

The Lions Roar

The Official Newsletter of District 20-Y2



January 2014



District Governor Steve Lynch



Greetings,

As I write this message, we are approaching our third District Cabinet Meeting, on February 1st. Our district has made some great strides this year but we have a long way to go to help those who need us. There has been a lot of activity to retain and increase membership and to start new clubs. These are difficult tasks and require true dedication. I am grateful to each and every Lion who is involved.

1st VDG Marianne and I had the pleasure this month of my District Governor Visitation to our home club, the Glens Falls Lions Club. We are especially grateful for their support and hope to make them proud of us. We also enjoyed inducting three new members.

There is still a little time left to register for the Multiple District Convention in Lake Placid in April. Our district needs a dedicated and qualified Lion to step forward as a candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor. Please contact me if you are interested.

The International Convention will be held in Toronto in July. I hope to see many of you taking advantage of this very convenient location to enjoy a unique Lions experience.

We are already preparing for the next Lions year with nominations coming up in March and elections in April. Club Secretaries, please be sure to file your PU-101 forms by April 15th. This is critical so LCI can have proper contact information and we can publish our District Directory on time. The meeting times and places that you provide will be used in the preparation of the schedule of District Governor Visitations.

As I noted last month, it is essential that each club complete their Monthly Membership Reports every month, even if there is no change. Another very important responsibility of the Club Secretary is to submit a Monthly Activity Report every month. These reports are the foundation of the reporting for Lions efforts worldwide. Without the reports from our clubs, no-one knows how much we are doing.

We will be having Spring Training again this year for the incoming club officers. One of the subjects addressed last year was the proper separation of funds. Remember that administrative accounts and activity accounts must be kept separate. Activity funds are not to be used for administrative expenses.

Club Treasurers, please send your dues payments to the multiple district and to LCI as soon as possible. You should have received your invoices already. Through our district, LCI provides a strong support system for our clubs and members. Please feel free to contact your Zone Chair, Region Chair or me if you need any assistance.

Yours in Lionism,
DG Steve

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"THE ROAR" DEADLINE
28th of each Month

NEXT MD20 MAGAZINE
DEADLINE
March 5, 2014

PLEASE READ submission
specifications on PAGE 12
BEFORE submitting.
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From the Desk of 1st VDG Marianne Lynch

Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

DG Steve and I have had the awesome opportunity to induct many new members during this Lions year. Our clubs are doing an outstanding job recruiting and retaining new members.

When talking to the media and others in your community about your Lions club and Lions Clubs International, it is helpful to know what messages you want to get across.

Check out these Key Messages below and keep these thoughts in mind when pitching Lions to a prospective new member.

- 1). Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, with a network of 1.35 million men and women in more than 207 countries and geographical locations.
- 2). We serve where we live, as well as globally, and we have fun doing it.
- 3). Although Lions are well known for their successful initiatives in vision health, Lions service is as diverse as its members. We meet all sorts of needs, from assisting the elderly to helping victims of natural disasters.
- 4). Lions give 100 percent of donations to our causes. We cover all our costs through our dues, etc.
- 5). Lions make a difference everyday everywhere. Whether by organizing a pancake breakfast fundraiser or building a wheelchair ramp for someone in need, we are a hands-on organization.

So, the challenge is on, District 20Y2, keep spreading the word and continue our growth!

Yours in Lionism,
1st VDG Marianne

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

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

www.guidingeyes.org/

Freedom Guid Dogs

www.freedomguidedogs.org

Northeastern Association for the Blind at Albany

www.naba-vision.org/

Central Association/Blind and Visually Impaired

www.cabvi.org/

Lions Eye Bank at Albany

www.lionseyebankalbany.org/



For a limited time, e-subscriptions to this newsletter are absolutely FREE, but any Lion who wants one must follow a complicated process !

If you think other members of your club can handle this, please tell them about it.

1. Go to 20Y2Lions.org.
2. In the lower left corner of the home page is the sign-up box. Fill in the 5 pieces of requested info (email address, first name, last name, club name and Captcha code).
3. Respond to the request for confirmation that you will get from Vertical Response. This is a necessary step to complete the process.

