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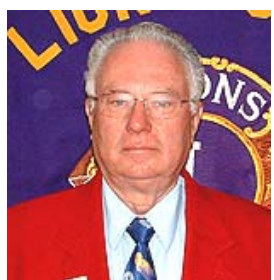
The Official Newsletter of
District 44-N

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"LIONISM BEGINS WITH YOU AND ME"



A message from the District Governor - - -



I would like to thank all of the Lions clubs in District 44-N for the hard work everyone is doing. At the moment we have sixteen clubs that have a positive membership growth, for the year. We need to keep this aspect of our endeavors growing in order to keep our clubs healthy. All clubs are aggressively working on fundraisers and projects for their respective communities. Many clubs have already taken advantage of the family plan and have sent their information to International. Those that have signed up for the program will have their dues reduced in January of 2007.

Campaign Sight First II (CSFII) is a very active program in our district. As I write this article, the district has pledged \$90,000.00 towards our goal (Established by International) of \$163,000.00. However I am discovering that not everyone is receiving the correct information or at least not interpreting the information correctly.

CSFII is a downward directed program from Lions International. The purpose of the program is to raise funds to help prevent blindness wherever practicable and to restore sight, through operations, when needed. It is not mandatory for any club to participate in the program. Naturally it is desired that every club in the world participate but it is up to the individual club to determine whether they will or will not participate. Once a club decides that they would like to contribute they need to decide how much they can pledge. If a club chooses to donate up to \$5,000.00 they will have three (3) years to donate the money. If a club chooses to donate more than \$5,000.00 they will have five (5) years to donate the money. As a bonus, for every thousand dollars donated a club can apply for a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

I wish to thank all of the clubs that I have visited. Your hospitality is genuine and very much appreciated. The discussions that we've had have made a lasting impression on me and you have made me a better Lion.

Lion Sandy and I wish all of you a happy and joyous holiday season.

DG Ray

DG Ray Hill's Schedule:

November 28 th	Tuesday	Wilton Lions	Visitation
December 5 th	Tuesday	Milford Lions	Visitation
December 6 th	Wednesday	Chesterfield Lions	Visitation
December 7 th	Thursday	Hooksett Lions	Visitation
December 12 th	Tuesday	Claremont Lions	Visitation
December 14 th	Thursday	Henniker Lions	Visitation
December 19 th	Tuesday	Hopkinton Lions	Visitation
December 25 th	Monday	Christmas Day	
December 27 th	Wednesday	Dunbarton Lions	Visitation



If you want the District Governor to attend a special occasion, please contact the District CST as early as possible!

**Words
From
Our CST
Meg Ager**



Thanks to all the secretaries for a really terrific job of submitting Membership Reports this month. Remember, just as soon as you finish your second meeting of the month, you may submit your Membership Report to Lions International and your District Activity Report to me and to your Zone and Region Chairs.

I hope everyone who is slated to become a secretary or president in the next Lions year will plan on going to the May training seminar.

I find, as I accompany the District Governor, on his visitations, that a lot of information which should be in the hands of the club officers is not there.

Most of this is information which is available at the May seminar. It is not too early to think about next year.

I find that the most informed clubs are those who take part in district events, such as the seminar and the cabinet meetings.

CST Meg



Veterans honored at 44-N Cabinet Meeting

Lions Youth Development of New Hampshire, Inc
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**A Little
Talk From
VDG Terri
McGrew**



The NH Lions Health Services Board is a small group of Lions from 44H and 44N who volunteer for the Operation KidSight and DogSight programs, the Lions Eye Clinics and the Lions Health Van. This year, under the direction of Chairperson MCST Celeste Ricupero, they are working very hard to provide assistance so our clubs can provide the best possible services to our communities.

The Health Van is available to every club in the state for health screenings or for your community parades and the supplies were recently inventoried and updated as needed. Lion Jerry Vaccaro would be happy to schedule the van for your club.

