



THE LIONS ROAR



The Official Newsletter of New Hampshire Lions,
District 44-N

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Greetings from
District Governor
Lucille Decatur

Community at Heart

Dear Fellow Lions,

Throughout the year, we have lost many members for one reason or another. . However, due to the *dedication and perseverance* of all you wonderful Lions in our District, we have gained many back. We are only 26 members (as of today) down from where we ended last year. If each of us could bring in another member, we would have a positive growth for the year.

CAN WE DO THIS?? I'm betting we can!!!.

All Lions clubs benefit from recruiting new members. New members bring more hands to participate in our service projects, fresh ideas and they can renew the energy of tiring clubs. Strengthening our membership is important for both new and long-term Lions. (*notice I didn't call us old Lions*)

For new members, it's getting to know the new service organization they have joined. For us long-term Lions, it's about getting back to basics. Isn't that what we have been doing all year?

Have you planned a Membership Drive? I would like to know what different ways your club has thought of to recruit new members. Please share your ideas with the rest of us. Put it in the Roar. We may just want to copy your ideas.

Let's keep our clubs vital and strong. If I can be of any help please just ask.

Yours in Lionism
DG Lucille



**MESSAGE
FROM
VICE DISTRICT
GOV.
ALAN RICARD**

Dear Fellow Lions:

It's time for clubs to start electing the officers for the year 2011-2012, along with this is the upcoming training seminar to be held in Concord on April 30. Look for the reg. form in this newsletter. PLEASE FILE YOUR PU101's on TIME.

I will be working on my cabinet officers over the next month. If you have an interest in serving in a special office, please let me know. Thank you in advance.

I was great to see all the seniors and their parents at the LTSSA soccer banquet at weekend. Let's go NH!

I would like to make a challenge to all the clubs & Lions of District 44, to see if we can get every Lion and club to buy there raffle tickets for LTTSA. Let's make this the best year for the soccer program we have ever had.

Let all pray for the Lions and their families in Japan.

Dates in remember:

April 9 Gov. Lucille Homecoming
April 30 Training Seminar, Concord
May 6-8 44N Spring Convention at the Town and Country
Jul 4-8 International Convention Seattle WA

Yours in Lionism
FVDG Alan



**THOUGHTS FROM
CST
FRED PLETT**

From CST Fred:

In April clubs should conduct their Officer elections. Then, the Club Secretary should be filling out a PU-101. This can be done on-line. If necessary, paper copies can be sent in, but please do not send in a paper copy if you do it electronically on-line. This will just confuse Lions International, and the lowly District Directory Editor (me) and the CST (also me). I have been given some paper blank copies if your Club Secretary doesn't get one from Lions International. Please let me know if you are having any difficulties and I will try to help out.

All cabinet meetings are now behind us, and we finish the year with our Spring Convention in Gorham at the Town and Country May 6th – 8th. This will be a rollicking good time.

For those of you who missed the March Cabinet meeting, you missed a superb one, that was over with by 2:05 in the afternoon, but managed to feature an great roast beef spread, and an outstanding speech by PCC Terry Goodman, who had delivered the same speech at Lions USA Canada Forum, "Everything you needed to know about Lions you can learn at the zoo". I had heard him in Milwaukee at the USA Canada Forum, and he was excellent, but he was even better in Milford at the VFW. He would make an entertaining meeting speaker.

I would like to thank DG Lucille for my recognition by International President Sid Scruggs by receipt of an International Certificate of Commendation. This is especially humbling given all of the wonderful Lions I know who deserve this more than me. With Community at Heart,

Fred Plett

NOTES FROM MCC CELESTE RICUPERO



Well it's that time again, clubs should be working on nominations for their 2011-2012 club officers. The PU101 forms must be received no later than May 15, 2011. Your club information should be updated in the Multiple District directory with the place including address, day and time of your club meetings.

District Governor of 44N, Lucille Decatur will have her Homecoming on April 9. District Governor Bill Brown of our District will have his homecomings on April 16. On April 30 the New Hampshire Leadership Forum will be held in Concord. This forum is for all Lions. The annual Spring Convention for 44N will be held May 6-8 at the County Squire and our District convention will be held at the Ashworth by the Sea on May 13-15. I look forward to seeing you there. Please look for the reservations and information for these events and others in this newsletter.

Remember our fellow Lions in your thoughts and prayers.

Enjoy the warm weather and stay safe.

Yours in Lionism,

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MARDI GRAS HIGHLIGHTS



Madam District Governor Herself



Jester Charles Fuller



King Dennis Hansen (Merrimack)

And

Queen Christie McQuestin (Litchfield)

Club Activities - - -

Region 1 Chair: Bonnie St. Jean, 603 623 1035, bjgstjean@hotmail.com

Zone 1A :Chair: Tom Reynolds 603 529 0042 tcreynoldsjr@comcast.net

Goffstown:

Hooksett.

