



DISTRICT 20Y1
DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER
FEBRUARY 2009



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I would like to dedicate this newsletter to the Endicott and Windsor Lions Clubs. I would also thank once again the Clubs who have sent in donations for the newsletters - the response has been just great !

By the time you receive this newsletter the Project "SEE" training session and also the 3rd Cabinet meeting will be concluded. I would like to thank all who will have attended. My 4th Cabinet meeting will be April 19 at the Steak and Sunday Restaurant in Syracuse with PDG Chris Kendall as our guest speaker. It is very important that you let me or whoever takes reservations to know of your attendance so that we have an accurate head count and I won't have to pay for unused meals ! It only takes a few minutes to make a call. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

I would also like to thank all of the Clubs I have visited for your kindness and also for your donations to my projects.

A very important notice:

DO NOT E-MAIL ANYTHING TO LIONS CAMP BADGER
AS THEIR E-MAIL HAS BEEN HI-JACKED. IF YOU
GET AN E-MAIL ASKING FOR MONEY DON'T SEND IT.
WHEN I GET WORD OF A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS I WILL
MAKE SURE YOU GET IT.

We still have work to do on membership - it never does end. On my report from International this month our District has taken in 50 new members. The problem is we have lost 57 out the back door. We started in July with 1408 and now we are at 1401. This is pretty good when you look at other Districts however I would like to have 1409 or more by June 30.

Congratulations on the job you have done to date !

We have chartered a Branch Club through the Syracuse Host Club and the Chittenango Lions Club has just sent in an application to charter their Leo's Club. GREAT JOB Lions !! WE are making progress.

In closing I want to thank all of you for everything you have done so far this year. The Clubs make me very proud to be a District Governor in 20-Y1 !

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK YOU AND YOUR CLUBS DO.

THE GREATEST QUALITY IS SEEKING TO SERVE OTHERS

D G PAUL HAYNES

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS MESSAGE

Hopefully - this newsletter finds everyone warm and ready to dive into the new year. Just think, only three more months and spring will be here - and new life will return to Central New York.

Talking about life - has your Club made the commitment to start its re-growth (membership) and come back to life ? If everyone is on board your next steps are 1) finding those potential new members and 2) hooking them on Lionism and then 3) reeling them in-A little preparation will help ensure success. The first step is to be sure the community you serve knows who you are and what you are doing. Get on board with your local newspaper editor and be sure each meeting, fundraiser and service project makes the news. (Hey - there's your first new member). End your news articles with a note that you are always looking for new members - local people who would like to become involved with their community and the worlds largest service organization. Next, are there special groups that you might approach ? Parents of the Leo Club, a group of teachers or local business people, parents of a sports team you are involved with, parents of students your Club has honored or given scholarships to, people you work with, perhaps you might ask a close friend. Does your Club or the Chamber of Commerce have a welcome basket for new families moving into the community - place a letter and Club brochure in that basket ! At every fundraiser hand out your Club brochure and have new member applications ready. Include your membership chairs name and phone number - address to ! Challenge each member to bring in a potential member to the next meeting ! Make it a good and interesting meeting, then make them feel welcome by introducing your guest personally to each of your fellow Lions - talk to them about Lionism and what its all about - then be sure to ask them if they would like to join ! They are your guest so be sure to pay for their dinner and if they say yes, have the Club pay for their Lions International entry fee ! Let them know that there is a reduced family fee.

Fill them in on your current projects, how you serve people in the community and your hopes for the future of your Club. Let a potential member know how important they are. With growth in numbers of enthused members your Club can be more involved and reach those goals you are aiming for.

Once you have your prospective new member hooked have he/she oriented and inducted as soon as possible.

Whatever you do, don't stop reeling them in until they are a new member. Next months newsletter, what do we do with our new member ? From induction to action to lets get involved !

Lets go to work to help DG Pauls effort to help 20-Y1 grow !!

YOURS IN LIONS
VDG Kerry Brown

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| <p>Sponsor A New Member</p> |
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NYS LIONS MAGAZINE ARTICLES

District Reporter Nell Deminski's E-mail is ;
 sfdpdg94Cverizon.net

The next deadline for magazine articles is March 10. I will be out of town for the month of February but will be back in plenty of time to get articles sent. We are limited in magazine space so short articles are best.

If you have any questions I can be reached by E-mail or phone at 315-656-2370.

