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YOUR SUBMISSIONS ARE ENCOURAGED!

There was no December meeting, just our holiday party on December 7!

We decided to cross the river, or maybe just half way across, and hold our party at Van Schaick Island Country Club, where Smith's of Cohoes has been running the restaurant for quite a while. Both the ser-

vice and the food were all one could hope for. Lion Maryanne started off the evening with another version of her famous (infamous?) bag game for us to exercise our tactile skills. It was a palpable success.

Wednesday night is always Trivia Night at Van Schaick, so after dinner we joined the other patrons. In spite of all the training we've received from TailTwister Tom, we managed to turn in a very disappointing performance. Oh, well, we did have a fun evening. Photos by Lion Ruth Sano (or at least Ruth's camera).



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Mu kan ti o poju omo egbe si ipade kan



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 Yoruba, spoken in West Africa, mainly Nigeria.

Our next meeting ...

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 4**, at the Red Front. Our speaker will be Barbara Martin from the Saratoga Springs Lions Club, who will update us on Camp Abilities.

We call the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., but please try to be there by 5:45 so you can place your dinner order and have a few minutes to socialize. The restaurant likes a head count, so please let Lion Jerry know (235-8232 or jerrygordon@juno.com) whether you'll be there. Telling Jerry your intentions will be one less phone call that Lion Mike has to make. A head's up: There will be a slight price increase on some menu items.

If you're a board member, remember that we now hold the board meetings immediately after the general meeting, so be prepared to stay for another hour, more or less.

Popcorn sales at Troy's Victorian Stroll

We sold popcorn at the Victorian Stroll on Sunday, December 4, and netted about \$390, as well as maintaining our visibility in the community. Thanks to volunteers Carol & Paul Quantock, Michelle Baker & Jaleel, Larry Krug, John & Michele Bianco, Ruth & Bob Sano, Ursula Dessingue, Maryanne & Jerry Gordon and Dennis





Instead of shopping at amazon.com, please shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3255679. You'll get the same great deals, plus a percentage of your purchases will be donated to the Albany & Troy Lions Charitable Fund.



KidSight

Kathryn Miklowitz, NABA's RN who conducts their KidSight vision screenings of pre-schoolers, always appreciates our help. They're usually at 9 or 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 C: 915-4722 or mickeyskat@gmail.com for time and address details.

Thu 1/5/17 Philip Schuyler Albany
Mon 1/9/17 Pine Hills Albany
Wed 1/18/17 Howe School Schenectady

Thu 1/19/17 Sheraton School Albany

Mon 1/23/17 Martin Luther King Schenectady
Wed 1/25/17 Executive Woods Albany
Tue 1/31/17 TOAST Albany

We're up to 6!

That's how many from our club are going to LCI's 100th Annual Convention from June 30 to July 4, 2017. If you've never been to an international convention, or even if you have, give some serious thought to attending this one. So far, PDG Dave Harris, Lion Ruth Sano and PIS Bob, Lions Maryanne & Jerry Gordon and relatively new Lion Elena Watson have made reservations. (FYI: Albany to Chicago is about a 2-hour flight, a 13-hour car ride or a 16-hour overnight train ride.)



Registration forms and information are available at tinyurl.com/LCI100th. Why you should sign up now:

- 1. The \$130 registration fee goes up to \$180 on January 14, 2017, and to \$200 after March 31.
- The sooner you register, the better your chances of getting into the Hyatt Regency Chicago, the hotel for NYS delegates.

On a personal note ...

A note to our newer members, and a reminder for the rest of you: This section is intended to increase camaraderie among our members by giving you some idea of what your fellow Lions are up to when they're not being Lions. If you think this is a good idea, you can help by giving me a few words occasionally about what's noteworthy in your life. Or tell me about a Lion who might be too shy or modest to tell me him/herself. If no one tells me anything, I have to fill the space with "humor," so you'd better give me stuff.







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Happy Birthday!

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

7th—Jeff Bennett 23rd—Chris Burke 25th—Rob Brass



Happy Anniversary!

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

Fran McDoal—4 years with us, plus 4 years with Waterford LC

January 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
THERE'S A LION	2	3	4 Meeting at the Red Front; see page 2.	5 KidSight screening; see page 3	6	7
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22	23 KidSight screening; see page 3	24	25 KidSight screening; see page 3	26	27	28 District cab mtg see page 6
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For other events around the district, visit 20Y2Lions.org

Visit your club's web site: ALBANYTROYLIONS.ORG
your district web site: 20Y2LIONS.ORG
International's web site: LIONSCLUBS.ORG
and LCI's centennial site: LIONS100.ORG





I CAN'T READ MY NEW
YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS
- I MUST HAVE
SPILLED BEER ON
THEM LAST NIGHT.



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The Third District Cabinet Meeting 20-Y2 will be held:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017

9:00 AM Registration - Meeting - Lunch - Dismissal

Holiday Inn Johnstown – 308 N. Comrie Ave., Johnstown, NY (Route 30A, between Johnston and Gloversville)

Please share this with all your members in your club. Everyone is always welcome.

Please either email me or mail me this form if you are not attending by January 20th. If you are attending, please send this form and your check for \$20.00 to 8 Turnberry Drive, Slingerlands, New York 12159. Make the checks out to: District 20-Y2 Lions Clubs. The fee covers: coffee and donuts, lunch selection: Chicken Francaise, Petite Salmon Filet or Hot Turkey Sandwich and gratuity. Please return this no later than Friday, January 20th.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 518-463-1211 x 241.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Michele O'Hare Cabinet Secretary

Attending Not Atte	ending email:	
Name/s: and Club:		
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