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In Lionism, In Service, In Friendship

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A Message from District Governor Pam Nichols

Greetings All,

To all the wonderful Lions Club members not only in D-45 but all over the country and the few that I heard from interntionally, I want to thank you all for putting my mother on your prayer lists! We all know the power of prayer. Because of it I truly believe my mom is on the mend,with a bit of help and physical therapy she will get better! I can't tell

you how much your understanding and good wishes mean to me. I did have to cancel three visitations and the clubs I changed were so gracious. Canceling was not something I take lightly but driving my 82 year old father to Bay State Trauma Center in Springfield, Mass, a six hour round trip, and making sure that he was taken care of I just could not make it work.

On a happier note, I did get to visit Castleton, Essex, and Pittsford last week and to Brattleboro this week, everyone was so wonderful, I am truly blessed by all of you!

My message is very simple, remember why you became a Lion, share the joy of being a Lion. If you are joyful in your work others will join because of it. There are plenty of good people out there, don't be afraid to ask them! The new membership forms have a pin for the sponsor for the Centenial Celabration!

One house cleaning note, we ran out of food at the Springfield cabinet meeting. This happened becuase we had so many people show up for the meeting that had not registered or given us a heads-up. I would never tell you not to come to a meeting because we love to see everyone! But please let us know so that we can plan appropriately.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Super Raffle in November!

Yours in Service ,

DG Pam



DISTRICT 45

Calendar

October 2015

16-18	Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend - Warwick, RI Contact: IPDG Ken Emery, 802-578-7483 - email: kpemery1960@gmail.com
20	Deadline to submit items for the October Communique
23-24	Movie Night at the Museum - Barre Lions Club - See attached Flyer for Details
24	Manchester Leo's Mini-Golf Tournament - Otter Creek Fun Center, Danby, VT Raising funds for GMLC. Contact DG Pam for details and entry.

November 2015

7	Vermont Lions Charities - Annual Meeting - Held at Fall Conference
7-8	Fall Conference - Cabinet Meeting - LCIF Super Raffle - Colchester
20	Deadline to submit items for the December Communique

December 2015

19-20	Elf Express Train Rides with Christopher Pop-In-Kins - Manchester Lions Club
20	Deadline to submit items for the January Communique

January 2016

17	Cabinet Meeting - Lake Morey Resort, Fairlee, Vermont
20	Deadline to submit items for the February Communique

District Governor Club Visit Schedule

September 2015

9/1 Orleans
9/8 Valley
9/10 Londonderry: New club organizational meeting
9/13 Brattleboro: Pancake breakfast
9/14 Readsboro
9/15 Brandon
9/16 Enosburg Falls
9/21 Castleton
9/23 Essex
9/24 Pittsford
9/28 Brattleboro

October 2015

10/5 Middlebury
10/6 Route 100
10/7 Georgia
10/12 White river
10/13 Williston
10/16 St. Johnsbury
10/21 Troy Area
10/26 Richford
10/27 Barre

If your club is on my October list - Please let me know if the date works for you.

November 2015

11/1 Norwich
11/4 Colchester (Confirmed)
11/9 Jericho Underhill
11/10 Hinesburg
11/11 Manchester (Confirmed)
11/17 Winsor (Confirmed)
11/18 Derby

If your club is on my November list (and you are not confirmed) - Please let me know if the date works for you.

December 2015

12/1 Springfield
12/2 Vergennes
12/7 Heartland

January 2016

1/5 Norshams
1/12 Bennington
1/14 Chester
1/20 Arlington
1/25 Strafford

Please confirm with me Thank you all so much for your time!



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VERMONT LIONS CHARITIES, INC.

OPENING WINDOWS OF OPPORTUNITY FOR GREATER SERVICE

P.O. Box 266 ~ South Strafford, Vermont 05070

Dear Vermont,

I am writing to you to ask your support of the Vermont Lions Charities October Cash-Fest. As you know Vermont Lions Charities provides eyeglasses and hearing aids to communities in Vermont that do not have Lions Clubs. In addition we're available to help your club when you do not have the resources for extraordinary requests. To accomplish this, like your own Club, VLC needs to raise money. And we need your help in doing so.

