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Hello District 45 lions!

As we head into another season it is exciting to think that clubs are starting to meet in person again. Feeling the friendship and comfort of being together is absolutely wonderful after all these months apart.

Please make sure to facetime on your phone or have zoom available to those in your club that do not, as yet feels safe, it is important to keep them involved knowing what is going on for them is vital to keep them engaged in your club.

Please make wearing a mask mandatory, it is so easy to think its not necessary BUT let me caution you lets not endanger this lives of your club members, remember you can have this virus and not know it. Please we need you, your community needs you and your club needs you!

Membership is so important; some clubs are going dark. I have no idea if they are meeting or if they are doing anything at all. International doesnt know either, so hopefully if you are a member of one of those clubs let me know how I can help, do you need to learn to zoom, We can help you. Reach out.

Please ask someone to join your club. When was the last time you invited someone to a meeting? Maybe you can ask someone to help with a project. My club is making masks we have people from the community helping they are now thinking maybe to join to do that.

We all should congratulate the Heartland Lions Club or starting a branch club it will be exciting to watch them grow and thrive. Ask PDG Walter and PDG Ken for information on the club

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On Nov 1st after the Cabinet meeting we are having a new member reception for a Rutland Area club that will be sponsored by the Castleton Lions Club hopefully starting out as a branch then growing to a club , the goal is to get these branches into there community so they can grow and become clubs with in a year , do you have an area you know 5 or 6 people that could start a club? Please let our NAMI chair PDG Walter Hastings know about it so he can guide you on how to proceed

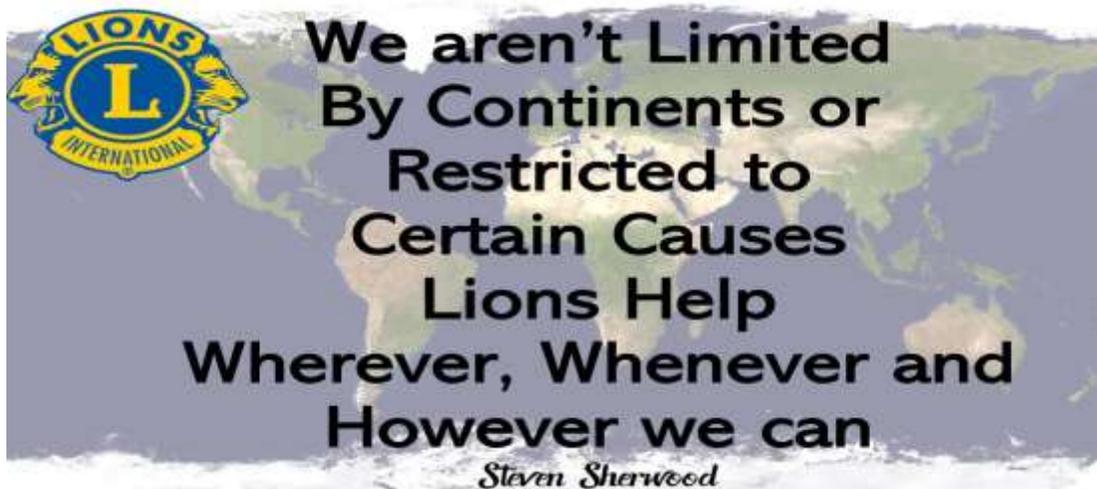
In closing I am doing a few visits this month, I look forward to being with you all, Hope to see you at the Cabinet meeting in Rutland, if you cannot make it go to the District 45 lions facebook page there will be a link to get on zoom with us! Don't forget Monday night lives on Facebook 7:30 p.m. where I let you know what is going on and we just chat and answer questions you might have.

So HAPPY TO BE YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR
 Pamela Nichols

District 45 Calendar

2020 <u>Date</u>	District 45 <u>Hosts - Event</u>	2021 <u>Location</u>
November 3, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Chainsaw Raffle	Norshaft VT
November 4, 2020	Keeping Pride Together - Retaining Members	Virtual
November 20, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Meat Package Raffle	Norshaft VT
December 1, 2020	Deadline - Norshaft Lions Club Fuel Oil Raffle	Norshaft VT
December 1, 2020	50/50 Social Distancing Raffle Deadline - Heartland Lions Club	South Royalton Vt
December 3, 2020	Lions Eye Bank of Albany NY Raffle	Albany, NY
December 4, 2020	Norwich Lions Club - Deadline - Raffle Extraordinaire	Norwich, VT
December 5, 2020	Jericho – Underhill Lions Club Raffle	Underhill, Vt
December 8, 2020	B B R A Lions Raffle	Randolph, VT
December 15, 2020	Brandon Forest Dale 2 Raffles End	Brandon, VT
January 9, 2021	District 45 - <i>Winter Cabinet Meeting</i>	Barre, VT
<u>March 13, 2021</u>	District 45 - <i>Spring Cabinet Meeting</i>	Essex VT
<u>March 13, 2021</u>	District 45 - <i>LCIF Super Raffle</i>	Essex VT
May 7 - 9, 2021	District 45 - <i>Spring Convention</i>	Manchester VT
June 25 - 29, 2021	Lions Club International - International Convention	Montreal, PQ, Canada

Don't see your club activities???
Email such to the Communique Editor
See it next month!!!!