Any questions or problems, contact Lion Jerry Gordon at jerrygordon@juno.com.



In Memorium

By Lion Victoria Alder

Fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

I am not sure if most of you knew PDG Ed Blodgett from District 20-O – but it is with a heavy heart that I send this notice. We received a call from Barb Gavin, Hyde Park Lions, that Ed Blodgett passed away. He has been such a great presence in Lionism for more than 40 years.

Gloversville Lions Club

By IPDG Linda Walsh

The Gloversville Lions Club is trying to hold it together. We have twenty two members but only six that are active and doing most of the work. The others are elderly and have been wonderful Lions in the past but now are unable to participate. They still pay their dues and support us financially. We are thinking of a possible merge with another club in coming years.

We had a winner in the Peace Poster contest with a student from Wheelerville School. Her name is Abby Gottung from Stoner Lake and by chance is the granddaughter of one of our deceased Lions, Mickey Gottung, who was a member of our club for over 50 years.

We donated to the Christmas Tree of Lights of Littauer Hospital in memory of our deceased members. We donated \$100 towards the local parade. We donated \$30 to Fulton County Historical Society. A \$350 donation was made to the Gloversville Little League to buy Lions Club logo t-shirts and for an advertising sign in the ball park.

We are having a raffle; 1st prize is 50/50, 2nd prize is \$50 gift certificate to Ruby & Quiri's, 3rd prize is a \$25 gift certificate for Raindancer, and 4th prize is "People and Places", a new book written by Lion Don Williams, a noted author who is also one of our active members.

Our club is anxiously awaiting the arrival of our "Bunnys". One of our members, Lion Dave Miller, is going to speak on the local radio station to enhance our selling.

Our club is donating two pair of leather gloves (mens and womens), to the Basket Auction for the convention. "Gloves" represent Gloversville - the former glove capital of the world.

So you can see, for a small group we have been quite busy.

Happy Valentines Day!

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HMT Home Made Theater AT THE SPA LITTLE THEATER



Interested in Local Theatre?

We have an opportunity to attend the following at HMT in Saratoga.

Agatha Christie's
"Witness for the Prosecution" - February
"Boeing Boeing" - April

Please contact DG Steve if you are interested as we could qualify for a group discount.
Stephen@SheldonMansion.com



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<http://bealion.org/>

PLEASE CHECK

20y2lions.org/Clubs.htm

to see whether your club's information is up to date.

If it's not, please contact
Lion Jerry Gordon at
jerrygordon@juno.com

Camp Abilities - CABVI

Will Run Full Week In 2014

Submitted by VDG2 Paula Flisnk

Cloudless blue skies welcomed children. They unpacked their knapsacks and settled in for two days of fresh air courtesy of the Adirondack Mountains.

Sounds like the start of a typical camp for any group of typical campers during a typical New York summer, right?

Camp Abilities-CABVI turned out to be anything but typical and the good will and good memories continue to ripple like the waves on Little Long Lake.

“Oh! My kids had a blast,” said Donald Zimbler whose daughters Angkana and Samanya attended Camp Abilities.

“Samanya was a counselor and Angkana was a camper. Angkana came home and raved about the tandem biking. She LOVED riding the bike with her sister.



Angkana and Samanya Zimbler riding a tandem bike.

“So you know what? We found a bike for her and she learned to ride by herself aroundour property where she’s safe.”

Camp Abilities-CABVI started as the kernel of an idea from the fertile minds of CABVI’s vision rehabilitation team.

“We asked ‘What could a camp for children with visual impairment be with great organization and strong community support?’” said Kathy Beaver, CABVI’s Vice President of Rehabilitation.

“We know we have a great organization. We followed the model created by Dr. Lauren Lieberman of the State University of New York (SUNY) at Brockport and added some fun twists including training on new technologies and meal preparation.

With support from the New York Commission for the Blind,

the Utica Lions Auxiliary and the Newman Community of SUNY IT and Utica College, we believed we had the formula for a winning camp.

Little did we know...”

