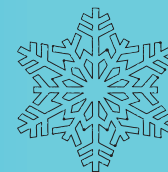




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A Message from District Governor Pam Nichols

January, how did that happen!?!?

Watch out VDG Joe it will be
your turn before you know it!
I have been so blessed by your
support in this first six months.
Oh what fun I have had with
those of you I have visited!
Thank you all for your hospi-
tality! It's been fun to give out
milestone chevrons. I have giv-
en out a life time memberships
and so many other awards. I

got to play Mrs. Clause at the Orleans club kids Christmas party and on the Elf Express train in Manchester for two days, this makes me happy! I'm available to play Mrs. Clause in 2016, just let me know!



January is a time for renewal, time to renew our commitment to lions and to the friends we have made as lions. Please come to the January Cabinet Meeting at the Lake Morey Inn on January 17th. Please remember to bring a non-perishable food item and/or a baby item to go home with the host club, Hartland. Be ready to have some fun and enjoy each other's company. Time to start planning, if you have not already, for the Food from the Heart program. Make sure you send your amounts to PDG Besty Magee.

I would also like to know how you feel about the Make a Wish Foundation (Vermont) and their request for our help granting a wish. Any ideas would be welcome....

Yours in service DG Pam

PS I would like to welcome King Lion Randy Bigelow to the Cabinet, he is the new centennial coordinator, give him our support please See you all in a few days.

DISTRICT 45

Calendar

January 2016

16	8th Annual Chili Fest 11:30-1:30pm hosted by NorShaft at the St. John the Baptist Church on Houghton St, Bennington - See Flyer for more details
17	Cabinet Meeting - Lake Morey Resort, Fairlee, Vermont : See enclosed agenda and registration form in Communique
20	Deadline to submit items for the February Communique

February 2016

13	Love at First Sight Dinner/Dance - Fireside Inn & Suites - W. Lebanon, NH Details \$100 per couple or \$60 for single. Tickets avail. At Jan. Cabinet Meeting
20	Deadline to submit items for the March Communique

March 2016

12	Cabinet Meeting and Speak Out Contest - Brandon
13	Castleton Fish Fry
20	Deadline to submit items for the April Communique

April 2016

20	Deadline to submit items for the May Communique
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May 2016

20	Deadline to submit items for the June Communique
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District Governor
Club Visit Schedule
2015-2016

December

1st Springfield
3rd Londonderry
5th Tractor Parade for the Leos
7th Heartland
8th Valley
10 Orleans?? Christmas Party
16th Vergennes
18th,19th Elf express
Merry Christmas Everyone!!!!

January

5th Norshaft
12th Bennington
14th Chester
17th Lake Morey Cabinet Meeting
19th Brandon

Meeting Notices



Vermont Lions District 45
Cabinet Meeting
Sunday January 17, 2016
Lake Morey Resort
Fairlee, Vermont
Schedule

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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 School _____

Treasurers Round Table _____

10:15 to 11:00 am

Guiding Lion _____

Zone Chair _____

Leadership Roundtable _____

Technology for Today _____

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



**Vermont Lions District 45
Cabinet Meeting
Sunday January 17, 2016
Lake Morey Resort
Fairlee, Vermont**

Agenda

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1. Call to Order—DG Pam Nichols
2. Introductions—1st Vice DG Joe Wilson
3. Roll Call—CS Bob Wilcox
4. Financial Report 2015-2016—CT Kathy Gallett
5. November 2015 Cabinet meeting minutes—CS Bob Wilcox
6. Vermont Lions Charities Report—President Phylis Porio
7. LCIF Super Raffle—IPDG Ken Emery
8. Honorary Committee Report—PDG Ken Emery
9. Lions Camp—Lion Brian Steckley
10. Traveling Lion—PCS Cindy Berg
11. Speak Out Contest--Lion Jackie Dutil
12. Sight and Hearing—Lion Linda Eastman
13. Lions Awards—DG Pam Nichols
14. Old Business
15. New Business
16. Fundraisers—PCT Loreen Teer/PCS Cindy Berg
17. 200 Club-50/50-- PCT Loreen Teer/PCS Cindy Berg
18. Lions Roar—DG Pam Nichols



**VERMONT LIONS DISTRICT 45
CABINET MEETING REGISTRATION**

Sunday January 17, 2016

Lake Morey Resort

1 Clubhouse Road

Fairlee, Vermont 05045

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Club/District Position: _____

