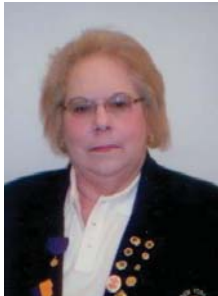


The Lions Roar

The Official Newsletter of District 20-Y2



March 2013



A Message from District Governor Linda Walsh



Dear Lions, Leo's and Lioness,

I am sorry I had to cancel the last Cabinet meeting, but our safety is more important. The rescheduled meeting was very successful and quite a few members attended. A very special thank you to PDG Lettie for preparing our dinner. No one went away hungry.

Thank you for your generous donations for the "Camp Badger Shower". It was a very successful project. A thank you in advance to PDG John Samples and Lion Kirk Hardenburg, both from the Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club, for taking the linens to Camp Badger in their trucks. If any club still has things, contact me and I'll make arrangements to pick them up.

With the help from VDG Steve Lynch, all the District dues are paid up. Please continue to keep up the good work.

To Zone Chairs who were unable to attend the last Cabinet meeting, please send me your reports and status ASAP.

The NY State Lions convention will be held May 17 - 19th at the Adams Mark Hotel in Buffalo. There are plenty of rooms still available. A dues increase will be one of the major topics on the ballot. We need your input and we will also be voting in our next District Governor Steve.

Our next Cabinet meeting will be held on April 27 at CABVI in Utica. A free lunch will be provided plus a tour of the facility and a special guest speaker. Please keep that date open and hopefully the weather will be good. Lets have a good showing.

My visitation are starting up again and I look forward to meeting your clubs and sharing ideas.

Remember PU 101 Club officer Reports are due by April 15th.

The Easter Bunnies have arrived! Clubs will be selling them now. Buy them and give them to your family and friends. This is one of the biggest fundraisers the Lions Foundation/Eye Institute hold every year. Please support this great cause.

I wish each and every Lion a Happy Easter and keep up the great work you do.

Yours in Lionism,

DG Linda

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28th of each Month

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From the Desk of 1st VDG Steve Lynch

Greetings,

Someone asked me how busy we were getting so I thought I would try to give you an idea. In addition to our local club activities, 2nd VDG Marianne and I have had a very eventful month and it looks like we are going to be running even faster.

As Chairman, I conducted another meeting of the statewide Communications Subcommittee on February 11th. We are hoping to improve communications among all levels of Lionism. I welcome your thoughts and suggestions.

As Trustees, we attended the Lions Foundation at Albany Board Meeting on February 16th. The foundation Trustees and the Lions Eye Institute Directors would be pleased to conduct a presentation about LFA/LEI at your club. Contact me if you are interested.

VDG Marianne has been busy as the district “Bunny Chair” again this year and she wishes to thank all of the clubs who participated. Special thanks go to King Lion Jack Womer and the Galway Lions for their efficient distribution of the LFA chocolate bunnies on February 23rd.

We attended the third MD-20 Council of Governors meeting in Syracuse on February 22nd through 24th. It was an intense weekend of meetings, training and planning.

The 3rd 20-Y2 Cabinet Meeting on February 23rd was highlighted by two excellent presentations including one on diabetes by PDG Dick Ralston. Diabetes Alert Day, scheduled for March 27th, is a wake-up call for the American public to learn more about diabetes, particularly when it is left undiagnosed or untreated. LCI is partnering with the National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP). Go on www.LionsClubs.org for more information.

PDG Dave Harris informed us about the Lions Eye Bank at Albany and the Sight Society of Northeastern New York. For the 30th year, March is National Eye Donor Month so consider giving the gift of sight. Go to www.lionseyebankalbany.org for more information. “Donate Life” forms are available through the eye bank or at your

local NYS DMV office.

I will be travelling to the Boston area this weekend to attend a two day Lions Global Leadership Team Area Training. This will be followed a couple of nights later by a club meeting and then a Zone Meeting the next night.

We have been making all kinds of arrangements for the MD-20 New York / Bermuda Convention in Buffalo in May. Please get your reservations in soon. We have also been busy with our travel plans to the Lions International Convention in Germany in July.

VDG Marianne and I thank you for choosing us as your nominees for 1st Vice District Governor and as District Governor. We are energized and encouraged by the many excellent 20Y2 Lions who have agreed to join our team next year and accept the various district positions. Together, we are all working hard to hit the ground running in July.

