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Dear fellow District 45 members,

Recently I found on Facebook 20 reasons to be a Lion. I am not the original author so please do not give me credit for these ideas. Author is unknown. Please read and see if you agree (or you might have your own reasons!!!!). More importantly share with others to get them to join us!!!!

1. Friendship – a basic human need we all need
2. Opportunity to make a difference.
3. Personal growth and development.
4. Leadership development. You don't need to be an 'officer' to be a leader. ALL LIONS are a leader in their own right.
5. Citizenship in your community and your state.
6. Continuing education. (see Lions University on Lions Club International for more information). Guest speakers provide information in your communities!!!
7. FUN! FUN! FUN! (If you have not been to a Norshaft Lions Club meeting – visit them!!!!)
8. Public speaking skills. I know of one Lion who has indicated that before Lions they were afraid to speak in public!!!
9. Citizenship in the world. Every Lion wears a pin that reads 'Lions International'. All Lions are welcome to attend the 40,000+ clubs in over 210 nations and geographical areas of the world – 1.45 million members worldwide.
10. Assistance when traveling. Lions are everywhere so help is only a 'phone call' away.
11. Entertainment. Many activities provide entertainment and education.
12. Development of social skills. For those who know me, I used to be 'shy' (he he he).
13. Lions 'make things happen'!!!!
14. Family and youth programs. Green Mountain Lions Camp. Lions Twin State Soccer. Peace Poster. Speech contest. Leos!!! Fishing days hosted by Readsboro and Route 100 Lions Clubs.
15. Development of ethics.
16. Cultural awareness. Around the world practically every religion, country, culture, race, creed, political persuasion, sexual orientation, language, color, ethnic identity is found in Lions. Cross section of citizens from every background.
17. Range of programs providing help for the disadvantage both locally and internationally.
18. Nice people!!!! Plain, genuine people who want to give their time, labor and means to help others.
19. Absence of 'official creed'. Lions have no secret policy, no official creed, no secret meetings or rituals. Open society to all men and women who simply believe in helping others.
20. The opportunity 'TO SERVE'. We are a service club. SERVICE IS OUR NAME!!!

I would like to say ‘thank you’ to all the clubs and members who helped to make the 20,000 meals project a great success this year. We had 22 of 32 clubs purchasing meals to take back to their communities (about 13,500 meals) and 6,500 meals were delivered to the Vermont Foodbank (thanks Barre Lions club members – Lion Rick Theken, Lion Mark Tatro and Lion Judy Cookson).

We had members representing 25 of 32 clubs in our district in attendance along with 10 – 12 non-Lions. In fact, one of the non-Lions, will become a member of the Williston Lions club with the hope of establishing a Leos club where her daughter, who also attended the project, will become the first member.

For those who try to keep track of where I am (or where I am not to be), the following is my planned schedule for the month of February:

- February 2nd: Route 100 Lions Club
- February 3rd: Williston Lion Club
- February 4th: Orleans Lions Club
- February 5th: Vergennes Lions Club
- February 8th: ‘Food from the Heart’ food drive – location to be determined
- February 9th: Dollar General, Prim Road, Colchester Lions Club ‘Food from the Heart’ Food Drive
- February 11th: Londonderry Tri-Mountain Lions Club
- February 15th: Price Chopper, Mallets Bay Shopping Center – Colchester Lions Club ‘Food from the Heart’ Food Drive
- February 17th: Williston Lions Club (if 3rd is not available)
- February 18th: Windsor Lions Club
- February 24th: Strafford and Area Lions Club
- February 26th: Essex Jct. Lions Club

Until next month, take care. Hope to see you on the ‘Lions trail’!!!!

In Lionism, DG Ken



### District 45 Calendar and Events

02/04/2020	<a href="#">District Traveling Lion</a> , Springfield Lions
02/08/2020	Valentine’s Dinner/Dance, Heartland Lions, Fireside Inn & Suites, West Lebanon, NH
03/07/2020	<a href="#">Lions Day, at the United Nations, New York, New York</a> <b>Cancelled</b>
03/14/2020	<a href="#">Cabinet Meeting</a> , Chester, Vermont & Earth Day
03/14/2020	Night for Sight Dinner, Norshaft Lions, Bennington Elks Club 6pm
03/21/2020	GMLC Calcutta, Essex Jct., VT -- Social 5pm, Dinner 6pm
04/22/2020	Lions Worldwide Induction Day
04/25/2020	Arbor Day in Vermont
5/1-5/3	D45 Spring Convention, West Lebanon, NH
5/17/2020	NELC Spring Convention, Maine
07/5-07/25	<a href="#">GMLC</a> Camp
	<b>Don't see your club's activity listed?</b> <b>Email it to the <a href="#">Communique!</a></b>
On going	Please see other DG Calendar items for year in the edition

