### EASTON LIONS CLUB

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Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 6:30 PM at V.F.W.



# President's Message By Bill Palmer, President

Not Above You; Not Beneath You; But With You

WOW! Just WOW....a current format Lions Auction Record of maybe \$25,000.00 raised (helmed by Cindy Rodham -Tuck and Dale Kerester; aided by outstanding work by Marilyn Henderson, John Mallers, Ken Love and many, many others; and non-Lions Huy Vu / data-base and Dan the Computer Network Man and Jason Daniels from ECAT...a Grange/Lions Thrift Store Humming along with Don Tuck and Ruth Calvagne and Jim Howarth, Jack Cummings and lots more....a whole ship of castaways at the Mid-Winter conference (Marilyn, Ruth, Lynn Cleveland, Lynne Martin, Lee Williams, Joe Techiera and his wife Aldina, Nancy Sullivan, Plus Past Prez's Mike and Jan Melley!)...plans for a thift store overstock Auction at the Covenant Congregational Church on Center Street on the 24<sup>th</sup>??...a Holiday Fest takedown completed by Jan 8<sup>th</sup> ?? Really?

Morgan, Matt Soeldner, Bosse, Kudcey and friends strike againl....the Yardley/ Wood/ Center School Rink opening 3 times and melting within 24 hours (No, Ken Wood, Henry Mehler and Bob Ferrand did not sink!)....now on to Junk Day, Our 80<sup>th</sup>

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anniversary Celebration, Spring Carnation Day March 17<sup>th</sup>??...a combined Family Fun /Canoe Day in May at the Rink ...Candy Drive...Could we set a record for most \$ given to Eye Research again??

Also, to our Families for letting us do this...tell them thanks

And the OAHS Leos, Swim Team and Lacrosse Team. Stonehill Colege, Easton Garden Club, Friends of Easton Public Gardens, Easton Women of Today. The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and all the little KIDS!!

I'm sure I left someone out!!

The Easton Lions have a President who is very Proud of his Club, very proud of his Board of Directors and very proud of our Lions Friends who help us out...GO LIONS

We were saddened by the passing of an all-time MVP Lion Manny Fernandes and the Past District Governor Nolan Rozzelle (He nominated us for Best Club in the World and received the Award for us.).

Yours in Lionism, Bill Palmer

### Community Effort Yields Lions Auction Success































That's why the Chairlady is smiling.

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### Volunteers and Weather Allow Easy Clearing of Holiday Decorations

Once again, the holiday decorations at Oakes Ames Hall and the Rockery were taken down and stored until next season thanks to volunteers led by Jon Morgan.

The roustabouts this year were: Bill Palmer, Kevin McIntyre, Matt Soeldner, John Hayes, Tony Cabral, Nick Fornaro, Steve Wilson, Henry Narsasian, John Mallers, Gus Arns, Frank Paul, Bill Anderson, Dennis Gutman, Jim Bosse, Bob Farrand and Gerry Deneault with apologies to anyone overlooked by Captain Morgan.

Thanks to the extraordinary effort of **John Mallers**, the holiday decorations and the auction materials are now stored in spacious and new (to Lions) facilities.



### Congratulations to this month's Song Contest winner:

January: Marilyn Cyr - "Moondance" by Van Morrison

Yes, Marilyn. You won!



### Want to Cultivate Entrepreneurial Spirit in Youngsters?

#### Ray Morrel has a proposal.

Great time, great weather. For what more could a Lion ask? My weekend started with setting up and organizing the tent. I want to thank Rich Bommardt and Warren Anderson for their assistance. Great job, guys!

According to Ray Morrell tradition, I like to have members' children, grandchildren and friends work the tent under my guidance. It's a good lesson in economics. Profit this year: over \$500.

Bill Palmer's son, Tim, was a big help in handling the money. My neighbors Kyle and Tom Cottam worked both days arriving right after their hockey meets.

I reflect on just a few of these young kids. My biggest helper, Thomas Eyre, (Jerry Denault's grandson) has been working in the tent for 8 years. Imagine this: Thomas attends Bishop Stang where he is active in the National Honor Society, Scouts, has his eye on a future in the tech industry. AND he still made time for working in the tent. Then there was Henry Narsasian's son, Peter. He had a business sense even in his years working in the tent. Peter would observe what candy wasn't selling and move it to another spot on the table to make it more visible. Guess what? It would sell!

I myself feel that after 20 years, it is time to pass the corn popper on to someone else.

Hoping the traditions of the last 20 will continue, Ray Morrell



## Easton Lions Made Smashing Impact on District Meeting's "Shipwreck" Festivities

Can you believe...



These sophisticated ladies ...



Starred in a remake of Gilligan's Island? (Featuring Lady Gaga? Bravo! Ruth!)

### Queen of Hearts Raffle Under New Management

Ginny and Paul Ando have take charge of the Queen of Hearts Raffle. The meeting finale is in very good hands.

Check out the current prize amount on the next page. Buy those tickets to help Lions charities. You can't win unless you buy a ticket.

### Recycling Cans and Bottles Helps Easton Lions Fundraising

Ruth Calvagne, Easton Lions cans and bottles recycler, continues her efforts to set new records for turning nickels into dollars for Lions charity funding.

Let Ruth return your cans and bottles to help Easton Lions fundraising.

Call Ruth at 508 230-3524

He Sings, He Dances, He's Funny... He's on YouTube!

http://youtube/DgrD527nVwQ



100% pure entertainment!!!

Remember to Check Out the Thrift Shop Come in, browse and enjoy the offbeat atmosphere at one of the most unusual shopping spots for miles around.

We are open on Saturdays from 9 AM to 3 PM and on Wednesdays from 10 AM to 2 PM at the old Grange Hall on Route 138 in the Unionville section of Easton between Bob's Ski Doo and the Union Villa (good pizza)

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### A Lion Among Lions



Manuel Fernandes
January 1, 1913 - January 18, 2012

### **Queen of Hearts**

By Ginny and Paul Ando,

The - Queen of Hearts --- Raffle

is over \$1,700 <u>wow!!</u>...

Don't lose out on your chance to win at the next meeting and remember you are also helping to raise funds to support eye research and our community!!!

#### Name the song and the artist contest:

"I set out on a narrow way many years ago...

Hoping I would find true love along the broken road...

But I got lost a time or two, wiped my brow and kept pushing through

I couldn't see how every sign pointed straight to you..."

Send entries to: mvinoco98@yahoo.com

\*All entries that are correct will now be entered into a raffle to win the monthly prize.

Winners will be announced in the monthly newsletter, and at regular meetings.

\*Any relatives of Markie V. are not eligible to win a prize. Markie V. Inc. retains all rights to this contest.

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