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MULTIPLE DISTRICT 20 LION

APRIL 2011



*Rochester, New York
welcomes everyone to the*



88th ANNUAL CONVENTION

April 28th
April 29th
April 30th
May 1st, 2011

of the Lions Clubs of New York State and Bermuda, Inc. MD20



The Lions of New York provide invaluable financial and volunteer support to sustain VCB programs. Vision rehabilitation professionals and instructors provide classes in basic and advanced assistive technologies, training in orientation & mobility, and home management skills as well as health and wellness activities to help develop and enhance the independence of the 600 individuals who are blind and visually impaired that participate in our year round program.



In February during a week long session VCB was able to serve 90 participants. Lions make it possible for VCB to serve children and Adults by:



VCB serving youth that are blind with prevocational skills in February 2011

- Fostering positive self-reliance development of participants
- Providing the opportunity for social interaction and the development of social skills
- Encouraging the desire for participation in all VCB activities with other participants with similar conditions
- Developing a sense of responsibility and respect for Others
- Providing the opportunity to develop a more positive attitude toward their disability
- Stimulating resourcefulness, and initiative, and most importantly, to make it possible for everyone to have fun while learning to grow



LION Margaret Lubrano from Carmel Kent LIONS Club performing blood pressure screening at VCB

**Save these dates:
 June 4th, 2011 Lions Spring Work Day
 August 7th, 2011 Lions Family Day
 & 85th Anniversary**

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ADVERTISING DEADLINES

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JUNE 1st

UNIFORM ORDER FORM

() MD-20 Emblem \$6 each \$ _____
 () MD-20 Tie \$20 each \$ _____

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City/State/Zip _____

Telephone () _____

Send your orders to MD-20 Office, Lions Clubs of NYS and Bermuda, Inc., 526 Oak St., Syracuse, NY 13203. Please include check or money order. NO CASH. CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED. Allow 10 days for order to be filled.

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CONVENTION RULES

No individual committee, Club or District may conduct any fund raising activities at the convention. This includes raffles, selling of souvenirs, pins, or material regardless of the worthiness of the project. The only exceptions are the operations of the Lions Goods Store, the Multiple District Office, fund raising activities of the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc. at Camp Badger, the New York and Bermuda Lions Foundation, PDG Richard Hertfort MD-20 Youth Band, MD-20 Lions See Program and convention exhibitors who are selling non-official Lions items. The Council of Governors must authorize any other fund raising activities prior to the convention.

No pin trading will take place during convention business sessions. Pin trading is prohibited in:

1. The convention center, except in designated areas.
2. The headquarters hotel public spaces (excluding meeting and private rooms not being used for convention purposes)
3. Trading Pins may be sold as a "Collectible" after a period of three (3) years from the date of manufacture.

Admission to convention sessions, scheduled seminars, workshops, forums, luncheons, and dinners are by convention badge only.

Candidates for any office voted on at this convention are prohibited from participating in any official capacity at any function open to all attendees at this MD-20 Annual Convention.

Challenges to the results of any vote must be made to the Chair before the close of the session or within 15 minutes of the final report of the Elections Committee Chair, whichever comes first. In the event of a tie or a challenge necessitating a re-vote, the polls will be reopened for 30 minutes, or until the last delegate in line at that, time has voted.

DUES

For club delegates to vote at Multiple District 20 convention, all club fiscal responsibilities must be paid in full, to both the International Association and the Multiple District. If your club is in arrears, club members will not allowed to vote until payment in full is received. Payment at the convention shall be in the form of cash or other certified financial instruments. No payments will be accepted in the forms of personal checks or club checks for club voting privileges to be restored.

MD-20 CONVENTION REGISTRATION BADGES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ALL SESSIONS AND SEMINARS

CONVENTION DELEGATES

Article VII, Section 7, of the International Constitution was amended as follows effective June 23, 2000.

Each chartered club in good standing in the Association and its District (Single or Sub and Multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its' District (Single or Sub and Multiple) to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club, or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the International Office of the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held, PROVIDED, however, that each such club shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and

one (1) alternate and FURTHER PROVIDED, that each District (Single or Sub and Multiple) may, by express provision in its' respective Constitution and By-Laws, grant full delegate status to each Past District Governor who is a member of a club in such District independent of the club delegate quotas hereinabove specified. Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote of his / her choice for each office to be filled by, and one (1) vote of his / her choice on each question submitted to, the respective convention. The major fraction referred to in this Section shall be five (5) or more members. Any club which is newly chartered and any other chartered club which takes in new members prior to the convening of any such convention, shall have its' delegate quota determined on the basis of members who have been enrolled in the club for at least one year and a day as shown on such record date in the records of the International Office. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired at any time prior to the close of credential certification, as such, closing time shall be established by the rules of the respective convention.

The MD-20 District Convention is in April 2011, the members who have been enrolled for at least one year and one day in the club as shown by the records of the International Office on April 1, 2010 are counted for purposes of calculating delegate entitlement. The International Constitution does not require that a club's delegate have one year and one day membership in the club. Each club may determine delegate eligibility. It is hoped that this information is of assistance.

Photo ID must be presented for voting and certification

You must be registered to be certified.

You must be certified to vote.

You must be listed on your club's delegate form.

The convention registration badge is required.

Delegate / alternate forms are due no later than April 20, 2011. Delegate / alternate forms have been distributed to all Club Secretaries indicating the appropriate number of Delegates and alternates the Club is entitled to. Numbers are based on membership reports obtained through Lions Clubs International, and reflect the number of members enrolled in the club for at least one year and a day. Any decline in club membership after April 1, 2010 will result in a decrease in Delegate numbers. The Certification Committee will make these changes.

REPLACEMENT OF A CERTIFIED DELEGATE BY AN ALTERNATE

The District Governor of each Sub-District, within Multiple District 20, shall be solely responsible for permitting the replacement of a delegate, whether certified or not certified, by a certified alternate at the Multiple District Convention. The District Governor shall require verification by one of the following methods:

1. Written verification from the clubs President or Secretary, that the delegate being replaced is not voting at the convention
2. Electronic verification from the clubs President or Secretary that the delegate being replaced is not voting at the convention.
3. Telephonic verification from the clubs President or Secretary that the delegate being replaced is not voting at the convention.
4. Verification, in person, by the club President or club Secretary that the delegate being replaced is not voting at the convention.



CONVENTION RULES

Alternates listed on the clubs delegate/alternate form furnished by Multiple District 20, and on file with Multiple District at the Multiple District Convention, shall be the ONLY eligible to replace a previously certified delegate. All delegate changes shall be accomplished prior to the beginning of the Convention Necrology Service on the Sunday morning of the Multiple District Convention.

VOTING

Each chartered club in MD-20 and in good standing shall be entitled to one (1) voting delegate and one (1) alternate delegate for each ten (10) members who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club, or major fraction thereof of said club as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held. Provided, however, that each such club shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five or more members. Each vote can be cast only by a duly accredited delegate whose credentials as such delegate have been passed upon and recognized as valid by the Credentials Committee of the convention and is present in person at the convention. No delegate shall cast more than one vote on each question.

In the absence of any delegate who has been compelled to leave or cannot be present at the time of voting a duly accredited alternate may cast the vote but only after substitution shall be approved by the Credentials Committee.

Any District Governor, present and Past International Officers, Past District Governors, or Provisional District Governors are allowed the right to vote independent of the club delegate quota.

Photo ID must be presented for voting and certification

You must be registered to be certified.

You must be certified to vote.

You must be listed on your club's delegate form.

The convention registration badge is required

CONVENTION SESSIONS AND SCHEDULED EVENTS

It shall be the duty of both the presiding officer and the delegates in attendance, to begin, carry on, and close the session of the convention, scheduled seminars, workshops, forums, luncheons, and dinners on time. It is the expressed sense of the assembled delegates to this convention that none of their members shall congregate or loiter in the lobbies, or outer rooms and shall remain in attendance until recess or adjournment until recess or adjournment is ordered.

Hospitality rooms shall not be open during the times of any official business session or any scheduled seminar, workshop, forum, luncheon, or dinner. When open, they shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

CAMPAIGN MATERIAL

All posters and other campaign material advertising candidates for District Governor, Vice-Governors, International Office, shall be posted only in approved locations and only with the hotels being used specifically for convention purposes. It is expected that all due care and consideration will be exercised with regard to private property. Any liability resulting from the posting of said candidate and convention city campaign material is the responsibility of person or organization for which it was erected. No campaign material is to be

posted on any public thoroughfare. The Convention Committee and the Council of Governors specifically request that all such material be removed at the close of the convention. The convention expressly authorizes the Sergeant-At-Arms to rigidly enforce this request. Campaigning at this convention including posters and literature is limited to matters on the Multiple District Ballot.

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Except where otherwise herein provided, Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised latest addition shall govern the Parliamentary Procedure.

LIONS "ROARING INTO ROCHESTER" FOR THE 88TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

The Lions will be roaring into Rochester for the 88th Annual MD Convention. District 20E-1 is looking forward to hosting this year's convention and welcomes everyone to Rochester. We hope you enjoy your stay in the "Flour City".

We have a lot planned, starting with the Thursday night icebreaker. The Rochester Convention Bureau will be providing hors d'oeuvres and a ticket for a free drink, while the Lions of 20E-1 provide FREE entertainment in the form of a casino night and armchair horseracing. There will be NO COST to the Lions in attendance. They will receive play money to bet with when they arrive and can use their "winnings" to buy chances on prizes throughout the evening.

We will be celebrating the Rochester Downtown Host Club's 90th Anniversary. They are the oldest club in New York State, and we would like you to help us recognize their proud past.

Saturday evening will be our "Hooray for Hollywood" Theme Party. Dress up as your favorite moviestar (past or present) and join us for a great evening. We will have live entertainment, dancing, and a fantastic buffet. Be creative as prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

We will conduct a number of informative seminars and workshops, which were determined by the Council, with interesting topics that will appeal to our Lions.

What's there for the LEOs and youth band members to do? Well, we are scheduling a tour of the museum and science center and the planetarium on Friday night, and there is the youth dance on Saturday evening at the Plaza Hotel. The LEOs will also be assisting with the Lions Good Store.

All forms and information is on the MD20 website, so don't delay - sign-up today!



CONVENTION SPEAKER

SCOTT A. STORMS, PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Scott A. Storms, of Windsor Locks, Connecticut, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 84th International Convention, held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, July 2-July 6, 2001.

A member of the Windsor Locks Lions Club since 1973, Past Director Storms has held many offices within the association, including club president, cabinet secretary/treasurer, leadership development chair, district governor, and multiple district council chair. In addition, he has served as President of the Connecticut Lions Eye Research Foundation, as a Director of the FIDELCO Guide Dog Foundation, as the Campaign SightFirst Sector Coordinator for Connecticut and Rhode Island, as a faculty member for the LCI Emerging Leadership Institute, and as a presenter at five USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums. PID Storms twice has served as the Seminars Chairman for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning Committee, while concurrently serving as a member of the International Committee for Campaign SightFirst II and his fourth term as a DGE faculty member at the 2008 District Governors Elect School in Bangkok, Thailand. PID Storms has served as an Area Leader for the Global Membership Team and has served as the LCI Representative to the United Nations NGO Committee on Narcotics and Substance Abuse. Lion Scott is serving as a District Governor Elect Group Leader for this year's Governor Elect School in Seattle, Washington.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past Director Storms has received numerous awards including the 100% Club President Award, the 100% District



Governor's Award, the District Governor's Excellence Award, the Guiding Lion Award, the Re-building Lion Award, two Extension Awards, six International President's Certificates of Appreciation, the International President's Leadership Award, six International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Life Member of the Association, a Senior Master Key Member, a FIDELCO Loyal Shepherd Recipient, a Connecticut Knight of the Blind, an Indiana W.P. Woods Fellow, a Connecticut Low Vision Progressive Ambassador of Sight, and a LCIF Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Storms is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a member of the Connecticut and Massachusetts Bar Associations, a general partner of the family law firm, and an Eagle Scout and Merit Badge Counselor for the Boy Scouts of America. He is a former member of the Government Ethics Advisory Board for State of Connecticut, a volunteer family court mediator, and has served as a member of various boards and commissions for the Town of Windsor Locks, including Chairman of the Board of Education. Lions Scott is currently serving as President of the Dollars for Scholars Chapter in his community which provides over \$100 Thousand Dollars in annual scholarships to deserving graduating high School Seniors

Past Director Storms is an attorney and general partner in the law offices of Storms & Storms. He and his wife, Dale, also a Lion, attorney and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons, both of whom are Melvin Jones Fellows.

