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Hello Lions and Friends,

First, I would like to thank District 45 for the opportunity to serve as District Governor. I am thankful that here in District 45 we have a great team, FVDG Kathy Dorman and 2VDG Travis Wood, they are ready and on board to step up, thanks to our Global Leadership Team (GLT). The first half of the year has been a learning experience. I've had 14 club visits, a visit to a haunted house along with numerous holiday party invitations.

Also, I'm thankful for our Global Action Team (GAT). This group of individuals is dedicated to making Lionism alive and active in District 45.

By the time you read this Thanksgiving is over and it will soon be Christmas.

I wanted to take time to say 'We are so very thankful for you! Many times, I will stop and ask myself, what do I enjoy about being a Lion. First thought that comes to mind is helping others. Where there is a need, there is a Lion. Perhaps if the Lions cannot help someone, they always seem to offer a solution; never leaving the person stranded; always one more door to open.

So, I hope you will take some time this holiday season and help those in need. Whether it be thru your local food shelves; supporting a family and always keeping in mind our five (5) global causes. I would encourage clubs to reflect on service projects, if make sure they are reported to *MyLion*.

I would also like to thank PDG Lion Dawn Rice (District 33K) for speaking with our clubs on the importance of reporting service and how it is done. Should you have any questions on how to report to *MyLion*, please reach out to me or your Global Service Team (GST)

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It was wonderful to meet for our Fall Cabinet Meeting & LCIF Super Raffle, elsewhere in this issue you will find photos of all the items that were collected and delivered to UVM Medical Center & CHaD (Children's Hospital at Dartmouth). Both appreciated your generosity. We had our annual Peace Poster Contest and as always to have Lions join us from New Hampshire and Tennessee.

I would also like to share that District 45 has earned another \$500 grant. Part of the Global Action Team, I was pleased to share about a success story of how we packed backpacks for homeless shelters which were distributed through the entire State of Vermont. These funds will be awarded and eligible for use in 2022. Last year, we also received the same grant, \$500 which will be used toward the packing of meals at the January cabinet meeting.

In closing, our Global Membership Team (GMT) can work with your club to help you customize your club meetings to better suit the needs and lifestyles of your club members with *Your Club, Your Way!* It includes a simple, fun exercise to help determine which elements of your meeting to keep and what to change, as well as a process for phasing in change. [DOWNLOAD NOW](#)

Wishing you and your family a happy holiday season! And in hopes to see you at the Winter Cabinet Meeting on Saturday, January 15, at Barre Canadian Club where we will be packing meals for the Vermont Food Bank, thru generous support of Vermont Lions Charities and have meals available for clubs to purchase.

Best, DG Carol



District 45 Calendar

2021	District 45	2022
<u>Date</u>	<u>Hosts - Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
December 1, 2021.....	Colchester Lions Club Xmas Tree Sales	Colchester, Vt
December 1, 2021.....	Arlington Lions Club Parade of Lights Tour	Arlington, Vt
December 3 - 5, 2021	Springfield Lions Club Xmas Tree Sales	Springfield, Vt
December 3-5, 2021	Barre Lions Xmas Tree Sales	Barre, Vt
December 4, 2021	Enosburg Falls Holiday Light Parade	Enosburg, Vt
December 5, 2021	Strafford Area Lions Club Tree Lighting	Strafford, VT
December 5, 2021	International Leos Day	International
December 8, 2021	Vergennes Lion Club Cash for Christmas Raffle Drawn	Vergennes, VT
December 17, 2021	National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day	International
December 18, 2021	National Wreaths Across America Day	Countrywide
December 26, 2021	Boxing Day	International
December 31, 2021	New Year's Eve	International
January 8 - 9, 2022	NELC Winter Meeting	Newport, RI
January 15, 2022	District 45 3rd Cabinet Meeting	Barre, Vt
January 15, 2022	20,000 meal District 45 Project	Barre, Vt
February 7 - 14, 2022	Food from the Heart Project Week	Statewide
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 Communiqué Editor
See it next month!!!!

District News



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



District 45 would like to welcome (November 24th) the following Lions to our district and association:

Aaron Ashton, Leslee Hill and Peter Pavlovich (Arlington Lions Club)
Rachel Norris (Essex Jct. Lions Club)
Adam Bow and Kori Bow (NorShaft Lions Club)
Jason Schuacher (Strafford and Area)



Thanks District 45 for donations for Pediatric Cancer collected at the Fall Cabinet meeting.

Scenes from the 2021 District 45 LCIF Super Raffle:



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2021 - 2022 District 45 LCIF Super Raffle Committee

PDG Ron Emery - Cashier - Co-Chair
 PDG Barry McGuire - Eases JCL - Co-Chair
 1st VDG - Kelly Dunbar - Vergennes
 2nd VDG - Travis Wood - Montpelier
 PDG Pam Nadeau - Landdowny Area Tri-Mountain
 PDG Mary Sousa - Swanton-Monkton Valley
 PDG Tony Witz - Barre
 PDG Bob Wilcox - Arlington
 Lisa Carmelita Balkin - Colchester
 Lisa Gail Kogut - Deerfield Valley
 Lion Corina LaPlante - Troy and Area

At Large Committee Members:
 DG Carol Cassin - Hearst
 PD Tom Broutton - Middlebury



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Lions Club International 2021 - 2022

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
 Douglas A. Alexander
 Brough NY (USA)

1ST VICE PRESIDENT
 Brian Sheehan
 Erie Island, NY (USA)

2ND VICE PRESIDENT
 Dr. Paul Hill
 Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

