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In Lionism, In Service, In Friendship

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Seemore and I have had many discussions while traveling throughout Vermont. We've been talking about how we can see more ways to step up and serve, to add members, to help children see more with vision screenings. When you see Seemore at club visits or Cabinet meetings, we hope you are reminded to do good work, add members, and have fun.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming meetings and events. March 11th is our next Cabinet meeting, with the finalists of the Speak Out contests giving us their best presentations. It's always a treat, and an affirmation of our youth, to see these young men and women share their thoughts and ambitions with us. Then we move to our Spring Convention at Burke Mountain Resort on May 5, 6, 7th. Mark your calendars for these events, and see more information in the Communiqué. Plans are in the works for the Lions Club International Convention, celebrating our 100th Anniversary. It's on June 30 – July 4th in Chicago, where Lions all began. Several D-45 attendees have registered and offered to share their rooms as a cost savings; contact me if you are interested.

Remember the *Food from the Heart* campaign this month. At this time of year, your local food banks and family centers are in need of help. If February doesn't work March will. If you need posters and handouts, contact Lion Betsy for them. Please also remember to let Lion Betsy know your results of food and cash collections. Together, we Lions can help the lives of so many in need this winter.

Burke Mountain Resort is excited to host our Lions Spring Convention this year. PCT Bob Brault, PDG Tommy Walz, and I have made several trips to Burke already to arrange the event with their staff. Please review the information in this *Communique* and make your plans early. We expect an exciting weekend, and it all begins with you.

We have completed the halfway point in our Lions year. It's a good time to reflect on our Lions service for the year. Where we have succeeded, where we have challenges, what is next for us? Please take time to review your club's status, and resolve to meet all challenges before us. We have lost members; we have added members. Less than half of our clubs have added to their membership rolls. Some clubs have added five new members (Norshaft) Some clubs have added **eight** new members (Essex Junction, Brandon-Forestdale). Manchester, Valley, Richford, and Vergennes have all added three new members. As PDG Tommy reminds us – the time to add new members is NOW! It's not difficult – Just ask one person to consider joining. Ask them to a service event or fund raiser to help out, let them see for themselves the fun we have and the joy we get from serving others. You'll feel better about yourselves and your club if you just ASK 1.

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you. Make time to let the special people in your lives know how special they are, and be sure they know they are loved.

Thank you all for all you do,

DG Joe



DISTRICT 45

Calendar

February 2017

1	Zone 3A meeting, 6 PM, Public House, Queechee
4-5	Orleans Lions Club - Youth basketball tournament and From the Heart Food Drive
11	Valentines Dinner Dance - Heartland Lions Club (See Attached Flyer)
11	Jericho-Underhill Pancake Breakfast 7:30-11am
20	Deadline to submit items for Communique

March 2017

4	Lions Day with the United Nations - New York City
11	Cabinet Meeting, American Legion Conference Center, Chester
12	Castleton Lions 14th Annual Fish Fry - American Legion, Castleton (See attached flyer)
20	Deadline to submit items for Communique

April 2017

20	Deadline to submit items for Communique
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May 2017

5-7	Lions Spring Convention, Burke Mountain Resort
20	Deadline to submit items for Communique

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Calendar

June 2017

3	Lions in New England Day (See attached Flyer)
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20	Deadline to submit items for Communique
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30-July 4	LCI 100th International Convention, Chicago
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July 2017

20	Deadline to submit items for Communique
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August 2017

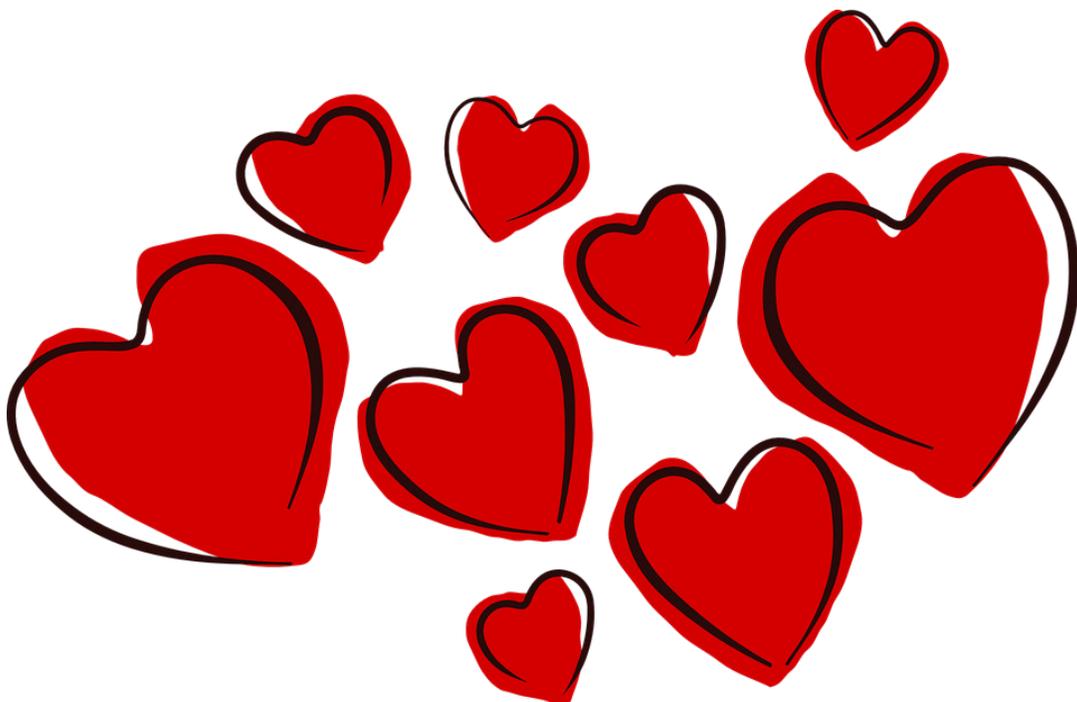
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September 2017