Kelly Cusak can’t wait for Camp Abilities-CABVI next year. “I went to Camp Abilities at Brockport and Camp Nazareth.

I liked judo at Brockport but really liked being outdoors and having a camp fire at Camp Nazareth.”

Swimming in Little Long Lake, on which Camp Nazareth and Camp Abilities-CABVI resided, suited Maisie Mersa just fine. “I liked the way the water felt - especially when I splashed.”



Maisie Mersa and her counselor Katie Marscher.

Next year’s edition of Camp Abilities-CABVI recently received a strong show of support from The Gibney Family Foundation which made a grant which will allow CABVI to purchase nearly all of the equipment needed for camp including tandem kayaks, tandem bikes, helmets, Beep Baseball, Goalball, safety vests and help pay for camper room and board.

Gibney Foundation trustee Rob Whittaker said, “We are proud and excited to have a strong relationship with CABVI.”



Emma Brown mixes cheese for the evening’s dinner.

Wish List

There are many gaps to fill before CampAbilities-CABVI 2014. “Each camper has their own counselor: It’s a one-on-one relationship. We have that expense yet to cover,” said Ms. Beaver.

“The staff has so many great ideas for activities with the kids that I asked them to put together a wish list with the hope that our generous community can help.”

Arts and Crafts Materials

- Fifty camp chairs
- Thirty camp cots
- Two grills with charcoal and lighter fluid
- Twenty fishing poles and supplies
- Fifty tickets to Enchanted Forest Water Safari
- Stock for the Camp Store (Campers earn credits for newly acquired skills and accomplishments. Credits will then be used to obtain items from the camp store.)
- Three talking compasses
- Bus transportation to-and-from camp
- Photo printer and ink
- Video camera
- Showdown table (A table top game designed for individuals who are blind)
- Two kayak car top carriers (We plan to loan kayaks to families when they are not in use for camp)
- Five trekking poles and monoculars
- Pop Up Tailgate Tent
- Boat rental
- Canoe to accommodate three or more passengers
- Rainy Day Games - Braille Monopoly, playing cards, Scrabble, UNO cards, tactile Bingo

Vocational Experience for Five Junior Counselors

Camp Abilities-CABVI will offer campers, ages 14 to 16, a junior counselor opportunity where students will be assigned camp duties and responsibilities earning a stipend of \$50 each.

Vocational Experience for Five Working-aged Campers

For campers between the ages of 16 to 17, we will offer a work experience in the village of Old Forge at a variety of businesses. Campers will work for a half day then participate in camp activities for the remainder of the day, earning a stipend of \$100 each.

Twenty-five Vision Rehab Therapy (VRT) Kits for Campers

We will be working with each camper to develop skills in

areas of independent living. Each camper will use adaptive equipment which they will then take home. VRT kits will include: a pen friend or other labeling system, contrast cutting board, liquid level indicator, oven mitts and measuring devices.

Family Day Luncheon

On the last day of camp, we want the families of our campers to join us for a fulfilled day of activities. Campers will share their accomplishments and achievements with their family. We will have vendors and presentations for parents and families to participate in and lunch will be served.

Sponsor a Team

We divide the campers into three teams, allowing for competition among the group. Each team has a color and we provide a shirt, bandannas, water bottles and a flashlight and/or lantern. Teams include campers and their one-on-one counselor.

Sponsor a Seminar/Presentation/New Sport

We will be offering a variety of mini seminars and programs for the campers to participate in, some may require payment for an instructor (yoga), others may require equipment or a combination of both. Seminars will be offered in areas of money management, development of selfconfidence and positive self-image, dealing with peer pressure or introduction of a new sport, such as rock climbing.

Please contact CABVI’s Development Office for more information on these exciting opportunities to help the kids at Camp Abilities-CABVI. Call 315-797-2233 or email Steve Gannon at steveg@cabvi.org.