Our goal is to have each club sell 50 tickets by selling tickets to people in your community. This package provides materials to help you achieve that goal:

1. October Cash-Fest Calendar that shows all the ways people can win. Enlarge this calendar for display or copy it for distribution.
2. A description of how the October Cash-Fest Raffle works
3. The Rules of the Cash-Fest Raffle
4. A sheet that provides ideas on how to promote the event

The raffle tickets have been sent to your club President. If additional materials are needed contact me at norshaflions@aol.com.

Thank you for all you do for your community and for your support of Vermont Lions Charities.

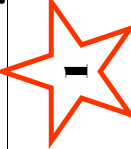

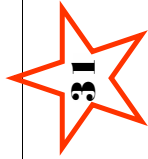
Sincerely,

Phylis A. Porio
President

October 2015 Cash-Fest

\$10 Raffle Ticket

Every ticket has a chance to win every day ... all month long

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 	2	3
				\$200 Prize	\$25	\$50
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
\$75	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$50
11	12	13	14	15	16 	17
\$75	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$100 Prize	\$50
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
\$75	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$50
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 
\$75	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$200 Prize



Vermont Lions Charities





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October Cash-Fest

- 31 Chances to Win – Every Ticket is entered into every day's drawing.
- Tickets are \$10 each
- October 1st Drawing is for \$200.
Four Winning Tickets will be drawn
- Four \$100 Winning Tickets will be drawn on October 16th.
- Four \$200 Winning Tickets will be drawn on October 31st.
- Sunday Drawings are for \$75 – one winner each Sunday.
- Saturday Drawings are for \$50 – one winner each Saturday.
- Weekday Drawings are for \$25 – one winner each Weekday.



Vermont Lions Charities

October 2015 Cash-Fest

Rules

1. Each ticket costs \$10
2. Each ticket has 31 chances to win
3. There will be four winners drawn for October 1, October 16 and October 31. One winner per Region as defined below.
4. Region 1 – tickets sold by Lions Club members from Colchester, Enosburg Falls, Essex, Georgia, Jericho-Underhill, Hinesburg, Richford, Swanton-Mississquoi, and Williston
5. Region 2 – tickets sold by Lions Club members from Arlington, Bennington, Brandon ForestDale, Castleton, Manchester, Marble Valley, Middlebury, Norshaft, Pittsford, Route 100, and Vergennes
6. Region 3 – tickets sold by Lions Club members from Brattleboro Area, Chester, Heartland, Norwich, Readsboro, Springfield, Strafford and Area, Valley, White River Jct., Whitingham-Halifax, and Windsor
7. Region 4 – tickets sold by Barre, Derby, Orleans, St. Johnsbury Area, Troy and Area.
8. You need not be present to win.
9. Prizes will be mailed to winners on November 10, 2015.
10. Please return all “sold” tickets to a VLC Board Member by November 7th or if not attending the Fall Conference, mail them to Lion Phylis Porio (3842 RT 7A, Shaftsbury, VT 05262) no later than 10/24.

Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend



NEW ENGLAND LIONS COUNCIL FAMILY LCIF Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend

**CROWNE PLAZA WARWICK
801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886**

**SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Saturday, October 17, 2015**

Check in Friday 10/16/15, Saturday 10/17/15 \$129.00 per night

Hold your room reservation now by calling or emailing below:

Email: www.crownehotelwarwick.com

Direct: (401) 732-6000 code word: NEL

Toll Free: 1-800-227-6963

**New England Lions Council Memorial Service
will be held at the Lions Memorial, Roger Williams Park**

Tentative schedule of NELC Lions and Family activities:

Friday 10-16. 4pm Hospitality room and fellowship with Lions.

Saturday 10-17 7-8:30am Breakfast.

9- 11:30am family time at pool activities and games for children.

9- 11am Meeting with GLT, GMT, PID, DG and other committees if want personal time.

11- Noon NELC meeting.

12pm Lunch.

1:30pm NELC Memorial Service @ Lions Memorial in Roger Williams Park, Providence.

2-5pm Enjoy Roger Williams Park and Zoo.

5:30-Social and Fellowship.

7pm LCIF/Melvin Jones Fellow Dinner.

