



The ROARING TWENT-E1



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The District Governor's Message:

Questions for the Governor:

The new Lion International reporting systems does not have very much club information in it. How do the clubs report their activities?

That is somewhat correct. Things are changing at International and this change puts a different light on one of the many duties the secretary is expected to provide. They are asking the secretaries to do all reporting on line. Lions International has decided to have the secretaries input member information for each lion in their club.

If significant events in a lion's career are noted in their records then those records follow that lion wherever they go. These records and updates are the responsibility of the secretary and they are the only ones who have the passwords and permission to enter the data.

Such things as date of joining Lions, Lion of the year, new members sponsored, Melvin Jones Fellowship, Presidential awards, and other recognitions should be recorded to each lion's record. International wants the yearly projects and hours reported to them on line, as well.

How long does it take to receive a grant from NY State & Bermuda or Lions International Foundations?

The Cabinet must approve a grant request and a copy of the minutes attached to the grant request. These meetings are approximately every 3 months, Aug., Nov., Feb. and May. From the Cabinet the request goes to the Foundation. The Foundation needs 90 or more days to act on the request, so as you can see, to this point it is nearly ½ a year and most likely it will take up to a year to get the grant.

There is one kicker with these grants and that is, with the NYS&B, only one grant per district can be approved per meeting. At the present time 20-E1 has four (4) grants that are tentatively approved, but are in the queue waiting their turn to receive final approval.

LCIF has a requirement that the district can only have one active grant. If we have one written up, then we have to wait until that grant is completed before another will be approved. I believe this applies only to standard grants. So, as you can see it takes a long time to receive the grant check.

Would you please comment on District 20-E1 hosting the State Convention?

The district committee is working hard to make this a very good convention. The convention takes a lot of manpower. Please volunteer to help. Many hands will make the weekend a success.

The Convention program book is our district's only source of funds for hosting the First Nighter and other events. We need all the clubs in the district to help sell advertisements in the book, to make this a successful convention

A panel van or large panel type truck is needed for several hours Saturday morning, May 14th. We would like to try to have an eyeglass-recycling drop off, using a large truck with a big banner on it in front of the Convention Center, with TV coverage etc. Contract Sight Chairperson Rich Giali at 585-395-0482 if you can help.

You will be hearing more about the Convention as time goes by. In the mean time, get your hotel reservations in. Forms are in the State Magazine.

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AROUND THE DISTRICT

ATTICA LIONS CLUB

The Attica Lions Club teamed up with students from the Attica High School Honor Society and the Attica Middle School's "Angels in Action" to ring the bells for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle program. The students also sang Christmas Carols and played their band instruments during the effort.

The Attica Lions recently presented their Grassroots Award, for a Lion who is very active behind the scenes of club activities, to Lion Norm Linsey. Lion Keith Countermine, who has served as club treasurer for 10 years and very active with many committees and projects, was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

SPENCERPORT LIONS CLUB

The Spencerport Lions Club held a number of successful events in December, including a craft show which raised \$1800, and a Breakfast with Santa. They also delivered Cartons for Christmas, rang bells for the Salvation Army, and went Caroling at a local retirement home.

If your club has not been in "Around the District" recently, it may be because the District Editor is not receiving your club newsletter.

Send copies of your club newsletter or a note with information about your club's recent activities to news@lions20E1.org or to Editor Regina Arlauckas at PO Box 363, Churchville NY 14428.

Celebration Held for IPID John Rabideau

Last fall, a welcome-back celebration was held for Immediate Past International Director John Rabideau and his Partner in Service, Lion Bernie. IPID John and Lion Bernie were recognized for their service to Lions International, and their representation of District 20E1 and Multiple District 20 during their time on the International Board,

Past Council Chair Lion Irv Confino of Irondequoit served as the Master of Ceremonies, and Irondequoit Lions Dan and Joanne Rodgers were instrumental in organizing the celebration, held at Peters Party House in Leicester.



In attendance were many Lions from District 20E1, Multiple District 20, and beyond. Special guests from Michigan were PID John & Karen Walker, who served 1 year with IPID John on the International Board. Other Past International Directors attending included Dr. Ed & Gail Cordes of Corning, NY(E2) and PID Howard & Sylvia Conroy of Medina, NY(E1).

Many Past District Governors from E1 and other PDG's from Districts N, E2, and W, as well as fellow Lions from Churchville and surrounding clubs were present to honor IPID John.



These included PDG Rolland Bray who served with IPID John on the MD-20 Council 1990-1991; PDG Tim & Cindy Jachlewski, MD-20 Sec/Treas, served as Council Chair 1990-1991, Past Pres of PDG's "Smitty", and John's brother PDG George & Joanne Rabideau of West Chazy, NY(W). IPID John and Lion Bernie's daughter Lion Valerie and her family were also present.

Many Lions took the opportunity to address the group and there was a fun mixture of roasting and reflection on IPID John and Lion Bernie's tireless service at the local, state and international levels.



Our heartfelt thanks to IPID John and Lion Bernie for a wonderful two years.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

Other Community Groups Support Local Lions Clubs

In December, the **Avon Lions Club** and the **Avon Masons** joined forces and held a joint fundraiser, with the proceeds going to purchase pre-paid phone cards for our troops in Iraq. From the proceeds, the clubs were able to purchase 75 100 unit phone cards to enable our troops to call home for the holidays. Depending on time of day and location, approximately 5-12 units per minute are needed to place these calls.