District News



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

*** Hello all, I have a new email address. Please use the following:
vtlionkathy@gmail.com Thanks. 2nd VDG Kathy ***

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

And here is a list of 55 proposed acronyms:

L. I. O. N. S. - 55 PROPOSED DEFINITIONS

LABORING INDISPENSIBLE OPTIONS TO NURMEROUS STRATEGIES LAUNCH INVESTMENTS IN OUR NEIGHBORS SELF-RELIANCE
LIVEIHOOD INDEPENDENCE OBLIGES NECESSARY SUPPORTS LEADERS IMPLEMENTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIONAL SERVICES
LEADERS OF INDISPENSABLE OPTIONS TO NOURISH SOCIETY LEADING IMPASSIONED ORGANIZATION OF NOTEWORTHY SERVICES
LEADING INDIVIDUALS ORGANIZING NEEDFUL SERVICES LEADING INNOVATIVE ORGANIZATION OF NUMEROUS SERVICES
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LENDING INDIVIDUALS OPTIONS FOR NECESSARY SERVICES LENDING INDISPENSIBLE OPPORTUNITIES NECESSARY TO SOCIETY
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LOVE INSPIRES OBLIGATIONS TO NOBLY SERVE LOVE IS OFFERED AS NEEDS SURFACE
LOVING INDIVIDUALS OVERSEE NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES



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.



CLUB NEWS

Don't Miss the New Member Fee Waiver Deadline: December 31

Attract and report new members before the end of 2020 to take advantage of the new member fee waiver. Remember — new members help ensure your club's success for years to come. [GET STARTED](#)

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We as Lions, are serving during one of the most significance times in our history. With the Corona-virus still in the forefront, we undoubtedly have to continue to learn to adapt to different way of meeting, fund raising and serving our communities. The needs of the world are now greater than ever, LCIF Empowering Service is of the utmost importance, as is the impact your service makes on communities.

343 Covid-19 FRONTLINE RELIEF grants totaling \$187,097 have already been given to aid with this unprecedented virus.

If you or your clubs are able to continue to donate to LCIF, please know how much it is appreciated. For assistance or more information please do not hesitate to either PID Tom or PDG Merry. You can also visit lcif.org/donate to make a secure recurring or one-time contribution, call 630-203-3836 or email donorassistance@lionsclubs.org.

What's the power of your gift to Lions Clubs International Foundation?

A safer and healthier world in which Lions have even greater opportunity to: n Increase service impact in the areas of vision, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian work.

Fight diabetes to reduce its prevalence and improve quality of life for those diagnosed. n Expand our global causes to include:

Hunger – Growing resources and infrastructure needed to address food shortages, we'll work toward a world in which no one goes hungry.

Childhood Cancer – We'll strengthen medical and social services designed to increase life expectancy of children with cancer and enhance quality of life for them and their families.

Environmental Issues – Together, Lions and LCIF will protect the environmental health of our global communities.

WE ACHIEVE GREAT THINGS TOGETHER!

Respectfully

PID Tom Broughton & PDG Merry Souza

Blast from the past segment:

This photo was from the 2015 USA / Canada Forum in Omaha Nebraska. PDG Ken Emery, DG Joe Wilson, 1st VDG Walter Hastings and CS Carol Greene Were saluting PDG (now our current CST) Bob Wilcox on his travels With International President Bob Corlew and his bus travels.



And here is couple of photos when International President Corlew visited District 45 Lions at the Hampton Inn in Colchester.





Happy Fall everyone! I hope this letter finds you all well. Despite the grey cloud of Covid-19 hanging over our heads we, THE LIONS OF DISTRICT 45 WILL PERSERVE! Clubs have begun to screen our children, some by brave Lions with all the necessary safety equipment in place and other schools being screened by our trained school nurses. Approximately some 400 students have been screened District wide so far with many schools still scheduled to be done.

I wish to remind everyone of the importance of reporting ALL screenings, by Lion or nurse, to me so I can keep tabs on what schools are being served. I will report all screenings to the Communicate so we can all take stock of our successes and be able to give well-earned kudos to those clubs who have been able to provide this most important and necessary service.

It is most important to keep a presence with the schools who have chosen not to screen this year. We need to maintain that hard earned contact for future years. As Lions we have all worked hard to establish a successful report with our schools. That is why we need to maintain it and make sure we will be welcomed back when life returns to some sort of normalcy.

May you all have a beautiful fall and fun Halloween! Keep those reports coming

Until Fall Conference,

Yours in Lionism, Debra Savery, Vermont District 45 Vision Screening Coordinator



Club News

Enosburg Fall Lions Club:



IPDG Ken,

I wanted to thank you for the \$20.00 gift. We gave the (2) meals out to a deserving person. We also had a person donate \$80.00 to be used to make 16 meals half price (\$5.00). We started cooking at 7:30 am and began serving at 10:45. All 200 meals were gone by noon!! It was a great



day. The club made enough to make it a worthwhile project. Thanks again .

Sincerely, Lion Larry Larrow

Windsor Lions Club:



Hello, IPDG Ken Windsor lions hanging in. Still have no place to meet safely. And have not been having meetings. We do speak by phone. Zoom doesn't work for some of our members. Trying to come up with another idea using phones. Lion Ruth (Pillsbury) did receive her Melvin Jones mid-August at a gathering of those who felt safe to do so. Thanks for checking in with us. Yours in Lionism, Lion Myra Poland, Windsor Lions Club

Arlington Lions Club:



Sand Buckets for Seniors: The Arlington Club wants senior citizens to be safe this winter by offering a bucket of sand for icy steps and entrance ways. If you live in Arlington, Sunderland or Sandgate and are 65 years or older and would like a bucket of sand delivered free of charge to your home, please call Lion Ashley Illinski at 802-430-3013 from 8am to 8pm. Please leave a message with your name and address, or if it is easier, please email requests to aniashley87@gmail.com.

Springfield Lions Club:



On Sunday October 11th, members of the Lion's Club had the pleasure of working with Springfield Trails and Rural Economy to clean up trail areas around Toonerville Trail and Hartness Park. We were joined by members of [Black River Action Team](#) and the [Springfield Vermont Rotary Club](#) on the beautiful sunny day! Special thanks to Jim Fog for coordinating. We hope you all can get out and enjoy the spruced up trails while the weather permits!!

