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YOUR SUBMISSIONS ARE ENCOURAGED!



Report of the meeting held on Wednesday, December 12

19 Lions + spouses met at the 1760 Manor House and Pub in Lansingburgh for our annual holiday get-together. Lion Maryanne livened the festivities with her "bag game," and King Lion Tom is shown below wearing his prize for winning.



<u>Membership</u>

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Report of the board meetings held on Wednesday, December 19, at the Alexis Diner

Because of conflicting holiday schedules, we didn't have enough for a quorum, so we cancelled this board meeting. However, we did hold an e-mail vote in which we approved \$200 for hearing aids for a woman from Lansingburgh.

Our next meeting...

Our next general meeting will be on Wednesday, January 2, at 6 PM at the Red Front. Our speaker will be Jill Boyd from Authentic Image Consultants. Her talk, "Cashing In on Dressing Up," will provide valuable lessons for both men and women who want to project the right image. Should be pretty interesting -- feel free to bring any guests who might enjoy the topic.

Shoes for the Shoeless

On Saturday, December 1, Lions Dennis Fagan, Carol Quantock, Ruth (+ Bob) Sano, Terry Page, Jerry Gordon, Larry Krug and Mike O'Brien, along with Tom Kearns and Lion Al O'Neill from Glasgow, DE, met in the warehouse area behind Delmar Bootery at Stuyvesant Plaza. It took less than an hour for this gallant crew to load 6000 pairs of shoes that Lion Al will deliver to the needy in Appalachia.

Pictures are on the next page.

Lion Reverend Al, his truck and trailer, and part of the crew taking a picture break: Bob, Lions Larry, Carol, Mike and Dennis. Photos by Lion Terry Page.

Popcorn Sales

On Sunday, December 2, we sold popcorn at Troy's Victorian Stroll. We were inside First Niagara Bank, as we have been for the last few years, thanks to branch manager John Delory, who just happens to be a Waterford Lion. Sales were a disappointing \$168, but we're already talking about changes we can make next year to improve results.





Lookin' good (but not buying any popcorn!)

Bob Sano, Lions Ruth Sano, Ursula Dessingue and Katie Allen









KidSight



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. Here's her January schedule:

Wed, 1/9/13 at 9:30: Albany School of Humanities (ASH), 108 Whitehall Rd., Albany Mon, 1/14/13 at 9:30: Early Childhood Ed. Center (ECEC), 230 Washington Ave Ext., Albany

Fri, 1/18/13 at 9:30: Pine Hills Elementary, 41 N. Allen St., Albany

Each of these had fewer than 20 kids last year, so one volunteer should be enough. If you can help with any of these, please let Lion Jerry know (jerrygordon@juno.com or 235-8232).

Another Honor for Lion Mike O'Brien

In the last issue, I reported that PDG Joan Scott presented a Progressive Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award to our own Lion Mike O'Brien at the District Cabinet Meeting on November 10. I should have included that he also received an International President's Certificate of Achievement, which was presented by International Director Harvey Whitley. Congratulations, Lion Mike!





Make a note:

Next Lions Work Night at the **Regional Food Bank**: Tuesday, January 8, 2013, 5:30-7:30 PM

Friends and family welcome. Tell Lion Carol how many you're bringing at cquantoc@nycap.rr.com or 664-3901.

Save the 2nd Tuesday of January, April, July and October.



Blood Drive

On Wednesday, December 19, we sponsored another Red Cross Blood Drive, this time at the Holiday Inn Express in Latham. Thanks to Lions Elaine Hayner and Vicki Shahinian for making phone calls, Lions Paul (+ Laura) Vergoni, Carl Caffalette, Carol Quantock and Jerry Gordon for working at the drive, Lion Carl for donating blood and Lion Carol for coordinating everything.

The day started off slow, but thanks to several walk-ins, we ended up with 19 donors. I don't have the official numbers from ARC yet; I'll give them to you next month.

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And remember to do your on-line shopping at ALBANYTROYLIONS.PENNIESATATIME.Com

Happy Birthday!

Happy January birthday to these A&T Lions:

23rd - Chris Burke 25th - Rob Brass



Happy Anniversary!

Happy Lions Anniversary to only one January inductee:

Pam Khambanonda - 21 years

On a more personal note ...

Lion Larry Krug is working as a Project Officer for NYS Emergency Management. He's been in Manhattan and Ulster County helping with the after-effects of Super-Storm Sandy. He's getting enough of a break around Christmas to spend a week in Denver with kids and grandkids, then after New Year's he'll be working in Queens.

Mark your calendar...

Wednesday, January 2, 6 PM: General meeting at the Red Front. See page 2.

Tuesday, January 8, 5:30-7:30 PM: Work session at the Regional Food Bank. Please let Lion Carol know (<u>cquantoc@nycap.rr.com</u> or 664-3901) if you'll be joining us.

Wednesday, January 16, 8 AM: Board meeting at the Alexis Diner. All members are welcome.

Wed Jan 9, Mon Jan 14, Fri Jan 18: KidSight sessions. See page 4.



Happy New Year! by cta





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