Phone Number: _____

Home Club: _____

Cabinet Meeting: \$25.00 pp X _____ (# attending)\$ _____

Please return the completed registration with payment or send a conformation email if you are attending and paying at the door to CT Kathy at Kathy@bowfamily.com by Saturday January 9, 2016. Please make your check payable to Vermont District 45 and mail the registration to: CT Kathy Gallett, 83 Middle Road, Shaftsbury, VT 05262

Make you room reservations direct with the Resort (800-423-1211) at \$89.00 plus tax per night---Indicate you are with the VT Lions

Club News



Dave DeLucia, Melvin Jones Recipient

During its December 15, 2015 Christmas Party at Jesse's Restaurant, Hanover, NH, the Norwich Lions Club (NLC) presented Honorary Club Member, Dave DeLucia, a 2015 Melvin Jones Award.

Dave was recognized for his generosity and service to the community. Once each month a full three course complementary dinner meal is prepared and served at the White River Junction Listen Center Community Dinner Hall to well over one hundred adults and children. The Listen Center provides services and support to meet the critical needs of Upper Valley individuals and families.

Honorary Lion Dave generously funds the monthly event in the name of the NLC and Norwich Lions help to prepare and serve the meal.

Photos: Honorary Lion Dave DeLucia's Melvin Jones Award is presented by Past King Lion, Jay VanArman (photograph) while Norwich Lions Club members, their spouses and guests proudly look on (other photos).

Yours in Lionism,

Gary

Club News

Norwich

Norwich has a new website!
Bookmark it!

norwichlionsclub.org



Lion Warren Thayer (Second Vice-President), Norwich

Lions Club (NLC), collects eyeglasses from the Lions Club donation box outside Dan and Whit's General Store in Norwich.

Each year the NLC collects hundreds of pairs of eye glasses which are sent to Lions Club International where they are retrofitted and distributed to needy individuals worldwide.

Heartland



The Heartland Lions Club has been hosting Sir Charles, the traveling lion. During his visit he went to the Community Pageant in South Royalton and enjoyed hot chocolate. He is enjoying his visit this holiday season, yes he's been to Five Olde Tavern & Grille to visit and also out seeing the holiday lights.



The club has also had their Memory Tree again this year allowing ones to place a bell on the tree with the name of their loved ones.

Club News

Orleans



On the 10th of December we had have our annual Warm the Children auction that is only participated in with our members and guest, part of our Christmas party, and we raise over \$800.00 and donated \$1000.00 for this important cause as we have for many years now.

On Saturday December 12th we held our annual Children's Christmas Variety Show at the Orleans Municipal Building. We had a professional entertainer for the kids, estimated at 100 with another 60 adults attending, and the show last around 45min. Then Santa and Mrs. Santa (our DG Pam) arrived to hear all their wishes, we'll had ice cream, cookies and milk for them after, and we provided them all with a gift from us when all is done as well. This will be our 25th year of doing this project and it's definitely one of our high light projects. Included are a couple of pictures of DG Pam (Mrs. Santa) and Mr. Santa that I think all would enjoy seeing.

As always, thank you for all you do for District 45.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Secr. David Bolduc
Orleans Lions Club

Club News

NorShaft

Chili Fest - 8th Annual

The NorShaft Lions will once again be serving up over 20 different chilies at the 8th Annual Chili Fest on Saturday, January 16th from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. This opportunity to savor chilies such as White Bean Chicken Chili, Chocolate Chili, Vegan Chili, Sausage Chili and the traditional mild, medium and hot chilies takes place as part of the North Bennington Winter Festival.

Note: we are at a new location this year: the Community Room of St. John the Baptist Church on Houghton Street in North Bennington. It's just down from the train station where the ice carving competition will be held. The wagon ride from the Penguin Plunge will drop you off at the door to the church.

While we are at a new location, your favorite chilies will be back again this year. So come support the NorShaft Lions 8th Annual Chili Fest. Proceeds from this event will help fund our annual Scholarship program. Each year we give out five \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors.

Visit with friends, enjoy the chili and have fun at the Winter Festival

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Phylis Porio

Secretary,
NorShaft Lions

President,
Vermont Lions Charities



Lions Twin State Soccer Association, Inc.

Try- outs are over and the teams of High School Senior Soccer men and women are in the process of being established. It looks like schools all over the two states will be represented. Sponsorship and Ad letters are in the mail. There may be a player in your town that you would like to sponsor. You could invite that player to speak at a club meeting to tell you about the experience of being on the LTSSA team.

