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**YOUR SUBMISSIONS
ARE ENCOURAGED!**

Report of the board meetings held on Wed, July 12, at the Red Front

We have officially dropped two Lions who resigned, bringing us down to 36 members. (If we could get more than one-third of them to participate in meetings and activities, we'd have a pretty strong club.)

We congratulated PR chair Elena on a successful RiverFest event. We made only about \$50, but it was our first year of participation and it did establish a Lions presence. We voted to do it again next year.

Lion John reported for the fund-raising committee that we will begin selling the SaveAround books in October.

We have raised approximately \$100 so far with Boscov's Friends Helping Friends shopping passes, but there's a lot more potential here.

Our September speaker will be Lion Bill Suchy, who will talk about the Lions Eye Institute and the Knights of the Blind program. In October, we'll try to get the recipient of our HOBY donation.

We voted to again participate in NABA's low-vision tech fair, which will be on October 16.

We last bought shirts with our club logo in 2013. Since many of the old ones are getting worn, and since we have new members, it's time for another buy. We will offer light blue in addition to the navy. [See page 2]

A lengthy discussion about the way we select recipients of the Melvin Jones Fellow and Uplinger Award was tabled, but it looks like instead of doing it by email, we'll hold a separate meeting for each after the March and/or April meetings. Watch for more info.

Lion Maryanne gave out two eyeglass vouchers.

No hearing report from Doug.

We had a request to help send a young girl to day camp. She has a very sad home situation, but since she has neither vision nor hearing problems, we decided not to contribute.

Our next meeting ...

Our next general membership meeting is not until September 6, but your board never rests. If you need a meeting fix, you're welcome at the next **board of directors meeting**, which will be on **August 2 at 6 PM** at the Red Front.



MEMBERSHIP

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JJ STONE

PAUL VERGONI

ELENA WATSON

KEITH WOODARD

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Посетете потенциален член на среща

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. I'm sure you recognized this is Bulgarian, not to be confused with the extinct Bulgar language.

KidSight

Kathryn Miklowitz, NABA's RN who conducts their KidSight vision screenings of pre-schoolers, always appreciates our help. They start at 9:30 a.m. and last an hour or two. If you'd like to sign up for one or more, please contact Kathryn at kmiklowitz@naba-vision.org and mickeyskat@gmail.com or call her at C: 518-915-4722 for time and address details.

Her August schedule includes three in our area and two a little beyond:

Tue 8/1	Kiddie Academy, Latham
Mon 8/7	Lally Day Care, Scotia
Wed 8/9	Little Ones, Schenectady
Thu 8/10	Kiddie Academy, Albany
Tue 8/22	Corporate Woods, Albany

Shirt happens

We ordered club shirts in 2010 and in 2013. Many of us wear them to club meetings, but the real purpose is to present a unified appearance whenever we're out in public (in a parade, at a blood drive or health fair booth) or at broader Lions functions (club visitations, district cabinet meetings, state or international conventions).

If you have one (or more), it's probably getting worn-looking. And if you didn't get one then, or you've joined since then, maybe you'd like one. To encourage you to buy 1 (or 2) so we can meet the 12-piece minimum, we're offering light blue as well as navy.

As before, there are two styles: a short-sleeved golf (polo) shirt (about \$20), and a long-sleeved sport shirt with full-button front (about \$27). Prices include the embroidered logo. Or, you can have the logo embroidered on your own piece of clothing (shirt, jacket, sweatshirt, sweater) for about \$7. Exact pricing will be established at the time of order; it will depend on quantities, styles and sizes (2XL and up cost a bit more). Both shirts are available in both men's and women's versions. (Maryanne tells me the women's polo is fitted and you may want to order one size larger.)

As soon as you can, please let Lion Jerry know how many you want, color (navy or light blue), style (sport shirt or golf shirt), whether men's or women's, and size.



At RiverFest, Lion Ruth wore the sport shirt as an overshirt and Lion Maryanne was in the golf shirt.

Friends Helping Friends



We're participating in Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" program by selling Shopping Passes. These passes are good for **25% OFF** almost everything Boscov's sells. They can be used at all 48 Boscov's stores, but **only on Tuesday, Oct 17, 2017**. The passes are **\$5 each** and our club gets to keep the whole \$5. There will be many other charitable organizations taking advantage of this program, so start selling them now to your friends and family and get a leg up on the competition. Passes are available from Lion Jerry, and all the proceeds go to Lion Paul.

On a personal note ...

Kathy Dorn is recovering slowly but surely from last month's stroke. She has just now regained the ability to dial her phone and she really appreciates all the cards, notes and letters she has received. She loves knowing that people are thinking of her and welcomes phone calls. You can wish her well at 518-783-0157 or 38 Denice Dr, Latham, NY 12110.

Happy Birthday!

Happy **August** birthday to these A&T Lions:

1st—Paul Vergoni
5th—Chris Horan



Happy Anniversary!

Happy Lions Anniversary to only one **August** inductee:

Kathy Dorn—7 years
Chris Horan—8 years
Vici Harris—13 years

August 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
WHERE THERE'S A NEED THERE'S A LION 100 years		1 KidSight screening; p 2	2 BoD meetings see page 1	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 KidSight screening; p 2	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 KidSight screening; p 2	23	24	25	26 District Leadership School
27	28	29	30	31		
For other events around the district, visit 20Y2Lions.org						

For District Leadership School info, visit
[20y2lions.org/Dates/District Leadership School.pdf](http://20y2lions.org/Dates/District_Leadership_School.pdf)

***Memories of the 100th Lions International Convention, June 30-July 4, 2017.
Thanks to Lion Ruth Sano for these photos of the convention and the parade.***



20Y2 Lions at the 100th International Convention in Chicago (L-R): DG John McDonald (Saratoga Springs), Maryanne & Jerry Gordon and Ruth Sano (Albany & Troy), IPDG James Griffith (Cambridge), Karen & Scott Rager (Glens Falls), VDG Michele O'Hare (Bethlehem), PDG Paula Flisnick (Holland Patent), Elena Watson (A&T)





In case you're wondering why you became a Lion (or why you should become one, if you're not already), here's what the Albany & Troy Lions Club did during the last Lion's year, from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017:

- Collected **10,000** used eyeglasses
- Collected **122** used hearing aids for the Hearing Conservation Society;
- Provided eyeglasses for **10 children** and **11 adults**;
- Sponsored 4 blood drives that collected enough to potentially save **384** lives;
- Purchased hearing aids for a 64-year-old woman;
- Participated in NABA's Low-Vision Technology Fair;
- Worked with a junior from Albany High School to help her set up her own used-eyeglass collection network;
- Participated in a Health Fair for Seniors at Albany Jewish Community Center;
- Provided holiday gifts for four teenagers who share a home at Vanderheyden;
- Helped CEO with their backpacks for kids project;
- Contributed clothing and toiletries to Sheridan Hollow Drop-In Center in Albany;
- For NEWS10's Coats for Kids campaign, we picked up **680** coats at various dry-cleaners and delivered them to central distribution points in Albany and Rensselaer counties;
- Sponsored a student in the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership program;
- Donated to CEO, Hope House, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, NABA, LCIF, Camp Abilities Saratoga, Lions Eye Foundation, Regional Food Bank.

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