



## The Communique

### District 45 – Vermont Lions: In Lionism, In Service, In Friendship July 2023

Hello Fellow D-45 Lions:

Let me start out by saying Thank You for giving me the opportunity to serve as your District Governor. I am excited for what the upcoming year has in store for us. We will be focusing on Service. This is a major focus of our President Patti Hill.

Some changes that you will be seeing in the immediate future are going to make it Much easier to communicate within the District. There is going to be specific email addresses for the DG 1st VDG 2nd VDG, Cabinet Treasurer, Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Administrator, and the Communique editor. They are as follows:

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[Communique@vermontlions.org](mailto:Communique@vermontlions.org) Carol Greene

Please use these new emails to get in touch with our leadership team. A huge shout out to Lion Greg Smela, our District Webmaster!! Thank You!

Going forward the “Cabinet” Meetings will be renamed. They are now called The Forum. I believe that much more happens at the “Cabinet Meetings” that all District 45 Lions will benefit from. It is more than just a business meeting of the District. Yes, we do have a business meeting during the Forum, however, there is always a training feature, good hearty discussion, a I am continuing the model that IPDG Kathy has set and have a goal to visit every club within my year as DG. Please reach out to me and let's set a date for a visit. I would also like to be included in all your fundraisers. and service projects; I will make as many as I can.

I look forward to a Great Lions Year with all the Great Lions of District 45! Please reach out to me or any of my other leadership team with questions or concerns, if you have an idea, suggestion, or topic you would like brought up, We're All ears!!

presenter that speaks on their specialty. I am encouraging all Vermont D 45 Lions to come on our and attend a Forum! They are a lot of fun and very educational. In this issue there is a schedule of Forums for the 2023-2024 year. I am adding a round table discussion, which will lead off the first 45 minutes of each Forum, this is a great time to bring your questions, frustrations, and successes! Please come and share your knowledge, you may be able to help someone else that is having the same issue that you have had or find someone that has dealt with the situation you have. Each Forum will have a different theme, our first will be Under the Big Top!

Chat Soon!

DG Lion Travis



## District 45 – Calendar

Date	Hosts – Event	Location
July 1-31, 2023	District 45 School Supply Challenge	Districtwide
July 4, 2023	Londonderry Tr-Mtn Lions Duck Race	Londonderry, VT
July 7-11, 2023	<a href="#">LCI Convention</a>	Boston, MA
July 9-16, 2023	<a href="#">GMLC</a> Teen Edition	Cabot, VT
July 10, 2023	NELC Breakfast	Boston, MA
July 15, 2023	Lions Twin State Soccer	Hanover, NH
July 16-22, 2023	GMLC Youth Edition	Cabot, VT
July 29, 2023	District 45 Organizational Meeting	Danby, VT
August 10-14, 2023	<a href="#">Norwich</a> Lions Fair	Norwich, VT
August 11-13, 2023	<a href="#">Slam T1d Whiffleball Tournament</a>	Essex, VT
August 15-18, 2023	Northeast Pin Swap	Rutland, VT
August 19, 2023	Summer Forum	VFW, Springfield, VT
September 21-23, 2023	<a href="#">USA/Canada Forum</a>	Reno, NV
October 2023	Fall Forum/Super Raffle	Hampton Inn, Colchester, VT
January 2024	Winter Forum/Meal Packing	Canadian Club, Barre, VT
March 2024	Spring Forum	TBA
May 2024	Convention	Equinox Resort, Manchester, VT

**Would you like to see your club highlighted?**

**Please email information to:**

[communique@vermontlions.org](mailto:communique@vermontlions.org)



The 105th [Lions Clubs International Convention](#) is happening in Boston, Massachusetts, from July 7 to July 11. Make your way to this historic American city to look back at all that we've done as Lions, where we are now and where we'll go next. Join us in Boston as we forge a path for the future.

**Your 2023-24 District 45  
Leadership Team:**



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## **Green Mountain Lions Camp 2023**

Thank you for all your hard work!

