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Notes from the District Governor
February, 2025

As District Governor I wear many different hats. One that I am most proud of is that of mother and grandmother (aka – Nana). My family is priority one which, of course, does not distinguish me from other women in the world really, but my children are one of the biggest reasons for what I do as a Lion. Yes, my dad was my first reason, but what we do for children of Vermont is very near and dear to my heart. I sat here for a long time today trying to think about what I was going to write about. Then I started to think. This morning, I held in my arms for the first time, my newest granddaughter, Kinsley Lynn LeMay-Flinn fresh from the NICU at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital. With a little hiccup in the first 24 hours of life, this little person brought back to me all the reasons why I have stayed in Lions for almost 30 years. As Lions, we do such great things for the children of Vermont. We, of course, provide the wonderful vision screening program that has changed so many youngsters lives with improved vision. We've even helped stop for some, what could have progressed into something even much worse – total blindness if we had not performed the screenings we do. We provide stipends to parents of children with cancer to help them simply exist during such a traumatic time. We have provided dictionaries, books, pajamas, and we can't forget all those diapers and wipes so many clubs collected last year. (more about that to come). You have done so many wonderful things for children providing services and everyday necessities throughout Vermont.

In the coming months we will continue to provide such services. There is another “Diaper Brigade” in the planning stages. A speaker from Easter Seals Vermont will be at our March Forum to speak about a way we can partner with them in a project that will help both entities to get the word out about the things we do. And I hear about so many other great things being planned by individual clubs. You are all extraordinary individuals doing extraordinary things.

I also would like to thank everyone who participated in the food packing event at the Barre Canadian Club last month. 25,000 meals were packaged in about 2 hours. More information will be given about this wonderful service project later in this Communiqué, but I just must say how proud I was of the Vermont Lions who stood in line scooping dumping, packing and yes, laughing the whole while. I even saw some bodies swaying to the music as they worked. It was so much fun. Thank you one and all.

I look forward to seeing you all at the March Forum and Cabinet meeting on March 15th.

Yours in kindness and gratitude,
DG Deb

District 45 Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Hosts-Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
February, 2025		
February 15, 2025	Royalton Valentine's Dinner-Dance	Fireside Inn West Lebanon, NH
February 22, 2025	Jericho-Underhill Pancake Breakfast	United Church of Underhill Underhill, VT
March, 2025		
March 15, 2025	3rd Forum & Cabinet Meeting	Evening Star Grange, Dummerston, VT
March 28-30, 2025	Emerging Lions Leadership Institute	New Fairfield Senior Center New Fairfield, CT
May, 2025		
May 2, 2025 deadline	District 45 Diaper drive	Across the state
May 16-17, 2025	NELC Spring Weekend	Lions Camp Pride New Durham, NH
May 30-31 & June 1 2025	Spring Convention	Fireside Inn West Lebanon, NH
May 31, 2025	District 45 Speak Out Contest	Fireside Inn West Lebanon, NH
July, 2025		
July 13-17, 2025	LCI Convention	Orlando, Florida
July 26, 2025	Lions Twin State Soccer Games Celebrating 50 th Season	Hanover High School Hanover, NH

JERICHO - UNDERHILL LIONS ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS HERE ONCE AGAIN !!

WHERE United Church of Underhill - park in the back address; 7 Park St. Underhill VT

WHEN 2/22/25 @ 8 AM serving until 11AM

WHY to raise monies for our high school scholarship fund

This pancake breakfast is held in the basement kitchen; we serve bacon, sausage, pancakes, syrup, Coffee, Tea and OJ. Wait staff and kitchen staff by J - U Lions club, so come take a load off and allow us to serve you breakfast!! GF option available.

International News

TALES OF THE POST-SERVICE TRAIL UPDATE

January 20, 2025

Happy New Year!

We are in the new calendar year Which means that we are halfway through the Lions 2024-25 year! Now that we have had Thanksgiving, Giving Tuesday (you did make a donation to LCIF, right?), Christmas, Habakkuk, Kwanzaa, and New Years', we can look forward to our goals for this Lions year! How many of them have you met so far?

As a Lion, each of our goals should include inviting one potential new Lion to help in a project and then invite them to a meeting. You know for which projects you volunteered, but have you done your prep work for a successful participation in the project?

As a club officer, you probably participated in the famous end of December member "dump" for those Lions who have left the fold - but what is your plan to get new members and be a "Plus 1" club? And have you mapped out all the fundraising and service projects for the next six months so each Lion knows her or his task today, even if it is to be done in May. This way you can have all Lions accountable and the projects a Roaring Success!

And as a District officer or even DG - have you reviewed all the GAT targets the District set almost a year ago? You need to know those goals so you can execute the plans to meet those goals - from net plus membership to LCIF fundraising to trained leaders district-wide. Have you planned all the minutia for your convention and have you completed your club visits? Remember that club visits do not have to be at a regular meeting night but can be done working on club's project or attending a club celebration such as a 90th anniversary event.