At a recent meeting of the **Wyoming County H.O.G.S.**, the **Attica Lions Club** and the **Varysburg Lions Club** each received a \$500 donation. This money was raised through the HOGS Fall Foliage Motorcycle run, held every year. Riders donate either a gift for charity or money to be given to local charities. There were over 150 motorcycles and around 300 riders taking part in this charity ride. Over \$2000 in toys were donated to the Warsaw Kiwanis

for Toys for Tots. The HOGS also donated over \$3600 to local charities, including Lions Clubs, churches, food pantries and Children in need programs.

Does your club receive support from other local organizations, or work cooperatively with them on projects? Submit your community collaboration success stories to news@lions20E1.org

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Other News:

Brockport Lions received a grant request for \$29,659.00 for new equipment, for the Eye care facility at Lakeside Memorial Hospital. The new Zeiss Microscope is already in service. Stretchers to hold the patients in the proper position for eye operations are being ordered. (see photo)

The Peace Poster contest winner, MacKenzie Martin, is from the Churchville Chili Junior High School. Congratulation to her and all of the students who were part of the District 20-E1 contest. The 2nd place award went to Shawna Jordon, sponsored by Lions Club of Chili and the 3rd place winner was Jessica Lovering from Churchville Chili Intermediate School. Congratulation to all the students who participated in this years contest. There were over 500 entries around the district.

We did not advance at the state level, but a Lion in Buffalo is displaying all the state entries in their show room. This will be great PR for Lions and youth working together.



From left to right are: Brockport Pres. Gary Caruso, Project Chair Lion Jim Whipple, Charlene Whipple, DG Pete Neidrauer, and members of the Lakeshore Memorial Hospital Eye Foundation.



MacKenzie Martin displays her District 20-E1 1st place poster.

NEWS YOU CAN USE:

20E1 Dining Hall Project Fundraiser Underway

A new raffle has been started to help raise funds for the renovation of the dining hall at Lions Camp Badger.

First Prize:

a 2005 Artic Cat 400 ATV (includes a 5' x 8' Carry On Trailer with a wood deck and 15 inch wheels, and a \$100 gift certificate to Gander Mountain.)

Second Prize:

a \$100 gift certificate to Gander Mountain.

Tickets:

\$10 each or 3/\$25.

Drawing to be held:

May 21, 2005

Lions who are willing to help with this project by selling tickets will be entered into a competition. The Lion who sells the most tickets will also receive a \$100 gift certificate to Gander Mountain.

If you are interested in buying or selling tickets, or in hearing a presentation on the Dining Hall Project, please contact Lion Dan Rodgers, Dining Hall project chair, at 585-467-0311 or at drodgers@frontiernet.net.

EVENT CALENDAR

(NOTE: Be sure to remember that news submitted the 1st of the month will get to the clubs around the last week of the same month, so **plan at least two months ahead in announcing your event dates.**)

FEBRUARY

- 1: **DEADLINE FOR ROARING 20E1 ARTICLES**
- 13: Churchville Lions Club Chicken BBQ/Winterfest
- 18-19: MD20 Council of Governors
- 25: 20E1 Cabinet Meeting
- 24-26: Dansville Lions Club 33rd Annual Minstrel Show
- 26: Greece Ridge Lions Club Snow Golf Tournament

MARCH

- 1: **DEADLINE FOR ROARING 20E1 ARTICLES**
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- 4-5: Wellsville Lions Club 60th Annual Minstrel Show
- 5: Walworth Lions Club 31st Annual Spaghetti Dinner
- 11: Lions Day with the UN
- 19: Walworth Lions Easter Egg Hunt

APRIL

- 1: **DEADLINE FOR ROARING 20E1 ARTICLES**
- 16-17: Camp Badger Work Weekend

MAY

- 1: **DEADLINE FOR ROARING 20E1 ARTICLES**
- 12: MD20 Council of Governors
- 13-15: MD20 Lions State Convention in Rochester**



In the News: Santa and his Lions Club helpers arrived early for Wellsville Library

Santa and his helpers arrived early this year with a magnificent gift for the library and the community. The dingy, musty kitchen was transformed into a beautiful, functional room. The oak cabinets, double stainless sinks, new electrical wiring, marbled pattern flooring, fresh paint and new lighting provide a glowing invitation for use. We are especially pleased with the new appliances. Groups now have refrigerator space to store food platters and drinks for receptions, teas and meetings. With a working oven, people can prepare hot hors d'oeuvres and other food for their events. The convenience of a microwave is a real bonus.

Please thank all the members of the Lions Club who donated their time and expertise for this renovation project. It's as if the crew from the extreme

home makeover program visited the library and worked their magic. A special thank you goes out to Roger Moyer who worked many hours to meet the deadline. You made the kitchen available to many groups for their holiday events.

The library also wants to thank the Lions Club for their work in the annual "Fantasy of Lights" on the library lawn. It adds a festive spirit to the downtown area. We receive numerous positive comments about the trees and decorations. You should know how many people enjoy the display. It's now a holiday tradition.

We appreciate all the good work you do. Wherever there is a need, the Lions Club is there to help. You truly serve the community to make it a better place in which to live. Thanks for helping the library once again. You have returned a little grandeur to the building.

Mary S. Jacobs David A. Howe Library
Taken from the Wellsville Daily Reporter