We had 12 Lions and 2 Leo's

- Dick Souza, Swanton-Missisquoi
- Mike Munson, Jericho-Underhill.
- Sandy Brutkoski, Brandon-Forestdale
- Cheryl Brush & Nico Bekker, Norwich
- Will Wright & daughter Nicole from Jericho-Underhill
- Mount Mansfield Union Leo's Marlee, Kai & bus driver Mike
- Drew Perry, Essex
- Brenda Seitz, Brattleboro
- Denny Lister & Patrick McWilliams, Troy and Area.
- 4 church members Paul, Pat , Bob and Mackin from Barre.

Interested in coming to camp. best days are Monday, July 10, Wednesday, July 12 and Friday, July 14.

Outings are planned to Fairbanks Museum, VINS, Mountaineers Baseball, VINS and Lions Twin State Soccer. Bonfires on Sunday & Tuesday. Please contact Lion Patricia McWilliams for more information how you can help at [patriciaimcw@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaimcw@gmail.com).



***District 45 School Supply Challenge!!!!!!***

***Your School (or District)***

***July 1 – 31, 2023***

***Report #of items and pounds collected***

***to DG Travis Wood (Districtgovernor@vermontlions.org)***



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**Deadline to register for Organizational Meeting is July 24!**



**Organizational Meeting  
Vermont District 45 Lions  
Open to All Lions**

**Registration Form**

**Date: July 29th 2023  
Time: 9am-2pm  
Place: Otter Creek Fun Center Danby Vt  
Registration \$10.00 Registration **Deadline is Monday July 24th 2023****

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club & Position** \_\_\_\_\_

**District Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Attending** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$ Amount** \_\_\_\_\_

Food will be ordered from the menu at the snack bar, please plan on bringing cash to buy your own lunch. It will be snack bar food. See menu online Otter Creek Fun Center.

Makes Checks payable to Vermont District 45 Lions

Mail form with Checks before July 24th to : DG Travis Wood PO Box 1601 Manchester Center Vt 05255, Or Email [DistrictGovernor@vermontions.org](mailto:DistrictGovernor@vermontions.org)

**Schedule:**

- 9am: Welcome & 3 Point Opening
- 9:30am: DG Travis Wood, Message
- 10am: Introduction of 2023-24 Cabinet & Pin Presentation
- 10:30am: Service Project
- 11:30am: 1VDG Deb Saveryi
- 12pm: 2VDG Brenda Seitz
- 12:30: Lunch will be eating at the snack bar

Food will be ordered from the menu, please plan on bringing cash for your own lunch.

1:00 - ? Mini Golf Tournament



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## DISTRICT 45

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

OTTER CREEK FUN CENTER DANBY VERMONT

JULY 29TH 2023

9:00	WELCOME AND 3 POINT OPENING
9:30	DG TRAVIS WOOD MESSAGE
10:00	INTRODUCTIONS OF 2023-2024 CABINET & PIN PRESENTATION
10:30	SERVICE PROJECT
11:30	1VDG DEB SAVERY
12:00	2VDG BRENDA SEITZ
12:30	LUNCH WE WILL BE EATING AT THE SNACK BAR FOR LUNCH-
1:00-?	MINI GOLF TOURNEMENT

THERE WILL BE \$10.00 COST FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING- YOU WILL BE ORDERING YOUR OWN LUNCH FROM THE MENU AT THE SNACK BAR LOCATED AT THE FUN CENTER.

## Vision Screening Report

June 2023

It's with great pride and gratitude that I report that this year, District 45 screened 16340 students. With 1806 referrals, the Lions were able to screen in 15 schools as well as libraries and various Lion events throughout Vermont. Even though this isn't up to the pre-covid numbers, they ARE growing, and I am sure that the next Lion year will see more growth and exposure.

This past year we also seen more school nurses contacting US asking for screenings for their students. This is proof that what we do is being noticed and appreciated. Nurses know that when Lions come into their schools, their children are getting quality care with efficient, effective methods.

With the ingenuity of Lions, we have also been able to screen students we would never have been able to reach, such as home-schooled students. More libraries are opening their doors to Lions as a location to reach children we've never had access to before. How wonder it that? I am convinced this is just the beginning of another alternative to locations we will be able to utilize in the future.