9:30pm- NELC Hospitality Room.

Sunday 10-18 8am Breakfast and Farewells.

Prices of meals:

Saturday buffet breakfast \$10.00 / Lunch \$20.00 / Banquet Dinner \$35.00

Sunday breakfast \$13.00

**Ad Book to announce your District, Business, Events, Fundraisers or
personal notes, or Memorials is now available.**

Please contact: PDG George Areson (RI) (401) 732-0190 lionspdg1@verizon.net

**ALL DISTRICT GOVERNORS & CLUB PRESIDENTS, PLEASE INVITE ALL FAMILY/FRIENDS OF
MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED AND WILL BE REMEMBERED AT THE SERVICES**

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend Con't



NELC



MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARDS WEEKEND

DATES: Friday, October 16; Saturday, October 17
and Sunday, October 18, 2015

LOCATION: CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
801 Greenwich Avenue
WARWICK, RI 02886

******CONTACT HOTEL DIRECTLY TO BOOK RESERVATIONS******

From RI 401- 732-6000 Code Word NELC

Long distance 1-800-227-6963

Chairpersons for this weekend's festivities:

PDG Domingos Branco 401-658-4837 email: domgbranco@msn.com

Co- Chair Rosa Branco email: rbranco58@msn.com

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 16 2015

**JOIN YOUR FELLOW NEW ENGLAND LIONS FOR A NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP
AND FAMILY TIME**

*******4:00 pm - HOSPITALITY ROOM OPENS*******

Registration 4:00 – 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015

BREAKFAST IN HOTEL (7:00 - 8:30 AM)

Registration 8:00 to 10:00 AM

Note: 10:00 AM is the deadline for Melvin Jones Fellows recipients Registration

09:00 - 11:30 AM - Family time, games and pool activities for children

09:00 - 10:00 AM - LCIF Coordinators meeting with PIP Jim Ervin,

10:00 - 11:00 AM - GMT and GLT Coordinators meeting, DGs meeting, etc.

11:00 - 12:00 PM - NELC Meeting

Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend Con't

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

12:00 PM to 1:15 PM LUNCH

1:30 - 2:30 PM - Necrology service at Roger Williams Park Lions Memorial

2:30 - 5:30 Free time to do some sightseeing or shopping in Warwick or Providence

EVENING SCHEDULE

5:30 - 6:30 PM Social

6:30 - 7:30 P.M. BANQUET (Business casual)

7:30 PM - Guest Speaker PIP JIM ERVIN

CEREMONY FOR PRESENTATION OF MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP immediately following

Due to size of room, plaques will be presented by District in the following order:

MD DISTRICT 23
MD DISTRICT 33
SD DISTRICT 41

SD DISTRICT 42
MD DISTRICT 44
SD DISTRICT 45

Please be present 15 minutes before your scheduled time.

Pictures with PIP Jim Ervin

Presentation of gifts and Raffle

*****HOSPITALITY ROOM OPEN*****

SUNDAY 10/18, 2015

BREAKFAST AND FAREWELLS (7:00 A.M. TO 8:30 A.M.)

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION AND HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME.
WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED YOUR WEEKEND IN R.I.***

Melvin Jones Fellow Weekend Con't



New England Lions Council LCIF/MJF WEEKEND AD BOOK

"What if these men who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?"

This was the question that our founder, Melvin Jones, whose personal code was: "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else" asked his business friends.

Please select the type of advertisement that you would like to purchase for the NELC/MJF weekend ad book. All ad dimensions are based on a 8.5" x 9.0" page size.

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page	\$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Page	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page	\$35.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Card	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Ad (Name)	\$5.00

Business Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Address: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Contact email: _____

Website (if applicable): _____

Ad details included Ad Details to be emailed to: domgbranco@msn.com

Please make checks payable to: New England Lions Council and remit to:

