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More than 30,000 Lions from all over the world arrived in Chicago last month to celebrate LCI's 100th anniversary at the International Convention. Among the many events that took place, a highlight was watching the Special Olympics – Leos "Mission: Inclusion" Unified Basketball Clinic presented by NBA great, Sam Perkins. Leos and Special Olympics athletes participated in basketball drills and scrimmages while working together and learning more about one another.

Convention is a great time to thank the generous Lions who donated. A special thanks is in order for Melvin Jones Fellows, Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows, Melvin Jones Fellowship clubs, and those in the Humanitarian Partner program. This year, we raised one of the highest donation amounts in LCIF Convention history. Because of your contributions, communities all around the world will receive help when it is needed.

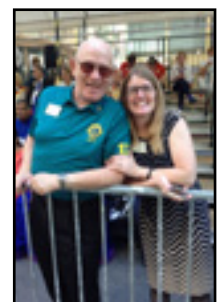


2017-2018 District Governor 16-N Nicholas "Nick" Landy, District Governor 16-J Dawn Marie Kosobucki, and District Governor 16-L Clarence Brown.



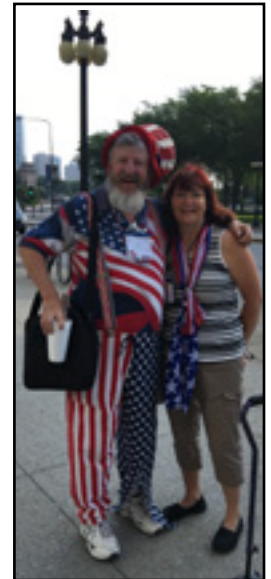


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear District Governor,

Welcome to a new year—and a new century! This is a new era of Lionism. One where you are not merely a passenger, but a driver on the road to a stronger, more strategic and effective association.

Together we can change the world. I know this, because I've seen the impact Lions have in communities around the world. But we can do more. Your leadership will be essential to ensuring we become a modern association that's ready to take on the emerging needs of our changing world.

Great leaders inspire through humility, integrity and strength. To do this, we must harness the Power of We, the Power of Action and the Power of Service to position our clubs, districts and association to achieve our LCI Forward goals.

With you beside me, I know we can grow our membership and expand our service impact to 170 million people this year—a huge step toward our LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million per year by 2020.

Thank you for accompanying me on this journey. I know that together we can truly change the world.

Sincerely,
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
 Your International President

Dear District Governor,

Diabetes is a global epidemic. And it's growing. More than 400 million people are living with the disease, including friends and family—even children. That's why we are elevating diabetes as a new global focus in our service framework.

We have an opportunity to put the Power of We into action to change the world as only we can. Addressing the threat posed by diabetes will be our biggest challenge yet, but Lions have always risen to the challenge.

We have so much to accomplish in the year leading up to our official diabetes rollout in Las Vegas. And your commitment is essential to our success. I need you to encourage your clubs to learn more about the dangers of diabetes and find ways to make a difference in their communities. Because our communities are counting on us.

Your support of diabetes will be the difference in our fight against this disease. Learn more about how your district can contribute to this cause and help me promote it to Lions so we can change the world together.

Sincerely,
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
 Your International President

Dear District Governor,

Our Lion year is off to a great start, and I know you are eager to change more lives and achieve our LCI Forward goals. It's going to take great leaders like you to reach our goal of serving 200 million people per year and grow our membership to 1.7 million Lions and Leos. And it's going to take hard work and commitment at all levels of our great association.

That's why we developed the Global Action Team. It unifies the three key areas of Lions—leadership, membership and service—to strengthen our clubs, districts and association. It's a bottom-up approach to supporting and encouraging the one thing that unites all Lions: service.

As the Global Action Team district chairperson, you will support your clubs by serving as a conduit between clubs and the multiple district. You will ensure that your district's Global Action Team coordinators are collaborating to keep your clubs energized and engaged, and that every member, hour and dollar is serving as many urgent needs as possible. You will determine the success of the Global Action Team. And Lions.

Your clubs are counting on you. And so am I. Let's do everything in our power to make the Global Action Team a success. Then the world will truly see the Power of Action.

Sincerely,
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
 Your International President



LIONS DISTRICT 16-N

NEW BUS! NEW BUS!

At St. Joseph's School for the Blind District 16-N Charitable Foundation Contributes to Bus Purchase

Amid the shouts of "New Bus, New Bus" from assembled students, the Lions District 16-N Charitable Foundation presented the administration of St. Joseph's School for the Blind with a check for \$10,000 to help defray the \$67,000 purchase cost of a new 2017 Chevrolet chassis 22 passenger, wheel chair lift equipped school bus. This new fully equipped school bus replaces a 15-year-old bus that, due to state regulations, must come off the road and can no longer be used to transport students despite having low mileage on its odometer.

Accepting the check from PDG Paula Tarantino-Maione, Secretary of the District 16-N Charitable Foundation was David Feinhals, Executive Director of St. Joseph's. Also present were Dr. Anthony Lentine, Jr., Principal; Ellen Felicetta, Director of Communications; and Vincent Romano (great name-no relation!), Facilities Manager. Representing the District 16-N Charitable Foundation were Secretary PDG Paula Tarantino-Maione, Council Chair and Foundation First Vice President Jack Romano, and Trustee Lion Glenn Elliot.

Facilities Manager Vincent Romano demonstrated how the safety features built into this brand-new school bus prevents the operator from engaging the bus into gear with the wheel chair lift in the down position, and with the lift door and/or the passenger door in the open position. The redundant safety features are designed to prevent injury to the student's passengers.

Students Maria, Daniella, Kaia, Zachary and Star "hugged" the bus as their way of accepting the new vehicle into the St. Joseph's School for the Blind family. St. Joseph's serves children 3 to 21 years of age who are blind, visually impaired with additional disabilities.

St. Joseph's School for the Blind began in 1891 as part of the Home for the Blind owned and operated by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace. In 1927, the Sisters moved the School to 253 Baldwin Ave., in Jersey City to meet the increased enrollment and expanded programs.

In 1960 the School began accepting students with visual impairments and other special needs. In 2007 the School moved to its present location, 761 Summit Ave., Jersey City. The new 75,000 square foot campus is ADA compliant and LEED certified and was designed specifically to serve individuals with disabilities. The building includes spacious classrooms with adjoining bathrooms, a technology enrichment lab, physical, occupational and speech therapy rooms, music and art rooms, a library, sensory room, a Parent Resource Center and a therapy pool. Adjacent to the School is a multi-sensory playground specially equipped with adaptive equipment accessible to students with special needs. The playground provides students with

therapeutic as well as recreational opportunities.

St Joseph's School for the Blind's programs include an Early Intervention Program for infants, birth to 3 years of age, who are blind, visually impaired and multiply disabled; a Full-Time Day Education Program which includes life skills training and transition services; In-District Support Services to students within their home school districts and an Adult Services program for adults 21 and over with special needs. St. Joseph's School for the Blind is also home to Concordia Learning Center a Pre-K3 program contracted with the Jersey City Board of Education. The program provides vital services to 3-year-old Jersey City children and is currently serving 90 students.

For further information on the services provided by St. Joseph's School for the Blind, please contact David Feinhals at dfeinhals@schoolfortheblind.org or at 201-876-5432, x 1244, or Ellen Felicetta at efelicetta@schoolfortheblind.org, or 201-876-5432, x 1246.





Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley

a/k/a The Eye Foundation of Delaware Valley



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Greetings from Lions Eye Bank:

On November 18, 2017, Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley (LEBDV) will celebrate a milestone anniversary as the regional nonprofit helping to provide the Gift of Sight.

Please join us in honoring:

Joe Bilson, Chief Executive Officer
Wills Eye Hospital - Philadelphia, PA
Executive Director of the Board of Directors of City Trusts

Howard Nathan, President/Chief Executive Officer
Gift of Life Donor Program - Philadelphia, PA

Gene Polgar, Past International Director of Lions Clubs International
Former President/Chief Operating Officer
Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley

Irving Raber, M.D., FRCS(C)
Ophthalmic Partners - Bala Cynwyd, PA/Philadelphia, PA/Marilton, NJ
Medical Advisory Board -Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley

The above individuals are executive representatives of global organizations that share a vision for enhancing an individual's health status through world-class service. LEBDV is proud of its strategic alliance with the honorees and their respective institutions. These alliances have yielded significant health care innovation, investment and impact benefiting citizens not only regionally but internationally as well.

We are pleased to announce that world-renowned Gift of Life Donor Program is the celebration's Presenting Sponsor. After your review of the enclosed sponsorship opportunities, I hope you will also partner with us to commemorate LEBDV's **Sixty Years of Service Saving Sight**.

Serving New Jersey, Delaware and southeastern Pennsylvania since 1957, LEBDV is entrusted to recover, evaluate, preserve and distribute donated cornea tissue used in sight-restoring transplant surgery.

The work we are privileged to do could not happen without someone deciding to create a legacy of sight. The benevolent offer of cornea tissue is an act of heroism by donors and their families.

"A "Mr. Fix-it" by day and family man by night, Harry loved to help and share his experiences with others. Now, his wife and son find comfort knowing that his gifts have given someone a new chance to see the world."
Debra, donor wife



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FOUNDED BY LIONS IN 1957, The Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley holds 501(c)(3) tax exempt status and all contributions are tax deductible. We are registered with state as required. A copy of the official regulations and financial information may be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-752-6999. Regulations does not apply out-of-state.

BERGENFIELD LIONS CLUB



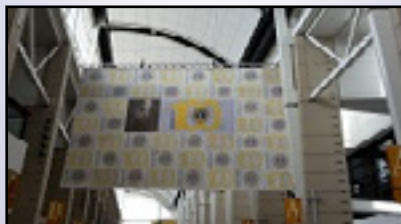
Each year for many years, the Bergenfield Lions Club has had a flat-bed Float in the Memorial Day Parade. Each year, the theme depicts some part of the war's soldiers and our remembrance of them. This year we honored the Gold Star Families from Bergenfield in all the declared wars.



Celebrating Lions' 100th Anniversary, Celebrating You!

IT'S GOING TO BE A BANNER YEAR!