Dear District, 45 Members,

A few years ago we put together a new website for Vermont Lions to tell our story at [www.vermontlions.org](http://www.vermontlions.org). The go-to guy for that was Lion Randy Bigelow. He's been the man behind the curtain ensuring the site gets updated regularly with news of club events. It has been a lot of work and Lion Randy is stepping aside to allow others to continue managing the website. He is continuing his work with the Middlebury Lions as well as the vision project for the District. He's not going anywhere. Thank you Lion Randy!

Stepping up to the plate to help keep the website updated are Lion Denny Lyster (Troy & Area Lions Club) and PCT Brenda Seitz (Brattleboro Area Lions Club). We welcome them and thank them for their service as well as offer a big tip of the hat to Lion Randy for all he has done, and continues to do, for Lionism in Vermont!

How can you help?

Provide us with information! The deadline for the Communiqué is the 25th of each month. (Note the change in the deadline date.) But, there is no deadline for submissions to the website as we have a "rolling deadline" that allows us to keep the site updated whenever articles are passed along to us.

Now, how can you provide us with information and what are we looking for? Well, here's a simple answer: Anything Lions related!

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

As DG Ken Emery says "Our website and our Communiqué is for our members, our clubs, our various groups to get the word out about what is happening. Please submit as much, and as often, of what is happening in our District."

OK. We've told you what we'd like. How do you submit items for the website? It actually is pretty easy and there are two ways to do so:

1. Submit articles directly to the website. Go to [www.vermontlions.org](http://www.vermontlions.org) and look for "Web Submissions." Simply click on the button labeled "Submit your article or picture" and the page that opens will walk you through the process which will only take you a few minutes. You can either write your submission directly on the page or you can upload an article you've already written by attaching it, and pictures if you like.
2. You can email your articles, pictures or calendar events. For articles and photos, please send to [news@vermontlions.org](mailto:news@vermontlions.org). For events to be included on our website calendar, please send to [events@vermontlions.org](mailto:events@vermontlions.org).

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

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

We want you to succeed and are happy to answer questions about how best to publicize your local club. Questions may be directed to [webmaster@vermontlions.org](mailto:webmaster@vermontlions.org).

## *Help Wanted - Communiqué Editor*

D45 is looking for a new Communiqué Editor.

Current editor PCS Carol Greene is taking the FVDG position and will need to step down from editing the monthly newsletter. The job requires a few hours each month and training will be provided. If you're willing to help, please send an email to [communiqu@vermontlions.org](mailto:communiqu@vermontlions.org).

Will you help? Interested or want to learn more? Contact: [webmaster@vermontlions.org](mailto:webmaster@vermontlions.org)

### **Greene announces candidacy for District 45 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor**

District 45 membership. I neglected in my message to all in January to let you know we have a candidate for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor District 45 for year 2020-2021, District Governor 2021 – 2022. This candidate is Past Cabinet Secretary, Lion Carol Greene, of the Heartland Lions Club.

Lion Carol is presently serving as the President of the Heartland Lion Club. She was Cabinet Secretary for Past District Governor Joseph Wilson, 2016 – 2017, and Past District Governor Walter Hastings, 2017 – 2018. She is currently the District 45 Communiqué Editor, starting midway through IPDG Liz Fenwick's year.

More of PCS Lion Carol's credentials will be presented at the 2020 Spring Convention, May 1, 2 and 3 at Fireside Inn and Suites, West Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Have you thought about becoming a Vice District Governor / District Governor? Candidates are still welcome for our 2020 elections. Speak with a Past District Governor. They will tell you it is a lot of work but it is also one of the best years of their Lions lives. You meet all kinds of people / Lions, both here locally, in New England, and internationally.

For more information please contact IPDG Liz Fenwick, VDG Pam Nichols or myself.

