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District Governor's Message:

This month let's talk about technology. We live in an age of high technology yet we don't utilize it very well if at all.

Today's young people are totally plugged in to the new advances in technology. Cell phones have replaced home phones. E-mail has replaced "snail" mail. Online shopping has replaced mall shopping. Digital cameras have replaced film. Most of us more experienced Lions thumb our noses and refuse to embrace this. The problem with this is we are turning our backs on prospective members and larger turnouts at our events.

I have checked on-line for most of the clubs in this district and very few have websites, even fewer have their websites up to date. Some have not been updated in over 6 years! You are better off not having a website than having an out of date one. What message do you think you're sending to a visitor that comes across your site when they see a notice for a pancake breakfast from 3 years ago?

On my club visits I see many people taking pictures with their digital cameras, some e-mail me copies of the pictures they have taken, yet none seem to get posted to their websites. If you don't want to post words to a website you can at least post pictures. I know that Lion Wap was difficult to work on, however with International's e-clubhouse it is much easier and user friendly. There is really no excuse. Heck, if you don't have the time or patience maybe one of your children or grand-children can do it for you.

You may say what difference does it make? To that I say it makes a world of difference. In my "normal" life I deal with all types of people. In doing so I have seen that most would be lost without their technology. Blackberrys, i-phones and PDAs allow the user to check e-mail and websites from virtually anywhere. Instead of the phone book these people fire up their device hit the web and look for what they want. If you aren't there they won't find you. If you are out of date they won't care about you. This goes for possible members as well as attendance for your next event. Lions Clubs International has a contest this year for the district with the most new club websites!

Websites are just the tip of the technology iceberg. There are social networking sites such as Facebook and My Space. There are video posting sites like You Tube. Blog sites such as Twitter. Lions Clubs International recognizes the importance of using these outlets, don't you think it's time you did too!!!

Welcome

NEW LIONS



District Governor Marvin inducting Vicky Maxon and Tony Cammarata into

the Kendall Lions club on January 7th as their sponsor, PDG Ray Ernenwein looks on.

Vicky and Tony - the Kendall Lions are looking forward to serving with you !



News from Around our District

Raising Funds for Project New Hope

The Hamlin Lions club certainly cares about veterans. Past district Governor Marvin Hankinson and new lion George Kelly, both veterans of the armed forces, are working on initiating a program in New York State. The program is called Project New Hope a retreat that helps veterans of conflict and their families to heal. The program helps the veteran and their families cope with the long separations of deployment and reintegration. The three-day program is being held at Camp Badger in Spencer New York.

Project New Hope was started in District five in northern Mn. as a service project to help veterans. In its short expectance the program has helped many active duty, reserves and veterans to get much needed help with issues surrounding being in armed conflicts and deployments. Statistics show 25% of homeless is combat veterans. The suicide rate for veterans ages 20-24 are four times higher than that of a civilian. The survival rate of the wounded solders has increased with advancement in medicine.

The Hamlin Lions club is raising money for the program in a variety of way. They are giving wristbands that have the name of the program on them to people willing to support the program. A gun raffle is planned for later in the year as well as a golf tournament. Lions Kelly and Hankinson are traveling around New York State talking to various clubs and organizations in an effort to raise money for the program.

The idea is to have many different groups share in the cost of the retreats. The presentation put on by the pair explains what the program goals are and how people can help. The retreats cover three days and meals are served so if an organization in New York City wants to help they can sponsor a meal. The cost of each meal has been computed and a list is available from the club. Another way is to sponsor a family. The cost of a family for the weekend is \$300.00 this includes food, lodging and childcare. Group that cannot afford to sponsor a family for an entire weekend can send partial donation and they will be combined to cover a family's expense.

Donations are accepted through the camp at The Empire State Special needs Experience a (501c3) charity so all contribution made through the camp are tax deductible. If sending contribution directly to the Camp please mark them to be used for Project New Hope. The mailing address for Camp Badger is 725 LaRue Road, Spencer New York, 14883. Lions Kelly and Hankinson can be contacted at projectnewhopeny@gmail.com or (585)355-5117

Lions and Walmart: USA Eyeglass Collection

Lions Clubs International is pleased to announce that it has entered into a collaborative agreement with Walmart to collect used eyeglasses from the public at Walmart and Sam's Club stores throughout the United States.