~ EXHIBITOR INFORMATION ~

Exhibit Times will be from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday and from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on Saturday

Booth Rental Fees are as follows: Profit Organizations: \$200.00 Lions Clubs: \$50.00
Non-Profit Organizations: \$135.00 MD-20 Council Approved Lions Organizations: No charge

If you would like to exhibit at this convention please return the contract found on the MD20 website and return to the Lions exhibit coordinator by April 25, 2011. Upon receipt of the completed contract application and a check, an acknowledgement letter will be forwarded to the exhibitor.

In order to encourage our delegates to visit the Exhibitor's Booths, we will employ a "Sign In Please" game based on their visit to each and every booth. They receive a "sign in sheet" and must have each exhibitor validate their visit to each booth in order to be eligible for the prize drawings. MD-20 is donating merchandise in the Lions Store. Individual exhibitors may raffle items in their booths as well.



MD-20 CONVENTION MEAL ORDER FORM ROCHESTER, NY 2011

GOOD MORNING BREAKFAST WITH THE COUNCIL

Friday, April 29, 2011 - 8:30 AM
 Radisson Hotel \$16.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$18.00 per person _____

MELVIN JONES LUNCHEON

Friday, April 29, 2011 - Noon
 Radisson Hotel \$24.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$27.00 per person _____

PARTNERS IN SERVICE LUNCHEON

Friday, April 29, 2011 - Noon
 Hyatt Hotel \$19.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$21.00 per person _____

BREAKFAST WITH THE VDG's

Saturday, April 30, 2011 - 8:00 AM
 Hyatt Hotel \$19.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$20.00 per person _____

LIONS LUNCH

Saturday, April 30, 2011 - Noon
 Rochester Convention Center \$22.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$25.00 per person _____

HOORAY FOR HOLLYWOOD THEME

Saturday, April 30, 2011
 Rochester Convention Center
 Doors Open 6 pm; Dinner 7 pm \$36.00 per person _____
 Tickets Purchased after April 1, 2011.. \$40.00 per person _____

TOTAL TICKETS ORDERED _____

**PLEASE CHECK HERE IF YOU HAVE
 PRE-REGISTERED FOR THE CONVENTION** _____

Please send payment (no credit cards) to NYS & Bermuda Lions Clubs, 1215 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13203. You must purchase your tickets in advance. **NO MEAL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE CONVENTION.** The deadline for the office to receive your meal order form by April 25, 2011. Purchase your tickets early- meal events sell out every year!

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

PLEASE NOTE:

*YOUR MEAL TICKETS WILL BE INCLUDED IN YOUR CONVENTION REGISTRATION PACKET.
 YOU WILL PICK UP YOUR REGISTRATION PACKET AT REGISTRATION AREA AT THE CONVENTION CENTER.*

20W BRANDEL-MURPHY GRANT WINNER

The above photo shows Malone Lions Club King Lion Victor Fellion receiving a check from PDG Royal Sheldon on behalf of the Brandel-Murphy Youth Fund; taken in Malone, NY on December 17, 2010.

The Malone Lions Club was selected as District 20-W's first recipient of a grant from the Youth Fund. The fund was established in the name of PIP Al Brandel and Lion Maureen Murphy following their year as the International President and Lions first lady.

The check in the amount of \$1,000 was presented to the Malone Lions who matched the donation of \$1,000 to present much needed funds for the "Holiday Helpers Program" in the Malone area. The funds were used to purchase holiday gifts for children of the Franklin County area. The Malone Lions have been a long time supporter of the Holiday Helpers Program and the grant funds were put to good use. *Those shown in the photo include left to right: Debbie Maguire, Candy Gadway (Holiday Helpers Program Coordinator), PDG Sheldon, K.L. Fellion, Helen Tracy and Betsy Brabon.* All four ladies in the photo represent the Holiday Helpers Program.



The Malone Lions were appreciative of the assistance from the Youth Band.



CONVENTION PROGRAM

CONVENTION CALL

Official Notice:

This is the official call for the Annual Convention for the Lions Clubs of Multiple District 20, New York State and Bermuda, Inc. to be held the dates of April 29 to May 1, 2011, in the Rochester Convention Center, Rochester, New York.

The Council of Governors has directed that the hours for Certification of delegates and voting shall be as follows: ALL EVENTS WILL BE AT THE CONVENTION CENTER UNLESS NOTED.

Welcome to Rochester Party - Radisson Hotel

Thursday April 28, 2011..... 8:00-11:00 PM

ALL ARE INVITED TO MEET FELLOW LIONS FROM ACROSS THE MULTIPLE, FREE LIGHT SNACKS & ENTERTAINMENT SPONSORED BY THE ROCHESTER CONVENTION & VISITOR BUREAU

Convention Registration - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Coat Room)

Thursday April 28, 2011..... 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Friday April 29, 2011..... 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM
Saturday April 30, 2011..... 8:00 AM to 12 noon
Sunday May 1, 2011..... 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM

All General Sessions are at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center

MD-20 Office Hours - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Aqueduct-A & B)

Friday April 29, 2011..... 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Saturday April 30, 2011..... 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon
Sunday May 1, 2011..... 6:30 AM to 10:30 AM

Delegate Certification - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Highland H)

Friday April 29, 2011..... Noon to 3:00 PM
Saturday April 30, 2011..... 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM
Sunday May 1, 2011..... 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Delegate Voting - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Highland A & K)

Sunday May 1, 2011..... 7:00 AM to 10:15 AM (Only)

Lions Good Store - Operated by Camp Badger

Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Cascade Rooms A-E)

Friday April 29, 2011..... 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM
Saturday April 30, 2011..... 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Sunday May 1, 2011..... 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Lions Exhibit Booths - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr.

(Convention Center Galleria, and along one side of the West corridor)

Lions Pin Trading - Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr.

Riverside Court

Friday April 29, 2011..... 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Saturday April 30, 2011..... 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Youth Band Practice - Rochester Convention Center (Empire North Hall)

Thursday, April 28, 2011..... 6:30 PM to 10:00 PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2011

Good Morning, Breakfast with the MD-20 Council of Governors
Radisson Hotel..... 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

Friday Committee Meetings: Rochester Riverside Convention Center

10:30 AM Credentials: Chair PDG Norm Alpren, 20-K2 (Aqueduct A & B)
10:30 AM Flag Ceremony: Chair PDG Gil Prince, 20-R2 (Empire Hall)
11:00 AM Sgt. at Arms: Chair Lion Dan Dunn, 20-N (Aqueduct A & B)

11:30 AM Resolutions: Chair PDG Anne Smith Young, 20-R2 (Aqueduct A & B)
1:30 PM Voting and Elections: Chair PDG Earl Williams, 20-K1 (Aqueduct A & B)
2:00 PM Nominations: Chair PCC Andy Umreiko, 20-K2 (Aqueduct A & B)

Partner In Service Lunch: - Hyatt Hotel

Noon to 2:00 PM
Hosted by 2010-2011 Council Partners in Service

Melvin Jones Fellows Luncheon: - Radisson Hotel

12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM
PCC John Wargo, 20-O, Chair

FRIDAY SESSION PROGRAM: Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Empire-North)

3:30 PM to 3:50 PM: Concert/MD-20 Youth Band - Lion Bill Gaillard, Director

4:00 PM Opening Convention Session

Call To Order: PDG Bill Williams, Council Chair, MD-20

Introduction of Council of Governors and Lion Dignitaries:
PDG Bill Williams, Council Chair, MD-20

Presiding: Bill Williams, Council Chair, MD-20

Flag Ceremony:

DG Bruce D'Abramo, Announcing, 20-S

Welcome: DG Greg Lund, 20-E1

Preliminary Report of Credentials:
PDG Norm Alpren, 20-K2, Credentials Chair

Adoption of Rules: PDG Anne Smith Young, 20-R2,
MD-20 Constitution & By Laws Committee

Constitution & By Laws Report:

PDG Anne Smith Young, 20-R2, Chair, MD-20 Constitution & By-Laws Committee

MD-20 Financial Report: PCC Timothy Jachlewski, MD-20 Secretary/Treas.

Announce MD-20 PDG Organization Leadership Awards:
PCC John Wargo, 20-O, President, MD-20 PDG Organization

Introduction of Featured Speaker: Past International President Al Brandel

Convention Speaker: Past International Director Scott Storms

Response and Appreciation: PDG Bill Williams, Council Chair, MD-20

Report and Nominations of District Governors and Vice District Governors:
PCC Andy Umreiko, 20-K2, Chair, MD-20, Nominations Committee

7:30 PM Close First Convention Session

SATURDAY, April 30, 2011 (No Business Session)

MD-20 PDG Organization Breakfast
7:00 AM to 9:00 AM Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Lilac Ballroom)
PCC John Wargo, 20-O, President

Breakfast with the Vice District Governors: Hyatt Regency
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM

SEMINARS

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR..... 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (Highland A & K)

PCC Rich Kingman, Moderator

PCC Ken Butkowski, PCC Gary Brown,

DG Greg Lund (20-E1), DG Ed Lieberman (K2)



CONVENTION PROGRAM

CLUB SECRETARY SEMINAR 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland B*)
PDG Paul Weber

CLUB TREASURER SEMINAR 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland C*)
PDG Leroy Foster

LEO ADVISOR SEMINAR 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland E*)

LEO MEMBERS WORKSHOP 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland E*)
PDG Noni Krom, 20-E2 and Lion Rae Haynes, 20-Y1

LIONS QUEST 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland F*)
Lion Ilene Wizwer, Lion Mary Claire Noakes

DIABETES AWARENESS 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland D*)
PDG Andy Viola, 20-S

LIONS LUNCHEON 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Lilac Room*)
Program 2010-2011 MD-20 Council

GLOW BALL DEMONSTRATION 2:15 PM to 4:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*North Exhibit Hall*)
Presented the Lions Club of Brockport College

PRESIDENT ELECT SEMINAR 2:15 PM to 4:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland A & K*)
PDG's Gloria and Charlie Burton
PDG's Peg & Tom DiLorio

CLUB EXCELLENCE PROCESS 2:15 PM to 4:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland E & F*)
A new tool in the LCI Tool Box to help strengthen and grow your club!
Presenter: PID Ed Lecius, Global Membership Team Area Leader

EMPIRE STATE SPECIAL NEEDS EXPERIENCE
CAMP BADGER 2:15 PM to 3:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland D*)
PID John Rabideau, Presenter

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2:15 PM to 4:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland C*)
PDG Veronica Ralph Munro, Presenter

LIONS CAMP BADGER ANNUAL MEETING 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland D*)
PID John Rabideau

NYS & BERMUDA LIONS FOUNDATION
ANNUAL MEETING 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland G*)
PDG Peter Neidrauer

YOUTH BAND Performs at Cornerstone Park 3:00 PM
(*Rain: Rochester Riverside Convention Center*)
Lion Dave Bechtle, 20-O, MD-20 Youth Band Choir
Lion Bill Gaillard, MD-20 Youth Band Director

"HOORAY FOR HOLLYWOOD" CONVENTION GALA
6:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Lilac Ballroom*)
Doors Open at 6 PM ... Dinner Served At 7 PM, Sharp

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2011

SPECIAL NOTICE:

All voting delegates are advised that in the case of a tie vote for the office of District Governor and/or Vice District Governor, a re-vote will take place. All voting delegates are requested to remain until the results of the elections are announced.

