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DG VISITATIONS

Akron: Oct. 26
 Alden: Oct. 13
 Amherst: Nov. 8
 Arcade: Oct. 4
 Barker: Oct. 20
 Blasdell/Woodlawn: Jan. 6
 Boston: Oct. 6
 Buffalo Host: Dec. 1
 Buffalo Latino: Sept. 20
 Buffalo Inner City: Dec. 2:
 Buffalo Kensington: Dec. 7
 Buffalo Riverside: Jan. 17
 Cheektowaga: Jan. 4
 Clarence: Nov. 11
 Depew: Jan. 11
 Dunkirk /Fredonia: Sept. 27
 East Aurora: March 7
 Evans Township: Nov. 22
 Falconer: Sept. 8
 Franklinville/Machias: Feb. 15
 Frewsburg: Oct. 25
 Gasport: Nov. 3
 Gerry: Sept. 8
 Gowanda: Oct. 6
 Grand Island: Jan. 12
 Jamestown: Sept. 14
 Kenmore: Nov. 16
 Lancaster: Feb. 1
 Lewiston: Nov. 23
 Little Valley: Sept. 2
 Lockport: Nov. 16
 Mayville/Chautauqua: Oct. 18
 Newfane: Oct.12
 Niagara Falls: Oct. 21
 Olcott: Oct. 27
 Olean: Oct. 14
 Orchard Park: TBA
 Pendleton: Sept. 28
 Pine Valley: Oct. 28
 Portville: Oct. 7
 Randolph: Dec. 16
 Ransomville: Oct. 5
 Salamanca: Sept. 15
 Sheridan Drive: Jan. 3
 Sherman: Dec. 6
 So. Buffalo/Lackawanna: Nov. 9
 Springville: Sept. 14
 Tonawanda: Dec. 13
 Hamburg: Feb. 23
 Town of Niagara: Feb. 2
 Town of Wheatfield: Dec. 2
 West Seneca: Jan. 18
 Williamsville: March 15
 Wilson: Nov. 1
 Youngstown: Sept. 7

Message from ... DG GARY CARINI

Greeting Lions, Lioness, and Leos,

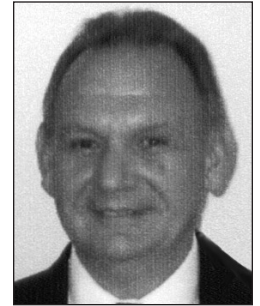
Well, the Erie County Fair is here so it must be close to the end of summer. It always goes so fast but this one at least has been a warm and beautiful one. This month I attended the 20N-A2 picnic in Niagara Falls. I met some great people there and by the way Niagara Falls has a great Lions Park. I was talking to a few of our Canadian Lions and they informed me they had a 10 year plan to pay off their park and they did it in two. It was quite impressive. If you are in the area you should definitely check it out.

My Orientation meeting was attended by 38 people. I thought it went well, we covered everything that was needed and was finished by 12:00.

The next big thing that we need to think about is redistricting. There is a plan in place to cut the districts in the State from 12 districts to 8. The districts would be lettered A thru H. Our district would pick up Orleans, Wyoming and Genesee Counties. Every club would have 1 vote for every 10 members plus 1 vote for every PDG in their club.

PID John Rabideau is going to give a power point presentation at the next Cabinet meeting on September 19th at Holiday Valley in Ellicottville, NY at 10:00 am. It is important that every club know what is going on because we will vote on this at the Sub-District Convention in November which will be held this year at the Hamburg Fair Grounds. More details on the Sub-District Convention to follow at a later date. We are 1 of 7 districts that can vote because we are above the 1250 member minimum that Lions Club International has set.

Hope to see many of you in Ellicottville on Sept. 19th. I will need an accurate number for lunch at Holiday Valley. The cost should be about \$15.00 per person and I am sure it will be a very nice lunch. If anyone is interested in perhaps playing a round of golf please let me know. I am checking on the possibility of having tee times starting after lunch. Of course I will need to let them know about how many people will be interested in golfing also.