Readsboro Lions Club:

Well, I sold my VT house. So, I am here now where both of my kids live with their families. I am enjoying spending time with my daughter's new born and my son's 3 year-old twins. I plan to buy a house here in the next several months. I will remain a member of Readsboro Lions for now. I plan to join the club here probably next spring when they have some projects that I can get involved in. Here is my address: 200 Loosestrife CT Apt 307, Wilmington NC 28411
Cell phone: 802-780-9248 Best, PCS Anna Bolognani

Middlebury Lions Club:

We held our food drive on October 10th. We collected \$1,325 in cash and over a ton of food for the two food banks (H.O.P.E. and CVOEO). Considering COVID and that we did not have all the usual locations fully covered for both shifts (9 AM to Noon, and Noon to 3 PM), we did quite well. Regards, Lion Karen Schroeder



Big thanks to the Middlebury Lion's Club for hosting their Food from the Heart food drive on the Co-op Plaza today! And thank you to all the shoppers who donated much-needed items for our local food shelves. This community rocks.



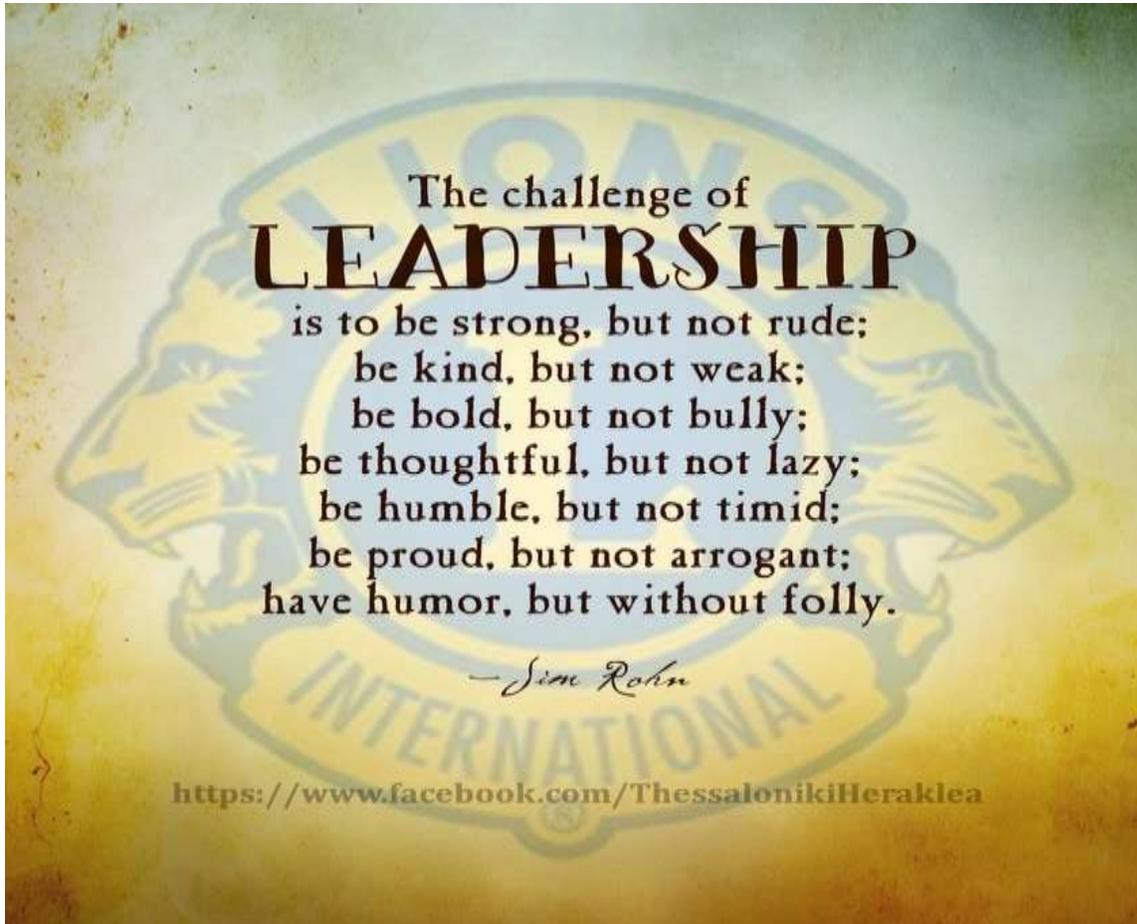
Essex Jct. Lions Club:

Essex Junction Lions Linda Stone, Beth Abustan and Betsy MaGee attended the build and look forward to the next one - in Jericho - October date TBD. For further information see Sleep in Heavenly Peace website.

Thanks. PDG Betsy



Essex Junction Lions Carmelle Terborgh, Doris Maynard, Lynette Pelsor, Mary Tewarson, Beth Abustan and Betsy MaGee delivered the District Traveling Lion to the Richford Lions Club, which President Lion Claude Coulombe accepted with a great big smile!!! DG Pam making sure of smooth transition!!!



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

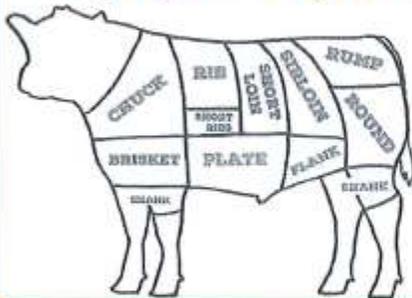
Proceeds of these raffles will benefit the targeted areas listed below:

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)

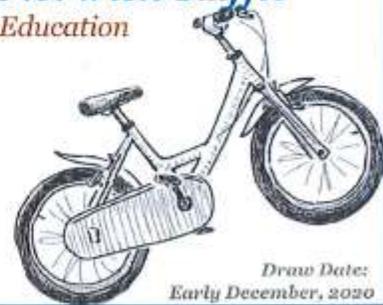
Several gift certificates available, regardless of number of tickets sold. Chances to win will remain the same.

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

Colchester Lions Club:



Colchester Lions Club members handing out Halloween Treat bags to local youth!!!