Manchester: March Breakfast cancelled due to gas leak. \$150 donation to Gold Star Mothers. On-going eye and hearing assistance; upcoming float in St. Patrick's Day Parade

Pinardville: Cans recycling continues. Eye glass collection continues.

Clothing for the needy continues. Collection of can tabs for Shriners hospital continues.

Preparing for Texas Holdem. Received first place award for most original tree from Shriners.

Helped Goffstown lions club fund raiser for 250th celebration. Donated \$300.00 for fireworks for celebration

Weare:

Zone 1B : Chair: Sandra Hurd 603 424 8922 axstewart@comcast.net

Amherst: .

Bedford: .

Brookline: We collected 12 pairs of eyeglasses to be recycled. This involved 2 Lions. We donated \$50 to St. Baldrick's Cancer Research for Children. One of our members will be having his head and beard shaved to raise funds for this research. We donated \$25 towards a scholarship for one child to attend Camp Pride. We donated \$150 for paper goods for the Neighbors Helping Neighbors fundraiser to support the Brookline Food Pantry. We will be holding our second plant sale on Saturday, May 7th.

Merrimack: Three Lions attended the Cabinet Meeting in Milford. Thanks for a great show, Terry! Three Lions donated 6 hours to Caregivers delivering food. Fourteen of us attended the Mardi Gras Ball. Lion Dennis made a great King, and selected Lion Charlie as a wonderful Jester. Together with the Queen they collected from all their "subjects" and donated the funds to Sight and Hearing. Currently we are into the Scavenger Hunt. Have you received your list? Scavenging continues until April 16, with prizes and raffles to be awarded shortly thereafter. Upcoming events for us include the Carnival fundraiser, volunteering at the NH Recreational Weekend for the Blind, and attending our DG's Homecoming.

Milford: The club co-hosted its annual Train Show along with the New Hampshire Garden Railway Society. Over 1,300 people came to view the displays which filled the cafeteria and gymnasium at Milford High School. Twenty-six Lions and 7 high school students worked the event for a total of 190 Lion-hours. Special Olympics Basketball: The Milford Lion Cubs basketball team continued its practices in preparation for the state tournament to be held in Portsmouth on April 1st and 2nd. The club will assist the local 4-H club at the Souhegan Valley Community Suppers on April 11th and 25th.

Wilton:

Region 2 Chair: PCC Peter deMoya 603 357-3749 pvdemoya@verizon.net

Zone 2A : Chair: .Will Phillips 603 532-7062 wflips@yahoo.com

Gap Mt: Our last winter Spaghetti Supper is March 26. Yea, we've seen enough meatballs! We donated \$500 towards prizes for the Troy Youth Fishing Derby to be held in May. Gap Mtn. members will also be working at the derby. We purchased the 20Twin States Soccer tickets for \$100 and donated \$100 more towards player sponsorship. We have an ambassador from our high school participating in HOBY this year and we sent \$175 to help sponsor her. Our members are getting ready for the Homecoming party to honor our own DG Lucille.

Jaffrey-Rindge

Monadnock:

Peterborough: Twin State Soccer – purchased 20 tickets @ \$100. Tickets to be given to the ConVal Soccer coach to distribute to his team. Gearing up for annual Lucky Duck Race to be held on July 2nd. Letters sent out on March 18 to 65 companies in the area. Membership will start selling tickets on May 10 at most town meetings and in most parks,

Souhegan: We hosted our zone meeting on Feb. 7th, had our dinner meeting 3 days later, and sent a contingent of 20 people to see The King and I in Keene 9 days later. We donated \$100 to Lions Twin State Soccer. We're working on our spaghetti supper for March 26th, to support our scholarship fund. We also have planned an E-waste fundraiser for April 2nd in New Ipswich, to raise money for a new sign for Mascenic High School. Our spring raffle is off to a good start with several donated prizes.

Zone 2B : Chair: Ronna Rajaniemi, 603 239 4770, Ronna@ne.rr.com

Chesterfield:

Hinsdale:

Keene: Guest speakers for the month of March included Lee Perkins of Cheshire Television (Channel 8). Bill Gurney, co-Superintendent of SAU#29, and Meredith Cargill who is in charge of curriculum development, joined us to present an update on the new SAU building (next to the new Middle School), and other information about local schools and various funding challenges. Dan Mitchell of WKBK regaled us with stories of the many presidential candidates he's interviewed on the air over the years. The Board of Directors approved a number of donations at our recent meeting, including Twin State Soccer, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, YMCA Camp Dakota and others. Our next big fundraiser is the Duck Race, and duck adoption papers are currently available. A mailing went out this week, and we'll be setting up our duck selling tables at various locations around Keene during the months of April and May.

Swanzy: In the process of helping the needy with eyeglasses purchases. DG Lucille Decatur will be visiting our club on April 28th, 2011. We are looking forward to her visit.

