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YOUR SUBMISSIONS
ARE ENCOURAGED!

There were no meetings held during August, so there's nothing to report here.

September meetings



Our first general meeting of LY26-27 will be on **Wed, Sept 9, at 5:30 PM**, at the Hub, 498 1st St (corner of Quail), Albany. [Note that subsequent meetings will be on the first Wednesday.] A featured event will be the presence of **DG Ed Balaban**, who will induct our newest Lion, **Anshu Chandra**. (The July *Rare Meat* had a description of a typical week at her eye clinic in Haiti.)

Board meetings will continue to be held on-line on the **third Monday at 7:30 PM** (Sep 21 is the next one). All members are welcome, but only board members can vote. Here's the link: <https://meet.google.com/dus-eyyy-vby>

Earning Some Green by Going Green

You've all got your CLYNK recycling bags; I hope you're using them. If you need more for yourself, **or for any friends or family members who are willing to help us out**, contact Lion Jerry at 518-366-5299 or 1jerrygordon@gmail.com for more bags.

It's simple: Fill the bag with cans and bottles that are NYS-redeemable (water bottles, soda bottles & cans, beer bottles & cans). Bring the full bag to your nearest Hannaford, scan the label and drop the bag into the chute. All those nickels will be deposited right into our bank account. **This project earned us \$177 last year, but with greater participation, it could be a lot more. Email, call or text Lion Jerry now to get more bags.**

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From the Times Union Fri, 8/28/26



Lori Van Buren/Times Union

Community activist Paul Collins-Hackett, known as "Batman," speaks at the rally outside Albany City Hall on Thursday. He runs the RED Bookshelf literacy program in the South End and said the proposed data center and tech hub at the former Kenwood Academy site is deeply unpopular with residents there.

Happy Birthday!

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

10th: Vicki Adler
30th: Shawn Newton



Happy Anniversary!

Happy Lions Anniversary to these **September** inductees:

Nikki Milton: 2 years
Ruth Sano: 30 years
Kristin McVeigh: 36 years



Vision Awareness Month; Membership Growth Month

Mon, Sep 7: Labor Day

Wed, Sep 9: General meeting, see page 1

Sun, Sep 13: Rosh Hashana starts at sundown

Sun, Sep 20: Yom Kippur starts at sundown

Mon, Sep 21: Board meeting; see page 1

For other events around the district, visit 20WLions.org

Dues are due now! If you haven't already done so, send your check, cash or bitcoins, payable to A&T Lions Club, to Lion Ruth Sano, 26 Birch Ave, Albany, NY 12205. Do it TODAY, please! You can also send your dues via PayPal to rmsano@gmail.com (just put "dues" in the notes).



Got Yarn? Or extra fleece fabric?

If you don't need it anymore, we will turn it into hats, mittens and scarves for the needy

Warm Woolen Wishes Project

Unites people with yarn or fabric so they can help us reach our goal of 500 items by the end of 2025.

This helps us help everyone. Someone stuck at home will have materials to make cozy items. We will have those items to give to the needy. Everyone wins!

If you can help us out with yarn or fabric, let us know. We will be happy to pick it up and get it where it needs to go.

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