Our enormous Centennial banner, proudly displaying signatures from our worldwide community of Lions, was a focal point at our recent Centennial convention. We still have one year left to celebrate, so now is the time to organize your club's participation in the Centennial Service Challenge, Membership Awards and Legacy Projects for 2017-18!



The Bergenfield Lions Club installed new officers at a recent meeting

Back row (L-R): Tom Neats, David Hitch, John Stellabotte, Jim Patterson, Barbara Gerin, Brian Moore, Kathleen Levine, Rick Chittum, Janet Biggins (all directors); Front Row (L-R): Bruce Van Tassel, Treasurer; Joe Verga, President; Leon Levine, Vice President; Brian Downey, Secretary; Marie Orlando, Corresponding Secretary.

EATONTOWN LIONS CLUB



L to R Toby Stark, Peter Pfister Treasurer & Jaqueline Fuertes Chairwoman.

Red Bank – On Monday Toby Stark who is involved with the Eatontown Lions Club presented a check to the Eastern Monmouth Educational Foundation for \$3,000. That was part of the proceeds from Starks' Annual Eatontown Lions Golf Outing. "We are pleased that we can help the foundation with two named scholarships." Stated Stark.

The Foundation gives scholarships in three ways. \$1,250 for a "returning" student. A returning student is a student whose education has been interrupted and who will be at least 25 years old as of September 1st.

\$1,250 for a college student entering his/her junior or senior year who is in need of help to complete his/her degree because of increased expenses or decreased finances.

\$1,250 for a vocational student pursuing post high school vocational education. Post high school vocational education does not include pursuit of a four (4) year college degree.



Dear Lions,

Thank you for your most generous donations to LCIF. Just this year, your donations have enabled LCIF to respond to the disasters from Japan to South Asia to the U.S. Gulf Coast, Mexico and several Caribbean islands.

Earlier this month, Hurricane Harvey devastated the south central coast of Texas and areas of Louisiana. More recently, Hurricane Irma struck Florida and other areas of the Southeast United States, and laid waste to islands in the western Atlantic and Caribbean Sea. Mexico has been rattled by its strongest earthquake in 100 years. Together, LCIF and Lions are supporting relief efforts for all of these disasters.

We have been working directly with Lions in the affected areas to ensure they have what they need to respond in these emergencies, and disaster relief funds have been made available for Lions in all of the affected areas. In turn, Lions are coordinating their efforts with local agencies to determine the greatest need and how Lions can address those needs.

Your donations allow LCIF to respond to disasters at the moment they happen, and ensure we can respond when called upon for future emergencies.

Together, we are making a significant difference.

Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew
Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation



LIONS' NEW SERVICE FRAMEWORK

To meet the needs of a changing world, we launched our new Global Service Framework to focus resources on the following humanitarian challenges: vision, hunger, the environment, pediatric cancer and diabetes. To support the new framework, beginning this month, you'll be able to report diabetes projects as part of the Centennial Service Challenge. Learn more about this exciting initiative.

EATONTOWN LIONS CLUB



Berlin Lions Club awarded a Melvin Jones Fellow to Con-cetta Sherlock. This presentation was done at the District 16L REORG meeting.



EVERSIGHT HOLDS GOVERNOR'S NIGHT

On Thursday August 17, 2017, Eversight New Jersey held its annual "Governor's Night" at its headquarters at 77 Brant Ave, in Clark N.J. The newly sworn in governors of Districts 16 N, J, and L are invited to hear about Eversight's mission in research and corneal transplantation and to take a tour of the lab facilities, including the newly acquired DMEK microscope.

Present were Lions board members Mike Pacala, PDG, Board Chair; John Ryan Vice Chair and member of the Cranbury Lions Club; Dennis Brubaker, PDG and Jack Romano, PDG and current State Council Chair; Non-Lions board members attending were Jill Devery, Jack Felzack; and Walter McDermott. Lions must comprise 51% of the Board of Directors.

Attending for the administration of Multiple District 16 were District Governor Dawn-Marie Kosobucki, 16-J, First Vice District Governor Ruth Molenaar, 16-N, First and Second Vice District Governors Kara Schnure and Dave Skrivanek 16-L respectively.

District Governors Nick Landy 16-N, and Clarence Brown, 16-L were not able to attend due to prior commitments. Bruce Moheler, Director of Philanthropy, hosted this event.

The mission of Eversight is to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation and research. Eversight is a 501-c-3 health service organization and the only eye bank in New Jersey, accredited by the Eye Bank Association of America (EBBA), and regulated by the Food and Drug Administration.

There are six eye banks in the Eversight family including the headquarters in Ann Arbor, Michigan, with affiliated offices in Illinois, Ohio, Connecticut, New Jersey and Seoul, South Korea. There are plans to expand internationally into Pakistan, Abu Dhabi and Beijing in the near future.

On July 1, 2018 Eversight (formerly known as the Lions Eye Bank of New Jersey) will celebrate its 30th anniversary associa-

tion with the Lions of New Jersey! Lions Eye Bank of New Jersey/ Eversight became a Lions State Project in 1993.

Eversight recovers, prepares, coordinates and distributes donated human eye tissue for transplantation, research and education, conducts donor awareness and education programs to the public and provides charitable services for those in financial need under the "Gift of Sight" program.

In 2016, Lions Club International Foundation provided a matching grant of \$30,000 with other funds contributed from the multiple district charitable foundations for the purchase of a state of the art Descemet membrane endothelial keratoplasty (DMEK) microscope. The DMEK procedure offers rapid and near-complete visual rehabilitation in patients with corneal endothelial disorders,

DMEK is a new type of partial-thickness corneal graft in which only the innermost corneal layers are replaced, rather than the whole thickness of the cornea, as happens in a conventional full-thickness graft (i.e., penetrating keratoplasty [PK]). In this latest iteration of endothelial keratoplasty, DMEK replaces only the Descemet's membrane and endothelium, and leaves the patient's cornea closer to its original condition than other transplant techniques.

Corneal blindness is the 4th leading cause of blindness globally. The economic benefit of corneal transplantation surpasses the cost by more than 5 to 1 among Medicare aged population and nearly 18 to 1 among younger patients.

For those Lions who want to know where their financial donations go, in FY 2017, Eversight provided 134 tissues to New Jersey residents either free or at a reduced fee for those with a financial need. 160 tissues were provided free to doctors and mission groups in 10 countries at a cost of \$512,000. Over 1750 tissues were provided at a reduced fee to physicians in 20 countries at a cost of \$4.1 million. \$160,000 was awarded to 9 research projects in the United States including pilot projects on storing DNA of a patient for future use in corneal transplants.

Eversight congratulates Governors Nick, Dawn and Clarence on their election as District Governors and extends their best wishes for a successful Lionistic year 2017-2018.



HARRISON LIONS CLUB

Harrison Lions Celebrate National Night Out!

On a warm muggy Tuesday night August 1, 2017, the Harrison Lions Club helped local Police, Fire and EMS departments by celebrating National Night Out, an event whereby community members, local police departments and first responders interact in a spirit of cooperation and building trust especially in a diverse community such as Harrison. The event was held at Library Park, boarded by the local public library and Post Office.

The Lions provided free vision screenings to anyone in attendance who wanted to take advantage of this opportunity. Children and adults of all ages were screened using the District 16-N Charitable Foundation SPOT Camera for Hyperopia or "far-sightedness," Myopia, or "near sightedness," Astigmatism, where the cornea has an abnormal curve causing out of focus vision, Anisome-

tropia, also known as Amblyopia or "lazy eye," and Strabismus, where both eyes are out of focus. Over 60 attendees had their vision screened by the Harrison Lions Club. Many were referred to their eye care professional as a result of the screening process.

Assisting in the vision screenings were PDG Paula Tarantino-Maione, Lion Kristen



Tarantino, First Vice District Governor, 16-N, Ruth Molenaar, and Council Chair of MD-16, Jack Romano. District Governor 16-N Nick Landy organized this event assisted by other Harrison Lions Club members PDG Bob Millea, Patti Gerris, MaryAnn Dunphy, Jonathan Pinto, Gina Paz, Tony Espallat, Jesus Huaranga, Sophia Ellison, Potential Lions assisting at this event were Mike Landy, Seijun Paz and Anthony Torio (recent Harrison High School graduates and Lions scholarship recipients)

A special thanks to the Harrison DPW for setting up the generators for electrical service, and to DPW worker was Chris Hidrovo a former HHS student and friend of the Lions who was honored in 2008 as the Harrison Lions young citizen of the year!

Thanks to all who attended this event and to those who took advantage of the vision screenings.

NEW JERSEY INDIAN LIONS CLUB

New Jersey Indian Lions Club Health Fair

The Health fair was done on Sunday September 24, 2017 at Oak Tree Road, Edison. A panel of doctors comprising of Ophthalmologist, Paediatrician, General Physician, Dentist were present on the site. Wellness specialists were brought in from Samhin to address mental health issues and Ayurvedaashram to promote holistic wellness.



SOMERVILLE METRO LIONS CLUB

Somerville Metro Lions Celebrate 10 Years of Service

With official proclamations from the New Jersey Senate and General Assembly, the County of Somerset, letters from Governor Chris Christie, Lions International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, District Governor 16-J Dawn Kosobucki and the Mayor of Somerville, Lion Brian Gallagher, the Somerville Metro Lions Club celebrated its 10th anniversary at a gala social held at the Royce Brook Country Club on Sunday September 10, 2017!

Present were many dignitaries from District 16-J and Multiple District 16 including current District Governor 16-J Dawn Kosobucki, her husband and GMT-D Kevin Kosobuckli, PDG squared Carlos Alma, PDG Mahesh Chitnis, Second Vice District Governor 16-J Armando Guerra, District 16-J Cabinet Treasurer and Somerville Metro Lions Club Treasurer Vivian Roz, Somerville Metro Charter President Ray Tigol, and Council Chair Jack Romano.

Lions Jackie Fuchs and Andrew Villafranca were the Masters of Ceremony for the festivities which included dinner, dancing, installation of new club officers. Governor Dawn Kosobucki, with the assistance of 1 VDG Armando Guerra, PDGs Carlos Alma and Mahesh Chitnis and CC jack Romano, inducted none new members into the Somerville Metrto Lions Club.

