



DISTRICT 20Y1  
DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER  
DECEMBER 2009



DISTRICT GOVERNORS MESSAGE

We saw the first snowflakes today – The holiday season is upon us. First, I want to thank the following Lions Clubs for sponsoring our newsletter and dedicate this month's letter to them; Camden, Canastota, Kirkwood and Oswego, as well as Lion Doug Russell for a personal sponsorship.

I hope everyone had a great and relaxing Thanksgiving. We all certainly had, and have, much to be thankful for. I would like to especially use this newsletter to thank all the Lions that helped to make our fall conference a huge success (see fall conference summation). Thanks to the Upstate Center for Vision Care and Research, Dr. Hepner and his staff for putting together the Saturday morning program, and luncheon, and all they do to further the quest for vision. Thanks to the Syracuse Host club for inviting us as special guest to their 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. It was an eventful evening for all in attendance.

To Max and Mary Pepper – I can not say enough. Thank you for making the perfect arrangements for the weekend. Julie's as always was the "relaxing-enjoyable" beginning. Making ID Anne Smarsh and her partner VDG Tom feel pampered with the roses; fruits and room arrangement, unparalleled and the late Saturday night entertainment – HOW DO YOU DO IT MAX?? To Mary and Max, Nickie and I say a deep, heartfelt thank you. The Lions of 20-Y1 thank you for attending the functions of the weekend (over 220 total). ID Anne & Tom truly felt welcomed. They felt as if they were a part of the Lions of 20-Y1.

We appreciate the support we are getting for our fundraising projects with the N.Y.S. & B. Lions Foundation and USC for VR. I presented \$1,400 in club memberships to the foundation on Nov. 14. It impressed every trustee present. This led to a motion that was unanimously approved that all membership fees be placed in the foundation reserve fund. **WE MADE A DIFFERENCE.**

A final note: thank you to the Fulton & Oswego Lions Club for what I would label "the meeting of the month". Where else would you find a Lions Club presidents car up on blocks in the middle of a city. ( A photo of Fulton Lions president Dave Guyer with his car will be on the web site soon and in other notable publications. Talk about fun!! President Dave took it all with a smile and a lot of laughter.

To the Lions of district 20-Y1 Nickie and I would like to wish each and everyone a happy holiday season, and a New Year filled with health, happiness and peace.

Caring for Lions, D G Kerry

**20-Y1 MEMBERSHIP UPDATES**

Clubs in district:	7/09 - 50	11/09 - 50
Members:	7/09 - 1351	11/09 - 1342
New: 19	Dropped: 28	Deceased: 10 -9

Club secretaries; please be sure your MMRs are current and submitted the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. As of 11-26-09 we have 12 clubs with MMR reports at lease 4 months overdue. MMRs can be hard copied and mailed or done on line at w go to submit reports, enter your ID number.

Club presidents; remember our challenge and goals for the year – 2 plus members for each club – by April 2010. We are currently 109 members below our goal. April will come fast.

**20-Y1 CLUB ANNIVERSARIES**

Congratulations to the Norwich Lions Club on 35 years of service to Lionism.  
Chartered December 20, 1974.

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGES

Please be sure all club members know about the following date changes.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet meeting will be moved from Sunday Feb.7, 2010 to Sunday Jan. 31, 2010.
- District Governor's Testimonial will be moved from Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday evening June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Our Cabinet & 20-Y1 meetings schedule:
  - Cabinet Meeting #3: Sunday Jan. 31, 2010  
(location) Marathon, American Legion
  - Cabinet Meeting #4: Sunday April 18, 2010  
(location) Steak & Sundae, Teal Ave. Syracuse NY
  - D.G. Testimonial: Friday June 18, 2010  
(location) Lake Shore Country Club, Cicero NY

CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE - DEC & JAN

D. G. CLUB VISITATION SCHEDULE FOR DEC & JAN

December:			January:		
Tu	1	Mexico	Fri	1	Happy New Year
Wed	2	Freemont	Tu	5	Norwich
Th	3	West Corners	Wed	6	Camden
Fri	4	Syracuse Host	Th	7	Chittenango
Th	10	Hamilton	Mon	11	Canastota
Mon	14	Mount Upton	Wed	13	N. Syr/Liverpool
Fri	25	Merry Christmas	Th	27	East Syracuse

Vice District Governor Message:

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The first 2 cabinet meetings have been an inspiration to me. I have learned quite a bit about the other clubs in the district; about the projects each one does and the leadership involved to make it happen. I am sure DG Kerry will continue to have new ideas and motivation to care and grow in Lionism. Attendance to these meetings has made a big difference in my feelings for being a Lion.

We are looking for nominations to Vice District Governor, Zone and Merl Chairpersons. Please fill out the form below - mail or deliver to DG Kerry Brown.

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**During our next cabinet meeting** you have the opportunity to nominate our next  
*1st and 2nd Vice District Governor; as well as Zone and Merl chairpersons.*

**Person you would like to nominate** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **What Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please remember that Vice Governor positions are open for any Lion that has been President **and** served as a zone chairman, Cabinet Secretary or Cabinet Treasurer. Deliver nomination to DG Kerry Brown at 230 Genesee St., Canastota, NY 13032*