7:00 AM to 10:15 AM Delegate Voting
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland A & K*)

7:30 AM to 9:00 AM Delegate Certification
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Highland H*)

7:30 AM to 8:30 AM Convention Registration
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Coat Room*)

7:00 AM to 11:00 AM Lions Goods Store
Rochester Riverside Convention Ctr. (*Cascade Rooms A-E*)
Empire Hall

Sunday Session will be held at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center

9:00 AM Interdenominational Service
DG Bruce D'Abramo, 20-S

10:10 AM Convene Business Session,
PDG Bill Williams, MD-20 Council Chair, Presiding

Combined Report of District Governors, Council of Governors, MD-20

MD-20 PDG Organization Membership Growth Awards
PCC John Wargo

Multiple District Membership Report:
CC Bill Williams

Camp Badger Report, PID John Rabideau

Presentation of MD-20 Past International Presidents Award
PIP Al Brandel

Multiple District 20 Directors' Award
PID John Rabideau

MD-20 Foundation Raffle Drawing

MD-20 Youth Band Raffle Drawing

Final Report of Credentials
Lion PDG Norm Alpren, 20-K2, Chair, Credentials Committee

Report of Resolutions Committee
PDG Anne Smith Young, 20-R2, Chair, Resolutions Committee
Presentation of 2011-2012 President, MD-20 PDG Organization
PCC John Wargo, President

Report of Elections and Voting
PDG Earl Williams, 20-K1, Chair, Voting & Elections Committee
Presentation of Vice District Governors Elect MD-20, 2011-2012
CC Bill Williams

Presentation of District Governors Elect MD-20, 2011-2012
CC Bill Williams

BENEDICTION

11:30 AM to 12:00 Noon
Adjourn 88th Annual MD-20, Lions Clubs of NYS and Bermuda, Inc., Convention
See You in Syracuse - 2012



CONVENTION COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS: PDG NORM ALPREN, 20-K2, CHAIR

20-N KAREN BARNAS
NANCY LUCKMAN
20-E1 BERNIE RABIDEAU
CHARLIE DEACON
20-E2 GARY BOISSEAU
STEVE CHERMAK
20-W GAIL MURTAUGH
QUAD TIOWN
20-Y1 SUE MORGAN
WAYNE CUNNINGHAM
20-Y2 STEPHEN LYNCH
MARIANNE LYNCH
20-O BERNARD SHIPPEE
MELANIE WARGO
20-R1 JAY SINGER
SPINOZZA-JOHNSON
20-R2 MARIA SIERRA
MIKE D'AMBROSIO
20-K1 AUDREY DOORN
ANTOINO ROBLES
20-K2 FRED REIGER
ROSEMARIE MARRICANO
20-S FRANCES GATES
JUDIE SWISS

SGT. AT ARMS: LION DAN DUNN, 20-N, CHAIR

20-N DAVID CONLEY
20-E1 FORST SHANER
JUDITH McKNIGHT
VIRGIL GARNER
20-E2 RICK ALLABAUGH
JOHN STEWART SR.
JOHN STEWART JR.
20-Y1 PDG DOUG COOL
PDG PAUL HAYNES
20-Y2 PDG SIRNOFF JUDY
LION TIM BROWN
20-O PDG WILFRED ROEHE
PDG JOHN CAPEN
LION ROLLIN LYBOLT
20-R1 RALPH CAPODIECI
BRAD ODELL
GERALD JAMIESON
20-R2 BOB LOWELL
ENRIQUE CORREA
MIKE BHUIYAN
20-K1 MYRNA ATHERLEY
WILBUR DUNCAN
FRANK MILLER
20-K2 PDG TOM DiLORIO
MICHAEL COOPER
RUDY SOBERS
20-S PDG FRANK ARENA
PDG CHARLES BURTON
PDG GLORIA BURTON

PARLIAMENTARIANS

PDG Anthony Paradiso
PDG Anne Smith-Young
PDG Clifford Youngs

FLAG CEREMONY

PDG GIL PRINCE, 20-R1, CHAIR

20-N PHIL SILLIMAN
20-E1 TIM CRAWFORD
20-E2 LARRY STRICKLAND
20-W PDG BOB WALKER
20-Y1 RAE HAYNES
20-Y2 LINDA WALSH
20-O PDG ED BUDD
20-R1 VIRGINIA CAPODIECI
20-R2 GIL PRINCE JR.
20-K1 DEBORAH HARRISON
20-K2 LEIGH ZSADARYI
20-S PDG HOWARD WILSON

VOTING & ELECTIONS

PDG LUIS JIMENEZ, 20-R2, CHAIR

20-N DIANE MUSCOREIL
ROGER LIS
20-E1 DON KNAPP
JUNE KNAPP
20-E2 PDG JOHN SOBOTKA
PDG BOB JENSEN
20-W ELIZABETH WALKER
PDG MILLEDGE SMITH
20-Y2 C. KIRK HARDENBURG
JOYCE HARDENBURG
20-O WILLIAM SHEMBEDA
DEBORAH SHEMBEDA
20-R1 BARBARA CHUCK
PCC ANGELOE PURCIGLIOTTI
20-R2 PDG AURORA OCAMPO
NORMA MENDEZ CRUZ
20-K1 PDG VERONICA RALPH-MUNRO
PDG REGINALD DANIELS
20-K2 PDG STEVE LESETZ
LINDA RUGGIERO
20-S PDG MARIE PETRAITIS
PDG GENE PATRAITIS

NOMINATIONS

PCC ANDY UMREIKO, 20-K2, CHAIR

20-N PDG DAVE GEHRING
20-E1 BOB INFANTINO
20-E2 PDG RICH SHAFF
20-W MARK WIOTNEY
20-Y1 PDG STAN DEMINSKI
20-Y2 CHRISTINE JUDY
20-R2 PDG CHARLES GONZALES
20-K1 LEILA HAYNES
20-K2 PDG MARGARET DiLORIO
20-S PCC STEVE TREMAROLI

RESOLUTIONS

PDG ANNE SMITH YOUNG, 20-R1, CHAIR

20-E1 PDG JOAN BRIEN
20-W PDG ROYAL SHELDON
20-O PDG CLIFFORD YOUNGS
20-R1 PCC RICH KINGMAN
20-R2 PDG PHILIP CARREON
20-K1 PDG BOB LIBIN
20-K2 SHIRLEY WENDLER



REDISTRICTING DEFEATED

Fellow Lions

By now many of you have heard that the Lions of 20-K2 have defeated the proposal to redistrict MD-20. My comments regarding this outcome are below. However, I first want to thank the entire committee for their outstanding work.

For 2 1/2 years you have all worked hard contributing your talent and leadership for the sole purpose of making our multiple district stronger by creating new districts that truly reflect current membership and economic reality. I don't need to remind you of the hundreds of "Lion hours" of work in meetings, phone calls and emails that you contributed. On behalf of the entire multiple district I thank you for your outstanding effort.

I also want to, on behalf of the committee, thank the entire Council of Governors, both DGs and VDGs. You have approached this process as true leaders. You have asked difficult questions and constructively contributed to the process. Throughout this obviously controversial discussion you have maintained a perspective that the welfare of MD-20 was more important than the welfare of the individual. You have welcomed me and the entire committee into your deliberations with respect and your discussions have been conducted in an entirely constructive manner. For this I sincerely thank you.

I, along with many of you, am extremely dismayed that the Lions Clubs International Constitution requires all the districts above the 125/35 minimum to vote to support a redistricting proposal. This policy means that just one of the 7 districts in MD-20 can vote to end the redistricting discussion without allowing those 5 districts that are under the 1250/35 minimum to voice their opinion. It is most unfortunate that after 4 other districts voted to support the proposal, a single district, led by a few Lions with decidedly parochial thinking was able to prevent 40% of the multiple from democratically expressing their views.

All of that said, we are all Lions who are bound by rules and a constitution. Despite the manner in which it was done the issue of redistricting is now over. Let's come together at the Rochester convention and work to keep MD-20 strong.

It is important for you to know that PIP Al Brandel and I have spoken to the manager of the District and Club Service Division at LCI asking that the Board reevaluate the policy of staged voting to approve redistricting. I have written a formal request for the Board to consider eliminating the need for sub district voting of those districts above 1250/35 prior to the rest of the multiple having the opportunity to vote. I am confident that the Board will hear our view point that all Lions in all districts of MD-20 be represented by certified delegate voting on an issue as important as this.

Yours in Lionism,
Ed
Dr. Edward V. Cordes, PID

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WHY SHOULD I ATTEND THE 2011 ROCHESTER MD20 LIONS CONVENTION

- * To Have some Lions Fun
- * To Enjoy the Lions First Niter - Ice Breaker - Food and Entertainment
- * To Observe the Opening Ceremony which includes the Lions Flag Ceremony
- * To Recognize and Honor Each District Lion Leadership Designee
- * To See the MD20 Lions Pin Traders in Action
- * To Mix with Lions of all levels, from International to Grassroots
- * To Enjoy the Rochester Convention Center, Hotels, Restaurants and Hospitality
- * To Inspect the Many Convention Exhibits and Vendors
- * To Make a Purchase at the Lions Goods Store
- * To Watch a Rochester Red Wing Ball Game
- * To Carouse the many Lions Hospitality Rooms
- * To Enjoy the scenic beauty of Rochester and the surrounding area
- * To Attend a Lions Educational Seminar
- * To Enjoy the Lions Youth Band and Chorus
- * To dress up like your favorite movie star and enjoy the "Hooray for Hollywood" Theme Party, Food and Entertainment
- * To Honor your current Lion District Governor
- * To Vote on 2011 - MD20 Lions Business items
- * To Elect and Support your Incoming Lion District Governor
- * To Observe the Closing Ceremony which includes the solemn Lions Necrology
- * To Make Lion Memories and Friends that will last forever
- * To See Why Your 2011 MD20 Lions Convention Host is:

LIONS District **20** Excellence **#1**

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

Clancy Burkwit

District 20-N



Lion Clancy Burkwit has been active in the Lions Club since joining the Webster Club in 1970. While in the Webster Lions he was secretary for 3 years and progressed through the chairs and was elected Club President. In 1992 Lion Clancy transferred to the Newfane Lions Club where he has also held numerous club offices. Lion Clancy has been the chairperson or group member of many local committees such as Glee Club, Hands Across the Border, Handicap Ramp and Cartridge Recycling.

Lion Clancy is a recipient of the Robert J. Uplinger Award and has served District 20-N actively for several years. He has performed as the Region 1 chair from 2007 until 2010. Lion Clancy has attended Leadership Forums in Columbus, Saskatoon, Milwaukee and Memphis. Lion Clancy is a graduate from the MD-20 Lions Leadership Institute and has also attended the Lions International Conventions in Detroit, Chicago and Minneapolis.

Lion Clancy is Civil Engineer and owner of Burkwit Engineering. He also runs the Lockport Cave and Underground Boat Tour. Lion Clancy is a member of the Buffalo-Niagara Tourism Committee and is involved in numerous community activities.

Lion Clancy resides with his supportive wife, Lion Lorna and two youngest sons in Olcott Beach, NY. Lions Clancy and Lorna have six children and eleven grandchildren with whom they share great times.

Keith Countermine

District 20-E1



Lion Keith has been an active member of the Attica Lions Club since joining in December 1989. He was President for a year, and has remained Treasurer for over 18 years. He was Lion Tamer for over 14 years, he was a Zone Chair for two years. He has chaired the Youth Development Committee, Extension Committee, District Governor Advisory Committee, Retention Committee, Campus Club Extension, Women's Membership and Children's Development Committee. Melvin Jones Fellow Recipient in 2004 and was the first Vice District Governor 2 for the District.

He is a current member of the Attica Fire Department and has been in the Department for over 27 years. He is a former EMT and a Rescue Lieutenant. He is a member of the NYS Free and Accepted Masons chairing the Child ID Program for the past 10 years. He is a member of the Ismalia Shrine. He is the Chairman of the Attica Town Republican Committee for 4 years.

Lion Keith and his wife Dawn have been married for over 37 years and she has been with the NYS Division of Parole for over 23 years. They have 3 boys, 2 of which are Lions. Lion Kyle will be Attica's President (2nd time) this coming year when Lion Keith is District Governor. They currently have 5 grandchildren. Lion Keith is a retired Corrections Officer from Attica Prison where he served over 28 years and was a Union Steward for 18 years. Lion Keith enjoys volunteering his time to various organizations and his motto has always been "anything for the kids."

Dave Rupright

District 20-E2



Lion Dave Rupright has been a member of the Apalachin Lions Club since 1996! He has been active club since joining, serving as Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, Secretary, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st Vice President, and President. After serving as President, Lion Dave became active in District 20E2, serving as Zone Chair, Region Chair, Cabinet Treasurer, and 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor.

