bike / Walk Virtual Tour!!!*





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# VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45 FALL CONFERENCE

Sunday November 1, 2020

Time: 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

LOCATION: Rutland Holiday Inn

Route 7 South, Rutland, Vermont

Registration: \$25.00 per person

REGISTRATION DEADLINE Monday October 23, 2020

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

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Position: \_\_\_\_\_ District Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

#Attending \_\_\_\_\_ x\$25.00 + \_\_\_\_\_

Please use a mask

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS October 23, 2020

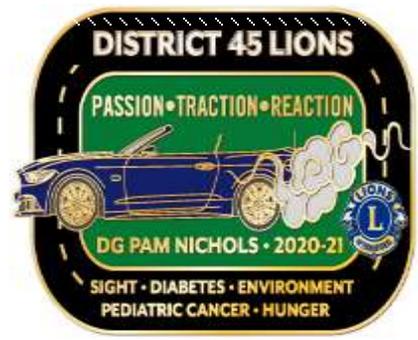
Mail to: CST PDG Bob Wilcox, P.O. Box 321, Shaftsbury, Vermont 05262

Cell: 802-379-2600 OR email to: [wilcoxrw@aol.com](mailto:wilcoxrw@aol.com)

*Be kind. Be open.  
Be curious. Be strong.  
Be generous. Be sincere.  
Be loyal. Be honest.*



***Be a Lion.***



WE SERVE

## VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45

2020-2021 Fall Conference

Sunday November 1, 2020

LOCATION: Rutland Holiday Inn  
Route 7 South, Rutland, Vermont

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:00 AM -	Registration
8:30 am to 9:15 am	Honorary Meeting
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Fundraising, Silent Auction
9:30 am TO 10:30 am	Work Session Vermont Lions Charities
10:45 am to 11:45 am	Work Session Green Mountain Lions Camp
Noon to 12:45 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Cabinet Meeting

