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**YOUR SUBMISSIONS
ARE ENCOURAGED!**



Report of the general meeting held on Wednesday, May 4, at the Red Front

Lion Jerry introduced Tyler Gleason, a freshman at SUNY/Albany. He had received a \$1000 scholarship from the New Windsor (NY) Lions Club, and one of the requirements was that he attend a Lions meeting while he was at school.

DG John Samples inducted new member MaryJoy, under the watchful eye of her sponsor, Lion Jerry. He then presented an award to Lion Mike O'Brien for always being there when we need him.

DG John spoke about various happenings around the district: NYS clubs will be collecting food for food banks on 5/7; the redistricting plan is dead; MD20 is trying to reduce its budget – too many clubs are in arrears; the district magazine will be going all electronic; try to attend Town of Hoosick's 50th Anniversary on June 4 and the DG Testimonial on June 17.

Report of the board meetings held on Wednesday, May 18, at the Alexis Diner

Lion Diane would like to get the attendance up to at least 50 for the Installation Dinner on June 1. We should have 20-25 coming from Mechanicville/Stillwater, and she encourages all A&T Lions to bring friends and family. [See story on page 2 and flyer on page 4.]

Lion Diane reminded us of some upcoming events: Leadership School on 5/21; Hearing Conservation Society's annual dinner on 5/23; VCB's golf outing on 5/24; Town of Hoosick Lions' 50th anniversary celebration on 6/4; VCB spring work day on 6/4; Lions Eye Institute annual dinner on 6/5; and the DG's testimonial on 6/17. [Details on events that are not in this Rare Meat can be found at 20Y2Lions.org.]

Lion Joann suggested a fund-raiser with Boscov's: Boscov's will provide us with coupons that entitle the bearer to a 25% discount on anything they buy on Tuesday, Oct. 4. We sell the coupons for \$5, which we keep. In addition to selling them ahead of time, we'll be selling them at Boscov's on Oct. 4.

MEMBERSHIP

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TERRY PAGE
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PAUL VERGONI
DR. ALLEN ZIEKER *
* AFFILIATE MEMBER

We have a \$2500 credit from the Times-Union for their sponsorship of our School-Nurse dinner 3 years ago. Lion Jerry will look into having them print our annual seal campaign letter and distributing it with the TU.

Further to fund-raising, Lions Paul and Ruth will work on grants. Anyone else who wants to volunteer for a fund-raising committee is welcome.

Lion Paul brought up the fact that 5 members have not paid their 2010-11 dues, in spite of numerous requests. We decided that Lion Jerry, as secretary, will write and tell them that anyone who hasn't paid by June 1 will be dropped. We also voted to keep our annual dues at \$65 for 2011-2012.

We've been accumulating a number of patches for our patch banner. Lion Carol will put them on, and we authorized the purchase (\$112) of another pole set to display it.

We voted to donate \$100 to help a hearing-impaired student from Shenendehowa HS attend a summer camp at R.I.T. called Explore Your Future. *[See more below.]*

We voted to take a 1/4-page ad (\$125) in the Journal VISIONS will be publishing to celebrate their 85th anniversary.

We voted to take a tee sign and 1/4-page ad (\$225) to support the Sight Society's golf tournament on Aug. 1.

Our next meeting...

Our next general meeting, on **Wednesday, June 1**, at the Hilton Garden Inn at 6 PM, will be our annual Installation Dinner. A highlight of the evening will be a presentation by M-S Lion Dr Tamar Martin on their medical missions to Haiti. See the flyer on page 4, and if you haven't already done so, make your reservations NOW. This is our last general meeting until September, but of course your board of directors will be working tirelessly over the summer.

Joseph's House

On **Sunday, May 15**, 11 Lions + 1 non-Lion showed up to serve dinner to the residents of Joseph's House. The cooking was done by the Red Front (pizza and salad). We brought cookies for dessert, set up and served dinner, socialized with the residents and cleaned up afterwards. All involved found it to be a worthwhile and enjoyable evening. They'd like us to do it again, and many Lions thought we should do it quarterly. In the photo: King Lion Diane gets some grammy-practice with one of the younger residents.



We Serve, again ...


In the report of the last board meeting above, it says that we voted to donate \$100 to help a hearing-impaired student from Shenendehowa HS attend a summer camp at R.I.T. The amount she needs for this is \$650. We forwarded this request to the Hearing Conservation Society and to the clubs that border Clifton Park: Ballston Spa, Mechanicville-Stillwater, Saratoga Springs and Waterford. As of this writing, HCS has come up with \$200 and M-S came up with \$100 from their club + another \$100 because they're sponsors of the Shenendehowa Leos. That makes \$500 total, and the other 3 clubs haven't met yet. HCS decided to send the whole \$650, expecting that the other clubs will make up the \$150. So it looks like we've done it again - Jenna will be going to the camp!

