



# The ROARING TWENT-E1



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The Genesee District of the Empire State

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## District Governor's Message:

Dear Lions,

The Convention and Travel Bureaus of NY have informed the Council of Governors they no longer desire to compete for our State Convention due to our present system of site selection and the associated high cost of campaigning. They are suggesting attractive alternatives that are very exciting.

The last two years there has been a vote at the State Convention to allow the MD 20 Council of Governors to select the site for future conventions. So that we may have a choice of conventions in the future it is extremely important for this resolution to pass this year at our convention in Buffalo. Since this is a change in our Constitution and By-laws it must pass by a 2/3 majority. Last year 54% of voting delegates voted in favor of the change. I would like to explain why this change is necessary and must be approved.

In the past, various Convention and Travel Bureaus have bid for the Convention, expending large amounts of money. They spend two to three days handing out promotional materials and hosting a very

costly hospitality room with no guarantee of winning. All the Convention Bureaus are advising us our system needs changing. Economically they cannot afford to continue with our current selection process. We are the only large organization in NY to choose conventions sites using general membership votes.



If our selection process is not changed cities will stop bidding or we will have only one city putting in a bid, effectively giving us NO choice of convention site and no bargaining power.

The resolution on the ballot this May allows the Council of Governors to choose the site. The process would work like this: The cities that have the accommodations and required facilities would be invited to compete by making a presentation before the Council

of Governors. The Council would then be able to negotiate the best terms possible for the Lions of NY and Bermuda.

Instead of running expensive campaigns, the Convention Bureau of the winning city would then have funds available that could be committed to subsequent conventions to sponsor such events as:

- The Thursday Ice Breaker
- The Saturday night gala
- Motivational speakers
- Other benefits for all Lions attending the convention

The end result will be a more exciting Convention for all. The track we are on now leaves us no choice of convention site and no bargaining power. ***This must change for the good of all Lions.***

Please take this information in account when discussing this issue with your club and voting delegates.

MD 20 Council of Governors



# AROUND THE DISTRICT

## District 20E1 First Kendall Lion First



The First District of 20E now has two other Firsts:

The First Lion Lady District Governor of 20E1, Lion Joan Brien is shown giving the Lions Oath of Allegiance to the First Lady Lion of the Kendall Lions Club, Lion June Knapp.

## Thank You

Vice District Governor JoAnn Rodgers and the entire Irondequoit Lions Club wish to thank all Lions that purchased raffle tickets in our district.



The Winner of the Two Tickets to See "The Lion King" on April 9th is: Lion John Baxter of the Walworth Lions Club. **Congratulations John!**

After the tickets were paid for in the amount of \$116.00, Vice District Governor JoAnn Rodgers turned over to the Irondequoit Lions Club to help pay for their Hospitality Room in Buffalo a total of \$ 470.00.

**Thank You again Lions!**



## District Peace Poster Contest Winner Recognized in Chili

Lions District 20E1 Governor Lion Joan Brien from Fairport made her annual visitation to the Lions Club of Chili on February 28<sup>th</sup> and took this opportunity to recognize the District level winner of the Lions Peace Poster Contest, Miss Anna Ensslin, a student from Gates-Chili Middle School. Miss Ensslin was one of the winners at the club level contest sponsored by the Chili Lions.

The poster will be on display at the Multiple District 20 New York State and Bermuda Convention in Buffalo in May.



Pictured are Anna Ensslin (left), DG Joan Brien (center) and Chili Lion Charlie Prevost (right)



The **SUNY Brockport Lions** under Chairperson Haley Schedlin, held a bowl-athon fund raiser/social at Brockport Lanes this month. Thirty students participated and raised over \$700. The money will be donated through the District toward the operating budget of Camp Abilities. They plan another two day blood drive in April and will support the District's Camp Abilities dinner/auction fund raiser.