3RD VICE PRESIDENT
 Roberto Oliveira
 Catala Do Rocha, Brazil

District 45 welcomes you to the 2021-2022 Super Raffle

5 main causes of Lions Clubs International

- Vision
- Diabetes
- Hunger
- Pediatric Cancer
- Environment

Vermont Lions District 45 2021 - 2022

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 Carol Cassin
 Hearst

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
 Kelly Dunbar
 Vergennes

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR
 Travis Wood
 Montpelier

CABINET SECRETARY
 Karol Holman
 Jericho-Underhill

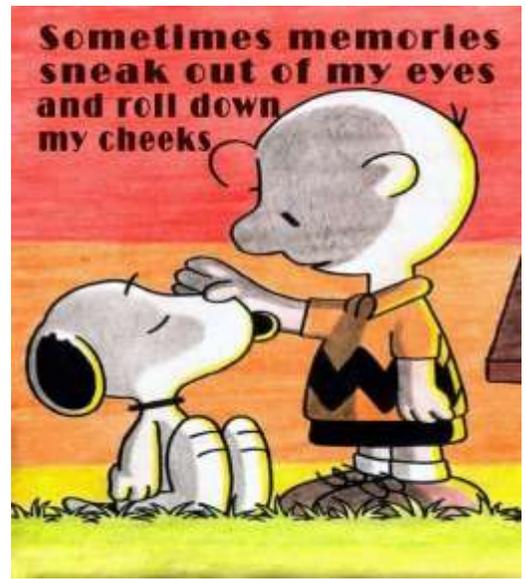
CABINET TREASURER
 Harry Claffey
 Shaftsbury Area



Scenes from the District 45 Fall Conference / Cabinet meeting:







Vision Screening Report
December 2021

Regardless of a slow start this year, vision screening is off to a good start. 7176 students have been screened so far with 751 referrals being reported. I will say I NEED REPORTS. I will be in contact with individual clubs to see how things are going. My hope is to reach 10000 students by the end of December. I know screenings are still being done, but I also need to know who is screening and the numbers. So, if you've screened and are waiting until you are all done to report, I ask that you get your reports to me by December 31st. This will give me a good gauge as to how we are doing.

It is still absolutely ok to screen after the new year. Especially with Covid still having a hold on our schools and teachers never being sure if their class will be in session from one week to the next it is understandable that it may take the whole school year to get this process completed. Go with the flow, people. Don't stress, just do what you can when you can. We're Lions. We persevere. We get the job done any way we need to.

With that being said, I'd like to again say thank to all of you who have taken on this "challenge". It's so important and the children and their families we serve are thankful for our dedication and your selfless commitment to serve.

May you all have safe and wonderful holidays.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Deb Savery Vermont District 45 Vision Screening Coordinator

***** Report Club Activities to Lions Club International *****

District 45 would like to offer a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU** PDG Dawn Rice-Norton on hosting an information meeting with District 45 secretaries and members about reporting to Lions Club international. Here are some of the screen shots from such presentation:

Club News

Londonderry Tri-Mountain Area Lions Club:

(Editor's note to the members of the LTMALC. Please accept my apologies. You had submitted the following information in time but due to production issues, information was not in the November edition)

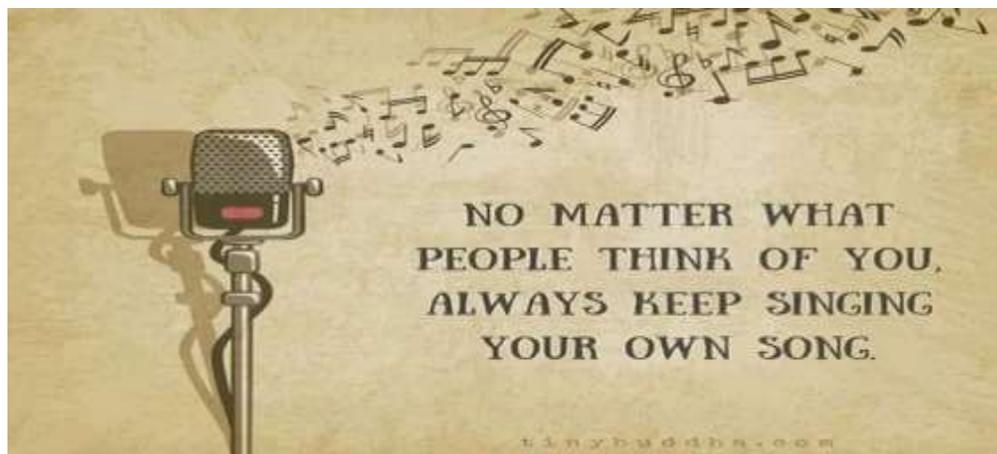


Londonderry Tri-Mtn Lions recently donated a Trek bench to Pingree Dog Park. Londonderry Parks Board member Steve Bergleitner with his dog Stella are happy to have a bench in the park.

Standing on the left Board member Tina Labeau, and Lion Pam Nichols, sitting on the new bench, Lion Randee Keith and Board member Marge Fish, Standing next to bench on the right Lion Gail Wyman. Kelly Pajala, Parks Board President was behind the camera taking the photograph.

Tri-Mtn Lions use the program of recycling 500 pounds of clear plastic and receiving a bench from the Trek Company. This is the third bench the Lions have donated in the Tri-Mtn area.

Tri Mtn Lions donated \$250.00 from their successful quilt raffle to the Londonderry Community Christmas. Lions serve the communities they live in, if you know of a need, contact Pam Nichols 802-362-3504 or vtlionpam@gmail.com We welcome new members anytime.





Pictured left to right 56"X72" home sewn Lap as a prize for the super raffle at Fall Cabinet Meeting. Next handknit hats and mittens for the Vets delivered to the VA in White River Junction, VT. Lions Gail, Pat and Julie tie the last knots on the 11th fleece "snuggly blanket" for the pediatric cancer patients. Lion Julie stands with our display of snuggly blankets, and small puzzles. Lion Randee holds up one of the pillow cases sewn for the pediatric patients.
Lions Serve!



Barre Lions Club:



54th Annual Charity Banquet / Big Ticket Raffle

For 54 years Gordon Olsen, and his late brother Doug, supported the Sight and Hearing Fund of the Barre Lions Club's by purchasing a 100 Ball Raffle ticket. FINALLY, Gordon, pictured here, and Doug's wife, Rachael, won the \$5,000 prize! Thanks for your many years of support and for everyone who supports this fun event.

