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A Message from District Governor Debra Savery

We are one month into the new Lion year and what a month it's been. One year to the day, Vermont has suffered yet another devastating flood. This time, the storm swept across the entire central portion of the state hitting Barre and surrounding areas with devastation reminiscent of one year ago. District 45 was on the ball then and is on the ball again, obtaining another \$10,000 grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) which, at the time of this writing is already almost half used. I suspect the balance will be used over the next couple of weeks with additional purchases of water, cleaning supplies and food. Emails have been sent to 35 additional communities affected by the storm letting them know that Vermont Lions are once again available to help support the clean-up efforts with supplies and people power if needed. They now know, where there is a need, there is a Lion.

The first Forum and Cabinet meeting is scheduled for August 3rd. Information and registration forms were included in the July issues of the Communiqué, but it's not too late to let us know you will be coming. Please send an email to CST John Tiholiz at jctiholiz@gmail.com. Accurate head counts are essential when trying to ensure enough supplies and food are available for everyone present. Trainings are being offered during the morning Forum portion of the day with the Cabinet meeting being scheduled for the afternoon. We are hoping to offer a "Basic Intro to Vision Screening" session with the new Plusoptix Vision Screener as well as a session on the new Portal usage. Trainings and activities will be ongoing at future Forums. I hope to cover as many of the global causes during the Forums as possible.

And don't forget the service activity. PDG Carol and FVDG Tanya have a fun activity planned so there will be plenty of activities to choose from. They have also done a great deal of research and have come up with "Quick Start Service Ideas" if you're looking for an impactful service activity that doesn't take a lot of time, volunteers or funding. If you're building a new club, revitalizing an existing club, or just looking for something new, these two Lions are the people to speak to. They are the Global Service Team coordinators, and they would love to help you put the spark back into your club meetings.

So, let's make this first Forum and Cabinet meeting a huge success and come and see what's new in District 45.

Thank you all for your service!

Yours in kindness and gratitude,

District Governor Debra Savery

District 45 Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Hosts-Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
August 2024		
August 3, 2024	1 st Forum & Cabinet Meeting	Springfield Area Parent Child & Training Center
August 3,2024	1 st Annual Fore Education Golf Tournament	Arlington Lions Rec Park
August 9-11, 2024	SlamT1D Games	Little Fenway, 17 Sawmill Road Essex Junction, VT
August 13-16, 2024	Northeast Pin Swap	Comfort Inn, Rutland, VT
August 24, 2024	Orleans Lions Club Horseshoe Tournament	Lake Willoughby North Beach parking lot
September, 2024		
September 5-7, 2024	USA/Canada Forum	Louisville, KY
September 7, 2024	USA/Canada Forum NELC Breakfast	Louisville, KY
October, 2024		
October 11-12, 2024	NELC Weekend	TBD, Maine
November, 2024		
November 8-9, 2024	Fall Conference & LCIF Super Raffle	Delta Marriott Hotel, Burlington, VT
January, 2025		
January 3-4, 2025	NELC Weekend	TBD, Connecticut
January 11, 2025	2nd Forum & Cabinet Meeting	Canadian Club, Barre, VT
March, 2025		
March 15, 2025	3rd Forum & Cabinet Meeting	Evening Star Grange, Dummerston, VT
May, 2025		
May 2-4, 2025	Spring Convention	Delta Marriott Hotel, Burlington VT
May 16-17, 2025	NELC Weekend	TBD, Massachusetts
July, 2025		
July 4-8, 2025	LCI Convention	Mexico City, Mexico

Club News

Orleans Lions

ORLEANS LIONS CLUB HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Lake Willoughby North Beach parking lot

Saturday August 24, 2024

Sign up at 9:00 am (start at 10:00am)

\$30 per team – maximum 40 teams

4 pits – horseshoes provided

Double elimination – rules to be posted

Cash prizes, and items for raffle

We no longer provide food at this event

Please - no dogs

Essex Junction Lions



Vergennes Lions Club

At the June 19th meeting of the Vergennes Lions Club, PID Tom Broughton was on hand to install new officers and present a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship to PCT Paul Bessette. We also inducted four new members, three are transitioning from Leos to Leo-Lions and the fourth is the father of an incoming Leo-Lion.



PID Tom Broughton presents a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship to PCT Paul Bessette.



New Members! From Right: Leo-Lion Ben Hargett, Leo-Lion MacKenzie Flint, Leo-Lion Collin Clair, Lion Chris Clair and PDG Kathy Dorman.



