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**YOUR SUBMISSIONS
ARE ENCOURAGED!**

***Report of the meetings held on Wednesday,
March 1, at the Red Front (board meetings are
now held right after the general meeting)***

GENERAL MEETING

Our speaker this month was Marlene Tuczinski, an attorney as well as a volunteer firefighter, who was inspired to create a fire safety program for young adults out on their own for the first time. Ms. Tuczinski presented a very interesting PowerPoint and video presentation which highlighted situations that young adults sometimes face when living on their own or with others their own age. The message from the presentation was that when young people are still living at home, their parents assume the responsibility of fire safety, but when teens/young adults are in apartments or dorm rooms, they tend to forget the rules of fire safety.

After dinner, Tail Twister Tom Hart "entertained" us with the usual terrifying questions.

Treasurer Paul Vergoni reminded us that tickets were still available for \$100 per ticket for the MD20 raffle. Lion Paul Vergoni said he would purchase one, PDG Dave Harris will also purchase one, and KL Chris, Charitable Fund Treasurer Larry Krug, and Lion Carol Quantock will split the cost of a third ticket.

PDG Dave read a couple more voicemail messages that were received too late to include on the printed voicemail log.

We agreed to ask Secretary Jerry Gordon and Lion Maryanne Gordon to contact the Van Schaick Country Club to find out if the Club would be able to accommodate our group for the annual installation meeting on June 7, 2017.

Slate of Officers for 2017-2018: Many thanks to Lion Tom Hart and Lion Carol Quantock for preparing a slate of officers for next year. See page 3.

BOARD MEETINGS (CLUB & CHARITABLE FOUNDATION)

Glasses: Lion Tom reported that he turned in 5000 pairs of glasses.

Facebook: Reporting for Lion Ruth, Lion Carol reported that Lion Ruth was monitoring the Facebook page and posting all items that she felt appropriate. Lion Carol commented that our Facebook page has a lot of followers and "likes", which is a testament to Lion Ruth's hard work.

Membership: Lion Ruth reported via Lion Carol that there was no new information to report.

Public Relations: Lion Elena reported that Albany.org (Channel 19.2) will be updating our phone number to the new phone number.



MEMBERSHIP

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CAROL QUANTOCK

RUTH SANO

VICKIE SHAHINIAN

SUE SHIPE

JJ STONE

PAUL VERGONI

ELENA WATSON

KEITH WOODARD

DR. ALLEN ZIEKER

Fundraising: Lion Fran reported that the Save Around Albany books sold so well that the committee will start selling them in October (the earliest that they will be available for sale) in order to get a “jump” on competing groups. Lion Fran mentioned the possibility of holding a 50/50 raffle as a non-intrusive way to raise funds, and that she is always open to other ideas. Lion John Bianco mentioned the possibility of holding a White Cane Event or a Journey for Sight. We agreed to explore all options and discuss at the next meeting in April.

Lion Mike O’Brien introduced potential member Michael Ryan.

Programs: KL Chris posed the question of whether we wanted to hold our April meeting as usual or opt to attend the Waterford Club’s annual “Meet and Greet”, which would serve as a visitation for our Club. After discussing the pros and cons, we agreed to meet in April for our usual general meeting/board meeting to avoid having to schedule a separate board meeting.

KL Chris mentioned that our speaker for April would be Alexandra Sipos, who chose collecting glasses as her community service project. It will be good to hear her progress report.

PDG Dave reported in Lion Doug’s absence that he was working on two hearing aid requests.

Lion Carol reported (in Lion Ruth’s absence) that in Maryanne’s absence, Ruth has been following up on any calls that Dave Harris has been picking up. One voucher was sent for a previous application sent. There have been four requests this month that are either being followed up on by Ruth or have been referred to another appropriate Lions Club in the area. We have also received another book of vouchers that have been ordered from Lenscrafters by Larry Krug.

PDG Dave reported that we received a check for \$2,000 from MD20 in response to the grant request for the Watervliet playground. Joan Scott signed the letter and asked that we send photos and a report on the progress at the March 18 meeting.

PDG Dave stated that he would be attending the State Convention in Lake Placid this year.

In an email vote on March 22 & 23, we approved the purchase of hearing aids through LCIF’s AHAP program for 64-year old Linda C. from Albany.

A big thank-you to Lion Carol for taking these minutes in Lion Jerry’s absence.



Donesite potencijalni član na sastanak



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 Bosnian.

Our next meeting ...

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, April 5**, at the Red Front. Our speaker will be **Alexandra Sipos**, a junior at Albany HS, who has been collecting used glasses as a community service project.

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 **me** know (**235-8232 or jerrygordon@juno.com**) whether you’ll be there. Telling me your intentions will be one less follow-up phone call that Lion Mike has to make.

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.

Election time again

At our April meeting, we'll be voting for our board of directors for 2017-2018. Here's the slate that our nominating committee came up with:



President	Carol Quantock	Lion Tamer	Maryanne Gordon
1st Vice President	Ursula Dessingue	Permanent Director	PDG Dave Harris
2nd Vice President	Fran McDoal	Director, 1st of 2 years	John Bianco
3rd Vice President	Michele Banco	Director, 1st of 2 years	Elena Watson
Secretary	Jerry Gordon	Director, 2nd of 2 years	Kathy Dorn
Treasurer (Club)	Paul Vergoni	Director, 2nd of 2 years	Mike O'Brien
Treasurer (Char Fund)	Larry Krug	Membership Chair	Ruth Sano
Tail Twister	Tom Hart	Immediate Past Pres	Chris Horan

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 kmiklowitz@naba-vision.org and mickeyskat@gmail.com or call her at **C: 915-4722** for time and address details.