In Lionism,

DG Ken Emery  
'temporary' GLT Coordinator District 45

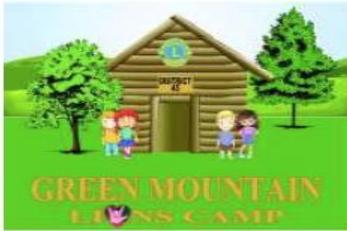


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## REGION 1 CALCUTTA

\*\*\*\* \$1,000 GRAND PRIZE \*\*\*\*

SATURDAY MARCH 21, 2020

5 P.M. SOCIAL  
6 P.M. DINNER  
7 P.M. CALCUTTA

VFW POST # 6689  
73 PEARL ST. ESSEX JCT. VT

**ONLY 200 TICKETS TO BE SOLD**

**INCLUDING HAM DINNER \$35 PER TICKET (ONLY 75 WITH MEAL)**

**NO MEAL - \$25 PER TICKET**

**FOR TICKETS CALL PDG BETSY AT 578-8188  
OR PCT LOREEN AT 899-1363**

The Green Mountain Lions Camp is a camp that District 45 Vermont Lions host for children who are (or who are not) deaf or hard of hearing welcoming, as well, their siblings and friends (even if not deaf or hard of hearing). This camp allows these children the ability to enjoy the pleasures of a summer camp, providing unique opportunities for them to participate in activities which might not be otherwise available for them. District 45 Vermont Lions hosts barbecues, picnics, excursions and other summertime enjoyments.

This year's camp will be held at our location, Covenant Hills Christian Camp, located just off Route 2 in Cabot. The children will enjoy hiking trails, fields to play on, a barn for indoor activities, a craft cabin, waterfront swimming, boating and much, much more. Memories are to be made and forever friendships formed.

For more information on the camp, please visit our website [greenmtnlionscamp.wixsite.com/gmlcamp](http://greenmtnlionscamp.wixsite.com/gmlcamp) or email [greenmtnlionscamp@gmail.com](mailto:greenmtnlionscamp@gmail.com).

Region 1 Lions Clubs (Colchester, Enosburg, Essex Jct., Georgia,  
Jericho – Underhill, Richford, Swanton-Missisquoi, Williston)

D45 VT Lions Region 1 Voucher G M L C Calcutta

**March 21, 2020 7:00 P.M. VFW, Pearl St. Essex Jct.**

**Social 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Calcutta 7:00 p.m.**

**ONLY 200 tickets to be sold - Attendance not required to win**

**Donation: With Meal \$35 per ticket, only 75 to be sold**

**No meals \$25 per ticket, 125 tickets to be sold**



**GRAND PRIZE: \$1,000**



Vouchers will be assigned a number (attending / non-attending)  
Deadline to purchase tickets with meal / to attend: March 14, 2020  
Deadline to purchase non-attending tickets: 6:00 p.m. March 21

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check: Meal / Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ No meal / Non-Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate name of person attending IF NOT ticket owner: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail voucher (indicate attending / non-attending) and money (check payable to Vermont Lions  
District 45 to: PDG Betsy MaGee, 7 South Summit St., Essex Jct. VT 05452  
OR PCT Loreen Teer, 2B Rabbit Run, Underhill VT 05489**

**For more information please call PDG Betsy at (802)578-8188 or PCT Loreen at (802) 899-1363**



## My Thanks to District 45 Lions

I wanted to say how much I appreciate the support that you have given to me to allow me to take part in the

Faculty Development Institute. This training took place in Houston, January 17, 18, 19 and 20. I was able to meet with 40 amazing and dedicated Lions from all over Canada and the United States. The focus was to prepare us for running training sessions at many different levels of the Lions organization. It was such a privilege to be part of this gathering. I look forward to making a contribution to the growth of membership, leadership and service.

It is important to remember that Lions Clubs International



offers many opportunities for training and personal development to support future leaders of our organization. Please consider the wonderful courses and supports that are on offer to you as a member. Any questions, just ask!!

Together We Serve,

**IPDG Liz Fenwick**

thank you



*Faculty Development Institute*



## Club News

### Whitingham-Halifax Lions



Lions Pete Crosby, Darcey Brown, and Wanda Walkowiak (left to right) offer goodies to northbound travelers at the Vermont Welcome Center Rest area on Route 91 in Guilford, Vermont.

In addition to baked goods, comfort food was popular, and fruit & healthy snacks offered, too.

This indoor event raised about \$650 for the club's public fund.