The new members are: MR REYNALDO & MRS MARILYN ALONSO, ANNA LOUISE BONGIOVI, ANTONIETTA CUOCO, MELODY S BUSTOS, EARL MATHEW MENDEZ , ERIK MILLSTINE, Mrs. JOANNE & Mr. RYAN RODRIGUEZ.

The keynote address was given by Tom O’Leary, CEO and Executive Director of SHIP – Samaritan Homeless Interim Program, which is one of the charities the Somerville Metro Lions Club supports.



Standing left to right: GN+MT Kevin Kosobucki, 16-J; Lion Ray Togol, Director and Charter President of the Somerville Metro LC; PDG Mahesh Chitnis; Rogel Bautista Immediate Past President Somerville Metro LC; Jack Romano Council Chair MD-16. Sitting Left to Right: District Governor Dawn Kosobucki, 16-J; Vivian Roz, Treasurer Somerville Metro LKC and Cabinet Treasurer District 16-J; PDG Carlos Alma 16-J; 1VDG Armando Guerra 16-J.

At the Turnover Ceremony, outgoing President Rogel Bautista turned over the club gavel and bell to the newly inducted President Alex Bernales.

The Honorable Brian Gallagher, Mayor of Somerville and a club member, asked inn his address why the press does not cover events such as this where good is being done for the community instead of those issues where there is disagreement and strife.

Congratulations to the Somerville Metro Lions Club on their 10th Anniversary of service to their community.



SADDLE RIVER VALLEY LIONS CLUB

Verducci Awarded Prestigious Lions Club Fellowship



Shown here (right) at the Saddle River Valley Lions' recent Installation Dinner is Lions Club president David C. Verducci ('Dr. Dave') receiving his Melvin Jones Fellowship plaque from the club's immediate past president, Vic Heineman (left).

Upper Saddle River resident David C. Verducci has been named the 2017 winner of the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellowship Award by the Saddle River Valley Lions Club. Established in 1973 by Lions International, the Melvin Jones Fellowship was created in remembrance of the organization's founder and considered to be the highest honor the club can bestow upon one of its members.

A Lion since 2012, 'Dr. Dave', as he is known in the club, currently serves as the club's 2017-2018 president. Verducci has served on a wide variety of Lions' committees so far in his tenure but the award was given largely in recognition of his work in establishing four thriving Leo Clubs in area schools. Leo Clubs are part of a world-wide network of school-based service organizations for middle and high school age students.

"Becoming a Lion was something I looked forward to doing when I retired a few years ago," said Verducci. He went on to add that "working with the members of the Leo Clubs and their faculty advisors has been an amazing experience. I've seen firsthand that students' desire to help others through community service activities is alive and well."

The former educator spent the thirty eight years of his career in professional education in positions ranging from classroom teacher to superintendent of schools. During that time, Verducci worked in seven different public school districts, all of them in Bergen County. Having earned a Ph.D. from New York University, he was went on to become a faculty member in NYU's Graduate School of Education for more than a decade. In addition to his Lions Club activities, Verducci currently also serves on the Upper Saddle River Board of Education as well as the executive board of the U.S.R. Education Foundation.

The award, which consists of a large plaque and a \$1000 donation made in the

winner's name to the Lions Club International Fund, was presented to Verducci at the Lions annual installation dinner. In making the presentation, Lion Vic Heineman, the club's immediate past president and himself a previous Melvin Jones Fellowship winner, praised Verducci for his distinguished service to both the club and his community. "Dr. Dave continually shows his belief in community service by his actions," Heineman said. "He is a person who constantly gives of himself."

When asked to comment, Verducci said simply that he was "surprised, but deeply honored." He went on to add that "I am sincerely grateful to the Lions Club for giving me the opportunity to work with our Leo Club students. They are awesome!" Verducci's efforts in developing the local Leo program were also recognized by Lions Club International when this past May he was presented with its International Leadership Medal at the organization's annual statewide convention.

The Saddle River Valley Lions Club is a regional club supporting the communities of Mahwah, Ramsey, Upper Saddle River, and Allendale. Classified as a 501C (3) non-profit entity, the Saddle River Valley Lions Club has raised and distributed more than \$2.3 million dollars since its inception. 100% of its net proceeds go directly to the charities that the Club supports with none of the funds raised being used to meet administrative expenses, a cost borne by the Lions themselves.

More information about the Saddle River Valley Lions Club, membership opportunities, and its many worthwhile programs and activities, including its Leo Club Program, can be found on the club's Facebook page and their website, www.SRVLions.org.





Dear Lions,

We are pleased to invite you to the Lions Golf World Cup & European Championship.

From March 25 through April 1, 2018, come meet your fellow Lions in Andalucía, Spain, and compete in a tournament that benefits the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Andalucía is a paradise for golf lovers with over 100 golf courses and exceptional climate, sun and warm weather all year round. Hotel Tamisa Golf is part of it, surrounded by great golf courses and only a long tee shot away from Ryder Cup course Valderrama, the #1 golf course in Europe.

The deadline to receive the “early bird booking rate” is October 31, 2017. Be sure to reserve your spot and save by booking early!

For further information about the Lions Golf World Cup & European Championship, please visit: www.lionsgolf.info (website is available in English only). Or, download this informational flyer. A portion of all proceeds will be donated to LCIF.

We look forward to see you in sunny Spain!

With best regards,

The Lions Golf Organizational Team
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Dr. Volker Bernhardt
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Lion Philomena celebrated the Lions Centennial and also her 100th birthday. She was surprised by club members, family and friends.

HONORING LIONS



Sayreville Lions recognizes and honors 25 year Members: John Krenzel & Pete Anderson by DG Dawn Marie.



Stanley Grossman honored for 50 Years as a Lion.



Elizabeth Cubanos Installation of new Officers for 2017-18.

THE NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP LIONS

SURFING FOR VISION



This is the second year in a row that the Neptune Township Lions partnered with Lion Michael Benson, founder of the Visual Experience Foundation (VEF) to hold a “Surfing For Vision” event. The event was held on its Rain Date: Sunday, August 13th, from 9 am-4 pm at North Beach in Long ranch, NJ.

The Neptune Township Lions were there to register, and to assist the blind however possible. The purpose of the event was to teach Blind participants how to surf, giving them the knowledge that life does not end after blindness.

Volunteer surfers from the Jersey shore prepared, and assisted the blind on their surfboards. Last year, 18 surfers took part, and this year 29 were involved.

Originally, 50 surfers registered, but due to the change to a Rain Date, the number to join was 29.

A group called the “Christian Surfers” also gave lessons to the blind surfers’ family members. It was such a huge success, that the Long Branch Mayor invited VEF back again next year during the 2nd week of August.

Lion Michael Benson donated \$550 to the Neptune Lions Club as his promise to donate 30% of the custom-designed surfboard fundraiser to our club. The stipulation is that the club earmarks the \$550 toward VISION –RELATED donations ONLY.



THE NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP LIONS

2017 - Neptune Township Lions Club Holds New Membership Drive Cookout

The Neptune Township Lions Club held a “NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BBQ COOK-OUT” at PP Bob and & Treasurer Donna DeSanctis’ home on July 19, 2017. All members were encouraged to attend the BBQ to SUPPORT our New Membership efforts, and also to bring a potential new member to enjoy. The Neptune Township Lions attracted six (6) potential new members, with one joining the very same night, and three (3) others intending to join in August. Each potential member received our New Membership Goody Bag. The event provided TV Entertainment inside the backyard Bar/Hut. The Cookout Menu consisted of Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, BBQ Chicken, Salads, Ambrosia, Pretzels & chips, iced tea, soda, and water. All enjoyed the delicious fare and meeting new friends.





THE NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP LIONS

Neptune Club Very, Very Active

The Neptune Township Club recently completed a project at the township's Veterans Memorial Park to beautify the area and to honor our community Hero Veterans. The project was undertaken as a part of the Centennial Community Legacy Projects program.

The completion of this project will impact the lives of the entire community and guests who visit Veterans Memorial Park. Prior to this project, the grounds lacked contemplation spots. By donating a park bench, the Neptune Township Lions provided respite to those who wish to pay respects to the fallen. They also purchased a community fundraiser sidewalk brick to install into the pavement to assist ease of transit.

The Neptune Township Lions Club developed a New Member Gift Bag to present to Potential New Members. The 8" X 11" Blue, plastic bag contained a Neptune Township Lions Club Brochure, an LCI Lions Club Brochure, Post-it Notes, a Blue Neptune Lions Pen, and a Blue Neptune Lions Club Cup, and a \$5 Dunkin Donuts Gift Card.

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a "NEW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BBQ COOK-OUT" at PP Bob and & Treasurer Donna De-Sanctis' home on July 19, 2017. All members were encouraged to attend the BBQ to SUPPORT our New Membership efforts, and also to bring a potential new member to enjoy. The Neptune Township Lions attracted six (6) potential new members, with one joining the very same night, and three (3) others who indicated their intentions to join in August. Each potential member received our New Membership Goody Bag.

And of course, Neptune is the home club of our new DG Clarence Brown.

This is the second year in a row that the Neptune Township Lions partnered with Lion Michael Benson, founder of Vision Experience Foundation (VEF) to hold a "Surfing For Vision" event. The event was held on its Rain Date: Sunday, August 13th, from 9 am-4 pm at North Beach in Long Branch, NJ.

The Neptune Township Lions were there to register, and to assist the blind however possible. The purpose of the event was to teach blind participants how to surf, giving them the knowledge that life does not

end after blindness.

Volunteer surfers from the Jersey shore prepared, and assisted the blind on their surfboards. Last year, 18 surfers took part, and this year, 29 were involved. Originally, 50 surfers registered, but due to the change to a Rain Date, the number to join was 29.

A group called the "Christian Surfers" gave lessons to the blind surfers' family members. The Long Branch Life Guards gave wave running rides to both the participants and the family members during the event. For three hours following the surfing, there was also a celebration music fest played on the Great Lawn stage. It was such a huge success, that the Long Branch Mayor invited VEF back again next year. So, the event will then be held on August 4th, with a rain date of the 5th. All NJ Lions Club members are invited to volunteer at that time. Lion Michael Benson donated \$550 to the Neptune Lions Club as his promise to donate 30% of the custom-designed surfboard fundraiser to our club. The stipulation is that the club earmarks the \$550 toward VISION -RELATED donations ONLY.

