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District Governor

Lions District 20-0

The "0"utstanding District

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A note from the District Governor...

Wow, take a look at the list of clubs (page 4) that have recently welcomed new members. If your club is looking for some renewed energy and enthusiasm, call up the president of one of those clubs with several new members and invite yourself to a club meeting. You'll get some great ideas.

While visiting another club or group, watch the interaction at a meeting and note how everyone is made to feel welcome. Observe how the club president follows an agenda, observes protocol, makes

introductions, respectfully listens to the ideas of everyone in the room, and runs a professional meeting while still allowing time for friendship and fun.

Membership growth and retention of our members is up to each and every one of us. The need for Lions and volunteer services is as strong as ever in our communities. Help your club president to make your club meetings run smoothly and efficiently. Current members will keep coming to well run meetings, and new members will be proud to join your club.

...Show you care, but make it fun!



Rondout Valley
Lions Club
Eyeglass
Collection
Box



Millbrook Lions work crew prepares for
Soup Sunday



Goshen Lions Food Drive



"Northern Columbia Lions Club co-presidents Al Burkhardt (L) and Mick Bell (R) present The Good Neighbor Award for 2008 to Hannafood assistant store manager Casey Powers. Hannafood has given generous assistance in the Lions Club fund raising efforts throughout the year."

From the Vice District Governor...

Greeting Lions:

I would like to wish everyone a very special Happy New Year 2009. Hopefully by now everyone is settled in for the new year and also staying warm with this very cold winter.

I will be attending the 3rd State Cabinet Meeting shortly with DG Wargo. It is hard to believe that we are half way through this year, and with that being said, it is time for me to work on next year's cabinet. I need a lot of help with filling positions. I will be meeting with the VDG Elect to sit down and look at who we have not and who we might be asking. I will also be sitting down with the PDG's and working with them on this most important task. If you can help the district and myself out, please let me know.

The State Convention in May is right around the corner. We will again be doing ice cream floats at the hospitality room this year. If you are attending the convention and would like to help out with this task please let me know. We have such a great time at the convention and I really think you would enjoy it too.

Have you brought a new Lion in this year?? I ask you to think about your friends, co-workers and even family members. We need to grow our numbers and continue our good work in District 20-0.

If I can be of any assistance to you or your club, please let me know.

Your Lion,
VDG John

Life - Pass it On

<http://www.health.state.ny.us/professionals/patients/donation/organ/>

Q: I am currently enrolled in the New York State Life Pass it On Registry – should I enroll in the Donate Life Registry? What is the difference?

A: The Life Pass It on Registry was established in 1999 and records someone's intention to be an organ and tissue donor. This is called an intent registry. Intent registries require next of kin's permission for donation to proceed in the event of the prospective donor's death.

In 2006, a new law created the Donate Life Registry: a registry that records an individual's own legal consent to organ, tissue and eye donation upon their death. If you are registered in this new registry, your family will be informed of your decision and given information regarding the donation process, but their permission is not required to proceed with donation.

If you are enrolled in the Life Pass it On intent registry, your enrollment is not automatically included in the Donate Life consent registry. To ensure that your decision to be an organ, tissue and eye donor is honored, you must enroll in the Donate Life Registry.

Around the District...

(Compiled from newsletters and reports emailed to the District Governor and on-line activities reports filed by the last day of the month.)

Amenia

- Adopt-a-Family
- Donated for Baskets for the Needy
- Donated to ICC Food Pantry
- Successful 300 Club Dinner
- Annual Holiday Decorations in town

Beacon

- 10 Holiday Baskets - joint project with High School

Bethel

- Participated in numerous Lions SEE screenings
- Christmas baskets for underprivileged kids
- Collected 67 pair used eyeglasses

Chatham

- \$9000 proceeds from fair parking
- \$2500 proceeds from tractor pull
- Eye exams/glasses for 6 siblings
- Thanksgiving Turkey giveaway
- Ice Fishing Derby
- Sent 10,000 golf balls to soldiers in Middle East