Our eye clinics in Manchester and Concord provide a wonderful service to those in need of an eye exam and eye glasses. Please take advantage of this service. Lion Joanne Pouliot can schedule appointments for you and is always available for questions. Please call her for more information.

The Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation recently purchased a new digital SureSight camera for each district at the request of the Health Service Board. The HSB is currently documenting the procedures and providing training and the cameras will be available to your clubs shortly. Please call PDG Don Mosman in 44N and Lion Bob Laferriere in 44H to schedule the cameras.

When establishing your club budget each year, please keep the Health Services Board in your thoughts. Your donations will be used to improve the services they provide to every community in NH.

Lions Cheryl Powers, Marilyn Vaccaro, Lloyd Soderberg, Joan Beldin, Dot Chasse and MDCC Roger Latulippe are also members of the Health Service Board. The next time you see one of the HSB members, please take a minute to thank them for their contribution; they are all doing a fantastic job for our organization.

VDG Terri

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

PINARDVILLE LIONS CLUB is collecting CAN TABS for the Shriners Hospital in Boston. Please save your can tabs for them. Contact: Georgia Sousa, Sec'y 622-1840 or Email Cysousa1@comcast.net



International Understanding & Cooperation



Steve Cole, District 44-N Chairman

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First, I would like to apologize for not having presented a column for November. I had led a group to visit Keene's Partnercity of Einbeck, Germany and the delegate from their three other Partnercities of Thiais, France (just south of Paris); Arten, a city from what was East Germany and Paczków, Poland. We had many activities in which we were involved together in and around Einbeck. Most important was that we got to really know not only the people from Einbeck (who I know very well) but also those from the cities the other Partnercities.



Artern city center

Most important for us in Keene was the pleasant fact that our local newspaper, the Keene Sentinel, sent one of their editors with us, Cecily Weisburgh, who, as an integral part of the Keene Team, delivered by e-mail an excellent and timely flow of articles relating these very friendly experiences we enjoyed. For her I believe it was a great experience as well. She sent some wonderful articles back to Keene that were published daily in our local newspaper.

The focal point of this time of year, October 13 to 15, is Einbeck's traditional Eulenfest, or festival of the Owls. It was an enjoyable time for visitors to and citizens of Einbeck and celebrated in Einbeck's ancient Marktplatz or market place. They had carnival rides including a ferris wheel, kiddies rides, etc. traditional German foods such as schnitzel, bratwurst, etc.

During the official visit to Einbeck, one of the important acts was the signing of the official protocols. The photo to the left shows the leader of the Keene Delegati, Steve Cole, signing for Keene with Burgermeister Martin Wehner on the left, the leader of the Polish Delegation, Bogdan Wyczalkoowski to his right; and right Jens Krautwurst leading the Arten Group; and finally Dan Beucher at the head of the French Delegation.



Note that Bürgermeister, Martin Wehner declined to run again for his position and will occupy a new office in the next parliamentary level above Einbeck. Finally, I would like to tell you of a moving incident while I was sitting and singing with the French Delegation. We would be singing German, Polish and French songs and then the French group started singing the Star Spangled Banner in English until the whole group joined in singing it. I would never would have believed it would happen. It sent shivers up my spine and was wonderful!

*Have a wonderful Christmas, **Steve Cole***

CLUB ACTIVITIES - - -

AMHERST: Screened 120 students at community school with the new vision camera. Set a five year goal Of \$30,000 for SightFirst II. \$2,169 received so far from the Light Bulb Sale. 429 pairs of eyeglasses collected for recycling. Craft Fair to be held December 2nd at the Amherst Middle School. Christmas projects include Adopting a Share Family, participation with Amherst Junior Women for Christmas Baskets and participation in the Holiday Toy Store. Annual Christmas Party will be held on December 20th.

ANTRIM/BENNINGTON: Hosted a Ham and Bean supper over the Harvest Weekend in Antrim to benefit their charity and scholarship accounts. Worked with the New Hampshire Garden Railway Society to present a Spectacular Train Show to support the Operation Santa Clause Project. Held a Pancake Breakfast on Veterans Day Weekend. The annual Christmas Tree sale is ongoing.