Westmoreland: One Lion spent nine hours helping the attendant at the Westmoreland Transfer Station with snow removal as part of our continuing support of the recycling activity. We donated \$100 to Keene High School Project Graduation. Purchased a half page ad space in the LSHF Mardi Gras Ball program book.

Region 3 Chair: Cheryl Powers, 603 768 3617 cheryApowers@aol.com

Zone 3A Chair: Tom Geno, 603 783 3365, megonh@netzero.net

Antrim/Bennington:

Concord: Authorized 7 eye exams & glasses and 1 hearing aid. We pay \$ 200. NHS&H \$ 300. Paid \$ 1,000 to Lenscrafters for eye care vouchers, \$ 90 for ad in Twin State Soccer Program \$ 100 for Twin State Soccer Tickets. \$ 500 to sponsor 4 players in the Twin State Soccer Game \$ 350 Red River Theater rental for the 2nd showing of Going Blind. Authorized up to \$ 75 for a basket to be raffled off at the Mardi Gras Ball.

Henniker:

Hopkinton: Calendar Raffle for JUNE 2011. Yard Sale June 2011

Hillsborough: Donated \$200 to the Hillsboro Food Pantry. Associate Member PDG Robert Libin donated \$10,000 to LCIF for Japan Relief effort. Donated \$100 to Lions Twin State Soccer and \$40 for eye exam

Zone 3B : Chair: Ray Bisson, 603-826-4670, raybee5@hotmail.com

Andover:

Franklin:

Claremont:

Fall Mountain: \$100.00 pledged for soccer tickets. 1 pair of glasses \$150.00 for person. \$100.00 voted on for Food Shelf. Member Carol Bashaw passed away February 5, 2011

New London:

Newport: Red Cross Blood drive March 29th 78 sign-ups but not all went through. Donations – one eye exam for \$50.00

Sunapee:

Region 4 Chair: Nancy Charbono-Ricard, 603 523 9947 nancy.charbono@yahoo.com

Zone 4A : Chair: PDG Henry McKee, 603 353 996, hanknh@netzero.net

Canaan: Health closet has been very busy. Built handicap ramp for disabled man in Canaan, purchased folding ramp for disabled man in Grafton. In the past 2 months delivered over 100 items to area residents. Sponsored 6th annual Mark Clifford Memorial Children's Ice Fishing. There were 5 age groups. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place trophies were awarded for each age group for perch & Pickerel & catch & release. Each received Participation Metal. New Member was inducted by our 99yr old Charter President Lion Dan Fleetham Sr. at our March Dinner meeting. The Upper Valley Leo's sponsored a St Patrick's Day Dance for Middle School Students. Took in \$651.00 and have 10 new prospective members. 3 Canaan Lion advisors were Chaperones. March 27th 2 pm Donkey Ball MVRHS W Canaan There will be some Special guest participants.

Enfield/Mascoma:

Hanover: We are in the planning stages for several events. We will have a booth at the Home Show at the Leverone Field house the weekend of March 25-27. Please stop by to see us there, and take a chance on the 50/50 raffle. On March 30th, we will host the Blue & Gold Dinner for the boy scouts. We have changed our Gala event into the Hanover Lions Community Auction. The auction will be held on May 20th at the Hanover Inn. Several musical groups will provide easy listening, the Inn will serve hearty hors d'oeuvres, and there will be a variety of items for sale at the silent auction. We hope to see you soon !

Orford: 4 Lions pulled off a successful Ice Fishing Derby the weekend of March 5-6 under some of the most difficult conditions encountered in many years. Net profit of almost \$1500. Annual Rose Sale was completed March 18. Almost 800 dozen total between Orford and other clubs participating on a brokered basis. Club officers for 2011-12 voted and PU 101 submitted. Our annual golf tournament will be May 1. Scholarship committee gearing up to send applications to surrounding high school seniors.

Zone 4B: Chair: PDG Don Mossman, 603 536 4466, dmosman768@aol.com

Bristol:

Cohase/Woodsville:

Lisbon

Plymouth:

Zone 4C: Chair: David Ash, 603 444 2652, dash280@juno.com

Berlin/Gorham:

Lafayette

Lancaster

Pre Homecoming Gathering

To all my friends and fellow Lions:

Instead of a pre- Homecoming gathering on April 9th, I would like to make a donation to Camp Allen on behalf of those who would be invited, ie PID's, PDG's, DG's , VDG's and Cabinet members , etc., I would like to donate the expense of the party toward the cost of a Campership for a deserving camper.

What with the delicious meal awaiting us at Hidden Hills, we wouldn't want to diminish our appetite nor add unwanted inches to our waistlines.

I hope this is satisfactory to all.