Cornwall

- Collected 151 pair used eyeglasses

Florida

- Collected 100 pair used eyeglasses

Goshen

- Collected 100 pair used eyeglasses

Greater Washingtonville

- Coat Drive

Greenwood Lake

- Support local food pantry
- Supply Medical Alerts to seniors

Hudson

- Donation to local hospital
- Donation to Canine Companions
- Salvation Army Bell-Ringing
- Collected 200 pair used eyeglasses
- Assisted with purchase of hearing aid
- Support radiothon for Ronald McDonald house

Hurley

- Collected 1300 pair used eyeglasses
- Installed new high-efficiency lights in Lions Gazebo
- Excellent publicity in local paper

Jeffersonville

- Collected 200 pair used eyeglasses
- Lights on wreaths in village

Kerhonkson

- Yard Sale & Highway Solicitation
- 5 members attended 20-O Convention
- Planted 100 Tulip Bulbs in Kerhonkson
- Donation to Rescue Squad
- Collected 81 pair used eyeglasses
- Collected 19 cell phones for recycling

Liberty

- 2 Book Fairs
- 2 Chicken Barbeques
- Contributed to Food Pantry
- Awarded 2 scholarships

Livingston Manor

- Participated in Peace Poster Contest
- Collected 60 pair used eyeglasses
- Firewood Raffle
- Thanksgiving Dinner for local family in need

Lumberland

- Awarded 10 scholarships
- Donation to patient with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma
- Donated to library
- Sent Boxtops to Camp Badger
- Eye exam/glasses for local student
- Donation to annual children's clothing program

Mamakating

- Halloween Festivities at Chase School
- Joint Pancake Breakfast with Mamakating LEOs

Middletown

- Donation to MPC Bingo Project
- Donation to Orange County S&H
- Purchased eyeglass collection boxes for MHS project
- Donation to CROP Walk
- Served 350 at Pancake Breakfast in November
- 10 members attended district convention
- Over 250 Santa calls to local children
- Salvation Army Bell-ringing

Continued...

Welcome to our Newest Members

(as reported to LCI in October, November & December)

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Club</u>
Margaret Walsh	Patricia Fontaine	Amenia
Kathryn Deutermann	Frank Jackson	Beacon
Elizabeth Decker	Robert De Wit	Cornwall
Richard Gebhardt	Thomas Petersen	Cornwall
Edward Moskowitz	Ronald Tulloch	Cornwall
Hans Pavlacka	Ronald Tulloch	Cornwall
William Pearson	Ronald Tulloch	Cornwall
John Stager	Tom Stager	Cornwall
Kevin J. Begany	Paul Zaccone	Goshen
Christopher Vohl	Linda Nielsen	GreaterWashingtonville
Karen DePolito	Lewis Szymanski	GreenvilleWawayanda
Jeanna Russell	Laura Mortefolio	Hudson
Dolores M. Stefanski	Ed Blodgett	Hyde Park
Stacey Ann Stefanski	Ed Blodgett	Hyde Park
Jack Mills	John Wargo	LaGrange
Patricia Berman	Margaret Bartow	Liberty
William Berman	Margaret Bartow	Liberty
Gail Ludwig	Robert Ludwig	Liberty
Heather Pietrasz	Jean Dougherty	Mamakating
Anthony Abbatiello Jr.	Joan Stoltz	Middletown
Karlean Grey-Allen	Joan Stoltz	Middletown
Judy Serrano-Sm	Joan Stoltz	Middletown
Eleanor Berman	Lewis Saperstein	Millerton
Glynda Buffalo	Lewis Saperstein	Millerton
Ralph Fedele	Stacey Moore	Millerton
Diane Hosier	Lewis Saperstein	Millerton
Melanee Mayville	Lewis Saperstein	Millerton
Betty Walsh	Karen McGinness	Millerton
David M. Maksomski	Richard Campora	Newburgh
SamanthaZitzelsberger	Paul Zitzelsberger	Nine Partners
Edwin Keil	Unlisted	Northern Columbia
Douglas Marshall	Susan Marshall	Otisville
Linda Zgrodek	Cynthia Ferguson	Otisville
Patricia Nannetti	Gerald Chestney	Pine Plains
John Foy	Albert Glueck	Rip Van Winkle
William Lee	Robert Kraft	Saugerties
Peter Wassell	Christopher Galayda	T/Dover
Danielle Cornish	Gene Froehlich	Tri-Valley
David Cornish	Gene Froelich	Tri-Valley
Dave Forshay	John Clark	Tri-Valley

Would your
New Neighbor
make a good Lion?