Glens Falls Lions Club

By Lion Sandra Clark

It may have been cold and snowy outside during the month of January, but it did not stop the Glens Falls Lions from shopping, cooking, serving and cleaning up for the Last Saturday Supper at the Christ United Methodist Church. This is an event that the Club has done for the past 11 years. It gives both the Lions members and those less fortunate within the community an opportunity to enjoy fellowship, along with an awesome home cooked meatloaf dinner. We really have some GREAT cooks. Even the young people enjoy serving at this event. Lion Mark Sisson’s two



DG Steve, Lions Dick Cipperly and Shaun Rivers preparing our "famous" and popular meatloaf for the Saturday Supper.

granddaughters cheerfully worked the beverage table. You can definitely say "WE SERVE."

It was also a great month for membership. District Governor Steve & Vice District Governor Marianne inducted three new members, who are local audiologists, into the Glens Falls Club. A boost for our hearing committee!



DG Steve and VDG1 Marianne, Debbie Backus, Cara Bedore, & Susan Boggia, their sponsor Lion Sandie Clark.

GLEN FALLS Lions Club
King Lion Mary Claire Noakes
P.O. Box 528, Glens Falls, NY 12801
www.glensfallslions.org

Like our Facebook page: Glens Falls Lions Club



Give the Gift of **SIGHT** this Holiday Season! **Through Their Eyes** *The Gift of Sight* **2014 Calendar**

Support Blind Children by Purchasing a 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:
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\$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

Lions International Trading Pin Scholarship

By PCC Jim Schiebel

This \$2,500 scholarship is intended for the children/grandchildren of Lions and/or Leo Club members who are graduating high school seniors. All applications must be processed through a Lions Trading Pin Club Scholarship Committee and then submitted to the Secretary of the Lions International Trading Pin Club.

Applications will be found on the LITPC web site at "litpc.org" and will be due early spring for state judging.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN TO PCC JIM SCHIEGBEL BY MARCH 1, 2014.

Questions can be directed to PCC Jim Schiebel:
jschiebel@rochester.rr.com
585-964-3619

Mail completed applications to:
PCC Jim Schiebel
748 Wiler Road
Hilton, NY 14468

The Lions International Trading Pin Club is made up of about 800 Lions from around the world who enjoy fellowship and the occasional trading of Lions pins. The members donated \$143,000 to Campaign Sight First Two and then three years ago started a scholarship program for seniors.

To become a member go to the website "litpc.org"

Cambridge Lions Club

by Lion Brad Cone

On Sunday, December 8, the Cambridge Lions Club kicked off its second annual "Eternal Illumination." The event, which took place at Memorial Park next to the Cambridge Public Library, is a lighted Christmas Tree memorial in remembrance of loved ones who are no longer with us.

Living with the loss of a loved one is never easy, and it can be especially tough during the holidays. Through the tree memorial, the Cambridge Lions hope to benefit families during this difficult time by providing them with a symbol that helps assure that their loved ones will be remembered.

DID YOU KNOW THE LIONS HEARING CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF DISTRICT 20-Y2 RECYCLES HEARING AIDS?

To find out how to turn in old, unwanted hearing aids (in any shape), please contact Lion Sandie Clark
hearingclark@hotmail.com
or call 518-744-4433.

In all, the ceremony was a great success with nineteen trees being decorated and lit (more than double last year's total)! The Cambridge Lions look forward to continuing to grow the event in years to come.

The Cambridge Lions Club would like to thank the Norshaft Lions Club for providing the trees at a very reasonable cost, the Village of Cambridge for supplying the electricity, and the Cambridge Valley Chamber of Commerce



for helping promote the event. Additionally, the club would like to thank the mayor and the town board for passing a resolution to allow the club to place permanent fixtures in the ground to be used as tree stands this year and in the future.

The trees remained lit until January 4th. If you would like to learn more about the event or inquire about reserving a tree for next year, don't hesitate to reach out to Lion Matt Herrington at 518-222-0266 or send a message to the Cambridge Lions Club page on Facebook.

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Membership Chairs!

LCI has created a

Membership Chairperson Web Page

tinyurl.com/l5urz6p

This page will provide you with resources
you will need, most importantly the recently
updated Club Membership Chairperson Guide.