DG Lucille

PEACE POSTER EXHIBIT

The statewide NH Lions Peace Poster Exhibit is proceeding on schedule and is set for a Grand Opening Reception on Thursday April 14th from 6-8PM at the Kimball-Jenkins Art Gallery in Concord. The event will be held in the Carriage House. This exhibit will also be open to the public Monday thru Friday, 9:30 to 4:30PM through April 30th. To date we have received about a hundred posters and have them mounted for exhibit. Please notify the schools involved of the exhibit and the reception, as we would like to have as many attend as possible. This exhibit would also be a good destination for School field trips.

We are in need of donations of food for the reception. We are looking for finger rolls, cookies, cupcakes etc., anything the kids would like. Please let me know what you can bring at cmegonh@netzero.net or Dr. Charles Putnam at cpjp0362@comcast.net, so we may plan. We will also have punch, and cheese & crackers.

Any suggestions on this event will be greatly appreciated . Any PR that can be obtained thru your local media outlets will also help promote this event. Hopefully this exhibit will increase awareness of the Lions in NH and their charitable endeavors. ie. new members. If any club would like to place a poster listing their charitable events and club contacts, please do. We'll try to find a place for all.

Yours in Lionism

Tom Geno

NH Peace Poster Exhibit chair

GOT YARN ?

A sincere thank-you goes out to everyone who has donated yarn for a blind Vision Weekend participant over the past few years; your thoughtfulness is truly appreciated. I have delivered many bags of yarn to Heidi and she's been knitting blankets for hospice patients with your generous donations. But she has run out of yarn and would appreciate any left over yarn you may have.

If you have any skeins of yarn that you would like to donate, I will gladly make arrangements to pick it up and deliver it to her.

Thank You !

PDG Terri McGrew

terrimcgrew@charter.net

603-673-2322



The Windham Lions Club

Announces

*The Homecoming and "Roast" of
District Governor Bill Brown.*

You are cordially invited to attend Bill Brown—District Governor of New Hampshire—
District 44-H's Homecoming and Roast.
Saturday, April 16, 2011
Atkinson Country Club
85 Country Club Drive Atkinson NH 03811
6:30PM Social Hour 7:30PM Dinner
Followed by the Roast!

Bill's Friends, Family, and Fellow Lions will all enjoy this special evening.

Dinner is \$33 with a choice of Haddock or Chicken Parmesan.

Please Make Checks Payable to Windham Lions Club

Send in your check along with meal choice to

Sarah Brown-Devast
Windham Lions Club

PO Box 312

Windham, NH 03087-0312

By April 4, 2011



The DogSight Project

On Saturday, April 16th, The DogSight Project will be presenting a check from the New Hampshire Lions to Fidelco at their annual Lions Day Open House. If you haven't yet made your contribution to this worthy organization, we need to receive it by April 1 (no foolin'!) so you can be included. Checks made out to **LSHF** with **The DogSight Project** or **DSP** in the memo line should be sent to Recording Secretary PCC Peter de Moya, 47 Pine Ave, Keene, NH 03431. *Thank you!*

If you've never been to Fidelco in Bloomfield, CT, please consider visiting on Saturday, April 16th. The Open House is from 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Activities include behind-the-scenes tours of the Fidelco campus. There will also be puppy and guide dog demonstrations. Visitors can take blindfold walks with professional Fidelco trainers and guide dogs. The keynote speaker this year just happens to be NH Lions own Linda Piekarski who Travels With Ruby. This Open House gives you an understanding of what it means to "trust the dog." This is a free, rain or shine event. For directions to Fidelco contact

DogSightProject@gmail.com

Popcorn For Peepers!
Help the Lions Club provide eye glasses and eye exams to those less fortunate.
Enter the Popcorn Recipe Contest

ENTRY FORM: Begin with POPPED MOVIE THEATER POPCORN

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please attach your recipe with ingredients and instructions.

Nuts

Carmel

**Cayenne
Pepper**

**Cheddar
Cheese**

Tell Us Your Dream Popcorn Snack, Be Creative, Have Fun,
Try Something New! Mix in Spices, Candy, Nuts and
Whatever You Can Think Of!

Three "Celebrity Judges" will be selecting the top 3 recipes.

The winner will earn:

Bragging Rights! • Medal

2 free movie passes • Ray Ban Sunglasses of their choice!

All proceeds
will go to the
Claremont Lions Club

Please send entry and \$5.00 donation to:

Lions Club
C/O Dr. Sam's Eye Care
9 Dunning St.
Claremont, NH 03743

All entries
must be
received by
March 30th



CLAREMONT CINEMA 6
345 WASHINGTON ST. 603-542-0400



ORFORD / FAIRLEE LIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT

First Tournament of the season – get a start on summer!