The Whitingham-Halifax Lions members Patience Merriman and Alison Ferris wrap up a committee meeting by wearing silly hats.

Members of the newly-formed "Smile Squad" visit local businesses in groups of 2-3 Lions, and surprise them with wonderful treats. Then, quickly depart.

It thanks deserving people in the community while raising awareness for the club - as a force for good in our community. As Lion Patience says, it's a "Lions Club Project to Create Maximum Happine

# BINGO

Lions Night at Friday Night Prize Bingo in Jacksonville Vermont was a ton of fun, got people together mid-winter, and raised substantial money for the Whitingham-Halifax Lions. An event in its second year, they're confident it'll be an annual feature, going forward.



Pictured are Lions (L to R): Wanda Walkowiak, Patience Merriman, VP Julie Muller, Geri Kogut, Betty Sucharzewski, Mary Beth McCarthy, and Adam Ranslow.



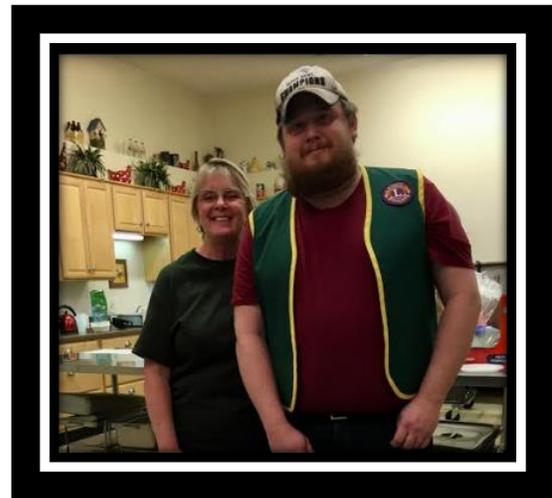
VP Julie Muller shows off 50 prizes donated by club members and generous community people



Membership Chair Wanda Walkowiak greets Bingo players at the door, collecting \$15 from each player



Lions Betty and Adam feature apparel for a club in transition (due to membership growth).



Lions Betty and Adam offering refreshments, point out raffle ticket sales.



Club president Mark Hanna and Vice president Julie Muller flank club member Maureen Drummey.

## Norshaft Lions - Upcoming Event

### The Night for Sight Dinner Dance



It's a benefit for Guiding Eyes, which is an organization that raises seeing eye dogs. They have formed their own chapter in the Bennington

area for raising the pups. All the proceeds from the event go directly to Guiding Eyes.

Details: The Bennington Elks Club March 14, on Washington Ave in Bennington from 6 pm to 11pm. Meal: Italian dishes usually 3, chicken parmesan, veal parmesan, veggie lasagna, salad and assorted desserts.

Music will be: The Hot Club of Saratoga!! A Jazz/Gypsy/ Swing Band from the Saratoga NY area.. A really fun, awesome band!! Plus raffles, a silent basket auction and more!!

Tickets are \$25....If interested please reach out to Lion Matt Gras at 802-430-3913 [mgras@peckham.com](mailto:mgras@peckham.com) or anyone else from the NorShaft Lions



## Zone News

***YOUR CLUBS, YOUR ZONE***

***Zone: 1B***

***Club: Colchester***

***Service Area: Colchester / Milton***

1. Date Chartered: 1963
2. Current President: Carmelita Belisle
3. Meeting Location(s): St. Mikes (dinner) / Kirker Room @ Colchester Police Station
4. Signature Activities – Service (no more than 3): Easter Egg Hunt, Charter Organization – Boy Scout Troop 601, Winter Carnival Pancake breakfast.
5. Signature Activities – Fundraising (no more than 3): Christmas Tree Sales, Golf Ball Drop, Food booth at 4th of July activities.
6. Oldest member – by service (who and how many years): Lion David Eaton 35 years
7. Oldest member – by age (who and age – optional): Lion Floyd Miner 89
8. Youngest member – by service (who and how many years): Lion Lois Johnson / Lion Valerie Johnson, 1 year
9. Youngest member – by age (who and how many years): Lion Meghan Corbett
10. One goal for rest of 2019 – 2020 Lions Year: Retain Membership
11. Other notable information: Dedicated, compassionate members who truly serve their community, from scholarships, vision screening, diabetes screening, charter organization of boy scouts, supporting the local food shelf, cooking burgers or a meal for our Seniors at the Senior Housing Facility, or stuffing Christmas stockings for them, stuffing several thousand easter eggs (about 3,000), and providing a luncheon for the PALS group at the VABVI, the list goes on as does service to our community, always with a smile