SUPER BOWL RAFFLE WINNERS

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|------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Super Bowl | PDG Robert Libin | District 20-K1 |
| Pro Bowl | Lion Debra Gilman-Spicer | District 20-K1 |
| Cash Prize | NYS & Bermuda PDG Organization | |

DISTRICT GOVERNORS CLUB VISITATIONS

| February | | March | |
|-------------------|----|-------------------|----|
| Syracuse Eastwood | 4 | Richfield Springs | 17 |
| Pompey | 5 | Phoenix | 19 |
| Morrisville | 19 | | |
| Oxford | 24 | | |

CLUBS DELINQUENT - M REPORTS TO INTERNATIONAL

According to our records, reports were missing for the following clubs:

**LAST MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP
 REPORT RECEIVED IN
 INTERNATIONAL OFFICE**

| CLUB NUMBER | DISTRICT | CLUB NAME | LAST MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP REPORT RECEIVED IN INTERNATIONAL OFFICE |
|-------------|----------|---------------------|---|
| 008189 | 20 Y1 | BRIDGEPORT | October 2008 |
| 008193 | 20 Y1 | CAZENOVIA | October 2008 |
| 008194 | 20 Y1 | CENTRAL SQUARE | November 2008 |
| 008197 | 20 Y1 | CICERO-MATTYDALE | December 2007 |
| 008201 | 20 Y1 | DEPOSIT | June 2008 |
| 008203 | 20 Y1 | EAST SYRACUSE | September 2008 |
| 008204 | 20 Y1 | ENDICOTT | September 2008 |
| 008206 | 20 Y1 | FREMONT | November 2008 |
| 008207 | 20 Y1 | FULTON | November 2008 |
| 008208 | 20 Y1 | GREENE | November 2008 |
| 008212 | 20 Y1 | JORDAN ELBRIDGE L C | September 2008 |
| 008215 | 20 Y1 | MANLIUS | July 2008 |
| 008220 | 20 Y1 | MEXICO | September 2008 |
| 008222 | 20 Y1 | MORRISVILLE | November 2008 |
| 008231 | 20 Y1 | OSWEGO | August 2008 |
| 008234 | 20 Y1 | PHOENIX | October 2008 |
| 008235 | 20 Y1 | POMPEY | November 2008 |
| 008236 | 20 Y1 | PULASKI | August 2008 |
| 008237 | 20 Y1 | RICHFIELD SPRINGS | May 2008 |
| 008239 | 20 Y1 | ROME | November 2008 |
| 008240 | 20 Y1 | SHERBURNE | July 2008 |
| 008250 | 20 Y1 | WALTON | June 2008 |

Lets get up-dated - Thanks, DG Paul Haynes

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PU101 FORMS

The annual PU101 forms that come to all Club Secretarys to list their officers for next year must be in to International by March 15. When you receive them, fill them out immediately.

DISTRICT 20-Y1 MEMBERSHIP

The January printout from International reads a minus 7 for our District. We are starting to slip ! Recruiting efforts are needed by all 20-Y1 Clubs !!

LCIF ANNUAL DRIVE

In order to meet the world wide requests for eye operations, new hospitals and schools and preventive medicines (all are increasing) LCIF has initiated an annual drive for funds from all Clubs to meet the needs. Send donations to Lions International in care of LCIF at 300 W 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523.

2009 PEACE POSTER DRIVE

Clubs are encouraged to purchase the Peace Poster Kits from the Supplies Dept at International as soon as possible as teachers need those kits at the opening of school in September.

2008 PEACE POSTER WINNER

The 2008 Peace Poster winner in 20-Y1 will be honored at the 4th Cabinet meeting (Steak & Sundae) with a \$50.00 savings bond.

20-Y1 WEB SITE

Once again - the newsletter can be downloaded from the 20-Y1 Web Site so that all Lions can have a copy. The Web Site is given below !

www.centralnylions.com

2009 VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS

Lions International now requires that a District Governor have two Vice Governors as his assistants. This ensures a steady annual succession to the position of District Governor and makes District administration more efficient. Lion Scott Renner, E. Syracuse Lions Club, has moved to the position of 1st VDG for 2009 leaving the position of 2nd VDG open. Current 1st VDG Kerry Brown is looking to fill that position as soon as possible.

NYS LIONS CONVENTION INFORMATION

The Convention takes place in Binghamton on May 21 - 24 and the registration forms and meal forms can be found in the State Magazine. Excellent programs and evening events are planned each day and sight seeing excursions will be available.

STATE AND DISTRICT GOVERNORS PINS

The state pins were delayed this year but are in the District Governors hands now. You can send the DG a letter and check and he will mail you your pins (for your whole Club if need be.) You can also buy them at the Cabinet meetings (State pin is \$ 2.00 and the Governors is \$ 3.00). Five dollars for a set.

ANNUAL LIONS PHOTO CONTEST

The annual Photo contest is back, sponsored by Lions Clubs International with a deadline for submission of March 1, 2009. The form and picture must be sent to Council Chairman Ken Butkowski at least a week prior to the deadline of March 1. Council Chairman Ken's address is;

CC Ken Butkowski
133 Kinsey Ave
Kenmore, NY 14217

DISTRICT GOVERNORS TESTIMONIAL BANQUET

The District Governor has selected May 17 (Sunday) at the Clarion Hotel for his Banquet. The Clarion Hotel is just off 690 north (north west of Syracuse). Reservations will be mailed out with detailed information.(early April).