9	Manchester Lions Club - Maple Leaf Half Marathon and 5K, Manchester VT
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20	Deadline to submit items for Communique
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30	Hungry Lion Bike Tour Whitingham, VT www.hungrylionbiketour.com Tours from 10 to 75 miles
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VLC “The Money Tree”



VLC “THE MONEY TREE”

Attention Fellow D-45 Lions!

Vermont Lions Charities is announcing a new fundraiser; VLC “THE MONEY TREE” Raffle.

THIS FUNDRAISER IS FUN AND EASY TO SELL. YOUR CLUB MIGHT WANT TO CREATE YOUR OWN SIMILAR ONE FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS. * See Lion Connie LaPlume’s comments at bottom of page.

We have covered this tree with \$ 500.00 of VT Lottery Tickets! There will be three prizes: the Raffle’s First Place drawing wins all of the VT Lottery Tickets, 2nd Place is a \$ 200.00 cash prize and 3rd Place will be 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 \$ 20.00.

Envelopes containing 56 (seven sheets of 8) Raffle Tickets each, will be made available at the January 14th Cabinet Meeting or mailed directly to

VLC “The Money Tree”

D-45 Club Secretaries. For additional tickets or any questions about the Raffle; please contact Lion Jackie Dutil, 802-247-3490 or at jdutil775@comcast.net . Thank you!

IMPORTANT! Please return all sold tickets with checks made out to Vermont Lions Charities to: Lion Woody Stoddard, 163 Whitney Rd., Springfield, VT 05156 by the deadline: March 1, 2017.

Drawings for the prizes will be at the March 11th Cabinet Meeting in Chester. Please be sure to mail these in on time. Thank you again.

We sincerely hope that D-45 Club members enjoy participating, and in turn, your efforts will reach far beyond D-45 Club areas to contribute with concerning requests where Vermonters do not have the added benefit of a Lions Club.

Thank you for your consideration and hopeful participation!*

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Jackie Dutil, Co-Chair VLC Director, Reg. 2
jdutil775@comcast.net (802) 247-3490

Lion Alice Gonyaw, Co-Chair VLC Director, Reg. 4
a_gonyaw@myfairpoint.net (802) 744-2418

***ATTENTION: The Troy and Area Lions have commented on ticket sales.**

Lion Connie LaPlume emailed, “I took 112 tickets from you at the Cabinet Meeting. I need another 200, they are selling like hotcakes.”



Heartland Lions Club

Cordially invites you to our annual

Valentines Dinner-Dance

February 11th 2017

5:30 pm to 10:00 pm

Social hour begins at 5:30 pm

Dinner served at 6:15 pm

Dancing from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm

Live music provided by Smoke and Mirrors

Many door prizes including a
\$1500 Travel Voucher Grand Prize

Fireside Inn
25 Airport Road
West Lebanon, NH

Discounted room rates available.

Tickets: \$100/couple (advance purchase only)

All proceeds go to local charities.

Please contact:
royalcakes@charter.net
or call (802) 291-2429



Jericho-Underhill Pancake Breakfast

The Jericho-Underhill Lions Club will be holding its fundraiser Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, February 11th, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Meal includes: pancakes, bacon, sausages, Real Vermont Maple Syrup, and beverage. Suggested donations. We welcome food for the local food shelf.