Vergennes Lions Club 2020 Vehicle Raffle

Congratulations to Bernadette Laberge on winning 1st prize 🎉 second prize went to Matthew DeBlois and third went to Gerald Dudley of Whitehall!!! Thanks to everyone that supported us this year. The Lions can't do what we do without the support from all you wonderful people ❤️ The Vergennes Lions Club. Where there's a need there's a Lion!!!

Richford Lions Club:

DG Pam inducting a new member into the Richford Lions Club. Welcome!!!



Brandon Forest Dale Lions Club:

**Brandon Forest Dale
Lions Club**

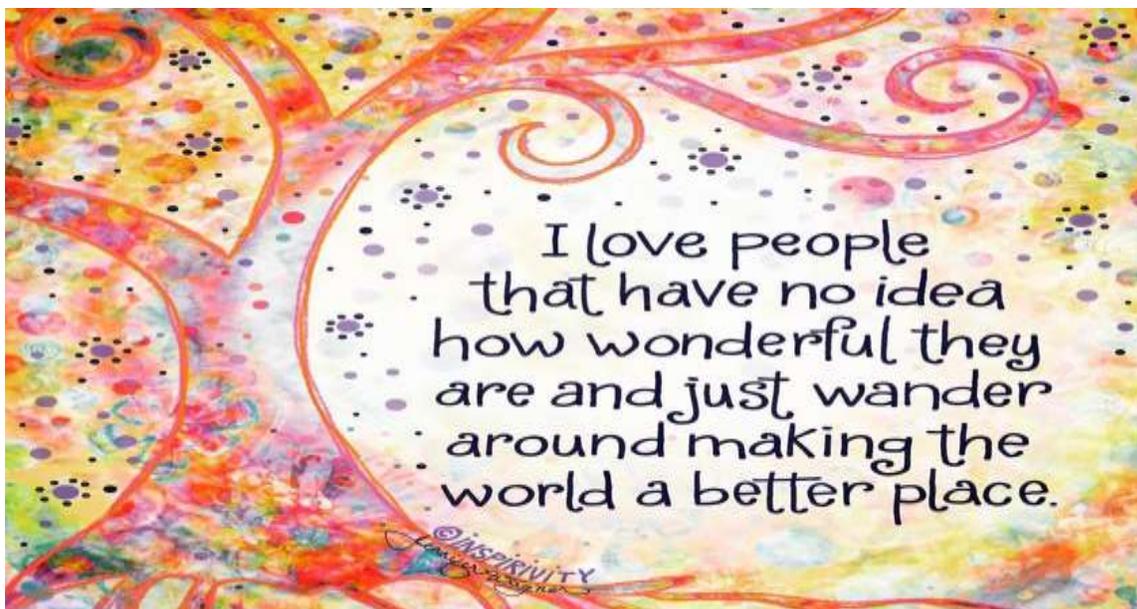


This beautiful handmade quilt was donated to the Brandon Forest Dale Lions club to raise money to benefit our community. Tickets are 1 for \$1.00 and 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will take place on Tuesday December 15, 2020.

**Brandon Forest Dale
Lions Club Raffle**



Support your community and get the chance of possible winnings of up to \$100,000! Raffle tickets are available, see Cassandra Hayes. Tickets are (1) for \$5.00 and (3) for \$10.00. The winner will be drawn on December 15th. 100% of the proceeds go back into the community.



Braintree Brookfield Randolph Area Lions Club:
(Branch club of Heartland Lions Club)

B B R A Lions Raffle ***
 Name: _____ ***
 * Address: _____ ***
 * _____ ***
 Tel. No.: _____ ***
 Email: _____ ***
 Drawn: December 8, 2020 ***
 B B R A Lions ***
 Return this section ***

Braintree Brookfield Randolph Area Lions Raffle
 Benefit Community Service Projects
 Drawing held Tuesday, December 8, 2020
 Tickets (by donation): \$5 a piece, 5 for \$20
 Checks payable to: B B R A Lions
 Grand Prize: Cord of Wood or \$200 CASH
 (free delivery within 10 miles of Snowsville General Store)
 B B R A Lions
 Keep this section

Mail to any B B R A Lion
 OR TO
 B B R A Lions
 Attn: Lion Jonathan Heins
 33 Old Bass Road
 Braintree VT 05060
 Mail Deadline: December 3, 2020
 Drawing: December 8, 2020

Braintree Brookfield Randolph Area Lions
 Grand Prize: Cord of Wood
 (free delivery within 10 miles of Snowsville General Store)
 OR - \$200 CASH
 Winner gets choice of either
 Benefit Community Service Projects

Granville Lions Club:



The Granville Lions Club welcomed two new members at its dinner meeting on Oct. 6. Welcome new Lions Scott Taylor (left) and Michele Beaulieu (right side). They are joined by their sponsor, Lion Janice Doughman (center). We are happy to have you aboard!



(Left photo): At the Granville Lions Club's recent clambake, club President Linda Ellingsworth presented Telescope Casual Furniture CEO Kathy Juckett with the Melvin Jones Award in recognition of the company's many contributions to the Granville area. The award, the highest in Lions, is sometimes given to a community member for outstanding service to the local community. The Granville Lions express sincere appreciation to Telescope and Ms. Juckett's leadership for their commitment to the people of Granville.

(Right Photo): The Granville Lions Club Foundation presented a \$500 donation to the Slate Valley Museum at the Lions annual clambake on September 26. Foundation Treasurer Phil Weaver (right) presented the check to Molly Celani, President of the Slate Valley Museum.