The New England Lions Council meeting saw more than 80 N.E. Lions leaders (and few exploring that leadership) on January 3 & 4, 2025. The sessions were full of good info on everything from local club projects by those that run them to the LCIF grant application process facilitated by Lorri Reiger, MD 20 and an LCIF Area Leader. We had fun! The next NELC meeting is in May and will be held at Camp Rising Sun, an MD 44 project in NH. Bring your own bedroll or stay at an inn off campus!

But remember - **HAVE FUN** even when a project seems grueling, but many hands will make it **FUN**.

Karol and I thank all of you again for this honor to serve Lions and the world. We trust that we do our best to represent all Lions world-wide and can continue this service to you wherever we are needed. We are here to assist and SERVE.

Many thanks again!

Lion John W. Youney,
Past International Director 2021-2023,
& Lion Karol Kish Youney, Partner-in-Service

Club News

Arlington



Vermont Asian-American

Vermont Asian-American Club Branch
District 45

Its About Giving

We Lions gives our time and energy, and we ask others to give so that we can aid and assist those in need

What is a Lion

Lions are dedicated men and women who volunteer their time to humanitarian causes in the local and world communities. By conducting service project and raising funds, Lions strive to help those in need, wherever it exists.

King Lion Bernadette Z. Ibey
Club President

**"When there's a need,
There's a Lion"**
We serve

Find us on Facebook
vtaclub123123@gmail.com
802 917 3075

**Vermont Asian-American
Club Branch, D 45**

2025

*May this year be full of love, peace
and beautiful moments with
family and friends*

Norwich



At its end-of-year holiday dinner, the Norwich Lions Club bestowed its highest honor, the Melvin Jones Fellowship, for the 2023-4 club year on three members, Roseanne Maguire, David Lemal, and Phillip (Phil) Wheeler, Jr.

Roseanne Maguire received the award in recognition of her high degree of initiative in ensuring the success of the club's core functions, including tracking its volunteer resources, provisioning its community functions, organizing the club's holiday parties, and managing the set-up and tear-down of each meeting.

David Lemal received the award for his initiatives in furthering community awareness of the environment, especially global climate change. He has urged the club to conduct itself consistently with those values, has promoted community awareness through the club at the Norwich Fair, and has helped foster awareness within the upcoming generation through the club's Speak Out contest.

Melvin Jones Fellow (1991), Phillip Wheeler, Jr. received a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship for his multifaceted efforts to ensure the continued vitality of the club and its activities that include the Norwich Fair, the Memory Tree, and its standing with District 45 of Vermont and the Lions Club International Foundation.

Norwich Lions Club President, Cheryl Brush, presented the awards during the club's annual holiday dinner at the Coolidge Hotel in White River Junction, Vermont.

Zone 1B



Zone 1B met on 1/27, hosted by the Jericho-Underhill Club. The theme? New service project ideas!

The goal of the night was to think of new "out of the box" ideas for projects to help people in our communities and raise visibility to our clubs.

Please feel free to reach out to SVDG Drew if you would like to do this event in your zone or club at Andrew.j.perry95@gmail.com

Royalton & Area Lions Club News

The club had their Memory Tree, which is also known as a memorial tree or commemorative tree, is a meaningful way to honor and remember a loved one who has passed away. It represents a living tribute that can provide solace and a unique connection to the person being remembered. This year the names were read at the start of the Holiday Parade sponsored by the Royalton Fire Department.

The club also made donations to help with food baskets at local food shelves. They had 9 members taking part in the packing of meals at the district 45 Winter Forum. As one member remarked, it was a lot of fun and was glad to take part in this great project.

The club has tried to have a Service Project monthly, in August they took part in Royalton Old Home Days by having their food booth and taking part in the parade. In September they have their Big 6 Wheel at Tunbridge Fair. In October they took part in Tunk/Treat. In November they packed/delivered meals for the community thanksgiving dinner through a partnership with Vermont Law & Graduate School. service projects. They have also completed some vision screenings at Bethel and Tunbridge Schools.

Service projects can cover a wide range of activities that aim to address community needs and foster volunteerism. They have also attended some community events and had a membership table.

They are making plans for the annual Valentine's Dinner/Dance which will be on Saturday, February 15, 2025, at Fireside Inn & Suites, West Lebanon. For tickets, please contact any member.



Lion Pam Greene & Lion Ana Babcock vision screening





Royalton Area Lions Club

Cordially invites you to our 18th annual

Valentines Dinner-Dance

February 15th 2025

5:30 pm to 10:30 pm

Social hour begins at 5:30 pm

Dinner served at 6:15 pm

Dancing from 7:00 pm until 10:30 pm

Music provided by *Dave the DJ*

Many door prizes including a

\$500 Cash Grand Prize

Fireside Inn (603-298-5900)

25 Airport Road

West Lebanon, NH

Discounted room rates available, call early.

Tickets: \$125/couple (advance purchase only, please make purchases by February 3rd)

All proceeds go to local charities.

