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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

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Governor's Message

Greetings Fellow Lions:

Can you believe it...we have already completed three months of our new Lions year and I sincerely hope you are having as much an interesting and fun time as I am.

So far, I have visited thirteen clubs and each is unique and interesting in its own way. Of the 13 visited, four are having a challenge in recruitment and service projects. As previously mentioned, the clubs in our District who need it and request it will have help with the intervention of our new team of Guiding Lions, GLT and GMT. To that end, we have already had a mini extension seminar to roll out this endeavor. Thank you PCC Mark as GLT in this process, and the Guiding Lions who have made a commitment to make this happen.

You will be pleased to know we have five Lions already in rotation for District Governor and so all being well we have leadership in place through 2018, coinciding with the 100th birthday of Lions Clubs International. **These candidates are subject to election at each year's State Convention.**

If you recall in my first newsletter, I mentioned International President Wayne Madden's challenge to us to help combat illiteracy in our communities. One way we can do this is to volunteer/mentor children and adults alike, in libraries, schools and perhaps even the waiting rooms of medical centers/doctors offices etc. Naturally, we need to reach out to these entities for the permission and schedule to help.

Next April, the Multi District will have an "Emerging Lions" weekend at which 20 Lions from our District will have the opportunity to learn ALL there is to know about Lionism. So, club Presidents, I need your help. If you have club members who have been Lions for two to three years, but who have not yet **become president of his/her club** and who aspire to climbing the ladder of leadership, then please give me their names. Again, we have room for 20 Lions to participate. Thank you!

Until next time, have a lovely fall month and a fruitful time as a Lion.
"In A World of service"

In Lionism,
Linda
DG Linda



During the month of October, International invites clubs to join Lions around the world to lead the fight against blindness by participating in a special service action campaign: “**Sharing the Vision**”. Help raise awareness of the importance of healthy vision and the causes of vision loss by planning activities in connection with World Sight Day, recognized each October. Or, organize projects throughout the month that mobilize your club members to make a difference in your community by helping those who live with blindness and visual impairment. The following are a few project ideas that members of your club and district may consider taking on:

- Organize a vision screening event or eyeglass recycling campaign in your community
- Volunteer at a rehabilitation center for the blind/visually impaired
- Organize transportation service to medical and other appointments for persons who are blind or visually impaired

To learn more about Sharing the Vision and explore more project ideas, please visit the link below:

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad456.pdf>

Lions Are Champions of Change

On October 2, the White House will recognize members who have been selected to represent Lions in the U.S. as Champions of Change. Lions serve across the country and the globe, wherever help is needed, making every Lion a Champion of Change.

Lions are encouraged to view the live Internet streaming, available through the [White House Web site](#) on October 2nd.

Club Events

Danbury Lions Club 85th Anniversary Celebration on October 19th. Details can be found on their website <http://www.danburylions.org/>

Monroe Lions Club An Italian Feast Fundraiser for Aidan (a 2 ½ year old who needs a Diabetic Alert Dog) to be held on October 20th. Details can be found on their website <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/monroect/>

New Haven Lions Club is having a Wine Tasting on October 25th. Tickets can be purchased from either Lion Marlane Hynes 203-488-1021, PDG Jim Bennett pdgjim98@snet.net or PDG Joan Bennett joan.bennett@snet.net

Norwalk Lions Club is having a “Night at the Races” on October 6th. For more details visit <http://www.lions23a.org/Events2011/month.htm>

Seymour Lions Club is having their Annual Benefit Car Show on October 21st. For more information visit <http://www.lions23a.org/Events2011/month.htm>

* If you have a club event you would like in our newsletter, please contact Cabinet Secretary Lisa Phillips lionlisap@yahoo.com

Upcoming Dates to Remember

District Governor Visitations:

- Bethany Club: October 9
- Wolcott Club: October 10
- Madison Club: October 17
- Orange Club: October 22
- Naugatuck Club: October 23
- Darien Club: October 25

District 23A Events:

- CLERF Meeting: October 1
- Zone 6: October 4
- Cabinet Meeting: October 8
- Council Meeting: October 15
- 100% Breakfast: October 21

Multiple District 23 Events:

- NELC Necrology Service & Melvin Jones Banquet: October 27-28
<http://www.lions23a.org/>
- Mid-Winter Conference: February 1-3, 2013 (registration form is on our website)
<http://district23a.org/>

Lions Clubs International Events:

- October 2 White House recognizes Lions (see information above)

Welcome New Lions

Lion Linda Cyr to the Danbury Lions Club

Lion Todd Herbst to the Meriden Lions Club

Lion Michael Merola to the Orange Lions Club

Happy Anniversary

Waterbury Lions Club: 89 years (October 18, 1923)

Cheshire Lions Club 63 years (October 19, 1949)

Fairfield Lions Club: 76 years (October 20, 1936)

South Meriden Lions Club: 4 years (October 27, 2008)

Please visit our district website at www.lions23a.org for all of the information about our district. Contact Lion Ernie Harrington to post any events that your club may have: ech105@snet.net
We are also on Facebook! Join our group at "Lions Clubs D23A, CT, USA"