Jericho-Underhill Lions Club:

Our president – King Lion, Lion Michael Willard has a new mailing address:
P O Box 38, Grand Isle VT 05458



Top prize Hand Quilted Blanket and other items. Tickets \$1/each, or 6 for \$5. See any Jericho - Underhill Lion.
Drawing December 5, 2020, Respectfully submitted, Lion E. David Crane

Heartland Lions Club:

	50/50 Social Distancing Raffle
<p>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.</p>	
<p>\$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.</p>	
<p>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 fourth 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.</p>	
<p>More info available at: www.facebook.com/pages/Heartland-Lions-Club</p>	
<p>Drawing date December 15th 2020. It is ok to reproduce this form.</p>	
<p>Send \$10 check and entry information to: Heartland Lions Club PO Box 507, South Royalton, VT 05068</p>	
<p>Heartland Lions Club 50/50 Mail in Cash Raffle Name: _____ Address: _____ Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____</p>	
<p>___ I have included \$10 per entry.</p>	

New England News

Words from International Director Candidate PCC PDG John Youney – District 41 Maine (as provided to his fellow Maine Lions)

TALES OF THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL UPDATE Just a short note from the new campaign site - my house since most of my campaigning is digital nowadays. Never ever thought that I would be learning to become a Zoom-er! But it is the way we are all connecting nowadays. Some states are opening up activities.

For example, MD 23 CT is having a weekend LCIF fundraising dinner event Friday night followed by seminars on Saturday at Dunkin Stadium in Hartford, but even that is limited to a total of 100 people each day. They do have a great presenter - First IVP Doug Alexander on his first event outside of his home state of New York since C-19 began locking us down. Holding the event outside works in CT just as it did for Lion Bunny, DG/PDG, and all of us in Maine's SD 41 at the first Cabinet meeting a couple of weeks ago.

And speaking of that meeting - was not that great? Thank you to the Manchester Lions for pulling off a great, and outdoor, venue and a delicious breakfast. And a special thank you to all of you Lions who remained masked except when eating.

The best fun for me was that I had the pleasure of recognizing, and in some cases awarding, 26 new Melvin Jones Fellows and Progressive MJFs. Their dedication to your Foundation is what allows LCIF to continue to serve here and worldwide during this pandemic. It was so rewarding to be able to recognize this giving so publicly. We may not have had the award fundraiser dinner that our LCIF chair Lion Bruce Jellison, PDG, had planned, but he did make sure we recognized all the MJFs as publicly as we could. Congratulations again.

Now as to the Trail, we are still unsure of what will be happening this winter. The campaign team met after the Cabinet meeting, with most members present. We discussed the fundraising efforts and the financial status of the campaign (still slightly in the black, hurray!). We also discussed the "up-in-the-air" status of the New England MDs and Sub-districts usual array of events. For example, we believe MD 33S has a plan to hold their mid-winter conclave, but is subject to change as the governments change rules to meet this crisis.

Also, MD 33 State Convention is scheduled for the last weekend of April - which should be a familiar date to all us Maine Lions since that is also our convention weekend. We have heard that as of this past week, MD 33N has decided against an in-person event. Contracting with hotels can be a huge problem, as another MA district has learned when the hotel does believe it will be able to serve meals to the Lions. Now that would be an interesting way to start a diet!

But remember, the Montreal 2021 LCI Convention will be held and registration is open! Lion Karol and I have our reservations. All New England Lions will be housed in the downtown Delta Hotel, a major Canadian hotelier. We will be only a few blocks from the convention center. MUCH closer than out by the airport at the last Montreal international convention. So register early! Please! A strong showing by all NE Lions will only help the campaign.

So from this unusual campaign site, thank you for all your support, Lion John W. Youney, PDG Endorsed Candidate for ID

Youney for ID Campaign Apparel is still available for purchase. We will even mail it to you! The fleece vests are super comfy, and the polo shirts are sharp looking, made of wicking material. Perfect for those summer days! All funds go directly to the Youney for ID Campaign. Your support in this endeavor is extremely appreciated! Let's get an International Director from Maine on the Board! Vote for Lion John Youney at the Montreal Convention in 2021!!



YOUNEY for INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR ORDER FORM

ORDERED BY: _____ **Date:** _____
 Name _____
 Street _____ Apt.# _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____
 District _____
 Lions Club _____

SHIP TO: _____
 Name _____
 Street _____ Apt.# _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____

Vest Cost each US \$ 40.00 Canada \$52.00
 No: S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ 2XL ___ Total _____

Polo Shirt: Cost each US \$30.00 Canada \$39.00
 No: S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ 2XL ___ Total _____

Hat: Cost each US \$ 10.00 Canada \$13.00
 No. Ordered _____ Total _____

Grand Slam -1 of each US \$80.00 Canada \$104.00
 No Ordered _____ Total _____

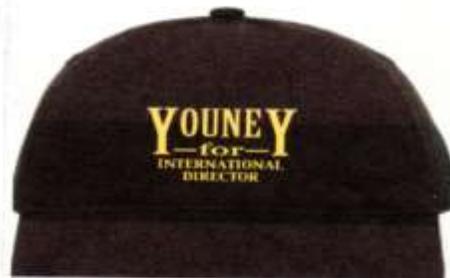
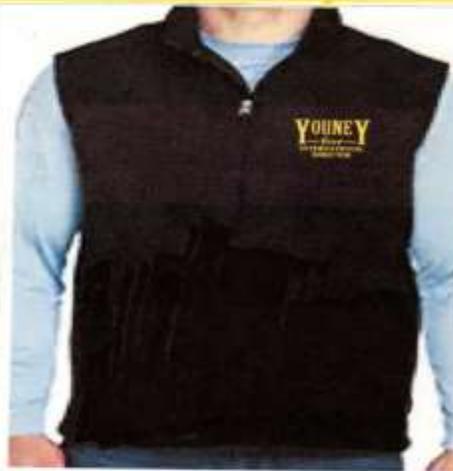
Total Items cost \$ _____
Shipping \$ _____
Attending your function \$ Free _____
Total payment \$ _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Cash _____ Check # _____
 Make payment to: Youney for ID

ORDER RECEIVED BY: _____
 Paid in full _____

TO ORDER or QUESTIONS:
 Email PDG, John Youney: youney@mhfy.us
 Email PDG, Paula Beach: mystuff.pb@gmail.com



Shipping (US Postal)
 Each order add \$8.00
Canada Postage add 10.40

International News



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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

Dear Lion,

Your safe service has preserved the health and safety of so many within your local community. The coronavirus pandemic has become the global health focus for the world, but many other health issues remain. And that's where Lions can make a difference.