Would your
Spouse
make a good Lion?

Would your
Co-Worker
make a good Lion?



We know Heather will be a
Great Lion !

Would your
Town Supervisor
make a good Lion?

Would your
School Principal
make a good Lion?

Would your
Family Doctor
make a good Lion?

Around the District...(continued)

(Compiled from newsletters and reports emailed to the District Governor and on-line activities reports filed by the last day of the month.)

Millbrook

- Seniors Holiday Dinner
- Soup Sunday Fundraiser
- Collected 25 pair used eyeglasses

Millerton Lions

- Sponsored Halloween Party
- Veterans Day Flag Display

Monroe

- Successful Supermarket Sweeps
- Donated items to local food pantry
- Joint Party with Rotary
- Collected 125 pair used eyeglasses

Newburgh

- Lotto Calendar Sales
- Salvation Army Bell-ringing
- Barnes & Nobel Gift Wrap Fundraiser
- Clay Pigeon Shoot
- Over 70 eye exams/glasses to local children this year
- Collected Medical & Hygiene Supplies for VCB

New Paltz

- White Cane Drive
- Community Christmas Tree
- Eye exam/glasses for local elementary student

Northern Columbia

- Publicity in local paper - "What Does a Lions Club Do"
- Scholarship winner guest speaker at club meeting

Otisville

- Collected 22 pair used eyeglasses

Pine Bush

- Donation to Orange County S&H

Port Jervis

- Holiday Dinner for Seniors
- Raising funds for child with eye cancer
- Collected 66 pair used eyeglasses, 24 sunglasses
- Salvation Army Bell-Ringing

Rhinebeck

- Delivered 70 dinners on Thanksgiving Day
- Visit Hospital on Christmas Day
- Excellent publicity article in Daily Freeman 11/23

Rip Van Winkle

- Operation Shoebox

Rondout Valley

- Fishing Derby
- Collected 1500 pair used eyeglasses
- Collected 8 used hearing aids
- 3 eye exams/glasses for local students
- White Cane Drive
- Donation to Christmas Dinner for shut-ins
- Donation to local food pantry
- Donation to school for children with learning disabilities

Saugerties

- Donated to Saugerties Food Pantry
- Donated to St. Mary's Playground Fund

Stanford

- 16 Thanksgiving baskets
- 18 Christmas baskets; 38 Toys for Tots

Town of Deerpark

- Collected 52 pair used eyeglasses

Town of Fallsburg

- Donation to Catskill Regional Medical Center
- Participated in Peace Poster Contest

Town of Ulster

- Collected 500 pair used eyeglasses

Town of Wallkill/Mid-Orange

- Collected 244 pair used eyeglasses

Tri-Valley

- Donated to local churches and food pantry
- Collected 111 pair used eyeglasses
- Purchased eyeglasses for local student

The Eight Wonders of the World

To see

To feel

To hear

To laugh

To touch

To love

To taste

To serve



2008-2009 CLUB PRESIDENT EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION

In order to receive the Club President Excellence Award, each club president must have the club secretary fill out this form and have it approved and signed by the district governor. Charter presidents in clubs organized during the first six months of the fiscal year shall be eligible. In undistricted areas the Coordinating Lion or provisional region/zone chairpersons should sign the completed form. The completed form must be mailed to the English Language Department at International Headquarters, or faxed to (630) 708-9130, to arrive by September 30, 2009. The award will be mailed to the 2009-2010 district governor for presentation. In undistricted areas the award will be mailed directly to the coordinating Lions or directly to the 2009-2010 club president.

Club Number

Club Name

Date

2008-2009 Club President's Name

Member Number

Requirements. Please confirm completion by checking the boxes and supplying requested information.

