



The Lions Pride *The Communicator*

District 20-O Monthly Newsletter Volume 4, Issue 1 July 2005



Monthly Message from DG Frank

Greetings To All Lions, Lioness', and Leos,

I can't believe it's already here! Three years are already behind me, and I have served as Hearing Chair, Sight Chair and Vice District Governor. My wife Anne and I thought our trip to Hong Kong was wonderful. The ceremony and parade was quite a sight to behold. We were warned about the tropical weather, and it was true: hot and humid every day! By now you all know that my message to all Lions is to communicate. I can't begin to explain how important this is especially in Lionism. Our International President's message is: "Passion to Excel". Ashok Mehta has broken down the "Passion to Excel" into five sub-categories: the Passion to Lead, the Passion to Grow, the Passion to Perform, the Passion to Serve, and lastly the Passion to Promote.

As I travel throughout the district, I will be addressing both themes: the "Passion to Excel" and "Communication". I am looking forward to visiting with all of you to share ideas and thoughts that will help increase membership and retention. This brain-storming will also help keep our clubs strong as we must continue to communicate with one another. I will be calling upon the Zone

Chairs to do a little extra this year with regard to the Membership Drive. This important objective will be mainly up to you! I will be asking you to talk to your club presidents and secretaries about going for the "Plus One". Int. Pres. Ashok Mehta has asked all members all over the World to add one more member to their club. He has further asked that we add one new club to each District. The mathematics are simple. This membership increase will bring us up to over Two Million Members! This may be a lofty goal to set, but it can be done if we all try "Plus One". I have set the first cabinet meeting for 9:00 a.m. on August 6th at Rochdale Firehouse on Route 44. Please everyone do their best to attend. Looking forward to seeing you on the 6th at Rochdale.

DG Frank



Meet Lions International President Ashok Mehta with Friends in District 20:

Lion Maureen Murphy, Mrs. Mehta, Lion Maryanne Fitzgerald, PDG Bill Fitzgerald; President Mehta, and 2nd VP Candidate PID Al Brandel

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VDG Joyce's Corner



It is my honor and privilege to serve the Lions, Lioness' and Leos as the Vice District Governor of District 20-0, the "O"utstanding District.

While this is a year of preparation for the role of District Governor, there are committees for which the VDG is responsible for chairing and events to promote. The *Lions Pride---The Communicator* will be utilized for keeping members informed about these committees and activities.

As chair of the **District 20-0 Convention** I can report that the committee has met twice to begin planning what we hope to be the best convention ever. Mark your calendars now for the first Sunday of November, the 6th.

The contract has been signed with Best Western, Poughkeepsie. You may question why the convention site was changed when the most of your votes was for a site in Middletown. The Middletown site only had one

meeting room which could not accommodate 150 attendees, and had no food service. By the way, the banquet manager for Best Western is a member of the Kerhonkson Lions Club and we told him that we expect to see him that day in Lions uniform.

Besides the usual leadership training seminars the primary focus for the seminars at the convention this year will be on the agencies that we support. Examples of potential programs include The Sight Society of NENY (eye donors), Lions Eye Institute and Foundation, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Camp Badger, NYS Bermuda Foundation, The Lighthouse and Juvenile Diabetes.

The **USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum** is scheduled for September 22-24, 2005 in Peoria, Illinois. 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 is structured to give you the opportunity to learn and come back to your respective clubs with the "Passion to Excel". The programs are done professionally with motivating speakers. It is a leadership and learning experience that you will never regret. I attended my first Forum in Reno, Nevada last year. I was so impressed that I pre-registered for the Forum this

year while in Reno and hope to continue attending annually.

The VDG is also chairman of MERL: Membership, Extension, Retention and Leadership. Future publications will address the MERL program.

In the meantime, **MERL seminars** are scheduled for October 1 at Camp Badger and October 22 in District 20-0 at the D&H Canal Conference Center in Cuddleback. All club officers and membership committee chairmen, as well as interested members, should make plans to attend one of these seminars.