LTSSA Directors are as follows:

Year	44N	44H	45	
2016	Brent Crowder Richard Gray PDG Alan Ricard	Jerry Vaccaro Marilyn Vaccaro Ann Mason	PDG Ken Millay David LaRose Bruce Savery	PDG Betsy Magee Donald Lane
2017	Tom Royce, IPP PDG Don Potter PCC Tom Geno, VP	Jeri Maynard Open Open	John Sprague PDG Stanley, Patch, Jr. Odillon LaRoche	Rick Bingham Debbie Ankuda
2018	PDG Henry McKee Ray Dodge Cheryl Powers	Paul Pearsall (44N) Open Open	Robert Brault Pat Ankuda Open	Open Open Open

We would like to fill all the open spaces with dedicated Lions who are interested in serving on the board. All Lions are welcomed, and if you would like to attend a meeting you should make reservations by contacting Director Cheryl Powers at LionCherylPwrs@aol.com or by phone at 603 768-3617 by the Tuesday prior to the meeting. Below is the meeting schedule of 2015-2016 Lion year.

Meeting Schedule:

Wednesday, January 27, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge, Lebanon @ 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge, Lebanon @ 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 03, 2016: Players Banquet, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 27, 2016: Executive Board, 68 Jack Wells Road, Danbury @ 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 29, 2016: Directors meeting, Elks Lodge in Lebanon @ 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 14-16, 2016: LTSSA Soccer Camp, Castleton State College, Vermont

Saturday, July 16, 2016: Directors meeting, Castleton State College, Vermont

Saturday, July 16, 2016: LTSSA Soccer Game, Castleton State College, Vermont

"Soccer for Sight and Hearing"

CASTLETON LIONS 13th. ANNUAL FISH FRY

When: Sunday, March 13 , 2016

Where: TRAK-IN, Route 30, Lake Bomoseen

Special note: There will be (2) different settings:

Social hours: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. & 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 2 - 4 p.m. & 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

(featuring raffles & auction)

MENU: Fish chowder, assortment of fish(perch, trout, bass, crappie & smelt), baked potato, green beans, rolls & desserts(homemade pies) & coffee. Special note: chicken strips also available.

COST: \$15.00 per person. Reservations required!!!

Special note to area fishermen & local derbies. Per usual, we seek your help in making this event a success. We will need some of the fish that you catch.. perch, trout, bass, crappie, some northern pike and smelt. As we have done in the past, we will gladly clean them and prepare a meal fit for one and all. To donate, please call Lion Stan Patch, Jr. at (802)468-5001 and he will arrange for pick-up and yes, please remember that your donations will assist the Lions in assisting others. Special thanks!!!!

.....clip and mail for reservations.....

CASTLETON LIONS ANNUAL FISH FRY

TRAK-IN - SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2016

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Name.....

Address.....

.....phone number.....

Setting(please check): 1:00 p.m. _____ 4:30 p.m. _____

dinner to be buffet style; 2:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Number attending _____ at \$15.00 per person, amount enclosed _____

Send to: Lion Stan Patch, Jr., P.O. Box 2, Castleton, Vermont 05735.

Speak Out Contest

Speak Out Contest 2015-2016

For juniors and seniors

Sponsored by the



**And Vermont District
45 Lions**

Topic: "DIGNITY. HARMONY. HUMANITY."

Time: 5 to 7 min.

NOTE: This is a three level contest. The winner of our local Contest will advance to participate in Regional if necessary. Finalists go on to the State Level Contest which will be held on March 12, 2016, at the Brandon Inn; Route 7, Brandon, VT.

The Local Contest will be held at a Lions Club Meeting on: _____, 2016.

Lions Meet at: (_____)

JUDGING CRITERIA: Address Theme.....20pts.
Development of Theme.....50pts.
Expression and Delivery.....30pts

Each Judge may direct one question on the subject to the speaker at the conclusion of the speech.

PRIZES!

LOCAL CONTEST

1st Place:

2nd Place:

3rd Place:

Possible Regional Contest: To Be Determined if necessary

STATE FINALS!

1st: \$300

2nd: \$150

3rd: \$75

4th or more \$ 25

CONTACT PERSON: LION



Speak Out Contest

Please note the date change to MARCH 12, 2016 (from March 20, 2016)!