For tickets please contact:

HeartlandLionsClub@charter.net

or call (802) 291-2429



District News

A Letter from PDG Lion Phil Wheeler, Jr

As many of you know, ski jumping played an important role in my youth and college days. I started ski jumping in Brattleboro and my last jumping event was on Storrs Hill in Lebanon in my forties.

Harris Hill Ski Jump is proudly celebrating 103 years of ski jumping and continues to excite and attract jumpers and spectators from all over the world. The 90-meter Olympic size hill has become a major winter sporting event in New England bringing jumpers from around the world to compete each year in February. This year's event will be held February 15-16, 2025.

The Hill is currently undergoing a major renovation to replace the wooden deck on the in-run all the way to the tower to the takeoff. Additional projects have been identified to add efficiencies that will benefit both the jumpers and the volunteers who prep the hill for the two-day event.

The most impactful one is called the Winch Cart which will assist the way the hill prep volunteers spend untold hours and energy trucking and carting manmade snow to the top of the in-run to fill the track. Someone anonymously has given a matching grant up to \$25,000 to assist in making the Winch Cart happen. Donna and I are donating to this match to make this project happen. We are hoping you can join us by making a tax-deductible donation.

We recently visited the ski jump and the 310 foot long in-run. I was very impressed with all the work that has already been done and the excellent facilities. Everything was top notch.

Please join us in making a donation either online at HarrisHillSkiJump.com or mailing a check payable to Harris Hill to PO Box 8284, Brattleboro, VT 05304. On the check memo line refer to match for Winch Cart.

We wish all of you the best during the upcoming Holidays.



March Forum and Cabinet Meeting
March 15, 2025
Evening Star Grange
1008 East West Road
Dummerston, VT

- Registration – 8:30 to 9:30
- VLC Meeting – 9:00 to 10:00
- Service Project – 9:00 to 11:00
- Speaker – Easter Seals Vermont - 11:00 to 12:00
- Lunch 12:00 to 1:00

Cabinet Meeting

- Call to Order and Welcome - District Governor Debra Savery
- 3 Point Opening
 - Salute to the Flag
 - Invocation
 - Lions Toast
- Roll call – CST John Tiholiz
- Honorary Meeting Report – PDG Travis Wood
- Vermont Lions Charities Report– PDG Travis Wood
- Global Membership Coordinator Report - PDG Walter Hastings
- Global Service Coordinator Report – PDG Carol Greene
- Vision Screening Report – PCST Bruce Savery
- Twin State Soccer – Lion John Toth
- Speak Out Contest – PDG Ken Emery
- LCIF Report – PDG Travis Wood
- IT/Communications Report – SVDG Drew Perry
- 200 Club – PCT Loreen Teer
- Old Business
- New Business

MARCH FORUM AND CABINET MEETING
EVENING STAR GRANGE, DUMMERSTON, VT

MARCH 15, 2025

NAME: _____
CLUB: _____
CLUB/DISTRICT TITLE: _____
EMAIL: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CONTACT #: _____

Registration - 8:30 - 9:30

9:00 TO 10:00 – VLC meeting

9:00 TO 11:00 – Service Project – PDG Carol and FVDG Tanya

10:00 TO 10:45 - BREAK

11:00 TO 11:45 - SPEAKER EASTER SEALS VERMONT

11:45 TO 12:00 - BREAK

12:00 TO 1:00 – lunch

1:00 TO 3:00 – cabinet business meeting

(PROGRAM TIMES MAY VARY)

REGISTRATION COST: \$25.00 INCLUDES LUNCH

CHECK PAYABLE TO: **VERMONT DISTRICT 45 LIONS**

REGISTRATION DUE NO LATER THAN MARCH 8, 2025

Please send to CST John Tiholiz

100 Maple Hill Rd, Thetford, VT 05075

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT DG DEB OR CST JOHN TIHOLIZ



Vermont Lions District 45

Speak Out Contest 2025

Topic: "Volunteering – Best way to leave a 'mark'!!!!"

*Participants: High School (or home school) Students:
Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors or Seniors*

*** Saturday, May 31st time tbd***

Location: Fireside Inn, West Lebanon NH

Entry deadline is Saturday, April 5th, 2025

*** maximum 8 club representative participants ***

Speech is 5 to 7 minutes long.

*Judging Criteria: Choice of topic (within theme),
Quality of ideas, Quality of expression and Quality of delivery.
3 judges will be allowed to ask a question of each participant.*

Cash Prizes: 1st \$800, 2nd \$550, 3rd \$400, 4th \$300, Plus additional prizes

*To register or for more information, please contact Lion Ken Emery
At (802) 578-7483 (cell) or at kpemery1960@gmail.com*



Service



Lions & Friends,

We wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for your incredible effort and dedication. Each one of you has contributed immensely to our success, and it's truly been a team effort.

Your hard work, creativity, and collaboration have made a significant impact, and I couldn't be prouder to be a part of this amazing group. Thank you for your unwavering commitment and for always going above and beyond.

Let's continue to support and inspire each other as we move forward. Together, we can achieve even greater things. Together we packed 25,000 meals and next year we are looking forward to increasing that amount to 30,000 meals.