District Dues Reminder

If you have not as yet done so,
please make club checks out to
"District 20Y2" and send to:

PDG Dave Harris,
Cabinet Treasurer

1032 19th St., Watervliet, NY 12189

Is your club in The ROAR or the MD20 Magazine?

Let the District and the State know the
GREAT THINGS YOUR CLUB IS DOING!

Below are the specifications for each publication.

MD/20 MAGAZINE SUBMISSIONS

Deadlines: September 5, 2013; December 5, 2013; March 5, 2014; May 25, 2014

I will submit everything I receive by the deadline, however submission does not guarantee publication.

I am not the editor of the MD20 magazine.

THE ROAR SUBMISSIONS

Deadlines: 28th of every month

Everything received by the deadline will be in the next issue. Publication will be the 1st of every month.

ARTICLES

- Digital submission **preferred** in upper/lower case format.
- Microsoft Word, PDF, or text embedded in an email are acceptable.
- If it is handwritten, it **MUST BE LEGIBLE**.
- No scanned newspaper articles. Newspaper articles will be accepted IF they are in digital format, and with written permission from the originating publication.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

PHOTOS

- Digital submission **preferred** in JPEG or TIFF format.
- Hard copies are acceptable (Please do not write on the back).
- Newspaper photos are not acceptable.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

EVENT FLYERS (THE ROAR ONLY)

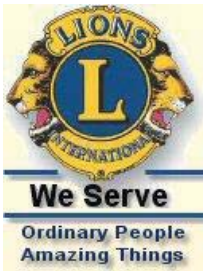
- Original documents saved in PDF format or Microsoft Word are acceptable. No scanned documents. Flyers may be “reworked” due to space requirements.
- SPELL CHECK everything, particularly names, titles, club name, etc.

Submissions can be made to karen@deuxflutes.com
or Lion Karen Rager, 82 Hunter Lane, Queensbury, NY 12804.

THE GALWAY LIONS CLUB 15TH
CABIN FEVER SONGFEST WITH

SATURDAY,
FEB. 8TH, 7 PM

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5317 Sacandaga Road, Galway, NY 12074

Buy Tickets From:

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or Bob Eaton @518/275-3697

*VIP PASS includes:

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4th ANNUAL
CRAFT FAIR

Hosted by the Galway Lioness Club



Saturday April 12

10 – 3

Free Admission

Galway High School

5317 Sacandaga Rd (Rt 147)

Galway, NY 12074

20Y2 District Governor's Contest

COMMUNICATION

For the period of July 1, 2013 through May 15, 2014

A. Receive 1 point for each time your club exercises one of the following methods of communication.

	Tally
1. Hold a club meeting (Member or Board).	_____
2. Host a potential Lion at a club meeting, not including speakers.	_____
3. Provide orientation to a new member.	_____
4. Present a Lion of the Year Award to a member (include those ordered for June, 2014).	_____
5. Receive credit for each day of club events, including fundraising events.	_____
6. Publish an issue of your monthly club newsletter and distribute it to all members.	_____
7. Receive credit for each week you update your club website.	_____
8. Receive credit for each week you update your club Facebook page.	_____
9. Have a photograph with a caption published in a newspaper (print media).	_____
10. Have an article published in a newspaper or a story on radio or TV.	_____
11. Electronically submit your Monthly Membership Report, MMR, to LCI.	_____
12. Electronically submit your monthly Activity Report to LCI.	_____
13. Electronically submit your Annual PU-101 Report to LCI.	_____
14. Receive credit for each club member attending a meeting at another Lions Club.	_____
15. Receive credit for each club member attending a meeting or event at any of the organizations listed in the district directory, such as Camp Badger.	_____
16. Receive credit for each club member attending a Zone or Region Meeting.	_____
17. Each club in a Zone is credited when their Zone Chair electronically submits the Club Visitation Report to the District Governor	_____
18. Have an article or notice published on the district website, www.20y2lions.org	_____
19. Have an article or notice published on the district newsletter, The Roar.	_____
20. Receive credit for each club member signed up to electronically receive the district newsletter, The Roar.	_____
21. You may submit another form of communication for credit at the sole discretion of the District Governor. Please describe it thoroughly.	_____