2015-2016 SPEAK-OUTCONTEST
“DIGNITY. HARMONY. HUMANITY”
March 12, 2016 Brandon Inn, Brandon, VT

SPEAK-OUT INFORMATION:

Included is an example of the Brandon-Forest Dale-Pittsford Lions Clubs Speak-Out Contest form (example of two clubs that work together from a union school).

1. Your clubs form to fill in your information on.
2. Judging form.
3. International President’s message on the theme of the contest, go to www.lionsclub.org .

THINGS TO DO IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:

1. Assign a Speak-Out Chairperson in your club.
2. Find a contact person, preferably at the (High School): the head of the English Department or a Guidance Counselor are excellent options. Also, local 4-H and Scout Group Leaders, etc.

Speak Out Contest

3. Your club will need to set a local contest date, amount of prizes, location of contest and list your chairperson person on the bottom of your form. Fill in and make copies including the judging form and the International President's message to give to your contacts. They in turn can make copies for the student's that are interested in participating. Doing this from Word Documents makes an easy option for sending info easily.

THINGS TO DO BY YOUR FIRST MEETING IN JANUARY:

1. Please contact me if your club is going to be participating in the Speak- Out Contest and give me the date of your local contest.

A Regional Contest may be necessary but the District tries to accept all participants if possible.

2. PLEASE HAVE YOUR LOCAL CONTEST AT ONE OF YOUR JANUARY MEETINGS, AN EARLIER IS FINE ALSO.

3. Send me the results of your Contest along with the number of guests (family members) your winner will have with them at the District Contest in March.

Speak Out Contest

4. Clubs usually offer the winner of their local Contest the opportunity to give another speaking performance before the State Contest or Regional one if necessary; giving helpful ideas to improve his or her performance.

5. The District 45 final will be held at the March 20th Cabinet Meeting at the Brandon Inn, in Brandon, VT.

6. The District covers the costs of all contestants' meals at the Cabinet Meeting, please let me know the total number of guests that will be attending the Contest so that the meals and tables needed are provided by the restaurant. Meals of any guests of the contestants' are covered by the clubs that invite them and should be paid by the club when they check in at the Cabinet Meeting.

7. The District also covers the meals of each club Speak Out Chairperson.

Thank you and good luck, hope to see you in March!

Lion Jackie Dutil, Speak-Out Contest Chairperson

jdutil775@comcast.net, 802-247-3490

Lion Connie St. George, Speak-Out Co-Chairperson

sunsetcarpentry1@juno.com, 802-352-4686

Speak Out Contest



DISTRICT 45-LIONS OF VERMONT SPEAK OUT CONTEST 2015-16

“DIGNITY. HARMONY. HUMANITY.”



Duration of Speech	LESS THAN	FIVE MINUTES	5-7 Minutes Required	Total Time	Total Points
Addressing the Theme (20 Points)	Effort made to address the Theme was lacking in quality (0-4 Points)	Good effort was made to address the Theme (5-10 Points)	Very good effort was made to address the Theme (11-19 Points)	Outstanding effort was made in addressing the Theme (20 Points)	
Developing the Theme (50 Points)	Effort to develop the Theme was lacking in clarity & organization (0-24 Points)	Good effort was made to develop the Theme (25-39 Points)	Very good effort was made to develop the Theme (40-49 Points)	Outstanding job was done of developing the Theme (50 Points)	
Clarity & Expression (30 Points)		Good effort of expressing the points being made – relatively confident in presentation (1-14 Points)	Very good effort of expressing the points being made – shows confidence in presentation (15-24 Points)	Excellent effort of expressing points being made – very confident & dynamic in presentation (25-30 Points)	
Name					Total Points

Pictures!

As seen in the Essex Reporter!



Manchester Lions Elf Express



Obituaries

St. Johnsbury

Our Life member Lion Willy St. George died January 1, 2016. Willy was a member of our club since 1980 and a harder working Lion could not be found. He loved Lionism.

Calling hours will be Thursday, January 7th, 6-8Pm at the Sayles Funeral Home on Summer Street in St. Johnsbury.

The funeral service will be Friday January 8th at 11 AM at the 1st Congregational Church, 52 Middle Street, Lyndonville.

The obituary will be in the Caledonia Record.

Condolences may be sent to: Alana St. George; 1207 Main St. Apt G1; St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.

YIL,
Lion Sally Wilder

Melvin Jones recipient and club memembr Gaston Doyon of Lowell passed away on Christmas Eve. He was 86.

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.