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

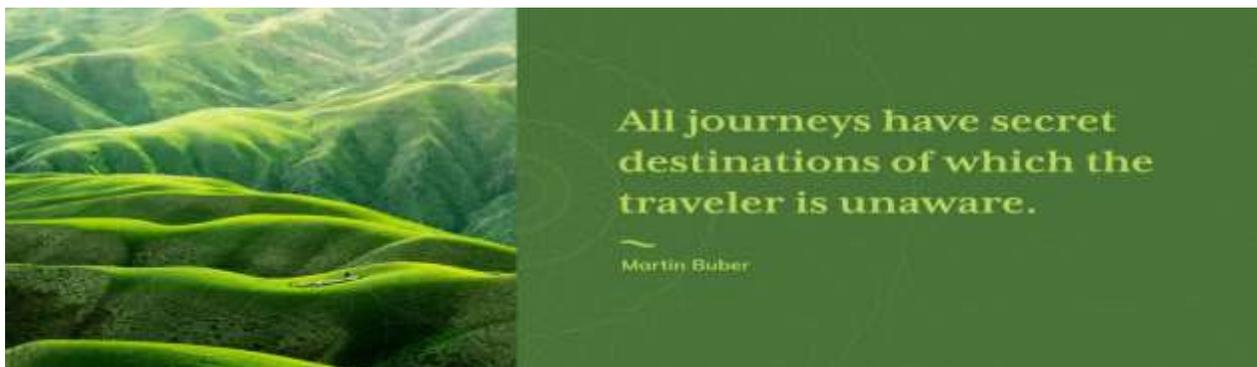
Tickets May also be
purchased
via phone 582-2288
or 309-3596
in person from members

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

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Arlington Lions Club:



The Arlington Lions Club sponsored the Lions International Peace Poster Contest on Wednesday, October 27, which was held at The Arlington Common. Twelve Arlington Memorial Middle school students showcased their artwork. The contest is a wonderful opportunity for our club to work with youth in our community

to promote peace, tolerance and international understanding. The contest encourages young people, ages 11 to 13, to think about peace, creatively express what it means to them and share their unique visions with the world, states Lion Susan Toth coordinator of the event. The community came out to vote for the winning poster, which best met three criteria: Originality, Artistic Merit and Expression of the theme, "We Are All Connected."

The winning poster was created by Charlie Dowd, titled "Peaceful Connections." Charles' poster moved on to the district level where he placed 2nd overall in the state. Veronika Monahan's poster, titled "Peace and Equality Around the World", placed second. Third place entitled "Universal Peace" was created by Landon Hill.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated.



The News Project – Five Questions For A Lion

<https://gnat-tv.org/the-news-project-five-questions-for-a-lion>

Check out this link for a great interview with Past District Governor Nick Monte, Arlington Lions Club as he recalls tails of being a Lions member for 50+ years!!!!

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.



Colchester Lions Club:

Colchester Lions Club
Christmas Tree and Wreath Sales



Monday thru Friday 3:30 to 6:30pm
Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 6pm

Sales Begin
Friday - Nov 26th at Noon

Being held at: JoAnn's Uniforms
165 Heineberg Dr - Colchester

Face Masks and Social Distancing - Highly Suggested



Williston Lions Club:



Springfield Lions Club:

**Springfield Lions Club
Annual Christmas Tree Sale**

Springfield Plaza

Friday, December 3

4:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Saturday, December 4

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 5

9:00 am to 11:00 am

\$35

Cash or check accepted

Local delivery available

Troy and Area Lions Club:



◆ TROY & AREA LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY & SENIOR MEALSITE MENU:

A Big Thank You to Berry Creek Farm, and its CSA Members, for offering another season with fresh fruits and vegetables.

All are welcome to enjoy the weekly meal at the Westfield Community Center, 59 North Hill Road (at School Street). The meal is served at noon. A \$4.00 suggested donation is appreciated.

◆ Notice Re: Mealsite and Covid-19

In order to protect the health of our senior citizens, as well as our volunteer servers, the Troy and Area Lions Club, sponsors of the Westfield Mealsite Program, require that you be fully vaccinated in order to have a sit-down service. Otherwise, you are welcome to order a takeout meal and pick it up around 12:15. For pickup orders please call 744-5466 after 10 a.m. on Thursday. Until the pandemic has run its course this will remain our policy. This policy only applies to the Mealsite sit-down service, not to other activities that may be going on at the Community Center, nor to other Lions Club activities.

Thank you.

The Troy and Area Lions Club

- ◆ November 4: Juice, German Meatloaf, Herbed Barley Pilaf, Roasted Autumn Vegetables, Dinner Rolls, Apple Crisp
- ◆ November 11 :Juice, Baked Ham with Raisin Sauce, Carrots, Roasted Potatoes, Rolls, Chocolate Cake
- ◆ November 18 "Turkey Dinner
- ◆ November 25 " :Happy Thanksgiving - No Mealsite

Vergennes Lions Club:



Vergennes Lions Serving Others

The Vergennes Lions Club is busy helping others and trying to raise funds to expand their reach with an annual budget of about \$30,000.

On Thursday, Lions Club President, Yvonne Raphael, and Lion Larry Simino visited all schools in Vergennes and Ferrisburgh to distribute “A Student’s Dictionary” to all 62 third grade students. Teachers said they have seen significant educational growth from the students using these dictionaries. One fifth grade student, who has been using the dictionary the past two years said, “this is more than a dictionary, it has geography, history, math, and lots of other useful information in it.” The club has been giving the dictionaries to third graders for the past few years based on the recommendation of Brandon-Forestdale Lions member, Mary Shields, a teacher at Vergennes Union Elementary School.