One side note here. I have recently been hired at the Springfield Area Parent/Child Center. During my introduction at a recent staff meeting, I mentioned my vision screening connection for the district since I know the Springfield Club screens the agencies' daycare center in our building. I was surprised to have someone who works as an outreach specialist speak up, quite excitedly mind you, to say they had written a grant and purchased their own camera! At first, I wasn't sure what to think until it was explained that these staff people have access to and go into private homes on a daily basis. Because of the great things these cameras can do and they have access to children we may never see until they are in school, the staff can screen individuals at home visits and rule out sight as a possible behavioral contributor for these little ones. We would never have the opportunity these developmental professionals have, so the children can now get early-on preventable care if need be. The effects of what we do is reaching out far beyond what we can even imagine and in ways we could only hope for. In doing what we do, we affect lives in marvelous ways, and it will only get better. Thank you all for your commitment to our vision screening program. You are all heroes to the children we serve.

Yours in kindness and gratitude,

FVDG Deb Savery

Vermont District 45 Vision Screening Coordinator

# NORTHEAST PIN SWAP 2023

August 15–18, 2023

Comfort Inn, Rutland, VT 05701

Registration fee of \$55.00 includes one trading table for Wednesday and Thursday, one registration pin, registration badge, bidding number for the auction, Hospitality room Wednesday and Thursday nights plus Friday breakfast. A special pin will be available for sale to breakfast attendees

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$55.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Extra trading tables \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Extra breakfast \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Room registration is \$119.00 plus tax per night. Room reservation by phone - 802-775-2200. Be sure to mention Northeast Pin Swap. Booking code: NEL. Free parking.

Make checks payable and mail to:

Bruce Savery, 137 Maple Ridge Rd, Chester, VT 05143. If you have any questions you may email me at [bsavery29@gmail.com](mailto:bsavery29@gmail.com) or call at 802-289-1696.



## Arlington Lions Club



The Arlington Lions Club celebrated the grand reopening of their pool on Thursday June 1<sup>st</sup>. They also introduced their new lion mascot, "Clarence, the Crossed Eye Lion" who cut the ribbon reopening the pool.

The pool is over 70 years old and was in need of renovations. The club held a capital campaign and with the help of Vermont Lions Charity they were able to meet their capital goal.

The first phase of the project was to dredge the pool to its original depth and replenish the sand on the beach. The club also cleaned and renovated changing rooms which have been closed for the last few decades.

Three members of the newly formed Leo Club painted a flower garden mural on one side of the building which brightened up the area facing the pool.

The club is proud that they could fix up the pool and surrounding area so that it may be enjoyed by the residents of Arlington, Sunderland and Sandgate this summer and for summers to come.



## Vergennes Lions Club

The Vergennes Lions Club, together with the Vergennes Rotary Club, have earned eight benches for their community. What a great example of community partnership!





## Norwich Lions Club awards Melvin Jones Fellowship



Norwich, June 3, 2023. As part of the Norwich Women's Club recognition of Bonnie Munday, retired Norwich Town Clerk, as citizen of the year, the Norwich Lions Club awarded her membership in the Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) for her year-to-year work in promoting the Lions Club Memory Tree, a December fundraising campaign to benefit the Upper Valley Haven—a non-profit, private organization that

serves people struggling with poverty by providing food, shelter, education, service coordination, and other support.

The MJF is the backbone of the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) and is awarded in recognition of major donations to the foundation or to people who have recently made a notable contribution to the club's activities. It's a tremendous contribution to humanity and to the legacy of our founder, Melvin Jones.

## Norwich Lions Club Meadow Muffins Contest

The Norwich Lions Club Meadow Muffins contest is a popular annual tradition, whereby participants "buy" one or more numbered plots of land in a fenced-in area for \$20 each, for which an assigned, randomized number matching a corresponding "deed" has been assigned to each plot.

On August 13, some heifers will be brought into an enclosure with the plots laid out in a grid to determine the winner and runner-up by depositing a "meadow muffin" on the squares of two lucky prize recipients!