The NYS/Bermuda **Multiple District 20 Leadership Institute** is being planned for October 27-30 at Binghamton. More information will be provided as it is received. This is a great opportunity to participate in a leadership program that will probably be one of, if not the, highlight of your Lionism experience. I am proud to wear the Leadership Institute pin as a 2003 graduate of the program.



VDG Joyce
**Sight & Hearing
What We Do
Best**

*By Sight Chairman
Rev. John Capen*

Dear Champions of Good Sight,
An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. The





activity or health of the eyes foreshadows problems that could show up in other parts of the body.

As Knights of the Blind we are called to take care of those who have already afflicted. However, if we can keep people informed about helpful strategies to keep the eyes healthy we will be helping ourselves and others both.

We live in an age of expanding research. Things that were unknown to our parents can be common knowledge to us just a few years later. The work that is going on at the Albany Eye Institute if have found most exciting. We should keep our clubs up to speed with special guest speakers on all the latest technology and breakthroughs.

I'll be looking forward to visiting your County Sight Committee at its next meeting

Yours in Lions & Sight,

Lion John Capen



*By Hearing
Chairman
Melanie
Wargo*

**Lions Camp
Badger**, our

state project in Spencer NY, is a Special Education Summer School that offers a truly unique social and educational experience for all participants. I encourage you to attend Lions Day on Sunday, July 24th to observe the camp in session and witness the smiles of the campers as they take part in the day's festivities.

The newly formed **Lions Camp Badger Foundation** has set a goal to build assets for the long-term financial security of the camp. Visit the foundation website at

www.lcbf.org to learn more ways you can help.

Suggestion for this month:

Visit a local nursing home, assisted living facility, or the home of an elderly neighbor. Demonstrate how to turn on the captioning feature of the television set. What a difference this feature can make to someone who is hard of hearing, but too embarrassed to admit they may need assistance.

Lion Melanie Wargo

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

Glasses Collected

City of Newburgh	400
Goshen	192
Millbrook	46
Stanford	30
Town of Deerpark	2

Eye Exams Provided

Town of Deerpark	3
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Hearing Aides Collected

Millbrook	3
Stanford	4

***Upcoming Related Sight/Hearing/
Diabetes Events***

- 2005 Walk to Cure Diabetes
- Sept 18th Goshen Historic Track
- Sept 25th Kingston
- October 2nd Vassar College, Poughkeepsie



Acknowledging a job well done is one of the most rewarding

*From
PDG
Ed
Budd*

experiences for a DG (and now a PDG). Congratulations to the 23 Lions Club secretaries that are recognized for receiving the 2004-05 Club Secretary Excellence Award: **Anne Dealy**-Amenia; **Jean Brucher**-Bethel; **Mike Cast**-Cornwall; **Sue Heller**-Florida; **Paul Zaccone**-Goshen; **Sharyn Marks**-Hudson; **Carlo Castiglione**-Hurley; **Alice Chupay**-Hyde Park; **Gale Myers**-Jeffersonville; **Tim Ryan**-LaGrange; **Susan Morley**-Lumberland; **Carole Lybolt**-Middletown; **Laura Briggs**-Millbrook; **Agnes Kiely**-Monroe; **Bob Burwick**-Newburgh (thanks **Bob Alicky**, for pinch-hitting in Sec. Bob's illness); **Jackie Rose**-Pine Bush; **Gerry Chestney**-Pine Plains; **Peg Eckert**-Port Jervis; **Anne Danko**-Stanford; **Bernie Shippee**-Town of Deerpark; **Dave McLaud**-Town of Woodbury; **Dina Jester**-Tri Valley; **Cory Rice**-Warwick. My sincere appreciation for your efforts and support in 04-05!

PDG Ed Budd



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

- Goshen:** *Elaine Eckerson*, transferred from the Town of Wallkill Mid-Orange Lions Club.
- Greenwood Lake:** *Charles Martinez*
- Monroe:** *Charles H. Pakula*
- Port Jervis:** *Lena Steele, Bruce Selneck*

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

None reported this month.





The Lioness Column



By the
Lioness

Clubs of District 20-0

This Month's Column By:
Lioness Darlene Egler,
President, Ellenville Lioness
Club

A flag was bought and donated to the main street flag pole in Kerhonkson. This was put in place for the flag day ceremony.