The club members have started selling tickets for the annual “Cash for Christmas” raffle. One winner, drawn on December 8, will take home half of the value of the tickets sold. Anyone interested in tickets can contact any Vergennes Lion, call Lion Debbie Brace at 324-1758, or by mailing a check to “Vergennes Lions Club,” P O Box 94, Vergennes, VT 05491. They tickets cost \$10 for one (1) ticket, \$20 for three (3) tickets, or \$40 for eight (8) tickets. Funds from our fundraisers go to many area groups such as John Graham Shelter; rescue squad; Bixby Library; community food shelf; Boys and Girls Club; purchase of eyeglasses, hearing aids, and materials for accessible ramps; and other community needs.

Also, the Toys for Kids barrels have been distributed to a number of businesses such as Jackman Fuels, Ferrisburgh Bake Shop and Deli, Gaines Insurance, Shear Cuts, One Credit Union, Kinney Drugs, Dollar General, Porky’s, and Long Trail at the Falls Physical Therapy. People are encouraged to drop off unwrapped toys and games to help families in need. After Thanksgiving, parents will be able to stop by a designated location to pick out a couple of gifts for each of their children. The club is also planning to give children an opportunity to pick up a possible gift for their parents.

The club plans to work with the Vergennes Rotary Club in lighting the Memory Tree, which the club planted several years ago, in the park. More information about this will be out later.

Other upcoming club events or fundraisers will be the “Food from the Heart” Food Drive in February and the Scholarship Tickets sales in the spring.

If anyone is interested in possibly joining the club, they should contact one of the current members or drop a note in the mail, so the club can invite you to a meeting.



Enosburg Falls Lions Club:



Christmas light competition is on again for this year!!! Plus the Lions Club is organizing this year's light parade which is December 4th at 6:00 p.m.!!!

**6th Annual
Holiday Lighted Parade &
Tree Lighting**

Saturday, December 4th 6pm



New Expanded Parade Route

**Best Viewing for Park & Tree
Lighting will be Main Street
From Lincoln Park to Depot**

**Expect Road Detours and
Road Closings**

**Brought to you by Enosburg Lions Club in
collaboration with the Enosburg Business Association**

**Registration Required. Forms available
www.ebavt.com or email brentgarrow6@gmail.com
Questions call Brent Garrow 802-782-3909**





Pictured is poster contest winner Lacey Girard taken at Brookfield Elementary School. (Provided)

Local Students Participated In Lions Club Poster Contest

Since the 1988-1989 school year, Lions Clubs International has sponsored the Lions Peace Poster Contest for students from 11-13 years old. This year's theme is "We Are All Connected." Students were asked to come up with original artwork without any writing that helped to express this theme.

District Governor Carol Greene (of the Heartland Lions Club) echoed the group's belief that "the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest gives young people the opportunity to share their vision of peace."

Local clubs are the first step of this process and the Braintree, Brookfield, and Randolph Area Lions Branch Club stepped up to the plate

and sponsored a peace-poster competition. President Michael McShane contacted the local elementary schools' sixth-grade teachers and, and gave a presentation to each interested class. During his presentation, he discussed the BBRA Lions Club and Lions International as well as providing the students some handouts to give them a background.

When asked why they did the peace-poster contest, McShane believes Whitney Houston said it best in "The Greatest Love of All," when she sang "I believe the children are our future, teach them well and let them lead the way."

After giving them three weeks to work on their projects, McShane collected the completed assignments. At a joint meeting of the BBRA and Heartland Lions Club (who sponsored the BBRA), members looked at the entries, discussed them, and cast their votes. It should be noted, each club may only send through one poster.

The winner was Lacey Girard from Brookfield Elementary School. When asked what peace meant to her, in a short, but profound reply she said, "It's important."

Lacey's picture will now be part of a district-wide contest involving other students from Vermont. This will be judged on October 30, at the Inn at Essex in Essex. The winner will move on to the next phase of the competition.

For more information on the club, email m.mcshane2002@yahoo.com.

Where there's a need, there's a Lion.

The Heartland Lion Club Service takes action to improve the health of our community and our environment. Join us. Serve those in need. Build friendships. Be a leader. Become a Lion.

Learn more from Walter Hastings

802-356-5203

vtlionwalter@gmail.com or visit our Facebook Page Heartland Lions Club



Lions Clubs International



I saw that my life was a vast
glowing empty page and I could
do anything I wanted.

—
Jack Kerouac

Castleton Lions Club:

Happy Halloween 🎃 We had a nice turn out at our Castleton Lions Club and CU Physical Education Club joint effort hosting our community children's Halloween Party 🎃 Thanks everyone!! 🧡



NorShaft Lions Club:



Happy Halloween!! Sharing some photos from yesterday's Halloween on the Green service event! Saw some fantastic costumes! Special thanks to Lions Linda, Paula, Anne, Marge, Donna and Kathy H for bagging all the candy and for KL Matt, PDG Ed, and Lions Anne, Marge, Kathi M, Kathy H, Mary G, and Patty D as well as Ariana and her friends who helped with setting up and/or handing out candy to all the trick or treaters! 🎃 🧡 🍬 🍫



New England News



New England Lions Council

*Representing Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts,
New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont*



Winter Meeting - January 8 – 9 2022
At the Wayfinder Hotel, 151 Admiral Kalbfus Rd., Newport, RI 02840
 Tel.: 401-849-9880

Rooms are \$99.00 per night, plus taxes.
 Please call the Hotel directly or book on line using the code "NELIO220107-143615".
The cutoff date is November 26

In order to use this code on line, you'll need to log into thewayfinderhotel.com. From there you'll select "Book Now" in the top-right corner of the page followed by "Check Availability" underneath the calendar menu. This will open a second webpage that you'll use to complete your booking. Scroll down to the bottom of this page and select the "Group Attendee" option under the "Add Code" drop down menu. Input the group code here and you'll be able to confirm your travel dates at the discounted group rate. See image below for reference.