GRAND ISLAND LIONS HELD "SPECIAL KIDS PICNIC"

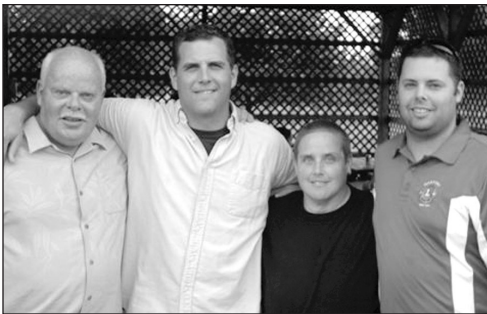
The Grand Island Lions Club held their 52nd annual "Special Kids Picnic" on Wednesday July 21st at the Buffalo Launch Club. The attendees included about one thousand kids with special needs along with their chaperones from Erie and Niagara county while over 100 volunteers worked hard to treat the kids to a day of boat rides, pony rides, Shriners mini-truck rides, face painting and other entertainment. Hot dogs and hamburgers were served for lunch. Pictured in the first photo are Event Chair Lion Annette Boies-Loibl and Lion Larry Furnia overseeing the picnic.



GASPORT LIONS



Four members awarded: for their years of devotion to Lions and their community. Shown in the picture, Lion Nancy Luckman who received the Melvin Jones. She is a 17 year member of the club and currently serves as Club Secretary. Lion Charlotte Doerfel joined the club in 2007 and served in many capacities including keeping up the club website. She received the club's distinguished service award. Lion Fay Heschke, who is a 28 year veteran of the club, received the R.J. Uplinger award. He has served on the Board of Directors for most of his 28 years. He was president in 1985/86. He is also a Melvin Jones fellow and a life member. Lion Tom Brigham Jr. joined in 2006 and is currently president. He also received the club's distinguished service award.



Family Picnic: the Lions kicked off the new Lions Year with the family picnic. Shown above is the picnic committee: Lions Duane Hill, President Tom Brigham, Dani Sue Fianza and Chair Aaron Pazik. They did a great job in welcoming the Gasport Lions and their guests.

JAMESTOWN LIONS

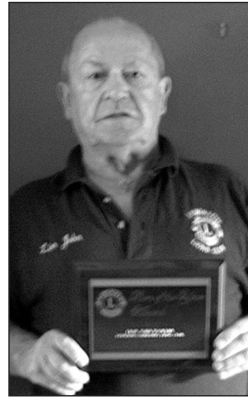
Held its' annual Hot Dog and Corn Roast for their blind friends in August. This year's picnic was held in conjunction with the Jamestown Multiple Sclerosis Society friends and about 50 people attended. Members of the Jamestown Lions cooked and served food and a great time was had by all in attendance.

LEWISTON LIONS



The June meeting and Awards dinner of the Lewiston Community Lions Club was held at the Water Street Landing. Past District Governor Lion James Muscoriel presented the club with a Leadership award.

The Lion of the Year award was presented to Lion John Tourbin in recognition for his enthusiast efforts to serve the needs of the Lewiston Com-munity. Lion John worked on many projects, helped to identify people with needs, and attended many Lion events.



Lion President Tom Huisgen led the meeting through a review of the club's first year reflecting on a wonderful Charter Night Cele-bration, expanding membership, a successful Peace Poster contest, providing a hearing aid for a Lewiston resident, and wheel chairs for those in need. PDG Lion James Muscoriel installed Lion Jay Mapstone and Lion Matt Sharpe as new members. PDG Robert Schively officially installed club officers for the up coming year.

HAMBURG LIONS



Pictured from left are Peter Evenhouse, Town of Hamburg Lions Club Director Bill Burke, Eden VFW Post No. 8265 VicePresident Don McNulty and Robin Evenhouse.

There is a new place in the Southtowns neighborhood of Western New York to donate old eye glasses, cell phones, print ink cartridges or hearing aids. Evenhouse Printing located at 4783 Southwestern Boulevard in the Town of Hamburg, has the box which is located right outside the main doors of the business. The new box became a reality thanks to the generosity of Robin and Peter Evenhouse, the owners of Evenhouse Printing; Ray and Mark Jarmusz, the owners of Eden Collision in the Town of Eden; members of Eden VFW Post No. 8265; and of course members of the Town of Hamburg Lions Club.

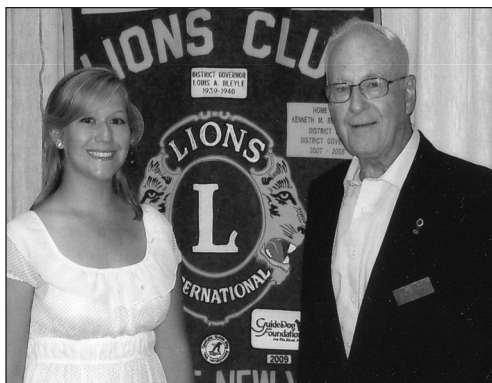
Hamburg is also holding a **CHICKEN BARBEQUE** on Saturday, September 18th from 3 to 7 pm at the Hamburg Moose Lodge No. 992, located at 45 Church Street. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under the age of 10. The event will also feature a Chinese Auction and 50/50 raffles, which will help benefit the continued benevolent work of the Lions Club. For more information, including how you can purchase tickets, call Maureen at 725-1150.