- PLACE:** Lake Morey Country Club, Fairlee VT 05045
- DATE:** Sunday, May 1, 2011, 1:00 shotgun Cocktail party and Dinner following play
- ENTRY FEE:** **\$70.00 per participant.** Rate includes green fees, promo gift, and dinner at the Resort and over \$1500.00 in prizes. **Members may subtract \$10.00 from entry.**
- CARTS:** **Carts are \$28.00 for 2 players.** Please include cart fees with your entry form.
- FORMAT:** Scramble- 2 divisions- gross prizes
- TEAM:** Team consists of 4 players. Only one player may have a handicap of 8 or less. The combined handicap of all 4 players must be at least 45 or over. If your teams combined handicap is over 80, you will be placed in the Hacker's division. This division will have its own prizes.
- BENEFIT:** The local charities and community
- ENTRY FORM:**
- | Players name | Handicap | Carts |
|--------------|----------|-------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
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| _____ | _____ | _____ |
- SENDER:** Email Address _____
Address _____
- PAYMENT:** Checks payable to Orford Lions Club Mail to: Bill Ross / 94 Dame Hill Rd. / Orford, NH 03777
- QUESTIONS:** Please call Bill at 1-800-423-1211, Ext 763 or email me at bill@lakemoreyresort.com



Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation of New Hampshire, Inc.

NEWS FLASH – LIONS SIGHT & HEARING FOUNDATION BOARD SUSPENDS PROJECTS

Last month I reported that the LS&HF board began serious discussion regarding project costs vs. available funding. This month the board has suspended projects for the balance of this year based on allowable 5% from the foundation and major short fall from the clubs and other fundraising activities. The board will not dip into the foundation as they do not consider this to be an emergency (as it has the past four years and certainly is not now an emergency).

The costs of hearing aids (which have become the primary project request) are expensive and have put a high demand on funds that are available while limiting the number of projects funded. This is a multi dimensional challenge from, the recommended instrument(s) to the vendor discount, to the preparation of the local club application and their pledge amount toward a specific project, to the applicant pledging a few dollars, to clubs needing to increase membership and fundraising activities to fund their fair share to complete projects, to the LS&HF Board funding projects in towns without lions clubs, etc.

I have asked each board member to identify the challenges we face to solve including vendor instrument recommendations, instrument pricing, client expectations, club applications, LS&HF fundraising, club donations to LS&HF, and other issues to address for our next meeting. If you have any ideas, suggestions, concerns, or wisdom please forward those to me at ljplumer@comcast.net. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we move ahead.

OTHER DETAILS - - - - -

The ninth meeting of the 2010 – 2011 year for Lions Sight & Hearing was held at the Airport Dinner. Five new projects were presented PDG Nancy, project chairperson and approved. To date the board has approved 53 projects totaling about \$51,155. Please contact PDG Nancy at 603-242-6293 or nn6n@aol.com to request a new current application form.

Mardi Gras Ball was held at the Concord Courtyard Grappone Center, Saturday March 5, 2011 and it was a success with all in attendance having a good meal and fun time. The committee is beginning to start on plans for next year looking for a different theme.

Have you used the Market America web portal www.marketamerica.com/nhlionssh, when you make purchases on line? The Foundation receives royalties and you earn cash back on qualified purchases. Read the attached information later in this issue telling you how to get started.

Yours in Lionism, Langdon Plumer, President Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation

A 501©3 organization

PARENTAL ADVICE

Last night, my kids stopped by and were sitting in the living room when I said to them, 'I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug.'

They got up, unplugged the Computer, and threw out my wine.

They are SO on my s--- list ...

NH Lions & Kimball Jenkins School of Art



Present

Visions of Peace

A Statewide peace poster art contest for middle
school students

April 14th - April 30th



Artist Reception

April 14th

6pm-8pm

Free to the

Public

School of **Art**

KIMBALL & JENKINS ESTATE

266 N. Main St Concord, NH



TO LIONS CLUBS--doing screenings--it has been brought to my attention by one of the DRS.--who reads the screenings-- some of the PRINT OUTS; do NOT have the child's name and date of screenings, for those who don't have this information, THEY will not be read. This makes sense--how do they know it is the right child?

ALSO, a screening just sent has two children done on the ADULT setting. They will not be read. Please--take time and make sure all is correct. This is just a heads up. You all do a fine job. I will contact those clubs when I get the screenings back.

February has been an active month with 200 children screened. Keep up the good work and just pay attention to the forms.

In Lionism
Lion Sandy Hill O.K.S.Adm.

Peace Poster Contest



Peace Poster Kits are available and 25 kits have been ordered.

This year's theme is:

*CHILDREN KNOW
PEACE*

If you haven't asked me to reserve a kit for you and you would like one, please send me, Sandra Hurd, an email at:

axstewart@comcast.net

Cost to your club is \$10.00. Once all 25 ordered kits have been sold, clubs will need to order kits directly from Lions Int'l for \$9.95 plus shipping. Total cost is approx. \$12.95.

What an exciting opportunity for our youth.

