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2022



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**YOUR SUBMISSIONS  
ARE ENCOURAGED!**

*Minutes of the Zoom meetings held on February 2*

## **General membership meeting:**

Our guest speaker was Lion Dave Parmon, president of the Lions Hearing Conservation Society of NYS. A few years ago, when LCI dropped their Affordable Hearing Aid Program, HCS entered into an agreement with Oticon for better, less expensive hearing aids and started a new program available to all clubs in NYS. Our club has taken advantage of it a number of times

KL Eva spoke about various activities:

With DG Michele, we will be working on a new LCI initiative to help Afghan refugees.

We plan to formalize our blueberry maintenance activities with greater club participation.

With DG Michele, we will sponsor cooking/canning classes.

We're developing a healthy living community education series with diabetes workshops and collaboration with Bridge Tha Gap and Juices 4Ever.

We're looking to increase volunteer opportunities with our existing contacts.

## **Club and Charitable Fund board meetings:**

Lion Ruth will add Women's History Month and Black History Month info to our FB page.

She also has \$450 worth of chocolate bunnies to sell.

Lion Jerry reported that our Daily Drawing fundraiser produced a net profit of \$1371 on sales of only 379 tickets.

Lion Preem says that this Sunday, Feb 6, the Leos will be selling popcorn at the Ujamaa Market with the Albany Boys & Girls Club from 10am-noon. Also, 4 of our 26 Leos are 18 and will be aging out.

Trent Stone, a Colonie Boy Scout who's working on becoming an Eagle scout, has adopted collecting used eyeglasses and hearing aids as a project. He made wooden collection boxes and will be distributing them at several Colonie locations. [See pictures on page 2.]

Our March speaker will be from Saratoga to talk about Camp Abilities.

Lion Ruth had 3 applicants for glasses she was able to help.

Lion Jerry is awaiting the return of two hearing-aid applications.

We approved the purchase of \$200 in debit cards for Melodies Center and another \$200 in cards for Ronald McDonald House.

## MEMBERSHIP

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### Next meeting

Continuing our Covid precautions, our next meeting will again be on Zoom.

Date & time: **Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.** We will have a presentation on Camp Abilities Saratoga by Lions Jim Flynn and Jim Edwards.

Meeting link: [us02web.zoom.us/j/82944796993?pwd=bTVVMEt2ckYwK0tvU01aNilvcVJMQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82944796993?pwd=bTVVMEt2ckYwK0tvU01aNilvcVJMQT09)

Dial in (phone only): **646 558 8656**. Meeting ID: **829 4479 6993**. Passcode: **746053**.

### Chocolate Easter bunnies ...

...are here! Lion Ruth ([rmsano@gmail.com](mailto:rmsano@gmail.com) or 518-869-5669) has both milk and dark chocolate, so it's time for you to buy some for yourself (they're only \$5 each) and sell some to your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers.



### Conventions

Spring is (almost) here, so it's time to start planning for our two spring conventions:

**MD-20 New York State & Bermuda Convention** is in Niagara Falls May 20-23. Info at [niagarafallsusa.com/md20lions/](http://niagarafallsusa.com/md20lions/). I understand that they're having some family-oriented events so you can bring your kids.

**Lions International Convention** is in Montreal June 24-28. See page 5. Info at [licon.lionsclubs.org/](http://licon.lionsclubs.org/). Register before March 31 to save \$75. See page 6.

State conventions can be fun and educational, but there's nothing like an international convention to broaden your Lions horizon. They're almost never this close to us (except 2023, when it will be in Boston). It's even more fun if we can get a group together.



**Trent Stone**, the Colonie Boy Scout who's collecting used glasses for his project to become an Eagle Scout. As of 2/24, he's collected 900 glasses. See story in the board minutes on page 1.



### On a personal note ...

Lions Maryanne and Jerry are enjoying their time in Deerfield Beach, FL. Normally, they would try to visit a few local Lions clubs, but they're trying to be more careful this year because of Covid. In spite of their caution, however, Jerry's left sleeve did succumb to an aviary excrement deposit. Maryanne says it's supposed to be good luck. Darn seagulls ...

**Happy Birthday!**

Happy **March** birthday these  
A&T Lions:

9th: Stefan Fosco  
13th: Tom Hart  
16th: Ruth Sano  
19th: Joann Beach  
21st: Greg Sheldon  
25th: Andy Pitonyak

**Happy Anniversary!**

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

Chris Burke: 15 years  
Dave Levine: 43 years

March 2022						
		Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 	2  General membership meeting; see p 2. Ash Wednesday	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12						District Cabinet meeting; see page 4
13 	14	15	16	17 	18	19
20 	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	<b>For other events around the district, visit <a href="http://20Wlions.org">20Wlions.org</a></b>	



Bring a potential member  
to a meeting.