Together We Can,

PDG/GST Carol Greene

FVDG Tanya Letourneau



Vision Screening Report

 School Year 2024-2025 						
Club	Sessions	# screened	# Referred	ADULTS		
Arlington	4	257	22			
Barre						
Vt Filipino-American Club Branch						
Brandon-Forestdale						
Brattleboro Area	1	1,048	121			
Castleton	31	3,013	44	25		as of 1/16/25
Champlain Valley						
Colchester/Williston	1	568	79	19		
Deerfield Valley	9	494	21			
Derby						
Enosburg Falls		2,955	345			
Essex Junction	1	8	0			
Georgia						
Granville						
Heartland						
BBRA Club Branch						
Jericho-Underhill	6	494	16			
Londonderry Area Tri Mountain						
Manchester						
MMU Leos						
Norwich	2	335	28			
Norshaft	15	662	65			
Orleans						
Readsboro						
Richford	2	256	41			
Springfield	11	2,278	239			
Strafford & Area						
Troy & Area	8	745	59			
Valley						
Vergennes /Middlebury	20	1,124	70			
Vergennes Leos						
Windsor						
as of 1/25/2024 reports	87	14,237	1,150	8.50%		14 clubs reporting

Here is the newest update for Vision Screening for the District. So far I have heard from fourteen out of twenty four clubs who have cameras. If you have done screening and do not see your club listed please send me your reports.

PCST Bruce

Melvin Jones Birthday – Service Projects

Melvin Jones, born on January 13, 1879, was the founder of Lions Clubs International, one of the largest service organizations in the world. Celebrating his birthday with a service project is a fitting tribute to his legacy of community service and volunteerism.

Celebrating Melvin Jones' birthday with a service project is a wonderful way to honor his legacy! Here are some ideas to get you started:

1. *Vision Care Event:* Since Lions Clubs are well known for their focus on vision care, you could organize an eye health awareness campaign or a free vision screening event in your community.
2. *Community Garden:* Start or support a community garden that provides fresh produce to those in need while promoting sustainable practices.
3. *Senior Support:* Organize a day of service at a local senior center, providing companionship, hosting activities, or assisting with errands.
4. *Blood Donation Drive:* Partner with a local blood bank to host a blood drive, helping to save lives in your community.
5. *Youth Mentoring Program:* Launch or support a mentoring program for local youth, offering guidance, support, and positive role models.
6. *Public Library Donation:* Collect and donate books to a local library, enhancing literacy and providing resources for community members.

Each of these projects reflects the spirit of Melvin Jones' vision for Lions Clubs International and makes a meaningful impact in your community. *Which one inspires you the most?*





January 27, 2025

Hello Lions,

I am writing to you on behalf of Vermont District 45 Lions. As a part of our efforts to ensure that every child has access to essential resources, we are organizing a **diaper drive** to help families who are struggling to afford this necessity. In the past, District 45 Lions have been very generous with donating diapers. This year we are seeking donations of diapers and wipes.

Diapers are a critical expense for families with young children, yet they are not covered by many assistance programs. Lack of access to diapers can lead to health problems for babies and stress for parents. This is why we are reaching out to your club to help us make a difference.

We kindly request your support in the form of diaper & wipes donations. Any size or brand (disposable) is welcome and will be greatly appreciated. Your contribution will directly impact the well-being of infants and toddlers in our community and provide much-needed relief for their parents.

If your club is able to donate, please **deliver** your contribution directly to the Parent Child Center in your county. We are also happy to acknowledge your generosity on our social media platforms and at our events, should you wish to be publicly thanked. We have provided a county list at the end of this message.

Please submit your total donation (diapers/wipes) to *PDG/GST Carol Greene* (vtlioncarol@gmail.com) with **diapers** in the subject line by May 2, 2025 and the club that donates the most will receive a \$100 donation for their administrative fund (thanks to DG Deb). Also please be sure to report this in the Lions Portal. Again, any club needing help with reporting service please reach out to FVDG Tanya Letourneau or 2VDG Drew Perry.

Thank you for considering our request. Together, we can ensure that no child goes without the essentials they need for a healthy start in life.

Warm regards,

PDG/GST Carol Greene

FVDG/GST Tanya Letourneau



Parent Child Centers (by county)

ADDISON COUNTY - [Addison County Parent Child Center](#) • 126 Monroe Street, Middlebury VT • Phone: (802) 388-3171

BENNINGTON COUNTY - [Sunrise Family Resource Center](#) • 244 Union Street, Bennington VT • Phone: (802) 442-6934

CALEDONIA & ORLEANS COUNTIES
- [NEKCA/Parent Child Center South](#) • 115 Lincoln Street, St Johnsbury VT • Phone: (802) 748-6040

CALEDONIA & ORLEANS COUNTIES
- [NEKCA/Parent Child Center North](#) • 371 Main Street, Newport, VT • Phone: (802) 334-1092

CHITTENDEN COUNTY - [Lund Family Center](#) • 76 Glen Road, Burlington VT • Phone: (802) 864-7467 • Fax: (802) 864-1619

