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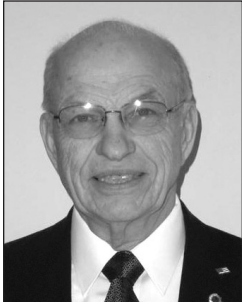
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Message from ...

DG CLANCY BURKWIT



Greeting Lions, Lioness, and Leos,

Summer may be coming to an end, but Lions activities in the District are accelerating. In my travels to events, dinners, training, picnics, installations and other events, I was met with kindness, great hospitality and camaraderie. Thank you Lions! A big thank you goes to Lion Joe Biando, Lion Dave Conley and teachers for running a successful (but smaller than other years) District Officer Training School. Lion Joe

wants me to remind everyone who may have an opinion or suggestion as to how to improve the training, please e-mail Lion Joe at jabiondo@att.net. Lion Joe is looking for comments such as time of year for this training, time of day, location, format, subject matter, day of week, etc.

A big thank you for all of the Clubs who have paid their dues to the District, Multiple District and International. Fulfilling this obligation is a credit to our District.

Also, a big thank you to PDG Gary Carini for running another successful District Golf Outing.

One of our International President's goals is to plant 1,000,000 trees. In the last newsletter as part of our commitment, I have suggested that each Club plan a minimum of 10 trees. I am happy to announce that some clubs have already planted their trees. Thank you.

Lions International has eliminated the MERL concept for membership development and has replaced it with the Global Membership Team GMT) and the Global Leadership Team (GLT). This new concept and its implementation will be presented at the next cabinet meeting which will be held at the Hamburg Casino @ the Fairgrounds, 5600 McKinley Parkway, Hamburg, NY 14075 on September 24, 2011.

CABINET MEETING

September 24th, 2011

Hamburg Casino
5600 McKinley Pkwy., Hamburg, N.Y.

Registration 9:00-10:00 Meeting at 10:00
Lunch - \$15.00

**Your Money and Reservations By 9/16 to
Lion Nancy Luckman
2761 Caledonia Street, Newfane, N.Y. 14108**

lionnanc@verizon.net

\$8,000,000

Is the amount you can help raise for Lions International programs around the world...and all it will take is less ten minutes of your time. A bill titled Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act has been introduced that will allow 800,000 silver coins to be minted in time for Lions' 100th anniversary on 2017. They will be sold for \$30.00 each with \$10.00 of each sale given to Lions International charitable programs. By contacting your respective Congressional Representative and Senator and requesting their support of this act, you can help move the bill closer to a positive conclusion. Simply log onto lionsclubs.org/coin. Follow the instructions on the page. It even will tell you who your Representative is. Our state's senators' information is:

Gillibrand, Kirsten E. - (D - NY)
478 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510
(202) 224-4451 • gillibrand.senate.gov/contact/

Schumer, Charles E. - (D - NY)
322 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510
(202) 224-6542
schumer.senate.gov/Contact/contact_chuck.cfm

Ensure that your members who do not have access to a computer get a copy of the letter for each representative and senator. Go a little farther and get your family and friends involved in this campaign. Our world will be a better place for it.

**DGNFL PUBLISHING SCHEDULE
ALL ARTICLES/SUBMISSIONS NEED
TO BE TO LION DIANE BY THE
FOLLOWING DATES.
THANK YOU!**

AUGUST 15th FOR THE SEPTEMBER 1st ISSUE
SEPTEMBER 28th FOR THE OCTOBER 14th ISSUE
NOVEMBER 14th FOR THE DECEMBER 1st ISSUE
DECEMBER 27th FOR THE JANUARY 13th ISSUE
FEBRUARY 13th FOR THE MARCH 1st ISSUE
MARCH 27th FOR THE APRIL 13th ISSUE
MAY 15th FOR THE JUNE 1st ISSUE



Lions of 20-N Roasted DG Clancy Burkwit on Saturday, August 6th at Five Senses Nature Park in Wheatfield. A good time was had by all in attendance as we shared Barker Lions terrific bbq chicken dinner, good fellowship, a basket auction and a little bit of good natured "Roasting" of the new Gov!