The celebration is over and now back to business. We thank everyone for their well wishes and wish more of you had joined us for the celebration.

The Club thanks **Ed Budd** for his past duties - job well done. Welcome **District Governor, Frank**, we are looking forward to meeting you. Welcome **Vice Joyce**, it was so nice of you to come and meet with us. Looking forward to seeing more of you.

We are driving for new members, out on our tag days and selling raffles, to raise our money for the upcoming year.

The Leo's Paw



By Columnist **Leo Lauren Fitzgerald** and the Leo Clubs of District 20-0

By Guest Writer:
PDG Ed Budd

As I mentioned in my previous Thank You, acknowledging a job

well done is one of the most rewarding experiences for a DG (and now a PDG).

By far the most difficult selection has been for the Leo of the Year; two very eminently qualified candidates have been considered. Making the choice even more difficult is the knowledge that 20-0 is blessed with many worthy, hardworking, and community active Leos with super credentials - leaders today and the leaders of tomorrow!

I am proud to note that we will be recognizing both of these Leos as co-Leo of the Year 2004-2005; **Spartan Leo Club of Florida Leo Tiffany Salonich**, and **Greenwood Lake Leo Colleen Dundas**. Each of these Leos has been active in their club for at least four years; has chaired many club projects and worked on many more; has organized projects for and been very active with other community organizations; is a member of the National Honor Society; has sponsored several new Leos; has devoted much time to combating hunger in the world; has been recognized for their participation in local environmental projects--- and much more for each (not enough room here to describe!) They are true Leaders and conduct themselves accordingly, seeking to give their best to their club and community and encouraging their peers to do likewise.

Congratulations, and Thank You, to Leos **Colleen** and **Tiffany** for representing Leos everywhere so well.

THANK YOU



Congratulations to the Following Members Who Have Been Recognized Recently

Bethel: *Steve Sedletsky* was presented with the Bob Uplinger Award

Greenville/Waywayanda: *Jim Young* president of the club was bestowed Lion of the Year honors.



Greenwood Lake: Honors were presented to *Jim Graham* as the club's Lion of the Year.



Rhinebeck: *VDG Joyce Maier* and *Lion David Maier* have been named to the Camp Badger Corporate Board.

Stanford: *Charter Lion Al Genovese* was presented with a certificate for 47 years of Lions Service and 25 years of service chevron to *Emerson Farwell*.

Comings & Goings Around The District By The Secretaries of District 20-0 As Provided in the Monthly Activity Reports

Bethel Lions had a busy year in 2004-2005 with their Lion on the Lake Fundraiser in March which grossed \$910; a road cleanup in the Spring which living in a rural area is a task within itself; but **President Michael Fox** treated those workers with a barbecue at the end of the day...the outcome was Beautiful Roadsides and wed-fed Lions. The club fed 248 people at their Pancake Breakfast in late May. The club made donations to the Lighthouse, Guiding Eyes, Vacation Camp for the Blind, MS Foundation, Alzheimer's, Camp Badger and Juvenile





Diabetes. Four local youths were presented with Scholarships - 3 for \$750 and 1 for \$100. The club's Blood Drive, scheduled for August 23rd will be at the Kauneonga Lake Firehouse from 2 to 7 pm and is in memory of **Mr. Arthur Vassmer**.

City of Newburgh Lions have passed a resolution establishing a Board of Directors for the Charitable Foundation. The club was pleased with the donation made by **Anthony Buccieri** and the **VFW 1161** who have been contributing to the club's eyeglass program for many years with the latest gift of 400 pairs of glasses.

Goshen Lions will hold their Community Dinner on September 10th at the Presbyterian Church. The club's Installation Dinner takes place on July 18th @ Delancey's in Goshen at 6:30 pm.

Greenville/Waywayanda Lins had their 20th Anniversary Re-Dedication/Charter Night with 21 members and spouses/guests in attendance. Scholarships were awarded to a graduating Minisink Valley High School Senior, totaling \$5800. Seven members put down the dance floor for the School's Project Graduation and 9 members worked Project Graduation (the all night party the School puts on after Graduation) cooking the usual hot dogs and hamburgers. The club held their Annual Car Show in mid-July with the **Middletown Lions**.