BEDFORD: Grossed \$96 with a Giant Coloring Book Sale while passing out treats for the kiddies on October 17th. Members gave 16 days of service to the Haunted House project. Community service project was assisting the town register over 400 cars with stickers at the Bedford Transfer Station. Seven members visited the Merrimack Lions Club on October 17th. January 27th is the day for the Foxwood's Resort Trip. Cost per person is \$35. Gift wrapping project started November 24th.

BERLIN/GORHAM: Held a spaghetti supper in November. Will be raffling two sleds filled with kids toys on December 13th. Tickets for this raffle are available from Secretary Charlie Dodge (6 for \$5). Drive in the Fifties Auto Show is being planned for June of 2007. The annual Road Toll netted about \$700.

BROOKLINE: Donations: \$50 per month to Share; \$500 for gift certificates for families at Thanksgiving; \$500 for a scholarship to a graduating senior at Hollis/Brookline High School; \$500 for one Share family at Christmas and \$25 to Brookline Recreation Committee for October Eve program. Held an Ice Cream Social at Treasures of Brookline. Several members signed up to help at the Haunted House.

CANAAN: Donations: \$38.75 for a Lifeline; \$100 – People to People program; \$100- Juvenile Diabetes Foundation; \$100 – Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Members worked at the Red Cross Blood Drive and at the Juvenile Diabetes Walk. The Medical Closet has been busy loaning hospital equipment,

ENFIELD/MASCOMA: 15 Lions worked a total of 305 man-hours at the annual Haunted House in Mascoma. This annual event charges no admission. Collected 144 pairs of eyeglasses for recycling. Donated \$100 to the Ecumenical Society and four members prepared and served meals to senior citizens. The Annual Christmas Tree Sale is underway. A basketball tournament is slated for December.

GAP MOUNTAIN: Donated \$100 to the Brain Injury Association. Held a basket Auction in November. Providing Sand for Sidewalks to the elderly again this year. Ed. Note: Did you know the PDG Nancy Nye makes great dark chocolate fudge!!!!

GOFFSTOWN: Held a Membership Drive Night on October 17th with DG Ray Hill and PCC Ed Farrington in attendance to spark enthusiasm in the four guest who were there. Nine days later two new members were approved for membership by the Board of Directors. The Annual Craft Fair was held November 4th and 5th. December 12th will find the Caprios hosting the Christmas Party again this year. Regular meetings will resume in January.

HENNIKER: Fifty-three sets of eyeglasses were collected for recycling. Their Wishing Well sent over \$200 to Sight and Hearing. A winning entry from the Community School Peace Poster Contest was selected and forwarded to DG Ray Hill.

HILLSBORO: Received \$8,000 as their share from the Hot Air Balloon Festival. The Golf tournament raised \$4,200. Held a Blood Drive in September. The annual Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner was held November 11th at the Elementary School. Christmas Tree Sale is underway as they put up the lights and decorations for the holidays in downtown Hillsboro. December 12 at the American Legion will find them celebrating the annual Christmas Party. The Annual Duck Race made \$2m899. Donated \$200 to the Hillsboro Food Pantry.

HOOKSETT: The Old Home Day Chicken BBQ was a huge success! The 2007 Entertainment books are now on sale.. Members will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army at Shaw's Supermarket in Hooksett.

HOPKINTON: Members will participate in Santa at the Mall. The Christmas Tree Sale is underway. Gave 79 dictionaries to third grade students at the Maple Street School. Placed an ad in the EyeBall Program. The 5 K Road Race netted \$3,000 this year.

JAFFREY/RINDGE: The October Light Bulb Sale netted \$270. and the raffle tickets for Fuel Oil have netted \$267 so far. If winner of the Oil Raffle doesn't live in the area they will receive \$800 in cash. New member Fred Cross was inducted by Lucille Decatur, Region 2 Chair.