DG BURKWIT'S VISITATIONS

Akron.....	Tues., Nov. 8
Alden.....	Wed., Oct. 26
Amherst.....	Mon., Dec. 12
Arcade.....	Mon., Oct. 17
Barker.....	Wed., Feb. 1
Blasdell/Woodlawn.....	Thurs., Sept. 8
Boston.....	Wed., Nov. 9
Buffalo Host.....	Wed., Dec. 7
Buffalo Inner City.....	Thurs., Feb. 2
Buffalo Kensington.....	Tues., Sept. 13
Buffalo Latino.....	Thurs., Jan. 19
Buffalo Riverside.....	Mon. Dec. 19
Cheektowaga.....	Tues., Dec. 6
Clarence.....	Thurs., Dec. 8
Depew.....	Tues., Jan. 10
Dunkirk/Fredonia.....	Mon. Nov. 21
East Aurora.....	Mon., Oct. 17
Evans Township.....	Mon., Oct. 24
Falconer.....	Wed., Sept. 28
Franklinville/Machias.....	Tues., Sept. 6
Frewsburg.....	Mon., Sept. 26
Gasport.....	Wed., Nov. 2
Gerry.....	Wed., Sept. 14
Gowanda.....	Wed., Oct. 19
Grand Island.....	Wed., Dec. 14
Jamestown.....	Tues., Oct. 4
Kenmore.....	Tues., Jan. 17
Lancaster.....	Tues., Oct. 18
Lewiston.....	Tues., Feb. 7
Little Valley.....	Thurs., Sept. 15
Lockport.....	Tues., Sept. 20
Mayville/Chautauqua.....	Mon., Aug. 22
Newfane.....	Tues., April 10
Olcott.....	Wed., Jan. 25
Olean.....	Thurs., Oct. 20
Orchard Park.....	Thurs., Nov. 3
Pendleton.....	Wed., Jan. 11
Pine Valley.....	Thurs., Sept. 22
Portville.....	Thurs., Sept. 1
Randolph.....	Thurs., Nov. 17
Ransomville.....	Tues., Jan. 3
Salamanca.....	Sat., Sept. 17
Sheridan Drive.....	Mon., Feb. 6
Sherman.....	Mon., Oct. 3
So. Bflo./Lackawanna.....	Tues., Feb. 21
Springville.....	Tues., Oct. 25
Tonawanda.....	Mon., Sept. 12
Town of Hamburg.....	Tues., Sept. 27
Town of Niagara.....	Wed., Jan. 4
Town of Wheatfield.....	Thurs., Dec. 1
West Seneca.....	Tues., Nov. 22
Wilson.....	Mon., Feb. 20
Youngstown.....	Tues., Jan. 3

OLCOTT LIONS

The Olcott Lions opened their new four station fitness trail this summer at Krull Park in Olcott, in cooperation with the Niagara County Parks Department and local officials.

Olcott Lions Mike Rann, Project Manager and Bill Rosenberg, Senator Maziarz, Assemblyman Ceretto, Legislator Clyde Burmaster, Newfane Supervisor Tim Horanburg, Newfane Councilmen Marcus Hall and Laura Rutland, and Legislative Chairman Bill Ross. Olcott President Andy Sweeney is absent from photo.



SHERIDAN DRIVE LIONS



Pictured is past District Governor Bob Miller as Lion Matthew Randazzo presents a check to Chelsea Butkowski.

The Lions presented their annual scholarship to Chelsea Butkowski at our recent President's Installation. Chelsea is a graduate of Kenmore East High School. She will attend a local college in the fall.

ANNUAL OFFICER TRAINING



Lion Diane Muscoreil teaching Secretaries.

On August 7, 2011, 52 Lions from over 20 clubs in District 20N were at officer training held at St. John Vianney School in Orchard Park. We even had a Leo from Alden, Leo Emily Shriver. Also the Town of Niagara Lions brought a guest from Montgomery CA, Lion Shirley Griffin. From the discussions we had afterward, there will be much more to come on District training during this DG term. DG Clancy has agreed to bring a questionnaire to each and every club concerning time of training and possible location. We could use your input on prospective training for next year. You can contact Lion Joe Biondo at 625-6006 or Lion Dave Conley at 674-3964. And we do want a bigger turnout from the incoming officers in 2012.

GERRY LIONS



Pictured are Lion Joe Bender, Raffle Winner Bill Maggio, Lion President Deb Sampson and Lion Scott Sampson.