Amherst Lions Club

- 39th Annual -

Pancake



Breakfast

Fundraiser

Palm Sunday, April 17, 2011 8:00am - 12:00pm

Wilkins School, Amherst, NH

Adult - \$5.00 Child \$3.00

All You Can Eat

Pancakes - Scrambled Eggs - Sausage

Juice - Coffee - Tea - Milk

All proceeds benefit Lions Charities.

MULTIPLE DISTRICT 44 TRAINING FORUM

MD44 Training Forum – The place has been acquired the seminar will be on Saturday April 30th 2011at NH Fire Academy - Smokey Bear Blvd, RT 106 Concord. The Cost will be 10.00 per person including lunch or \$6.00 if you don't want lunch. The schedule starts with registration: 8:00 AM and the first Session at 9:00 AM. We have great teachers, a great facility all we need now is YOU. Please get your registrations in to me ASAP the form is included in this newsletter.

Registration: Lions Multiple District Leadership Forum April 30, 2011 NH Fire Academy, Smokey Bear Blvd, RT106, Concord NH

Registration: In the Lobby – Refreshments in the Cafeteria 8:00 to 8:45

	9am to 10am	10am to 11am	11am to 12am	Noon to 1PM	1pm to 2PM
Class Room A	Opening	Presidents	Public Speaking	Lunch	Presidents
Class Room B		Secretaries ----- ----	-----	Lunch	Secretaries
Class Room C		Region/ Zone	DG's interest	Lunch	CST 101
Class Room D		Treasurer	501 C3	Lunch	Publicity
Class Room E		Lions Orientation	GMT/GLT	Lunch	Blind Awareness

Cost is \$6.00 for the Forum \$10.00 with Lunch

Directions: From the North – Rte 93 South to exit 15 Rte 393 East
 From the South – Rte 93 North to exit 15 Rte 393 East
 From the East – Rte 101 to Rte 93 North to exit 15 Rte 393 East
 From the West – Rte 89 South to Rte 93 North to exit 15 Rte 393 East
 From Rte 393 East, take Exit 3, onto Rte 106 South to Smoke Bear Blvd., This will be on your left, blue sign, on your Right you will see CASE equipment sign Take the left on Smokey Bear and follow it all the way down into a parking lot , the fire academy is in the Richard Flynn Building.

RESERVATIONS are DUE by APRIL 15th.

Mail to: **PCC Bruce Ribolini, 15 Melody Lane, Amherst NH 03031.**
 Email : bruce.ribolini@gmail.com Phone: 603-424-1901 Cell: 603-315-1114

Make checks payable to : **NH Past and Present District Governors – put Leadership Forum in the memo**

Name: _____ **Club** _____ **Lunch Y or N**

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Name: _____ **Club** _____ **Lunch Y or N**

Name: _____ **Club** _____ **Lunch Y or N**

Cost is \$10.00 Per Person with Lunch or \$6.00 if you are not eating lunch.

Total Enclosed _____

LCIF Newsletter



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

February 2011

My Dear Fellow Lions and Leos,

I am deeply humbled by the generous outpouring of support from Lions worldwide to my call last week to donate funds to the Foundation's Japan Relief Fund. Already, LCIF has received donations or [commitments exceeding US\\$6 million](#), including US\$3 million that the Lions of Japan are working to raise themselves during their own crisis. Again, it's so very humbling to see such compassion by the network of caring Lions and Leos worldwide. I thank all who have already donated from the bottom of my heart.

With the expected death toll now exceeding 18,000 and rising, the devastation is clearly greater than anyone could have imagined. And more than 400,000 people are still in shelters, in the cold, often going without a hot meal for days on end.

Now that the roads have re-opened, Lions from all over Japan are sending relief aid from every corner of the country -- 30 tons of rice is being sent from Sapporo, US\$50,000 worth of baby formula from Hokkaido, and women's health products from the southern area of Shikoku - all through the Lions network in Japan. Within a day of the disaster, many courageous clubs distributed 20 tons of food, water and emergency supplies, despite great risks and challenges to themselves. Even our Lions blue-colored Lions relief tents are being delivered to give shelter for Lions volunteers and other relief workers in the hardest-hit areas.

To distribute the aid effectively, the Lions of Japan quickly set up four Lions relief aid warehouses in affected areas. Lions are coordinating relief aid distribution with local government officials and with the Japanese Red Cross. Lions are helping coordinate blood donation campaigns within Japan.

As you know, we have 31 Lions clubs in Sendai - the largest city affected by the quake - and nearly a club in every town up and down the coastline. Whether it's clothes and food today, or shelter next week, or a wheel chair the week after, Lions will be there to give dignity to those who have suffered such unimaginable pain and suffering.

While many of you have [already generously donated](#), for which I am very thankful, please encourage your fellow Lions, Leos and friends to also [donate](#). Please know that every donation will be put to careful use, and 100 percent will go to the cause. Also, donations received between March 11 and June 30, 2011 will be eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowships.