Picnic for the Blind

On July 18th, Depew, Town of Wheatfield, Pendleton, Riverside, Kenmore, The Tonawandas, Lancaster, Town of Niagara, Barker, Ransomville, Amherst, Kensington, Alden, West Seneca, Gasport, Wilson, Cheektowaga, Sheridan, Youngstown, Hamburg, Lockport, Buffalo Host Lions Club and Cheektowaga Lioness Club sponsored the 9th annual Picnic for the Blind at the 5 Senses Nature Park. We had beer, wine, pop, snacks, chicken dinner, hay ride, bingo and music by John Durso. We want to thank all of the lions and several guests that volunteered their time in assisting us in transportation, etc. Lions, we have over 180 blind, guests and lions at this picnic.

We need help in transportation and assisting blind guests at the picnic. If any Lions Clubs are interested in joining our 23 Lions Clubs, please contact Lion Vinny Tagliarino, Chairman, 681-1645.

KENMORE LIONS



On left, 2010 Scholarship winner, Emma Carolyn Schack. On right, Lion Donald Kossuth, Scholarship Chair.

At their August luncheon meeting, Lion Donald Kossuth, Scholarship Chair of the Lions Club of Kenmore, presented the 2010 award to Emma Carolyn Schack, daughter of Mark and Susan Schack of Tonawanda, New York. Emma, a recent graduate of Kenmore East High School read her prize-winning essay, "My Appreciation for the Teaching Profession." She will receive a \$400.00 check for each of her four years of college. Checks were also presented to Katie Lyn Anderson, 2009 winner; Christopher Dierken, 2008 winner; and Katherine Boswell, 2007 winner. This is the 19th year that the Kenmore Lions Club has presented scholarship awards to local students.

LITTLE VALLEY LIONS

The 4th annual 5K RUN/WALK for Sight, will be held on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010 at the Little Valley American Legion on Rt. 353, at 10:00 AM.

Registration will be from 8:30 to 9:30 am. Beverages and snacks will be offered. Shirts will be provided to all participants. The donation fee is \$15. Funds raised will serve local community needs; Canine Helpers for the Handicapped; and the Vision Beyond Sight Foundation.

This year the event will be dedicated to the memory of Little Valley Lion David Campbell and the Lion's Diagnostic Center's Lion Peter Buch. Donations may be sent to: Little Valley Lions, c/o Lion Myrna Edmonds 4826 Rt. 219 Lot 89 Great Valley, NY. 14741. For info. phone: 716-945-2563.

CHEEKTOWAGA LIONS

Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Chinese Auction on Oct. 16th from 3 til 7 pm at the Cheektowaga Senior Center at 3349 Broadway.

SALAMANCA LIONS

At the Zone Meeting, a new member was inducted into the club - Diane Bierfeldt. PDG Dave Gehring from the West Seneca Lions Club did the induction. Her sponsor was another new Lion, Jan Sherwood, who only became a member the beginning of July. PDG Dave also presented a special award to Lion Chuck Talbot. He received the International President's Distinguished Leadership Medal for all the years working in leadership for the district and the region.

They also had a guest speaker from Wings FREE Flights For Hope, a local airplane service for medical use based out of Orchard Park, NY. Lion Joe De Marco from the Orchard Park Lions Club is the founder of the organization and he is also a pilot. This FREE service is offered to all for medical appointments, transplants, cancer treatments and urgent needs. They currently have 30 planes from Buffalo, Rochester and the Jamestown areas. They are all volunteer pilots and they are always looking for pilots. The pilots do not get paid and they use their own planes and fuel. Currently all monies that are taken in are used for advertisement and flights. There are no employees, car or other expenses. They have been doing quite a few compassion flights - those of injured soldiers from Afghanistan or Iraq. They even take family members to see their injured soldiers. Numerous flights are for transplant patients, who need to be flown out within 30 mins. from receiving the call. If they cannot make the connections, then someone else gets the organ. So, they try their very best, because, time is of the essence! Wings FREE Flights For Hope can be contacted on the website @ www.wingsffh.org; email wingsffh@gmail.com or call Toll Free: 1.866.619.4647. Lion Joe De Marco is available to put on a program for your club, organization, church, business or small group, just call!!!

At a recent picnic, two new members were inducted into the membership. Also, Lion Sharon Talbot was given a Lions Special Recognition Award for her continued efforts in Sight Conservation. Salamanca Lions are holding a membership drive.