Co-branded eyeglass collection boxes, bearing both the LCI and Walmart logos, will be available in the 2,500 Walmart stores, and 500 Sam's Clubs, with vision centers, commencing January-February, 2010. These new boxes will replace existing Lions collection boxes currently in place at the specified stores with vision centers. For Walmart stores and Sam's Clubs without vision centers, existing Lions eyeglass collections will continue at the discretion of the store manager.

Walmart will ship the collected eyeglasses to their distribution centers, where they will then be delivered to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers for sorting, cleaning and processing.

Please note that Lions Clubs can continue to collect used eyeglasses from all other sources as before. Only Walmart/Sam stores are working directly with Lions International.

...more News from Around our District

Same Club -New Name

The college club in Brockport is now "The College of Brockport University/Campus Club". The college administration asked that all groups drop the "SUNY" designation, so the required paper work was completed and official changed by LCI.

This past semester the club had a bowl-athon that raised over \$500 for Camp Abilities. They staffed the recovery area for blood drives with 400 donors participating, served refreshments and coordinating the making of crafts for 200 at a Halloween party at the Sweden Center and rang the bells for the Salvation Army. They ended the semester with 29 members. Congratulations to outgoing President Chris Resti.

New officers have been elected with Kirsten Kelley chairing the team as President and they plan to collect used shoes for "shareoursoles.org", work with the Brockport Lions Club in their veteran unit adoption effort, continue their support of the Red Cross blood drives, have a pre-school eyes screening and enjoy another bowl-athon..

They would like to express their gratitude to the Brockport Lions Club for purchasing club shirts for the members. Being the only club on campus that requires any "dues", they try to keep the cost as low as possible.

Shrove Tuesday Potato Pancake Supper

February 16, 2010

5:00pm

Donation

St. Johns Lutheran Church
on West Fork Route 19

Shrove Tuesday gets its name from the ritual of shiving, on the faithful confessed their sins to the local priest and received forgiveness before the Lenten season began. The Hamlin Lions Club serves and the money all goes to Life Solutions of Hamlin Inc. Serving potato pancakes, regular pancakes, sausage and beverage. For more information contact Lion Ray Datz at 585.317.1613 or datzramon@aol.com.

Irondequoit Lions' Recent Activities

Applications for the Irondequoit Lions Club Dr. Robert M. Santo Annual Memorial Scholarship have been distributed to the 3 area high schools in the town. The scholarship is opened to graduating seniors who are residents of the town. This is the 14th. year that the scholarship has been awarded and will be presented at the club's steak roast in June.

Judy Davis, Club Reporter and Tail Twister was selected as Lion of the month for January. A member of the club for 14 years, Lion Judy is involved with various activities in the club and also volunteers her time at church. She worked for many years with BOCES 1 in the Deaf Education Department as a scribe/notetaker and has been retired for 2 years.

Vision screenings are still being conducted at area day care and preschool classes with a vision screening scheduled for February 24th. at Seneca United Methodist Church on Scholfield Road. To date over 200 children ages 3-5 have been screened from various programs within the town. The program has been successfully running for three years with Lion Dr. Janet Ross-Comstock being the contact person.

The club's major fund raiser for the year is going on with members seeking ads for use on place-mats which will be used at Keenans Restaurant on 1010 East Ridge Road during the week of St. Patrick's Day-March 13th.- 20th. Ads cost \$50 for a business card size and can be purchased by contacting Lion Bill Davis at 585-544-1853. Money raised from this fund raiser will be used for new projects that the club has taken on.

Does Your Club have a good story of service?
Do you have pictures of your members serving?
Have you welcomed new members recently?