Saturday Meals:

12:00 Luncheon **Wayfinder working Lunch** - (Grilled Chicken Caesar Wrap, Bistro Steak Wrap, Grilled Veggie Wrap, Mixed Green Salad, Chips, Chocolate chip cookies, lemonade, coffee and tea)
 Price PP (includes taxes & gratuities) = \$30.00 x _____ Total \$ _____

6:30 – Buffet Dinner
Appetizer – Gem Lettuce Salad with Green Goddess dressing and Pecorino
Entrées - Roasted Chicken Breast served with herbed jus,
 Market Fish served with Roasted Cauliflower and Hazelnut Gremolata
Sides - Roasted potatoes with Thyme, Rosemary and onions, and Seasonal Vegetables with Olive oil and Herbs
 Price PP (includes taxes & gratuities) = \$45.00 x _____ Total \$ _____ Grand Total \$ _____

Name _____ District Position _____ District _____
 Address _____ Club _____
 Telephone: _____ Email: _____

*Please Make Checks Payable to NELC and mail to NELC Treasurer:
 PDG Domingos G. Branco,
 6 Westgate Road, Cumberland RI 02864*

Deadline for Meals Reservation is December 23, 2021

New England Lions Council

2019-2021 Necrology Service



Nashua, New Hampshire
October 17, 2021

Deceased Lions 2019-2020 & 2021-2021 for NELC

The following District 45 Lions represent 1,037 years of service.

Youngest at 2 and oldest at 66. All have been greatly missed.

<i>Names</i>	<i>Lions Club</i>	<i>Date Deceased</i>	<i>Length of Service</i>
Rebecca Sausville-Smith	Norshaft	10/28/2019	3
David Bean	Granville	11/5/2019	31
Stanley Bizon	Pittsford	12/2/2019	14
Virginia McChesney	Readsboro	12/14/2019	9
Bonnie Burke	Manchester	12/18/2019	6
Grace Crane	Troy & Area	1/5/2020	3
Joseph Walsh	Readsboro	1/10/2020	41
Gilbert Myers	Essex Jct/Jericho Underhill	1/21/2020	61
James Peterson	Granville	2/1/2020	24
Randolph Lee Cross	Orleans	2/8/2020	5
Ruth Stuart	Georgia	3/12/2020	17
Ralph Dell	Deerfield Valley	4/2/2020	15
Robert Barrows	Vergennes	4/15/2020	66
Roy Litts	Granville	6/26/2020	47
Chuck Russum	Readsboro	7/5/2020	5
Joan Dayton	Londonderry/Tri-Mtn	7/25/2020	4
Dennis Mathieu	Arlington	8/12/2020	2
George Kane	Enosburg Falls	8/19/2020	50
PCT George Norfleet	Springfield	9/1/2020	35
PCT Robert Brault	Barre	10/21/2020	49
James D'Avignon Sr.	Middlebury	10/30/2020	39
Arthur Heald	Swanton/Missisquoi Valley	10/30/2020	10
Lambert Zoller	Manchester	11/1/2020	55
PCST John Sprague	Springfield	12/8/2020	40
Lawrence Reilly	Barre	12/15/2020	56
John Irwin Ormsby	Barre	12/16/2020	62
Elizabeth Lowry	Vergennes	2/10/2021	2
Mary Tewarson	Essex Jct	2/27/2021	21
Barbara Birch	Readsboro	3/2/2021	35
PDG Larry Myott	Vergennes	3/18/2021	30
Suzanne Rose	Manchester	4/5/2021	3
William Finn	Manchester	4/14/2021	55
M. Hayden Janes	Richford	5/31/2021	61
Richard King	Arlington	6/29/2021	3
Robert Caron	Heartland	6/29/2021	44
Kathy Mongeur	Castleton	7/14/2021	3
Michael Fenwick	Norshaft	8/5/2021	11
Elizabeth Riley	Norshaft	8/26/2021	20
Total Lions: 30	Average years: 34.566	Years of Service	1037

NELC Fall Meeting – October 17, 2021 District 45

Good morning New England Lions,

I am happy to report that District 45 is active. We currently have 997 members and growing.

Our Global Action Team is busy at work:

Our Membership team is working with Zone Chairs. We are also working with PID Lion Mark Lyon to have someone come from LCI to help with new club creation and membership.

On Leadership, we currently have one (1) candidate for the Second Vice President position in July 2022; we are also working with this member to attend RLLI training in November.

On the Service side, we are having a service project at each cabinet meeting. We started the year off in August at our summer cabinet meeting with packing over 200 backpacks with hygiene kits for shelters to be distributed throughout the state of Vermont. All items were donated for this project, even the backpacks. In October, at our fall cabinet meeting, we are collecting items for the UVM Medical Center and CHaD (Children's Hospital at Dartmouth). We will be having a speaker from FIDELCO and an audiologist from UVM Medical Center. Looking ahead in January, we are working with The Outreach Program and will be packing meals, which will be given to the Vermont Food Bank and local food shelves.

To sum up our Global Action Team, they are working hard, and we meet monthly. This is truly a team of dedicated individuals making a commitment to act as one.

As far as LCIF, we have 13 club donating out of 32. We have one (1) model club and our goal for this year is \$35,000. Many thanks to Clubs and members that have donated to LCIF.

Clubs are active in service around our global causes. Vermont Lions Charities are providing monetary stipends to families to help with transportation for Pediatric Cancer patients. Clubs have donated and volunteered at food shelves. For vision, clubs are purchasing eyeglasses and hearing aid. Also waiting for approval to return to schools for vision screening. Clubs are collecting plastic to earn benches from the TRES program. As well as collecting pill bottles which are donated to help keep medications safe and effective, verses some counties dispensing medical in a folder paper.

In closing, so far this year District 45, has served 12,149 people; had 102 service activities completed, had 3,639 volunteer hours, and donated \$201,812 in funds.

When I see members demonstrate this kind of behavior, I feel very proud and humbled to be a part of this organization. And to end the quote from Henry Ford says it best, "coming together is the beginning, keeping together is process and working together is success".

