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YOUR SUBMISSIONS
ARE ENCOURAGED!

July brings the start of a new Lions year and with it we welcome **District Governor Michele O'Hare** to her second term (she served as DG in 2018-19). Her pin is in the upper left corner. She says, "My pin was designed in 2018 by my daughter, Kayla O'Hare. It depicts our District 20W from the High Peaks south to the Capital Region."

Other graphics for the new Lion year include International President Douglas X. Alexander's pin. IP Doug is the third LCI president from our district (the others were Robert J. Uplinger and Al Brandel) and LCI's first Black president. Take five minutes to watch his inspiring biography at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dydjXOSmmw>



Installation Dinner

Our installation dinner on June 2 at Swifty's on Everett Rd in Albany was our first live meeting in over a year and in spite of the rain, we were all happy to be there. District Governor Rick Brisee inducted two new members and installed our officers for the coming year.

New Lion Robin Ford with her sponsor, Lion Ruth, and DG Rick. New Lion Marty Keary is pinned by his sponsor, Lion Jerry.



There are more pictures on page 2.

MEMBERSHIP

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Dues are due now! If you haven't already done so, send your check for \$75, payable to A&T Lions Club, to Lion Ruth Sano, 26 Birch Ave, Albany, NY 12205. Do it TODAY, please!





King Lion Eva joins the newly inducted Lions.

Lion Tom will be back as Tail-Twister.



Lions Maryanne and Jodi are happy to be Directors.



Lion Jerry continues as our secretary.



Lions Ruth and Larry are again our treasurers for the club and charitable fund, respectively.



Lions Jodi and Greg are looking forward to being vice-presidents (2nd and 3rd, respectively).

And we're happy to welcome King Lion Eva back for her second term.



Our next general meeting ...

... will not be until September, but there will be a **board meeting on Wednesday, July 7, at 6 PM.** We couldn't come up with a good place for an in-person meeting, so it will be on Zoom. Here's the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86359651701?pwd=Y2tNYWdqWkZzUnZ2ZVVNNWoybmtkZz09>

Meeting ID: 863 5965 1701

Passcode: 123512

One tap mobile

+16465588656,,86359651701#,,,,*123512# US (New York)

+13126266799,,86359651701#,,,,*123512# US (Chicago)



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**.

A report from our Leo Club

On July 14, Leos will be mentoring the blind and vision-impaired kids in NABA's Youth Program as they work on LCI's Peace Poster Essay contest.

On July 20 at 5 PM, Leos will hold their monthly meeting at NABA. See page 5.

Later in the month, Leos will be assisting with various maintenance tasks at Albany's historic Ten Broeck Mansion.

If you know any 12-18 year-olds who might be interested in becoming Leos, contact Lion Preem.



NABA Gala

NABA's annual (except for 2020) gala was held at Franklin Plaza on June 10. Although not as formal as in years past, it was still a delightful and delicious event. A&T Lions Maryanne & Jerry and Lion Ruth with PIS Bob shared a table with DG Rick and ZC Florence Brisee (Waterford LC), PDG Ed & Lion Elizabeth Stano (Town of Greenfield) and Lion Steve King (Bethlehem). Other A&T Lions in attendance were Dr. Rob and PIS Ruth Brass and, of course, Chris Burke, NABA's executive director. Many other Lions, especially from Saratoga Springs, also supported NABA with their presence.



DG's Testimonial

A&T Lions Maryanne, Jerry and Mike went to DG Rick's testimonial at the Rivers Casino on Father's Day. This is an annual "changing of the guard" event at which a number of awards and other forms of recognition are bestowed on Lions from around the district for their work during the previous year, and the outgoing District Governor passes the gavel to next year's DG, in this case, VDG Michele O'Hare. Lion Jerry received his second Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award for, among other things, the "feeding the hospitals" project he coordinated in spring 2020.

Grant Status

Last month, we told you that we were awarded a second \$15,000 grant from the Albany Community Development Agency to provide hand sanitizer in the West Hill, Arbor Hill and South End neighborhoods, and that around 1500 bottles had been delivered. I'm pleased to report that we have now delivered 5747 bottles, completing our obligation. Our partners on this project included West Hill Cultural Center, Albany Victory Gardens, West Hill Refugee Welcome Center, Rise Up Youth Group, Red Book Shelf, South End Night Market, Albany City Rescue Mission, and the African-American Cultural Center. Our thanks go to Lions Greg, Jodi and Jordan for all the work they did on this. They were assisted by several volunteers who are all potential Lions. Hopefully, they'll soon realize their potential.



Happy Birthday!

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



7th: Preem Cabey
25th: Jerry Gordon

**Happy Anniversary!**

Happy Lions Anniversary to only one
July inductee:

Tom Hart: 14 years

*Bring a potential member
to a meeting.*

July 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
	5	6	7  Board meeting; see page 2	8	9	10
11	12	13	 Bastille Day	15	16	17
18	19	 LEO meeting; see page 5	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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

**I ACCIDENTALLY
PAID FOR MY LUNCH
WITH MY ORGAN
DONOR CARD...**

**IT COST ME AN ARM
AND A LEG. 🤖**

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your district web site: **20WLIONS.ORG**,
your multiple-district web sites: **MD20Lions.com**
and **NewYorkLionsClubs.org**
and International's *new* web site: **LIONSCLUBS.ORG**.

On a personal note ...

Lion Preem will be spending her birthday (July 7) at the National Junior Olympics and Summer Festival in Lubbock, TX, as a coach and official of Team USA Boxing Association. Afterwards, she and her family will enjoy some much-deserved R & R in Springfield, MA.

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JULY MEETING @ NABA

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GOOGLE MEET JOINING INFO
VIDEO CALL LINK: [HTTPS://MEET.GOOGLE.COM/MJQ-NRVP-NVZ](https://meet.google.com/MJQ-NRVP-NVZ)

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TUESDAY JULY 20TH, 2021
301 WASHINGTON AVENUE
5PM - 6:30PM

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Got Yarn? Or extra fleece fabric?

If you don't need it anymore,
we can find someone who will use it to make hats,
mittens and scarves for the needy.



Warm Woollen Wishes Project

Helping Hands ~  ~ Creating Comfort

Unites people with yarn or fabric so they can help us reach
our goal of 350 items by the end of 2021

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 up it up and get it where it needs to go.

Contact the Albany Troy Lions at albanytroylions@gmail.com
or
Lion Ruth Sano at 518-859-3796