YOUR CLUBS, YOUR ZONE

Zone: 4

Club: BARRA

Service Area: WASHINGTON COUNTY

1. Date Chartered: 1938
2. Current President: CHARLIE LYONS/DALE
3. Meeting Location(s): CANADIAN CLUB - BARRA
4. Signature Activities - Service (no more than 3): DISC GOLF, 100 BALL RAFFLE, XMAS TREE SALE
5. Signature Activities - Fundraising (no more than 3): 100 BALL RAFFLE - SEE #4 ABOVE
6. Oldest member - by service (who and how many years): JOHN ORMSBY 1958 - 62
7. Oldest member - by age (who and age - optional): ALBAN RICHEY
8. Youngest member - by service (who and how many years): CARRINE TOBI 1 1/2 YRS
9. Youngest member - by age (who and how many years): MICHAEL BONDROFT
10. One goal for rest of 2019 - 2020 Lions Year: DEVELOP NEW FUNDRAISER
11. Other notable information:

YOUR CLUBS, YOUR ZONE

Zone: 2 AB

Club: GRANVILLE

Service Area: GRANVILLE AREA

1. Date Chartered: 1960
2. Current President: BOB TARDIE
3. Meeting Location(s): WEST MAIN GRILLE, GRANVILLE NY.
4. Signature Activities - Service (no more than 3): KID'S CHRISTMAS, 4TH OF JULY KID'S DAY, SENIOR CHRISTMAS DINNER
5. Signature Activities - Fundraising (no more than 3): SELLING TELESCOPE FURNITURE
6. Oldest member - by service (who and how many years): BON BARRETT - 50 YRS
7. Oldest member - by age (who and age - optional): BON BARRETT
8. Youngest member - by service (who and how many years): WENDY ALLEN-MILLER (2 WEEKS)
9. Youngest member - by age (who and how many years): JEFF LAMPHEAR - 49
10. One goal for rest of 2019 - 2020 Lions Year: INCREASING MEMBERSHIP
11. Other notable information:  
Recent purchase of building for local Food Pantry  
Dedication & formal opening in October of 2019

## YOUR CLUBS, YOUR ZONE

Zone: 1b

Club: Jericho - Underhill

Service Area: Jericho, Underhill Mmu School District

1. Date Chartered: 12-31-1979
2. Current President: Michael Willard
3. Meeting Location(s): Browns River Middle School United Church of Underhill
4. Signature Activities – Service (no more than 3): Holiday Baskets  
50+ Turkeys for Thanksgiving, Words for Thirds Dictionaries
5. Signature Activities – Fundraising (no more than 3): Onion Booth  
Pancake Breakfast, Strawberry "supper"
6. Oldest member – by service (who and how many years): ~~Gerard Adams~~ David G. Crane
7. Oldest member – by age (who and age – optional): Gerard Adams
8. Youngest member – by service (who and how many years):  
Caitlin Erb 1/2
9. Youngest member – by age (who and how many years): Caitlin Erb 1/2
10. One goal for rest of 2019 – 2020 Lions Year: Grow Membership
11. Other notable information:  
This month we raised \$1500 to fund one of six A&Ds for Jericho

## Where There's a Need, There's a Lion



## Traveling Lion Update

Three Springfield Lions captured the Traveling Lion from Vergennes Lions earning 522 points (87x2x3).

The Lion will be available for capture on Tuesday, February 4, at 6 p.m. at the Springfield VFW. The meal costs \$13. Please notify President Mike Martin, NO LATER THAN Saturday, February 1, by calling 802-885-4332 or email [memartin@vermontel.net](mailto:memartin@vermontel.net).

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# Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion Leader,

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Past International Director Douglas X. Alexander to the office of International First Vice President.



The International Board of Directors appointed Past Director Alexander to fulfill the responsibilities of the office due to the passing of our beloved friend, Vice President Judge Haynes H. Townsend.

Vice President Alexander served as international director from 2010-2012, and he is a former vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. He has been an active member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the Ambassador of Good Will Award. Vice President Alexander is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Please join us in congratulating Vice President Douglas X. Alexander!