Bennington Lions Club Fundraiser

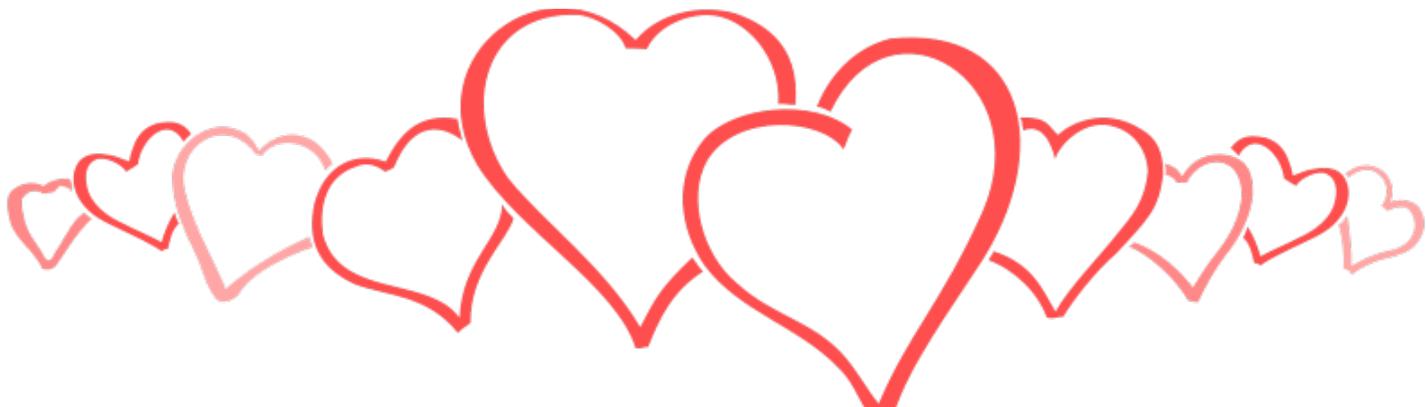


January through March 2017

Any Lions Club member from District 45, that makes a purchase at Olive & Ives (Manchester's Olive Oil and Balsamic Vinegar store) between January 1st and March 31st, Olive & Ives will donate **10% of your purchase to the Bennington Lions Club.**

Just show your Lions Club Membership card or tell the cashier at checkout which Lions Club you belong to.

**4973 Main Street, (Green Mountain Commons)
Manchester Center, VT 05255
802-366-1899
oliveandives.com**



**CASTLETON LIONS 14TH ANNUAL
FISH FRY**

WHEN: SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017

WHERE: AMERICAN LEGION, RT 4A, CASTLETON

**Special note: Social time: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm featuring a 50/50
Raffle, door prizes and a "great" silent raffle**

DINNER BUFFET: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Buffet menu: Fish chowder, assortment of local fish(perch,
trout, bass, pike, crappie, bullhead & smelt), baked potato,
green beans, chicken strips, rolls & desserts(homemade pies)
& coffee.**

COST: \$20.00 per person, 12 & under, \$10.00

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

.....clip and mail for reservations.....

**CASTLETON LIONS ANNUAL FISH FRY
AMERICAN LEGION - CASTLETON
SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017**

Name.....address.....

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Phone #.....

Number attending ___ at \$20 per person, am't enclosed.....

___ at \$12 per person, am't enclosed.....

Send to: Lion Stanley Patch, Jr., P.O. 2, Castleton, Vt 05735

2017 Spring Convention Information

All in package includes Friday & Saturday night with all meals. Friday Night Package includes Friday Night, Friday Dinner, Saturday Breakfast & Lunch. Saturday Night Package includes Saturday Night, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Dinner & Sunday Breakfast (taxes & service charges are included) Please note all rooms have King Beds and most can be split to 2 Twins.

Room Types	Occupancy	All In Pkg	Friday Night Pkg	Saturday Night Pkg
Studio	1	\$361.00	\$192.00	\$198.00
Studio	2	\$562.00	\$304.00	\$316.00
Studio Deluxe	1	\$381.00	\$202.00	\$208.00
Studio Deluxe	2	\$602.00	\$324.00	\$336.00
1 Bedroom Suite	1	\$421.00	\$222.00	\$228.00
1 Bedroom Suite	2	\$662.00	\$354.00	\$336.00
2 Bedroom Suite	2	\$842.00	\$444.00	\$456.00
2 Bedroom Suite	4	\$1,444.00	\$768.00	\$792.00

Your choice of menu options with the following allowances:

Friday Flank Steak Buffet Dinner: \$25.00

Saturday Buffet Hot Breakfast: \$15.00

Saturday Plated Lunch-1st course Salad – 2nd course Carb Stuffed Chicken Roulade or Roasted Veggie Risotto: \$22.00

Complimentary cheese & crackers for Saturday night cocktail hour

Saturday Plated Dinner choice of Black Angus Prime Rib or Grilled Canadian Salmon Fillet: \$30.00

Sunday Buffet Hot Breakfast: \$15.00

Attrition: Room pick up guarantee is **due April 5th, 2017**. All room nights that are not guaranteed at this date will be released from the block and based on availability.

Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center will extend the contracted group rate to attendees 3 days pre and post conference dates based on Hotel availability.

To book for this conference guests must

1. Call Reservations at 866-966-4820 and reference the group block number 5431
2. Request a specific package, outlined below,
 - a. LIONWKND 2 day weekend package
 - b. LIONFRI Friday night package
 - c. LIONSAT Saturday night Package

For Overnight packages, contact the Resort Directly at the number above

For day trips meals only, complete the registration form and send to CT George Norfleet

2017 Spring Convention Information

Burke Mountain Resort



*New England Lions Council
Serving the needs of the Districts of New England*

Lions In New England Day!!!! June 3rd, 2017

As part of our Centennial celebration, clubs throughout New England are being asked to do a service project (or a fund raising project).

NELC is hoping this event will bring a 'spotlight' on Lions throughout our 13 Districts.

New England Lions Council will be working media throughout our region to publicize this event.

Please let PDG Ken Emery know the details of such event. He can be reached at kpemery1960@gmail.com or (802) 578-7483.