Lion Dave has had perfect attendance since joining Lions in 1996 and has been awarded the Apalachin Lions Club "Lion of the Year" 2000-2001, the PDG Memorial Award 2003-2004, the PDG leadership Award 2006-2007, and the International President's Certificate of Appreciation 2007-2008.

Lion Dave also attended the first MD20 Lions Leadership Institute in 2001, the Senior Lions Leadership Institute, Toronto, Canada, in 2008 and mentored at the MD20 Lions Leadership Institute in 2006.

Lion Dave and his wife Naomi, natives of Chicago, IL., have been married for 41 years and lived in Apalachin for the last 31 years. They have 3 children. Todd, a Major in the U.S. Air Force, and his wife Jennifer, have a son and live in Goodrich, Mi. Timothy, an analyst at RIT, and his wife Tricia, have a daughter and brand new son and live in Pittsford, NY. Rachel, an MSW, lives in Albany, NY and works for the Nutrition consortium of New York State.

Lion Dave has been employed by the IBM Corporation for over 40 years and is retired from the U.S. Naval Reserve. He was a Combat Air Crewman aboard the P-3 Orion Patrol Plane, and an Intelligence Officer, working for the Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Office of Naval Intelligence among others. He retired as a Warrant Officer (W4) in 1997 after 30 years of service.

Lion Dave enjoys wine, cooking, and working with his hands!



DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

M. Carol Perry
District 20-W



A member of the Massena Lions Club since 1993, Carol has served on Board of Directors for 17 years holding every office [some more than once] to include two terms as President. While holding these offices, she also edited the newsletter for 13 consecutive years, winning the District contest once. And, she has chaired and/or worked on all committees since joining.

Massena Lions honored Carol as Lion of the Year on three occasions, and named her a Melvin Jones Fellow. She was instrumental in promoting the Lions Quest program at the Junior High that had 10 years of success. Carol received the MD20 Council of Governors Leadership Medal, International President's Leadership Medal from Jimmy Ross, an International Presidential Certificate of Appreciation from Ashok Mehta, the CSFII Top Five Group Coordinator's Award, International President's Impact Leadership Certificate from Dr. Tae-Sup Lee, Membership Growth Diamond pin, CSFII Commemorative pin set as Group Coordinator, Membership Key Builder Medal, and is a Certified Guiding Lion.

Carol attended the MD20 Leadership Institute in 2009, and returned as a mentor in 2010; she attended 2010 USA/Canada Forum and ten MD20 conventions.

In District 20-W, Carol served as Bulletin Chair, Services for Children Chair, Zone Chair, and three terms as CST. Carol served as 2nd VDG in 2009-2010 and was 1st VDG in 2010-2011. Carol has also served on Voting/Elections & Credentials Committees for MD20.

Working at KeyBank for 20 years, Carol began her career as a teller ending as Manager when she retired. KeyBank encouraged employee participation in community organizations, so she became heavily involved in Lions Club, the American Institute of Banking [AIB], and in Business & Professional Women's Club [BPW], simultaneously. During 10 years with AIB she was appointed as Secretary of the NYS Executive Committee of AIB for 6 years. Both AIB and KeyBank honored Carol as Volunteer of the Year. Carol was named to the Board of Directors of St. Lawrence County Banker's Association and consequently elected President.

During her membership in w/Massena BPW Carol held every office, being elected President twice; then elected District Director and continued serving on committees at the State Level, including, Co-Chair of NYS Constitution & By-laws [3 years] Nominations, Resolutions, and Co-Chair of the 1997 NYS BPW Convention. Local BPW honored her as Woman of the Year in 2002.

Carol currently is an Ambassador for the Massena Chamber of Commerce; mentor for at risk students at the Junior High and member of Massena Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board as Publicity Chair.

Carol was born in Glen Cove, LI, raised in AZ, migrated to the frozen tundra of Massena in 1958 where she eventually met and married Bob, the love of her life. Celebrating 49 years in July; they have 3 grown children, Bobbi [Roberta], Ron & Rich, who were active in sports, thus beginning her volunteerism. Carol just concluded her 27th year as the Official Scorekeeper for the HS Wrestling Team. They have 6 beautiful grandchildren, Ryan, Madeline, Justin, Hannah, Benjamin and Michaela.

Unfortunately due to dialysis schedule Bob is unable to accompany Carol, but he wholeheartedly supports Carol in all her efforts. In her "spare" time, she assists him with his UAW Retiree activities and tries to find time to bowl and golf.

Joseph DeFina
District 20-Y1



Lion Joseph DeFina has been an active member of the Rome Lions Club for over 23 years. He has served as club Secretary (1996-1999); Vice President (1998-1999); President (2000-2002). Lion Joe served as District Cabinet Secretary (2006-2010). He has served his District as 1st VDG under DG Scott Renner. He is a Past Region and Zone Chair and as Secretary and President has chaired several fundraising events. As a Lion, Joe maintained 100% attendance awards. He is also a past recipient of the Lion of the Year Award and President's Award. Joe has also attended the MD-20 Lions Leadership Institute School in Syracuse, NY.

Lion Joe was employed for the City of Rome, NY as a Civil Engineering Technician following receiving his Associate Degree from Utica College in 1965. After being employed for the City of Rome for 25 years, Joe went to work for Price Chopper Supermarket in the Produce Department working his way up from full time Produce Clerk to Produce Manager. Lion Joe retired following 20 years with Price Chopper and is currently working part-time for the County of Oneida.

Lion Joe and his wife Patricia have been married for 45 years and have resided in Rome, NY since they were married in 1965. They have three children, Joe, Patrice, and Chad; four grandchildren Tyler, Baylen, Davis and Kadie.

Lion Joe also serves on the Board of Directors for the Rome American Red Cross, New York State School for the Deaf, Rome Main Street Alliance, Oneida County Republican Executive Committee and is currently Vice Chairman of the City of Rome, NY Republican Committee.

Lion Joe looks forward to serving as District Governor now that he is retired and can devote his entire energy to serving the Lions from 20-Y1. Joe's slogan "Strength in Numbers" describes his ambition to help with the new construction of the Ronald McDonald House in Syracuse, NY.

Rick Quick
District 20-Y2



Lion Rick has been a member of the Scotia-Glenville Lions Club for 24 years. He has had perfect attendance for the past 17 years, and has served his club in many capacities. He was president 3 times, tail twister, lion tamer and a member of the board many times.

Lion Rick has received the District Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, PDG Leadership Award, 2 International Certificates and Lion of the year twice.

Lion Rick has been married to his wife Debbie for 37 years and she is a teacher's aide in the Scotia-Glenville school district with 2 children Debbie and Ricky.

Born in Troy he moved to Scotia when he was 8 years old and raised in the Scotia area where he when he graduated he began working for the Firestone Tire Co. in a retail location in Schenectady, 37 years later he is the manager of the GCR Tire Co. Which is the commercial division of Bridgestone- Firestone in Menands.

He is an avid race fan where he likes to watch NASCAR and also operates their family owned race team racing at the local dirt tracks.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

Peter Lyons
District 20-O



Lion Peter has been an active member of the Marlboro-Milton Lions Club for 27 years. He has served in all offices, and three years as President. Since then he has served on the Board of Directors continuously since 1991. During this time he was active in all the clubs activities, including the annual Harvest Moon Balls, Golf tournaments, Holiday Lights, and marching as "Uncle Sam" in the Memorial Day Parades.

After serving his first two terms as President, he became involved with Ulster County's Sight & Hearing Committee, serving as Chairman or Co-Chairman for most of the last 20 years. He was Chairman during the establishment of the County Committee's 1st Hearing Aid Recycling Program. During this time he also served District 20-O as Zone Chair and once as Region Chair.

In 2009 Lion Pete served the district as 2nd Vice District Governor, joined the Lions Eye Bank at Albany Board of Directors, and in 2010 he joined the Steering Committee of Vision's Vacation Camp for the Blind (VCB).

Lion Pete has been married to Annette, for 42 years. They have three children and four grandchildren. They both have held positions in their church over the past 35 years.

He was born in Highland, New York and has lived on the same property all his life. He attended Marlboro Schools. After high school he enlisted in the USN and became a Radarman on a Destroyer Escort. He traveled to many countries in the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and to the Caribbean for the Cuban Missile Crisis.

After the Navy, Lion Pete joined IBM. There he was a technician in manufacturing services, then management for twelve years until 1993. He then worked in machine shops until 2004. He enjoys being on the golf course, even tho his game leaves a lot to be desired.

Ray Icobelli
District 20-R1



Lion Ray Icobelli has been an active member of the Blauvelt Lions Club since 1968. He is currently the Treasurer of his Club. He has held all Club offices and was President in the years 1973-74, 2000-01 and 2001-02. He has served as Zone Chairman, Region Chairman and as Cabinet Secretary under PDG Tom Figlia, his sponsor. He has received a Robert J Uplinger award and a Melvin Jones award.

Lion Ray has been married to Lion Wynne for almost 55 years. They have 3 children, Michael, Richard and Jessica. and have six grandchildren, Anthony, George, Hannah, Andrew, Sophia and Logan.

He was born and raised in the Bronx NY. He is a graduate of Fordham College and Fordham Law School and has been an attorney for almost 52 years. He served in the US Army from 1954 to 1956 in Japan and South Korea.

Mary Jane Matos
District 20-R2



Born in Puerto Rico, Mary Jane migrated to New York City in 1950, when she was a little girl. Married to Lion Bernardo Caicedo for 30 years, Lion Mary Jane is the mother of two: Kimberly and Tommy and grandmother of 4: Rafael, Jose, Christopher, and Sheridyn.

Passionate about assisting children with disabilities, the homeless, families in distress, her club and district, Mary Jane is always present when service is needed. This inclination to help people in need has been with her all throughout her life. While in high school, she was a volunteer for the deaf and the blind, and a volunteer in the Jr. Red Cross (Candy stripe) at East 19th Street Hospital. As an adult, she joined the Auxiliary Police as an officer of the 34th Precinct and worked for the community for 5 years.

Mary Jane graduated from Mabel Dean Bacon High School in 1957, and attended Fashion Industries of Technology. She worked for the Federal Government at the Social Security Administration, the Board of Education and as an Administrative Assistant to the Senior Vice President for NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation. She retired in December 2002.

Currently the 1st Vice District Governor and her Club's Secretary-Treasurer, Mary Jane joined the Lions 201/2 years ago, and ever since has been an active member of her club and District 20-R2, where she is highly esteemed for her dynamism and dedication. She has served her club as President, Secretary, Vice President, Treasurer, Chair of Social Activities, and this is her fifth time as Treasurer.

In the District Lion Mary Jane is currently serving as 1st Vice District Governor, she has also served as Cabinet Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Zone Chair, Region Chair, Chair Special Olympics, RJU & Sight First Committee, Co-chair of the LICF and Group Coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II Committees.

The awards and recognition Lion Mary Jane has so rightfully received in her twenty-half years of service to the club and our district, are just too many to be listed but all very much appreciated by Lion Mary Jane.



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Convention Registration and
Hotel Reservation Form for
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Convention in Seattle -
July 4-11, 2011***



DISTRICT GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

Gloria Askew
District 20-K1



Gloria V. Askew, became a member of the Brooklyn Prospect Heights Lions Club, Inc. in January 1994, bringing with her skill in Professional Nursing, clinical, educational, and administrative.

She held most offices in her club, including President and Secretary, and chaired several committees including Health Awareness, Convention, Fundraising, Testimonials Sight First, Membership Chairperson. Served as member on the Board of Directors on several separate occasions.

She served our District clinically on the Health and Wellness Committee for several years, as Zone Chairperson for two consecutive years, Zone Chairperson at Large, as member on the Retention and Leadership Committees respectively, and as Chairperson of the Public Relations Committee for two consecutive years. She served as Cabinet Secretary, as coordinator for Campaign Sight First II program, and as Chairperson of the Leadership Development Committee of the MERLO Team.

Lion Gloria is a graduate of Senior Lions Leadership Institute and also a graduate of MD-20 Lions Leadership Institute. She is a Certified Guiding Lion.