## NEWS YOU CAN USE:

### Lions Camp Badger 20 E1 Work Weekend April 28th - 30th

After working hard all day on Saturday night there will be a Euchre Party.

It's very important that if you plan on attending that you make your reservation for either a room and/or meals by contacting Bruce Ludwig at (607)589-4050 or by email at: [Bludwig6@netzero.com](mailto:Bludwig6@netzero.com)

If you have any questions, contact Lion Diane Hankinson at (585)225-7104.

### Does your club have pictures to share?

Digital photos can be submitted at [news@lions20E1.org](mailto:news@lions20E1.org). Actual photos can be mailed to Lion Regina Arlauckas, PO Box 363, Churchville NY 14428. Please indicate if you need the photos to be returned. NOTE: photos printed in club newsletters, newspapers, on color printers or photocopies cannot be used as the quality is not clear enough. Only original photographs or digital files please.

The **Batavia Lions Club** contributed 324 pairs of glasses and 2 hearing aids to the used glasses collection. The club had three teams enter the Crossroads House Bowling Tournament and made the following donations: \$1,000 to Genesee ARC to buy 5 wheelchairs for their needs, \$250 to Camp Badger. and \$200 to sponsor a team in Batavia Minor League Baseball.

# EVENT CALENDAR

**DEADLINE FOR ALL ISSUES IS THE FIRST OF EACH MONTH.  
Plan at least two months ahead in announcing your event dates.**

## APRIL

- All Month: Gates Lions Club Geranium Pre-Sale<sup>+</sup>
- 23: Camp Abilities Auction
- 22: Alfred Lions Hot Dog Day and Chicken BBQ
- 28-30: ESS&HC (Camb Badger) Work Weekend
- 29: Lioness Spring Conference
- 29: Max's Mardi Gras Parade in Brockport
- 29: Spencerport Lions Club Charter Anniversary Dinner
- 29-30: Wellsville Lions Club Trout Derby\*

## MAY

- 5-7: MD20 Lions State Convention Buffalo
- 13: Gates Lions Club Geranium Sale
- 19: DG Joan Brien's Testimonial Dinner

<sup>+</sup>For Gates Lions Club Geraniums call Lion Bob at 585-621-6883

\*Contact The Wellsville Lions at [wslsvlions0506@yahoo.com](mailto:wslsvlions0506@yahoo.com)

## JUNE

- 11: Brockport Lions Golf Tournament
- 20: Gates Lions Club "Famous" Sausage Roast
- 25-7/1: Camp Abilities
- 27: Strawberry Festival - Scio
- 30-7/4: Lions Clubs International Convention Boston, MA

**NOTE:** The Past District Governors Organization holds two meeting annually in addition to the state convention. One is the third weekend in October and the other is the third weekend in March. Many of the PDGs try to attend various club functions. If you would like them to attend your event, try to avoid these weekends when scheduling.



The **Hilton Lions Club** under Chairman Joe Lee held their annual armchair horse race at Carmestro's Restaurant. One hundred sixty horses were pre-sold and the profit should be over \$1500.

The **Caledonia-Mumford Lions Club** held their annual Community Clambake in September. District Gov. Joan attended and helped by selling raffle tickets. The twin club from Caledonia Ontario also attended. The club also attended the annual Christmas dinner with the Cal Mum Lioness. The club rang the bell, for the Salvation Army, two weekends in December. The club once again supplied 2006 Community Birthday Calendars to the public, free of charge.

The club traveled to Caledonia, Ontario on February 14 to attend a community celebration honoring their twin club, the Caledonia Ontario Lions as Service Organization of the Year. The community also honored one of their members, Lion Guy Ryan, as Citizen of the Year.

The Cal-Mum Lions served their annual Senior Citizens, St. Patrick's Dinner, on March 16. The club sold daffodils for the Cancer Society at the local grocery store, and is now planning their Caledonia Citizen of the Year banquet for April 29. The Cal-Mum Lions sponsor this event every year.