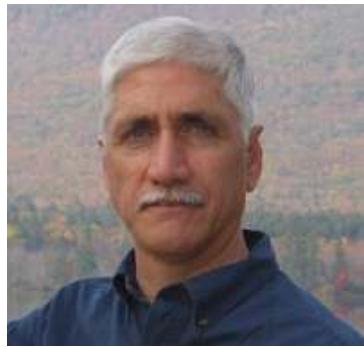




# EASTON LIONS CLUB

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## President's Message

By **Dennis Gutman**,  
President

**Not Above You;  
Not Beneath You;  
But With You**

### Winding down and looking ahead....

The DPW lot stands quiet now, and Larry Daulgren has put away his hammer and crow bar, as Recycle Day 2015 is in the books. Henry Narsassion is to be credited with another great effort, including arranging for great sunny weather. Three teams of “pick up crews”, John Mallers, Jon Morgan and Ray Morrell, zipped around town making pickups. See the picture on page 2 of an example of one such run by John Mallers-Yikes!

Meanwhile at the DPW itself, 15 Lions worked the lot while Nancy Sullivan carefully accounted for all the transactions in her mobile office. A detailed story is elsewhere in the newsletter. Thanks team for a great turnout that contributed close to \$8000 to our funds for Lion’s Causes.

### Induction Night.

Thanks to Amos Keddem, our membership chair this year, who along with Mark Ingalls welcomed 12 new Easton Lion’s-

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Jorge Cortizo, Wayne Dozier, David Gonzalez, Bob Grella, Jill Hatfield, Mark Hatfield, Paula Kavolius, Lynn Kingsbury, Dick Lacana, Jason Parks, Don Sierra. The ceremony itself was a moving, symbolic rite of passage that invokes Helen Keller’s charge for the Lion’s to be her Knights of the Blind. I implore all Lion’s to take anew this vow and recommit to our mission.

### Lions serve across the community.

Congratulations to a couple of Lions who have won seats on key Town offices. First, Past President Kevin McIntyre won a seat on the Easton Board of Selectmen. He will join fellow Lion Dottie Fulginiti already serving on that board. Finally, Jason Parks won an overwhelming endorsement to the Finance Commission. These are just some of the examples of Lions serving on commissions, boards and other volunteer organizations throughout town. Remember the motto of Lions, “we serve”, so Lions are engaged in the civic and commercial life of

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## President's Message (continued)

their communities, as well as serving as Helen's "Knights of the Blind".

Thrift Store continues to draw the crowds. Thanks to Harry Lynd and the team of "regulars" the merchandise is moving off the floor and clothing racks as soon as it comes in. John Mallers continues to make picks ups from near and far for furniture and such.

Lions support our Easton Students. Our Scholarship committee has endorsed 7 scholarships for Easton youth. These individuals attend OA and Southeast Regional. All are candidates who met criteria of scholarly achievement, good citizenship and defined career goals—a great example of how we "give back".

On a more Looking Ahead. Last Membership meeting is 5/27 and will feature an important speaker-Kimberly Harrison of "Wings of Angels-Easton". This is an important effort endorsed by local officials, the "Y", and anti-drug coalitions across the region. As concerned

citizens of our community, and Lions, we need to understand the impact of the horrible scourge of Opiate abuse and how we as a membership can help groups in the forefront like Kimberly's. Thanks!

Believe it or not the Lion's year is coming to a close.

Installation night is approaching on 6/10 at the Easton Country Club. Tickets are \$15 for Lions, and \$30 for Guests. Come and celebrate our group accomplishments this year as we also wish our new leadership team the best in the upcoming year. Awards will also be presented for Melvin Jones as well as Lion of the Year. Come be a part of it in this exciting new venue. Contact Dennis, Marilyn, Ken.

Last business meeting—Weds—5/27—BOD & general meeting. Guest Speaker. Weds—6/10—Installation Night, Easton Country Club.

Weds—6/24 Easton Rod and Gun Club—Mosquito Fest 2015—Cookout—Club Awards.

Again, thanks for all you do as Lions. See you on 5/24 for an important briefing on a truly critical issue facing our community—Opiate abuse. Kimberly Harrison will address the club.



John Mallers defies the laws of gravity

# Spreading the Word about the Thrift Store

By Matthew Cioffi

## Contacting Area Realtors:

Avery Lee Williams is working to pull together a few good Lions who can help spread the word about the Easton Lions Thrift Store. The idea is to find avenues that can bring in good used items to the Thrift Store. We turn over lots of items each week, and the Thrift Store is our best fundraiser for the club.

The realtors are in a unique position and may be asked by folks moving to new locales where they can donate items they no longer need in their new homes. Lee and Matthew Cioffi have letters and business cards ready to go, Lee is testing the waters, and we just need a few more bodies to make this work. If you'd like to help, please contact Avery Lee Williams at RBC Wealth management, e-mail [avery.williams@rbc.com](mailto:avery.williams@rbc.com) or call 508-345-6544. You can also stop in at the Thrift Store Wednesday or Saturday for more details.