She represented our District on the Board of Directors of the Lions Long Island Eye Bank serving Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties for two consecutive 3 year terms.

She is recipient of 100% Club President Award, 100% Club Secretary Award, Knights of the Blind Recognition Award, Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, Organization of MD-20 Past District Governors Leadership Award. She is the recipient of two International Presidents Leadership Awards, two International Presidents Certificates of Appreciation. She is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and the recipient of a Lion of the Year Award. Lion Gloria is a recent recipient of the United Hospital Fund, Hospital Auxilian and Volunteer Achievement Award.

Lion Gloria is presently serving her district as First Vice District Governor, and Chairperson of MERLO.

Lion Gloria is a retired Registered Nurse with 41 plus years of service in a community based hospital. She is a member of the Auxiliary of Kings County Hospital Center, Inc., where she serves as 2nd Vice President on the Board of Directors and as Chairperson of The Good and Welfare Committee. She also serves as a Consultant/Educator for a Home Health Agency.

Lion Gloria is the mother of one son, David. She is a member of the Christian Cultural Center Church Brooklyn, NY and is a volunteer for NY Cares.

Stephen Dean
District 20-K2



Lion Stephen Dean is and has been an active member of the Paget Lions Club of Bermuda since joining in 1996. He served as a Club Director from 1997 to 2002, Vice President 2002 to 2003, President 2003 to 2005 and Membership Chair until present.

Lion Stephen served at the District level as Zone Chair 2006 to 2007, Group Coordinator for Sight First II, 2nd VDG 2009-2010 and 1st VDG 2010-2011.

Lion Stephen has received the Lion of the year award from his Club, a Certificate of Appreciation for Distinguished Achievement from President Jimmy Ross and the Presidents five Diamond Challenge to Change Pin.

Lion Stephen has been married to his wife Donna for 28 years, and they share three children, Paul Eric, Selina, Stephen Paul and three grandchildren, Tahj, Antonio and Addison.

Lion Stephen was a member of the Bermuda Police Service from 1965-1979. During that time he worked with their many Youth Programs such as the Junior Police Cadets and a Summer Survival Camp. He transferred to the Bermuda Department of Corrections in late 1979 until his retirement in June 2000.

He managed a Family Bakery and Deli from 1997 until 2006 when the bakery and deli closed.

Since then his time has been devoted to his family, especially his grandchildren and the Lions Club.

Paul Wernersbach, Sr.
District 20-S



VDG of 20s, Suffolk, International Lions Club, Immediate Past President (3 terms) of the Bay Shore Lions Club and club member since 1995, Past Zone Chairman (2 terms) Zone #1 20s, Member of the District Governors Cabinet, Co Chair of The Lions Merl Committee, Member of Lions 20s Gift of Life Committee, Member of the Board of Directors of the Lions Eye Bank at North Shore LIJ Hospital.

KIC Commissioner for Bay Shore and Board Member of KIC (Since 2005) 'Keep Islip Clean' (Division of Keep America Beautiful National Association)

Long Island Board of Realtors: Immediate Past President, (2 terms) of Suffolk South Shore Chapter and Director (Since 1995) Past Treasurer (1996-2005), Member of LIBOR Board of Directors (Since 1999), Past co Chairman and member of LIBOR Public Relations Committee, Past co Chairman and member of MLS Advertising Committee, Member of LIBOR Legislative Committee, Vice Chair RPAC Suffolk County Division, Member and Hearing Chairman of LIBOR Professional Standards Committee, Member of MLS Rules Hearing Committee, Appointed to the LIBOR audit committee for a 3 yr. term.

Board Member of the New York State Realtors Association (NYSAR) since 2004.

Director and Vice President of Board of Directors of LI Realtors Credit Union, co Chairman of the LIRFCU Advertising Marketing Committee and Credit Finance Committee

Member Board of Directors on the Bay Shore - Brightwaters Community Summit Council, Member of the Bay Shore Brightwaters Chamber of Commerce.

President of the Brightwaters Village Business Owners Association.

President and Treasurer of the "Wives, Lovers and Others" Bowling League.

Licensed Real Estate Salesperson (Since 1971), Licensed Real Estate Broker (since 2005) Owner of Sunset 3 Realty Inc, President of Sunset Realty.

President of Sandstorm Construction Inc. (General Contracting - New Home Builders), Vice President of Sandstorm Construction (a Home Renovation Company).

President of Sunset 3 Industries (a Diversified Marketing Service Company).

President of Sandstorm Enterprises Inc. (a Financial Service Company).

Born in Cincinnati Ohio, of American born German and Italian descendants, Residing in Bay Shore Long Island, New York, since 1960, Father of Three, Grandfather of four, Widower, (recently engaged to be married to Lion Joy Oppedisano, former Executive director of the Lions Eye Bank @ NSLIJ), Graduate with a BS in Industrial Design from University of Cincinnati 1969, Regents Graduate Bay Shore High School 1964.

Dedicated to be the Best District Governor, that God willing, I can be during my tenure and to promote Lionism throughout Suffolk County, Long Island. (PS: That's not a spider my shoulder but the hand of continued strong support I've been given by my fellow Lions of 20s).

PDG LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS



District 20-N
JAMES MARTIN
Evans Township Lions Club



District 20-E1
REGINA ARLAUCKAS
Churchville Lions Club



District 20-E2
HELEN DORMADY
Ithaca Lions Club



District 20-W
DIANA CLEMENT
Carthage Lions Club



District 20-Y1
FRANK SERVEDIO
Hamilton Lions Club



District 20-Y2
MARY CLAIRE NOAKES
Hadley-Luzerne Lions Club



District 20-O
JANICE MONAHAN
Town of Deerpark Lioness



District 20-R1
FRANCES KINGMAN
North Rockland Lions Club



District 20-R2
GUILLERMO PEREZ
NY Barahona Lions Club



District 20-K1
ADINA CALLENDER
Hollis Lions Club



District 20-K2
FAITH GILKES
Hamilton (Bermuda) Lioness



District 20-S
BERNARD FERRACANE
Town of Islip Lions Club



Resolution

Whereas the Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty, New York State and Bermuda, Inc. Have Assembled in Convention, in Rochester, New York and

Whereas the Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty have been honored by the presence of Past International Director Scott Storms and his partner Lion Dale

Whereas we have been thrilled and inspired by an address by Past International Director Scott Storms,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved; that the Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty, express our deepest appreciation to Past International Director Scott Storms, for his outstanding record of humanitarian service, and for his future efforts for all, on behalf of the International Association of Lions Clubs, in the years to come.

Report of Resolutions Committee

88th Annual Multiple District Twenty Convention
Rochester, New York ~ May 1, 2011

Whereas, The Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty, New York State and Bermuda, Inc. have assembled in Convention and,

Whereas, it is altogether fitting that those who have contributed to said convention be recognized by the delegates assembled, and

Be it resolved, that we pay special tribute to the outstanding leadership of our District Governors, who have performed above and beyond the call of duty, who have spoken out in the cause of Lionism, and labored long and hard to achieve these goals, we hereby commend and salute:

District Governor Gary Carini, 20-N
District Governor Greg Lund, 20-E1
District Governor Richard Ernst, 20-E2
District Governor John Kelly, 20-W
District Governor Scott A. Renner, 20-Y1
District Governor John Samples, Sr., 20-Y2

District Governor Stuart Wizwer, 20-O
District Governor Michael Bryceland, 20-R1
District Governor Amado Sy, 20-R2
District Governor Pauline Francis, 20-K1
District Governor Edward L. Lieberman, Esq., 20-K2
District Governor Bruce D'Abramo, 20-S

Be it resolved, that the Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty extend a special acknowledgement to the Spouses/Partners in Service of our District Governors. That they have for the past twelve months, put up with tired and irritable Spouses/Partners in Serviceunannounced absences from meals by said spouses, late arrivals from meetings, and extra effort as district hosts for various affairs. In appreciation of their contributions, made unselfishly, we say "well done" and honor these outstanding people of Multiple District Twenty Lionism, and ask that they now stand as we call their names:

Sue Carini, 20-N
Lion Darlene Lund, 20-E1
Chickie Ernst, 20-E2
Lion Nina Kelly, 20-W
Stacy Renner, 20-Y1
Beulah Samples, 20-E2

Lion Ilen Wizwer, 20-O
Lion Medadie Sy, 20-R1
Lion Wildred Lawrence, 20-K1
Lion Kathie Lieberman, 20-K2
Maureen D'Abramo, 20-S

Be it resolved, that we recognize the leadership and counsel of the Council Chair of Multiple District Twenty, Past District Governor Bill Williams, and his lovely wife, and Partner in Service, Lion Lynn and,

Be it resolved, that we recognize the continued counsel of our Present and Past International Officers and their wives, who are their Partners in Service, and express our appreciation and affection to:

International Director Douglas X. Alexander
Lions Club International President Albert F. Brandel and Lion Dr. Maureen T. Murphy
Past International Director John Rabideau and Lion Bernie
Past International Director Robert Klein and Evelyn
Past International Director Dr. Edward V. Cordes and Lion Gail

Past International Director Robert Seibert and Mary
Past International Director Howard Conroy and Sylvia
Past International Director Dr. Jack Weber and Lion Pearl Glassman, and

Be it resolved, that we wish to express our appreciation to the President of the MD-20 Organization of Past District Governors, PCC John Wargo, and to the members of the MD-20 PDG Organization for their continuing support and involvement in our Multiple District, and,

Be it resolved, that to PDG Terry Bliss, Chair of this convention, and to the lions of the host committee, who have worked long and diligently to make this a most successful convention, we say thanks, sincerely, for a job well done, and

Be it resolved, that to the staff of the Rochester Convention and Visitors Bureau, and to the hotels/motels that are officially participating in this convention, we express our sincere appreciation for allowing the Lions of Multiple District Twenty to R O A R, and

Be it resolved, that to the leaders and speakers at the seminars and other functions, we express our appreciation for all their efforts, because many lions have been significantly enlightened and informed by their efforts, and

Be it resolved, that to all the members of the various committees, and the clergy, we express our heartfelt thanks, and

Be it resolved, that to Multiple District Twenty Secretary/Treasurer, Past Council Chair Timothy Jachlewski, and his lovely wife, and Partner in Service, Cindy, and to Lion Maria Poulsen Office Administrator, we say thanks for a job well done. They continue to make it possible for the Lions Clubs of Multiple District Twenty, to operate in a highly efficient manner, and

Be it resolved, that as this 88th Annual Convention draws to a close and fades away into history, we ask all lions and all other attendees to return to their homes, rededicated to the goals of Lionism....we wish all a safe return home, and extend to all the wishes for a healthy and happy 2011-2012 Lions year, until we meet again in convention assembled in Syracuse, New York.



PLAY FORE LION CAMP BADGER :-: SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2011

The First Ever Golf Tournament for the blind and visually impaired, Lions Clubs and professional golfers to benefit Lions Camp Badger.

Where children with special needs learn to develop personal goals that build on their individual talents, skills, and strengths; be good decision-makers and make personal choices that support their goals. Promote citizenship, leadership, and team work. Support health and wellness, physical fitness and good nutrition; achieve increased independence and community inclusion; improve their self image, attitude through an increased understanding of their learning style and how to be successful in home, school and community activities.

Individual and team sports, including soccer, softball, track and field events; hiking, canoeing, boating, gardening, and arts and crafts; Independent living, career readiness, and transition skill building activities; As necessary, personal care and hygiene reminders and supports to promote physical and dental self-care.

Support LIONS CAMP BADGER and a child with special needs feel SPECIAL!

LIONS CAMP BADGER ANNOUNCES 2011 SUMMER PROGRAMS

Lions Camp Badger in Spencer, NY announced today that they are now taking applications for their 2011 summer programs. The camp programs are designed to meet the needs of youth and young adults, especially those with intellectual and learning disabilities.

There are three summer camp programs to choose from:

Community Connections

Leadership Experience, a two week life skills experience from June 12 – June 26, is designed for young adults, ages 18-26, who have either left school or are in the process, and are still living at home.

Overnight Resident Camp,

one week sessions for campers, ages 15-21, June 26-July 30, offers a program that develops social skills, self-confidence, and independent living skills.

