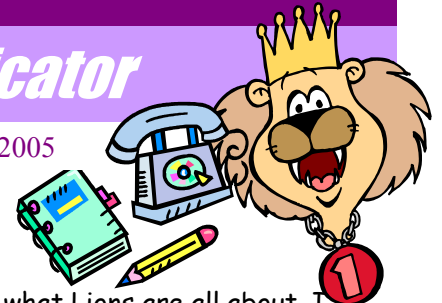




# The Lions Pride *The Communicator*

District 20-O Monthly Newsletter Volume 4, Issue 2 August 2005



## Monthly Message from DG Frank

My apologies to all - due to no fault of mine, we (Lion Anne and myself) missed my first cabinet meeting. The message that I wanted to share with everyone is the same message that our International President is sharing with all Lions worldwide which is "Plus One".

The message, **Plus One** means that each and every club throughout 20-O and the world should try to increase their membership by just one new member. To explain in more detail, if a club has 40 members and loses 2 members for whatever the reason, that club needs 3 new members to make the **Plus One** goal. By setting these standards, our President feels that instead of a declining membership, we will turn this around and start an increase in membership. This is not as hard as it sounds if we just follow one simple rule **ASK Someone**. That is the key - just ask someone if they would like to come to a meeting to



*Hyde Park Leo President Jonathan Oltz at the UN for the Peace Poster Presentation.*

see what Lions are all about. I will be asking our Region Chairs and Zone Chairs to put this **Plus One** into effect. The Zone Chairs meet with one or two members of each club in their respected regions and therefore the message to all clubs will be delivered. I would like to know when each Zone Chair has scheduled their first meeting, so if possible I will be available if my presence is needed to help out in any way. We, as Lions must all work together to keep Lionism enrollment up.

*DG Frank*



## *VDG Joyce's Corner*

Hello to all Lions, Lionesses and Leos. The summer is winding down and you will soon be back to holding regular monthly meetings, back to new beginnings and ideas with new

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officers, back to planning the programs and activities for the club.

There are several items that need to be placed on your agendas for consideration for your September meetings. These are being outlined in date order.

**USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum**, September 22-24, 2005 in Peoria, Illinois. You may contact me for registration forms, call 605-718-4010 or Email to [forum@rushmore.com](mailto:forum@rushmore.com). "Passion to Excel" is the theme. There are numerous seminars from which to choose under the subtitles of Passion to Lead, Passion to Perform, Passion to Serve, Passion to Promote and Passion to Grow. The keynote speakers are dynamic and motivational expecting attendees to leave with renewed enthusiasm for our work, knowing that laughter is the best medicine, taking humor seriously and how to maximize our talents and abilities so that we can do more, be more and achieve more.

**MERL (Membership, Extension, Retention, Leadership) Seminars** are scheduled for October 1, 2005 at Camp Badger and October 15, 2005 in District 20-0 at the D&H Canal Conference Center in Cuddebackville. Please note that the October 15 date is a date change. We in 20-0 are fortunate to have one of these Multiple 20 seminars

held in our own district. The seminars are open to all members, but it is important that ALL district and club officers attend.

The **NYS/Bermuda Multiple District 20 Leadership Institute** is scheduled for October 27-28 in the Binghamton area. It is being held the weekend of the second Council Meeting and the District Governors will be attending the graduation ceremonies and dinner. I understand the registration is going fast for this popular leadership program. Please contact me for registration forms.

**District 20-0 Convention** will be held at the **Best Western Inn and Conference Center, Sunday, November 6, 2005**. Make plans now to attend! Mark your calendar! Bring someone with you!

The program has changed from what was previously reported. The Convention Committee is excited about changes made to the format, while providing the membership with good programs and speakers on timely topics that will benefit your club. We feel that this could be the best convention ever held. We are counting on you to make this happen. Make plans now to attend. Each club should be sending, at minimum, the club officers. The September issue of *The Lions Pride---The Communicator* is the convention issue. It will include

the program outline, registration form and program ad form.