Yes, this can all be quite hectic, but as VDG Marianne said to me one time returning from a Lions meeting, “I always feel good on the way home from Lions, because we have been surrounded with really wonderful people.”

If there is any way which I can serve you, please call me at 518-642-0000 or e-mail me at Stephen@SheldonMansion.com

Yours in Lionism,

1st VDG Steve

“Friends in Deeds”

Superstorm Sandy Relief

By PDG Orv Curtis

Following is information to help Sandy Relief.

**Make checks payable to:
Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation**

**Send to:
Lions Steve Tremaroli
PO Box 1966, Huntington, NY 11743**

**Call me at 518-882-6307 or 518-577-8861
if I can be of further assistance - PDG Orv**

Granville Lions Club

By King Lion Linda Ellingsworth

The Granville Lions have been getting around! On Monday, Feb. 4, the club visited the Castleton Lions up at the Trak Inn at Lake Bomoseen. It was a great get-together, and a good time was had by all.

On Wednesday, Feb. 27, we were the guests of the Granville Rotary Club at AJ's. We had a great time socializing with the Rotary members, and enjoyed a talk by two members of the Granville Police Department, including Lion Dave Williams.

We will be hosts of a visit on March 19, when the Castleton Lions attend our meeting. Our speaker will be Victoria Adler, executive director of the Lions Eye Bank at Albany. PDG Dave Harris, chairman of the Eye Bank's executive board, will be on hand as well. Come early for hors d'oeuvres!

The second annual Granville Lions Zumbathon will be held on Saturday, April 20 at The Forum. We had a good crowd of dancers last year, and hope to have even more this time around. Lion Cindy Teller is working on this "fun" fundraiser, which will once again benefit JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). Time of the event will be announced soon.

Furniture sales will begin on Friday, April 19. Look for your work schedule to arrive in the next couple of weeks.

Nominations for officers for the 2013-2014 Lions Year will be presented by the Nominating Committee at the March 5

Guiding Eyes for the Blind
www.guidingeyes.org/

**Northeastern Association
for the Blind at Albany**
www.naba-vision.org/

**Central Association for the Blind
and Visually Impaired**
www.cabvi.org/

Lions Eye Bank at Albany
www.lionseyebankalbany.org/

dinner meeting.

February donations included the purchase of a \$50 ad in the program of the Granville H.S. Drama Club for its production of "The Fantasticks," and a set of four chairs to the 4-H Shooting Sports program for a raffle.

The Lions/Leos Blood Drive will be held at the Granville High School from 1 to 6 p.m. on Friday, April 26. Volunteers are needed! Please contact Mary Ann Niles at 642-3516 if you can help.

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"Through Their Eyes - The Gift of Sight" 2013 Calendar



Each month showcases original artwork created by Capital District children expressing their appreciation for the gift of sight.

Every calendar sold benefits underprivileged children in need of eye care. This calendar is about children helping children.

For more information go to:
www.lionseyebankalbany.org

\$8.00 Per Calendar - No Tax Due / Shipping Included

Make checks payable to:
Lions Eye Bank at Albany
6 Executive Park Drive
Albany, NY 12203

New York State and Bermuda
Multiple District Newspaper
[http://20y2lions.org/Newsletters/
2012-10_MD20.pdf](http://20y2lions.org/Newsletters/2012-10_MD20.pdf)

Night At The **BREWSEUM** Craft Beer & Military Gear

Sample the Areas Finest Craft Beers while
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Friday March 22, 2013
6pm – 10pm



NYS Military Museum • 61 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY

Presented by the Saratoga Springs Lions Club and Friends of the NYS Military Museum

TICKETS

Pre-Sale: \$30

At the Door: \$35, non-drinker \$10

- Beer & Wine compliments of Druthers Brewing Company, Saratoga Eagle, Olde Saratoga Brewing Company, Frederick Wildman and Sons, Adirondack Winery and Ledge Rock Hill Winery
- Food compliments of Maestro's Restaurant
- Music by Matt McCabe & Rick Bolton
- Pint Glasses courtesy of T-Shirt Graphics & Druthers Brewing Company

Tickets available at the Museum Gift Shop,
from any Saratoga Springs Lions Club member or online at
SaratogaLions.com and FriendsOfTheNYSMilitaryMuseum.com

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Information at These Websites:**

District 20Y2
20y2lions.org/

Multiple District 20
www.md20lions.com/

Lions International
www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php

Saratoga Lions Club

By Shelley Riley



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Glens Falls Lions Club Lion Celebrates 90th

By Lion Sandi Clark

Glens Falls Lion Harold McAfee recently celebrated his 90th. birthday. He is an extremely active Lion who inspires many people through his passion for sports and his service to the community. You will find Lion Harold busy working at all the Club's fundraisers and is also involved in the many service projects, e.g. cooking and serving at the community dinners, cleaning up the highway (chairman of the Adopt-a-Highway program many years).