Thank you for your time and remember that "we serve",

DG Carol Greene
District 45



LTSSA 2020 – 2021 President PDG Toni Olden, 2021 – 2022 President PDG Henry McKee and Lion Cheryl Brush, director, present to Vermont Lions Charities President PDG Stan Patch Jr check from funds raised at the 2021 LTSSA Games
How tough is it to become a LTSSA player? For the tryouts for the 2022 Vermont team, there was 72 men and 92 women!!!

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 service has the power to change lives. So do your stories. The more you share about what you and your club are doing, the more opportunities you create for your community to join you. And there are now more ways than ever to promote your club and service activities.

Whether it's marketing or branding, social media or traditional media, we have the tools to help you promote your club, energize your next membership drive and share your life-changing stories. Let's shine a light on Lions.

Yours in Service,
Douglas X. Alexander
International President



Brand Advance Kits

Your service has made Lions one of the most recognizable brands in the world—and for good reason. When your community sees Lions, they know good things are on the way. So take advantage of the legacy you've helped build with smart marketing and a little inspiration from our Brand Advance kits.

Visit the [Brand and Marketing Toolkit](#) page to access your Brand Advance kit. It's loaded with resources, templates and tutorials to inspire your club's marketing efforts—and your community.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/brand-guidelines>



Marketing Tools

Your social media is a great tool for showing, and telling, your community all the great things you're doing. Here are three resources that can help.

- [Social Media Kits](#) – Access ready-to-use and customizable graphics to promote your service projects and make your page really stand out. World Diabetes Day social graphics are also now available to help you raise awareness in your community.
- [Lions Video Center](#) – Download or link to incredible stories from Lions around the world to use at your next club meeting, Lions event or on your social media network. And make sure to use the hashtag #WeServe.
- [Marketing How-to Videos](#) – Make the most of your next marketing and PR campaign with our helpful “how-to” videos. Subtitles are available by turning on closed captioning (CC) and selecting your language.

Keep sharing and don't forget to check out the [president's Facebook page](#). You can also help us make an even bigger impact this November 14 on World Diabetes Day by using the hashtag #LionsFightDiabetes.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/footer/lions-press-center>

Public Relations Tools

You know your community better than anyone. But what does your community know about your club? The [Lions Press Center](#) has great resources that can help you connect with your local media and share your story with your community.



Be sure to watch a [special video message](#) from President Alexander about how good marketing and communications can raise the visibility of your club, your projects and your impact. And if you haven't already, make sure your club appoints a [club marketing communications chairperson](#) today.

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Being a Lion

Experience the Feeling of Service

At the heart of Lions clubs there is one constant: service. Giving your time and energy to others is a fantastic way to help your community. Yet, it also provides a great feeling for you that can spread and have a positive impact in your life and how you approach the world.





Lions of ISAME proudly present
Arvinder Pal (A P) Singh as a candidate for
International 3rd Vice President
at the Association's International Convention
in 2022.



CAMPAIGN #APFORVP
Lead to serve, serve to lead

Dear District Governor Carol Greene,
Greetings and best wishes.

We wish to place on record our thanks and sincere appreciation to you and your leadership and all members of your District 45, for having expressed their support for PID A P Singh as a candidate for International 3rd Vice President of the Association to be elected at 2022 international convention.

Your endorsement is instrumental in adding strength to the campaign to elect a leader who respects the views of the Lions of the world to create an environment where each one of us can lead to serve and serve to lead.

Through this year, our campaign shall also remain focussed to spread the message of service from the heart, in keeping with the words of our International President Doug Alexander.

International Roles

- Served as International Director (2004-06)
- Appointed to Board Committees (2007-08, 2009-10, 2017-18)
- Nominated to the LCIF Steering Committee (2009)
- Chaired two ad hoc committees formed by International Presidents (2004 and 2005) and was invited to the LCI forward group
- Served as joint chairperson for the Isaame Area Forum (2017)

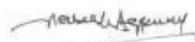
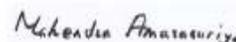


Innovative role during the pandemic

- During the pandemic AP was one of the first to use a virtual platform for a Lions event
- MD 322 Convention in June 2020, Two-day Sight First Conclave, Virtual All India DGE schooling in August 2020, Lions Rotary Panel discussion - an event which had more than 30,000 views, bringing together the incoming presidents of both these organisations to encourage collaboration
- Launched a series of episodes - Diversity in Service

We would request you kindly to convey our gratitude to your leadership and to all other members of your district. We trust that your area shall have a large contingent at the International Convention where we shall celebrate the success of the Lions year 2021-22, and elect PID A P Singh as our 3rd Vice President.

Thanks, and with regards.

PIP Dr Naresh Aggarwal PIP Mahendra Amarasuriya

A P Singh

Lead to Serve
Serve to Lead
#APforVP



Personal details

Chartered Accountant in practice and has interests in some family businesses

Graduated from St Xavier's College, Kolkata in 1982 with honours and a rank in the University of Kolkata

Completed high school (Don Bosco, Kolkata) in 1979 from Kolkata as a gold medallist

Family: Has two daughters and a son.

The [Palisade Lions Club](#) at work again! They built and installed a 'picture frame' for visitors and locals to capture their memories of a great time in Palisade, MN!



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.
ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A
FOOD BANK.

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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From LCIF Chairperson Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

It's Diabetes Awareness Month, and LCIF proudly supports our service addressing this disease. Of course, Lions' and Leos' important work in *all* cause areas takes funding. Therefore, Campaign 100 continues. I want to recognize India's District 318 B for helping lead campaign fundraising success. Scroll down to learn more, then act to follow this outstanding district's lead. Also read how you could win complimentary registration to the 2022 Lions International Convention, and to learn how 100% of your donation to LCIF counts toward campaign *and* Melvin Jones Fellow or Lions/Leos Share recognition!

Your Community, Our World, in Need

Diabetes and other diseases affect your community – perhaps your family – and challenges don't stop there. Help LCIF support Lions and Leos worldwide improving health; addressing challenges facing youth, victims of natural disasters, and those with chronic hunger; and creating a healthier environment. Our world is in need...

[YOUR PLEDGE MATTERS](#)

One Month Left to...