*VDG Joyce*

## *Sight & Hearing What We Do Best By Sight Chairman Rev. John Capen*

Dear friends in District 20-0,  
**Convention! Convention!  
Convention!**

An important part of our work in Lions is to keep our people connected by taking them to events above and beyond the local club level. We all do great works within our own communities, but we get a feeling of the larger team when we go to conventions and other gatherings.

We learn about new technologies in sight and hearing. We learn good ideas for making our own clubs stronger and more effective. We bring back many resources to share with our own clubs. We make new friends and have good fellowship.

We get an inspirational update from a visiting director of Lions International. We get to become more familiar with our District Governor and other district officers and leaders.

Every Lion owes it to himself or herself to go to the convention on Sunday, November 6, at Best Western in Poughkeepsie. Save the





date and plan to have fun.

*Yours in Lions & Sight,  
Lion John Capen*



*By Hearing  
Chairman  
Melanie  
Wargo*

There is  
much we can

learn from the many dedicated and experienced Lions at the County Level Sight and Hearing Committee meetings. The sharing of information within and between these groups will increase our knowledge and understanding, enabling us to continue to enhance our service to others.

One item brought up at a recent Ulster County S&H meeting is the fact that when District 20-O was restructured last year the regions and zones no longer followed county lines. Clubs within a region or even a zone may be located in separate counties, and therefore participate in different county sight and hearing groups. This gives us a wonderful opportunity to share ideas outside of regions and/or zones, and expand our knowledge and the level of service we offer to our community. I would request that each club makes a dedicated effort to send representatives to the appropriate County S&H meetings, and discuss S&H activities at Zone and Region meetings.

A raffle pool has been organized to help wipe out debt at the Empire State Speech & Hearing Clinic, better known as Lions Camp Badger. Squares can be purchased for \$20 each; **DG Frank** will have them available as he travels throughout the district. Thank you to the Lions who traveled to the camp for Lions Day on July 24th; the District 20-O Bean-Bag/Tic Tac Toe Toss was a big hit with the campers. If you are looking for a guest speaker at your club meeting, Lions Ted and Brenda Blair would love to visit your club and give a presentation about Lions Camp Badger.

Through the Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project, LCIF is now distributing the "Lions Affordable Hearing aid" at a cost of only \$90-\$120 (depending on volume ordered) to Lions hearing programs and individual clubs. Clubs in areas without a Lions hearing program will work with local audiologists to test and fit low-income patients. The price of \$90-\$120 does not include the provision of hearing tests and hearing aid fittings, which clubs and Lion hearing programs need to arrange with an appropriate local hearing professional. LCIF is encouraging hearing professionals to provide discounted services for these low-income patients, with clubs helping the patients cover

these costs. For more information, contact: LCIF Humanitarian Programs, Telephone 630-571-5466, ext 615.

*Lion Melanie Wargo  
Glasses and Hearing Aides Tally  
WHAT HAVE WE DONE THIS  
PAST MONTH*

Glasses Collected

Hudson	50
Port Jervis	47
Sunglasses	9
Town of Ulster	84

Upcoming Related Sight/Hearing/  
Diabetes Events

Ulster Co Sight & Hearing  
Committee

August 18<sup>th</sup> 7 pm Plaza Diner,  
Ames Plaza, New Paltz. For  
reservations, contact **PDG Ed  
Blodgett** 229-5561.

2005 Walk to Cure Diabetes

Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Goshen Historic  
Track  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Kingston  
October 2<sup>nd</sup> Vassar College,  
Poughkeepsie



*Attention To All Who  
Wish to Hone Their  
Lions' Skills  
By: PDG Ted Blair*

The New York State M.E.R.L. Team will conduct two seminars in October.

The first seminar will be at Camp Badger on October 1<sup>st</sup> from 9 am to 2 pm.

The second seminar will be at D & H Canal Park in Cuddebackville,





NY on October 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 2 pm.

Both seminars will have lunch provided. There are no charges, **but reservations are required.**

Do not miss this opportunity. The second seminar is right in our backyard! We may even have a tour at Canal Park and the Museum.

For more information, call PDG Ted Blair @ 845-856-1638.