He also remains active by putting in close to 40 days of skiing already this winter. If conditions aren't good for skiing, you will find him at the nearby ice rink.

In the warmer weather Lion Harold plays tennis several times a week with a group of regulars at Morse Field. Last season, he also played 140 rounds of golf at Hiland Golf Course.

He has been active his whole life. He began playing ice hockey in high school, and afterward joined the Army when he heard they were looking for volunteer ski troops to train for World War II.

He served in the 10th. Mountain Division for three years of active duty. He feels the conditioning he learned then fueled his passion for exercise.

Over the years Lion Harold has also enjoyed figure skating, rollerblading, ice dancing, bicycling, hiking, kayaking and fishing.

How does he stay fit and active for so long? "I've always tried to keep a healthy diet, never smoked, and maintained my weight through exercise," he says. He believes our bodies are meant to be moving and that's when we feel our best.

Other ingredients Lion Harold feels contribute to a lifetime of wellness are a keen sense of humor, a grateful

attitude, and socializing with others.

Happy 90th. Birthday Lion Harold McAfee.

[Portions of this article taken from February 21, 2013 Chronicle.]

SAVE the DATES!
10th Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 1, 2013

2nd Annual Duathlon

Sunday, October 13, 2013

GLENS FALLS Lions Club
King Lion Beth Russell

P.O. Box 528, Glens Falls, NY 12801



email contact on website ~
www.glensfallslions.org

Like our Facebook page: Glens Falls Lions Club



Glens Falls Lion Harold McAfee, in 2003, whipping up pancakes for a Pancake Breakfast. Truthfully, Lion Harold looks exactly the same today, ten years later!

LIONS CLUB RESOURCES

www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/resources/index.php

Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 9, 2013

Scotia-Glenville Lions Spaghetti Dinner
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Take Outs Available)
First Reformed Church of Scotia

Saturday, March 16, 2013

Galway Lions Community Breakfast
7:00 am - 11:00 am
Bob Tree's Ski Lodge

Friday, March 22, 2013

Saratoga Springs Lions Night at the Brewseum
See Page 4 of this newsletter

Monday, March 25, 2013

Hearing Conservation Society meeting
7:00 pm, Center for Better Hearing
318 Ridge Street
Glens Falls, NY 12801

Call Cindy Allen @ 518-798-4800 for directions.
All Lions in 20Y2 are members of HCS.

For more information go to www.20Y2.org

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

By Cheryl Lawyer, Region Coordinator, GEB

About nine years ago, my world was dramatically changed as I welcomed King, an eight week old, black lab, guide dog pup in-training into my life. Since then, as the volunteer Region Coordinator for Guiding Eyes for the Blind Puppy Raising Program, I have helped to support over 45 puppies through this amazing journey. (A nice complement to my outreach and education work with the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany[NABA])



Cheryl Lawyer, Region Coordinator for Guiding Eyes for the Blind, and King.

Raising a puppy for Guiding Eyes for the Blind is a real gift of love. A puppy is not born a guide dog, but created through the dedication and commitment of an entire team of individuals. In the Lions District, there are two teams of puppy raisers and puppy sitters; volunteers who do this wonderful work – Northern NY Region (Saratoga, Warren, Washington) and Capital Region (Albany, Troy, Schenectady). At any given time, there are about 20-25 pups living with puppy raiser families attending training classes; socialization their pups in the community and teaching good manners. I coordinate the Northern NY team and we currently have nine pups with puppy raiser families and five pups who are in various stages of their formal guide dog training at Guiding Eyes. The Paszul Family of Gansevoort, NY are currently raising puppy #8! Ten month old pup in-training, Gem is being raised by The Martin Family of Wilton, NY. Gem is #4 pup for the



Left: Ansel, the Paszul Family's seventh puppy graduating at Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