We Serve





Eye Glass Recycling Instructions

We need your assistance again. At the last Cabinet meeting clubs did a terrific job turning in their eyeglasses for recycling, but we made work for the Vergennes Lions because not all clubs prepped their donations as necessary.

- 1) **We want eyeglasses** not cases. Remove any eyeglass cases and discard or recycle the cases. We only need the eyeglasses to be turned in.
- 2) **Write your FULL Club Name and the count of glasses in the box on the outside of the box.** These boxes will be transported in the back of a pickup at 72 mph...any loose note will be blown away...and at least one was.
- 3) **Seal the box firmly for transport.** The box will not be opened until it gets to New Jersey so ensure that only glasses are inside.

Finally many folks were asking for an address so that they could hand deliver their glasses. The district's glasses are being consolidated at Lion Brad Howe's home in Vergennes. The physical address (not the mailing address) is 125 Sunset Knoll, Vergennes, VT. Please call Brad at 802-759-2141 prior to delivering to ensure that he will be there to receive.

Lion Randy from Middlebury Lions will continue to transport glasses from cabinet meetings to Brad's home, so feel free to continue to bring them to cabinet meetings. You can even bring them to the spring convention, but those won't count for this year's total for competition purposes...but they will count toward next year's competition.



In celebration of 100 years of humanitarian service, Lions Clubs International is working with the United States Mint to produce a limited-edition, exquisitely crafted silver dollar coin. **Sales begin January 18, 2017.**

The coin features Lions founder Melvin Jones and the Lions Clubs logo on the front and a family of lions with a globe behind them on the reverse.

This commemorative coin is crafted to be rich in the symbolic history of Lions first century of service. Each coin is packaged in its own presentation case and is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity.

One Beautifully Engraved Coin—Many Noble Purposes

For a limited time only, you can order this historic Lions Centennial keepsake and support the life-changing work of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). For each coin sold, US\$10 is authorized to be paid to LCIF. These collectable coins make great gifts for family and friends and are the perfect way to show appreciation to your club members for outstanding service. Purchase from the Lions Store or directly from the US Mint.

Lions Clubs Centennial Coin



Questions & Answers

When will I be able to purchase a Lions Centennial Coin?

Coins will be available beginning in January 2017 and ending in December 2017 (or when they sell out, whichever comes first). The exact dates will be added to the Coin webpage as soon as they are known.

How many coins will be produced?

The United States Mint will produce up to 400,000 Lions Centennial Coins. Even if they sell out quickly, no additional coins will be created.

How can I purchase the coins?

Starting on the first day of sale, you will be able to buy coins from Lions Club Supplies or the United States Mint. Coins cannot be reserved in advance; they will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

How much will the coins cost?

Due to the variability of pricing on the precious metal markets, prices for products containing silver are subject to change. We will publish the price as soon as it is determined. Keep in mind that shipping fees, plus any applicable duty and taxes will be additional.

Can I purchase more than one coin?

You may purchase as many coins as you would like, providing there is sufficient inventory. In some cases, clubs, districts, or countries may choose to make bulk purchases and distribute the coins locally.

Can you provide the coin specifics?

The Lions Clubs Centennial coin is US\$1 legal tender. Each is composed of 90% silver and 10% copper. The weight is 26.730 grams and diameter is 1.5 inches (3.81 cm) with a reeded edge.

What finishes will be available?

You can choose either an uncirculated or proof finish. Uncirculated coins are hand-loaded into the coining press and struck on specially burnished blanks, yet have a soft, matt-like finish appearance. These coins are made like circulating coins (which are used every day as money), but with a special process that produces a brilliant finish. Proof coins receive the highest quality strike possible and can be distinguished by their mirror-like background and frosted foreground.

Will Lions Clubs International make money on the purchase of these Centennial coins?

US\$10.00 is authorized to be paid to Lions Clubs International Foundation for every coin sold for a maximum of US\$4 million if all 400,000 coins are sold.

LCI QUEST

A note to all members from Lion George and Lion Liz

One of the most important initial things that we do as Lions is to support our local communities, looking at needs and working to meet those needs. Many of us have worked for years to raise funds to support the needy in our towns, providing glasses and hearing aids, food to the Food Pantries, scholarships to our high school graduates, care and support to our veterans and senior citizens and volunteering on many fronts to make a difference to those in our communities. We have stood up, stepped forward, served and made a real difference.

Today our communities are faced with a stronger challenge than ever before. This is a challenge to our children in the form of illicit drugs, bullying, cyber bullying and strong peer pressure. We are all aware of the stress that is put on our children to achieve at school, socially and to head for a college place or training. There are high expectations but not as much of the support / mentoring and guidance for them - as there may have been for us, as we went through this difficult time of our lives. We, as Lions, working with other leaders of our communities, can offer this support to our young people through such a program as Lions Quest.

How can this be done? First it is important to look closely at your communities, talk to parents, schools, and police to clarify the challenges that our children and young people face in our towns and villages. When you have a clear idea of the needs, look closely at the Lions Quest program and see if there is a match: needs of our communities and the content of the program.