*PDG Ted Blair*



**We Welcome  
New Lions To  
Our Clubs...**

City of Newburgh: *Beatrice Capen*

**And, We Say Goodbye  
To Those No Longer  
With Us**

Lumberland: *Robert H. Doss*

Middletown: *Edward Klussman*



**The  
Lioness  
Column**

**By the Lioness Clubs of  
District 20-O**

*This Month's Column By:  
Lioness Joan Young, Immediate  
Past President, Catskill Lioness  
Club; and Lioness Darlene  
Eggler, President, Ellenville  
Lioness Club*

**Catskill** The Lioness Club of Catskill is sponsoring an AMBA Wellness Blood Screening opportunity on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> in the newly opened Catskill Senior Center.

Our regular meetings will resume in September with a

change of meeting night. We will be meeting on the first Monday each month except for September as this is Labor Day. We hope this will enable some of our members to participate more fully.

Our new year brings a change in leadership with **Patricia Schwenck** assuming the responsibilities of the President.

The Catskill Lioness are fortunate to have a member who has given much of her time and talents to our community and club as our President. It has been my honor to have served, and I will continue to support the goals of our Lioness Club and our new President.

**Ellenville** The Ellenville Lioness decided to do something a little different this year. Instead of the picnic in the park, we went to the China Buffet, a new business in our area. A nice time was had by all. Food and service was good and we encourage everyone to come out and support them.

Happy Birthday wishes to **Audrey Garcia, Carol Ulbrich & Walter Troin.**

Get Well wishes to **Doris Lamon, Doris Wardynski & Hanna Rosnell.**

**The Leo's Paw**



*By Columnist Leo Lauren Fitzgerald and the Leo Clubs of District 20-O*

*By Guest Writer: PDG Bill Fitzgerald, District 20-O Leo Chairman for 2005-2006*

I am very proud to be in the position of District 20-O Leo Chairman for the year 2005-2006 and more excited to work with such great people!

My goals for this year are to have all the Leo Advisors as well as the Leo Presidents to attend several meetings in regard to the following:

- District 20-O in becoming their own Leo District
- To have a separate Leo Convention
- To have the Leos involved in the Lions New York State Projects
- To have every Leo Club including every Leo together and to celebrate as ONE BIG LEO CLUB
- To have every Leo Club submit reports to the Leo Chairman

The first meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 11 am** at Perkins Restaurant in Newburgh on Route 300. Please RSVP by 9-14-05 at 845-858-8557 or

[bfitzgerald55@yahoo.com](mailto:bfitzgerald55@yahoo.com).

This can only be accomplished if I receive full support from the Leo Advisors, Leo Presidents and Leo Clubs!

We, as a Leo Organization, do many projects and take on responsibilities that are not reported to the District as well as the State now is the time that we need to be recognized and to be proud of the hard work that we all do!

We should be very proud of all of the hard work that was put into our Leo Clubs and how wonderful it will be to become our own Leo District in District 20-O and can be accomplished when we all unite as a Leo Organization as well as making **District Governor Frank** proud of the future leaders of the Lions --- Eyes on the Future...Accent on the Youth....





## **Congratulations to the Following Members Who Have Been Recognized Recently**

**Mamakating:** *Lion Jean Dougherty* received her Robert J. Uplinger award from *ZC John Marciano* recently.



## **Comings & Goings Around The District By The Secretaries of District 20-O As Provided in the Monthly Activity Reports**

**Bethel Lions** remind all that the club's Blood Drive, scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup> will be at the Kauneonga Lake Firehouse from 2 to 7 pm and is in memory of **Mr. Arthur Vassmer**.

**City of Newburgh Lions** were bestowed another large quantity of glasses by **Lion Bill Graham**; although they haven't had time to count them all, they note that **Lion Bill** is a model to be emulated. The club is looking into having a fair to replenish the Charitable Fund. Because of the financial situation, the club has voted to stop funding hearing aides; as soon as they have the ability, they will resume the hearing aide program.

**Goshen Lions** will hold their Community Dinner on September 10<sup>th</sup> at the Presbyterian Church. The 20 Week Picnic will be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at Lions Park in Goshen.

**Greenwood Lake Lions** made donations to the Senior Citizens Warwick Valley Picnic; the Mt.

Alverno Schevier Pavilion in Warwick; and Tuxedo High School teacher Lt. Lou Allen's family.