Martin Family who recently joined the Saratoga Lions Club. Gem has been a real hit at meetings, presentations and Gliding Stars. Look for her at upcoming events like the Brewseum on March 22nd in Saratoga Springs, NY. Barbara Martin says "Gem is a gem to be with! She is so smart and sweet. We are very proud to be part of the Guiding Eyes for the Blind program and helping someone get a 'new leash on life'. It's very rewarding." The Martin's first two pups are now guide

dogs in Canada and the state of Washington. It looks like Gem is an awesome honorary member of the Saratoga Lions! (pics attached)

One of the pups who just entered training a month ago, was my boy Carlos. Carlos was #3 pup for me. Having started his puppy raising life in Burlington, VT, Carlos came to me last August as his raiser family was moving. I was thrilled to have him as I knew his parents well, having been raised on our team. (His dad is now a guide dog in NYC and his mom just had another litter of future guide dogs.) AND his brother Chance was on our team as well, having been raised by Bill Tokos of Queensbury, NY. It was fascinating to see the similarities and differences between the siblings and parents. Many times I just shook my head, smiled at my exuberant, smart boy and said "You're just like your mama!". It was an emotional day when we took Chance and Carlos back to Guiding Eyes and even more emotional when we watched them both ace their entrance exams into guide dog school. Lots of happysad tears! We are looking forward to upcoming report cards and attending a graduation later this year. Paws crossed!

Frequently people will ask what happens if a pup doesn't 'make it' to be a guide dog. Just like humans, we're all different. Two of our team pups joined the Heeling Autism program, assisting young children on the autism spectrum. Another of our pups is a guard dog of the Royal Palace in Bangkok, Thailand having been trained by the ATF. Some pups may also go on to assist people with other disabilities in the Special Needs program; some will go to other agencies for assistance or police work training. And some are just best suited to be wonderful pets. Whatever **their** career choice, they are very special dogs and each one of our team pups has a special place in my heart. As we puppy raisers say "In our lives for a year. In our hearts for a lifetime."

Guiding Eyes for the Blind is always looking for more volunteers. More information can be found at www.guidingeyes.org or contacting me, Cheryl Lawyer at (518) 312-6862, cflawyer@nycap.rr.com.

Many, many thanks for the on-going support of all the Lions.

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Schuylerville Lions Club

By Lion Larry Alheim

Membership Chairman Lion Dave Cummings presents certificate and Lion Pin to newly accepted Lion Kay Lee into the Schuylerville Lions Club



SCHUYLERVILLE Lions Club

King Lion King Lion Margaret (Maggie) Chiperno
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Utica Lions Club

By Lion Leah Salem

Utica Lions Club members are participating in the National Diabetes Alert Day on Tuesday March 26. They join Lions Clubs International, the National Diabetes Education Program and the American Diabetes Association in bringing diabetes awareness to their community.



Lions meet to discuss the Diabetes Alert. Lions Dawn Walters, Allen Zuck, Christine Barnes, Howard Heffron, King Lion- John Bord, Joe Tyo and Leah Salem.

Utica Lions will distribute the risk test to Senior Centers, the Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired and other businesses in the Utica area. Diabetes statistics are staggering. More than 25.8 million children and adults in the United States have diabetes. 18.8 million are diagnosed. The goal of the Alert is to help find the 7 million people who are undiagnosed. The Alert Test will show if a person is at risk and advise them to seek advice from their own doctor.

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VCB

by Lion Mike O'Brien

Since the storm, Lions have provided much needed support. to VCB, by assisting it in its recovery from hurricane Sandy. The Somers Lions club members cut down most of the trees that forced cancelation of VCB's November and December programs. The Yorktown Lions donated new winter coats hats and gloves to participants who have been displaced by hurricane Sandy. Other Lions donated clothes, electrical work, and many volunteer hours to get VCB programs up and running again.

VISIONS received some donations, including a NYS & Bermuda Lions Foundation emergency grant, and a personal donation from a donor for matching funds of \$25,000. Many Lions clubs have donated to match this grant, but none from 20-Y2. VCB is still short, close to \$5000, to match the grant. The insurance adjuster gave us a quote much less than the total damage we suffered, and we are still waiting on FEMA.

Any support from the clubs of 20-Y2 will be much appreciated. Total VCB Emergency Needs \$109,390.00.

VCB ran a successful January weekend for 52 participants. It's on schedule again, to serve more participants in February, March April and June. The pre-vocational week for youth who are blind, to enable them to gain skills which will help them succeed in school and employment, will be held from March 25 to March 28 (note: this session has been delayed to March from its regular February date, due to the Department of Education need to make up the days students lost during the storm).