PID Tom Broughton installs new officers for the Vergennes Lions Club



From International Director Steve Middlemiss

As you read this the Lions year 2024-2025 has begun. International President Fabricio is looking for you to Make Your Mark. Many of our clubs and individual Lions have made their mark but are we able to expand on that Mark? Creating a bigger impact in our communities. Helping our Clubs and District grow their membership. Making sure our communities know who we are and how we can help them. Can we help our fellow club members Make Their Mark as well? Help them become involved. Ask them what they are passionate about and work to create projects around those passions. Members want to feel involved. They truly want to Make a Mark!

We are in our second year of Mission 1.5, though we have made great progress worldwide CA 1 (US and affiliates) is still struggling. We need to continue the efforts to build membership in our clubs and districts. Mission 1.5 isn't just about increasing membership; it is about increasing our ability to serve. To serve more individuals and to meet the increasing needs of our communities. As we look to build membership, we should also ask ourselves, If my club did not exist who would perform the service that we provide to our community and State. Club growth translates into longer term sustainability as well as increased service.

The resolution to add the District GAT team (GET, GLT, GMT, GST) and LCIF chair to the current list of individuals as a candidate for the office of Second Vice District Governor passed at the convention in Australia. Candidates will still need to have served as President of a club plus 2 additional years on the board.

As a reminder to the incoming leadership of the district's the position of Global Extension Leader has become a required position this year. The board has also decided to create the position of MD Global Extension Leader taking effect this year.

Current SVDG training will begin this upcoming summer. So those of you who have moved into that position watch for upcoming emails and info regarding the training sessions.

LeeAnn and I have been so fortunate to have represented you this past year and are looking forward to the next year as we continue to serve on the International Board.

We continue to look forward to serving the Lions of the World as we all work toward "Making Our Mark".

Yours in Lionism,

ID Steve & Lion LeeAnn

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Lions Twin State Soccer Tournament

July 20, 2024 Results





Find your purpose

Today's leaders build tomorrow's world

Leo clubs are home to Lions Clubs International's youngest members, whose insights and actions are invaluable to further the mission of Lions International. Joining a Leo club can bring you a world of opportunity — from developing crucial life skills and making change in your community, to building lifelong connections with like-minded individuals.

See how Leos get things done!



Lions Clubs International

District 45

Youth Programs

Leo Clubs and Lions Quest

LEO stands for

Leadership, Experience, Opportunity.

- Leo Clubs are typically for students aged 13-18 but can be for young adults aged 19-30.
- Leo Clubs are either school or community based.
- Leo Clubs can enhance the sponsoring club's community presence.
- Leo Clubs give Lions the opportunity to mentor young leaders.

Lions Quest

- Lions Quest is a Social and Emotional Learning program for students PreK - Grade 12.
- Lions Quest programs support, encourage, and celebrate diversity.
- Lions Quest is designed to create a learning environment based on the needs of all students where no one is an outsider because everyone is needed, valued and important.
- Lions Quest implementation may be supported with LCIF grants.



Lions Quest and Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

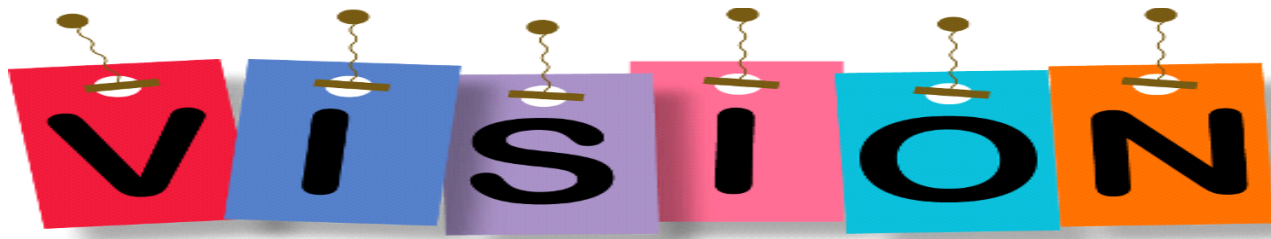
Lions Quest is a comprehensive and universal, evidence-based [social and emotional learning program](#). SEL is a process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.