Send any stories and pictures to:
news@lions20e1.org

Application:

Cash or check mail in registration only: Deadline Saturday April 24th
Credit card registration available online until May 1st

Name: _____
Email Address: _____
Daytime Phone: _____
Partner: _____
Partner: _____
Partner: _____

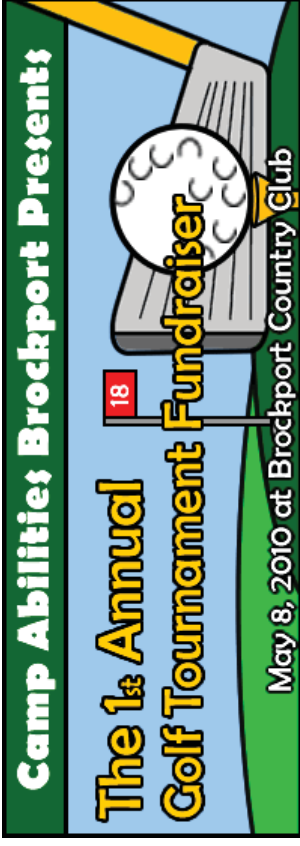
Golf & Dinner (# of people) _____ x \$70
Dinner Only (# of people) _____ x \$20

Total to pay \$ _____

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO RESEARCH FOUNDATION/CAMP ABILITIES

Can't make it but want to help support? ??? Make a donation today!

Donation Amount: _____



www.BrockportCC.com

Camp Abilities Brockport is a non-for-profit, week-long developmental sports camp for children ages 9-19 who are visually impaired, blind or deafblind.

**Date: Saturday
May 8th 12:00PM Shotgun**

If you do not play golf, please come support us through attending the dinner and annual silent auction starting at 5:30 PM.

Do you have anything to donate for the auction?
Call 585-395-2629 today!

**ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
CAMP ABILITIES BROCKPORT**

NEWS YOU CAN USE:

20-E1 WORK WEEKEND AT LIONS CAMP BADGER April 10th & 11th

We are having our semi-annual 20-E1 Work Weekend at Lions Camp Badger. We have quite a bit that needs to be accomplished and YES there is something for everyone. Some of the things we need to do in the dining hall are listed below:

Put up sheetrock
Spackle
Floor needs repair where ice machine was
Screen door needs hinges
Outside steps need to be replaced

I'm sure that Dave can find a job for everyone. Let's have a great turn out! It's important to let us know if you need a room and for a count for meals, please contact Dave Noteboom at 607-589-4050. If you have any questions, please contact me at 585-225-7104 or dhankin1@rochester.rr.com.

Thanks
Diane Hankinson



EVENT CALENDAR

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

FEBRUARY

- All Month Long Irondequoit Lions Club Placemat Ad Sale
- 11-13 Hamlin Lions Club Valentine's Day Rose Sale
- 13 District Leadership Committee Meeting
- 16 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- 18 Zone Nine Night
- 21 Hamlin Lions Club 2nd Annual Pasta Dinner
- 20 Vision Screening Training in Oakfield
- 22 Irondequoit Lions host joint meeting at ABVI
- 26-27 65th Wellsville Lions Minstrel Show

MARCH

- 6 Walworth Lions Club 36th Annual Spaghetti Dinner
- 25-27 38th Annual Dansville Lions Minstrel Show
- 27 Bolivar Lions Club 40th Charter Anniv.
- 27-28 38th Annual Annual Andover Maple Festival

APRIL

- All month long Gates Lions Club Geranium Pre-sales
- 3 Irondequoit Lions 52nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt
- 10-11 20E1 Work Weekend
- 12 Gates Lions / Red Cross Blood Drive
- 24-25 22nd Annual Wellsville Trout Derby

MAY

- 8 Gates Lions Club Annual Geranium Sale

- 8 Irondequoit Lions Club Mother's Day Rose Sale
- 8 Camp Abilities Golf Tournament/Dinner and auction
- 16 Region V Journey for Sight
- 23 DG Marvin Hankinson Testimonial

JUNE

- 14 Irondequoit Lions Club Steak Roast
- 15 Gates Lions Club Famous Sausage Roast
- 27 - 7/3 Camp Abilities Brockport

For more details on these events, including times, locations, and contact information please visit

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Hamlin Lions Club 2nd Annual Pasta Dinner

February 21, 2010
4:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Hamlin Hometowne Cafe
To benefit Hamlin Hornets Youth Football & Cheerleading

Full Pasta Dinner
Meatballs / Salad
Bread and Butter
Drinks - Soda, Coffee
Desserts - Cakes & Pies
\$7.50 Adults / \$5 Kids (under 12)
Tickets available at the Hometowne Cafe
Take-outs available
call 585-303-5819