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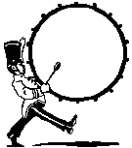
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## Recognizing Lions Lions Leadership Institute



I would like to congratulate District 20E1's most recent graduates from the MD20 Lions Leadership Institute! They are ZC Forest Shaner (Bolivar), CS Dick Corrigan (Avon), 2nd Vice Keith Countermine (Attica), President Tim Crawford (Hamlin), Dorinda Foos (Chili), Barb Thurley (Chili), Kathy Soucy (Spencerport) and Stan Lyons (Hamlin).

I would also like to thank you for taking the time to participate in the institute. Your dedication and hard work are appreciated very much by me and the entire district.



WAY TO GO!!

DG Marvin

## District Governor's Message:

Before I proceed to my monthly rant, I would like to take this time to thank all of the lions that participated in the work weekend at Lions Camp Badger. A lot of work was accomplished and a good deal of fun was had by all. I hope to see even more of you at the next work weekend on April 9, 10, & 11, 2010.

As most of you know by now I am a firm believer in Lionism being more than hard work. I believe it should be a fun social time as well. One of the ways clubs can accomplish this is by "twinning" with another Lions club. It can be done with a club from any country; however I would recommend it be done with a club close enough in proximity so the clubs can visit each other and really get to know one another.

I was introduced to this many years ago when the Hamlin Lions Club twinned with the Bewdley Lions club in Ontario, Canada. As I recall once a year one club would travel to the other club and visit for a weekend. Events would be held to make the weekend a totally social event.

Of course one of the events was usually some sort of competition so one club could have bragging rights over the other for at least a year. As you might imagine close bonds were formed between the members. Many of them became longtime friends that shared many joys and even sorrows. For some these became extended families.

All of this was brought back to me when Diane and I were guests of the Caledonia-Mumford Lions club at their annual clambake. They hold their clambake in conjunction with the annual visit of their "twin" club the Caledonia Lions of Ontario, Canada. As I met and spoke with several of the Canadian visitors it reminded me of the experiences we had through our involvement with the Hamlin Lions club (My father's home club).

I can't think of a better way to combine friendship and Lionism. For anyone that would like more information about "twinning" feel free to contact me. I already know of one club in Canada looking for a club to "twin" with here.



## Debra Wasserman International Director

Debra Wasserman, from Faribault, Minnesota, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 91st International Convention, held in Bangkok, Thailand, June 23-27, 2008.



Director Wasserman is a retired school social worker. A member of the Faribault Lions Club since 1992, Director Wasserman has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, region chairperson, vice district governor and district governor. She has also served as a leadership development chairperson.

In recognition of her service to the association, Director Wasserman has received numerous awards, including the Club President award, the University of Minnesota Lions Eye Bank Helen Keller Award, the International President's certificate of appreciation and the International President's Award. She is a Progressive Melvin Jones fellow.

In addition to her Lions activities, Director Wasserman has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including the Minnesota State Academy for the Blind Foundation board of directors, the Minnesota Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped advisory board and the Association of Rehabilitation and Education.

Director Wasserman and her husband, Steven, also a Lion and Melvin Jones Fellow, have a daughter and three grandchildren.

Come Meet Director Wasserman at  
the District 20E1 Fall Conference  
November 6-8, 2009

## LCIF – CSFII PAYMENTS & CREDITS

by PDG Jon LeGro, District Coordinator

You or your club's treasurer may be confused about making payments on "Pledges" or "Commitments" that you or your club made to CSFII during that three year drive. I was impatiently waiting for statements from LCIF-CSFII since they never seem to arrive when I, as club treasurer, was ready to make a payment. So, as district coordinator I contacted LCIF and found that they have excellent records of our donations. Billing statements are sent for "Pledges" by clubs or individuals. However, if you returned a "Commitment Card" no statements are sent.

Making payments is easy. First put the club ID# and for individual payments your ID# on your check memo line with -P for pledge or -C for commitment payment. Your ID numbers may be found on your LION magazine mailing label right under the \*\*\*\*\*. The first number is your club ID and the second number is your personal ID. Also, include a simple statement such as: "This is a payment toward the (enter: pledge or commitment) of (enter: your name-ID and club name-ID or just club name-ID) for CSFII funds."

Send to:

LCIF  
Attn: Campaign SightFirst II  
300 W. 22nd Street  
Oak Brook, IL 60523

Presently district clubs and individuals have approximately \$74,000 in credit toward Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) awards. Nearly 60 awards could be granted throughout the district at this time. A Melvin Jones Fellowship is available for donations to LCIF or CSFII of \$1000 in recognition of outstanding service to Lionism. I have received a report listing club and individual donations in the district and can pass on donation information to your club president or secretary. Please, send an e-mail to: [jonlegro@juno.com](mailto:jonlegro@juno.com).



# News from Around our District



The **Brockport Lions** inducted new member, Mike Connelly (pictured left), congratulated by his sponsor Lion Charlie Deacon (pictured right) at the Club's Sept. 16th meeting. All of our Club members welcome our newest member to our Club.