[More about social and emotional learning](#)



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For more information about Leo Clubs or Lions Quest, please contact
DG Deb Savery or PDG Kathy Dorman



Vision Screening Report August 2024

The summer is flying by, and the children will soon be back in school... and the Vermont Lions are poised to start the now “tradition” of vision screening in many of the schools throughout our district. You have your schedules. You have your cameras. You have questions. This is normal with new equipment but know that trainings will be ongoing throughout the year. The most important point I’d like to make, however, is this: **If your club does not feel comfortable or does not think it has the time to include the acuity testing this year, it is not required by the District.** Over the years most of you have had the opportunity to build good relationships with the school nurses you have worked with. Use that to see if acuity testing could be comfortably integrated into your schedule. But, again, if your club chooses NOT to do acuity testing **its OK.**

As for the concern regarding confidentiality, the new cameras may ask for a birthdate instead of an age, but **no names are ever used, only numbers for bookkeeping purposes and that is not going to cause any HIPPA situations.** For example, I can give you a dozen dates and a dozen numbers and I can guarantee you will never be able to identify a single individual with those stats.

Last point, please send your vision screening reports to me, PCST Bruce Savery at bsavery29@gamil.com. Last year we did over 20000 screenings. Let’s try to break that tremendous feat this year.

Thank you for your incredible service to the children of Vermont
PCST Bruce Savery, Vermont Lions Vision Screening Coordinator



2024
Super Raffle



Save the Date



November 9th, 2024
Delta Marriott Hotel, South Burlington
Doors 5:30 pm, Dinner 6:30

*A blend of the traditional with new fun &
excitement!*

Come create memories in the new Photo Booth!

Tickets on sale soon!

*For a donation of prizes please reach out to:
DG Deb or SVDG Drew*



PLEASE BE SURE TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 9TH AT THE DISTRICT CABINET MEETING.

The Vergennes Lions Club
proudly presents

Lion Kathleen Dorman

Candidate for Nomination

International Director



Dedicated to Service Membership & Leadership

D45 District Governor 2022-2023

Melvin Jones Fellow

International Presidential Medal

New England Lions Council - Executive Board

Vermont Lions Charities - Alternate Director

District Leo Chairperson

District Lions Quest Chairperson

Lions University - Bachelors & Masters

Lion Kathleen Dorman

I love being a Lion! I became a Lion to further my service and meet other likeminded people. Being a Lion is a way of life, it is who I am on the inside.

I would be honored to serve as International Director and contribute to the growth of Lionism worldwide.

District Accomplishments

District Governor Team Excellence Award

Chartered Champlain Valley Lions Club

Two New LEO Clubs since 2022

Shared Vision Award - Vermont Lions Charities

Committees Served - LCIF Super Raffle, Green

Mountain Lions Camp, Speak Out Contest

Global Action Team - Guiding Lion - Zone Chair

Club Accomplishments

Vergennes Lion since 2010

Lion of the Year 2019

Club President 2019-2020

Membership Chair 2021-2022

Club Treasurer 2011-2014, 2021-2022

Personal

- Finance Director at Addison Housing Works, non-profit developer and manager of Affordable Housing
- Board Member & Finance Committee- Counseling Service of Addison County
- Church Activities - Parish Council, Finance Committee and Building Committee

Children - Christina, Alaina and Nathaniel

Partner In Service - Lion Jim McClay

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The Heartland Lions Club Presents
LION WALTER HASTINGS
Candidate for Nomination
International Director

PDG Walter is a dedicated Lion of 21 years



He is committed to Lionism.

He enjoys serving locally as a member of the Heartland Lions Club and District 45.

Dedicated to planning for the future and keeping an eye on the past.

Knowledge of our Lions Organization both

PDG Walter has served his district as:

District Governor D45, First Vice District Governor, Global Membership Team, Honorary Chair, Zone Chair Coordinator, Member of New England Lions Council, Melvin Jones Fellow, International Presidential Medal
Attended 5 International Conventions
Attended 5 USA/Canada Leadership Forums

PDG Walter has served his club as:

President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Assistant Treasurer, Membership, LCIF Coordinator, Branch Club Liaison, Zone Chair

Professional & Community Career:

-Land Surveying over 40 years
-Current Use Advisory Board, Governor Appointed
-Current Board member of South Royalton Co-op Market

-Owner of Exit 3 Storage
-White River Partnership Watershed Group
-Community-Based Learning program with SRHS and Lebanon NH High School
-Boy & Girl Scouts
-SRHS Alumni Association
-Recognized as Lister of the Year Award
-Vermont Assessors and Listers Association: served as Legislative Liaison

-Town of Royalton: Many positions including:
Building and Grounds Manager
Lister (tax assessors) for 40 years
Served on Regional Planning Commission
Board of Civil Authority
Royalton Planning Commission for 23 years
Chair for 15 years
Floodplain and Zoning Administrator



Education:

Graduate from Paul Smith College
Continued education at Vermont Technical College

Hobbies and Interest

Raising animals, renovations, cabinet making, vehicles restoration, repairing most anything

"True leadership is like a lion; it's not about being served, it's about serving others." – Anonymous

As Lions, we need to be focused on the future so we can continue to grow and thrive by keeping our foundation healthy and ready to support by serving in new and innovative ways.