CHESTER LIONS CLUB

The Chester Lioness Club will meet for dinner on Thursday, November 2nd 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Lamplighter Restaurant, 190 West Main Street, Chester, NJ 07930. This evening, Lion Paula Tarantino, a member of the "Camp Marcella" - New Jersey Camp for Blind Children - Board of Directors, serving on the Executive Board as Vice President of Program Development since 2012, will present an over view of the current status and programs of the camp.

Paula has been a Lion for 33 years and is a current member of the Harrison Lions Club. She served as the first female Cabinet Secretary in her District (then District 16A), and the first female District Governor during 1999-2000 in District A. Paula first became involved with Camp Marcella in 1982 before she was a Lion when she drove a blind friend to the club picnic. She was immediately drawn to wanting to help the children and volunteered on camp workdays. She became a Lioness/Lion and was asked to serve on the Camp Marcella Advisory Board in the mid 90's,

and later appointed to the Board of Directors in 2006.

Camp Marcella, established in 1947, is located in Rockaway Township, Morris County, NJ. as a place where blind and visually challenged children ages 6-18 have been able to experience the same camping activities offered to non-challenged campers at other facilities thus giving them the self-confidence to know they can do everything their sighted peers can do. Programs include swimming in the salt water pool, canoeing and fishing in their own Mitten Lake, arts and crafts, sports and competitive team activities, nature walks, talent shows, and daily living skills. During the closing campfire and awards ceremony, campers are given the opportunity to tell about their experiences to their invited parents and families.

Community members are invited to attend this dinner meeting by reservation. To learn more about the Chester Lioness Club, or to make a reservation for the meeting phone Holly Simmenroth at 908-879-5932.





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NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP LIONS

The 2017-2018 Neptune Township Installation of Club Officers

Installing Officer DGE Clarence Brown took the floor to install our new officers:

President: David Woolf

Immediate Past President (IPP): Bob De-Sanctis

1st Vice President: IPP Bob DeSanctis

2nd Vice President: Sue Mazorlig

Treasurer: Donna DeSanctis

Recording Secretary: Rosemarie Townend

Corresponding Secretary: Cathy Long

Membership Chair: Joanne Sopko

Following the Installation, DGE Clarence Brown presented Outgoing President Bob DeSanctis with a Past President Plaque from the Neptune Township Lions Club.

Then, Treasurer Donna DeSanctis presented a gift to the Installing Officer, DGE Clarence Brown of a Photo Frame with a photo of all 3 New Jersey District Governors, and also a photo frame with a photo

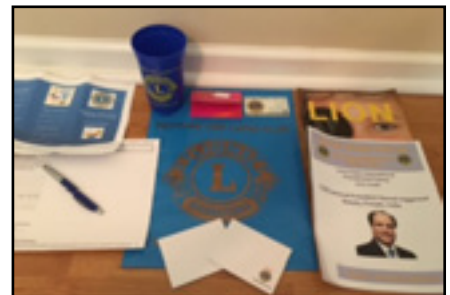


of President Bob & his wife, Donna to our Outgoing President Bob DeSanctis. Installation photos were then taken to publish.

As the last official activity, The Neptune Township Lions enjoyed refreshments of pizza, soda, cake & desserts.



2017 - Neptune Township Lions Club Secretary Rosemarie Townend was honored with an award from International President Chancellor Bob Corlew. The “Certificate Of Excellence” presented to Club Lion Rosemarie Townend was for successfully completing the Neptune Township Lions Club Service Activities for the Fiscal Year of 2016-2017.



2017 - Neptune Township Lions Create Project for a New Membership Drive Goody Bag July 5, other administrative duties 2017

The Neptune Township Lions Club developed a New Member Gift Bag to present to Potential New Members. The 8” X 11” Blue, plastic bag contained a Neptune Township Lions Club Brochure, an LCI Lions Club Brochure, Post-it Notes, a Blue Neptune Lions Pen, and a Blue Neptune Lions Club Cup, and a \$5 Dunkin Donut Gift Card. Our first Goody Bag was presented to Sylvia Kerr to express our appreciation for her interest in joining our club. Mrs. Kerr is considering joining our club in August 2017.



The Neptune Township Lions Club Memorialized its Club through the donation of a Lions Clubs International Legacy Project. The club donated a Park Bench with plaque, and a Brick Purchase, both of which were installed inside Neptune Township’s Veteran’s Memorial Park. The donation totaled \$1000.



DISTRICT 16-N

Lions of District 16-N Conduct Kidsight USA Vision Screening in Hillsdale Schools

The Lions of District 16-N conducted vision screenings in Hillsdale N.J. at the Meadowbrook School on Monday October 25, at Anna B. Smith School on Tuesday October 26, and at the George White School on Wednesday October 27, 2017. The screenings, using the Welch-Allyn SPOT Camera, is designed to test for vision deficiencies that can occur in children aged 6 months to 7 years and into adulthood. The KIDSIGHT USA program screens for:

Hyperopia “Farsightedness” is the difficulty seeing objects that are near. Untreated this can contribute to “crossing of the eyes” but can be corrected with glasses.

Myopia “Nearsightedness” is when the eyes focus incorrectly, making distant objects appear blurred. It can be treated with glasses.

Astigmatism A condition in which the cornea has an abnormal curve causing out of focus vision.

Anisometropia This condition can adversely affect the development of binocular vision in infants and children. The brain will often suppress the vision of the blurrier eye in a condition called Amblyopia or “lazy eye.”

Strabismus Eyes are not directed to an object simultaneously. Sometimes the eyes deviate outward and sometimes inward.



Vision affects a child’s ability to see the world, but it also impacts a child’s ability to learn,” said Dr. Ed Cordes, an optometrist and chairperson of Lions KidSight USA. “Experts say that up to 80 percent of learning is visual, so we need to screen all children to identify any vision issues that can get in the way of learning. And we need to screen children early to identify vision problems while they can still be corrected.”

Most young children don’t get their vision screened until they have problems learning or paying attention in school. By then, it may already be too late. Unless vision problems are detected early and corrected, they risk becoming permanent by age seven.

Over 550+ students and faculty were screened with a 7.2% failure rate. All failures

were referred to the respective school nurses for follow up with the parents and/or guardians for referral to an eye care professional.

Members of the Hillsdale Schools Vision Screening Team are:

From the Bergenfield Lions Club: PDG Rick Chittum, Lions Marie Orlando, Judy Vergara, Barbara Gerin, Brian P. Moore.

From the Wood-Ridge Lions Club: PDG Dennis Brubaker, Lions Mile Roman, Ken Turtoro.

From the Midland Park Lions Club: Council Chair Jack Romano

From the Rutherford Lions Club: PRC/ ZC Glenn Elliot

From the Passaic/Clifton Lions Club: PCC Winster Ceballos

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TOMS RIVER LIONS CLUB

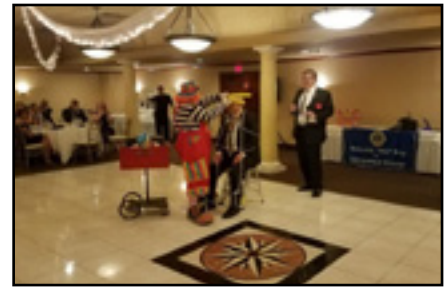
HOW TO ROAST AN IPID

Many years ago, you may remember a television show called "The Twilight Zone." I am speaking about the original hosted by its creator, Rod Sterling. One of the episodes was entitled "How to Serve Man." Well most people in this fictional village were impressed that an alien race would travel to planet earth with the sole intent to serve humankind by bringing humans back to their utopian planet. However, there was a catch and only one villager was able to figure this out. As many of the villagers were boarding the rocket ship to this unknown planet, an astute woman figured out that "How to Serve Man" was a cookbook!

As Lions, we do serve humankind but in a humanitarian way through service projects for the betterment of our communities. However, on Saturday September 9, 2017, we "cooked" our Immediate Past International Director Mel Bray at his Testimonial Dinner and Roast.

Lion Mel was elected to the International Board of Directors two years ago at the 98th Annual International Convention in Honolulu Hawaii. Mel and Ginny have served for the past two years representing the International Board and the Lions of MD-16 proudly, traveling mostly within the USA with some International travel. Now that Mel's two-year term as an ID has expired, he now joins the ranks of New Jersey's Past International Directors Chuck Weimer, Stan Grossman and Bob Moore.

While there were many accolades and congratulatory messages in the event program, many Lions spoke to their relationship with Mel and Ginny, their involvement in community activities, their time away from New Jersey, and a happy welcome back. Some Bray family members spoke to not seeing Mel and Ginny for almost two years because of their travel schedule. Ginny spoke to getting home, unpacking, doing laundry



and having to pack again for the next trip with a very short turnaround period. Lions Paul Cousineau and Winstler Ceballos spoke about their mentoring relationship with Mel. PID Bob Moore welcomed Mel and Ginny into the fold of PIDs!

The highlight of the evening was the entrance of BEEP BEEP the Clown who proceeded to skewer IPID Mel with jokes and a balloon hat (Mel's crown or Miter) that Mel wore for the duration of the event.

IPID Mel and Lion Ginny thanked everyone who attended. Both are looking forward to continuing to serve our Association and their local community.



SADDLE RIVER VALLEY LIONS CLUB

Camp Marcella Changes the Lives of Blind & Visually Impaired Teens



For blind and visually impaired teenagers, it is literally a life-changing experience." Those were the words Paula Tarantino-Maione used in a recent address to the Saddle River Valley Lions Club to describe Camp Marcella, a residential summer campground designed specifically for children and teens with blindness, visual-impairments, and special needs.

Tarantino-Maione, herself a member of Lions Clubs International, has been a volunteer at the camp for over 30 years and has served as a member of its Board of Directors since 2006. She explained that "the objective of Camp Marcella is to provide its campers with a top notch recreational, educational, and rehabilitative camp experience, that is both fun and memorable."

Located in Rockaway, NJ, Camp Marcella is owned and operated by the NJ Camp for Blind Children, Incorporated, and a non-profit organization started in 1947. Since the camp's inception, Lions Clubs across New Jersey have helped to financially support and maintain the Camp's operations and facilities.