**First Prize:** Up to \$1000 (10% of gross receipts) -- 1 in 500 (or better) chance of winning.  
**Second Prize:** Up to \$500 (5% of gross receipts) -- 1 in 499 (or better) chance of winning  
**Third Prize:** The satisfaction that you contributed to a good cause! (up to 498 in 500 chances)

If you are a winner, you will be notified by email or phone. The order of your purchase, as invoiced by 32 Auctions, determines which deed you have purchased.

Three impartial judges will be appointed to oversee the contest. In case circumstances prevent a meadow muffin deposit from determining the winners on the appointed date, the judges will draw the winning numbers from among the tickets sold.

In case of errors in the sale of the Meadow Muffins, the judges will determine a fair outcome.

The contest raises funds to support community organizations, as described at [www.norwichlionsclub.org](http://www.norwichlionsclub.org) and summarized below.

We invite you to participate at:  
<https://www.32auctions.com/MeadowMuffinsContest2023> or by mailing a check to:  
 Norwich Lions Club  
 PO Box 854  
 Norwich, VT 05055-0854



# *New England Lions Council*

*Serving the Needs of the Districts of New England*



## **2023/2024 NELC WEEKENDS, OTHER DATES & CONTACTS**

The following represent the NELC Weekend (& other) Dates for Lion Year 2023-2024. These weekends and events represent a high level of sharing, learning and fellowship harking back to the foundations of Lionism within New England. We request that all Lion leaders become active in, and support, NELC.

*No District or MD events are to be scheduled against these dates. All New England Governors are expected to be at NELC Weekends and Event(s).*

<b><u>WEEKENDS:</u></b>	<b><u>DATES</u></b>	<b><u>HOST</u></b>
• Fall Weekend	October 13-14, 2023	New Hampshire
• Winter Weekend	January 5-6, 2024	Newport, RI
• Spring Weekend	May 17-18, 2024	Vermont

<b><u>OTHER EVENT(S):</u></b>		
• USA/Canada Lion Forum	Sept. 23, 2023	2023 Reno NELC Breakfast

## **2023-2024 NELC Board of Directors**

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**Deadline to register for NELC Breakfast in Boston is July 1.**



**New England Lions Council (NELC)**

*"Serving the Needs of the Districts  
of New England"*

**2023 LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

**Boston, Massachusetts-USA**

**Monday, July 10**

**New England Delegation's**

**BREAKFAST GATHERING - 7AM**

**Doors Open at 6:45 AM**

**Omni Hotel (HQ) - Marquis Room**

**Keynote/Guest: 1<sup>st</sup> VP Patti Hill & Lion Greg Holmes**

**Guests Hosted By: Lion ID John & Karol Youney (Maine)**



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**Breakfast/Registration: \$50.00**

**Plated Breakfast to Include:**

- Freshly Squeezed Orange Juice;
- *Boulangerie's* Pastry Assortment w/ Creamery Butter & Fruit Preserves;
- Ham & Egg French Toast w/ Gruyere Cheese, Candied Quinoa and Maple Syrup; and
- Fresh Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated *Stance* Coffee & *Numi* Tea Selection.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DIST/MD: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ TITLE/POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB POSITION: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Check Payable to:**

**NELC**

**Mail Check/Form to:**

**PDG Al Goldstein, Treasurer**

**35 Main Street**

**Atkinson, NH 03811**

**OR**

**Venmo Payment to:**

**AL-Goldstein-2**

**(Not Case Sensitive)**

**& Send Imaged/Scanned Form to: [algoldstein@comcast.net](mailto:algoldstein@comcast.net)**

**(Use #1, not "L")**

**Registration Deadline: July 1**

**Questions, Late Registrations or Special Dietary Needs to: PCC Hilary Kumnick, President**

**Cell/Text: 860-638-7869 or: [hkumnick@nel.com](mailto:hkumnick@nel.com)**

## TALES OF THE SERVICE TRAIL UPDATE JUNE 2023

Well ..... Two years, huh?! Everyone told us that it would fly by before we knew it. They were right!