New England Lions Council

Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England



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INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

New England Lions Council Individual Membership

2024 – 2025 NELC DUES: \$10.00

Membership coverage is from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Lion's Name: _____

District/MD: _____

District/MD Position(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Best Phone: _____

Best Email: _____

Renewal _____ New NELC Member? _____

Please mail *Form* to PDG Kathy Dorman at the above address with a check to NELC



New England Lions Council (NELC)

"Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England"

2024 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

Louisville, Kentucky

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Breakfast Gathering 7:00-8:30 a.m.

Galt House - Sampson Room

Guest Speaker: PIP J Frank Moore, III

Breakfast Registration: \$42.00

- Display of Fresh Seasonal Fruits
- Denver Scrambled Eggs – Ham, Sweet Bell Peppers, Onions, Cheddar Cheese
- Traditional Scrambled Eggs - Crisp Peppered Bacon - Pork Sausage Links
- Hash Brown Potatoes with Sauteed Peppers and Onions - Herb Roasted Tomatoes
- Assorted Breakfast Breads – White, Wheatberry, Bagels
- Assorted Chilled Juices, Fresh Brewed Coffee, Regular & Decaffeinated

Name: _____

Address: _____

Dist/MD: _____ / _____ Title/Position: _____

Club: _____ Club Position: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Make Checks Payable to:

NELC

Mail Check/Form to:

PDG Kathy Dorman

P.O. Box 91

New Haven, VT 05472

Kathleen Dorman
#KathleenDorman100



Or you can use the below link or QR Code (left) to
fill out a registration form, use the QR Code (right) to pay
<https://forms.gle/t4WCh3Gbad8pTmPdA>



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**SLAMT1D's a Finalist
for
Red Sox Foundation's
2024 IMPACT AWARD!
PLEASE VOTE for SLAMT1D !**

How can you help us?

The finalist with the most votes by August 22nd will receive a \$15,000 award from the Red Sox Foundation and the Manning Family Foundation. AND, the top vote-getter in all of New England will receive an additional \$15,000 award!!

SLAMT1D's been selected as a finalist for this year's Red Sox Foundation's 2024 IMPACT Award! Voting begins today and runs through Thursday, August 22.

#1 Cast your vote **each day** by visiting www.redsox.com/impact, and enter your vote there OR, click a Vote Now! button we've provided here and that'll take you right to the voting form!

#2 Repeat each day until August 23!

HELP US CHANGE THE GAME ON TYPE 1 DIABETES!

SLAMT1D's mission is to improve the lives of people living with Type 1 diabetes through education, empowerment, connection, advocacy and awareness using active games and sports as our platform.

We strive to broaden awareness, garner community support and empower T1Ders of all ages to live their lives to the fullest despite the fears, psychological and physical difficulties and costs this nasty disease inflicts upon them and their families.

Editor's Corner

A note from the Editor:

Thank you all for your patience as we transition to a new Editor of the Communiqué. While we don't need to reinvent the wheel, there is always a learning curve associated with transition. I'm amazed at how much I have already learned in putting together the August issue.

With that said, there are a few housekeeping items that I'd like take care of so that we are all on the same page.

1st: When sending correspondence to be included in the Communiqué, please put **'For Communique'** in the subject line of the email. This will help to quickly scan and sort for information. I don't want to miss anything or have it get lost in a sea of emails.

2nd: Please submit items in one of the following formats: PDF, Word, PNG or JPEG. Please help me get the Communique posted on time each month by submitting items early and in the proper format.

3rd: A quick Marketing 101 reminder: Be sure to include the 5 W's. Who? What? When? Where? Why? and How? when sending information for inclusion in the Communiqué.

For example, an item from this month: (Who) **ORLEANS LIONS CLUB** (What) **HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT**

(When) Saturday August 24, 2024

(Where) Lake Willoughby North Beach parking lot

(Why) It's their fundraiser

(How) Sign up at 9:00 am (start at 10:00am)

\$30 per team – maximum 40 teams

4 pits – horseshoes provided

Double elimination – rules to be posted

Cash prizes, and items for raffle

(Other relevant information) We no longer provide food at this event; Please - no dogs

And lastly: Start advertising your event months in advance. Don't wait until the September Communiqué to promote a September event. Send the information as early as possible. It will get on the calendar and out to the district to be promoted.

All information/photos MUST be received by the 25th of each month.

Thanks for your help in promoting the great work of Lions across our district!