Enter the 2021 Melvin Jones Photo Contest for a chance to win complimentary registration to the 104th Lions International Convention and Melvin Jones Luncheon tickets. Submit your photo depicting what it means to be a Lion or Leo during historic Campaign 100. Contest and voting end December 31.

[ENTER CONTEST](#)



Seven Months Left to Make History

Seven months remain in historic Campaign 100. Tens of millions of dollars must still be raised to reach our US\$300 million goal, which when achieved will support our life-changing service for decades. Donate to earn limited-edition recognition. **100% of your gift supports grants and programs helping improve our communities.**

[I'LL PROUDLY DONATE](#)

ID John Youney's
Tale of the Service Trail

**TALES OF THE SERVICE TRAIL UPDATE
NOVEMBER 2021**

I still want to thank each of you Lions for your support electing me to this new service as an International Director. We left town on October 26 for our first full International Board meeting in San Diego for 6 days. Of particular note to all NE Lions and Districts is that the Board extended the waiver of entrance and charter fees to June 30, 2022. So we have more time to finish those invites to new members and to gather all 20 newbies to that new club. But let us not wait until June!

The technology changes are already under way after the Board's virtual approval last month of the contracts that essentially scrap the LCI/LCIF computer systems. The technology manager came on board with LCI in June and forthrightly acknowledges that many parts do not work properly as much has been merely bandaids. Right now, the LCIF computers cannot talk to the LCI computers. Within a year, if all goes per the laid out contractual plans, this will change. But I urge us to realize that change may not happen as fast as we wish!

And calling all 2020/2021 DGs and CCs who did not get to enjoy their International Convention in person, you will have a reduced registration fee for Montreal 2022! See you there! All New England is scheduled for the same hotel, so register early to get that community spirit and togetherness in Montreal.

Much work was done at all levels of Lionism in very packed work sessions, both at the committee level, and then as the full Board. In informal session we asked questions of the committees and their reports, and then in the final formal session the resolutions, such as those above, were approved following the amendments from the earlier session. The work was complicated in that we were hybrid since our 3IVP, and all the European IDs were not allowed to travel to the U.S.

We did have some fun, particularly after the formal Board meeting. Since that was Halloween, we celebrated with a true costume party! A blast seeing our International team disguised in fun gear! And it was a great relaxer from the stress of the meetings.

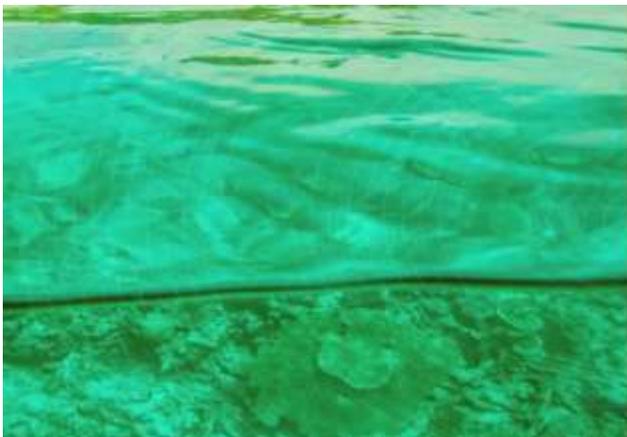
After the meetings, many of us went on two Board service projects. Monday we went to the Rose Bowl float barn where the LCI Rose Parade float is under construction. Tuesday we went by catamaran to Catalina Island to join with the local Avalon Lions Club planting trees in the Haypress Park up the mountain. The park is a nexus for many trails, but was the location of a several thousand acre wildfire in 2007. The club has been revegetating the area ever since.

Thursday Karol and I flew to Syracuse, NY, for the MD 20Y fall conference, which is their sub-district convention. Can you believe that we were paired with a DG who has a long white beard! The podium display was a riot! For our first full Board visitation, we enjoyed the Lions of central New York. We did get to have a tour of the Center for Vision Research at Upstate Medical University of SUNY. We had a fascinating look at amazing advances being made in eye research. I was the "presenter" of a check to the Center Director on behalf of the 20 Y Lions. They have been major supporters for over 20 years, as have you through LCIF grants! It is wonderful to see such positive results of our giving to LCIF!

Enjoy Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Christmas! Please take care of your Lions as well as your communities during this holiday season. Please do it safely as we serve in this 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,

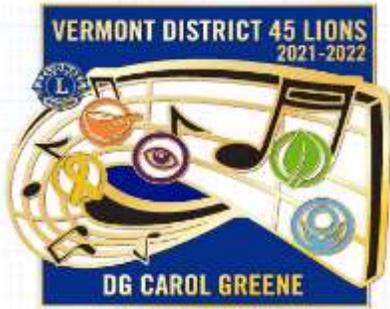
Lion John W. Youney, PDG
International Director 2021-2023
&
Lion Karol Kish Youney



Someone's sitting in the shade
today because someone planted
a tree a long time ago.

~
Warren Buffett

2021 Registration Notices



WE SERVE VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45 - WINTER MEETING

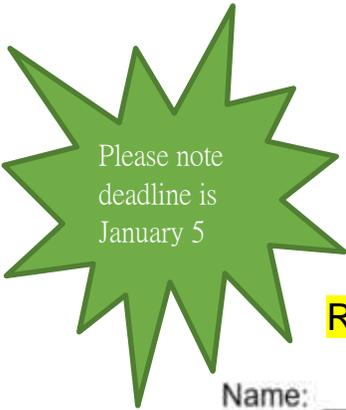
Saturday, January 15, 2022

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





D45 Hunger Service Project

**During the January Cabinet meeting
Saturday, January 15, 2022
Canadian Club of Central Vermont**

414 East Montpelier, Road, Barre, VT 05641

I am writing to ask your club for a donation toward a service project to be held at the Cabinet Meeting, January 15, at the Canadian Club of Central Vermont. Attendees will be working in partnership to produce 20,000 meals of which up to 10,000 meals will be donated to the Vermont Food Bank, sponsored by Vermont Lions Charities, and 10,000 to be distributed via the Lions Clubs of District 45.