Greenwood Lake Lions presented Scholarship Awards at the Middle School as well as the High School award at Tuxedo. The club is working with a family whose child is in the need of hearing aides and is working with Audibel. The club's involvement with the City Games was well received and

the club may do it again as an event but not on a holiday.

Annual Dinner Meeting July 6, 2005



Members of the Greenwood Lake Lions pose during their Annual Installation Dinner.

Hudson Lions held a successful installation dinner and are looking forward to 2005-2006.

Hurley Lions were on hand helping the Hurley Library with set up of its annual book sale in early July. The club's next membership meeting will be their annual Picnic in September. The club holds only Board meetings during the summer months. Scholarship awards were made to four Kingston High School students.

Kingston Lions Roar'n Pride will be playing on July 23rd at Block Park and in October will be playing for a RUPCO gathering. September 30th marks the Business to Business Event at SUNY New Paltz and the club will be present to "drum up business" for the 2006 Expo.

Lumberland Lions continue with their Food Pantry donations which are brought in by members and then taken in to re-supply the needy Church Pantry at Pond Eddy Methodist Church. The club is in the process of collecting used musical instruments to be donated to their area schools for students interested in learning a musical instrument. A Blood Drive is

planned for August 6th at the Lumberland Senior Center.

Millbrook Lions were involved with the Kelly Miller Circus in early July.

Middletown Lions were involved with the car show with the **Greenville/Waywayanda Lions** in mid-July. The club will have their August Picnic on August 9th.

Millerton Lions sponsored the annual circus. They made a donation to an individual seriously injured in an automobile accident. On Flag Day, the club was responsible for the display of over 100 flags in the community.

Pine Bush Lions donated \$100 to Camp Badger. The club will have a Blood Drive in October.

Northern Columbia Lions spring raffle was a rousing success with a net total of \$767. The club's KinderKrafter Fair was one of the year's hottest events with participants enjoying Lion Burgers, Jungle Dogs and Safari Soda with a total of \$486 as their profit. The Rockefeller Project is a continuing project to help a neighbor with serious problems. The latest assistance was in the way of purchasing the sheetrock to partition the interior of the house as well as installation of it.

Otisville Lions endeavor to help a lady with a severe hearing problem has been completed. The club presented three scholarships at the Minisink High School Graduation.

Port Jervis Lions will hold a free Senior Citizens Picnic on Tuesday, August 23rd at 6 pm at the Airport Park in Matamoras, PA. The club held their Family Picnic on July 16th at PP Jay Mack's Home.

Rhinebeck Lions accepted a challenge from **Sharon Tortarella** Director of Nursing of the





Rhinebeck-based Brookmade Baptist Nursing Home to design and construct a wheelchair-accessible raised planter for the residents, making a gardening experience available for them. The planter is on wheels, consists of a 7' by 3' central planting area, two lower end planting boxes and two hanging basket stations on pulleys. Pictured left to right are: Mrs. Emma



Brands, Lion Dave Houlihan, Mrs. Barbara Harrington, Mrs. Adelaide Decker, Sharon Tortarella, and Lion Bob Frevele. Photo by Lion Rich Matthies.

Rip Van Winkle Lions made a \$100 donation for school supplies for kids in Baghdad as well as \$100 to the Haines Falls Free Library and \$100 to the Hunter Library.

Town of Deerpark Lions Juice and Game Booths at the Soap Box Derby netted \$709 in mid June; members also participated in the juice and game booth at the Deerpark Family Festival in mid-July. The White Cane Day in late June netted \$53.00. The club continues with flood relief to those from victims from the April flood. To date they have donated 3 pairs of glasses (some were lost in the flooding): working on a fellow that needs a hearing aide; arranged for some to get used furniture and linens that were needed; dollars donated to two families to help with security deposits for housing; \$750 in Home Depot cards were given to victims to help. The club also donated \$100 to the Orange County Sight & Hearing Group.

their Annual Chicken Barbecue on July 31 at the Kauneonga Lake Firehouse Pole Building from 1-3 pm. For tickets, Lions can call Michael Fox at 845-583-4094.