Diabetes affects nearly 10% of the world's adult population—and so many more are undiagnosed. That is why diabetes has been one of our five global causes. This month, I ask that you unite with Lions around the world to raise awareness and educate people so we can be the difference in our communities.

Because every global cause has a solution that begins at home.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
International President



Serving Safely

Your service matters now more than ever. And our Serving Safely page has everything you need to keep serving and keep your community—and yourself—safe and healthy.

We've updated the [Serving Safely](#) page with new tools to help you continue innovating the way you serve in your community. You'll also find blogs, social media resources and inspirational stories that can help you discover new ways your club can continue making a difference.

Staying Connected

We're always stronger when we work together. When you stay connected with your club, your community and your team here at Lions International, we all become a part of your incredible service. Here are three ways you can stay connected:



- **Tell your story** – Maximize your social media by posting photos and videos of your club serving safely using the hashtag **#WeServe**. Or [download our press release template](#) to leverage your local media to help tell your story to the community.
- **Report your service** – Bring attention to the great work you're doing by reporting through MyLion or your regional reporting system. Remember to include any virtual meetings and activities, including World Diabetes Day virtual service.
- **Share our story** – Let your community know about how Lions have continually served for more than a century by sharing our [Lions Stay Connected](#) video on your social media.

When we stay connected, we stay ready to serve together.



World Diabetes Day

World Diabetes Day is on **November 14**, and this year, we're asking Lions to continue serving safely by serving virtually. Beginning October 12, your club can participate in a variety of virtual activities to promote diabetes awareness, prevention and care.

Visit our [World Diabetes Day](#) page for activities and educational series that you and your club can participate in to make a difference in your community. And don't forget to use the hashtag **#LionsFightDiabetes** to celebrate your service with us and Lions around the world.



Lions and United Nations: Sharing Our Future Together

- July 1943** • At International Convention in Cleveland Lions endorsed UN formation resolution of US House of representatives
- Feb 1945** • Lions founder Melvin Jones along with few more leaders met with US Secretary of Treasury & Assistant Secretary of State to discuss UN
- April 1945** • Lions Clubs around the world marked UN Week to show support to the organization
- May 1945** • Lion Leader were invited to write the non-governmental charter of the United Nations
- Jun 26, 1945** • United Nations Charter was signed by 50 countries
- Oct 24, 1945** • United Nations was chartered
- 1947** • Lions were given consultative status on UN Economic and Social Council
- 1978** • Lions & UN started celebrating "Lions Day with United Nations"

Lion Mahesh Chhina



Keeping The Pride Together

Tips & tricks to retain your members

LIVE event

Wednesday, November 4th
7 - 8:30 pm EDT (New York)

REGISTER NOW!
classroom.lionsvirtual.org

YOUTUBE Premier

Wednesdays, November 11, 18 & 25
12 - 12:30 pm EDT (New York)

subscribe to Lions Virtual YouTube channel
to be notified of premiers or tune in





Dear Lion,

Where there is a need, there is a Lion, and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is there for support. When you donate to LCIF, you are supporting Lion service both locally and in other areas of the world. Within this newsletter are stories highlighting what Lions are doing with LCIF grants and resources to help you get started with a grant of your own. Become involved by pledging your support, doing some storytelling, or by planning a project you care about. Do what service means to you.

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir, Chairperson
Lions Clubs International Foundation



Rebuilding Communities in Australia After Devastating Fires

With beautifully diverse landscapes, Australia is home to 26 million people. But from November 2019 to January 2020, bushfires ravaged through more than 46 million acres. Lions were quick to provide aid and, with support from LCIF, they are helping to rebuild the devastated communities.

[▶ READ STORY](#)

Your Pledge Could Save a Life

Some donations go to rebuilding after a disaster strikes. Some go to educate youth. Some may even save lives. What will your donation do? Support Lions as they work to conquer the world's challenges. Pledge your donation today.

[▶ PLEDGE DONATION](#)



KidSight Program Expands to Change Lives in Colombia

Esteban had never had his vision screened before. He and his schoolmates lined up for vision testing, intrigued by the machines the Lions were holding. He did not know it, but his world was about to change.

► [READ STORY](#)



Dear Lion Leader: Let's Celebrate!

On January 13, our founder – Melvin Jones – will be honored for the 142nd anniversary of his birthday and we could not be more excited to celebrate with Lions around world.



This year, we want to celebrate what it means to be a Lion during Campaign 100, with a LCIF Week Melvin Jones photo contest. I am excited to share a first look at the contest with you, as a Lion leader. We will launch the contest with all Lions in the next two days.

- Contest is open between October 22 – December 31, 2020
- Voting and deadline for submission is December 31, 2020 at 11:59 pm (Central Time Zone)
- Winners announced on January 17, 2021

[Enter Contest](#)

Limit of one entry per person. Your photo submission can only qualify for one of three categories listed below (no purchase or donation is required to enter). Three winners will receive complimentary individual registration and Melvin Jones' luncheon tickets* at the 103rd Lions Clubs International Convention in Montreal, Quebec. Family, friends, and fellow Lions can vote for their favorite photo submission by going online at <https://gleam.io/q/WrR9g>.

To quote Melvin Jones, "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else." Thank you for your support my fellow Lions. Here's to a great start of this year's LCIF Week!