The project will take about 2 hours. It's going to be a lot of fun and we will support hunger relief at home and abroad! [Here is how it works.](#)

The cost of this project is \$6,000.00, with \$3,000 of which VLC is donating, plus a grant we received of \$500 from LCI, so costs to district is \$2,500.00. Therefore, I am asking each club to consider donating \$50 per case (or more/no minimum) toward the cost of this project. Example: For your donation of \$100 you will receive 2 boxes of meals for your local food shelf. Please make your checks payable to Vermont District 45 Lions and send to our CST Kerry Claffey, PO Box 11, Strafford, VT 05072. Please let us know no later than December 30, 2021, if your club would like to donate to this District 45 project.

Silly math.....\$2,500 divided by 10,00 is \$0.32 per meal. Your \$100 donation enables you to take home at least 300 meals (2 cases) for your local food shelf. Donate more and bring more food home!



2 Cases of Instant Apple Cinnamon Oatmeal (Minimum)

Please order by Thursday, December 30, 2021.

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

My club would like to donate _____ to support this project.

My club would like to order _____ cases to take back to your food pantry.

Please make arrangements to pick meals with your club, as meals must be picked up that day.

Amount enclosed:

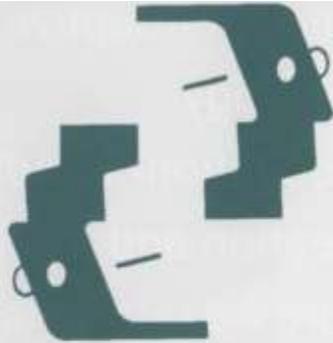
Cases: _____ Donation: _____ Total: _____

Please return this form and make your check payable to Vermont District 45 and mail to:

CT Kerry Claffey, PO Box 11, Strafford, VT 05072

Please order by Thursday, December 30, 2021.

Information on VABVI



Vermont Association for the
Blind and Visually Impaired

The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) helps Vermonters of all ages who are experiencing vision loss.

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MAINTAIN YOUR INDEPENDENCE

If you need help traveling in the community, learning new technology, knowing how to support your infant with vision loss, or how to adapt a classroom assignment: We can help.



IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO GET HELP!

One does not need to be totally blind to receive services from VABVI. From infants to seniors - anyone experiencing vision loss or anyone connected to a person with vision loss can contact us for more information or assistance.

ASSISTANCE OFFERED:

- Daily Living Skills Training
- Orientation and Mobility
- Children's Services
- Peer Assisted Learning and Support Groups (PALS)
- Training in Adaptive Technology
- Transcription/ Reading
- Recreation and Leisure Adaptations
- Transportation



CONTACT US

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60 Kimball Avenue
South Burlington, VT 05403
802-863-1358

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Rutland
80 West Street, Suite 202
Rutland, VT 05701
802-775-6452

.....
Brattleboro
130 Austine Drive, Ste. 280
Brattleboro, VT 05301
802-254-8761

.....
Berlin
13 Overlook Drive, Suite 1
Berlin, VT 05641
802-505-4006

VABVI CAN PROVIDE:

- Technology and training with experienced professionals - many of whom are visually impaired themselves!
- Consultations
- Presentations on Visual Impairments



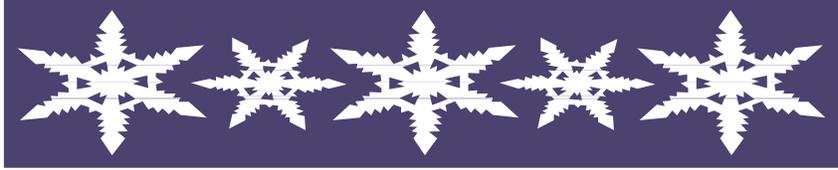
Helping Achieve
Independence
in a Visual World
Since 1926

We come nearest to the
great when we are great in
humility.

~
Rabindranath Tagore

Club Memory Trees / Bulbs

Strafford Area Lions Club:



MEMORY TREE

Another year has passed and it's time again for the Memory Tree. This is an annual event for the Strafford Area Lions Club.

Each name \$3.00. Bulbs may be purchased in memory of, in tribute to or just someone you're thinking of. The tree is located on the corner of Barrett Hall.

DUE TO COVID, AGAIN THIS YEAR, WE WILL DO A SHORT CEREMONY AND READ THE NAMES AND LIGHT THE TREE ON DECEMBER 5TH. THE TREE WILL REMAIN LIT THRU THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

The list of names will be posted at Coburns Store on a poster.

Please fill out the form below and mail it to: Christina Jamieson, PO Box 273, South Strafford, VT 05070 or you can drop it in the box at Coburn's Store.

Checks can be made out to: The Strafford Area Lions Club

PLEASE PRINT THE NAMES CLEARLY!

NAME: _____



Norwich Lions Club:



NORWICH LIONS CLUB MEMORY TREE



Memory tree in 2020

Your name here:

Wishes to memorialize the following,
whose name(s) will appear on a poster in front of Tracy Hall:

<p>Mail with optional donation to: Norwich Lions Club Memory Tree P.O. Box 854 Norwich, VT 05055-0854</p>	<p>Or place in the box on the front door of: Tracy Hall, 300 Main Street with optional donation</p>
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Checks payable to the **Norwich Lions Club.**
Donations benefit the **Upper Valley Haven 19 Days of Norwich**
and will be matched by the **Jack & Dorothy Byrne Foundation.**

Middlebury Lions Club:

The Middlebury Lions Club informs those who wish to memorialize the names of their deceased relatives and friends on this year's "Christmas Memory Tree" that they may do so by the donation of a dollar for each name and forwarding the names to the:

Middlebury Lions Club
P.O. Box 5
Middlebury, VT 05753

The Lions suggest each name be typed or printed so as to be legible.

DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTANCE IS DECEMBER 17."

Regards, Lion Karen