The Gerry Lions Club recently held their biggest fundraiser of the year. Over \$1000 was raised this year at their Annual Raffle at the Gerry Rodeo.

DGNFL INFORMATION

ALL LIONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND IN ARTICLES AND/OR PHOTOS TO SHOWCASE THEIR EVENTS, FUNDRAISERS OR SPECIAL INTEREST ITEMS. THEY SHOULD BE SENT TO LION DIANE MUSCOREIL AT DMUSCOREIL@GMAIL.COM.

ADVERTISING

IF YOUR CLUB OR ANY BUSINESS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ADVERTISING IN THE DGNFL, THE FOLLOWING RATES APPLY. A 50% DISCOUNT IS APPLIED TO ALL LIONS RELATED ADS. CHECKS SHOULD BE PAYABLE TO DISTRICT 20-N AND SENT TO PDG JIM LUCKMAN.

FULL PAGE ~ \$150 HALF PAGE ~ \$85 QUARTER PAGE ~ \$50 BUS. CARD ~ \$30

REMINDER

Send all of your upcoming Club Events to Lion Diane at dmuscoreil@gmail.com or Lion Sheila at shehar@msn.com so we can include them on the District 20-N Calendar at www.20nlions.org

FOR SALE

GASPORT LIONS PARADE LION IN A CAGE & ON WHEELS, WITH TRAILER HITCH, APPROXIMATE WEIGHT - 1500 LBS. IN GOOD CONDITION. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PLACE A BID CALL LION AARON PAZIK @ 213-7234

GRAND ISLAND LIONS 53RD ANNUAL "SPECIAL KIDS PICNIC"



53rd Annual "Special Kids Picnic": on July 20th at the Buffalo Launch Club grounds over 750 children and staff were treated to boat rides, pony rides, Shriner Mini Kar rides, magicians, clowns, face painting, pop corn, soda, hot dogs, and hamburgers. The Niagara Experience Players, a group of young people from Niagara Falls and North Tonawanda, entertained the children with singing and dancing. Over 110 volunteers from the Grand Island, Ransomville, Kenmore, and Marrison Ontario Lions Clubs teamed with Excalibur Leisure Skills, private boat owners, Knights of Columbus, the Grand Island High School cheerleaders and football team as well as Girl Scout Troop 39 and Boy Scout Troop 104 and community citizens worked to make the day a special summer experience for kids with special needs. Participating schools were Erie 1 BOCES, Niagara Orleans BOCES, Autistic Services and Heritage Education Centers, Sweet Home School, People Inc., and the Health Association of Niagara County Day Camp.

CHEEKTOWAGA LIONS

The Cheektowaga Lions presented two MonoMouse Magnifiers to the Julia Boyer Reinstein Library. These magnifiers may be checked out with a library card for up to 21 days. The MonoMouse works by simply plugging it into an existing television, and scrolling over the text you wish to read. It is designed to allow people with sight difficulties to read.



Pictured are: Lion Ken Jeffords, Senior Library Clerk Angela Yates and Lion President Dan Casacci.

Annual Picnic for the Blind

On Sunday afternoon, July 17, 2011, from 2 to 6 p.m. Depew, Town of Wheatfield, Pendleton, Riverside, Kenmore, Lancaster, Town of Niagara, Ransomville, Barker, Gasport, Amherst, Alden, Kensington, West Seneca, Wilson, Youngstown, Hamburg, Cheektowaga, Sheridan, Lockport, Buffalo Host, Lewiston, Buffalo Inner City, and Cheektowaga Lioness Lion Clubs sponsored the 10th annual picnic for the blind at the 5 Senses Nature Park. We had beer, pop, wine, snacks, chicken dinner, hay ride, bingo and music donated by John Durso. We want to thank the Town of Wheatfield Lions club for donating their beautiful facilities to have this gala event. All blind had a great time. We also want to thank all of the lions and several guests that volunteered their time in assisting us in transportation, etc. Lions, we had over 165 blind, guests and lions at this picnic.

Lions, we need transportation and help assisting blind guests at the picnic. If any Lions Clubs are interested in joining our 24 Lion Clubs, please contact Lion Vinny Tagliarino, Chairman, 681-1645.