PDG George Areson
632 Church Avenue
Warwick, RI 02889

MOVIE NIGHT

AT THE MUSEUM

A **HAUNTED** ATTRACTION INSPIRED BY YOUR
FAVORITE **HORROR** MOVIES

OCTOBER
23 & 24, 2015

6:30 P.M. - 10:30 P.M.
\$10.00 PER PERSON

FREE KIDS DAY OCTOBER 24
FROM 10AM TO 1PM

- AT THE VERMONT GRANITE MUSEUM AND STONE ARTS SCHOOL -



THE HAUNTERS GUILD PICTURES PRESENTS

A BARRE LIONS PRODUCTION

Starring Sponsors

Original Stunts performed by real actors



"MOVIE NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM" wants to thank ACCURA PRINTING • AJ SUNOCO • ALLAN JONES & SONS, INC. • ART WORK BY SCOT RICHARDS • BARRE CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT
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Miniature Golf TOURNAMENT

October 24 2015

Cost: \$10 per student

\$15 for Adults

Time: at 1pm and 3pm.] Teams of four

Location: 1800 Route 7, Danby, Vermont 05736

802-293-9200

www.ooyercreekfuncenter.com

Contact: Pam

Cell: 802-384-0033

E-mail: vtlionpam@gmail.com

Name:

Phone Number:

Name:

Phone Number:

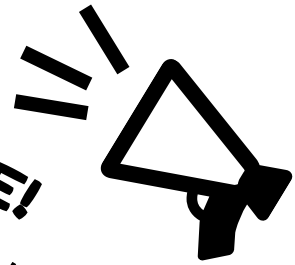
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Phone Number:

Name:

Phone Number:

WE HAVE SPECIAL PRICE!



And checks made out to Manchester Leos Club to benefit the Green Mountain Lions Camp for the hearing impaired !!!





Miniature Golf Hole Sponsor



\$25.00 Per Hole

Benefit the
Green Mountain
Lions Camp

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Contact Person: _____

Receipt

Manchester leo's Mini Golf Tournament

Send a 8*10 PDF file of your logo

and send to Meiling: mguo@burrburton.org

Thank You!

Club News

Norwich Lions Club 100th Anniversary/ Service Project

The Norwich Lions Club (NLC) proudly responded to Lions International Headquarters' request for local clubs to identify a project relating to the theme of "Dignity of Children" during the week of Aug. 30-Sept. 5,

On Wednesday, September 2nd, the NLC sponsored a dinner meal at the White River Junction Listen Center Community Dinner Hall. Listen provides services and support to meet the critical needs of Upper Valley individuals and families.

The event was designated the Norwich Lions Club's "Dignity of Children" project. One hundred and five individuals (105), including twenty (20) children, were served a full three course complementary dinner meal. Honorary Norwich Lion, Dave DeLucia, generously funded the event in the name of the club. Former DG and Norwich Lion, Phil Wheeler, and his Wife Donna and Debbie VanArman, wife of Lion Jay, helped serve the meal.

Orleans Lions Club

On Saturday August 29th we held our annual Horseshoe Tournament on a beautiful summer day with 40 teams of two participating. There was easily 100+ people there enjoying the tournament, food, and fellowship. We raised about \$1,400.00 dollars in profit through entrance fees, food, and 50/50 raffles. Our Club donated \$250 to the Westmore Lake Willoughby milfoil eradication project. There were 15 Orleans Lions who participated on and off throughout the day that started at 8am and ending around 5pm, and a great time was had by all.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Secr. David Bolduc
Orleans Lions Club

Barre Lions Club

White Cane Day

Dan Norris, a member of the Barre Lions Club, has invited all Lions to join him in Montpelier on Wednesday, October 14th for "White Cane Day". The Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) sponsors this event each year to raise awareness of the difficulties those with sight impairments face each day. Participants will be blindfolded, given a white cane, and helped to maneuver their way around Montpelier. If you would like to participate, e-mail Dan at dnorris@vavbi.org

Club News Con't

Calling all Clubs: SHARE PEACE

Fall will soon be here and so will the Peace Poster Contest!

How great it would be if all clubs could participate in this year's Peace Poster Contest; the theme being SHARE PEACE.

Please order your kits through international by October 1st, 2015. Participants must be age 11, 12, or 13 by November 15, 2015. Link to LCI Peace Poster Information: <http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/serve/contests/peace-poster-contest/index.php>

Judging of the peace posters will be at the Fall Conference in November.

We have seen some amazing artists over the past several years and look forward to seeing the creativity of our 2015-2016 participants!