- 1. The club has furthered the association's purposes and has adhered to the association's constitution and by-laws as well as its policies.
- 2. The club has conducted at least one service activity during the year. Please explain briefly what activity was conducted: _____
- 3. The president has attended all of the following Lions meetings during the year. (In case of emergency, a representative of the club president may attend on behalf of the club president.)
 - (a) At least two zone meetings. Dates: _____ Location: _____
 - (b) Club officer orientation/training. Date: _____ Location: _____
 - (c) District, multiple district, or international convention. Which one? _____
- 4. The club has submitted each of the following reports to International Headquarters by the due dates:
 - (a) Monthly Membership Report (C-23-A).
 - (b) Annual Club Officer Report (PU-101).
- 5. The club is in good standing with Lions Clubs International, the multiple district and the district at the end of the fiscal year, June 30.
- 6. The club has achieved a net gain in membership by June 30. Number of net gain: _____
- 7. New members were properly inducted, oriented and involved in service activities and/or committee work.
- 8. The club has made a contribution to LCIF. Date: _____ Amount: \$ _____

What was the club's most outstanding accomplishment in 2008-2009?

Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club president shall be considered only if received at international headquarters within 12 months after completion of the club president's term of office, provided that the original application form is already filed at international headquarters.

I certify that the above facts agree with the records of the district.

Date

Signature of 2008-2009 District Governor

District



Presidents of LaGrange & Pleasant Valley present a check to The Children's Homee



Friendship, Fellowship, and Fun
The Amenia 300-Club



Hyde Park Lions Annual Awards Night



Livingston Manor art teacher is recognized for her role in the Peace Poster Contest



Town of Wallkill/Mid-Orange Lions prep raffle tickets at Valentines party



District Cabinet Meeting



Representatives of 14 Clubs in Dutchess County joined together at Copperfields in Pleasant Valley for the annual "President's Night" sponsored jointly by the Dutchess County Lions Sight Restoration Committee and the Dutchess County Lions Hearing Preservation Committee.



Mamakating Lions installed a new member, presented a Robert J. Uplinger Award, and then had some fun with a game of "Lions Jeopardy" thanks to the creativity of Taitwister Alex "Trebec(?)".

Lions SEE (Screening Eyes Early) thanks those who have invested their time:



<u>Club</u>	<u>Lions Trained</u>	
Bethel	Jaques	Alarie
Bethel	Joan	Bortolotti
Bethel	Larysa	Dyrszka
Bethel	Al	Frangipane
Bethel	Maria	Frangipane
Bethel	Irene	Oleary
Florida	Joyce	Willetts
Goshen	Cecile	Ayres
Goshen	Eileen	Dorian
Goshen	Elaine	Eckerson
Goshen	KimMarie	Jablonski
Goshen	David	Lyons
Goshen	Kathy	Pardo
Goshen	Manny	Pardo
Greenville/Waywayanda	Kathleen	Habesland
Greenville/Waywayanda	Joan	Romanychyn
Greenville/Waywayanda	Joanne	Wilcox
Greenwood Lake	Curt	Hyers
Greenwood Lake	Bruce	Rohner
Greenwood Lake	Sam	Yuppa
Hurley	Joe	Decker
Hyde Park	Ed	Blodgett
Hyde Park	Linda	Dembicki
Hyde Park	Mary	Morris
Hyde Park	Dan	Olson
Hyde Park	Debbie	Ray
Hyde Park	Judith	Walsh
Kingston	Elsworth	Johnson
Kingston	Richard	Sturmer
LaGrange	John	Wargo
LaGrange	Melanie	Wargo
Marlboro/Milton	Pete	Lyons
Middletown	Ed	Budd
Middletown	Glenice	Foglia
Middletown	Carole	Lybolt
Middletown	Al	Propeack
Middletown	Cindy	Propeack
Middletown	Joan	Stoltz
Middletown	Cliff	Youngs
Monroe	Tom	Mullin
Monroe	John	Wells