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



## LIONS DISTRICT 20W 4<sup>th</sup> CABINET MEETING

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**SATURDAY, March 12, 2022**

**Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs  
232 Broadway, Saratoga Springs NY 12866**

**9:00 AM Registration  
Meeting Start Time 9:30 AM  
\$30 per person; Includes Lunch**

**If you are attending, please send the bottom part of this form with your check for \$30/pp.**

**Mail to: CS Barbara Bentley, PO Box 1031 Guilderland, NY 12084.**

**Make checks payable to: District 20W Lions Clubs.**

**Please return this registration form no later than Monday, March 7, 2022.**

**Please bring canned/non-perishable food items for the local food pantry.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact CS Barbara Bentley at 518-894-1375 or [bbentley@saratogaspringslions.com](mailto:bbentley@saratogaspringslions.com).

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# Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Dietary Restrictions/Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Club : \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

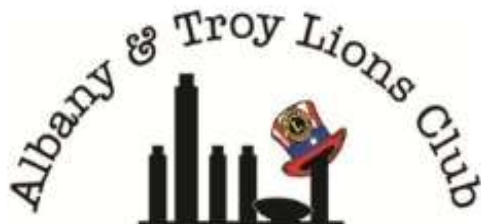


Instead of shopping at **amazon.com**, please shop at [smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3255679](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3255679). You'll get the same great deals, plus a percentage of your purchases will be donated to the **Albany & Troy Lions Charitable Fund**.



## 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 Woolen 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](mailto:albanytroylions@gmail.com)

or

Lion Ruth Sano at 518-859-3796





## MD-20 Lions

**Join International President Douglas X. Alexander  
And Lions From Around the World At The  
104th Lions Clubs International Convention**

**June 24-28, 2022**

**In Montreal, Canada**

**At the Palais des Congrès and the Bell Centre**

The beautiful Palais des Congrès is one of North America's most renowned convention and exhibition centres. Near historic and cultural areas...Old Montréal, Chinatown and the arts and entertainment district!

**Registration is now open online at - [lcicon.lionsclubs.org](https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org)**

- Enjoy music and live entertainment acts featuring top performers from all over the world.
- Celebrate cultural diversity by marching in the Parade of Nations with fellow Lions and Leos.
- Learn and grow your skills in expert-lead seminars.
- Hear from world-renowned speakers.
- Meet and chat with Lion Clubs International staff about how to enhance your service, create new opportunities, access key resources and more.
- Participate in the exciting conclusion of Campaign 100, our Foundation's historic effort to ensure our future of service.
- If you're a delegate for your Lions club, and your club is in good standing, you'll be able to cast a vote in the International Election.

**Special Note:**

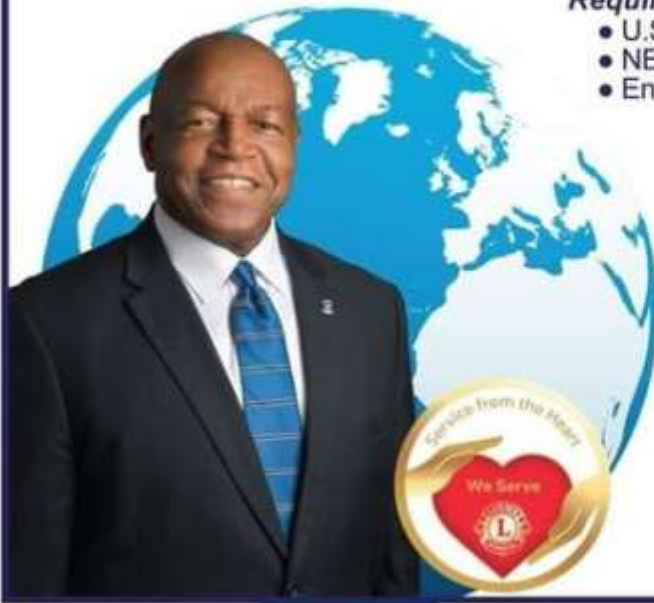
**MD-20 has been assigned to the Sheraton Centre Hotel (Headquarters). Rooms are assigned first come first served...Please Register Early.**

**Required For Canadian Entry By US Citizens:**

- U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport card (land & marine only)
- NEXUS card
- Enhanced Driver's License (land & marine only)

**Covid-19 Protocol:** [Click Here](#)

Currently, Canada requires that travelers provide proof of full vaccination. Refer to the Government of Canada website to check if you qualify for the fully vaccinated traveler exemption as well as which COVID-19 vaccines are accepted in Canada. The website also provides steps to follow for your trip and what to do if you test positive within 14 days of your entry to Canada.



**MONTREAL 2022**  
104th Lions Clubs International Convention