B. Receive 5 points for each time your club exercises one of the following methods of communication.

- 1. Present a Melvin Jones, Knight of the Blind, or Robert J. Uplinger Award to a member (include those ordered for June, 2014). _____
- 2. Receive credit for each club member attending a District Cabinet Meeting. _____
- 3. Receive credit for working on a joint project with another Lions Club in 20Y2. _____
- 4. Have a brochure for your club (you get this credit even if you already have one). _____
- 5. Submit a Peace Poster with documentation to the district. _____
- 6. Receive credit for each club member who will be attending the 2014 MD-20 Convention in Lake Placid. _____

C. Receive 10 points for each time your club exercises one of the following methods of communication.

- 1. Sponsor a member to attend the MD20 Lions Leadership Institute. _____
- 2. Have a website for your club (you get this credit even if you already have one). _____

[Follow this link for a free and easy way to build your website: <http://20y2lions.org/ClubWebSites.htm>]

Club _____

Total Points: _____

There will be 5 categories

- 1. Lions Clubs - Less than 20 members
- 2. Lions Clubs - 20 to 40 members
- 3. Lions Clubs - more than 40 members
- 4. Lioness Clubs
- 5. Leo Clubs

Club Presidents must submit their results to be received by 2nd VDG Paula Flisnik at paulaf@cabvi.org no later than May 12th, 2014.

Be Sure to Check Out Up to Date Information at These Websites:

**District 20Y2
20y2lions.org/**

**Multiple District 20
www.md20lions.com/**

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

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*



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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.

Lions Eye Institute/Lions Foundation

by Lion Ilene Wizwer

The Lions Eye Institute in Albany Board of Directors, made up of Lions from MD 20 Districts W, Y2, and O, raise money to assist referred individuals who need specialized ophthalmologic care. These individuals do not have private and/or governmental health insurance of the financial means to pay for such services.

As you all know one way Lions clubs can help the Lions Eye Institute in Albany raise money is through our well known bunny sales. This has been going on for many years and this year is no exception. You may contact DG Wilfred Roehe: (phone: 845-471-5366 or by e-mail: whroehe@verizon.net) **by February 5 for last minute orders.**

If your club is one that does not participate in this fund raiser by selling bunnies, we challenge you to join the fund raising effort at this time by making a donation to LEI, or bestowing a Knight of the Blind (KOB) in memory of, or in honor of someone. The entire purchase of a Knight of the Blind can be made over a period of 5 years for a total of \$500.00. If you or your club would like to go further there are bronze, silver and gold Knight of the Blind categories as well.

There are some clubs that have many KOB Lions. One way to give your club a unique distinction in your district is to have every member become a KOB!!! This could be a goal over a period of time. In whatever manner your Lions decide to help LEI, please know that you are really helping others to enjoy a better quality of life through better vision.

Contact Lion Bill Suchy either by phone: 518-843-5850 or via e-mail: LSuchy@nycap.rr.com with KOB donations.

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A MESSAGE FROM CABINET SECRETARY/TREASURER PDG DAVE HARRIS VOTING DELEGATES DISTRICT CABINET MEETINGS

To resolve any confusion about who may draft resolutions/motions and/or vote on same during Cabinet Meetings in 20Y2, please note that only the following, according to ARTICLE IV, Section 1 of our District Constitution and By-Laws, are authorized as voting members of the Governor's Cabinet:

**IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR
DISTRICT GOVERNOR
1ST AND 2ND VDG'S
CABINET SECRETARY/TREASURER
REGION CHAIRPERSONS
ZONE CHAIRPERSONS
PRESIDENT OF EACH CLUB**

(or Club Secretary in absence of the Club President)

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Town of Greenfield Lions Club

By Lion Verna Chandler Plummer

It is hard to believe that another year has come and gone. With that being said, we have another busy year coming up. In the next few months, we will be making plans for our summer cooking events, community service projects and starting a new branch club in the Town of Wilton, I have sent out all the letters to the potential Wilton Club Members. They have been invited to our February dinner meeting.