KEENE: Tickets for this years Stage Show will be available starting December 4th. Members visited the Hillsboro Lions on November 28th. Fruit for this years Citrus Sale will be delivered in Mid December. Still time to order! New Playground equipment was dedicated in November at the Keene Park and Recreation.

LEBANON: The Annual Christmas Party for the children of the Upper Valley will be held December 3rd at the Fireside Inn. Under way is the production of a video reporting the activities of the Lions of Zone 4A. It will be telecast in February on CATV/8. (Ed. Note: Will this video be available for other clubs , zones or regions to borrow?)

MANCHESTER: The Ham and Bean Supper in November grossed about \$430. Held a new member orientation for three inductees and one guest. The Orientation and Inductions were conducted by Past MD Chair Paul Leather. December 5th is the Membership Social Pot Luck Dinner. On December 14th the club will assist Manchester Police conducting a Senior Citizen Holiday Light Tour of the city. A Christmas Social with gift distribution for 100 Elderly in an Assisted Living Facility. A membership Meeting will be held on January 2nd and a visit to the Barnstead-Pittsfield Lions is planned for January 25th.

MILFORD: Sponsoring Santa and Mrs. Claus on the Village Oval December 3rd. DG Ray will induct three new members on December 5th when he makes his Official Visitation. He will be cheered on by a visit from the Hillsboro Lions. A Turkey Dinner for Milford Senior Citizens will be held on December 9th with an expected attendance of 180 seniors. December 19th is the date of the annual Holiday Celebration party.

Club Activities, Cont.

MONADNOCK: Purchased and donated fingerprint system for the Marlborough Police. Held a Kid Care Nite at the Marlborough school and assisted with fingerprinting children for the Kid Care Safety package – Marlborough Police. . The Annual Christmas Tree Sale started day after Thanksgiving. Donated \$1,000 to Cheshire County Child Advocacy Center. Raised \$1,800 from the Cheshire Fair and gave \$600 of it to Gap Mountain Lions for their assistance.

NEWPORT: Meeting at the Old Courthouse Restaurant they enjoyed a visit from DG Ray Hill on November 15th. \$100 donated to the Newport Airport and \$200 given to the Newport Recreation Department.

ORFORD: The Annual Basketball Tournament is scheduled for December 8th, 9th and 10th. The Annual Rose Sale is starting and according to IPDG Henry it will be a St. Patrick's Day event this year. Plans are starting for the Ice Fishing Derby to be held February 24th and 25th. Served food and beverages at the local Race Car Show in October.

PINARDVILLE: Three continuing projects include: Collection of cans, Making and selling Dolls for SightFirst II and, Can Tabs being collected for donation to the Shriners Hospital. Delivered 390 sets of eyeglasses to Lenscrafters. 3 members and 1 guest helped with the Haunted House. \$150 in gift certificates donated to the Goffstown Food Pantry. Took a quarter page ad in the EyeBall Program. Planning on a Spaghetti Supper in the spring.

PLYMOUTH: Spaghetti Supper is scheduled for January to benefit SightFirst II. Pledged \$2,000 to be raised for SightFirst II. The Direct mail fundraising drive is underway and early responses show promise. Approved eyeglasses for one local person. !50 pair of eyeglasses turned over for recycling.

WESTMORELAND: The Food Wagon raised &42 at the two day Dog Show in Keene. Glasses collected for recycling. Dinner meetings are now the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Minuteman Café, Route 12, Westmoreland at 6:30 pm.

WILTON: The new King Lion is John Shepardson of 31 Curtis Farm Road, Wilton, E: jshep@tds.net, The new Secretary is Pamela Bealo, E: pabealo@aol.com (NOTE: E mails must include reference to LIONS in the subject line).

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New Hampshire MD44 Health Services Board Eye Clinic

As I reported at the last District Meeting in Plymouth, the Eye Clinics are not being utilized to their fullest capabilities.

I am quite willing to meet with any club's eye care screener or the entire club to discuss the steps to follow in order to use either of the existing clinics in Manchester or Concord. I am only a phone call away. I work during the day, but you certainly may leave a message and I will return your call that evening.