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President





Some pictures from Cabinet Meeting - Service Project – January 11, 2020





**Invitation to ALL Lions of District 45**  
**You are cordially welcome to attend**  
**Cabinet Meeting # 4 – 2019 - 2020**

Saturday, March 14, 2020: Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: American Legion

51 Legion Road (off Route 103), Chester, Vermont

Invitation to all Lions of District 45, ALL are cordially welcome to attend

Schedule (see schedule of events):

**Registration costs: \$20 per person**  
**(new members within last 12 months free – see notation below)**  
**Reservations deadline: March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**(\$24 after 3/8/2020 deadline)**

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home / Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Position: \_\_\_\_\_

District Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Any Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*New members (within last 12 calendar months) who register by deadline**  
**May attend free of charge – must attend new member orientation (if have not attended**  
**a District 45 new member orientation previously) \*\*\***

Mail to: CT Lion Dianne Brochu  
 10 Ketcham Drive  
 Essex Junction VT 05452  
 OR email to: [dmbrochu@gmail.com](mailto:dmbrochu@gmail.com)



**District Governor Ken would like to invite all Cabinet Officers, Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs, Past District Governors, Lions, Spouses and Guests to the 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting of the 2019 – 2020 Lions Year.**

**Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**American Legion, 51 Legion Road (off Route 103), Chester Vermont**

**Schedule of Events (subject to change)**

**9:00 a.m. - ..... Registration**

**9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (end of lunch) Fundraising: Silent Auction (items welcomed), 200 Club, 50 / 50, Collection of items for Springfield Humane Society**

**9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Honorary meeting**

**9:55 a.m. Cabinet meeting called to order**

**10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.: Service Project – ‘fun’ with fleece –**

**10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.: Work session # 1: Vermont Lions Charities  
Green Mountain Lions Camp**

**President’s – preparing for year end – new year**

**Membership & Service – one helps the other!!!!**

**New member orientation**

**Vision Screening General discussion**

**Secretaries – LCI Reporting Review**

**11:00 a.m. – 11:50 p.m.: Work session # 2: Vermont Lions Charities (cont. if necessary)**

**Green Mountain Lions Camp (cont. if necessary)**

**Lions Twin State Soccer – who? what? Join?**

**Taxes – 501 c 3 versus 501 c 4 versus tax exempt**

**Roundtable Discussions: New type of clubs - Specialty**

**Fundraising**

**Does your club take the summer off??**

**Noon – 1:00 p.m.: Lunch – Guest Speaker – Lion Pierre Letourneau – Enosburg Falls Lions Club Shriner ‘extrodinaire’ – What do the Shriners do?**

**1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Cabinet Meeting**

**Driven to Serve**

**Vermont Lions District 45**

**2019 - 2020**

# Springfield Humane Society

Location: **401 Skitchewaug Trail, Springfield, VT 05156**

## WISH LIST

Any of the items below are always in need and welcome.

- Paper towels (any brand)**
- Bleach**
- Dishwasher Detergent**
- Peanut Butter (xylitol FREE)**
- String Cheese (for enrichment)**
- Hot Dogs (for enrichment)**
- Cheese Whiz (for enrichment)**
- Dog Chews (raw hides, bully sticks, etc)**
- Copier Paper**
- 13 Gallon Trash Bags**
- Vinyl Gloves (size Med-Large)**
- Pate Canned Pet Food**
- Cow Hooves (to fill with peanut butter)**
- Large KONGS**
- Postage Stamps**
- Gift Certificates to Local Businesses for Supplies (Walmart, etc)**



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lions in New Hampshire*



# Fellowship Frenzy

**\*ONLY \$10 DONATION PER ENTRY**

1st entry drawn will have the ability to GIFT or RECEIVE a

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5 more entries drawn will each receive one meal ticket for the  
Melvin Jones Banquet at the 2020 Spring Convention

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*Drawing to be held once 100 entries are sold*

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PDG Merry Souza  
398 Darlene Drive  
Sheldon, VT 05483



# New England Lions Council



Spring Meeting - May 17, 2020  
Regatta Banquet & Conference Center  
25 Levesque Drive - Eliot, ME 03903