With my cordial regards,
Eberhard J. Wirfs
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

The Sight & Hearing Foundation is participating in an exciting new fundraising program. The company now has its own website featuring thousands of partner stores like Target, Walmart, Best Buy, Apple, The Home Depot and many more. When you make a purchase on www.marketamerica.com/nhlionssh, Sight & Hearing Foundation receives royalties and you earn up to 35% cash back on qualified purchases.




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Our new fundraising website has a variety of benefits.

- Check out the Hot Deals page to get access to coupons and exclusive deals to help you save even more.
- Go to the Partner Stores page to find specific stores that you'd like to shop from.
- Use the Search feature at the top of the page to search over 35 million different products and services for things you're looking for.
- Discover unique products and services like GENE SNP™ DNA Analysis, Isotonix® line of high quality nutritional supplements, Cellular Laboratories® luxurious skin care line, Transitions™ Life Style System for weight management, and many more.
- Find the perfect gift in our Gift Ideas area.

Getting Started is Easy!

- 1) Visit our website at www.marketamerica.com/nhlionssh
- 2) Register as a Preferred Customer
 - Click "Sign in" in the upper right hand corner
 - Select the "No I am a new customer" option
 - Follow the prompts
 - You are now eligible to earn up to 35% on qualified purchases
- 3 Go Shopping
 - Use the search box at the top of the screen to find a specific item or type of product you're looking for
 - Use Shop Partners to find a specific partner like Target or Walmart
 - Use "Shop All Departments" to shop via category
 - Use Hot Deals to find special deals and coupons to save even more money
 - Look for the  icon to find out exactly how much cash back you'll earn from purchases made from that store or on a particular product





**NH Lions Youth Services
Quarterly Report – March, 2011**

It is an exciting time for Lions Youth Services. Special thanks and appreciation to all the clubs and board members for your support of LYS.

- **Peace Poster** contest entries have been received, reviewed, and NH's multiple district finalist entry has been submitted to LCI. The Multiple District Winner from Saddleback Lions was presented a \$50 cash prize at the Multiple District meeting. Congratulations to the Pinardville Lions for their 44N winner and to all clubs for the entries. LYS will be purchasing 2011-12 kits and available for purchase by the clubs, thus saving the clubs postage costs. Please see Chairperson Sandra Hurd to reserve your kit. Thank you to the Tom Geno and the Concord Lions for their initiative in collecting Peace Post entries for display at the Kimball-Jenkins Center in Concord. It is hoped that many Lions will turn out for the **opening reception on April 14 from 6-8 pm.**
- **Quest:** Several zones and clubs have asked our co-chair, Janet Benson, for presentations to learn more about the innumerable programs within Quest. A meeting with NH Department of Education personnel resulted in their willingness to link Lions Youth Services and Quest to their web site. The Quest program will have a free table at their upcoming joint NH Department of Education and DHHS' Juvenile Justice conference on Bullying. **A Quest Bullying workshop is scheduled for April 26 at Lake Shore Farm in Northwood. The cost is \$190. per person and includes training, lunch, and materials. Please consider sponsoring a teacher, police officer, or local community organizational representative to attend.**
- **Leo's** – Welcome to the Bristol Leos that were chartered January 29th. There are several new Leo Clubs that have submitted their application in 2010 and we are awaiting notice of their charter night. More information forthcoming. **Now is time to be thinking about your Leo Club's nomination for Leo of the Year.** There are many outstanding Leo's to represent our district and State. If your club doesn't have a Leo Club, why not?
- **Fisher Cat Game Fundraiser:** **The 2011 Fisher Cats Game has been scheduled for August 27, 2011.** Mark your calendar! As part of this fundraiser, we will be encouraging clubs to purchase tickets in our **Adopt a Camper** program. If you want your clubs designated for a specific group in your community, let us know. Thank you PDG Terri McGrew for chairing the Adopt a Camper program.
- **Citizenship and Patriotism:** The NH Lions Flag Essay contest is for 5th through 8th graders. Fliers have been sent to all public and private elementary and middle schools in the state promoting the contest. The deadline for essay submissions has been changed to April 1, 2011. Harry Armstrong (44N), PDG Joe Caouette (44H) and Joan Lynch (44H) will serve as program managers for 2010-11. District winners receive a certificate and medal. Multiple District winners win a \$100 cash prize in addition to their medallions and certificate.
- **Hands, Heads, and Feet Contest:** Our clubs in both districts were overwhelmingly supportive and we are most appreciative. Think of the difference our clubs have made to youth and families in providing warmth in this cold weather. **LYS wants to continue this project into 2011-12 and expand it to include clothing (i.e. coats) and blankets.** Hats off to LYS Chairs Linda Ribolini (44N), PDG Nancy Nye (44N) and VDG Deedee Latullipe (44H) for their leadership and promotion of this most successful project.
- **Lions Songs Fundraiser:** LYS will be selling a CD that has wonderful songs promoting the spirit of Lionism that will be enjoyed by both Lions and Lions yet to be! **The CD's are \$15.00 and we only have a 100. Let Chair Linda Ribolini know** if you want one reserved for your club today. They will be available for purchase at the District Meetings from any LYS member.

