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The newsletter of the



June 2015



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**YOUR SUBMISSIONS  
ARE ENCOURAGED!**



Report of the general meeting held on Wednesday, May 6, at the Red Front

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by 1VP Chris in KL Carol's absence.

Jill Bucciero explained that Landmark Health is a relatively new organization that has partnered with CDPHP

and BlueShield of NENY to deliver "concierge-level health care" to Medicare Advantage patients with qualifying chronic conditions. They will send a doctor or nurse practitioner to your home, 24/7, to provide medical care and many services that would normally require a hospital or doctor's-office visit, such as administering IV fluids, writing prescriptions, catheter insertion or removal, wound care, control of bleeding, etc. This is all done in conjunction with your existing primary-care physician, and at no additional cost. It sounds like a wonderful service.

Last month, we voted for the officers and board for next year. Since then, we received word from Lion Laura that due to greatly increased responsibilities at work, she would be unable to be president next year. Lion Chris Horan agreed to be president. Lions Elaine Hayner and Vicki Shahinian were moved from 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> VP to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, respectively, and new Lion Elaine Gerwin will be 3<sup>rd</sup> VP. These changes were voted in unanimously.

Lion Jerry reminded everyone that there are KidSight screenings in the latest *Rare Meat* that we need volunteers for; Thurs, April 23 is NABA's annual Volunteer Recognition Breakfast; and on Sunday, April 26, we'll have an info table at the Health & Services Fair at the Albany Jewish Community Center. Also, there's a zone meeting on Wed, April 22, that all members are invited to.

Report of the board meetings held on Wednesday, May 20, at the Route 7 Diner

KL Carol reported that the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee met last week at Brown's Brewing. A DJ has been hired and plans are in progress. We voted to contribute up to \$500 to cover costs such as the DJ and the hotel room for PIP Brandel. [See page 3 for more info.]

## MEMBERSHIP

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VICKIE SHAHINIEN

SUE SHIPE

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Lion Tom will be shipping at least 3000 eyeglasses this month.

Our next blood drive will be on Wed, June 3, at the Watervliet Senior Center. KL Carol will send out a request for volunteers. The drive will be from 1-6pm, as usual, but whoever covers the 2<sup>nd</sup> shift will have to leave about 5 to get to the installation dinner, which is the same night.

Our installation dinner will be on June 3 at Moscatiello's Restaurant, just south of HVCC. Lion Diane has 20 reservations so far, but we hope for a few more in the coming weeks. [See "Our Next Meeting" below for more info.]

Lion Ursula volunteered at a NABA KidSight screening yesterday in Clifton Park and will be doing another one next week in Schenectady.

Lion Maryanne gave out one eyeglass voucher in the past month and has another in the works.

KL Carol has had several requests for hearing aids; she's waiting for the applications to be returned.

Next year, KL Carol will be a zone chair, and she'd really like someone to take over her hearing chair position.

Several months ago, we voted to buy 10 "I See the World" children's books, but this didn't actually happen. We will buy them now, and KL Carol will put together a list of potential recipients for discussion at next month's board meeting.

We voted to donate \$100 to the Vision Center on Blindness.

We voted to sponsor a HOBY student for \$200.



## Принесите потенциального члена встрече

*If we keep repeating "Bring a potential member to a meeting," it will soon become old hat. So as part of your continuing education and to keep the thought fresh, we'll say it in a different language each month. This is Russian.*

### *Our next meeting*

Our annual installation dinner will be on Wednesday, June 3, at Moscatiello's Restaurant, just south of HVCC. Socializing (with or without lubrication) will begin at 6, with dinner at 6:30. We'll order off the menu and get separate checks. This is one of our two annual social events, so please plan on being there with your significant other. If you're going to be an officer or board member next year, it would be especially nice to be there for your installation. Lion Diane is taking reservations at H: 283-6099, C: 605-8600 or [DBHart@nycap.rr.com](mailto:DBHart@nycap.rr.com). Please get back to her by Sunday, May 30.

### *Dues*

For those of you who haven't paid your 2015-16 dues yet, make sure Lion Paul gets your \$70 **no later than Thursday, June 25**. Checks should be payable to **Albany & Troy Lions Club** and mailed to Lion Paul Vergoni, 7 Davis Place, Latham, NY 12110-1181.

### **Buying on line...**

If you're planning on making a purchase at amazon.com, do it from [SMILE.AMAZON.COM](http://SMILE.AMAZON.COM) instead. You can specify [ALBANY AND TROY LIONS](#) as your charity of choice, and we'll get 0.5% of whatever you spend.

### *KidSight*

Kathryn always appreciates our help with NABA's KidSight vision screenings. Our thanks to Lion Ursula and for volunteering for two screenings in May, both of which were out of our territory (in Clifton Park and Schenectady).

It's pretty simple and it rarely takes more than a couple of hours, usually starting at 9:30 a.m. Why not give one or two a try? Please let Lion Jerry know asap if you're available to help, and I'll get address details for you.

- 6/1 Helping Hands –Clifton Park
- 6/4 ECEC- North Greenbush
- 6/16 Kiddie Academy-Albany
- 6/22 Kiddie Academy-Latham
- 6/24 Wee Care in Labor building Albany

### *Our 90th!*

The Albany & Troy Lions Club and the Saratoga Springs Lions Club were both founded in 1925, and the clubs will be celebrating their 90th Anniversary together on Saturday, November 7, 2015. The event will be held at the historic Gideon Putnam Hotel in Saratoga State Park. We are honored to have Past International President Lion Al Brandel as our guest speaker.