## Schedule for the day

- 10:00-11:00 AM Canine Companions for Independence - Lions Scott & Mary Mace
- 11:00-11:30 AM "Be the Match" Donor Program/Governors Challenge Wrap
- 11:30-12:30 PM Lunch Buffet - fellowship time with your fellow New England Lions
- 12:30-1:30 PM NELC Business Mtg - DG Reports, Upcoming events & save the dates

### Luncheon Buffet:

Pasta Salad, Garden Salad, Oven Baked Chicken, Stuffed Shells, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley and Rolls & Butter. Dessert station featuring assorted Cookies & Brownies.  
Selection of Sodas, Water, Coffee and Tea

Buffet at \$20 x \_\_\_\_ Total = \_\_\_\_

Grand Total = \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT/MD POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: **NELC**

Mail Check and Form to: Treas. Hilary Kumnick, IPCC  
22 Hunters Ridge Road  
Killingworth, CT 06419

Registration deadline: May 1, 2020

**Questions?** Contact NELC President Sandra Hurd, PDG @ 603-424-8922 or [axstewart@comcast.net](mailto:axstewart@comcast.net)

# WE SERVE

## 2020 SPEAK-OUT CONTEST WE SERVE THROUGH DIVERSITY

Fellow Lions:

Now is the time to start planning for the District 45 Speak-Out Contest to be held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Spring Convention in West Lebanon, NH. Those that have participated in the past know what a wonderful opportunity this is to hear our local high school students “speak out” about our International President’s theme, not just at the state contest but at the local level as well.

“We Serve Through Diversity” is this year’s theme from International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. Please visit [www.lionsclub.org](http://www.lionsclub.org) to read his theme and download his materials. I encourage all District 45 Clubs to participate in this year’s Speak-Out Contest by inviting students from your local high schools to share their ideas on this very inspirational theme, “We Serve Through Diversity” with your club and our District.

The materials for this year’s contest can be found on the D45 website. I have included a handout that may be used to engage a local high school to participate or be used as a press release. If you have never participated before and would like help getting started, please feel free to contact either myself or my co-chair, Lion Connie St. George, we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Yours in Service,  
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# WE SERVE

2020 SPEAK-OUT CONTEST  
WE SERVE THROUGH DIVERSITY  
May 2nd, 2020  
District Convention  
West Lebanon, NH

## SPEAK-OUT INFORMATION:

1. Included is a blank Speak-Out Contest form for your club to modify with your specific details.  
**Your Club sets its own prize money.**
2. The judging form.
3. A handout that may be used to engage a local high school or be used as a press release.

Advise the participants to read the International President's message on the theme of the contest; go to [www.lionsclub.org](http://www.lionsclub.org).

## WHAT TO DO NOW:

1. Assign a Speak-Out Chairperson in your club.
2. Find a contact person, preferably at your local 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.
3. Your club will need to set a local contest date, amount of prizes, location of contest and list your chairperson person on the bottom of your form. Fill out your form and make copies including the judging form and the International President's message, if you wish, to give to your contacts. They in turn can make copies for the students that are interested in participating.

## THINGS TO DO BY YOUR FIRST MEETING IN APRIL:

1. Please contact me if your club is going to be participating in the Speak-Out Contest and give me the name of your Speak-Out Chairperson and the date of your local contest. My email address is listed below.
2. **IMPORTANT:** PLEASE HAVE YOUR LOCAL CONTEST AT ONE OF YOUR MARCH or APRIL MEETINGS ALTHOUGH AN EARLIER DATE IS FINE. BE SURE TO ASK AT THE SCHOOL ABOUT DIFFICULT DATES SUCH AS EXAMS, ETC.

## AFTER THE CONTEST:

1. Send me the results of your Contest and the number of guests (family members) your winner will have with them at the District Contest in May.
2. The District 45 final contest will be held during the Spring Convention on May 2<sup>nd</sup> in West Lebanon, NH.
3. The District covers the costs of all contestants' meals at the Cabinet Meeting, please let me know the total number of guests that will be attending the Contest so that enough meals and tables are provided. Meals of any guests of the contestants' are covered by the clubs that invite them and should be paid by the club when they check in at the Cabinet Meeting.
4. The District also covers the meals of each club's Speak-Out Chairperson.

Thank you and good luck, we hope to see you in May!

Lion Kathy Dorman, Speak-Out Contest Chairperson

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# WE SERVE

## 2020 SPEAK-OUT CONTEST WE SERVE – THROUGH DIVERSITY

Every year, Lions Clubs in Vermont host a Speak Out competition, a public speaking contest for high school students. We invite students to deliver a speech based on the annual message of the Lions Club International President. This year, International President Dr, Jung-Yul Choi’s message is “We Serve Through Diversity.”