**Hudson Lions** were very pleased with their 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Olympics for the Columbia County playgrounds. A record 13 playgrounds participated with over 500 children. Youth participated in various sporting events. Medals were given to the winners and grand prize boy/girl winner got bikes. Lunch of hot dogs, soda and ice cream were served. Donations were received from Shop Rite, Price Chopper, WalMart and Burger King. Thanks to **Lions Eric B. Martin and Larua Mortefolio** for all their hard work in organizing the event. **Lion George Esposito** along with **Mary Francis** (a longtime member of our community) once again did a great job keeping track of the scores and emceeing. The event was a great success.

**Hyde Park Lions** held the First Annual Classic Car Show on July 31<sup>st</sup> during the Empire State Games. The club approved a project of sending school supplies to Iraq. Collection of all donations will take place at the club's meetings in September. The club's 200 Club Raffle netted over \$2,800.

**Jeffersonville Lions** don't meet during the summer months but they do have informal gatherings to organize their July Horse Show and August Golf Tournament fundraisers. The Horse Show Fundraiser was a success; and the club's golf tournament was held on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

The club awarded two scholaships to **Leos Emily Nebzydoski and Tracey Henry**. Emily will be attending the University of Scranton and Tracey will be attending SUNY Oswego.

**Kingston Lions** are trying something new with holding monthly breakfast meetings with the first one held the second Tuesday of August at 8 am which was also the club's first Expo meeting.

**Lumberland Lions** had guest speaker Lumberland Town Historian at their meeting whose talk was of special interest as it was about the building the club meets in at the Ukrainian Resort.

**Mamakating Lions** are holding a Defensive Driving class on August 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 9:30 pm for \$35 per student. It will save 10% off liability, collision and no-fault premiums. Anyone interested in attending should contact **Lion Jim Eggleton** at 888-5200.

**Marlboro-Milton Lions** held their annual Senior Picnic Day on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Pine Bush Lions** will hold their Club Picni on August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Town Park. Upcoming events are a blood drive on August 30<sup>th</sup>; Flu Shots in October and Christmas Tree Lighting in December. The club donated \$200 to the Walker Valley Marching Band.

**Port Jervis Lions** will hold a free Senior Citizens Picnic on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm at the Airport Park in Matamoras, PA.

**Stanford Lions** sent a package worth \$100 of school supplies for the children in Iraq. The club made donations to the Sight Society of NY and the Stanford Soccer Team.

**Warwick Lions** held their Installation Dinner on June 16<sup>th</sup>.





## Upcoming Fund Raising Events

### Around The District

**City of Newburgh Lions** will hold a fundraiser on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> at Applebees Restaurant on Rt. 300. Order a meal at normal cost and return your receipt to the club representative and the club will be paid 10% by Applebees. This is a no work fundraiser for the club and more information will follow.

**Goshen Lions** Picnic on Sept 17<sup>th</sup> at the Lions Park in Goshen will be the final raffle drawing.

**Greenwood Lake Lions** continue work on plans for their August 28<sup>th</sup> Flea Market. The club's 300 Club Dinner will be held on September 11<sup>th</sup>; and a Fall Festival is planned for November 6<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion.

**Hudson Lions** are selling 50/50 raffle tickets with the drawing to be held at the Greenport Community Day on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Club members will once again be helping out by manning the concession stand.

**Hyde Park Lions** will be involved with Community Days on Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 5 pm at Hackett Hill. The club will be cooking and selling refreshments. On October 1<sup>st</sup>, the club will participate in the Annual Flea Market at Regina Coeli.

**Hurley Lions** will have their Golf Tournament on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Kingston Lions** will have a Dinner Cruise on the Rip Van Winkle from 7 to 9 pm on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. The cost is \$37 per person with a menu of chicken marsala, 3-cheese lasagna, shrimp creole, rice pilaf, honey ham, and garlic potatoes. To sign up call, **Dolores Fredericks** @876-8742 or **Larry Maxwell** @ 590-1883. The 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Expo plans are underway with thoughts

focusing on a two-day event instead of three days.