Information on the Lions Quest Program can be accessed on the Lions website, under **LCIF** - then **programs** - then **youth** - and **Lions Quest**. These drop- down menus will lead you to information on the program.

These programs are not something that one club can do by itself, but with support from LCIF (grants, training, information) and District 45, we can plan to build the network to make a difference to our children - the 'seed corn' of our future.

Please contact Lion George Bilodeau or 2VDG Liz Fenwick with your questions and comments. There will be an additional conversation on this topic at our next Cabinet Meeting: March 11 @ Chester.

Vermont Lions Charity 2016 Update

VERMONT LIONS CHARITIES

Up-date for 2016 year

To all District 45 Lions: My VLC reports are provided at all District 45 Cabinet meetings and while attendance is fine, my message fails to reach all members; so, here is my attempt to provide a VLC up-date for 2016.

Providing a bit of history...Vermont Lions Charities was formed at our 1994 Fall Conference with election of officers at our 1995 Conference. In stating a section of our Constitution & By-Laws and being a 501 c 3, our main purpose is to receive "tax deductible" donations, apply for grants, receive proceeds from D-45 fund raisers and to distribute funds to various committees to fund their charitable activities. One of our major commitments is to reach out to help individuals in those areas of the state that are not currently covered by a Lions club; specifically in the area of eye glasses & hearing aid assistance. In supporting our annual budget, we conduct fund raisers throughout the year; fund raisers such as our annual Walk-for Sight, cash fest raffle, a Texas-hold'em tournament & bingo(both sponsored by the Troy & Area Lions Club) and our first VLC Money Grows on Trees raffle.

A look at 2016!!! Certainly an exciting year! Let's look at some of the areas where VLC provided assistance;

. Eye glass & hearing aid assistance in non-club areas.....	\$6195.00
. Matching funds to the BALC for hearing aid assistance.....	1012.00
. VABVI.....	1500.00
. Art @ Hand.....	1000.00
. General assistance (social therapy dog).....	1000.00

Major income areas:

. Walk-a-thon (spearheaded by Lion Jackie Dutil).....	\$16469.00
. Texas hold'em tournament (Troy & Area).....	796.00
. Morrisville Bingo (Troy & Area).....	1072.00
. Club donations.....	5330.00
. Shared Vision Fund.....	1000.00
. VABVI.....	2000.00
(Provides eye glass assistance for Burlington-Winooski area)	
. LTSSA.....	5000.00
(These funds were dispersed to the GMLC)	
. Other misc. Income.....	1829.00
(Schwans, coin jars, individual donations)	

This Communiqué' article is designed to provide the history relating VLC's SHARED VISION FUND and the 500 CLUB. Back in the early 2000's, PID Jules Cote and Lion Jackie donated the sum of \$6700; designed to start up a vision fund with-in VLC. These funds were the result of donations provided via the homecoming held at the conclusion

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of PID Jules term as International Director. In 2006, a couple, in memory of their daughter who had passed away, offered to donate the sum of \$50,000 and in turn, issued a challenge to our District...in order to receive these funds, District 45 would need to raise matching funds.

At our 2007 Spring Convention, we, as a District, matched the original donation and as a result, the SHARED VISION FUND was created and included the \$6700 donated by PID Jules & Jackie and for the record, the donor of the original amount remains anonymous.

In addition, the Shared Vision Fund includes the 500 Club. A \$500 donation to the Shared Vision Fund by a club or individual enables the donor to name an individual to become a member of the 500 club and at this point in time, the 500 Club has (77) members with (23) remaining pins to honor future recipients. As for the (77) members, I am in the process of trying up-date the records and need to locate (11) members. THIS IS WHERE I NEED YOUR HELP. I am providing a current list of the 500 Club membership. Please review this list and advise. You could be a member and not on the list.

500 CLUB MEMBERS

NAME	PIN #
PID JULES COTE', PP, VLC.....	1
PDG LARRY MYOTT.....	2
PDG WILLIAM MOULTON.....	3
LION LYLE REMICK.....	4
PDG PAUL STOUGH.....	5
LION BOB BARAN.....	6
LION JACKIE COTE'.....	7
LION GLEN MYER/PDG BETSY MaGEE.....	8
(For some reason, two honored with same #)	
MICHAEL RICHMAN.....	9
LION FRANK GIBNEY.....	10
LION BOB SOFIELD.....	11
LION BOB CECERE.....	12
LION JACK WINNER.....	13
LION NATALIE DONOVAN.....	14
LION PEG SIEVERS.....	15
LION RICHARD NELSON.....	16
LION NORMAN LAWLEY.....	17
LION BRYAN DONOVAN.....	18
LION RICHARD BOWLEY.....	19
LION RICHARD TARBELL.....	20
LION ROBERT KARG.....	21
LION AL SIEVERS.....	22
LION MR. X.....	23
LION HERB NOYES/LION ED LANGLOIS....	24
(For some reason, two honored with same #)	