The **Belfast Lions** invited a Civil War reenactor as guest speaker for their program on 9-24-09. Pictured in full military uniform is Dr. Spencer Annabel who is portraying another doctor from the Civil War. The doctor being portrayed is Dr. Johnson Jamieson of Hornell, NY who was a physician and Major in the Union Army. Dr. Annabel is in character as he describes to us the pain killing medications used in preparation for surgery in the field hospitals.

The **Clarendon Lions Club** held their re-organizational meeting on Wednesday, September 9 and a second meeting on the 23rd. Committees are busy getting ready for the new season. Lions Carol and Charlie Robishaw are putting together packages for GI's overseas. Lion Jim Devault is redesigning the club's bingo teams to support the fireman at Monday Night Bingo. Lions Maura and Charlie Moy are working on plans for a craft show to be held in June of 2010. Lion Joni Robishaw is looking at ideas of advertising the Clarendon Lions Club at school functions. The club's sausage and hot dog team will be meeting later this year to begin planning dates for next summer. Lion Don Knapp is working with local attorneys to get the club incorporated and Lion Jim Campbell is working on getting guest speakers for upcoming meetings. The club is also working on new criteria for awarding a graduating senior at Holley Central School.

The **Batavia Lions Club** assist a person with a special pair of glasses with non-allergenic frames. They ordered a video magnifying device after receiving a check for a \$1,500 grant from the N.Y.S. and Bermuda Lions Foundation. Please note that the club has changed its meeting location to Bohn's Restaurant after the closing of the St. Nick's Club

The **Cuba Lions Club** held a blood pressure screening clinic at the Cuba Garlic Festival in September, screening 426 people during the two day event. High blood pressure is termed "the silent killer" and this clinic is a vital service to area residents, and the club screened 65 more people than in 2008.

Have you heard the news?  
The "Roaring Twent-E1" is going ONLINE!  
Sign up to receive monthly email notices!  
**Subscribe Now!**  
It's FREE and EASY!

# 20E-1 Lions, Lioness and Leos, welcome to the Public Relations Committee!

Yes. All the members of this District are a vital element of this Committee. I do not generate the facts that need publicizing. You do. My role is just to gather, edit and give them to the media.

You can reach me 24 hours by e-mail and 8 AM to PM by phone (I am an early riser), at [papi\\_miyares@juno.com](mailto:papi_miyares@juno.com), 585-889-8589 or 585-298-2631.

One more thing: I have heard during the 23 years that I have been a Lion, that Lionism is one of the best kept secrets in our society. It is true, and it is our own fault. We do not like to stress the fact that we are members of the largest service organization in the world, as if we were ashamed of it. We may advertise (to a point) our fund raisers and our services to the community, but we do not tell everyone we meet during our daily routines that we are Lions, and proud to be Lions. Why?



During all these years, I have failed to see many members doing what I have done every single day since my induction night: Wear the Lions pin on my lapel, or on the collar of my shirt, or on my tie, proclaiming that I am very proud of my membership.

People I meet ask me some times about it, and I not only explain it, but invite them to join. (I always carry with me an invitation for membership).

**Wear your Lions pin with pride every day!  
Be a first line of publicity!**

Lion Enrique H. Miyares, Jr., Chairman  
20-E1 Public Relations Committee

## USA/Canada Forum

I attended my first USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Memphis, Tennessee. I attended the first timers class as well as classes on Community Service, Strategic Planning to Grow, Starting a new Lions Club and VDG -The year of Planning and Preparation. The VDG class was hosted by VP Sid Scruggs of Lions International who I was very impressed with.

Here are a few of the things I learned:

Since July 1st of this year, over 9,250 new members have joined Lions Clubs across the world.

Community service projects are most important and next year our International Pres. will stress Service as the way to grow Lions Clubs. Service projects are ones requiring your Time, Money or ones requiring Time and Money. Go to those in your community that know what needs to be done- Mayor, Fire Dept, Police Dept., Schools etc. Use tools from LCI like Community Surveys etc.

Region Chairman are optional positions in Lions International - some MD's don't have them and use more Zone Chairmen so each zone has no more than 4-5 clubs. It is going to be expected that ZC's know a lot about their clubs projects, club health, finances, membership, etc., and contact each club monthly either in person, by phone or Internet.

Each new member, after a period of 2-3 months, should receive a letter from their club Pres. asking if they are meeting their expectations? If not, then have a discussion.

All Lions Clubs should have goals for service, membership and it is the jobs of your District officers-RC, ZC, 1-2 VDG's, DG's, PDG's to help the Clubs in their District be successful in reaching those goals.

I also learned and met most of the Lions Clubs International Dept. Managers and they are all committed to help Lions Clubs with what ever is needed in materials, answering questions, etc., a very committed team.