Day Camp, one week sessions for campers, ages 12-21, July 11- July 29.

The camp is a statewide project of the Lions Clubs of New York State, and is located on 200 wooded acres in Spencer, New York, about 15 miles south of Ithaca. Campers come from all over the state. All camp sessions are designed to offer a small number of campers a structured, supportive, personalized camp experience. Activities are designed to engage each camper, support their special needs and interests, and develop their personal strengths, talents and skills. The goal is to provide both fun and educational experiences through recreational activities, improving communication, social and life skills, promoting self-advocacy, self-reliance and independence, and creating an environment where youth can develop friendships based on interests, and be active members of teams.

Lions Camp Badger offers a high staff to camper ratio and has a limited the number of campers for each session in order to make sure that each camper is comfortable and well

supported. Staff will be able to actively engage and support each camper based on their unique needs and interests.

John Rabideau, Lions Camp Board President, said “At Lions Camp Badger, our overall mission is to help youth and young adults with special needs. Our camp is not for everyone. We offer a camp experience that fills what we see as a current gap – a small inclusive camp where each camper can receive the special attention they need. We have a long history of offering successful programs for youth with disabilities, especially those with intellectual or learning disabilities, attention, organizational, speech, or communication challenges. We are building on this impressive history to offer camp programs that will include all youth and young adults with special needs. Acceptance is based on each applicant’s needs, abilities, interests, talents, and goals. By moving our camp to be more inclusive, we can meet the needs of more youth and young adults, with and without disabilities, who are often left out of larger, more traditional camp experiences.”

Rabideau went on to say, “Our camp programs are designed so all campers are included, and each camper can make choices based on their interests and abilities. Our focus is on abilities. We know from parents and Lions around the state that there are many youth and young adults who need a camp setting with a smaller number of campers, and more individualized supports than can be provided at larger camps. Throughout our history, we have offered experiences and adventures tailored to meet each camper’s special needs.”

For more information, and to obtain a camp application, please go to the Lions Camp Website at <http://lcb.org> or call toll free, 1-800-232-7060, or (607)549-4800



EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FORM



PLAY FORE LIONS CAMP BADGER

SAVE THE DATES

September 21-22, 2011



5410 Seneca Point Road, Canandaigua, NY 14424



- Package A *** \$ 250 Tri-Event Blind/Pro/Lions AM or PM.(2 Breakfasts - 2 Lunches - Dinner - Player's Gift)
- Package B *** \$ 175 Blind 1st Day - Lion 2nd Day AM or PM (2 Breakfast - 2 Lunches - Player's Gift)
- Package C** \$ 65 Blind Golf Tournament Only (Breakfast - Lunch)
- Package D *** \$ 225 Pro/Lion 1st Day Pro - 2nd Day Lion AM or PM*(Breakfast - 2 Lunches - Dinner - Player's Gift)
- Package E** \$ 150 Pro Golf Only (Lunch - Dinner - Player's Gift)
- Package F *** \$ 150 Lion Golf Tournament Only AM or PM *(Lunch - Dinner - Player's Gift)
- Package G **** \$ 95 Meals Only Two Days (2 Breakfasts - 2 Lunches - Dinner)
- Package H **** \$ 60 Meals Only. Day 1 (Breakfast - Lunch - Dinner)
- Package I **** \$ 45 Meals Only. Day 2 (Breakfast - Lunch)

Rates Meal Only - Day 1 Breakfast \$5 - Lunch \$20 - Dinner \$40. Day 2 Breakfast \$5 - Lunch \$40.

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PLAYER #3 Package Selection _____ Start time request AM _____ PM _____

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Check Payable **Lions Camp Badger** Mail to: PDG Bob Mizzoni, 315 E 8th St., Watkins Glen, NY 14891

Early Bird Registrants Lottery Draw at the Lions Camp Badger's Service Day. Earn \$100.00 Discount for one 4 some.

For More information: Contact Chairman Lion Kimberly Stribing, PDG 716-912-6861



DISTRICT 20-N



Amherst Lion Sarah DiNatale received a Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award. Making the presentation was Past District Governor Tom Reinagel, right, with Amherst Lions President Herb Wilber adding his congratulations



Pendleton Lions Basketball Vision Beyond Sight Holiday tournament was televised on LCTV for over 3 hours of play-by-play with the announcers interviewing Lion Gary Braun about the Lions and PDG Lion Jeff Stribing about his involvement with Vision Beyond Sight and the Ross Eye Institute. Shown in top photo: Vision Beyond Sight Rep. PDG Lion Jeff Stribing with Lockport Coach David Gilson and Assistants and Championship Team Lockport Lions. Bottom photo: Pendleton Lion Gary Braun, PDG Jeff Stribing & LCTV Announcer Jim on TV for final game interview of the Vision Beyond Sight and Ross Eye Institute of Buffalo.



Pendleton Lions held their Christmas Toy Wrap with toys from Trooper toys for tots. This night was filled with many Lions but even more of their families and friends were there to help us. Shown in top photo: Myrna Beiter, Lion Rich Niezgoda & Lion Jim Behrens and Grandson of Myrna Help wrapping toys. Following the toy wrap the Lions delivered the Toys to the Children, with Santa and elves. Bottom photo: Lions Don Lanternier, Joe Biondo, Richard Meinhold & Marty Cicatello were elves and Lion Ken Goulding was Santa with his wife Sally helping again this year. Also pictured: Special Ed Coordinator Susan Bielawski and Assist. Janet Fitch with Our friend and helper Bob Baumguard.



Cheektowaga Lions held their annual Christmas Party for the blind and sight-impaired. After dinner Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus were on hand to present gifts to the guests. Pictured receiving a gift from Santa (Lion Phil Youngman) and Mrs. Claus (Lioness Mildred Long) is John Hill.

DISTRICT 20-E1

Every year the **Dansville Lions Club** sponsors a "Fantasy of Lights" for the Dansville Community. The club sells Christmas trees for people to decorate in honor or memory of a loved one.

This year we had 44 trees, one of the trees was done by 1st VDG Keith Countermine and his wife Dawn. They dedicated a tree in memory of PDG Ray Ernenwein. Thanks to all that make the "Fantasy of Lights" a successful community event.



The **Angelica Lions** had two large service projects in the community last fall. On October 10th they honored over 60 senior citizens at our annual appreciation dinner. A letter was prepared by President David Fleming noting that not one attendee was a senior citizen when the Angelica Lions Club was formed 42 years ago. A chicken and biscuit dinner was prepared by Lions Cari Zobrist and Jackie Zobrist with many Lions serving or delivering dinners in town. This event has been done for over 20 years and every Angelica Lion agrees this is the best service project they do.

On October 30th the club re-established the Halloween Parade in town. This event has not been done in over 15 years. The club held a parade for all children in costume and served pizza and lemonade and each child received a glow stick for safety. There were over 75 children attending the event. Each adult was given a small handout

noting what the Lions Club does in the community and how we raise our funds. The club has also applied for a grant from the New York State Arts Council for our annual Music in the Park concert series. The club has held this event for 8 years.

Walworth Lions Club (www.lionwap.org/eclub/sites/walworth-lionsclub) donates proceeds from their annual Breakfast with Santa to the Wayne County Children's Cancer Fund (waynecountykids.com). Lion Lyn Boyd-Bauer, Board of Directors, presents the check to Mr. Bill Bolling, founder of WCCCF. Lions John Baxter and John Brankacz, co-chairs of the event, were very pleased with the generosity shown by the attendees of the event. Walworth Lions thank all those who attended.



Congratulations ...

In a recent issue of "The Volunteer Firefighter", the official publication of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York, **Hamlin Lions** Dave Rose, George Dorgan, Norm Baase and PDG Neil Newman were all recognized with fifty or more years of volunteer service to their respective fire department. Congratulations to them and all Lions that give their time as firefighters and/or emergency medical personnel.



DISTRICT 20-E2

Region-wide training held



On Saturday, January 29, 2011 a region-wide training session was held at the Lifelong Center in Ithaca, for Lions who are involved in eye screenings for preschool children. A new, highly technical camera is now being used by local Clubs to assist in identifying young children who may be in need of further evaluation and treatment by a licensed optician. The camera is able to take higher quality photos and only prints pictures of children who indicate a need for further evaluation, so a practitioner does not have to review by hand the photo of every child. Watkins-Montour Lions hold regular screenings at both Schuyler County Headstart and within the Pre-K program of Watkins Central School District. Identified children are then referred to Dr. Brian Bleiler, and the Club will also help to defray the cost of the evaluation and frames if needed.

Pictured: Lion President Mark Swinnerton and Lion Gloria Brubaker from Watkins-Montour Lions Club, PID Lion Ed Cordes and Lion Gail Cordes, Presenters, from the Corning Lions Club.

Lansing student to compete in LCI Global Youth Music Competition



Lansing resident, Louis-Xavier Barrette, has been chosen to represent the United States and Canada at the Lions Clubs International Convention in Seattle. Louis-Xavier has been playing classical guitar for approximately two and a half years, after having studied piano since the age of four. He studies in Ithaca, New York, with Pablo Cohen, classical guitar professor at Ithaca

College. Louis participated in the 2009 GFA International Youth competition, and won first place at the New York State Teachers Music Association Competition in Albany, New York, in October 2010. He has participated in master classes with internationally recognized guitarists such as Pepe Romero and Aniello Desiderio, and has attended several more. He has studied with other established teachers, including Remi Boucher and Peter McCutcheon at the Domaine Forget in Canada, a renowned musical academy. Louis' passion for guitar brings him to teach to younger students, play for fundraisers, and perform in various concert opportunities. He also works for the music department at his high school, tutoring in musical dictation and transcribing pieces for the school's orchestra and band programs.

For more info and to hear Louis perform, visit the LCI YouTube page at: <http://www.youtube.com/lionsmusicofficial>

Around The District



Lions Carolyn Gridley, Jim Hackett and Carmen Vanderhoof (from the **Horseheads Lions Club**) at the Southern Tier food pantry.



Phelps newest Eagle Scout, Jason Adams, receives a Lions Club International Certificate of Achievement from 20-E2 Zone Chair Dan Moracco. Boy Scout Troop 46 is sponsored by the Phelps Lions Club. Congratulations, Jason, on achieving Boy Scouts of America's highest award!

DISTRICT 20-W

The **Carthage Lions Club** sponsored a chicken and biscuit dinner in March at Keddy's Restaurant. Proceeds from this event will help with their youth scholarship fund.

The **Carthage Leo Club** sponsored a taco dinner in February, with funds raised to help send a local youth to the Oswegatchie Leadership Camp.

The **Croghan Lions** have been busily working on enhancing the lives and meeting the needs of their community. In the fall they held an extremely successful Spaghetti Supper in which well over 300 meals were sold. In November and December the members sold Christmas Wreaths and Christmas Trees. We participated in Toys for Children in December and in February held another successful Spaghetti Supper. Our next fund raiser will be in April as we sponsor a cross country run in Beaver Falls. In addition to numerous financial contributions the club also sponsored Lion's See vision, blood pressure and diabetes screening in December and have sent many boxes of goodies to our adopted platoon in Afghanistan.

The **Lyme Lions Club** had a donation soup and sandwich lunch, which proved to be very successful. There were three choices of sandwiches, three choices of bread and three choices of soup, plus a huge selection of desserts. Some of the kitchen help pictured are Pat Guldenpfennig, Janice Comins, Kelly Hyde, Rachel Sugrue, Ros Gotham, Joan Anderson, Mary Jo Garvin and Phyllis Putnam.

The **Massena Lions Club** served 172 meals at annual Election Day breakfast fundraiser and they continue to send "care packages" to adopted Afghanistan platoon. They also screened over 300 pre-K/kg/Nursery School/Headstart students. They sponsored their annual ARC Christmas party and the Massena Leos participated. The **Massena Lions** also sponsored annual "Peace Poster" contest in local elementary schools. Massena students won two of three District awards. Lions members regularly assist a severely sight-impaired individual with grocery shopping, check-writing, etc. Every Lion needs to experience the depth of her gratitude and appreciation.

The **Ogdensburg Lions Club** held a very successful pizza sale in early March. Also, they will begin their annual Easter Bunny sale in March.