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LION LARRY CURRIER.....	25
LION BILL LANZETTA.....	26
LION NICK MORWOOD.....	27
LION JULIE SIMPSON.....	28
LION WILLIE ST. GEORGE.....	29
LION MARRY DENIO.....	30
PDG CLEM CARDINAL.....	31
LION MARY TEWARSON.....	32
LION BOB BLUE.....	40
LION MICHAEL PATCH.....	41
LION RICK DUTIL, PP, VLC.....	43
PDG PAM NICHOLS.....	44
PDG DIANE BOUCHARD.....	45
LION JACKIE DUTIL.....	46
LION LINDA COLE/LION DEBBIE BUSHEY	47
LION VINCE ROBINSON.....	48
PDG MEL COBURN.....	49
LION DAVE PERRON.....	50
LION PAUL BESSETTE.....	51
PDG KEN EMERY, PP, VLC.....	52
LION HARRY CURTH.....	53
LION PAUL VACHON.....	55
JOHN WHELIHAN.....	58
LION WOODY STODDARD.....	59
LION PAT SCHROEDER.....	60
PDG BRUCE BUSHEY.....	61
RACHEL CLAFFEY.....	63
LION JEFFREY SCHROEDER.....	64
LION JIM CONDUCT.....	67
PID JULES COTE'.....	68
LION SUE COBURN.....	69
LION FRED WOLFE.....	71
LION MARIE MINOR.....	72
JESSICA BROWN.....	77
PDG MERRY SOUZA.....	78
PDG SHERRY JUAIRE.....	79
LION DAVE DAMKOT.....	80
LION CINDY BERG.....	81
LION ERIN CONNERS.....	86
DAVE CRANE.....	88
CHRIS CONANT.....	91
LION BILL BURNETT.....	100
LION BRAD HOWE.....	?
LION BARRY ALDINGER.....	?
LION FLORENCE CAMERON.....	?

In conclusion, I am sorry for the confusion relating the 500 club membership and yes, once again ask for your assistance in an effort to get the records up-dated. I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate all the members of the 500 club. I would also ask you to please consider using the Shared Vision Fund and the 500 club to recognize outstanding Lions and members of your community.

Thank you!!!

Lion Stanley Patch, Jr., PDG-2
President, VLC

ATTENTION: D45 LIONS CLUBS!
2016-2017 SPEAK OUT CONTEST
"NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB"



Fellow Lions:

"NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB"; the new theme from International President Chancellor Bob Corlew, 2016-2017! Please check out his theme on the International website www.lionsclub.org I encourage all District 45 Clubs to participate in this years Speak - Out Contest, by inviting your high school juniors and seniors to share their ideas of this very inspirational theme, "NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB," with your club and our District.

I am including the materials needed for this year's contest but if you have never participated before and would like help to get started, please feel free to contact either myself or my co-chair, Lion Connie St. George, we will be happy to help your clubs chairperson get started out on the right foot.

There is no time like the present to get started; the D45 Speak-Out Contest will be on March 11, 2017 at the American Legion in Chester, VT.

Yours in Service,

**Lion Jackie Dutil, jdutil775@comcast.net
2015-2016 Speak-Out Contest Chairperson, 802-247-3490
Lion Connie St. George, sunsetcarpentry1@juno.com
2015-2016 Speak-Out Co-Chairperson, 802-352-4686**

Speak Out Contest 2016-2017

For all juniors and seniors



**Sponsored by:
Brandon-Forest Dale & Pittsford Lions
Clubs**

**And D 45 Vermont Lions
Topic: "NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB"**



Time: 5 to 7 min.

NOTE: This is a three level contest. The winner of our local Contest will advance to participate in Regional Contest if necessary. All finalists go on to the State Level Contest which will be held on March 11, 2017 VT at the American Legion, Chester, VT.

The Local Contest will be held at a Lions Club Meeting on: January 17, 2017 at 6:30PM.

Lions Meet at the Methodist Church, Route 7, Brandon)

JUDGING CRITERIA: Address Theme.....20pts.
Development of Theme.....50pts.
Expression and Delivery.....30pts

Each Judge may direct one question on the subject to the speaker at the conclusion of the speech.

LOCAL PRIZES

1st Place: \$200 2nd Place: \$150 3rd Place: \$75

Possible Regional Contest: To Be Determined

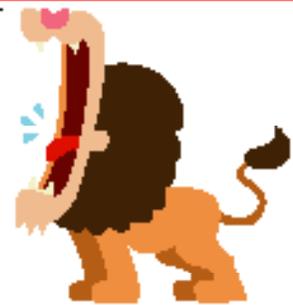
STATE FINALS

1st: \$300 2nd: \$150 3rd: \$75



Speak Out Contest 2016-2017

For juniors and seniors



Sponsored by the
CLUB NAME:

**And Vermont District 45
Lions**

Topic: **"NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB"**

Time: between 5 and 7 minutes!



NOTE: This is a three level contest. The winner of our local Contest will advance to participate in Regional if necessary. Finalists go on to the State Level Contest which will be held on March 11, at the American Legion in Chester, VT.

The Local Contest will be held at a Lions Club Meeting on: _____, 2017.

Lions Meet at: (_____)

JUDGING CRITERIA: Address Theme.....20pts.
Development of Theme.....50pts.
Expression and Delivery.....30pts

Each Judge may direct one question on the subject to the speaker at the conclusion of the speech.