In friendship,

Gudrun Yngvadottir
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

First category is **Melvin Jones Fellow/Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF/PMJF)**

Submit a photo of yourself with your MJF plaque or PMJF pin. **Group photos will not be accepted.** You must also comment by answering the question, in 120 words or fewer, *How has LCIF helped you personally or helped your club to help even more people in your community or globally?*

Second category is **Vision/SightFirst-Focused**

Submit a photo of yourself from a project you were a part of, in support of a Vision project or LCIF's SightFirst program (as this year, we are celebrating 30 years of SightFirst accomplishments). **Group photos will not be accepted.** You must also comment by answering the question, in 120 words or fewer, *How has LCIF helped you or your club improve the lives of the visually impaired and/or prevent avoidable blindness?*

Third category is **Youth/Lions Quest-Focused**

Submit a photo of yourself you were a part of from a Youth or Lions Quest project. **Group photos will not be accepted.** You must also comment by answering the question, in 120 words or fewer, *How has LCIF helped you or your club provide access to quality education, vital health services, and positive youth development for young people around the world?*

Enter the photo contest online at <https://gleam.io/q/WrR9g>.

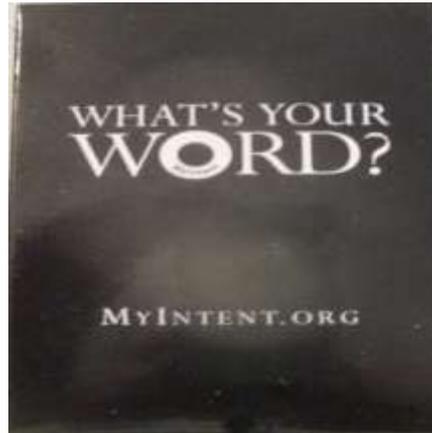
*Flight and hotel accommodations are not included with your complimentary individual registration pass to the 103rd Lions Clubs International Convention. Your complimentary registration pass allows for registrants to receive an official name badge, souvenir medallion, official convention program, and one entrance for the International Show.



Lions Clubs International
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What's in a word??



Bracelets for sale. \$10 each.

Will be great a present to give a friend, holiday present or just a 'thank you'
Make your own. Or choose a 'We Serve'.

District Governor Pam Nichols Benefit: Lions Club International Foundation

Please send request / information to
PCT Loreen Teer @ lionloreen2007@gmail.com or
IPDG Ken Emery @ kpemery1960@gmail.com
Delivery will be arranged.



General News

Lions Eye Bank of Albany (serving Vermont)

If we all continue to work together, perhaps we can rid the world of corneal blindness.

Many people take their eyesight for granted, but for those who are visually impaired sight is a most precious gift. Through the technology of medical science complete restoration of sight has been made possible through corneal transplant surgery.

For over 68 years, the Sight Society of Northeastern NY, Inc. (Lions Eye Bank at Albany) has served 29 counties throughout Northeastern New York, Great Barrington, MA and now serves 6 hospitals in Vermont. The eye bank has been responsible for more than 12,000 eye tissue transplants since the program began in 1952. In 2019, the Lions Eye Bank at Albany provided tissue for more than 345 corneal transplants, which restored vision to men, women and children whose ages ranged from 9 days to 103 years. The Lions Eye Bank at Albany is a vital link in the chain that connects both donors and recipients of much needed eye tissue. The eye bank also provides educational programs for the public and healthcare professionals as well as supports donor families through its Donor Family Services program.

The Lions Eye Bank at Albany now serves the following hospitals in Vermont and their communities: Southwestern VT Medical Center, Bennington, Rutland Regional Medical Center, Rutland, Porter Hospital, Middlebury, Copley Hospital, Morrisville, Northwestern Medical Center, St. Albans and University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington to honor the wishes of those who choose to donate their corneas upon their death, thus giving a gift of sight.

The Sight Society of NENY, Inc. (Lions Eye Bank at Albany) would like to offer you, your family and friends an exciting opportunity to support us and our mission to give the Gift of Sight.

We are hosting our First Fundraising Raffle. The price is \$20.00 per ticket. The lucky winners will receive:

- 1st prize - \$2,500
- 2nd prize - \$1,000
- 3rd prize - \$500

The drawing will be held on December 3, 2020 at the Sight Societys Holiday Open House. You need not be present to win.

In today's challenging time and with the present economic outlook it is extremely difficult to maintain our charitable operation without outside support. Our annual golf tournament is our primary fundraiser each year and due to the Covid -19 social distancing regulations this year's golf tournament was cancelled. Please help us by purchasing one or more raffle tickets.

You may call Joann @ 518-489-7606 or email Jbeach@lionseyebankalbany.org for more information or to purchase tickets.

Sincerely,
Lion Joann Beach
Director of Hospital Development and Events



Sight Society of Northeastern NY, Inc.
Lions Eye Bank at Albany / Rochester

2020
a year with **VISION**

RAFFLE

1st PRIZE \$2500

2nd PRIZE \$1000

3rd PRIZE \$500

\$20 per ticket

Drawing held **December 3, 2020**

For tickets contact:

Lion Lettie Saheim 518-753-7867
e-mail: lsaheim117@gmail.com

Lion Victoria Adler 518-489-7606
e-mail: vadler@lionseyebankalbany.org

proceeds to benefit

Lions Eye Bank at Albany / Rochester

Sight-Saving · Life-Changing

A scenic photograph of a sunset over a mountain range. The sky is a mix of purple, pink, and orange, with the sun low on the horizon. The mountains in the foreground are dark and silhouetted against the bright sky.

**The best things in
life are free:
hugs, smiles, friends,
kisses, family, sleep,
love, laughter and
GOOD MEMORIES.**

Anyone else feel like
Halloween is unnecessary
this year? I've been wearing a
mask and eating candy for 7
months now, I don't think I
need a day dedicated to it
anymore....



**BE SOMEONE'S
SUNSHINE WHEN
THEIR SKY IS GREY**

One day, you are going to hug
your last hug, kiss your last kiss
and hear someone's voice for
the last time, but you never
know when the last time will be.
Live every day as if it were the
last time you will be with the
person you love.



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Kindness
is free.
Sprinkle it
Everywhere!

Telling our Story / Telling your Story!!!

Let's stop being a secret to our communities!!!