As I sit here writing this, there are 33 days left to our service as an International Director team from Maine and New England. On the last day of LCICON 2023 Boston a trap door will open and 17 directors and their spouses will slide out of the way for the newly-elected directors. Unless we have a pandemic, Lions International does have term limits of one two year term! It has been a blast along with hard work and many hours of travel. But it has been what we expected when I stood for election.

I want to thank all of you who had the faith in Karol and I to represent all Lions throughout the world. We also believe that we were successful in carrying New England's hospitality throughout North America, and even to Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. And we carried much Maine Gold, aka Skowhegan maple syrup in a Lions flask, to promote our local economy while providing a gesture of friendship from us to our hosts. But our gift paled in comparison to the generosity of all the Lions who hosted us in districts and multiple districts these last two years.

We had our last official convention visitation in Metropolitan District of Halifax - MD N in the Lions world. It was very fitting for Karol and I to be there for the end of our term's visits since MD N was part of MD 41 along with Maine until the districts reorganized in 2006. We were with many old Lion Friends that weekend as well as made many new friends. It felt like a homecoming in so many ways. We also saw South Dakota and Pennsylvania in our travels, and welcomed Lions TJ, ID, and Juanita Tijerina to Maine this spring.

There have also been the Board meetings of a week at a time, and Board projects for another week. The Board meetings are the other half of being an ID. With 1.4 million Lions and dues far

into the millions, your directors are very much like the directors of any major corporation. We must do our due diligence to ensure that your dues money serves you. Lions International has a great staff and it is a pleasure to work with them, serving all of us. And I had the pleasure of serving on the Constitution & By-Laws Committee, also known as the legal committee, considering all the issues the committee handles around the world.

An example of the schedule was March's Board meeting in Belfast, Northern Ireland. We had five days of committee meetings followed by the informal whole Board session to discuss each committees' proposals, and then a formal session to have the final votes. The following week we traveled to Killarney, Thules and Dublin to do five service projects there.

But Karol and I will tell you that the fresh butter in both Irelands is so delicious! And the stuff imported to the U.S. is not even close to Karol's and my experience. Also, I can testify that the Guinness tastes far smoother and less bitter than what is served in the US! So yes, there were side benefits during our breaks!

As to your home front - please look around your own community. There are needs there if we open our eyes. With the winter storms and power outages so common, there are shelters that can use our efforts. There are food pantries that can use a few more cans of soup, or even a helping hand or two! We are Lions first in our own communities as well as across this earth. Work for your community and you will raise the world! Please keep that with you in your heart. But remember, your work will attract more to help you - new Lions even!

So what is next? **LCI CON 2023 BOSTON!** Vote for Lion Mark Lyon, 3IVP! HE and Loon Lyn will serve Lions well.

I thank all of you again for this honor to serve Lions and the world. We trust that we have done our best to represent all Lions world-wide.

*Lion John W. Youney,  
International Director 2021-2023,  
& Lion Karol Kish Youney, Partner-in-Service*

— Take me out to the WIFFLE ball game! —

# You're invited to the Vermont Summer Classic at Little Fenway



Spread smiles and support among the Type 1 diabetes community while having fun in a magical atmosphere! SLAMT1D empowers those living with this incurable autoimmune disease to live their lives in full, and this annual event helps them stay in the game.



## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Vermont Summer Classic WIFFLE Ball Tournament

Join us  
**AUGUST  
11-13** 2023  
**LITTLE FENWAY**  
in Essex, VT  
*where magic happens*

This year's team registration is full, but in the meantime, come join us in August for a big hug, high-five or fist bump! Lots of action, food and entertainment! Want to throw your hat in the ring for a chance to play next year? We are now accepting applications for the 2024 tournament.

"We met so many people at the Vermont Summer Classic. It was like a giant hug where everyone said **'We understand, we're with you!'**"  
- M.P., son diagnosed at age 3

Now accepting team applications for the 13th Annual Vermont Summer Classic  
August 9-11, 2024 • [www.slamt1d.org/vermont-summer-classic/](http://www.slamt1d.org/vermont-summer-classic/)

SLAMT1D is a Vermont-based 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization serving people with Type 1 diabetes (T1D) here in Vermont, throughout the Northeast and across the US.