Please call me if you have any questions or want further information.

I hope to hear from you,

*Lion Joanne Pouliot
Eye Clinic Coordinator
(603) 492-2049*

DID YOU KNOW?

River Blindness, a painful disease caused by a parasite called *onchocerca volvulus*, is spread by the bite of a black fly. The parasite causes intense itching and skin discoloration throughout the body. When an adult or child sustains large numbers of infectious bites, blindness almost always occurs.

Thankfully, an oral drug called Ivermectin (Mectizan R) immunizes people from the suffering, disfigurement, and resulting blindness of these bites.

Through Campaign SightFirst II, Lions will eliminate this blinding disease in Latin America by 2010, and significantly reduce the number of cases of river blindness in Africa by 2020.

YOUR CLUB CAN HELP:

Through personal gifts and club campaigns, USS\$5,000 can provide sight saving immunization treatments for a village of 1,000 people in Latin America.

It's important that you know - - -

The international telephone dialing code for Antartica is 672.

The McDonalds in New Zealand serve apricot pies instead of cherry ones.

A group of twelve or more cows is called a "flink". Reindeer like to eat bananas

The Amazon rainforest produces half of the world's supply of oxygen. (You're welcome!)

The Hill Family Photo Album

Each month we will delve into the Hill family photo album and bring you a scene from our District Governor's childhood in an effort to find



He was always eager to attack the insurmountable
(Is that a bald spot we see?)

Shh ! It's a Secret !

From the Lebanon Lions News:

"Even more important was the report and information brought to the meeting by Membership Chair Peter Bickford. Lion Peter brought a draft of a letter to be sent to area businesses urging them to encourage employees to join the Lions and to pay for an employee's dues and initiation fees. The letter pointed out the benefits that Lions brought to the city and the business community also benefited by the many projects provided by Lions.

During the meeting, Peter Bickford and Tom McGonis worked on revising and editing the letter. Tim Guaraldi, Ann and Sharon Davenport worked on the design of a poster that will hold Lebanon Lions brochures that will be placed in break rooms of schools and businesses around the city. John Davenport, Jim Beck and Norm Paulhus revised the club's brochure so that it will be ready for distribution around the city.

NO SECRET HERE!! This club is getting ready for a real membership drive!

Anyone getting an idea for your club from this?

LYDNH OPENS NOMINATIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2010

At its annual meeting at the Mid-winter Convention, the Lions of New Hampshire will elect at least four members to the Board of Directors of the Lions Youth Development of NH Corporation. Successful candidates will take office as the Class of '10 in July, 2007.

Any Lion in good standing in his/her club is eligible to run for a seat on the board. Two will be elected from each sub-district and will be invited to attend board meetings beginning on the third Wednesday of February, 2007.

Nominees should send a letter of endorsement signed by his/her club president or secretary. Nominations should be sent to:

PCC Peter de Moya, Secretary - LYDNH
47 Pine Avenue
Keene, NH 03431

The deadline for nominations is December 15 in order to have them announced in the January district newsletters. For further information, e.mail the secretary at:
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Directory Corrections - - -

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♪ NOTES FROM MCC ROGER LATULIPPE

Mid-Winter Convention for the Multiple District is January 26, 27, 28, 2007 and will be held at the Nashua Sheraton Hotel. The Convention chairman is PDG Ed Lecius. A registration form is in this newsletter. We are looking forward to the Lions of District 44 giving International 2nd Vice-President Al Brandel and his wife Lion Maureen an enthusiastic and warm New Hampshire welcome.

The District will be voting on resolutions to parts of the Constitution and by-Laws. It is important for all Lions Clubs to have representation at the meeting.

Deedee and I extend our wishes for this Holiday Season to you and your families for peace, hope, friendship, joy and love.

Yours in Lionism, MCC Roger
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Please have newsletter submissions to me no later than the 20th of the month Thank you, Tilly