I was very impressed with the quality of the USA/Canada Forum opportunities to learn and the quality of our International Leadership. As our Vice Pres. Sid Scruggs said, we are the largest Service Club Organization in the world achieving great things and we replace our Int. Pres. each year, one half of our Int. Board of Directors, District Gov's, Club Pres's- in an organization of over 1.3+million members- wow that is amazing...

1st VDG Greg Lund

**District 20-E1 Fall Conference**  
**November 6-8, 2009**  
**(Holiday Inn, Batavia)**



**Let's Play Ball** --- DG Marvin's theme "Service Through Teamwork"

**Ball One** – Friday dinner with ID Debra Wasserman 6PM  
(dress - business casual)

**Ball Two** – Saturday Registration 9AM  
(dress – casual your favorite sports team apparel)  
Lions Club Communities (big or small)  
Use of New Technologies  
Testimonials  
Memorial Service  
Recognition Awards  
Question & Answers with ID Debra

**Ball Three** – Saturday dinner Hickory Ridge  
Celebrating Albion's Lions Club 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
(Contact Albion Lions Club for more info on this)

**Ball Four** – Sunday cabinet meeting Batavia location TBD

**DON'T STRIKE OUT!**

**Contact: Diane Hankinson to register**

**[Dhankin1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:Dhankin1@rochester.rr.com)**

**585-225-7104**

**District 20-E1 Fall Conference  
November 6-7, 2009  
Registration Form**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday 11/6/09** - Welcome Dinner (meet ID Debra Wasserman)  
Holiday Inn (Sapphire Room) Cash bar - 6:00pm, Dinner - 6:30pm

<b>Dinner choices:</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Total</b>
Prime Rib \$24	_____	\$_____
Chicken Parmesan \$22	_____	\$_____
Potato Encrusted Haddock \$18	_____	\$_____

**Saturday 11/7/09** - Fall Conference  
Holiday Inn (Crystal Room)

Registration, Continental Breakfast  
And Hot Buffet Lunch \$23 \_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Total Check \$\_\_\_\_\_**

All programs at the Holiday Inn, Batavia  
8250 Park Road  
Batavia, NY  
585-344-2100

Rooms available at reduced rate of \$84 + tax – mention Lions Fall Conference (deadline 10/23/09)

Make checks payable to District 20-E1 Lions  
Mail to:  
CT Bernie Rabideau  
77 McIntosh Rd  
Churchville, NY 14428  
**Reservations due by Oct 23, 2009**

## NEWS YOU CAN USE:

### District Training for Region and Zone Chairs to be held Nov 14th.

Our District will offer training for Region and Zone Chairs on Sat., Nov. 14th at the Avon Village Offices building from 10am - 12 noon. The training will follow a short MERL( Membership, Extension, Retention, Leadership) Meeting that begins at 9:30am.

The training is being offered to existing, Region and Zone Chairs and any other Lion interested in either of those Cabinet positions. The training will be conducted by Lion Tom Bartolini and 1st VDG Greg Lund. If you have any questions about the training you can contact 1st VDG Greg at [lunddargreg@aol.com](mailto:lunddargreg@aol.com)



This pin was designed by District Governor Marvin Hankinson, Jr. as a way to recognize Lions in District 20-E1 for their various contributions to lionism. There is no set criteria to earn one of these pins. It is totally at the discretion of the District Governor.

This pin should not be traded and will not be sold,

It should be worn with pride.

# EVENT CALENDAR

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

## SEPTEMBER

- 5-6: Oakfield-Alabama Lions Italian Sausage Sale
- 12: Fairport Lions Club 60th Anniversary Dinner
- 19-20: Lions Camp Badger Work Weekend

## OCTOBER

- 17: Hamlin Casino Nite
- 24: Hamlin Lions 25th Anniversary Dinner

## NOVEMBER

- 6 Fall Conference Dinner w/ID Debra Wasserman
- 7-8 20-E1 Fall Conference
- 7 Albion Lions Club 75th Charter Night
- 14 Region and Zone Chair Training

### LIONS CAMP BADGER WORK WEEKEND



I would like to thank everyone that participated in the work weekend at Lions Camp Badger. We got quite a bit of work done and had fun doing it. Later in the evening for those of us who weren't tired there was a euchre tournament.

But the best part was that DG Marvin inducted two new members for the Hamlin Lions Club (George & Michelle Kelly - in ball caps below). I know that this is the first time I've seen this done at the camp and I'm sure that this will be very memorable for the Kelly's and the rest of the individuals in attendance.

Thanks everyone!  
Lion Diane Hankinson



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

[www.lions20E1.org](http://www.lions20E1.org)

Does Your Club have an upcoming event?  
Are you selling something?  
Would you like other Lions to be able to support **your** club's activity?

Send your event date and a short article to  
[news@lions20e1.org](mailto:news@lions20e1.org)  
**PLUS**

use the **Event Calendar** at [www.lions20E1.org](http://www.lions20E1.org) to provide information on ticket sales, who to contact, dates, times and locations. You can even attach your event flyer.