**Lumberland Lions** continue with their 21-Week Club.

**Millbrook Lions** continue with their Raffle sales which ends in September; and their hot dog wagon at the MAG Concerts which are ongoing.



### Middletown Lions

coupons for "Subway Subs" will be redeemed during the month of August as "Lunch with the Lions". Profits from the Missoula Childrens Theatre tickets from August 15-21 and the Paramount Theatre Middletown Shows on August 29<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> will be split 50/50 between the Theatre and the Middletown Lions. The club will hold a bottle drive on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Monroe Lions** will have a fundraiser River Boat Trip on the Hudson "Pride of the Hudson"



on August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, \$60 per person. For info and reservations, contact **James Monroe** @ 783-3406.

**Northern Columbia Lions** will hold their August Picnic on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm at the Townsend Lair for the purpose of eating, drinking, socializing and planning for next year.

**Onteora Lions** will hold its "Captain-n-Crew" Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at the Woodstock Country Club. Contact the Club Secretary at (845) 338-4073 or e-mail PeterA225@webtv.net.

**Otisville Lions** continue to be very busy working on their new newspaper, the Otisville Voice. To date, three issues have been

printed so far. The club is working on the Art Show at the Country Fair and many other facets of the fair which is their main fundraiser.

**Pine Bush Lions** will hold their Harvest Festival on September 17<sup>th</sup> where they will have their Wheel Barrel of Cheer.

**Stanford Lions** will have a food booth and help decorate in town for the Stanford Community Day on September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Stanford Grange Grounds.

**Town of Fallsburg Lions** will hold their 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Lions Chicken Bar-B-Que on August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Morningside (Town of Fallsburg) Park in Hurleyville from 1 to 5 pm at a cost of \$9.00 per person with all the fixings. If interested in attending, contact **Lion Stuart Wizwer** @ 435-2152.



### TOWN OF FALLSBURG LIONS CLUB

#### HAROLD C. PANTEL MEMORIAL CHICKEN BARBECUE

Sunday, August 21, 2005  
Morningside Park - Hurleyville, N.Y.

1:00 - 5:00 PM  
\$9.00 Per Adult

Take Out Orders Start  
At 3:00 PM



For Tickets and  
Information  
**434-2152**  
**434-8000**

**Town of Ulster Lions** made a donation of \$400 to a group of teenagers that were raising funds for Juvenile Diabetes.

**Tri-Valley Lions** will participate in the Grahamsville Fair from August 18 to 21; the Sullivan County Fireman's Parade on September 11<sup>th</sup>; hold a Rabies Clinic on September 15<sup>th</sup>; and an





Annual Pumpkin Party on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

## District 20-O Reports Diabetes Awareness by Lion Carole Lybolt

Walk to Cure Diabetes sponsored by the Hudson Valley branch of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation -  
Dates are:  
September



18<sup>th</sup> at the Goshen Historic Track; September 25<sup>th</sup> in Kingston; and October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie.

## Public Relations

### by Lion Diane Budd

The Public Relations objectives for 2005-2006 are to make District 20-O the Best district in the multiple; to inform clubs and members about the programs, projects, activities, and awards the District has to offer; to increase public awareness of Lionism; to increase membership, retention, leadership and new clubs; and to increase club and member participation in District, Multiple District and International Programs, activities and awards.

The goals for the Committee are to support the M.E.R.L. team, Region and Zone Chairs by reinforcing information about the goals of the District Governor and District-supported projects and activities as well as those of MD20 and International to all clubs in the District, such as:

- Increasing donations and activity at Camp Badger

- Increasing attendance at Lions Family Day at Camp Badger
- Increasing donations and applications to the NYS and Bermuda Foundation
- Informing/encouraging Clubs of the requirements for earning the Club Presidents Excellence Award
- Increasing attendance at the District Convention
- Increasing attendance at the MD20 Convention in Buffalo
- Increasing attendance at the International Convention in New Orleans
- Encouraging clubs and members to participate in the Melvin Jones Fellowship
- Promoting participation in the Leadership Institute
- Offering suggestions to clubs to help raise public awareness of their service projects and donations in the community
- Sending PSA's and news releases to the various newspapers in our District about Lions Clubs and major projects related to Sight and Hearing Preservation, worldwide relieve projects and youth programs
- Encouraging all clubs to publish a newsletter and mail or email it to members, the District Secretary, and their local newspaper contacts and public officials
- Promoting District 20-O in "The Lion" magazine
- Promoting PID Al Brandel as candidate for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP of Lions International and