Pictured from left: new member (blindfolded) Marge Kenny, Lion Lynn Hutchinson, sponsor, new member (blindfolded) Jan Sherwood, Lion Sharon Talbot, sponsor. In the foreground is Lion Chuck Talbot who did the induction.



Pictured from left: Immediate Past President Lion Chuck Talbot, Lion Sharon Talbot, recipient; and President Lion Ted Baker.

TOWN OF NIAGARA LIONS

Lion Bruce Gorzka stands next to the podium he constructed for the Town of Niagara Lions Club activities. For years the club used a card table to hold the public address system for the Memorial and Veterans Day Ceremonies. After contemplating purchasing a podium Lion Bruce volunteered to build one which includes the Lions International Emblem. Great job Lion Bruce!



During a recent trip to the Berkshire Mountains, Lions Patricia Finley and Jackie Boyce came upon a fairly large statue of a lion. Being very active in the Town of Niagara Lions Club they could not resist having their picture taken next to the statue. And so we have it ... roaring Lions Pat and Jackie.





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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF DISTRICT 20-N DUES

ATTENTION: PRESIDENTS, SECRETARIES, TREASURERS

The chart below shows the fees due from each club. The District Dues are \$1.00 per member, the DGNFL fees are \$6.00 per household and the final column is the total due. The individual club membership numbers that you are being invoiced on were obtained from Lions Clubs International as if 6/30/2009.

NOTE: PAYMENTS made after November 1st include a late fee of \$.25 per member.

Checks payable to: District 20-N Mail to: CT Paul D. Barnas, 15 Glencove Ct., Orchard Park, NY 14127.

NOTE: THIS IS AN OFFICIAL INVOICE. ~ NO MAILINGS WILL BE SENT VIA THE POSTAL SERVICE.

Club	Members	Family Units	DGNFL Dues		Total Due	Club	Members	Family Units	DGNFL Dues		Total Due
Akron	55	0	330	=	385	Lancaster	50	4	276	=	326
Alden	29	4	150	=	179	Lewiston	24	5	114	=	138
Amherst	29	3	156	=	185	Little Valley	36	8	168	=	204
Arcade	27	3	144	=	171	Lockport	31	1	180	=	211
Barker	51	3	288	=	339	Mayville/Chau.	18	4	84	=	102
Blas/Woodlawn	12	3	54	=	66	Newfane	62	2	360	=	422
Boston	16	1	90	=	106	Niagara Falls	9	0	54	=	63
Bflo. Host	24	0	144	=	168	Olcott	22	0	132	=	154
Bflo. Inner City	11	0	66	=	77	Olean	23	0	138	=	161
Bflo. Kensington	32	3	174	=	206	Orchard Park	65	0	390	=	455
Bflo. Latino	20	1	114	=	134	Pendleton	30	0	180	=	210
Bflo. Riverside	17	0	102	=	119	Pine Valley	10	0	60	=	70
Cheektowaga	29	0	174	=	203	Portville	18	2	96	=	114
Clarence	44	0	264	=	308	Randolph	45	3	252	=	297
Depew	16	0	96	=	112	Ransomville	10	2	48	=	58
Dunkirk-Fredonia	52	1	306	=	358	Salamanca	22	7	90	=	112
East Aurora	26	2	144	=	170	Sheridan Drive	17	0	102	=	119
Evans Township	29	0	174	=	203	Sherman	14	2	72	=	86
Falconer	13	0	78	=	91	S. Bflo./Lack.	38	2	216	=	254
Franklin/Machias	14	0	84	=	98	Springville	44	0	264	=	308
Frewsburg	35	2	198	=	233	The Tonawandas	17	2	90	=	107
Gasport	47	3	264	=	311	Town of Hamburg	34	1	198	=	232
Gerry	5	1	24	=	29	Town of Niagara	34	2	192	=	226
Gowanda	27	6	126	=	153	Town of Wheatfield	22	0	132	=	154
Grand Island	44	2	252	=	296	West Seneca	82	0	492	=	574
Jamestown	36	2	204	=	240	Williamsville	18	1	102	=	120
Kenmore	48	5	258	=	306	Wilson	49	8	246	=	295
						Youngstown	45	8	222	=	267

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING AND MAIL WITH YOUR PAYMENT CHECK

As of this date _____, the _____ Lions Club of District 20-N had _____ members. Check No. _____ is enclosed for the subscription fee of _____ members @ \$6.00, plus \$1 fee for _____ (all members) each for a total of \$ _____.

Please include a list of names and addresses of the members of your club when responding to this invoice.