Magazines

Lion Tom says the V.A. Hospital is looking for magazines. Instead of throwing them out when you're done with them, bring them to a meeting for Lion Tom, or contact him at C: 522-6666 or thart003@nycap.rr.com to make other arrangements. Magazines with dated information (like *Time* or *People*) should be less than 3 months old, but mags like *National Geographic* or *Smithsonian* can be any age; all should be in good condition.


On a more personal note ...

Congratulations to **Lion Carol Quantock** on her new job - whatever it may be. As of this writing, she's deciding between two nice offers. I can't tell you who they are, but if you juggle the letters in GRIPE, you might be able to figure it out.



Make a note:

A&T Lions Work Nights at the **Regional Food Bank:**
Tuesday, **July 12** and October 11, 2011, **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.



We Serve

Happy Birthday!

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

8th - Ted Belhumeur
25th - Diane Burke Hart
26th - Doug Davis



Happy Anniversary!

Happy Lions anniversary to these **June** inductees:

PDG Dave Harris - 13 years (with our club)
Bob Pratt - 16 years
Doug Davis - 22 years

Mark your calendar...

Wednesday, June 1: Our annual installation dinner. The RSVP date has passed, but if you call Lion Diane RIGHT NOW she can probably squeeze you in. See page 4.

Saturday, June 4: Town of Hoosick Lions 50th Anniversary celebration. See page 5.

Wednesday, June 15, 8:00 AM: Board meeting at the Alexis Diner. All members are welcome.

Friday, June 17: District Governor's Testimonial. See page 6.

Visit your club's web site: **ALBANYTROYLIONS.ORG**,
your district web site: **20Y2LIONS.ORG**,
and International's web site: **LIONSCLUBS.ORG**.

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



2011 INSTALLATION DINNER



ALBANY & TROY LIONS CLUB

(ALL 20-Y2 CLUBS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 1, 2011

6:00 P.M. ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT HOUR (Cash Bar)

7:00 P.M. DINNER

HILTON GARDEN INN TROY
235 HOOSICK ST, TROY, NY 12180
518-272-1700



\$30.00 per person

Dinner Choices, including salad, dessert and coffee or tea:

Tarragon Crusted Salmon

*(Baked Salmon with a Tarragon Panko Crust,
Julienne Spring Vegetables, Jasmine Rice, Spicy Tomato Broth)*

Chicken With Mushroom & Madeira Butter

*(Thyme Sautéed Duet of Chicken Paillard, Savory Crimini Mushrooms and Madeira Pan Gravy,
Roasted Potato Medallions and Wilted Greens)*

Stuffed Beef Tenderloin

*(Gorgonzola & Mushroom Stuffed Tenderloin,
Buttermilk Smashed Red Potatoes & Glazed Vidalia Onions)*

The evening will include a PowerPoint presentation by Lions Dr. Tamar Martin and Ray Martin of the Mechanicville-Stillwater Lions Club about the medical mission trips in Haiti (the most recent in January) that their club supports. She and the medical team are in frequent contact with the orphanage-based relief-site, and the presentation will include a current status report.

R.S.V.P. TO LION DIANE BURKE HART 518-283-6099 dbhart@nycap.rr.com

BY: WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2011

(Please make checks payable to: *Albany & Troy Lions Club*)

Mail to:

LION DIANE BURKE HART
PO BOX 171
WEST SAND LAKE, NY 12196



Town of Hoosick Lions Club We Serve



The Town of Hoosick Lions Club invites you to our

50th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, June 4th, 2011

6:00 P.M. - Social Hour – Cash Bar

7:00 P.M. - Dinner

Hoosick Falls Country Club
Richmond Avenue
Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

Special Guest Speaker

Douglas X. Alexander, International Director

\$30.00

Dinner Choices, including coffee and desert
Prime Rib
Roast Turkey
Baked Scrod

Semi-formal or Appropriate Lions Attire

Contact Lion Peter Church for more information

518-944-8074

peterlchurch@gmail.com

R.S.V.P. BY: **MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011**

Please make checks payable to: **Town of Hoosick Lions Club**
(Please include your phone number or e-mail so we may contact you if need be
and include your menu choice)

Mail to:

**LION SANDY TREMBLY
138 HOME STREET
HOOSICK FALLS, NY 12090**



You Are Cordially Invited to Attend
The Testimonial for District Governor John Samples Sr.

Holiday Inn
308 N. Comrie Avenue (Route 30A)
Johnstown, New York 12095

Black Tie Optional, Semi-formal

Friday, June 17, 2011
Cocktails: 6:30 P.M.
Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Menu Choice

Chicken Cordon Blue
Sliced Sirloin of Beef
Eggplant Parmesan

\$30.00 per Person

Please send Reservation and DINNER CHOICE by June 9, 2011 to: PDG Lettie Saheim
117 Hansen Road
Schaghticoke, NY 12154
518-753-7867

For overnight accommodations, please call the hotel direct. Holiday Inn 518-762-4686 \$99.00
Microtel Inn and Suites, 136 N. Comrie Ave, Johnstown, NY 12095 \$79.00 Including Continental Breakfast
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