In April several screenings are in our bailiwick, but feel free to help with any that are convenient for you:

Thu 4/6 Wee care in Perth
 Mon 4/10 Tutortime in E. Greenbush
 Wed 4/12 ECEC in Troy
 Thu 4/13 Schenectady JCC in Schenectady
 Mon 4/24 Tutortime in Troy
 Tue 4/25 Helping Hands in Clifton Park T/T group
 Wed 4/26 Helping Hands in Clifton Park M/W/F group

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 \$200 after **March 31** (you missed the January 14 deadline for \$180).
2. The sooner you register, the better your chances of getting into the Hyatt Regency Chicago, the hotel for NYS delegates.

District Convention

Sorry this is so late, but the MD-20 New York State & Bermuda district convention is **May 5-7 in Lake Placid**. Information and registration forms are at 20y2lions.org/Dates/MD20%20conv%20reg.pdf. We're allowed 4 voting delegates, but as far as I know, PDG Dave Harris is our only member going. If you're interested in going, please let Lion Jerry know as soon as possible so I can get you on the delegate form.

On a personal note ...

No one's given me nothin', so that's what you're getting.

Happy Birthday!

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

1st—Michelle Baker
1st—Dave Harris
8th—Terry Page
18th—Sue Shipe
19th—Larry Krug
20th—Kathy Dorn



Happy Anniversary!

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

Jeff Bennett—4 years
Vicki Adler—13 years
Mike Farrell—13 years
Maryanne Gordon—18 years
Rob Brass—19 years
Mike O'Brien—19 years
Allen Zieker—19 years

April 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
WHERE THERE'S A NEED THERE'S A LION 100 YEARS						1
2	3	4	5 Meeting at the Red Front; see page 2.	6 KidSight screening; p 3	7	8
9	10 Passover starts at sundown KidSight screening; p 3	11	12 KidSight screening; p 3	13 KidSight screening; p 3	14 Good Friday	15
16 Easter Sunday	17	18 Passover ends at sundown	19	20	21	22
23	24 KidSight screening; p 3	25 KidSight screening; p 3	26 KidSight screening; p 3	27	28	29
30 SSNENY annual meeting; see page 5	For other events around the district, visit 20Y2Lions.org					

Sight Society of Northeastern New York, Inc.
Lions Eye Bank at Albany

"Celebrating 65 Years of Vision"

Invites you to their

Annual Membership Meeting

April 30, 2017

at the

Desmond Hotel and Conference Center

660 Albany Shaker Road, Albany, NY 12211

Executive Board Members and Officers will be elected.

Club contributions will be accepted.

The Executive Board meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m.

Cocktail hour is at 12:00 p.m. and the luncheon will be served at 12:30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you at this meeting as we review the accomplishments of the past year and our vision for the future.

Sincerely,

PDG Richard Ralston, Chairman of the Board

Victoria Adler, Executive Director/Tissue Bank Director



Please make reservations for

to attend the

65th Annual Membership Meeting of the
Sight Society of Northeastern NY, Inc.

on

Sunday, April 30, 2017

at the

Desmond Hotel and Conference Center

Luncheon Choices are:

_____ Chicken Teriyaki _____ Sirloin Steak Sandwich
_____ Grilled Salmon

Please reply with check for \$25 per person made payable to
The Sight Society of NENY by
April 17, 2017



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International's web site: **LIONSCLUBS.ORG**
and LCI's centennial site: **LIONS100.ORG**

Dues are due now. If you haven't already done so, send your check for \$75, payable to A&T Lions Club, to Lion Paul Vergoni, 7 Davis Place, Latham, NY 12110. Do it TODAY,

Leadership School is free and open to all Lions. If you think you might be interested in assuming a leadership role in the future on either the club or district level, this is an excellent chance to meet Lions from other clubs and to find out what's involved.

   	<h3><u>District 20Y2 Leadership School</u></h3> <p>May 13th Galway Lions Clubhouse 2167 Galway Road, Galway, NY 12074</p> <p>Registration and Coffee: 9:30am Remarks: 10:00am Classes: Immediately after Remarks Lunch: To follow after classes wrap up</p> <p><i>Classes: President, Treasurer, Secretary and Zone/Region Chair</i></p> <p>FREE – Compliments of District 20Y2!</p> <p>RSVP to PDG Joseph Jarvis, via phone to 518-893-7245 or email pdglionjj@gmail.com; VDG John McDonald at Home 518-882-6148, Cell 518-763-9262 or email jmcdonald33@nycap.rr.com</p> <p>Or mail form below to: PO Box 188, Greenfield Center, NY 12833</p> <p>*** ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND***</p> <p>The District is looking for presenters for the 4 classes. Please Contact <u>PDG Lion Joe Jarvis</u> or <u>1VDG John McDonald</u> as soon as possible if you are able to present a class.</p>
<p align="center">District Leadership School RSVP Form</p> <p>Club Name: _____</p> <p>Attendees Name(s): _____</p> <p>Class you will Be Attending: Check One <input type="checkbox"/> PRESIDENT <input type="checkbox"/> SECRETARY <input type="checkbox"/> TREASURER <input type="checkbox"/> REGION/ZONE CHAIR</p> <p>Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten-Free Meal Option <input type="checkbox"/> No Lunch</p>	

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