The camp itself comprises over 200 acres of woodland surroundings, including a clean, fish-laden lake, and a modern in-

ground swimming pool with all of its facilities designed for the best possible care of visually impaired children. Over the past 60 years Camp Marcella's facilities have grown from a handful of buildings to a thoroughly modern, state-of-the-art, 23 building facility specially adapted for persons with special needs.

The recently installed new president of the Saddle River Valley Lions Club, Dr. David C. Verducci, commented that "the strong and continuing special relationship between Camp Marcella and the Lions Club reflects our unwavering commitment to support organizations and programs that serve the blind and visually-impaired. We are very proud to be a part of the team effort that makes Camp Marcella possible."

In thanking the local Lions for their ongoing support, Tarantino-Maione stated that "your contribution of both funds and the physical labor from groups like the Saddle River Valley Lions Club not only make it possible for campers to play games, sing songs, share experiences, learn from each other, and build cherished memories to last a lifetime, but also helps to shape the actual direction of the lives of Marcella's campers."

Verducci responded on behalf of the Lions by saying "we are very proud of everything being accomplished at the camp. It is the sincere hope of the club's membership that our support will continue to help improve the lives of Marcella's campers, not just for tomorrow, but for all the tomorrows to come."

Currently celebrating its 60th year, the Saddle River Valley Lions Club is a regional club supporting the communities of Mahwah, Ramsey, Upper Saddle River, and Allendale. Classified as a 501C (3) non-profit entity, the organization has raised and distributed more than \$2,350,000 during its existence. 100% of its net proceeds go directly to the charities that the Club supports with none of the funds raised being used to meet administrative expenses, a cost borne by the Lions themselves.

For more information about membership in or any of the many other activities and events sponsored by the Saddle River Valley Lions Club, visit the club's Facebook page or its website, www.SRVLions.org. To learn more about Camp Marcella or to support its work with a contribution, go to www.CampMarcella.org.



Shown here is Saddle River Valley Lions Club president, Dr. David C. Verducci with Camp Marcella's Board of Directors Trustee, Lion Paula Tarantino-Maione



BELVIDERE LIONS CLUB

The 2017-18 Belvidere Lions Club officers were inducted at the June 26 Lions Club meeting. B.J. Wauhop, Sergeant at Arms; Bradford Day, incoming secretary; Raymond Smickle, First Vice President; Gene Brandt, Past President; Mike Larney, President; Valerie Reede, Second Vice President; and Andrew Mark, in his 60th year as club treasurer.



USA/CANADA FORUM

MD-16 Lions in Portland, Oregon



MD-16 from New Jersey. Lions of Districts N, J and L happy to be at the USA/CANADA FORUM in Portland, Oregon.



Lions University Bachelor recipients are Kevin Kosobucki, 1st VDG, Armando Guerra and DG, Dawn Marie Kosobucki



Cabinet Secretary Phyllis Johnson, 1st International Vice President Gudrun Bjort Yngvadottir and DG 16-J Dawn Marie Kosobucki.



DG 16-L Clarence Brown, Lion Kevin Kosobucki, DG 16-J Dawn Marie Kosobucki, Lion Ginny Bray and 1st VDG Armando Guerra taking a moment during the Exhibit Hall.



MD-16 Lions from New Jersey prepping for afternoon seminars.

PASSAIC-CLIFTON LIONS CLUB

Children Benefit from Free Vision Screening at two (2) fairs in Clifton

The Passaic-Clifton Lions Club provided free vision screenings for young children and adults during the Boys and Girls Club Annual Car show on 9/10/17 and the Van Houten Avenue Street Fair on 9/17/17. 45 children and 12 adults were screened by Lions club members at these events.

More than 12 million school-age children in the United States have some form of vision problem, yet only one in three have received eye care services before age six.1 Many vision problems run the risk of becoming permanent if not corrected by age seven, when the eye reaches full maturity. Vision also plays an important role in education. According to educational experts, 80 percent of learning is visual.

“Early screening leads to early detection, which helps ensure that children get the follow-up care they need,” said Winster Ceballos, Lions KidSight USA Program Coordinator for the Lions Club. “We want to make sure that correctible vision problems don’t stand in the way of our children learning and seeing the world clearly, and our main goal is to be able to work closely with the Clifton and Passaic Board of Education to provide Free vision screening to all school aged children at the beginning on each aca-



ademic year and including any pre-school daycare or institution that would like to provide the same service to children starting at 6 months old.”

For information about future screenings or to learn more about the Passaic-Clifton Lions Club and its service projects, contact info@passaic-cliftonlions.org or

visit our website at www.passaic-cliftonlions.org.

The screening event is part of a nationwide initiative called Lions KidSight USA, a national coalition that brings together Lions programs that screen children from 6 months to 6 years of age. KidSight USA was developed by Lions in the U.S. to protect the eye health of America’s children in their early years. Lions in the U.S. currently screen more than 500,000 children per year. Learn more about Lions KidSight USA at KidSightUSA.org.

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NEWARK BORINQUEN LIONS CLUB

6th Annual Charity Cook out - Ruben's Scholarship Fundraiser

On the weekend of Labor Day, Newark Borinquen Lions Club gathered over 125 Lions, friends and local politicians to their annual Ruben's Scholarship Fundraiser. There was music, dancing, food, raffles and lots of fun. The BBQ was hosted by the President Elena Gonzalez, Secretary Gilbert Lizardi, PDG and Treasurer Fernando Navarro, PDG.



AVALON LIONS CLUB

Avalon Lions Set Pasta Night Fundraiser



You say you've never been to Italy but always dreamed of the food there. Let the Avalon Lions Club give you a "perfecto" pasta preview and you don't even have to pack your bags. Enjoy an ocean-front table at the Windrift Hotel Restaurant, 80th Street and the Beach, in Avalon, N.J. filled with all your favorite Italian foods. On Sunday night, October 15th between 5p.m. and 8p.m. the annual Lions' "Pasta Night" will have you saying "mangia".

On the menu: spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread and a variety of home-made Italian desserts including your favorite scoops of ice cream courtesy of the Sundae Best Ice Cream Parlor in Avalon!

And to keep you entertained, the dinner will feature table service, music and a silent auction with great items to send you home happy and help us raise money for local charities.

If all this has your mouth watering, don't wait! Tickets are available now, \$17 per adult and \$8 per child, age 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased in Avalon at the Pudgie Pelican Cafe, located at 3258 Dune Drive or at Long & Foster Real Estate offices located at 30th & Dune Drive. Take out will also be available.

For more information, call Jim Lutz (609)254-2763 or Tony Adamoli (917) 846-6587. The Avalon Lions Charities Founda-

tion is a registered 501 (c) 3 charitable corporation and supports more than a dozen charities throughout Cape May County including area food banks, CARA, CASA, Disabled and Homeless Veterans groups.

Our motto is, "We Serve" and on Pasta Night we hope that includes your family's Sunday night dinner. Buon Appetito!

Avalon Lions Club contact: Robin Mackintosh, director of PR.
robinmackintosh505@gmail.com



Dear Lions,

I'd like to begin my first newsletter by saying I am very excited for my new role as chairman of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Having witnessed the wonderful service projects that are being completed around the world, some with funding from LCIF, I am ready to serve in a whole new way by supporting our foundation.

LCIF supports life-changing service projects Lions complete all around the world, providing grant funding for your local and global humanitarian efforts. Your contributions to LCIF have helped people near and far by providing disaster relief, saving sight, supporting youth and meeting humanitarian needs.

This year, which leads to the foundation's 50th anniversary, we have a goal to raise US\$50 million to support Lions' compassionate service in more ways than ever. Lions show strength in numbers. When we work together, we can accomplish great things. I am confident this year will be the best year LCIF has had yet!

I look forward to my year as chairman and hope to see Lions and LCIF working hard to create positive change in our world.

Very truly yours,
Chancellor Bob Corlew
Chairman,
Lions Clubs
International Foundation



CHESTER LIONS CLUB

The Chester Lions Club is collaborating with R&R Construction to collect relief items for victims of Hurricane Harvey. The attached flyer lists the items most critically needed.

If other Lions Clubs can help us "stuff the truck" they can either bring the items to Chester or the Chester Lions will pick them up. The collection dates are from September 18th thru October 9th.

By the way, our Club is in contact with Lions in TX and, in addition to the relief items, the CLC has pledged \$40,000 to help pay for medical equipment that is needed there.

60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017
The Union League of Philadelphia
11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

JOIN US IN HONORING:

- Joe Bilson, Chief Executive Officer**
Wills Eye Hospital - Philadelphia, PA
Executive Director of the Board of Directors of City Trusts
- Howard Nathan, President/Chief Executive Officer**
Gift of Life Donor Program - Philadelphia, PA
- Gene Polgar, Past International Director of Lions Clubs International**
Former President/Chief Operating Officer
Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley
- Irving Raber, M.D., FRCS(C)**
Ophthalmic Partners - Bala Cynwyd, PA/
Philadelphia, PA/Marlton, NJ
Medical Advisory Board - Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley

Proceeds from the 60th Anniversary Celebration benefit sight saving projects in the United States and abroad.

CHESTER LIONESS CLUB

The Chester Lioness Club will sponsor a fundraising “GALA EVENING AT THE SHOW” on Friday, November 3rd 2017 at 8PM in the Black River Playhouse, 54 Grove Street, Chester NJ

The Chester Theater Group will present “Our Town”, a landmark in American drama, Thornton Wilder’s Pulitzer Prize-winning “Our Town” tells the story of a small town, Grover’s Corners, New Hampshire, in order to tell us the story of every town the whole world over. Narrated by the “Stage Manager”, we follow the Gibbs and Webb families, residents of Grover’s Corners, through twelve years of life changes – from the mundane in Act I, “Daily Life”, to the romantic in Act II, “Love and Marriage, to the devastating in Act III, “Death and Eternity. Through the young lovers, Emily and George, their strong and loving parents, and the many other Grover’s Corner locals, Wilder delivers uni-

versal truths about what it means to be human. “Oh, earth”, Emily Webb exclaims towards the play’s end, “you’re too wonderful for anyone to realize you”. With humor, wit, and exceptionally powerful storytelling, “Our Town” offers a unique opportunity for audience members to make precisely that realization.