Carmelita Belisle
Peace Poster Chair



2014-15 Peace Poster
Grand Prize Winner
“Peace, Love and Understanding”

Wei Jin Qian
13 years old
China

Sponsored by
Dulian Gao E Fu Lions Club

Meeting Notices Con't



**VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45
CABINET MEETING REGISTRATION**

SATURDAY November 7, 2015

Hampton Inn

Colchester, Vermont

\$20.00 PER PERSON

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Club/District Position: _____

Phone Number: _____

Home Club: _____

Cabinet Meeting: \$20.00 pp X _____ (# attending) \$ _____

Please make your check payable to Vermont District 45 and mail to:

CT Kathy Gallett, 83 Middle Road, Shaftsbury, VT 05262

Please return the completed registration to CT Kathy by

Saturday October 31, 2015.

Agenda to follow in the October Communiqué.

**Make your room reservations by October 4, 2015 at the Hampton Inn,
Colchester—802-655-6177-- Ask for the District 45 Lions rate of \$109.00
plus tax.**



**Vermont Lions District 45
Cabinet Meeting
Saturday November 7, 2015
Hampton Inn
Colchester, Vermont
Schedule**

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Cabinet Treasurer

PCT Kathy Gallett (Bennington)
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Home: 802-442-4033
Cell: 802-375-5616
Email: kathy@bowfamily.com

8:00 to 9:00 am

Honorary Meeting _____

9:00 to 10:00 am

VT Lions Charities _____

9:00 to 10:00 am

Presidents Round Table _____

Secretaries Round Table _____

Treasurers Round Table _____

10:15 to 11:00 am

Guiding Lion _____

Zone Chair _____

Leadership Roundtable _____

Goal Setting and Membership RT _____

11:15 to 12:30pm

Lunch

Cabinet Meeting Opening—DG Pam Nichols

Introductions—1st Vice DG Joe Wilson

12:30 to 1:15 pm

Guest Speaker

1:45 to 4:00 pm

Cabinet Meeting

Meeting Notices Con't

Official Warning of Vermont Lions Charities Annual Meeting November 7, 2015

The Annual Meeting of Vermont Lions Charities will be held during the Fall Conference on November 7, 2015. A full report on Vermont Lions Charities will be given. There will also be elections to fill the positions of Vice-President, and Secretary.

Thank you,

Phylis Porio
President,
Vermont Lions Charities

Vermont District 45 Lions
NorShaft Lions
We Serve

District 45 Vermont Lions Presents an Evening to Benefit



Saturday
November 7th, 2015
Hampton Inn
Colchester

If interested in purchasing a ticket, price is \$125 per ticket which also includes 2 event dinners.

Deadline to purchase tickets and or donate prizes is November 1, 2015.

For More Information or to purchase tickets contact

District 45 LCIF Committee

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PDG Merry Souza (Co-Chair) – 802-782-2090 – pdgmerry@gmail.com

IPDG Ken Emery – 802-578-7483 – kpemery1960@gmail.com

PDG Sherry Lee Juare – 802-309-3596 – sherrylee@myfairpoint.net

PDG Betsy MaGee – 802-578-5188 - lionbetsy2000@yahoo.com

FOUNDATION OVERVIEW

One of the most important ways that Lions make a difference in their communities and the world is through Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), the official charitable organization of Lions Clubs International.

With funding from LCIF, Lions carry out large-scale humanitarian projects in their communities.

Lions' support of the Foundation is critical, as donations from Lions provide the majority of LCIF's revenue. LCIF continues to ensure that all donated funds are used as efficiently as possible. All donations are used to fund grants and program expenses. Based on targeted investment returns, LCIF anticipates investment income to be sufficient to cover projected administrative and development expenses.

Since LCIF began in 1968, it has awarded more than 12,072 grants totaling more than US\$900 million. Together, Lions and LCIF are making a difference for millions of people. "We Serve" better together.