Students can win prizes while competing at their local Lions Club. The winner from each club advances to the state competition in May. While there is currently no advancement to a regional final outside of Vermont, we are working toward a New England competition within the next few years.

We are asking area high schools with a local Lions Club to consider participating in the Speak Out competition. Generally, schools with a public speaking program are well suited to participate although an interested teacher may certainly advise and coach students.

If you are interested and would like additional information, please contact your local Lions Club.

# WE SERVE

## 2020 SPEAK-OUT CONTEST

**Topic: We Serve Through Diversity**

**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 May 2nd, 2020 at the Spring Convention in West Lebanon, NH.

**The Local Contest will be held at a Lions Club Meeting on:**

**Lions Meet at:**

**Judging criteria:** Address Theme.....20pts.

Develop 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**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:**

**STATE FINALS!**

**1<sup>st</sup>: \$400 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$250 3<sup>rd</sup>: \$100 4<sup>th</sup> or more \$ 50**

**CONTACT PERSON: LION (insert name):** \_\_\_\_\_



## DISTRICT 45-LIONS OF VERMONT SPEAK OUT CONTEST



<b>Duration of Speech</b>	<b>LESS THAN</b>	<b>FIVE MINUTES</b>	<b>5-7 Minutes Required</b>	<b>Total Time</b>	<b>Total Points</b>
<b>Addressing the Theme</b>  (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)	
<b>Developing the Theme</b>  (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)	
<b>Clarity &amp; Expression</b>  (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)	
<b>Name</b>					<b>Total Points</b>

## Additional DG Calendar Items

Please mark your calendars!

When	What	Where
July 5 - 9, 2019	International Convention	Milan Italy
July 14, 2109	Organizational Meeting **	South Royalton
July 7 - 27, 2019	GMLC Camp	Cabot
July 20, 2019	Twin State Soccer	Castleton State College
August 11, 2019	1st Cabinet meeting **	Manchester Eagle's Club
August 12, 2019	International Youth Day	Lions Club International
September 19 - 21, 2019	USA / Canada Forum	Spokane, Washington
September / October, 2019	1st Zone Meeting	Various locations
October 11, 2019	World Sight Day	Lions Club International
October 15, 2019	International White Cane Safety Day	Lions Cluyb International
October 25 - 27, 2019	NELC Fall Conference / Necrology Service	to be determined - Massachusetts
November 8, 2019	Peace Poster Judging	Hampton Inn, Colchester
November 8, 2019	Fall Conference **	Hampton Inn
	LCIF Super Raffle	Colchester
November 14, 3029	World Diabetes Day	Lions Club International
December 5, 2019	International Leo Day	Lions Club International
Nov. / Dec. / Jan.	2nd Zone Meeting	Various Locations
January 3 - 5, 2020	NELC Winter Conference	To be determined - Connecticut
January 11, 2020	3rd Cabinet Meeting **	Canadian Club, Barre
January 13, 2020	Melvin Jones Birthday	Lions Club International
January 13 - 17, 2020	LCIF Week	Lions Club International
Week of February 9, 2020	Food from the Heart Events	Various Locations
February 14, 2020	Food from the Heart Food Drive	Various Locations
February 15, 2020	International Childhood Cancer Day	Lions Club International
February / March / April 2020	3rd Zone Meeting	To be determined
March 7, 2020	Lions Day at UN	New York, New York
March 14th, 2020	4th Cabinet Meeting**	American Legion, Chester
April 22, 2020	Earth Day	Lions Club International
April 25, 2020	Lions Worldwide Induction Day	Lions Club International
May 1, 2, 3 2020	Spring Convention	Fireside Inn and Suites
	6th Annual Business Mtg **	West Lebanon NH
	Speech Contest	Saturday Lunch
May 15 - 17, 2020	NELC Spring Conference	To be determined - Maine
June 1, 2020	Helen Kellery Day	Lions Club International
June 5, 2020	World Environment Day	Lions Club International
June 7, 2020	Lions Club International Birthday	Lions Club International
June 20, 2020	Bike Ride	Vermont Lion Charities
		

Remember to visit our website for [Upcoming Events!](#)