CHITTENDEN COUNTY - [Milton Family Community Center](#) • 23 Villemaire Lane, Milton VT • Phone: (802) 893-1457 • Fax: (802) 893-1776

CHITTENDEN COUNTY - [The Janet S. Munt Family Room](#) • 20 Allen Street, Burlington, VT • Phone: (802) 862-2121

FRANKLIN & GRAND ISLE COUNTIES - [Northwestern Counseling & Support Services](#) • 130 Fisher Pond Rd, St. Albans VT • Phone: (802) 524-6554 • Fax: (802) 524-1126

LAMOILLE COUNTY - [Lamoille Family Center](#) • 480 Cady's Falls Road, Morrisville VT • Phone: (802) 888-5229 • Fax: (802) 888-5392

ORANGE COUNTY - [Orange County Parent Child Center](#) • 693 VT Rte 110, Tunbridge, VT • Phone: (802) 685-2264 • Fax: (802) 685-2278

RUTLAND COUNTY - [Rutland County Parent Child Center](#) • 61 Pleasant Street, Rutland VT • Phone: (802) 775-9711 • Fax: (802) 775-5473

WASHINGTON COUNTY - [Family Center of Washington County](#) • 383 Sherwood Drive, Montpelier VT • Phone: (802) 262-3292 • Fax: (802)262-6071

WINDHAM & WINDSOR COUNTIES - [Early Education Services of Windham County](#) • 130 Birge Street, Brattleboro VT • Phone: (802) 254-3742, 1-800-427-3730 • Fax: (802) 254-3750

WINDSOR COUNTY - [The Family Place](#) • 319 US Route 5 South, Norwich VT • Phone: (802) 649-3268, 1-800-639-0039 • Fax: (802) 649-3270

WINDSOR COUNTY - [Springfield Area Parent Child Center](#) • 80 Jack & Jill Lane, North Springfield VT • Phone: (802) 886-5242 • Fax: (802) 886-20



Once again, Vermont Lions Charities is running the Money Tree Raffle. Packets of tickets have already been sent to all club secretaries. If more tickets are needed, please contact me and I will send additional ones to you. Please see the Money Tree Flyer for further details.
PCST Bruce Savery



**ATTENTION
Fellow D-45
Lions!**

Vermont Lions D-45
THE MONEY TREE
Benefit Vermont Lions Charities

“THE MONEY TREE” RAFFLE IS BACK! THIS FUNDRAISER IS FUN AND TICKETS ARE EASY TO SELL!

We have covered this tree with \$500.00 of VT Lottery Tickets! There will be three prizes: Raffle's First Place drawing wins all VT Lottery Tickets plus the tree, 2nd Place prize is \$200.00 cash and 3rd Place is a \$100.00 cash prize. All net proceeds will go into VLC's General Fund to cover growing demands for Sight and other D-45 Club requests. The cost of one raffle ticket is \$10.00 or 3 tickets for \$25.00. Envelopes containing raffle tickets will be mailed directly to D-45 Club Secretaries. For additional tickets or any questions about the raffle, please contact PCST Bruce Savery.

You may contact Lion Bruce by phone: 802-289-1696 or email: bsavery29@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT! Please return all sold tickets with checks made out to Vermont Lions Charities to: Lion Bruce Savery, 137 Maple Ridge Road, Chester, VT 05143 by the deadline: May 22. The prizes will be drawn on May 31, 2025 at Spring Convention to be held at the Fireside Inn in West Lebanon, NH. Please be sure to mail these in on time. Also, please bring or send along by another Lion, any unsold tickets to this meeting.

Thank you again for your support. We sincerely hope that D-45 Club members enjoy participating in this fundraiser. Be assured your efforts will reach far beyond D-45 Club areas, contributing assistance where Vermonters do not have the added benefit of a Lions Club.

Thank you for your consideration and hopeful participation!
Yours in Lionism,

PCST Bruce Savery





50th Anniversary

Annual VT - NH

Men's and Woman's Lions All-Star

SOCCER GAMES

July 26th, 2025



Game packets have been provided for each club in District 45, and District 44 N/H.

If your club has not received their packet, please contact Lion John Toth, LTSSA Director via email at jctoth2@gmail.com.

We appreciate your support of the soccer games – if you know of anyone that played in that first game in 1975 please let us know as we want to include as many of the players from that game as possible for special recognition.