The Manchester Lions Club presents

THE ELF EXPRESS

Saturday, December 19 – Sunday, December 20

r.k. Miles Depot Station – Manchester Center, VT

Trains depart: 10:00, 11:30, 1:00, 2:30 & 4:00 Daily

Adults (13 and over): \$25.00

Children (2-12): \$20.00

Under 2: Free (Must sit on parent's lap)

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS VISIT:

www.ManchesterLionsElfTrain.com or Manchester & the Mountains Chamber

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Ending veteran homelessness by 31 December 2015 is a presidential initiative. Vermont Veterans Services at the University of Vermont (VVS) is a Veterans Administration (VA) Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF) grantee that is a major part of this initiative.

In Vermont all of the VA programs, State agencies and not-for-profits are working together toward this goal. The first objective is to locate homeless veterans, the second objective is to let them know the help that is available, and the final objective is to help all homeless veterans who want help to find permanent housing.

Vermont Veteran Services team members are literally going into the woods to find and talk with veterans. We are visiting shelters, food shelves and any place we might come into contact with veterans who may need help. What we need are more eyes and ears all over Vermont who could let us know where to look. The other day we heard from one of the members of the National Guard Combat Veterans Outreach Team about several locations where veterans are living rough. This spring we met a veteran at the Stand Down at Lyndon State who helps support a large group of veterans living rough in the Northeast Kingdom.

Calls from homeless families to 211 are up 8% over last year, and some of these people are certainly members of veteran families. We need you to call 802-656-3232 or email info@vermontveteransservices.org if you have any information that may help us locate literally homeless veterans who served from WWII to the present.

The support we need now is to have you looking out for your neighbors.

You can also contact us at 802-656-3232 if you want a member of our staff to speak at a meeting.

Miscellaneous

- The Orleans Lions Club has donated eyeglass collection boxes to the district. If any clubs are in need of a box or two, please contact DG Pam and she will arrange to get them to you.

Pictures!

Georgia Lions Fall Festival



**Colchester and Essex Junction Lions
working hard (or hardly working?)
at the concession stand.
Great job by all
involved!**



Pictures!

Pancake Breakfast!



Loser's Award!



All smiles at the annual Springfield Lions and Rotary softball game.

Springfield won and had the pleasure of awarding the coveted bed pan to the Rotarians.

\$220 was raised for local charities



**Castleton and Springfield Lions team up to
vision screen 500
Windsor Students in 5 hours!
That's 100 students an hour!**

Pictures!

VLC B-I-N-G-O! (Sing it, you know you want to!)



Pictures!

Heartland Lions Club

The Heartland Lions Club was busy at the Tunbridge Fair. Many thanks to fellow Lions and friends that made a successful event. All funds raised remain in our communities to help those in need with eyeglasses, hearing aids and scholarships.



On Monday, 21 September Sir Charles (traveling Lion) went to visit the Springfield club --- we had a great meeting with 6 attending from Springfield. Looking ahead in October the Heartland Lions Club will be at the Sheep & Wool Festival held in Tunbridge.



Editor's Corner

A note from the Editor:

Please follow these simple steps to ensure that your information will be properly included in the Communique.

1st: When sending correspondence to be included in the Communiqué, please put '**For Communique**' in the subject line of the email. Emails to communique@d45lions.com are received by several Lions and we need to be sure that it is directed properly.

2nd: A quick Marketing 101 reminder: Be sure to include the 5 W's. Who? What? When? Where? Why? and How? when sending information for inclusion in the Communiqué.

For example (and a shameless plug!): (Who)The Manchester Lions Club will be hosting (What) the Maple Leaf Half Marathon, a Top Ten Fall Event, on (When) Saturday September 12, 2015. (Where)The event begins at ends at the Dana L. Thompson Memorial Park, 340 Rec Park Road, Manchester, Vermont. (Why)Monies raised from the event are donated back to the community in the form of scholarships and donations. (How) For more information or to register please visit our website at <http://034f962.netsolhost.com/mapleleaf/>

3rd: Start advertising your event months in advance. Don't wait until the September Communiqué to promote a September event. Send the information as early as possible. I'll get it on the calendar and begin promoting it for you.

Lastly: Please submit items in one of the following formats: PDF, Word, or JPEG. Requests written into the body of an email require additional formatting in InDesign (the Adobe program being used to create the Communique each month). Please help me get the Communique posted on time each month by submitting items early and in the proper format.

All information/photos MUST be received by the 20th of each month.