PRIZES!

LOCAL CONTEST

1st Place:

2nd Place:

3rd Place:

Possible Regional Contest: To Be Determined if necessary

STATE FINALS!

1st: \$300

2nd: \$160

3rd: \$75

4th or more \$ 25

CONTACT PERSON: LION





**DISTRICT 45-LIONS OF VERMONT
SPEAK OUT CONTEST 2016-2017)**

"NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB"



Duration of Speech	LESS THAN	FIVE MINUTES	5-7 Minutes Required	Total Time	Total Points
Addressing the Theme (20 Points)	Effort made to address the Theme was lacking in quality (0-4 Points)	Good effort was made to address the Theme (5-10 Points)	Very good effort was made to address the Theme (11-19 Points)	Outstanding effort was made in addressing the Theme (20 Points)	
Developing the Theme (50 Points)	Effort to develop the Theme was lacking in clarity & organization (0-24 Points)	Good effort was made to develop the Theme (25-39 Points)	Very good effort was made to develop the Theme (40-49 Points)	Outstanding job was done of developing the Theme (50 Points)	
Clarity & Expression (30 Points)		Good effort of expressing the points being made – relatively confident in presentation (1-14 Points)	Very good effort of expressing the points being made – shows confidence in presentation (15-24 Points)	Excellent effort of expressing points being made – very confident & dynamic in presentation (25-30 Points)	
Name					Total Points

**2016-2017 SPEAK-OUT CONTEST
“NEW MOUNTAINS to CLIMB”
March 11, 2017 American Legion, Chester, VT**

SPEAK-OUT INFORMATION:

- 1. Included is an example of the Brandon-Forest Dale-Pittsford Lions Clubs Speak-Out Contest form (example of two clubs that work together from a union school). Your Club sets its own prize money.**
- 2. Your clubs form to fill in your information on.**
- 3. The judging form.**

Advise the participants to read the International President’s message on the theme of the contest; go to www.lionsclub.org .

THINGS TO DO IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

- 1. Assign a Speak-Out Chairperson in your club.**
- 2. Find a contact person, preferably at the (High School): the head of the English Department or a Guidance Counselor are excellent options. Other possible contacts: local 4-H and Scout Group Leaders, Debate Coach, etc.**

D-45 Centennial Coordinator's Corner

Centennial Service Challenge

For nearly 100 years, Lions have changed lives in their communities and around the world. In celebration of our Centennial in 2017, Lions everywhere are being challenged to serve 100 million people. You're invited to join the celebration by helping us reach our goal. Your club can earn special Centennial recognition by hosting a service project that benefits Youth, Vision, Hunger or the Environment. Don't miss your chance to be a part of this historic event—start planning your next Centennial Service Challenge event today!



Centennial Membership Awards

The Centennial Celebration Membership Awards provides all Lions and Lions clubs the opportunity to earn special *Limited Edition* awards for inviting new members and helping to organize new clubs.



Centennial Community Legacy Projects

Connect with your community and build your Lion legacy by planning a Centennial Community Legacy Project during our Centennial Celebration. Legacy Projects are visible gifts to your community that commemorate our Centennial and create a lasting legacy of your service contributions.



Vermont Lions Vision Screening Results
Over 13,500 Children Already Screened This Year!
September 1 - January 11, 2017

Club	Number of Schools	Number of Children	Number of Referrals	Number of Adults
Springfield	27	3,706	337	101
Castleton	9	1,566	161	18
Arlington/Bennington/ NorShaft	26	1,976	185	0
Colchester/Essex	19	1,188	95	71
Middlebury	26	1,309	110	12
Barre	16	2,423	225	28
Richford	3	564	61	
Orleans	1	54	10	
Troy & Area	4	384	30	
Brandon Forest Dale		83	9	
Londonderry Area	2	280		
Total:	133	13,533	1,223	230

If your Club's screening has not been reported here, please contact Phylis Porio at norshaftlions@aol.com



District 45 Vision Screener Schedule and Availability

Host Location:		Bennington Area	Springfield Area	Castleton Area	Essex Area
Contact:		norshaftlions@aol.com	mygabob@vermontel.net	topsuns@comcast.net	cjcbeagles@aol.com
Month	w/o				
January	2	Londonderry	Springfield Area	Brandon	
	9	Londonderry	Springfield Area	Bradon/Castleton 1/11	
	16	Londonderry	Springfield Area	Castleton	
	23	Londonderry	Springfield Area	Castleton	1/23 Essex Trains Jericho-Underhill
	30	Londonderry	Springfield Area	Castleton	
February	6	Londonderry	Heartland	Middlebury/Williston (2/1	
	13	Londonderry	Heartland		Feb 15 & 16 Colchester Feb 22 & 23 - Cochester
	20	Feb 20 - Whitehall	Heartland		
	27		Heartland		

The camera is available wherever there is no club listed.

Contact Phylis Porio (norshaftlions@aol.com) to reserve a camera and before booking the school.