The **Norfolk Lions Club** has been very busy indeed! Not only did they make donations to Hospice, Canton Potsdam Hospital, Massena Memorial Hospital, Claxton Hepburn Hospital, Rose Hill, American Diabetes, American Cancer Assoc., and the Neighborhood Center, but they also sold Christmas Trees and distributed Christmas baskets to their local community. They also collected toys and other gift items for the Neighborhood Center at our Christmas Party. They served 387 total individuals including 138 families with 147 children and distributed 146 food boxes. They also will be selling Easter Bunnies in the spring.



Newly inducted Lions Billie Burcume and Donna Ober are congratulated by District Governor John Kelly at the **Potsdam Lions Club's** Christmas party held at Julian's Restaurant in Potsdam. The Potsdam Lions also sponsored a free skating day at Pine Street Arena for the youth of the Potsdam area.

The **Quad-Town Lions Club** presented donations to NCAVI and to the Tri Town Christmas fund. The Christmas fund was able to give gifts to 34 children with the monies donated. The club also participated in a Christmas tree lighting ceremony and had hot drinks available to those in attendance. Our annual Craft Fair, Cake Auction, and Raffle was held. Monies were given to three local food pantries.

At a dinner held in the old Booth Building at Crapser Hall, the **Quad Town Lions Club** (Brasher, Stockholm, Lawrence and Hopkinton) recently presented two very important Robert J. Uplinger Awards to two very deserving people. Recipients were Chad Bell of PrimaBella's, for all he has done for the community, and Lion Faye Bordeleau, the Quad Town Lions Club Secretary of six years, who has done above and beyond the realms of her job. A third award was also presented. Lion Gail Murtagh received the prestigious Melvin Jones, the highest award given to a Lion or a community member, for all her outstanding work as a Lion. She is a past president, a tail twister, and is now the District 20-W Secretary. John Kelly, the current 20W District Governor, was on hand to present the awards Tuesday Night. He gave the current Quad Town Lions Club president, Ann French, his own certificate of appreciation and his District 20W pin.



DISTRICT 20-Y1

COOPERSTOWN LIONS TO HEAR FROM FRIENDS OF THE PARKS

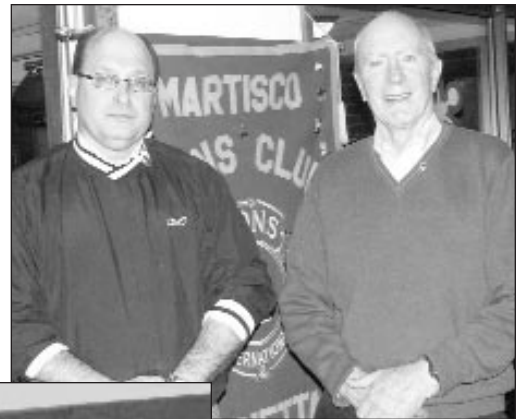
An overview of the Friends of the Village Parks will be the featured presentation at the next regular meeting of the Cooperstown Lions Club. On Wednesday, March 2, John Odell, Chair of the Friends of the Parks, will present an overview of the Village Parks. The Friends work in a partnership with the Village Parks Board in the preservation, rehabilitation, improvement and enhancement of and planning for six of the Cooperstown Parks.

The Lions Club thanks all that supported its recent Pancake Breakfast during the Winter Carnival. All proceeds from such events are re-invested back to the community for various projects conducted by the Lions Club and recipients of mini-grants awarded to organizations for their community projects. The next deadline to apply for these grants is March 1. Contact Club president John Rowley at 547-8505 or jd16rowley@aol.com for information and an application.

The Cooperstown Lions Club meets the first and third Wednesdays, September through June at 6:30pm at the Tunnickliff Inn. The Club conducts many fund development endeavors to enhance life in the Cooperstown area for various groups, families and individuals. The mission of Lions Clubs International is *To create and foster a spirit of understanding among all people for humanitarian needs by providing voluntary services through community involvement and international cooperation.* For more information about Lions Clubs visit www.lionsclubs.org.

DG SCOTT RENNER VISITS MARTISCO LIONS

District Governor Scott Renner pictured here with Martisco Lions Club President Dan Bouck



Pictured left to right are: new members Larry and Nancy Hart, DG Scott Renner and Pat Reid, the Harts' membership sponsor.

DISTRICT 20-Y2

The People of Amsterdam Help Others Around The Globe

I would like to bring to your attention some noteworthy charitable work that touched the lives of people in India and Nigeria these past holidays thanks to Matilda (Tilda) Mastro and PDG Robert Montenaro of the **Amsterdam Lions Club**.

I reached out to Tilda to ask for prescription eyeglasses that my 11 year old was collecting to take to India to donate to an eyeglass clinic for the poor. Hoping that Tilda would collect a few pairs from friends was all we expected. Much to our amazement, Tilda and PDG Bob were solely responsible for collecting over 600 pairs of eyeglasses that they shipped to Long Island. We took two 50-pound suitcases full of eyeglasses to India. During the trip we visited an optometrist in Calcutta who provides free eye care, testing, and eye treatments for the poor. As you can well imagine, visiting the clinic was a tremendous learning and growth experience for my 11 year old son and my 9 year old niece. These two youngsters have taken on the worthwhile project of collecting used prescription eyeglasses to donate them to the doctors at this eye clinic so that they may be given to the poor who would otherwise not be able to afford prescription eyeglasses.

"Thank you so very much for helping my son and niece with their charity. It will directly impact the lives of people on the other side of the world."

I want to thank Matilda Mastro, PDG Robert Montenaro, The Amsterdam Lions Club, and the people of Amsterdam for making this project such a tremendous success.

~ Loveleen Lohia

Town of Greenfield Lions Club

The Town of Greenfield Lions Club along with Double A Provisions donated 120 pounds of hamburgers and hot dogs, as well as a few other needed items to the soup kitchen, for them to distribute.

Every year after our cooking events are over we make a donation to the soup kitchen to help those who need it.

Lions Clubs Honor Dr. Tom Little

Dr. Thomas Little was an optometrist from Delmar who was killed on August 5, 2010, while on a medical mission in Afghanistan. Dr. Tomas he was known to his friends and patients, was not a Lion, but his 33 years of bringing eye care to those who desperately needed it exemplified what Lionism is all about. In appreciation of his efforts and accomplishments, a number of capital district Lions clubs donated the funds to grant him a posthumous bronze-level Knight of the Blind Award from the Lions Eye Institute at Albany, NY.

Lion Tom Hart, vice-president of the **Albany-Troy Lions Club**, came up with the idea of honoring Dr. Tom. The Albany-Troy Lions made the first donation and then spearheaded the collection from many other area clubs. The contributing Lions Clubs re Albany-Troy, Amsterdam, Bethlehem, Broadalbin-Perth, Cambridge, Central Mohawk Valley, Galway, Glens Falls, Gloversville, Granville, Hadley-Luzerne, Hoosick Falls, Northville-Sacandaga, Ravena, Saratoga Springs, and Saquoit Valley.

The award was presented to Dr. Tom's widow on December 1, 2010 by PDG Dick Nason, President of the Lions Foundation at Albany, NY, Inc. Dr. Tom's younger brother Fred was also present at the award ceremony.

Dr. Little received the Presidential Medal of Freedom at a White House ceremony in February. Dr. Little is this year's only posthumous recipient.

Local Pharmacist Returns From Haiti

Doctor Tamar Martin, Pharm.D. of Mechanicville, has just returned from her second medical support trip in the last ten months to Grand Goave, Haiti. She is very grateful to the **Mechanicville-Stillwater Lions Club** members who were a major contributor to both trips. The local Lions partially supported her by donations of children's sandals; financial contributions that were used to purchase medical and dental supplies; and proceeds from a holiday decorations fund-raiser. She observed that the earthquakeravaged country still faces overwhelming medical, political, social, and financial challenges. At the one year anniversary of the unbelievable loss of over 300,000 lives (imagine losing more than the populations of Saratoga and Washington Counties combined), about 1 million residents still live in tents or under tarps.

The area visited by Dr. Martin has rural villages near the epicenter of the quake. She said this area is a mixture of steep mountains and seaside terrain, with limited flat land for agriculture. Dateline NBC and PBS among other news programs have recently done stories about the challenges and struggling successes of various relief efforts. Dr. Martin and a team of eight other medical professionals from New England have made this current relief trip to provide follow-up care primarily to an orphanage, their staff, and residents in the surrounding community. Each team member carried in about 150 lbs of medical supplies in an effort to assure that real person-to-person help actually reached these impoverished people. The efforts of the Mechanicville-Stillwater Lions Club reflect the other ongoing efforts of Lions Clubs International that has had a constant presence on the island before and since the devastating quake.



DISTRICT 20-O



Pictured Above (left to right): District Governor Stuart Wizwer inducting new members at Chatham Lions Club and Town of Woodbury Lions Club, and receiving a gift from Monroe Lions Club President and ZC Charles Pakula.

Pictured Left: Town of Fallsburg LEO Club members leaving the District Convention after participating in several activities including a birdhouse-building project.

News: Welcome to our newest club, the Eldred Lions Club, whose charter was approved on February 24, 2011. Also, thank you to Lion Manny Pardo and PDG Wilfred Roehe, who were recently recognized for completing 2 years as Guiding Lions with the Greater Washingtonville Lions Club.



District 20-O invites everyone to join us at the MD20 Convention in Rochester. Stop by our hospitality room to meet DG candidate Peter Lyons, 1st VDG candidate Joyce Maier, PDG, and 2nd VDG Candidate Wilfred Roehe, PDG.

DISTRICT 20-R1



Stony Point Lions Food Drive -
Every little bit helps!



The Nanuet and Somers Lions Clubs both received grants from the recently established Brandel-Murphy Youth Fund. The Somers Lions used the grant to assist the friends of Karen, an organization that helps families with catastrophic illness. The Nanuet Lions used the grant to help Varsity Athletes Against Substance Abuse, which enabled 25 students to receive peer counseling training, so they can speak to younger students about the dangers of substance abuse.



The Blauvelt Lions assisted the Rockland County Tourism at the Ice Fest.



With the help of our fellow Lions from Nanuet, the Mahopac Lions were involved in Rockland County's Haiti Relief Campaign's "Keeping Hope Alive in Haiti Campaign" with a replication of the Tent City in Haiti. This was to commemorate the anniversary of the tragic earthquake that struck Haiti last year and bring attention to the fact that over one million Haitian people are still living in tents.



DISTRICT 20-R2

To Fellow Lions:

Join me to congratulate the Cosmopolitan Lions Club as the Lion of the Month published in the Lion Magazine (international).

International Pease Poster winner is an 11 year old boy from India Raj Phairembam and he is coming to New York City to the U.N. to receive his award for \$5,000.

Thanks to all Lions Club that recruit new members, community services and make donations to various projects.

*~ Peace be with you,
DG Amado Sy PMJF*



Pfizer Inc. donated 600 used eyeglasses through the effort of Ms. Elizabeth DeLuca and Ryan Micallef far right, center PDG Philip & Lion Pres. Medadie Sy.



New York Lower East Side Preparatory High School Leo Club sponsored by Cosmopolitan Lions.



Annual United Health Care Chair by PDG Margarita Guerra. Joined by Impacto Cuban, Manhattan North, Washington and 50 volunteers of doctors and nurses.



Larchmont Chartered Night last December 10, 2010 sponsored by Phil-Am Lions Club 32 Charter Members



Japanese Lions Club inducted 8 Lions. May 6, West Side Lions Chartered Night Celebration sponsored by New York Phil-Am. Congratulations to Ln. Pres. Ingrid Leacock.

DISTRICT 20-K1



ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT - HOLLIS LIONS CLUB - On February 18, 2011 Lions Audrey Hollingsworth, Sonia Buckeridge, Idonia Castro, Adina Callender and Dorothy Barnett members of the Hollis Lions Club participated in a recycling project in Queens. We collected and packed bags of over 1000 cans, bottles, and plastics which was taken to a recycling plant.

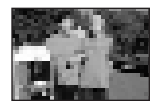
The funds collected will be used to purchase gifts for the nursing home residents where we volunteer on a monthly basis.