## Sharing with Friends:

One of the best ways to get the word out about the Thrift Store is to let your friends and family know about us. We have a unique array of eclectic items for folks to discover and are always looking for good donations. We have business cards at the meetings and store if you want a bunch to share. We also have two websites you can share:

[www.EastonThriftStore.com](http://www.EastonThriftStore.com) and if you use Facebook invite your friends to [www.FaceBook.com/EastonThiriftStore](http://www.FaceBook.com/EastonThiriftStore).

We accept and sell all sorts of items; from household accessories to toys, bike & games, clothing and bedding, furniture, tables, artwork/prints, and undiscovered antiques. 100% of proceeds benefit the local community, eye research and the restoration of the Grange. Call Harry Lynd at 215-407-6936 for more details or e-mail us at [Thrift@EastonLions.org](mailto:Thrift@EastonLions.org).



# Melvin Jones Fellows

By Jon Morgan

In 1917, Melvin Jones, a 38-year-old Chicago business leader, told members of his local business club they should reach beyond business issues and address the betterment of their communities and the world. Jones' group, the Business Circle of Chicago, agreed. After contacting similar groups around the United States, an organizational meeting was held on June 7, 1917, in Chicago, Illinois, USA. The new group took the name of one of the invited groups, the "Association of Lions Clubs," and a national convention was held in Dallas, Texas, USA in October of that year. A constitution, by-laws, objects and a code of ethics were approved. Within three years, Lions became an international organization. Since then, we've earned high marks for both integrity and transparency. We're a well-run organization with a steady vision, a clear mission, and a long – and proud – history.

Just three years after our founding, Lions became international when we established the first club in Canada. Mexico followed in 1927. In the 1950s and 1960s international growth accelerated, with new clubs in Europe, Asia and Africa.

In 1925, Helen Keller addressed the Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, USA, and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness". Since then, we have worked tirelessly to aid the blind and visually impaired and to eradicate blindness.

Melvin Jones asked a simple and world-changing question – what if people put their talents to work improving their communities? Almost 100 years later, Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, with 1.35 million members in more than 46,000 clubs and countless stories of Lions acting on the same simple idea: let's improve our communities! At our June meeting we will induct our officers for 2015-2016. We will also honor two of our members by noting them as Melvin Jones Fellows. I hope you'll be there to share in this memorable event with me.

## 2015 Lions Scholarship Awards

By Jim Lee

The Scholarship Committee, comprised of Kevin McIntyre, Ray Morrell, Henry Narsasian, Bill Palmer, Alan Siegel and me, evaluated 21 scholarship applications from Oliver Ames High School and selected the following recipients, each of which will be awarded a \$1000 college scholarship during Senior Night on June 3<sup>rd</sup>:

Kevin Dias  
Katherine Kudcey  
Olivia Mileika  
Emily Morgan  
Lily Vinacoor

Easton residents at Southeastern Regional Vocational-Technical High School that were selected by the school to receive \$1000 scholarships/toolships are:

Madeline Blackburn  
Nicole Morawski

## Help Our Administrative Budget!



### IT'S SHEAR MATTNESS!

\$5.00 Donation to the Club Administrative Fund

Help Matt lose his "Beloved Beard"  
*What is he hiding behind the beard!*

Drawing to be held at the Installation Dinner June 10

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Hair Today

Gone

June 24<sup>th</sup>



## Eyes on the Web by Matthew Cioffi

### Where's the best place online to find out about Club Events?

Our club publishes dates for our meetings and club events in several different locations on our Club Website. The complete list, by month, is in the Club Calendar on the main menu, circled in Red below.

[Who we are](#) [What we do](#) [Donate](#) [Thrift Store](#) [Leo Club](#) [Calendar](#)



On our home page, the *Coming Events* section lists events happening in the next 2 or 3 months with dates and times. This is found near the bottom.



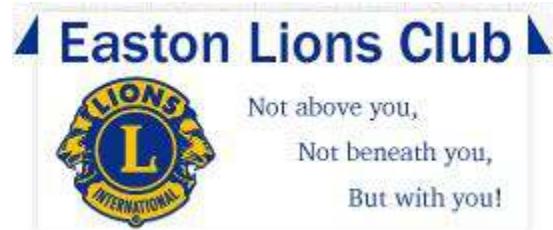
The *Notices* section will often have information on the next major event our club is doing with additional important information.

The *Club Newsletter* is a good resource. It usually lists the coming events either in the Presidents Message, Save the Date box, or are the focus of articles in the issue.

We also utilize our *Facebook pages* to help publicize events for the Club, Thrift Store and Yardley Wood Rink. If you use Facebook, please "Like" these pages to receive newsfeeds.

If you ever have a question about any club events, feel free to contact any of the club officers or send an email to [president@eastonlions.org](mailto:president@eastonlions.org) or [secretary@eastonlions.org](mailto:secretary@eastonlions.org).

[www.EastonLions.org](http://www.EastonLions.org)



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Share the links with Friends & Family!  
If you'd like to help out with our web pages please contact Matthew Cioffi at [info@eastonlions.org](mailto:info@eastonlions.org).

# Queen of Hearts

By Ginny Ando and Paul Lemieux,

The - ❤ Queen of Hearts ❤ - Raffle  
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