Goshen Lions will hold their Golf Outing on August 1st at Stony Ford for \$93 per person; the Lions Picnic will be on September 17th at the Lions Park in Goshen.

Greenwood Lake Lions continue work on plans for their August 28th Flea Market. The club is also raffling off a \$75 bottle of liquor and a \$100 gift certificate from a liquor store.

Hudson Lions are selling 50/50 raffle tickets with the drawing to be held at the Greenport Community Day on September 10th. Club members will once again be helping out by manning the concession stand. August 4th is the club's annual Junior Olympics for the area playgrounds.

Approximately 500 kids participated last year (up from 300 kids in previous years). The club provides hot dogs, soda and ice cream along with medals for the events and a bike going to the top boy and top girl. Many local vendors donate to the cause which helps to offset the expense.



Hurley Lions will have their Golf Tournament on October 3rd.

Kingston Lions will have a Dinner Cruise on the Rip Van Winkle from 7 to 9 pm on August 23rd. 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.

Lumberland Lions continue with their 21-Week Club.

Millbrook Lions continue with their on-going Raffle.

Middletown Lions will be at the Orange County Fair from July 20-31 to spread the word about the Lions. The Misula Childrens Theatre will take place in August at the Paramount Theatre. New Members are selling coupons for "Subway Subs" during June and July to redeem during the month of August as "Lunch with the Lions".



Monroe Lions will have a fundraiser River Boat Trip on the Hudson on August 18th at 7 pm. For info and reservations, contact James Monroe @ 783-3406.

Pine Bush Lions will participate in the Harvest Festival on Sept. 17th. The club's Wheel Barrel of Cheer Raffle continues.

Northern Columbia Lions will hold their August Picnic 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 29th at the Woodstock Country Club. Contact the Club Secretary at (845) 338-4073 or e-mail PeterA225@webtv.net.

Otisville Lions newspaper is gaining new subscriptions and ads each month.

Stanford Lions are pleased with their flea market with 50 vendors participating. Plans for their progressive multi-prize raffle are progressing and the drawing will be on July 25th. The Stanford Community Day will take place on September 17th. The club made donations to the United Church of Christ in memory of Bob Koch; the Lend An Ear Program and the Dutchess County Hearing Group.



Upcoming Fund Raising Events Around The District
Bethel Lions will hold





Please make copies of this Monthly Report to be mailed in by the 10th of the month to those below.

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)

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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>
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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>
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(Please make copies for each month/submit to the Cabinet Secretary by the 10th 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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Tid-Bits From Your Newsletter Editor

Please make copies of the Monthly Activity Report

located on Page 7 of this month's newsletter and please use this form each month to update your activities in your area.. The form should be mailed into me by the 10th 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).

Also, please inform your members of our new feature in 2005-2006, business card ads each month in the District Newsletter to help offset our printing and mailing expenses. For a cost of \$25 per month, your business card can run in the District Newsletter. For more info, see page 7 of this issue. Please note this first issue may not reach all Presidents and Secretaries if I did not have a copy of your PU-101 Report. Also, note, if you have an email address, you will receive you newsletter copy via email on the District Website. If you want a hard copy mailed to you instead, you must inform me either by email, fax or mail (as listed above).

Articles for issues of the MD-20 State Magazine are as follows:
August 10th for the Sept. Issue
October 15th for the Nov. Issue.

Hudson Valley Renegades Box Seat Tickets Available

\$1.00 from each ticket will be donated to the District 20-O Administrative Fund - Tickets are \$8.75 Each (face value)

Available Tickets

August 2 - (2) vs. Oneonta Tigers 7:11 pm
August 3 - (4) vs. Oneonta Tigers 7:11 pm
August 14 - (2) vs. NJ Cardinals 5:11 pm
August 27 - (4) vs. NJ Cardinals 7:11 pm
Sept 7 - (4) vs. Aberdeen Ironbirds 6:11 pm

Seats are located by First Base - Section 101A, Row G, Seats 13 thru 16

For tickets, contact **CS Dina Zager**, (845) 339-1738 or (845)691-8070 ext 7610

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