### MIDDLEBURY LIONS CLUB STRIDERS

For the SLAM T1D wiffleball tournament, our mission is to support those living with Type One Diabetes and help broaden T1D awareness.

- 2022 TEAM STATS**
- 13 players
  - Record: 3 wins, 2 losses
  - Home run derby finalists
  - Team funds raised: \$6,414.00



Please consider supporting our team!  
Donate here: [www.classy.org/team/458646](http://www.classy.org/team/458646)

# Just for fun

## Brain teasers

Can you solve these visual word puzzles?



2. SOMEWHERE



4. MILLION

## Word scramble

Unscramble the letters to find words that relate to summer.

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| 1. ROCILTAP   | 5. DMNOELAE   |
| 2. PIRERKNSL  | 6. LFSREIIEF  |
| 3. ARXEL      | 7. CNIGAPM    |
| 4. PUALNYGDRO | 8. SLSASNEUSG |

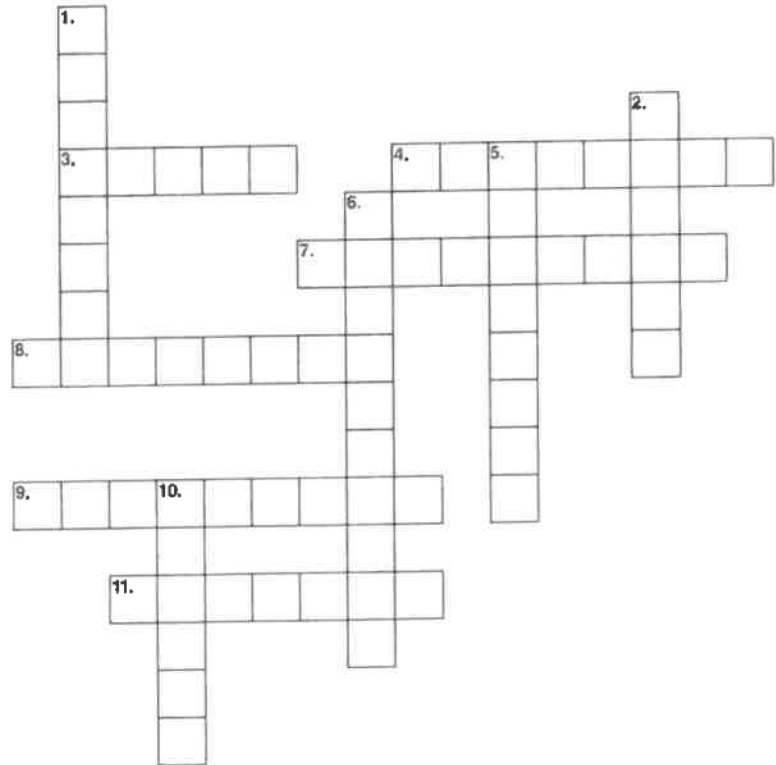
## Crossword puzzle

### Across

- 3. Vacation destination
- 4. Activity to cool off
- 7. Tending flowers
- 8. Hot summer weather
- 9. Worn to protect skin from the sun
- 11. Popular summer vegetable

### Down

- 1. Meal cooked on the grill
- 2. Meal in the grass
- 5. Sweet summer treat
- 6. Summer fruit cut into slices
- 10. Worn to stay cool in the summer



**Answers:**  
**Brain teasers:** 1. Apple pie, 2. Somewhere over the rainbow, 3. Trip around the world, 4. One in a million  
**Word scramble:** 1. Tropical, 2. Sprinkler, 3. Relax, 4. Playground, 5. Lemonade, 6. Fireflies, 7. Camping, 8. Sunglasses  
**Crossword puzzle:** 1. Barbecue, 2. Picnic, 3. Beach, 4. Swimming, 5. Ice cream, 6. Watermelon, 7. Gardening, 8. Heatwave, 9. Sunscreen, 10. Shorts, 11. Corn cob