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YOUR SUBMISSIONS ARE ENCOURAGED!

There was no board meeting in August, so no notes.

Blueberries

As you may remember, we applied to United Way for a \$50,000 grant that would have allowed us to finish the blueberry orchard. They did give us \$10,000, which we gratefully appreciate. We decided to direct those funds to infrastructure, and so there were no funds for the Summer Youth Employment Program that had been a major part of our original proposal.



But Greg and Jodi have successfully moved forward by committing some personal resources, those of Eden's Rose Foundation, and some additional grant money to the furtherance of this project. They have also developed partnerships with other organizations to help get this across the finish line.

One partnership of note is Maximus. They came and played a role much like Anthem did at our original planting two years ago. They have not donated any funds but they sent 10 volunteers to plant 150 new blueberry bush-



es on Wednesday, August 18th.

Even Potter, the latest addition to the Sheldon household, helped with the digging. *Another picture next* page.

Dues were due June 30! 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!



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The Maximus team and the new blueberries

Our first general meeting ...

... of LY 21-22 will be on **Wed, Sept 1, at 6:00 PM**. We were hoping we could resume live meetings in September, but with the resurgence of COVID and its variants, the wisest thing to do for the health and safety of all of us is to go back to Zoom. Please let Jerry know if you plan to attend (jerrygordon@juno.com or 518-235 -8232). Our speakers will be our own Greg & Jodi, who will bring us up to date on the status of the blueberry orchard—where it's at and where it's going.

To join the meeting, click this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85722967175?pwd=THITWjQ0K2JHT2NpUDRkVWpISGxwUT09

One tap mobile: +16465588656,,85722967175#,,,,*998227# US (New York)

Or dial by your location: 646 558 8656 US (New York) and enter Meeting ID: 857 2296 7175 and Passcode: 998227.

Happy Birthday!

Happy **September** birthday to only one A&T Lion:

10th: Vicki Adler



Happy Anniversary!

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

John Bianco: 5 years

Sue Shipe: 8 years + 20 years with Guilderland and Saratoga Springs LCs

Ruth Sano: 25 years Kristin McVeigh: 31 years

Daily Drawing fundraiser

We're trying a new fundraiser that the Chazy Lions have been using successfully for a few years. For a \$10 donation, you get 31 chances to win either \$100 or \$250. If we sell all 1000 tickets, we'll net over \$5800.

The drawing runs during January 2022, so we've got 4 months to sell them. It doesn't look like we'll be meeting in person anytime soon, so here's how to order by mail:

Send me \$10 for every ticket you want (checks payable to A & T Lions Club), along with the contact info for the stub(s). I'll fill in the stub and send you a copy of it along with the top portion, so if you order more than one ticket, you'll know what name goes with what number. If you want a specific 3-digit ticket number, you can have it if it's still available.

These make great stocking stuffers, grab-bag gifts and tips for your snow-shoveler, lawn mower, hair dresser or whomever. So buy a few extra tickets in your name now, while they're available. Then, whenever you want to give one away, just let me know the ticket number and what contact info you want me to change

If this is going to work for us, we've each got to sell as many tickets as possible. They're available now, so let's get started!



Donation \$10.00 DAILY DRAWING



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All money will be used for community service projects.

No more than 1000 tickets will be sold. Each paid-up ticket holder has one chance per day to win \$100 (Mon-Sat) or \$250 (Sunday). The winning number will be determined by the NYS NUMBERS midday daily lottery drawing. Payments by check will be mailed weekly.

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January 2022

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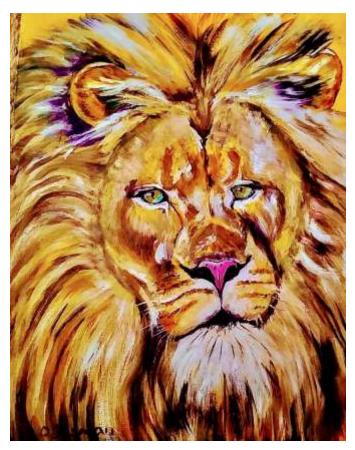
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Boscov's Fundraiser

One of our annual fundraisers for the past few years has been Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" program. Boscov's provides us with discount cards. Each one is good for a 25% discount on almost anything you buy at any Boscov's plus a chance to win a \$100 Boscov's gift card, but only on Wednesday, October 20. The cards sell for \$5 each, all of which goes right into our treasury.

Normally, we would distribute these cards to you at a meeting, but that's tough to do on Zoom. So check your mail box (the one from the post office). We've sent you each 5 cards to sell. Let Jerry know if you need more.



A painting by Lion John Bianco's cousin, Dorian Lee Bosman of Long Island.



King Lion Eva supervised a community clean-up of three parks in West Hill and Arbor Hill on Aug. 10 and rewarded the crew with their very own hand sanitizer.

On a personal note ..

- Lions Maryanne & Jerry are thrilled to announce the arrival of their first greatgrandchild on August 12. Coming into the world at 7lb 3oz, Eliya was born in Be'er Sheva, Israel. He's shown here with his mother, Sivan.
- We're glad to report that Lion Tom is doing very well after his recent heart-valve replacement. We're looking forward to having him back twisting tails very soon.



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2021 RAFELE

1st PRIZE \$2500

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3rd PRIZE \$500

\$20 per ticket

Drawing held December 9, 2021

For tickets contact:

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