We are trying to organize a Leo Club in Corinth. We understand there is a need for places for teens to get the required community service hours they need for graduation. Being a part of Lions Clubs International will help you with that goal.

I have been in contact with a few teachers from the Corinth High School regarding the Leo Club. We have gotten permission from the High School principal for the Club; we just need to take it to the school board. We have already gotten a large response to the Leo Club Facebook page. We will be meeting with the High School principal early in February and will keep you posted on any developments here. Please like the Corinth Leo Club Facebook page to keep up with all they do.

If you are interested on becoming a part of the Corinth Leo Club - contact King Lion Verna Plummer at maplumbob@aol.com, or home phone 885-0349 for more information.

We have come up with a list of things the community needs to have done and in the next few months we will begin working on some of these. I have also contacted Michelle Larkin from Rebuilding Together Saratoga to keep us on the list for any upcoming needs they may have.

TOWN OF GREENFIELD Lions Club

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Like our Facebook pages:
Town of Greenfield Lions
Corinth Leo Club



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Albany & Troy Lions Club

By Lion Jerry Gordon

In King Lion Carol's absence, 1st VP Chris Horan ran the meeting. We started with the induction of new member John Falance. Lion Ruth stood in for KL Carol as his sponsor, and PDG Dave did his usual fine job as inductor.



Lion Ruth, substituting for KL Carol as sponsor, ne Lion John Falance, and PDG Dave.

Saratoga Springs Lions Joe Brady, John McDonald & Rick Reeves told us about their club's exciting new venture. Camp Abilities Saratoga is a one-week overnight developmental sports camp for 10-to-18-year-olds that are blind, visu-ally impaired or deaf-blind; it will be held at Skidmore College the week of Aug 3-9. It follows the model started at Brockport in 1996 and since replicated at 20 other sites around the world. If you weren't at this meeting, you can learn more at CampAbilitiesSaratoga.org.

It was reported that the Dec. 23 blood drive exceeded ARC's goal of collecting 36 units of blood; they collected 41 units.

Lion Jerry reported on the recent session at the Regional Food Bank. Workers were Doug Davis, Laura Mona, Carl Caffalette, Fran McDoal, Jerry Gordon, John Falance and Rich Kelly. We sorted and repacked hard kitchenware (pots, pans and dishes), soft house wares (sheets, pillows, blankets and towels) and toys.

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20Y2 CLUB STATUS

Please make sure your club info is up to date!

Status of club info on the 20-Y2 web site (20Y2Lions.org/clubs.htm) as of Nov 12, 2013

Clubs with 2013-2014 info	Clubs with 2012-2013 info	Clubs with 2011-2012 info	Clubs with 2010-2011 info	Clubs with NO info
Albany & Troy	Duane	Cambridge	Ft Edward	Ams'dam Lionettes
Amsterdam	Fonda/Fultonville	Gloversville	Galway Leos	Gloversville Aux.
Ballston Spa	Granville Leos	Johnstown	New Hartford	Utica Auxiliary
Bethlehem	Granville Lioness	Mech'ville/Stillwater		
Broadalbin/Perth	Greenwich			Duanesburg Leos
Cent Mohawk Vall	Hadley/Luz Lioness			Herkimer Leos
Clinton	N Y Mills/White			Saratoga Leos
Clinton Leos				Shenendehowa Leos
Deerfield				
Galway				
Galway Lioness				
Glens Falls				
Granville				
Greenfield				
Hadley/Luzerne				
Herkimer				
Holland Patent				
Hoosick				
N Hartford Lioness				
Northville/Sac				
Ravena				
Saratoga Springs				
Sauquoit Valley				
Schuylerville				
Scotia/Glenville				
Speculator				
Utica				
Waterford				
Wright/SchoVal				
29	7	4	3	7
58.0%	14.0%	8.0%	6.0%	14.0%

If your club is listed in the 13-14 column, congratulations! Your cyber-rep is on the ball. If you're in the 12-13 column, that's not too bad, but it's time to update your info. If you're in any other 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