<u>Club</u>	<u>Lions Trained</u>	
Newburgh	Bea	Capen
Newburgh	John	Capen
Otisville	Joan Marie	Muino
Pine Bush	Jennifer	Lalli
Pine Bush	Rich	Lalli
Pine Bush	Jackie	Rose
Pine Bush	Carl	Wantje
Port Jervis	James	Koferl
Port Jervis	David	Krupunich
Port Jervis	Patty	Krupunich
Rhinebeck	David	Houlihan
Rhinebeck	Joyce	Maier
T/Deerpark	Joanne	Vicaretti
T/Deerpark	Robert	Vicaretti
T/Deerpark	Janice	Monahan
T/Deerpark	James	Schumm
T/Deerpark	Bernie	Shippee
T/Fallsburg	Miranda	Behan
T/Fallsburg	Ilene	Wizwer
T/Fallsburg	Stu	Wizwer
T/Montgomery	Anne	Horan
T/Montgomery	Sue	Tansey
T/Ulster	Edith	Hill
T/Ulster	Joan	Hill
T/Ulster	Jackie	LaBarge
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Dave	Bechtle
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Steve	Conklin
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Bill	Fitzgerald
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Lauren	Fitzgerald
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Maryann	Fitzgerald
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Mike	Hart
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Bob	Molatch
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	T.J.	Shoeman
T/Walkill-Mid Orange	Sue	Timmins
T/Woodbury	Doug	Carey
T/Woodbury	George	Lane
T/Woodbury	Mary	Onken
Warwick	Erin	Andersen
Warwick	Mary	Kearney
Warwick	Dawn	Murtagh
Warwick	Doug	Stage



Pleasant Valley Lions and LaGrange Lions find joint meetings informative and fun



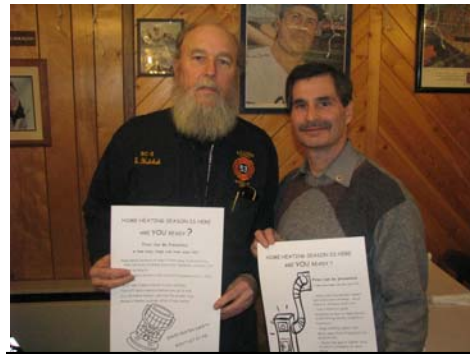
Goshen Lions collected almost 300 bags of groceries at a food drive



There's no place like home, whether it's a Holiday Party or a Club Board Meeting.



Town of Deepark Lions welcome younger family members at meetings



Town of Fallsburg presentation



Santa drops in to visit at the Millbrook Lions Holiday Dinner for Local Seniors



Hyde Park Lions invite friends and past members to the Annual Awards Dinner



Amenia Lions know that serving dinner for 350 requires organization, planning, and a good crew!



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District 20-0 Lions Newsletter
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Your community is proud of it's local Lions club!

Lions are Everyday Heroes, Performing Miracles Through Service

District Governor Adventure Continues:

- Nov 01 District 20-0 Cabinet Meeting
- Nov 02 District 20-0 Convention
- Nov 03 Highland Lions
- Nov 04 Pine Bush Lions
- Nov 05 T/Ulster Lions
- Nov 06 Chatham Lions
- Nov 10 Pine Plains Lions
- Nov 11 Livingston Manor Lions
- Nov 16 District R-1 Convention
- Nov 17 Rip Van Winkle Lions
- Nov 19 Greenwood Lake Lions
- Nov 20 Ulster S&H President's Night
- Nov 25 T/Deerpark Lions
- Dec 04 Dutchess S&H President's Night
- Dec 06 Amenia Lions 300 Club
- Dec 18 Rhinebeck Lions

Newsletter Information:

We want to hear from you! To be included in our district newsletter, please forward information, pictures, reports and articles by the last day of each month to Melanie Wargo: mrswargo@yahoo.com

Save the Date:

April 18: Cabinet Meeting, Location TBA

**May 22-24: MD20 Convention
Binghamton, NY**
Seminars, Hospitality Rooms, Guest Speakers, and much more...
Sign up now for best room choice!

June 06: District End of Year Party
More information to follow...

2009-2010 District Leaders Needed
Positions available at all Region, Zones and District levels. Share your knowledge and enthusiasm with other Lions in the District. Contact DG Melanie or VDG John for more info