Our summer dates have been set, and we will have 5 different sessions, 3 for adults and 2 for families with children who are blind. Our goal is to surpass the 582 participants we served last summer, which has been the best summer in the past 12 years. The summer will run from July 15 to August 25, 2013. VCB is available for rental during the month of June, and the first 2 weeks of July, to help replace funding lost in the past 2 years, and

obtain the money needed to fully repair the recent major storm damage.

VCB Chair Lion Mike O'Brien

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Diabetes

Diabetes Alert Day

By PDG Dick Ralston

American Diabetes Association Alert Day®, observed Annually on the fourth Tuesday in March – Tuesday, March 26, 2013 – is a one-day wake-up call to inform the American public about the seriousness of diabetes, particularly when diabetes is left undiagnosed or untreated.

In observance of Diabetes Alert Day, the National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) is encouraging people to find out if they are at risk for type 2 diabetes by taking the Diabetes Risk Test and talking to their family about their family history of diabetes. If left undiagnosed or untreated, diabetes can lead to serious health problems including heart disease, stroke, blindness, kidney disease, amputation, and even death.

Visit www.YourDiabetesInfo.org/AlertDay2013 for tools you can use to help people learn about their risk for type 2 diabetes, including the Diabetes Risk Test, Family Health History Quiz, and the 4 Questions You Should Ask Your Family about Diabetes and Family Health History tool. You can also find promotional tools you can use to promote Diabetes Alert Day in your community, including a template press release, feature articles, web buttons, email signatures, social media messages, and more.



Status of club info on the 20-Y2 web site (20Y2Lions.org/clubs.htm) as of Oct 20, 2012

Clubs with 2012-2013 info	Clubs with 2011-2012 info	Clubs with 2010-2011 info	Clubs with 2009-2010 info	Clubs with NO info
Albany & Troy	Amsterdam	Bethlehem	Waterford	Ams'dam Lionettes
Ballston Spa	Cambridge	Duane		Gloversville Aux.
Broadalbin/Perth	Deerfield	Ft Edward		Utica Auxiliary
Cent Mohawk Vall	Gloversville	Galway Leos		
Clinton	Herkimer	New Hartford		
Fonda/Fultonville	Holland Patent	Scotia/Glenville		Clinton Leos
Galway	Johnstown			Duanesburg Leos
Galway Lioness	Mech'ville/Stillwater			Herkimer Leos
Glens Falls	N Hartford Lioness			Saratoga Leos
Granville				Shenendehowa Leos
Granville Leos				
Granville Lioness				
Greenfield				
Greenwich				
Hadley/Luzerne				
Hadley/Luz Lioness				
Hoosick				
N Y Mills/White				
Northville/Sac				
Ravena				
Saratoga Springs				
Sauquoit Valley				
Schuylerville				
Speculator				
Utica				
Wright/SchoVal				
26	9	6	1	8
52.0%	18.0%	12.0%	2.0%	16.0%

If your club is listed in the 12-13 column, congratulations! Your cyber-rep is on the ball. If you're in the 11-12 column, that's not too bad, but it's time to update your info. If you're in the 10-11 or 09-10 column, your cyber-rep hasn't responded to any of my 3 (or more, every year) requests for updated information. Contact me at jerrygordon@juno.com or 235-8232 and I'll tell you who your cyber-rep is. If you're in the right-most column, shame on you! Contact me to learn how to fix this situation. You can see your club's info at 20Y2Lions.org/clubs.htm

ATTENTION Zone Chairs

**Please complete this form
after your club visits:**

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index.html](http://fs3.formsite.com/20Y2/form622183715/index.html)

Lions Prayer

*Where Lions meet be present Lord,
To weld our hearts in one accord,
To do thy will, Lord make us strong,
To aid the weak and right the wrong*

Mechanicville-Stillwater Lions Club

by Lion Ray Martin

The Mechanicville - Stillwater Lions get to learn about many needy situations in our communities. President Jim Smith says that in order to meet these many situations, they need to keep sufficient resources in their "bowl" of available funds. To help do this and have some great mid-winter fun at the same time, they sponsored an event to "bowl-to-fill-our-bowl".

The fun night of bowling was this past Saturday, March 2nd, 2013 at the Hometown Lanes. For a \$10 ticket, bowlers received two strings of bowling with chances to win great prizes and have an enjoyable mid-winter evening of fun. Proceeds will go for projects like eyesight and hearing support programs, nutrition and youth programs, and disaster relief.