The \$20 ticket includes refreshments of cheese, crackers, fruit, wine, soda, and bottled water. There will also be a meet and greet with the play’s cast members.

This performance will help benefit the Chester Lioness Club’s charity projects.

For tickets contact Lioness Sue Youngman 908-852-1238 or any Lioness member.



Dear Lions,

Our thoughts go out to all those affected by the hurricane in Texas, USA. In times of crisis, Lions are often among the first to offer critical supplies of food, water, temporary shelter, and clothing. Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is right there beside them, ready to support their efforts with fundraising assistance through disaster relief grant programs.

Your generous donations to LCIF enable us to respond swiftly wherever and wherever the need exists. Please consider making a donation LCIF’s disaster fund today so that we may continue to provide help and hope to those who need it most.



Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew
Chairman,
Lions Clubs International Foundation

THE NEWARK BORINQUEN LIONS CLUB



Cordially invites you to its
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IRIS MARTINEZ ARROYO, PCS

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Includes Buffet, Wine, sangria, beer, soda, coffee/tea
DJ Magic Sound, door prizes
Donation \$55.00 per person / RSVP by October 09, 2017

Checks should be made payable to:
Newark Borinquen Lions Club
P.O. Box 358, Newark, NJ 07101

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:
Gilbert Lizardi – 201.320.6457 • Fernando Navarro- 973.477.1135
Elena Gonzalez – 551.655.8363

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP LIONS CLUB

Clarence Brown, District Governor of District 16L attended Stafford Township Lions Club's September meeting. Brown shared his personal, heartfelt account of the advantage of joining the Lions Club and the continued growth of the club. He also touched upon fast track to President of Neptune Lions Club, and now District Governor. Brown expressed his admiration and respect for the current International president of Lions Club International, Dr. Naresh Aggarwal. Much was discussed at the meeting and his expectation for District 16L especially for 100% support of 16L Clubs to the Hurricane Harvey LCIF donation. Stafford Township Lions Club extends their congratulations to Brown and his new position.



(L to R) Secretary, Susan Mueller, President, Tom Rex, Past President, Dave Skrivanek and District Governor of 16L Clarence Brown.



(L to R) Past President, Dave Skrivanek, Secretary, Susan Mueller, District Governor of 16L Clarence Brown, president, Tom Rex, and Treasurer, Lou Schovanec.

How to Conduct Vision and Hearing Screenings

Among the most important missions of Lions everywhere are the preservation of sight and hearing. Your club can help achieve these basic goals with minimal effort and no cost by doing the following:

1. Establish a "Screening Committee."
2. Contact the Chester Lions Club (CLC) to help you put together your screening plan.
3. Finalize your plan and conduct the screening(s).

The CLC will help your club by coordinating with the NJ State Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI) to arrange for free vision screening. The CBVI normally has a six week minimum lead-time and basic requirements that must be provided at the proposed screening site. The CLC will explain these requirements to your Club's committee as we work together to establish your plan. The CBVI does not charge for screenings.

A Lion member of the CLC can also provide your Club with information and guidance on the costs involved for an eye doctor and/or audiologist if you want to include eyeglass prescriptions and/or hearing tests for your Club's screening event.

Contact Chester Lions member Stan Pukash at 908-879-6591 for more information. Screenings are important elements of the Mission of Lions and help increase the awareness of your Club by your local community.

New Post on NJ Lions Club



Stuff-a-Truck" for Texas!
by Winster Ceballos



Chester, New Jersey. The Chester Lions Club and R & R Construction Co. will be collecting items for the victims of Hurricane Harvey in Houston, Texas, and surrounding communities. With over 30,000 people displaced from their homes, R & R Construction and the Chester Lions are doing their part to help, and ask you to join us!

Please help us "Stuff-a-Truck" by dropping off items at two locations in Chester, New Jersey: Community Presbyterian Church, 220 Main Street, or 125 Parker Road (at driveway with flag memorial). Drop-Off dates are every day from September 18 to October 9, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

We are looking for community members to donate the following new, in-package items:

- Cleaning supplies including mops, brooms, buckets, work gloves, shovels, safety glasses, trash bags, etc.
- Victim relief items such as canned food, coffee and filters, bottled water, socks, sweatshirts, sweat pants, jackets, etc.
- Women's and men's hygiene products including deodorant, soap, shampoo, conditioner, band aids, feminine products, razors, tooth paste, tooth brushes, etc.
- Child Care items such as diapers and wipes, etc.
- Pet supplies including canned dog and cat food, pet blankets, and pet beds.

For more information about this special project please visit www.Stuffthetruckfortexas.com or www.chesterlionsclubnj.com.



The International Association of Lions Clubs
Passaic-Clifton Lions Club



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June 2017

Dear Friend,

According to educational experts, 80% of learning is visual. So if a child can't see well, he can't learn well. Yet most young children don't get their vision screened until they have problems learning or paying attention in school. By then, it may already be too late. Unless vision problems are detected early and corrected, they risk becoming permanent by age 7.

Lions in the USA already screen more than 500,000 kids per year through state-wide and local programs often known as "KidSight." **Lions KidSight USA** is a national coalition that brings together Lions programs that screen kids from 6 months to 6 years of age in order to create a coordinated national program.

The Passaic/Clifton Lions Club is holding a Tricky Tray on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at the Mountainside Inn, Clifton, NJ to raise funds for the screening equipment to help serve the children in our community.

To make this event a success, we are in need of raffle prizes. Prizes can be anything from gift certificates to televisions. I am reaching out to you today to ask for a prize donation. Any prize donation you contribute will be much appreciated.

If you prefer, you may make a direct donation payable to the Passaic/Clifton Lions Club.

You may send your gift certificate donations to: Angela Montague, P.O. Box 1364, Clifton, NJ 07015. To have someone pick up your donation, please call my cell, 973.557.3886.

Thanking you in advance for your generosity!!

Angela Montague

Angela Montague

Tricky Tray Co-chairperson

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PASSAIC-CLIFTON LIONS CLUB TRICKY TRAY DINNER



WHEN

Thursday October 26th, 2017

6:00pm-10:00pm

WHERE

The Mountainside Inn

509 Hazel St, Clifton, NJ 07011



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DISTRICT 16-N CALENDAR OF EVENTS

"More members mean more hands. More hands mean more help. More help means more people get served."

OCTOBER 2017

-Thur, Oct 12 - District 16N (Non-Sight Projects) meeting at Ravello's, 138 Eagle Rock Ave, East Hanover, NJ 07936. – 6:30 p.m. - The price will be \$35.00. Family style with wine and soda on the table. Dinner reservations should be called in to PDG Paula Tarantino Maione no later than 7 days prior to each meeting. Phone: 201-709-4944, or email: pdgpaula@comcast.net

-Sun, Oct 15 – Newark Borinquen Lions Installation of New Officers – Honoring Iris M. Arroyo – LaFortuna, 430 Kamena St., Fairview, NJ 07022 – 2-7 p.m.- Buffet, Wine, Sangria, Beer, Soda, Coffee/Tea – DJ and Door Prizes. Donation \$55/0 PP – R.S.V.P. by Oct 9, 2017.

-Fri, Oct 20 - North Warren Lions Fund Raiser - Mystery Dinner Theatre at Brook Hollow Winery, Route 94, Columbia, NJ – 7 PM - Dinner and active or passive participation \$42.75 tax included per person. Contact Info. And for tickets: Robert Brandt – PDG North Warren Lions Club,(908) 496-4500 Fax: (908) 496-4059 bbrandt@brandtboxnj.com

-Sat, Oct 21 – Juvenile Diabetes Walk at Liberty State Park – Registration 9am, Walk begins 10am. Come out and join the Team Miracle for Matthew. Chairperson Barbara Corsaro 973-728-1876 or lcorsaro@optonline.net

-Sun, Oct 22 – Bergenfield Lions hosting its Annual Pancake Breakfast – Conlon Hall (behind St John's RC Church) 8:30 am- 1 pm. Homemade pancakes, sausages, eggs & crumb cake. Donation \$7, child 6-11 \$5, children 5 & under free. Colors the Clown 10 am – noon. See Rick Chittum for tickets 201-966-5677c, or rchittum16n@aol.com

-Thur, Oct 26 – Passaic Clifton Lions hosting a Dinner & Tricky Tray to benefit Lions Kids Sight USA & other local charities – 6-10 p.m - \$40pp – For more information or sponsorship opportunities contact Ebru at 201-470-8424 eaguirre@myinvestorsbank.com

-Fri, Oct 27 - The Franklin Lakes Lions Club will be holding their annual wine tasting at the Indian Trail Club - 6:30PM-10PM. Fantastic food and great camaraderie is had every year. Tickets are \$85, including wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres and sumptuous buffet. Questions or reservations, contact Dr. Jack Vitenson at "vitenson@optonline.net".

-Sun, Oct 29 – Closter Lions – Pancake Breakfast, Details to follow.

-Mon, Oct 30 – Rutherford Lions hosting their Annual Spaghetti Dinner at 55 Kip Center - 55 Kip Ave., Rutherford - \$8.00 - Take-out Available. For more info and to order tickets online visit www.RutherfordLionsClub.com or call Lion Glenn Elliot at 201-691-8410



Be sure to visit the District 16N Website www.njlions.org/16n And The State Website www.njlions.org

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NOVEMBER 2017

-Fri, Nov 3 - The Chester Lioness Club will sponsor a fund raising "Gala Evening at the Show" on Friday, November 3rd 2017 at 8PM in the Black River Playhouse, 54 Grove Street, Chester NJ. The Chester Theater Group will present "Our Town", a landmark in American drama, Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning "Our Town" tells the story of a small town, Grover's Corners, New Hampshire. The \$20 ticket includes refreshments of cheese, crackers, fruit, wine, soda, and bottled water. There will also be a meet and greet with the play's cast members. This performance will help benefit the Chester Lioness Club's charity projects. For tickets contact Sue Youngman 908-852-1238 or any Lioness member.

-Sat, Nov 4 - State Council will meet at the Station Bar and Grill 2625 US 130, Cranbury N.J. 08512. The Pre-Council Meeting will start at 1000 sharp with the regular Council Meeting starting no later than 12:30. Lunch will remain at \$20.00 per person. If you plan to attend please notify State Office Manager Kartika Gupta at 732-747-9440 or njlions@verizon.net so she can notify the restaurant as to the number of expected attendees.