CHRISTMAS WITH KINGS COUNTY LIONS, INC. - In keeping with the Yuletide season and the spirit of giving, the members of Brooklyn Kings County Lions Club donated a thirty-two inch flat screen LCD Television together with wall mount to the play room in the pediatric unit and four (4) Wheel Chairs together with two (2) Walkers to the emergency unit of Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center.



FLATLANDS LIONS HELP RAISE \$55,000 at the 2nd ANNUAL T.E.A.L WALK FOR OVARIAN CANCER - T.E.A.L., which stands for "Tell Every Amazing Lady", is the brain-child of Flatlands Lion Louisa McGregor, an Ovarian Cancer survivor and her sister Pamela Esposito, daughters of Flatlands Lions Club Treasurer, Larry Esposito. The walk, which supports the work of the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund, drew over 1,000 participants and raised over \$55,000 towards finding a cure and for cancer awareness, education and prevention. The walk, a 5K loop through Prospect Park's inner roadway, was a joyful and at times emotional event, that drew many who support, or who are themselves Ovarian Cancer survivors, and many more who came to remember those who have passed, victims of this "silent killer" of women. And for some, it was a day for courage. Lion Louisa, who was honored by the Lions with a Humanitarian Award in 2009, continues to fight her cancer, but remains unbowed through repeated hospitalizations, bouts of chemotherapy, radiation and pain medication. Her determination inspires all who are fortunate enough to know her. Her dedication and her drive to continue helping others through adversity teaches us all how great we can be and shows us daily what it truly means - to be a Lion.



FLATLANDS LIONS AND LEOS PROVIDE HOLIDAY CHEER - This year we had both Lions and Leos join us for our annual Crown Rehabilitation Center holiday visit. Going from floor to floor, caroling and giving presents, the Lions and Leos brought smiles to the faces of the residents and staff at the Crown. This was the third event for the Flatlands Leos, since their formation in August 2010. Without waiting for their charter to become finalized, new Leos president, Krista Cucarese, galvanized her club into action. In November they helped to stock the food pantry at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish in Brooklyn, responding to the call from Lions District 20-K1 Governor Pauline Francis. In December they spearheaded a drive for clothing and money to help a local family who lost their home and a young child in a tragic fire. **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE** - Children at the Harlem Dowling Children's Services, Mercy First and the Puerto Rican Family Institute were helped by two very special Santas this holiday season to have a little more cheer this Christmas season. Under the guidance of Lions Don and Gladys Pemberton, over \$9,000 was raised, providing toys and clothing to over 700 children this holiday season!



KEEPING THE SPIRIT ALIVE CORONA LIONS CLUB - The Lions Club of Corona (20-K1) together with the Michael Amen II Fund (sponsored by the Corona Lions Universal Foundation) donated a total of \$750 to provide economic relief to the family of an infant organ donor who tragically died during the aftermath of the December, 2010 snow storm which crippled the community's access to emergency services. The Michael Amen II Fund was established to keep the "gift of life" spirit alive of a young man, the tragic victim of a reckless driver, who was an organ donor to eight recipients. The thoughts and prayers of the Corona Lions Club continue to remain with the families of all victims of tragedy.



DISTRICT 20-K2

DISTRICT UPCOMING EVENT

- Strides Walk for Diabetes, 4/16, Long Beach Boardwalk
- Food Drive – May 7 ALL Clubs asked to participate

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

- **BALDWIN and MERRICK**
Joint fundraiser Purple Heart Pups Walk and Dog Show, May 7
- **FREEMPORT**
55th Anniversary Sunset Dinner Boat Cruise - July 15
- **MASSAPEQUA**
60th Anniversary Dinner - April 1
- **MINEOLA**
Wine Tasting - May 19
- **LONG BEACH**
85th Anniversary Golf Outing - May 23
Pancake Breakfast - June 5
- **NEW HYDE PARK NORTH**
Night at the Races - April 2
Chinese Auction - April 30
- **ROCKVILLE CENTRE**
Blood Drive - March 17, Donate a Pint, get a Pint of Soup
- **WEST HEMPSTEAD**
Happy Hour - April 16
benefiting Guide Dogs of the Desert
- **HAMILTON**
65th Anniversary Dinner - May 14

2nd PLACE WINNER OF THE MD-20 PEACE POSTER CONTEST:



RALPH GUTIERREZ

Age 11 from Baldwin Middle School

Sponsored by the Baldwin Lions Club of District K-2



DISTRICT 20-5



SUFFOLK LIONS AND LENSMAKERS PARTNER TO HELP THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED - The Farmingville-Holtsville Lions Club recently donated over 500 pairs of eyeglasses to Lenscrafters. These eyeglasses were donated to the Farmingville-Holtsville Lions Club by Costco, the Schem Library, the Holtsville Post Office and many other community minded organizations. Lions Clubs International has been working with Luxottica Retail (Lenscrafters Parent Company) since 1988 to collect used eyewear to hand deliver to those needing lenses in developing countries. The Suffolk Lions have a Gift of Sight Committee that is working with Lenscrafters to increase the numbers of lenses that are delivered internationally. Since 1991, the Gift of Sight Foundation has worked in partnership with Lions Clubs Members around the world to perform optical missions. Lions Clubs prepare clinic sites, provide recipients and arrange team accommodations, translators and equipment shipping. This alliance has created over 115 missions, delivering the Gift of Sight to more than 2 million people in need around the world. Any questions or concerns regarding eyeglass donations can be directed to Mary Fauchon, General Manager of the Lake Grove Lenscrafters at (631) 737-4455.

Pictured (L-R) PDG Patrick Mitchell Gift of Sight Co-Chair; Lora Tripi Optometric Technician; Mike Dickson President Farmingville Holtsville Lions; Mary Fauchon Lenscrafters General Manager; Bruce D'Abramo District Governor Suffolk Lions; Mary Jane Corwin Sales Supervisor; Emmanuel Neris Lab Technician and Stephanie Angel Optometric Technician.



SUFFOLK LIONS PROMOTE AUDIBLE CROSSWALKS FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED - On Feb. 7 the Suffolk Lions servicing the Patchogue Community gathered together with Patchogue Village and Suffolk County to celebrate the recent installation of an audible crosswalk at the intersection of Waverly Avenue and Roe Boulevard. This audible crosswalk was installed based on a request made to the Suffolk County Department of Public Works. In July of 2008, the Suffolk Lions instituted a program to increase awareness concerning the need for more Audible Crosswalks in Suffolk County. Audible Crosswalks are installed at busy intersections to allow visually impaired people to proceed safely through crosswalks after they receive an audible prompt to do so, such as a beeping noise or words that signify it is now safe to cross the intersection. The goal of this program is to allow visually impaired men and women to travel more safely thereby assuring greater independence, dignity and opportunity. The Suffolk Lions are currently working with Helen Keller Services for the Blind (HKSB) and Suffolk Independent Living Organization (SILO) to address the above mentioned concerns regarding the visually challenged. If interested in learning more about this program please contact District Governor Bruce D'Abramo at 331-4293 or PDG Patrick Mitchell at 631-363-6412.

Pictured (bottom L-R): Teachers Kristen Olsen and Debi Bennett with their toddler class; (top L-R): PDG Patrick Mitchell Vision Screening Team Member; Bruce D'Abramo Suffolk Lions DG; Denise Ferrera Director Children's Community Early Head Start and Lion Dr. Gary Feuer Vision Screening Chairperson.



The Suffolk Lions Vision Screening Team was asked to provide vision screenings as a community service to the children that reside at Help Suffolk, a transitional housing facility located in North Bellport. Help Suffolk is a 76 unit facility for homeless families housing a maximum of 100 adults and 200 children at any given time. Units are also available for people with disabilities. The Suffolk Lions Vision Screening Team utilizes a Vision Screener to test for refractive errors i.e., Myopia (near sightedness) Hyperopia, (far sightedness) and astigmatism. The Vision Screener prints out the results of the exam immediately and the results are given to the person that was examined, to the parent or guardian depending on the age of the individual being screened. If the results indicate a need for further testing the team suggests that the client contact their eye care professional for a follow up and make an appointment for a comprehensive eye examination.

If your group or organization is interested in a visit by the Lions Vision Screening Team please contact Lion Dr. Gary Feuer our Vision Screening Chairperson at 631-428-4604.

Pictured (L-R) PDG Patrick Mitchell Suffolk Lions Vision Team; Stacey Henning Child Care Supervisor; Alicia Hickson; Ciena Pinkney Case Manager; Stacey Marter Team Leader; Veronica McKnight Director of Client Services; Matthew Sabia Recreation Supervisor; Bruce D'Abramo Suffolk Lions District Governor; Lion Dr. Gary Feuer Vision Screening Chairperson; Linda Del Pesce Nurse; Aniell Daczka; Maria Palmer and Sharon Stanton Director of Medical Services.



NEW YORK STATE AND BERMUDA LIONS FOUNDATION, INC.

The New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, Inc. was established as an official project of Multiple District 20 in 1993. Its' mission was to provide district-wide support for worthy projects which would otherwise be beyond the means of individual clubs or sub-districts. The Foundation is a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization.

The Foundation provides grants for the following purposes: sight and hearing projects, humanitarian services primarily related to sight and hearing and emergency grants for natural disasters. This is done through grant requests submitted to the Foundation and approved by the Foundation board of trustees.

Each district in MD-20 is represented by three (3) trustees that sit on the Foundation board. Foundation trustees are elected to a three year term with 1/3 of the board elected each year at the MD-20 convention. As part of their duties they are available as a resource to answer questions and provide guidance.

The Foundation board meets four times each year and holds their annual meeting at the Multiple District convention. Every Lion in good standing in MD-20 is a member of the NYS & Bermuda Lions Foundation.



The Foundation raises funds through its annual car raffle, the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, individual and club donations, bequests and corporate funding.

If your district or a Lions club within your district is interested in pursuing a grant to better the community in which you live please contact one of the trustees within your Multiple District. In addition, you can contact Peter Neidrauer, the Foundation President at (585) 293-1105 or Patrick Mitchell, Public Relations Chair at (631) 363-6412 to request further information regarding the Foundation.

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The Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund

Thank you to all the Lions, Lioness and Leos and to the Fund's Trustees, Officers, Advisors and District Coordinators who helped make our **Annual Super Bowl Raffle** a success. Over 2,000 tickets were sold and a net profit of close to \$25,000 was raised for the Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund. The Grand Prize Winner who recieved airfare and tickets for two to the Super Bowl in Dallas, was Judi Vassalo from Mineola NY in District 20-K2. Ten additional winners also received \$5,500 in cash prizes.



The Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund is dedicated to helping Lions clubs and districts in MD20 with a qualifying service project that is designed to help our youth in need. Through providing a **matching grant of up to \$1,000** for these projects, the Fund already has made a positive impact on the lives of children in **districts R-1, O, W, K-2, and S**. The picture to the left shows a check, with the assistance of a Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund grant, being presented by the Somers Lions Club to the "Friends of Karen" program. This program has assisted fifty local families of children with catastrophic illnesses.

As we were laying the foundation for the future of the Fund, the Trustees chose to honor a great Lion who dedicated her life to service with the "**Marie Grosso Cornerstone Recognition Award**." This award would only be available during our inaugural year.

For a contribution to the Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund of \$150, and in PDG Marie's memory, you can honor an important individual in your life. The honoree will receive a unique "**Cornerstone Block**" with their name engraved on it. If a Lions Club wishes to contribute \$250 to the Fund in PDG Marie's memory, they will have the honor of becoming a "**Cornerstone Club**." Remember, this opportunity is time limited. **The PDG Marie Grosso Cornerstone Recognition Program will be in effect only until June 30, 2011.**

As we begin our second Lions year, the Brandel - Murphy Youth Fund will begin offering the "**Everyday Hero Award**" in honor of **PIP Al and Lion Dr. Maureen**. Your club will be receiving more information on this new award very soon. Once again, many thanks to everyone who helped make our inaugural year a success.

PCC Angelo Purcigliotti, Chairman

"Maureen and I are proud of the efforts and of the results of the Brandel-Murphy Youth Fund within our first year. The committee, with the generosity of many Lions and friends, have more than doubled the amount of money to be awarded. To date, we have presented \$12,500 to Lions projects within MD20. We look forward to assisting the children in your communities for years to come.



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