A new relationship is emerging with Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) and LYS. Each year about 1,000 New Hampshire children are thrust into court because they are victims of physical or sexual abuse, neglect or abandonment. CASA of NH volunteers advocate in New Hampshire's courts for the best interests of abused and neglected children, so they can grow up in safe, permanent homes. Invite a CASA representative to your club as a speaker or assist this fine organization in "serving" to help them promote their need for volunteers in projects and as advocates for our most neediest youth.



SPRING CONVENTION

Baskets, Baskets

Many clubs are already putting together their theme baskets for **Spring Convention on May 6-8**, so don't forget yours. All of our clubs have stories about themselves and their towns and what better way to share these stories than to include items in your basket that will depict who you are. The baskets will be on display Friday and Saturday for \$1 voting and will then be sold at auction on Saturday evening. The money raised will go to campers at Camp Allen.

Pajamas

Also, remember that Friday evening is the DG Lucille's "Community at Heart" Pajama Party. Wear your favorite nighttime attire and be ready to have some fun.

Walking Shoes and Golf Clubs

Saturday afternoon will include a Diabetes Awareness Walk with the Canaan Lions Club at the helm, so bring your sneakers. It's rumored that it'll cost you \$2 to walk and \$5 if you don't 😊.

Golfers, if you plan to play on Saturday afternoon, please let us know so we can arrange tee times at the Androscoggin Valley Country Club, just across from the Town and Country Motor Inn.

ID Anne Smarsh from Kansas

We know that Lions International Director Anne will have a wealth of information and inspiration to share with all of us, but we also know that she'll leave realizing what a great group of LIONS we have in 44N.

Another little tidbit that was news to me (Len Sousa - Pinnardville Lions)
I always knew one should drink a lot of water, but who knew that the timing affected things?

Drinking water at the correct time maximizes its effectiveness on the body:
2 glasses of water after waking up helps activate internal organs
1 glass of water 30 minutes before a meal - helps digestion
1 glass of water before taking a bath - helps lower blood pressure
1 glass of water before going to bed - avoids stroke or heart attack
Please pass this to the people you care about.

HELP SUPPORT LIONS YOUTH SERVICES!!!
EACH TICKET INCLUDES A \$3 DONATION TO THE LIONS YOUTH SERVICES!

Saturday, August 27, 2011
 Fisher Cats vs. Harrisburg Senators
 7:05pm

ATLAS FIREWORKS SHOW!
Be sure to stay after the game as the Fisher Cats will light up the night with a spectacular Atlas Fireworks Show!

Lions Youth Services

Two great ways to sign up and get your tickets to support Lions Youth Services, via the order form below & submit to Dick St. Jean or order online via the link at the bottom of this flier!

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____
 # of Tickets _____ x \$10 = _____
 Payment: Visa M/C Amex _____
 Exp. Date _____ Security Code _____

Check: Please make all checks payable to Lions Youth Svcs.
 Amount _____
 Email _____

For information, contact Dick St. Jean at (603) 533-7194 or via email at rstjean@comcast.net. Tickets can also be purchased online at www.nhfisercats.com, go to "Group Outings" tab and select the SPECIAL OFFER CODE TICKETS option, use the special offer code: LIONS and select Section 114 for ticket location.

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NH SPECIAL OLYMPICS

OPENING EYES VISION SCREENING ON JUNE 4, 2011

NEED LION VOLUNTEERS

THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT UNH IN DURHAM DURING THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS SUMMER GAMES BETWEEN 9:00AM AND 4:00PM

This will be the 10th year of the Special Olympics Opening Eyes Program here in N.H.. Last year at UNH 169 athletes were screened and 77 athletes received prescription eye glasses including sports glasses at no charge. The Lions volunteers have helped to make this event a success over the past 9 years and Special Olympics thank all the Lion Volunteers.

For more information or to sign up contact:
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CANAAN DONKEYBALL!

The game is held each year to benefit Graduating Seniors Substance free after graduation party.



at Canaan Lions Club Donkeyball fundraiser.

Right – more of the “team.”



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**Affiliated with Lions Clubs International
April, 2011**

Looking for the DG?

If you want the DG to attend a special function of your club, please advise her and/or the CST as quickly as possible. (not all dates confirmed)

April 9 44N Homecoming
April 16 44H Homecoming
April 30 MD 44 Leadership Forum
May 6-7-8 44H Spring Convention
May 13-14-15 44N Spring Convention



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