encouraging members to support him

## District Campaign for PID Al Brandel by PDG Bill Fitzgerald

I am very proud to be the District Campaign Chair for **Al Brandel**. Over the past 3 years, I have worked closely with **PID Al** and his wife **Dr. Maureen Murphy** and I truly believe that **PID Al** is well deserving of this position. We need all of the support from ALL of the clubs in District 20-O, the "O"utstanding District.

We will be having many fundraisers over the next few years and we need to support **Lion Al & Maureen** in this prestigious position. How great will this be when our very own NY **PID Al Brandel** is the President of International? The last president from the NY area was **Robert J. Uplinger** and that was over 35 years ago. So we need ALL **LIONS, LIONESS'** and **LEOS** in our District to support the fundraisers. Below are a few items that are in the works: Tee shirts \$15 each; Brandel's Shield: \$25 Bronze; \$50 Silver; \$100 Gold; Club donation of \$100 for a replica of his badge for the Club Banner.





Please make copies of this Monthly Report to be mailed

in by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to those below. (for those

who need more space, write on the back)

### CLUB MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT 2005-2006

To Be Sent Each Month with the Membership Report to: District Governor Frank Bartolotti, Zone/Region Chairs, District Newsletter Editor/District Secretary Dina Zager.

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_ President: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Month of Report: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Glasses Collected This Month	# of Hearing Aides Collected This Month	# Eye Exams Provided For This Month	# Hearing Aides Provided For This Month

Club Attendance @ Sight & Hearing Meetings (who attended from your Club): \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership:**

New Members Brought In This Month: (List Names-Do Not List Sponsor Names)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**Public Relations (Community/Health Related Events):**

List your Upcoming Community Events Here: (Press Releases welcome for publication in the newsletter)

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**Social:** (List any membership events planned, i.e. to bring in new members; social events planned for members)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Fundraising (Events to Benefit Club Activities):** List your Upcoming Fundraising Events Here: (Press Releases welcome for publication in the newsletter)

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Cost</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

(Please make copies for each month/submit to the Cabinet Secretary by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the newsletter).

**BUSINESS CARD ADS**

Business card ads may be placed in each monthly District Newsletter to help offset the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter. Cost is \$25.00 per month to run your card. If you are interested, please check off the months you wish your ad to run. Cards should be sent either via email or mailed to: Dina Zager, PO Box 430, Port Ewen, NY 12466 or zagerd@aol.com. For more info, contact Lion Dina Zager @ 845-339-1738.

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## 2005 USA/Canada Forum Featured Speakers



### THURSDAY AFTERNOON OPENING



Dr. Patt Schwab is a firm believer in taking humor seriously. Patt combines years of hands-on management, teaching and training with 11 years of working as a full time professional speaker in Europe, Canada and the USA. Her programs are packed with humor, insight, and practical tips for managing people, coping with change, and enriching work and home life. Insisting that the fresh perspective of humor provides help and reaffirms competence and identify what really matters. She raises the philosophical question: **What if the Hokey Pokey IS What It's All About?**

### THURSDAY NIGHT OPENING

Doug Stevenson is an entrepreneur and businessman with the heart of an entertainer. With a decade in real estate, a decade in Hollywood as an actor and another decade speaking, Doug mixes practical business experience with his hilarious theatrical talent in an entertaining and powerful program that inspires his audiences to get back to work with renewed enthusiasm.



### FRIDAY LUNCHEON



Whatever the source of stress, the results can be costly! But the good news is -- laughter is the best medicine. And here to bring you the antidote to stress is KARYN BUXMAN, a highly sought humorist and internationally recognized expert in therapeutic humor, Karyn Buxman, RN, MSN, CSP, CPAE realized it was time to leave bedside nursing when, as she watched a movie starring Mel Gibson, she found herself staring longingly... at his large veins. MAN! Karyn began her career in speaking when she realized it didn't require white support pantyhose, didn't involve body fluids and didn't have to be done in 12-hour shifts.