If you would like to help the Lions serve others in our community, they are accepting new members as they begin with their 72nd year of local service. If you want bowling tickets, or are interested in learning more about any of these assistance programs you can contact any Lion member, or drop us a note at mechanicvillestillwaterlions@gmail.com or P. O. Box 244 Mechanicville 12118.

Thanks for your support and assistance.

MECHANICVILLE-STILLWATER Lions Club
King Lion Kim Dumar
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Albany & Troy Lions Club

By Lion Jerry Gordon

The Albany & Troy Lions would like to remind you that March is Eye Donor Month. This would be an excellent time to sign the back of your driver's license.

At our February meeting, Lions Bill Suchy and Tom Kevlin from the district's Global Membership Team gave

an excellent Power-Point presentation about Lionism. They explained the history, structure and purposes of Lions from the local level to the international. It was certainly beneficial for the newer Lions, and even the more experienced Lions learned something.

Our next BLOOD DRIVE will be Tuesday, March 5, at the Hilton Garden Inn on Hoosick St in Troy.

It's a great help to NABA if we can send 1 or 2 Lions to help Kathryn with the paperwork when she does vision screenings of preschoolers. On February 11, Lion Ursula helped screen 37 children (2 were flagged) at Unity Sunshine in Troy, and on Feb 25, Lion Paul helped with about 50 children at the Albany Jewish Community Center.

In March, the Albany screenings are relatively small, but Kathryn would love it if we would go a little out of our area: Monday and Tuesday, March 18 & 19, at Helping Hands, 14 Werner Rd in Clifton Park.

Last year, she had 54 kids the first day and 64 the second, so at least one volunteer, maybe two, on each day would be extremely desirable. If you can help with either of these, please let Lion Jerry know as soon as possible (jerrygordon@juno.com or 235-8232).

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Hearing Conservation Society

by Lion Sandie Clark

The Lions Hearing Conservation Society's next meeting is Monday, March 25, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m. It will be held at the new Lions equipment loan out center.

Center for Better Hearing
318 Ridge Street
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Call Cindy Allen @ 518-798-4800 for directions.

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2013 LIONS CLUB MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION

At its inception and throughout its early history, the existence and initial success of our Sight Society of NENY at Albany, Inc., very much depended upon the financial and active support of Lions clubs in the service area of Districts O, Y2 and W. Although our basic mission, with the continued support of our clubs, remains the same, the services of our Lions Eye Bank have expanded to include our present state-of-the-art facility and programs maintained by an Executive Director and staff of nine.

Today, our not-for-profit organization finds itself in a position with the financial resources to help clubs promote our joint mission of sight conservation by providing matching funds to implement specific projects with that object in mind.

The kinds of projects or programs we wish to help support should not duplicate those already available from other sources. Programs that encompass broader, sustainable activities are most desirable; areas like "Diabetes and Sight," "Senior Sight Conservation," "Sight Conservation Education in Schools," "Nurse-Teacher Informational Programs," Health Fairs with Sight Conservation Components" among others which come immediately to mind.

Projects not eligible for consideration include services available through traditional Lions programs for individuals like (a). club programs which provide eye exams and eyeglasses through arrangements made with optometrists and/or optical companies (LensCrafters etc.), (b). medical treatments / surgery referable for assistance from a Lions Eye Institute / Lions Foundation at Albany, NY.

Our matching grant program for each year will focus on a particular theme or area. For our first year in 2013, we are looking to support club projects with an emphasis on "**Senior Sight Conservation.**"

1. Who is eligible to apply? Lions clubs, Lioness clubs, and Leo clubs in Districts W, Y2 and O.
2. Amount of Grant – Variable grant requests for any amount up to \$500 will be considered.
3. Recipient clubs must agree to match, from other financial resources, the full amount of the grant as approved by the Grant Committee. Note that value of club members' donated time does not qualify as matching resources.
4. Grant applications may be submitted at any time and shall consist of a clear statement of the nature and purpose of the project along with any other details deemed appropriate by the applicant. A proposed budget of how grant monies will be spent consistent with our Lions Code of Ethics must also be provided as part of the application process.
5. It is expected that clubs will complete approved projects within one year of receiving the grant. Upon completion, submission of a comprehensive written report reviewing the outcome of the project is required from successful grant applicants. This will include a financial statement citing expenditures, payments to vendors etc. incurred during the program. Arrangements to return to the Society, any unspent funds should be made by the club.
6. Clubs receiving awards through the grant program are urged to publicize their projects through club, district, state and international media.