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Month	w/o	
March	6	Colchester
	13 Enosberg	Colchester
	20 Enosberg	Colchester
	27 Enosberg	
April	3	
	10	
	17	
	23	
	30	
May	1	
	8	Walk-a-thon
	15	Walk-a-thon
	22	
	29	

As of 1-20-17

**NOTE: Cameras are already booked for September and October 2017.
 Make your request for a camera NOW for 2017
 Contact Phylis Porio (norshaftlions@aol.com or 802-442-0380)**

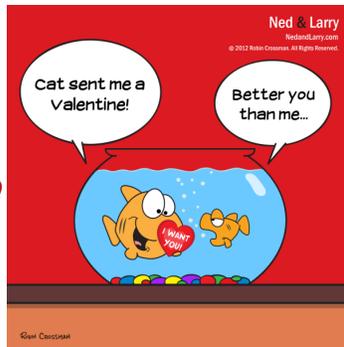
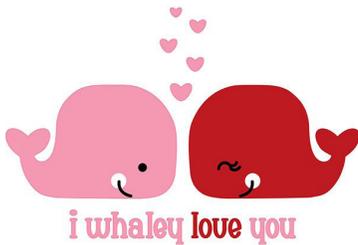
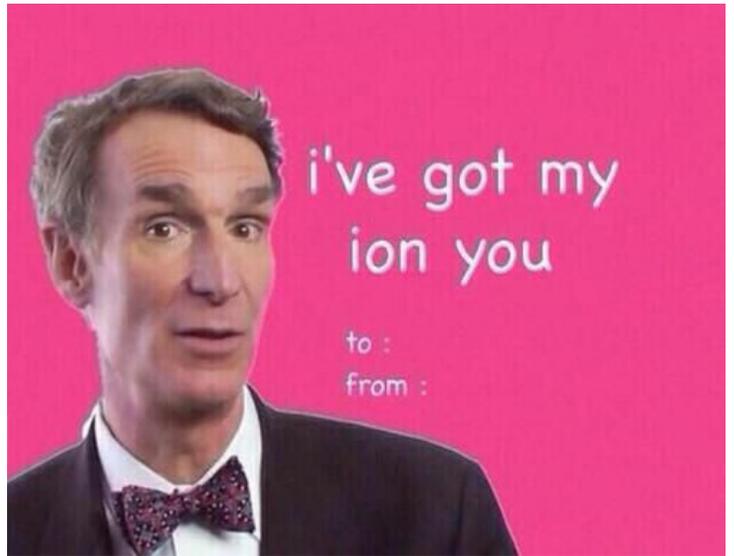
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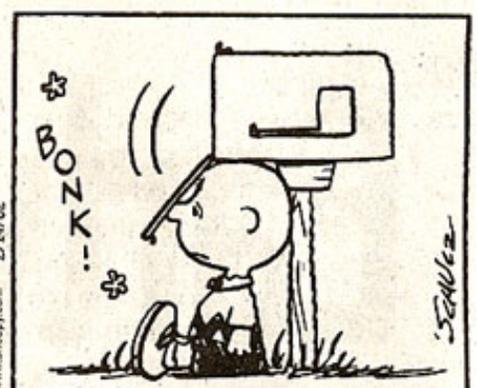
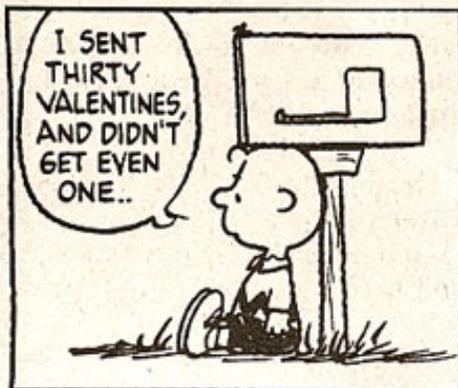
Month	w/o
May	1
	8
	15
	22
	29

As of 8-30-16

Funnies



PEANUTS CLASSICS By Charles M. Schulz



Editor's Corner

A note from the Editor:

Please be sure to format your Communique submission before sending it. It should be print ready. Please try to avoid typing your submission into the body of an email. Submissions that are in Word or PDF format are preferred. Thanks!

Happy Ski Season!

Lion Amy Herrmann

Please follow these simple steps:

1st: When sending correspondence to be included in the Communiqué, please put **'For Communique'** in the subject line of the email. Emails to communique@d45lions.com are received by several Lions and we need to be sure that it is directed properly.

2nd: 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 (and a shameless plug!): (Who)The Manchester Lions Club will be hosting (What) the Maple Leaf Half Marathon, a Top Ten Fall Event, on (When) Saturday September 10, 2016 (Where)The event begins at ends at the Dana L. Thompson Memorial Park, 340 Rec Park Road, Manchester, Vermont. (Why)Monies raised from the event are donated back to the community in the form of scholarships and donations. (How) For more information or to register please visit our website at www.manchestervtmapleleaf.com

3rd: 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. I'll get it on the calendar and begin promoting it for you.

Lastly: Please submit items in one of the following formats: **PDF, Word, or JPEG**. Please help me get the Communique posted on time each month by submitting items early and in the proper format. I do have the ability to edit just about anything but would prefer print-ready submissions (in the interest of time).

All information/photos MUST be received by the 20th of each month.