-Thur, Nov 9 - District 16N (Charitable Foundation & Peace Poster)meeting at Ravello's, 138 Eagle Rock Ave, East Hanover, NJ 07936. – 6:30 p.m. - The price will be \$35.00. Family style with wine and soda on the table. Dinner reservations should be called in to PDG Paula Tarantino Maione no later than 7 days prior to each meeting. Phone: 201-709-4944, or email:pdgpaula@comcast.net

-Sat, Nov 11 – District 16L Charitable Foundation will celebrate its Centennial Gala at the Adelpia Restaurant, 1750 Clements Bridge Road, Deptford, NJ. - Dinner, Music, Dancing - \$65 pp, cash bar – for more information, contact BobFreidel at bob@freidellaw.com

-Sat, Nov 18 - Lions Eye Bank of Del. Valley will celebrate its 60th Birthday.

— HEADLINE: APPRECIATING GOOD VISION —
LOCAL TEENAGER DONATES HUNDREDS OF GLASSES FOR PEOPLE IN NEED

Morgan Switsky Learned at a Young Age Not to Take Anything for Granted

At just 11 years old she was diagnosed with an eye condition known as recurrent corneal erosion syndrome, a painful eye disorder caused by an abrasion on the surface of the eye. The associated discomfort and visual problems can often be debilitating.

Morgan’s condition required surgery. Within a year and a half she was back to living a normal life, but not a day went by that she didn’t think about the importance of her renewed sight.

So when it came time to select a social action project in preparation for her bat mitzvah, Morgan never hesitated. She wanted to do something related to helping other people with their vision.

She decided to collect eye glasses and donate them to individuals in need. Her surgeon knew just the place that could help and put her in touch with



Eversight New Jersey, a non-profit organization dedicated to restoring sight and preventing blindness.

With the help of Morgan’s friends, family and congregation, she presented two shopping bags full of glasses and

cases to Bruce Moehler, the associate director for philanthropy at Eversight New Jersey, and Gerald Kirshenbaum of the Scotch Plains Lions Club.

Eversight works with Lions Clubs across New Jersey to promote their Recycle for

Sight program, which collects and distributes donated eye glasses to people in need.

“We love partnering with Eversight because of the natural link our two organizations share,” Kirshenbaum said. “It was very inspiring to hear Morgan’s story and how she thought of helping other people with something none of us should take for granted.”

Morgan, the Lions and Eversight donated the glasses and cases to New Eyes for the Needy, an organization distributes glasses worldwide for children and adults.

“This was a unique opportunity to work with a young person who wanted to impact a lot of folks,” Moehler said. “We’re very thankful Eversight New Jersey, the Lions and New Eyes for the Needy had the opportunity to play a part in helping Morgan fulfill her community service project.”

INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICIAL USPS

Listed below is information from the official USPS website courtesy of NAPS - the National Association of Postal Supervisor’s. This indicates which offices on the islands of Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, St. John, St. Croix and the US Virgin Island are open and accepting mail. The reference to DMDU and FAST are for drop Shipments from mail consolidators and large mailing firms which at this time appointments for this mail (these packages are entered via an appointment system) are not being accepted. It appears there is not delivery bit pick up services will be available at the offices listed below, so if you want to ship a package to someone, use the offices that are open for that purpose.

The San Juan P&DC is the largest office in Puerto Rico and remains closed. I suspect it will be some time before this office reopens for sorting and delivery throughout the island. Effective 9/28/17, The following offices will be open in Puerto Rico for Retail, PO Box mail and package pickup services, from 9:00 AM– 3:00 PM:

AGUIRRE 00704	CAROLINA PUEBLO 00985	GUAYNABO 00969	MAYAGUES 00985	RINCON 00985	UTUADO 00641
ARECIBO 00612	CATANO 00962	HATO RAY 00917	MINILLAS CENTER 00940	SAN JUAN MAIN WINDOW 00936	VEGA ALTA 00692
BAYAMON 00959	CAYEY 00736	LARES 00985	NAGUABO 00718	SAN SEBASTIAN 00685	VEGA BAJA 00693
CAMUY 00627	CIALES 00985	LOISA STREET 00911	OLD SAN JUAN 00901	SANTURCE 00907	65TH INFANTRY 00924
CAROLINA 00983	CUPEY 00926	MARINA 00985	PONCE 00985	TOA BAJA 00949	

The San Juan P&DC and Catano DMDU Annex are closed and not accepting FAST appointments.

St Thomas: Havensight will be open for retail services and mail and package pickup effective 9/27/17 11:00AM-4:00PM.

Offices open for mail and package pickup on St Thomas remain the same 11:00 AM-4:00 PM:

East End /Tutu Mall for addresses in ZIP Code 00805

Emancipation Gardens 00804 customers

Charlotte Amalie will provide mail handout service for ZIP Codes

00801, 00803, 00805 and street addresses ending in 00802

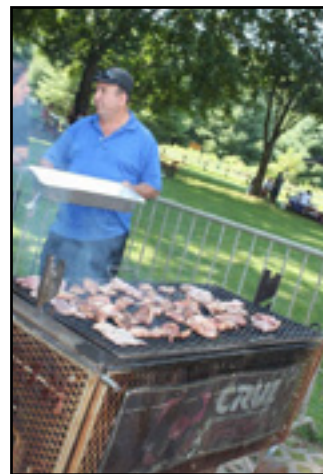
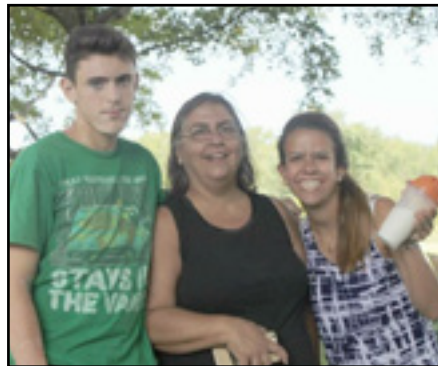
St John: Cruz Bay, St John 00830 customers can pick up packages and mail from 9:00am – 2:00pm

St Croix: Post Offices in St Croix remain closed.

USPS is not accepting Priority Mail, Express service or shipment of live animals for the following ZIP Codes: 006, 007, 008 and 009.

The following Islands are closed for retail services, package or mail pickup: St. Croix 008, Culebra 00775, Vieques 00765

ELIZABETH PORTUGUESE LIONS



DEPTFORD AND CLAYTON LIONS CLUB

District Governor 16-L Bob Freidel Testimonial Dinner

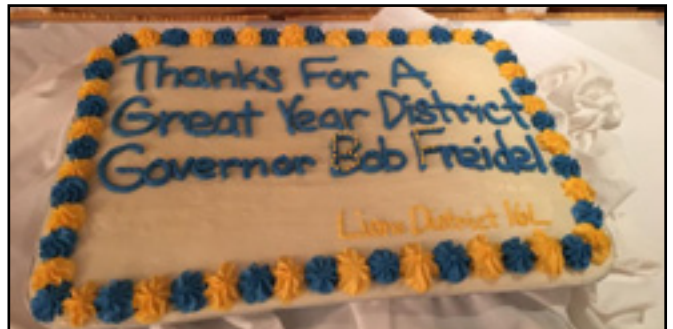


The Deptford and Clayton Lions Clubs hosted a fond farewell to DG Bob Freidel for his term as our Governor Emcee, Tal Kramer, president of the Clayton Club, did an outstanding job to introduce all the speakers of the evening, which was held at Adelphia's on June 23rd. Guests were treated to a revisit by Salvis, aka as Sal Velardi of the Hammonton Club, who entertained all in fine Elvis style.

Governor Bob had intended to give PID Chuck Wiemer a special award at NJ State Convention, but PID Chuck was unable to attend then, so Governor Bob was able to do so at this time. It was the belated opportunity for Governor Bob to thank PID Chuck for his service as his own special adviser and as a thank you for his many years of dedicated service to Lionism.

Several people spoke in a warm and loving way about Governor Bob's abilities as a leader, and as a person. PDG Bob DeLambily presented Gov. Bob with a Progressive Melvin Jones and PDG Carlos Alma, of Distict J, presented a certificate as a contribution from the "Jersey Boys" towards another PMJ. A gift from the Cabinet and Zone Chairs - several Lions related articles of apparel - were presented by 1st VDG Clarence Brown. Gov. Bob's wife, Carol, was also recognized by Deptford President Jim Bernardo.

Quoting the program of the evening: "We're proud of all that has been accomplished by Lions during his term and we thank our Governor, Bob Freidel, for his leadership in getting us where we are today."



CLOSTER LIONS CLUB

Recently, a long-time member of the Closter Lions Club received a very nice letter from Mary Devon O'Brien, Executive Director of the New Jersey Lions Eye Glass Recycling Center in Trenton. It was a letter of thanks for the thousands of eyeglasses collected throughout Closter and the neighboring Northern Valley and sent to the Center. The conclusion of her letter sums it all up:

“Please know that the Trustees of the New Jersey Lions Eye Glass Recycling Center are very grateful for this significant eyeglass recycling donation as it will help our volunteers to bring sight to many needy people.”

Of course, all Lionism is volunteerism. It continues from the recycling center, as glasses are shipped, by volunteers, throughout the world, where they are matched, by

volunteers, with those people who need them. Imagine, all this done by volunteers, in the name of Lionism!

So, the above describes half the equation, from recycling center to the world. What of the first half? It begins on the local level, where the helping public aids Lions everywhere: it begins on the club level!

Remember the mailbox that stood on your corner so long ago? It's gone. Many, if not all, post offices began decommissioning mailboxes around twenty years ago. At that time, Lion John Fraser had an idea that he shared with his fellow Lions: get some of those mailboxes before they went to the scrap heap, and convert them to continued good use.

So saying, Lion John went to the Closter postmaster and described his plan: If we could

get some mailboxes, we could refurbish them, set them up around town, and collect used eyeglasses donated by our caring public.

And so it was: four mailboxes, made sparkling purple and yellow, with striping and detailing, by a local auto body shop, which has long supported our efforts in many ways.