WILSON LIONS CLUB

Wilson Lions Past President Steve Clark presented Wilson Central School Senior Nicholas Failla with a check for \$5000 as the first recipient of the Wilson Lions Floyd "Red" Clark Scholarship. The event took place at the Wilson Lions Annual Award Night/Installation of Officers held at the Wilson Boathouse each year.



NEWFANE LIONS CLUB



The Lions have plenty to be excited about as we celebrate 70 years of service this year, and have the DG hail from our proud club! Participation in the Pirates Parade and Newfane Town Parade gives great exposure to the club. We also welcome our first women President, Lion Tami Pivtchev and have started a new Leos club with 30 chartered members!! The Leos have already been busy cleaning out our loan closet, visiting the local nursing home and will be raffling off a 9/11 print in September to commemorate the 10th anniversary.

AMHERST LIONS CLUB




Amherst Lions Club President Lion Herb Wilber visited Camp Abilities on Saturday, July 2, 2011. The Camp is located on the campus of the College of Brockport, NY. The program is a one-week, comprehensive developmental sports camp for children between the ages of 9 to 19 who are blind, or deafblind. A donation from the Amherst Lions Club provided a full meal for the campers and counselors.

LITTLE VALLEY LIONS

The Little Valley Lions will be holding their annual David Campbell 5K Run/Walk to benefit Vision Beyond Sight. This year's event takes place on Sunday, September 11th, 10:00 am at the Little Valley Legion Post on Rt. 353. Registration begins at 8:30 am. Donation is \$20.00 per person, under 12, \$15.00. Snacks and beverages will be provided, and times will be recorded. The walking "rescue dogs" will also continue and will benefit "Canine Helpers for the Handicapped". For more info, contact Lion Myrna at myrn_reynolds@yahoo.com.



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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 member 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 7/31/2011.

NOTE: PAYMENTS made after November 1st include a late fee of \$.25 per member.
 Checks payable to: District 20-N Mail to: CT Jim Luckman, 2761 Caledonia St., Newfane, NY 14108.

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	52	0	312	=	364	Lancaster	54	4	300	=	354
Alden	31	5	156	=	187	Lewiston	21	5	96	=	117
Amherst	29	3	156	=	185	Little Valley	31	7	144	=	175
Arcade	27	3	144	=	171	Lockport	34	0	204	=	238
Barker	44	2	252	=	296	Mayville/Chau.	15	3	72	=	87
Blas/Woodlawn	12	2	60	=	72	Newfane	59	1	348	=	407
Boston	19	1	108	=	127	Olcott	23	0	138	=	161
Bflo. Host	22	0	132	=	154	Olean	23	2	126	=	149
Bflo. Inner City	11	0	66	=	77	Orchard Park	60	0	360	=	420
Bflo. Kensington	33	4	174	=	207	Pendleton	35	0	210	=	245
Bflo. Latino	17	1	96	=	113	Pine Valley	7	0	42	=	49
Bflo. Riverside	13	0	78	=	91	Portville	15	1	84	=	99
Cheektowaga	24	0	144	=	168	Randolph	42	3	234	=	276
Clarence	33	0	198	=	231	Ransomville	10	3	42	=	52
Depew	12	0	72	=	84	Salamanca	13	3	60	=	73
Dunkirk-Fredonia	51	2	294	=	345	Sheridan Drive	23	1	132	=	155
East Aurora	25	2	138	=	163	Sherman	14	3	66	=	80
Evans Township	33	0	198	=	231	S. Bflo./Lack.	30	2	168	=	198
Falconer	11	1	60	=	71	Springville	42	0	252	=	294
Franklin/Machias	12	0	72	=	84	The Tonawandas	16	0	96	=	112
Frewsburg	33	4	174	=	207	Town of Hamburg	27	0	162	=	189
Gasport	44	4	240	=	284	Town of Niagara	28	4	144	=	172
Gerry	5	1	24	=	29	Town of Wheatfield	22	0	132	=	154
Gowanda	30	7	138	=	168	West Seneca	87	0	522	=	609
Grand Island	39	3	216	=	255	Wilson	38	4	204	=	242
Jamestown	29	2	102	=	191	Youngstown	33	6	162	=	195
Kenmore	43	5	228	=	271						

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 @ \$7.00, each for a total of \$ _____.

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