Vermont Lions have many tales to tell but how can we share those stories most effectively?

Provide us with information! We have to great tools available to us so that we may let other Lions and the public know what we've been doing – the Communiqué and the Vermont Lions website at www.vermontlions.org. Both are available to our clubs, and our committees!!! Lions Twin State Soccer, Green Mountain Lions Camp, Vermont Lions Charities, Distict 45 Speakout Contest, District 45 Peace Poster and much, much, more!!!

The deadline for the Communiqué is the 25th of each month. But, there is no deadline for submissions to the website as we have a "rolling deadline" that allows us to keep the site updated whenever articles are passed along to us.

Now, what kind of information are we looking for? Well, here's a simple answer: Anything Lions related!

That means items for the website calendar, articles about past, present and future events your club is involved with... basically, anything that tells the story of Lionism in Vermont is fair game.

Our website and our Communiqué is for our members, our clubs, our various groups to get the word out about what is happening. Please submit as much, and as often, of what is happening in our District.OK. We've told you what we'd like. How do you submit items for the website? It actually is pretty easy and there are two ways to do so:

Submit articles directly to the website. Go to www.vermontlions.org and look for "Web Submissions." Simply click on the button labeled "Submit your article or picture" and the page that opens will walk you through the process which will only take you a few minutes. You can either write your submission directly on the page or you can upload an article you've already written by attaching it, and pictures if you like.

You can email your articles, pictures or calendar events. For **articles and photos**, please send to news@vermontlions.org. For **events** to be included on our website calendar, please send to events@vermontlions.org. These are in addition to communiqué@vermontlions.org.

***** Don't worry if you send to one versus the other, information sent to one email address is automatically sent to the other two email addresses*****

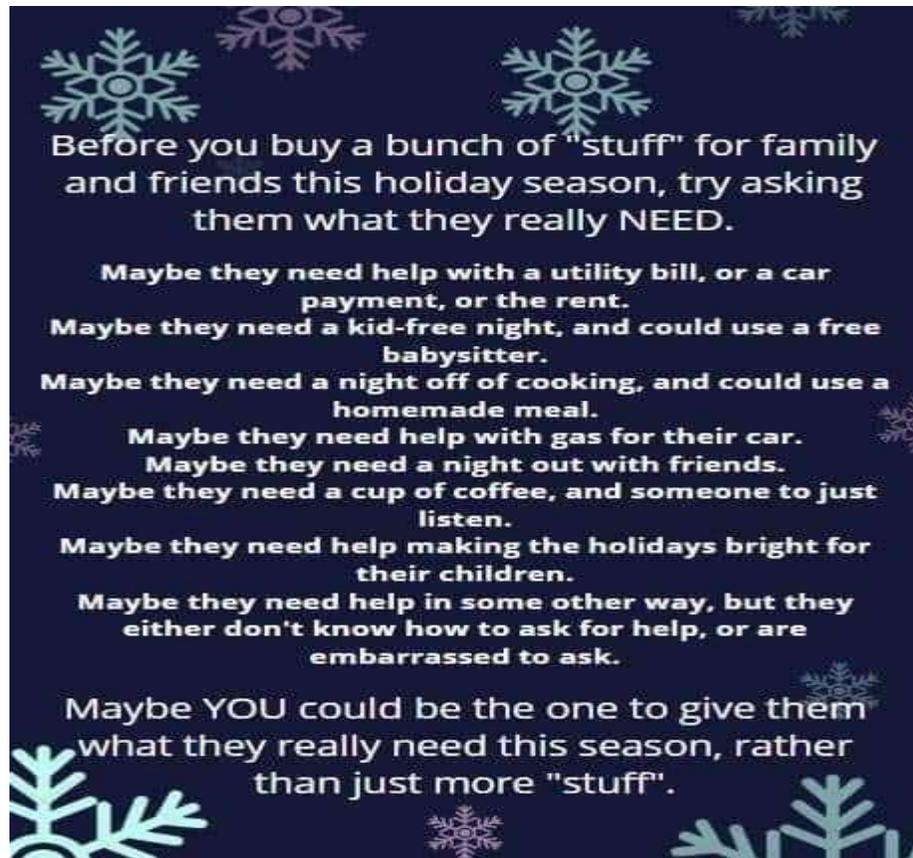
In all cases, be as descriptive as possible! Tell your story as best you can and we'll help make you and your club look good. (It might be helpful if your club had a designated spokesperson to help pass along events. We want to make sure every club gets its fair mention!)

Guidelines: When submitting a story, plain text / word documents are best. (PDF files are not recommended.) We'll add the formatting to make it fit. Photos should be sharp, in-focus and relevant to the Lions Club. They can be any size up to 1600 x 1600 pixels. Picture formats accepted are JPG, PNG and GIF. If you have a suggested caption to go along with your picture please submit it as separate text. Don't add the caption to the photo itself.

We want you to succeed and are happy to answer questions about how best to publicize your local club. Questions may be directed to **any of the addresses listed above or if directly related to the website, webmaster@vermontlions.org**. Lion Greg (webmaster), PCT Brenda and Lion Denny are here, waiting to help share what great work we all do!!!

Does your club have a facebook page? Make sure it is linked to the Vermont Lions District 45 facebook page and vice versa. Reach out to as many followers as possible.

Does your club have a website? When was it last updated? Does it still list the officers from ten years ago? Updated photos / events on the page lately???



Scatter Kindness Challenge



Hey, District 45 members and clubs. How are you scattering kindness in your world? We want to hear about it. Email me a note, photo's, anything to indicate what your are doing. Did you open a door for a complete stranger today? Did you buy a cup of coffee for the person standing in line behind you at the local coffee shop? Did you pay the toll on the local road? Rake up your neighbor's leaves – tell me about it.

Starting with the December issue, I want to share what everyone is doing. Let's scatter that kindness!!! Email me at kpemery1960@gmail.com. Let's see how many things we can, we are, we will be doing!!!