Your club packets included:



ENCLOSED ARE:

- 1) 20 Gate Entrance Tickets **\$100**
Please return any unused tickets for others to enjoy
- 2) 20 Calendar Raffle Tickets **\$200**
Please return any unused tickets for others to enjoy
- 3) AD & Sponsor Form - *Please Return form with your AD & Sponsor choice and a copy of your AD*
- 4) Player Rosters—Check for players in your area

Please Help Support Lions Twin State Soccer

Thanks to your donations, Last Year we gave \$10,000 to each of the charities

NH Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation

Vermont Charities

50th Anniversary

Game Location

Hanover High School, 41 Lebanon St, Hanover NH 03755

LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER



LIONS SOCCER CUP

Program Ad & Sponsor Form



******Make our 50th Anniversary Special******

If you would like to take out an ad for the program book or sponsor a player please fill out this form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Program Book AD- attach copy of Ad _____ *Use Last Years* _____
() Full Page Ad \$150.00 () Half Page Ad \$100.00 () Quarter Page Ad \$70.00

Player Sponsorship

() \$200 Striker () \$100 Defender () \$70 Hat Trick

Team Sponsorship

() \$2,500 NH Uniforms () \$2,500 VT Uniforms () Concession Stand \$500
Name on NH uniforms *Name on VT uniforms* *Banner at concession*

Send a copy of the ad and your payment to:

Deadline May 15th

Don't forget a copy of your ad

LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC
PO Box 1013, Londonderry, NH 03053
ltssavtnh@gmail.com

Anyone can purchase an Ad, Sponsor a Player or Team.

LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER Vermont Women

Lions Cup 2025

VT Women's Team

Player	School	Position
Holley MacLellan	Milton	Midfielder
Yordanes Gebreselasie	S Burlington	Defender
Cianna Tomasi	Milton	Forward
Lauren Knudsen	CVU	Midfielder
Kelsie Scanton	Essex	Goalkeeper
Paige Cargill	BFA Fairfax	Midfielder
Kyrielle Deuso	Richford	Forward/Midfield
Anya Kennedy	North Country	Defense/Midfield
Riarna Murray	CVU	Forward
Ava Moore	Colchester	Midfielder
Briley Rutledge	Harwood	Midfielder
Mikayla Tobey	BFA Fairfax	Goalkeeper
Isabelle Winton	Colchester	Midfielder
Sadie Levinson	Rice	Midfielder
Margot Rinehart	Rice	Midfielder
Taylor Keel	Spaulding	Forward
Sabine Brueck	North Country	Forward
Mollie Moran	Spaulding	Midfielder
Grace Symula	Essex	Forward
Sydney Cork	Mt Mansfield	Defender
Tessa Napolitano	Burlington	Defender
Alex Pickel	U-32	Defender
Clara Wilson	U-32	Defense/Midfield
Maddy Perry	Fair Haven	Midfield/Forward
Aurora Rella-Neill	Mt Anthony	Midfielder

COACHES

Cait Fogel	Milton High School
Teri Perry	Fair Haven Union High School
Scott Tomasi	Milton High School
Lindsay Austin-Hawley	South Burlington High School

LIONS TWIN STATE SOCCER Vermont Men

50TH

50TH

Lions Cup 2025



VT Men's Team



Name	SCHOOL	POSITION
Alex Carter	Bellows Free Academy St. Albans	Defender
Quinn Sessions	Burlington High School	Midfielder/Striker
Zen Nguyen	Burlington High School	Defender
Nahui Navarrete	Burr and Burton Academy	Midfielder
Reed Brown	Burr and Burton Academy	Keeper
Demunga Alfari	Colchester High School	Midfielder/Striker
Ajak Dau	Champlain Valley Union High School	Defender
Ziggy Babbott	Champlain Valley Union High School	Keeper
Jace Hetrick	Fair Haven Union High School	Midfielder/Striker
Tanner Swisher	Green Mountain Union High School	Midfielder
Tighe Hrabchak	Hartford High School	Midfielder/Striker
Cavan Benjamin	Hartford High School	Midfielder
Matt Fiashetti	Harwood Union High School	Defender
Jack Greenwood	Harwood Union High School	Defender/Striker
Finn Heney	Mount Mansfield Union High School	Defender
Clayton Foster	Montpelier High School	Midfielder
Thomas Mills	Montpelier High School	Striker
Zander Waskuch	Peoples Academy	Midfielder
Hunter Bowen	Rice Memorial High School	Defender
Connor Watson	South Burlington High School	Defender/Midfield/Striker
Cody Lilly	Stowe High School	Midfielder/Striker
Miles Bergeson	CVU	Defender
Coaches		
Shane Bufano	CVU	Head Coach
Joe Yalicki	Harwood	Assistant Coach
Jake Walker	Green Mountain	Assistant Coach
David Martin	Retired	Assistant Coach



Cash Raffle to Benefit the Campaign for International Director PDG Kathy Dorman

PDG Kathy has many expenses in her campaign for International Director. You can help by purchasing Cash Raffle tickets! If you have another idea to help PDG Kathy raise funds, please contact either PDG Joe Wilson, Campaign Chair or PDG Ken Emery, Campaign Treasurer. Thank you!

Note: Clubs cannot use public funds to purchase raffle tickets or to support campaign expenses.

Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____	RAFFLE To Benefit the Campaign for Lions International Director Vermont Endorsed Candidate PDG KATHY DORMAN
	 <p>FIRST PRIZE.....\$1,000 CASH SECOND PRIZE..... \$250 CASH THIRD PRIZE.....\$250 CASH</p>  <p>\$10 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$20</p> <p>Drawing on February 12th, 2025 Not tax deductible – Winner is responsible for any taxes. Please make checks payable to Vergennes Lion Club Mail to PCT Paul Bessette, 60 Main Street, Vergennes, VT 05491</p>

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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

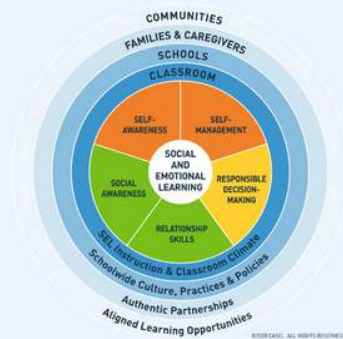
- Lions Quest is a Social and Emotional Learning program for students PreK - Grade 12.
- Lions Quest programs support, encourage, and celebrate diversity.
- Lions Quest is designed to create a learning environment based on the needs of all students where no one is an outsider because everyone is needed,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



EMERGING LIONS
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

ELLI

Save the Date

March 28 - March 30, 2025

Interactive and Team-Building Training!

Lions & Leos Leadership for Success!

3-day Institute focuses on:

**Conduct Effective Meetings, Change Management,
Working in Teams, Communication Skills,
Creative Thinking, Diversity, and more...**

This Institute will prepare Lions for Leadership positions at “All” levels with your club. You may be a member considering moving into a leadership role in your club or district. You could be a current club leader looking to hone or add to your skill set. All would benefit from attending and familiarizing themselves with leadership skills and a deeper understanding of how to serve their clubs and community better. Participants are not only provided the necessary information but also the tools and resources needed to help your clubs strive and succeed in today’s current environment. Fostering “Team Building Skills” with your fellow Lion is also a crucial component of this institute. In a nutshell, this Institute focuses on enhancing leadership and managerial skills and expanding participants’ knowledge of Lion Clubs International.

NELC Lions & Leos Welcome!

Location of Institute and Lodging

The Institute will be at the New Fairfield Senior Center, 33 Rt. 37 New Fairfield, CT., and lodging will be at the Ethan Allen Inn, 21 Lake Avenue Extension, Danbury, CT

Any questions can be directed to PCC Lori-Ann Beninson

Phone: (917) 939-2939

Email: lciflion@gmail.com

REGISTRATION

Club Officer Training

Saturday April 26, 2025

Training conducted at:

NH Police Standards Training Academy. 17 Academy Drive, Concord NH

Training Sessions offered



Club President

Presenters: Kim Fournier & Bonnie St. Jean

Pre-requisite: Club President Responsibilities in Learn



Club Secretary

Presenters: Linda Quebec & Tom Reynolds

Pre-requisite: Club Secretaries Responsibilities in Learn

- Secretaries **MUST** come equipped with a laptop or tablet for access to the portal
- Secretaries **MUST** already have a login and password to access the Lion Portal.

Club Treasurer

Presenters Christine Greenwood Smart & Kris Pavlik

Pre-requisite: Club Treasurer Responsibilities in Learn

Membership

Presenters: Henry McKee and Vince Giambalvo

Pre-requisite: Bring Success stories, service projects, Club Brochures, fundraisers, meeting info and marketing ideas

Please complete registration on reverse side

REGISTRATION
Club Officer Training
Saturday April 26, 2025

4 TRAINING SESSIONS

8:00 to 8:30 Registration

8:30 to 8:45 Introductions

9:00-1:00 Training

Name	Club	Phone	Email	Session
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Officer training is open to all Lions. Whether you are a current officer incoming officer or just interested in learning more please consider attending. You will be happy you decided to attend

Registration Fee is \$10.00 per person attending

Please make check payable to: **NHLPPDGA**

Mail registration form & check to:

PCC Bill Rathbun, Assistant Dean
71 Route 104, Box 4-60, Meredith , NH 03253

Any Questions, please call or email:
PDG Toni Olden, Dean 603) 677-2431, toniolden@gmail.com or
PCC Bill Rathbun, Assistant Dean(603) 707-6209 or pdgbill33y@yahoo.com



44N – Stayin' Alive 1.5 Spring Convention May 2, 3 & 4, 2025

Disco Inferno Friday Evening May 2, 2025

3 to 5pm – Registration & Hospitality Room Open
6 to 7pm – Disco Inferno Social – Cash Bar
7 to 7:30pm – Peace, Love & Pasta Dinner
7:30 to 9pm – Fever at the Groovy Night Club
*GUEST Appearances with Hard Rock GST, Dynamic GET
Duo, Smooth Crooner GLT and Sultry GMT*

Stayin' Alive 1.5 Saturday Day Agenda May 3, 2025

8 to 9am – Radical Registration
9 to 11:30 – Stellar Cabinet Meeting
11:45 to 1:30pm – Pizza Lunch with ROCKING Service event
1:45 to 2:30pm – Stayin Alive Recognition
2:35 to 3:30pm – Town Hall with ID Deb Cantrell
3:30 to 5pm – Hospitality Room opens

Saturday Night Fever Banquet Agenda May 3, 2025

5:15 to 6pm – Saturday Night Fever Social – Cash Bar
6:15 to 7:15pm – Wicked Cool Banquet
7:15 to 8:30pm – Wicked “FAR OUT” Awards
8:30 to 10:30pm – Night Fever Dancing with DJ Dave Alcox!