So, for nearly twenty years, the Closter Lions have been collecting eyeglasses, sending them off to be transported, damaged pairs winnowed, good pairs sorted by prescription, and those transported again, to the greater world and the greater good.

In time, those four mailboxes were augmented by the addition of eight cardboard boxes, courtesy of Lions International. Lion John began keeping a running record, first by hand, then on an Excel



Lion John Fraser, left, and Lion Don Fouch with just some of the many glasses they collected.

spreadsheet; an examination of these spreadsheets show, in 2016, a total of 2,695 pairs of eyeglasses collected from our caring public; so far, 2017 has seen 1,499 collected. And the Closter Lions Sight Committee, headed by Lion Don Fouch and Lion John Fraser, continue their rounds, helping to “bring sight to many needy people.”

LIONS DISTRICT 16N 2017 - 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE



Nicholas Landy
District 16N Governor

NEW LOCATION

All District 16N Meetings will now be held at

RAVELLO'S RISTORANTE

138 Eagle Rock Ave., East Hanover, NJ 07936
6:30pm

“ALL LIONS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND”

MEETING SCHEDULE

Thu Sep 14, 2017	Welcome Back
Thu Oct 12, 2017	Non-Sight Projects
Thu Nov 9, 2017	Charitable Foundation, Peace Poster
Thu Jan 11, 2018	Candidates Night, Zone Updates
Thu Mar 8, 2018	Sight Projects
Thu Apr 12, 2018	Memorial Service & Awards, Pioneers & Leos

Dinner Reservations must be made
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PDG Paula Tarantino Maione

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- Etc.

VICTIM RELIEF

- Canned food –(beans, veggies, fruit, pasta meals, soups etc.)
- Coffee and filters
- Plastic bottles of drinks (no glass)
- Bottled water
- Socks (all sizes)
- Sweatshirts
- Sweatpants
- Jackets
- Polar Fleece Blankets

LADIES HYGIENE

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- Shaving cream
- Shampoo / conditioner
- Soap
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- Neosporin
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- Body cream
- Powder

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- Shaving cream
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- Shampoo
- Body wash
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LIVINGSTON LIONS CLUB

Free Eye Clinic in Merrill Park

Livingston Lions and Livingston Leos in partnership with ICSNJ of Iselin, New Jersey successfully hosted a free eye exam clinic in Merrill Park on Sunday July 2, 2017

Mr. Shreejay Purohit and Rajesh Patel coordinated with Livingston Lions and provided Livingston Lions and Leos a great community service platform. Livingston Lions secured a mobile Lions Eye truck for this event. We worked collaboratively with the Livingston Leos and our Lion members to provide free eye screenings for 130 people in the local community. In a day and age where eye exams can cost anywhere from \$150-\$300, our free eye screening program benefits those in the community

Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno of New Jersey stopped by our eye mobile clinic during our event. She was enthusiastic, encouraged, and delighted about the services provided by the Livingston Lions.

She shared her thoughts and words of wisdom, about how the Lions Free Eye Clinic is helping to reduce healthcare costs to tax payers.

In addition, she stressed that more organizations should conduct community service projects like those hosted by the Lions, as these programs provide critical services to those that need it most in the local community.

Acknowledging our fellow Leos and Lions who volunteered their time to support this extraordinary community event.

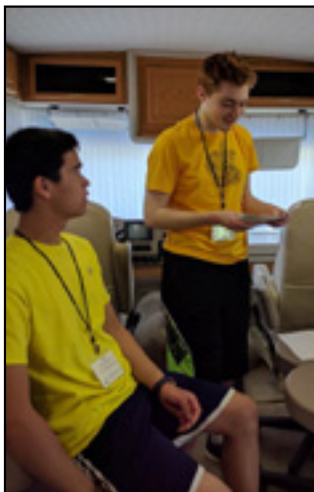


Leos

- Emily Wong (Vice President)
- Dennis Wang
- John Bailon
- Mango Guo
- Josh Hoffmann
- Eric Song
- Manav Patel
- Nirav Patel

Lions

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- Mr. Kamlesh Patel
- Mr. Sandeep Patel
- Mrs. Jayshri Patel
- Dr. Sminu Patel
- Dr. Banshi Patel
- Mrs. Meghna Patel
- Mr. Tony Pasquale (Blind member)
- Mr. Alan Bowne



LIONS OF DISTRICT 16-J



President Peter Ioser, lion Adrian Hawkins & non lion John Noonan are in the photo for summit with their Malvin Jones Fellowship Award.

RUTHERFORD LIONS CLUB



Holiday Decorations Contest

Rutherford - In 1946, with the end of World War II, the Rutherford Lions Club wanted to encourage residents to again light up their homes for Christmas, so they decided to sponsor a Holiday decoration contest. And they have sponsored one every year since, so December 2017 will be the 72nd anniversary of this contest and one Lion member, Ted Van Winkle, who joined the Club in 1947, has been a judge in this contest for 70 years.

No one has to enter the contest. Every decorated house is eligible. The week before Christmas, Lion judges look at every decorated house in town and choose what they consider to be the best house, window, door, religious theme, and in retail areas, the best decorated business, and the the best decorated overall property in each area. Then, during Christmas week, the Junior Woman's Club members look at these area winners and choose a 1st and 2nd place winner for each category and an overall winner. These winners are presented with a certificate and a gift card at a Mayor and Council Meeting early in the New Year.

AVALON LIONS CLUB

Avalon Club Does It Again

The heady and smoky aromas of a backyard barbecue filled the evening air around the Helen L. Diller Vacation Home for Blind Children as Avalon Lions Club members held their monthly meeting to celebrate a successful summer season.

On the menu were hot dogs, hamburgers and pulled pork and for dessert the Lions presented a check for \$30,000 to the Diller Home to keep a promise made fifteen years ago. That is how long the Avalon club has been the major sponsor of the home that hosts blind and visually impaired youngsters for a one week all expenses paid vacation in Avalon. The campers visit the boardwalk, hit the beach and share an unforgettable vacation experience. This summer season more than 150 youngsters joined in the fun.

Invited guests at the event were members of the Hadonfield Lions who donated \$2,000 and the Bridgeton club that gave \$300.00 to help the cause.

The annual Avalon Lions Charity Golf Classic raised \$50,000 this year, money that supports not only the Diller Home but more than a dozen charities in Cape May County.

Contact: Robin Mackintosh, Public Relations. <mailto:robinmackintosh505@gmail.com>.



Avalon Lions members present check to the Helen L. Diller Home

From left: Chuck Covington and Diller Home Board Vice President, Board President Doug Heun, Lions President Mike Sowers, and members Joe Ostrowski, and John Molnar.



SADDLE RIVER VALLEY LIONS CLUB

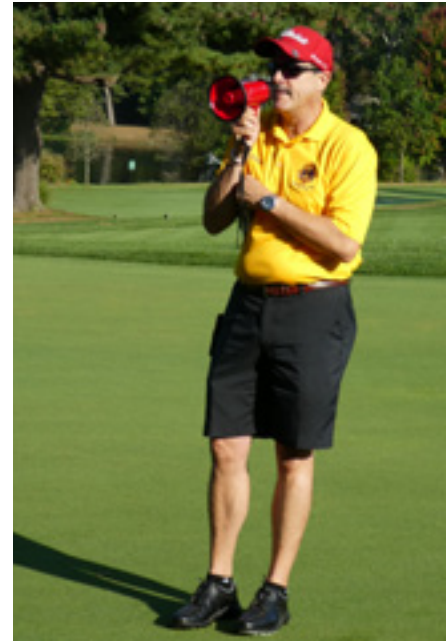
13th Annual Saddle River Valley Lions Herb Bodensiek Classic "Close to a Record!"

Sunshine was the watchword of the day as golfers teed off at the Saddle River Valley Lions Club's Annual Herb Bodensiek Golf Classic. Commenting on the sellout crowd, S.R.V. Lion past president and event chairperson, Chris Reichert, declared the outing to be among the most successful the club has held. Citing attendance at the event at more than one hundred individuals, Reichert stated that this year "probably came close to a record" for the number of participating golfers, adding that "the Bodensiek Classic has developed into one of the club's major fundraisers."

In its thirteenth year, the annual event began as a social gathering and has grown into one of the Club's most important fundraising activities. Named to honor Lion Herb Bodensiek, a fifty-two year member of the Saddle River Valley Lions and a former resident of Upper Saddle River, the yearly golf outing was first held in 2005 and has continually grown in popularity since then. According to Reichert, "the 'Classic' has become an important means of helping Lions to fulfill its core mission. The Lions

Club provides needed funds to charities that serve the blind and visually impaired as well as those volunteer organizations assisting people with other health-related issues."

Held again at the Ramsey Golf and Country Club in Ramsey, New Jersey, past committee chairman Roger Barr said that "this year's event attracted more support from local businesses and other charitable organizations than the annual outing has ever had." Enjoying the exclusive use of the club and its facilities, golfers participating in the all-inclusive event received the use of a motorized golf cart, fully paid greens' fees, a full American breakfast, and a barbeque lunch with beer and other beverages. A majority of the golfers participating were returnees who gave the event rave reviews saying that "they looked forward to coming back next year." 'Using a 'scramble format,' participants competed for prizes including those given for the longest drives, 'closest to the line,' lowest team score, and much more. Lions Club President David Verducci said that the day was "about



Shown here is S.R.V. Lion past president and event chairperson, Chris Reichert giving last minute reminders to golfers before tee-off.

being with friends, enjoying good food, and, of course, having fun." He added that, "besides playing a great course, golfers were helping the Lions to fulfill their mission of service to the blind and visually impaired."

Classified as a 501C(3) non-profit entity, the Saddle River Valley Lions Club has raised and distributed more than \$2,350,000 during its sixty year history. 100% of the net proceeds derived from activities such as the Herb Bodensiek Golf Classic go directly to the charities that the Club supports with none of the funds raised being used to meet the club's administrative expenses, a cost borne by the Lions themselves.

To learn more about the Saddle River Valley Lions Club, including membership opportunities or any of its other programs, supported charities, and activities, visit www.SRVLions.org. The club can also be found on Facebook.



Heading out to the course, golfers at the S.R.V.L. annual classic, golfers start their day using a 'scramble format.'

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