2008-2009 CONVENTIONS

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|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| NYS Convention | Binghamton, NY | May 21 - 24 |
| LCI Convention | Minneapolis MN | July 6 - 10 |

Reservations for Binghamton must be sent to the State Office at Multiple District 20 Lions Clubs, 526 Oak Street, Syracuse, NY 13203 (Find the reservation form in the State Lion Magazine).

Reservations for the International Convention must be mailed to Lions Clubs International, 300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523 (Find the reservation form in the LCI Magazine).

Do not wait till the last minute as hotels fill up fast !

President Al Brandel will be leaving office and a gala celebration will be in the works !!!!

MD-20 ANNUAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Each year the PDG Association in each of the 12 Districts selects an outstanding Lion to receive the Leadership Award to be presented at the NYS Convention. The 20-Y1 PDG Association selected Thomas Winner from the West Corners Lions Club as its outstanding Leader for 2008-2009. Congratulations Tom !

TESTIMONIAL DINNER CLUB AWARD

At the District Governors Testimonial Dinner at the Clarion Hotel in north-west Syracuse, three Lions Clubs will be honored for their efforts in building membership in their Club. The categories of Clubs to be considered are;

Clubs with less than 20 members

Clubs with 21 to 35 members

Clubs with over 35 members

The Club with an increase in membership above the July printout from International to the March printout in 2009 will be considered. The Club in each category with the highest increase will be the winner !

SIGNIFICANT CLUB ANNIVERSARYS

Congratulations to the Fulton Lions Club for its 55 years of service to its community.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS PROJECTS

The Governors NYS Lions Foundation project (\$ 100 donation from each Club). To date 22 Clubs \$ 2,200.00. Paul would like to see 100% contributors - over and above any raffle tickets !

Send donations directly to DG Paul - he will forward same to the foundation.

Lions Project See is the second DG project and is coming along but only 23 Clubs are participating so far. We can do much better. The 20-Y1 attendance at the Welch/Allen training session was good and shows a serious effort in Central NY communities. Give Paul a call if your Club would like a "SEE" training session. 315-430-6169

PEACE POSTER CHAIR

The official Peace Poster Chair is Rae Haynes. She will be collecting posters at the next Fall Conference.

20-Y1 PDG INFORMATION

The Past District Governors had a gala Christmas Party at the home of Stan and Nell Deminski's home in mid December. There was plenty of good food and drink and a chinese gift exchange capped the festivities. A good time was had by all !

IP AL BRANDEL RECOGNIZES PID DR. JACK WEBER

At the LCI Board of Directors Meeting in Maui, Hawaii in October, Board Appointee Dr. Jack Weber was recognized for his 55 years of dedicated service as a Lion. Additionally, President Al expressed his personal appreciation for Jack's enduring encouragement and guidance throughout his journey from an international director to an international president.

*International Director - 1954-56: Sid L. Scruggs III, Second Vice President, International
President: Al Brandel, Board Appointee: Dr. Jack Weber, Mahendra Amarasuriya,
International Past President: Eberhard J. Wiefz, First Vice President*





Lions Environmental PHOTO CONTEST

2008-09 MULTIPLE DISTRICT ENTRY FORM

Multiple District _____

Name of Lion Photographer _____

Lions Club of Photographer _____

E-mail Address of Photographer _____

Please enter this photo into the following category (select only one):

- Animal Life
- Landscape (urban or natural)
- Plant Life
- Weather Phenomenon
- Lions Environmental Miracle Workers* (the 2008-09 special theme)

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this photo as the official entry from my multiple district.

Council chairperson (please print name)

Signature of council chairperson

Please mail this signed entry form with the official printed 8" x 10"
(20.3 x 25.4 centimeters) multiple district photo by March 1, 2009 to:

Lions Clubs International
Lions Environmental Photo Contest
300 West 22nd St.
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA



CAMP BADGER E-MAIL (THIS JUST IN !)

Camp Badger had its E-mail address hi-jacked so it established a new one as shown below;

lionscampbadger@frontiernet.net

this E-mail address may be used to make contact with the office or make donations.

FINGER LAKES REGION LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION

The foundation is becoming hard pressed as the hearing aid industry is going digital and people want tiny in-the-ear units. Over the ear aids are not turning up in Lions Clubs drop boxes which are the type the foundation can use at very low cost to the recipient. In the ear devices run into the thousands of dollars as opposed to \$ 250 for an over the ear unit. The foundation cannot operate at the high prices. An in the ear aid is molded to fit a single person - it cannot be used again. The foundation sends a used in the ear aid in to a manufacturer that reclaims the electronics. The manufacturer returns just \$ 5.00 to the foundation for scrap. The foundation is searching for a \$ 50,000 grant to buy digital aids in order to continue to service indigent persons. Club donations are needed !!