Sunday Memorial Service May 4, 2025

9 to 10am – Lions Memorial Service





District 44N Spring Convention
Town & Country Inn and Resort
20 US Route 2 – Shelburne NH 03581
May 2, 3 and 4, 2025

SPECIAL GUEST: International Director Debbie Cantrell

<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>Contact Email</i>
1.		
2.		

<i>Meals & Registration</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Friday & Saturday – FULL PACKAGE – Friday Evening, Saturday Breakfast, Saturday Evening and Sunday Breakfast		\$130.00	
Friday Evening – Disco Inferno “Peace Love & Pasta” Buffet		\$38.00	
Saturday Morning – Rocking Out Breakfast Buffet with coffee, tea & juice		\$24.00	
Saturday – Stayin’ Alive 1.5 Cabinet Meeting and Saturday Night Fever Banquet		\$45.00	
Saturday – Stayin’ Alive 1.5 Cabinet Meeting ONLY		\$5.00	
Sunday – Easy Feeling Peaceful Breakfast Buffet with coffee, tea & juice		\$24.00	

Friday Evening Disco Fever party will be a Peace, Love & Pasta Buffet – Tossed Salad, Sweet Sausage Stuffed Shells, Homemade Lasagna, Meatless Fettuccini Primavera, Garlic French Bread, Antipasto Platter, Dessert and Coffee/Tea.

Saturday Evening Feeling Groovy Banquet choices are:

- Chicken Cordon Bleu wrapped in Ham & Swiss Cheese Quantity: _____
- Broiled Fresh Filet of Boston Haddock Quantity: _____
- Vegetarian Stuffed Shells served with Homemade Marinara Sauce Quantity: _____

**Make checks payable to Lions District 44N and mail to
CT Gregg Kleiner, PO Box 94, Keene NH 03431
If you wish to pay via credit card, there is an additional fee.
Please email Gregg Kleiner at gckleiner1@gmail.com**

***DEADLINE for meals and hotel reservations is
April 23, 2025 !***

Hotel reservations must be made by calling the Town & Country Resort & Inn at 800-325-4386.
Hotel Room rate per night is \$129.00 plus tax & \$3.00 service fee.
Please reference District 44N Lions.

44N – GUEST SPEAKER INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR DEBORAH “DEBBIE” CANTRELL



Debbie Cantrell from Marshfield, Missouri, United States, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions International at the association's 106th International Convention in Melbourne, Australia, June 21 through June 25, 2024.

Director Cantrell has 22 years of experience in financial consulting. She is a financial consultant/insurance and operations specialist at Heritage Financial Advisors. She also has 10 years of experience working with at-risk kindergarteners. Director Cantrell has many notable projects, including conducting company trainings, launching a booster club curriculum for Esther Elementary School and created the "It Takes a Village" event to raise awareness for domestic violence.

Director Cantrell joined the Lebanon Host Lions Club in 2004, where she is currently an active member.

She has held several offices within the association, including club president, club membership chairperson, district governor, first and second vice district governor, immediate past district governor and multiple district Global Membership Team coordinator, among many other positions.

In recognition of her service to the association, Director Cantrell has received numerous awards, including multiple Lion of the Year Awards, multiple International President's Awards and International President's Medals. She was also presented with the Helping Hands Award from Past International President Sid Scruggs. She is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to her Lion activities, Director Cantrell has spoken at The White House and was named a Champion of Change. She has also spoken at the United Nations during Lions Day with the United Nations. She has written multiple disaster grants after the tornados in Joplin and Branson, Missouri, and held the first women's workshop in the state. She loves spending time with her family, sunsets, travel and cooking.

Director Cantrell and her husband of 11 years, Kevin, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have three children and six grandchildren.



Save the Date

SPRING WEEKEND

May 16-17, 2025

Lions Camp Pride

New Durham, New Hampshire

New England Lions Council

Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England



PDG Al Goldstein, Council President
35 Main Street, Atkinson NH 03811
(603) 913-1281 / a1goldstein@comcast.net

PDG Kathy Dorman, Council Treasurer
P.O. Box 91, New Haven, VT 05472
(802) 373-4180 / vtlionkathy@gmail.com

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

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 Communiqué**' 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 Communiqué 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 a recent submission:

(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

4th: Please remember to include a caption with each picture. It should identify who is in the picture and what event is depicted.

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!

GIVE US A FOLLOW



SCAN THESE QR CODES TO FOLLOW DISTRICT 45 AND HELP US GROW OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

FACEBOOK



INSTAGRAM



WANT TO HAVE YOUR POST SHARED ON THE DISTRICT PAGES?

EMAIL SVDGDREW AT

ANDREW.J.PERRY95@GMAIL.COM