**We're still working on the details, but we expect the cost to be about \$60 per person. This may seem a bit high, but it will be a very nice meal at a very nice place and a very significant occasion. Start putting your pennies away now.**

The next committee meeting will be Wednesday, June 24, at 6:30 PM at Lillian's Restaurant in Saratoga Springs; anyone interested is welcome. (We've been alternating the committee meetings between Saratoga and Troy.)

We're looking for memorabilia to include in a film loop that will run during the cocktail hour. If you've got any old photos, documents or anything else that might be of interest, please let us know.

### *Help wanted*

Lion Carol has been handling our hearing-aid requests for several years. She'll be zone chair next year and she'd like someone else to take over the hearing responsibility. The job is to determine the applicant's eligibility for our assistance and to work with Madison Hearing to ensure everything goes smoothly. We get only about 6-8 applicants a year, so it shouldn't be an undue strain. If you have any questions about what's required, please contact Carol at [cquantoc@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cquantoc@nycap.rr.com) or **664-3901**. She will also provide all necessary job training. Here's your chance to be of service; please step forward.

### **On a personal note ...**

PDG Dave reports that Lion Phil continues to reside at the nursing home and often asks about what is happening at the club. He wishes to thank all those who continue to remember him by sending cards. His address: Philip R. Harris, c/o Eddy Heritage House / Room 313A, 2920 Tibbits Ave, Troy, NY 12180..

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Our next BLOOD DRIVE will be **Wednesday, June 3, from 1-6 PM** at the Watervliet Senior Center, 1501 Broadway (same building as the library). We need volunteers:

- ◆ To work at the registration desk and the canteen at the drive,
- ◆ And to donate blood.

If you can do either or both of these, please sign up with KL Carol at [cquantoc@nycap.rr.com](mailto:cquantoc@nycap.rr.com) or 664-3901.

From Lion Ruth Sano: “During recent travels through Kentucky & Indiana I ran into some Lions from Petersburg, IN, at the Azalea Blossom Festival [see photo →]. The festival is their equivalent to our Tulip Festival and the Azalea Path Arboretum and Botanical Gardens are amazing. We were lucky that we happened to be in the area when the 100 variety of azaleas were in full bloom.”



### June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 KidSight - see p 3	2	3 Inst Dinner - see page 2 Blood Drive - see page 4	4 KidSight - see p 3	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 DG Testimonial see page 6
14 Flag Day	15	16 KidSight - see p 3	17 6pm: Board meeting at Rte 7 Diner.	18	19	20
21 Father's Day	22 KidSight - see p 3	23	24 KidSight - see p 3 90 <sup>th</sup> Comm - see p 3	25	26	27
28	29	30				

For other events around the district, visit [20Y2Lions.org](http://20Y2Lions.org)

*Happy Birthday!*

Happy June birthday to these A&T Lions:

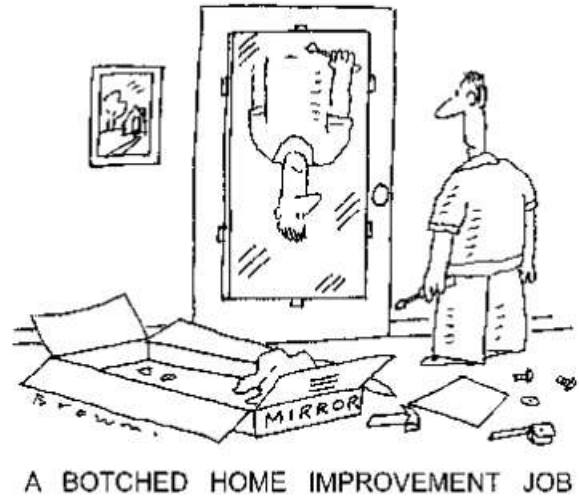
- 8th - Ted Belhumeur
- 12th - Laura Mona
- 25th - Diane Hart
- 26th - Doug Davis



*Happy Anniversary!*

Happy Lions Anniversary to these June inductees:

- Michelle Baker - 3 years
- Dave Harris - 17 years with us
- Bob Pratt - 20 years
- Doug Davis - 26 years



Learn about centennial events at [LIONS100.ORG](http://LIONS100.ORG)

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 your district web site: [20Y2LIONS.ORG](http://20Y2LIONS.ORG),  
 and International's web site: [LIONSCLUBS.ORG](http://LIONSCLUBS.ORG).



**District Governor Marianne Lynch  
Lions District 20-Y2**

You are cordially invited to  
The District 20-Y2 Testimonial Dinner

Saturday, June 13, 2015  
Holiday Inn Resort  
Route 9, Lake George, New York

Hors d'oeuvres and Cash Bar 6:00-6:45  
Introductions 6:45  
Dinner: 7:00  
Awards to Follow

Chicken Francaise ~ Prime Rib ~ Shrimp Scampi ~ Vegetarian Option  
\$30.00 per person

Dress: Men – Business Attire  
Ladies – Cocktail Dress or Business Attire  
PDGs and Council – White Dinner Jacket

Please respond with your check and selection on or before May 28, 2015  
Lion Mary Claire Noakes, 12 Towner Road, Lake Luzerne, NY 12846

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\_\_\_ Will Attend \_\_\_ Will Not Attend

\_\_\_ Chicken Francaise \_\_\_ Prime Rib \_\_\_ Shrimp Scampi \_\_\_ Vegetarian Option