### SATURDAY BANQUET

Willie Jolley is "America's Leading Motivational Speaker-Singer- Author Combination!" In 1999, he was named "...One of the Outstanding Five Speakers in the world" by Toastmasters International. Former winners include Colin Powell, Norman Schwartzkoff, Nelson Mandela, Margaret Thatcher, Les Brown and Christopher Reeve! Mr. Jolley is a graduate of The American University and Wesley Theological Seminary. His mission in life is to help people to maximize their God given talents and abilities so that they can Do More, Be More and Achieve More!



## PID Gene Polgar General Chairman

*IF It Plays in Peoria*™ is the call for the 29th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum to take place September 22-24, in 2005 in Peoria, Illinois.

Nearly 1,100 Lions have pre-registered. It promises to be a well-rounded Forum with excellent professional and motivating speakers. The Planning Committee has worked very hard to put together an outstanding Forum and there will be over 80 seminars to enhance your learning experience. The Peoria Civic Center will be the site for the gathering of Forum attendees. It is a first-class facility and I know the hotel and motel management and the citizens of Peoria are waiting with open arms to greet you! We are incorporating a suggestion that we return to the concept of allowing a Friday night "on-the-town" when you will have the opportunity to relax and dine with fellow Lion friends without the necessity to provide a structured event on that evening. We have been assured by the Peoria Host Committee: chaired by Lion Terry Knollenberg and Honorary Host Chairperson PDG Carolyn Godby, that the restaurants are waiting to Welcome you and provide you with good food at a reasonable price! While at the Forum, please avail yourself of the many attractions in and around Peoria. The theme of this year's Forum is *"Passion to Excel"* which is also the theme of our 2005-2006 International President Ashok Mehta. The Forum has been structured to give you the opportunity to learn and go back to your respective clubs with the *"Passion to Excel!"* Please take the time to attend; you will never regret being a part of the 29th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum!

Yours in the Spirit of Lionism,

*Gene Polgar*

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## 2nd VP Jimmy M. Ross Honorary Chairman

Jimmy M. Ross, the current Second Vice President of Lions Clubs International, is the Honorary Chairman of the 29th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. A Lion since 1969, Vice President Ross is a member of the Quitaque Lions Club. He has taken part in eyeglass recycling missions to South America, chartered more than 200 clubs and was a speaker at seven Forums and seven International Conventions.



## Saturday Luncheon 1st VP Ashok Mehta

Ashok will be our featured speaker for this event. *"Passion to Excel"* will give us insight and knowledge of Lionism looking to the future.





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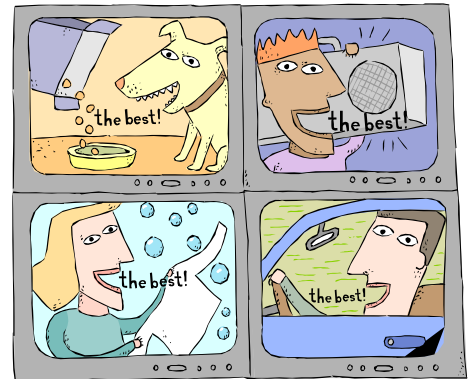


## Tid-Bits From Your Newsletter Editor

Please make copies of the Monthly Activity Report located on Page 9 of this month's newsletter and please use this form each month to update your activities in your area. If you need more space (as some of you have indicated, just right it on the back of the form). The form should be mailed into me by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. The form can be mailed via mail (Dina Zager, PO Box 430, Port Ewen, NY 12466) or via email ([zagerd@aol.com](mailto:zagerd@aol.com)). Note that September's Issue will be our Convention Issue which will be sent to all Lions, Lioness (and if the Leos provide their members info to the Leos as well!)

The District 20 Magazine will have a new format - we are now limited to one page per District - therefore, we will be concentrating on your upcoming events and any photos you can provide of the successful fundraisers and events held in your area. The next information is due into me no later than October 15<sup>th</sup> for the November issue,

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