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# EASTON LIONS CLUB

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### **President's** Message

By Kevin McIntyre, President

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

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I thought I would have a slow and easy summer to gear up for my year at the helm, but I was wrong. Lions related business has kept me hopping, whether it was helping out at the Thrift Store, getting geared up for the golf tournament or dealing with the opportunity to purchase the Ralph Armstead property at 167 Center Street, I have been fully immersed. In the very least it has helped me realize that there are certain Lions who never rest. We are lucky to have them.

One of those tireless members is Markie V., who is constantly bugging me for another President's Message, or seeking some plum, prestigious appointment within the club hierarchy. Another is Lou Piantoni, who gave me \$20 to mention him in the newsletter. Here you go Lou, and thanks for your steady appearances at the Thrift operation.

Exciting things have already happened this Lions year, including the bold new web site which will be the envy of all Lions clubs. Nora Yousif, Ryan Cook, Bill Anderson and others have formed a committee to involve and recruit younger members to the club.

Amos Keddem, Lee Williams, Nancy Sullivan and Joan Lundgren have been busy fine tuning and revitalizing other aspects of our membership recruiting, induction and retention process. Don Tuck, Burt Lewis, Ruth Calvagne and the rest of the Thrift crew are always thinking of new ways to make the venture more efficient and more profitable so we can increase our support for eye research and community programs. Henry Narsasian, Steve Hoffman and Bill Anderson have come up with proposals for new fundraisers.

People have been telling me that I will have a good year as President, and I am beginning to believe it. With a moderate contribution from all, it will be guaranteed. Hope you had a great summer, and I will see you in September!

YOURS IN LIONISM - President Kevin G. **McIntyre** 



# Get Ready to GOLF!!

Easton Patch article by Patrick Maguire



If you've been to a community event, festival, or parade in Easton, there is a good chance the event was hosted, co-hosted, or sponsored by what is perhaps the Shoveltown's most visible civic and charitable organization: The Easton Lions Club.

"The Easton Lions Club was rated the number one Lions Club in the country [in 2008]," said Lions Club member Kevin Williams. "We have a tremendous reputation and the club is very, very active as you know. We're into everything."



Now, as has been the case for the past 13 years, the Lions Club is asking the community to give back. And, in true Lions Club fashion, the fundraiser will be in the form of a community event.

#### The 2012 Easton Lions Club Golf

<u>Tournament</u> is set for Sept. 29 at <u>Easton</u> <u>Country Club</u>. The event is sponsored by <u>North Easton Savings Bank</u> and will raise money for the Lions' civic and charitable contributions, as well as the Lions' primary charity: eye research.

The event kicks off at 1 p.m. with 18 foursomes making their way through Easton Country Club. The cost to play is \$150 per person and prizes will be given to the longest drive, closest to the pin and the top two winners.

Local businesses and organizations will also be involved through a raffle at the end of the event.

Williams, who is organizing the event, said residents can play golf, donate to the raffle, or just volunteer for the day. He said anyone interested should call him at RBC Wealth Management: 508-230-8960.

"Just give me a ring and if they'd like they can come up and volunteer," he said. "We'll put them on the list. We just need registrations in by Sept. 24 so we can get a headcount."

Source: http://easton-ma.patch.com/articles/easton-lions-to-host-14th-annual-golf-tournament

Aug.		
Wed. 29		First Cabinet Advisory/ District 33S
Sept.		
Wed. 12	7:00 pm	First September General Meeting/BOD at 5:30
Wed. 26	7:00 pm	Second Sept General Meeting
Sat. 29	9 am	Golf Tournament
Sun. 30		NRT Fair
Oct.		
Wed. 3	3:30 - брт	Senior Cookout at COA on Barrows/Eyemobile 1 - 4pm
Wed. 10	7:00 pm	First October General Meeting/BOD at 5:30
Sat. 13	9:00 am	Leo's Walk-Along Cape Cod Canal :bus leaves OA at 7:30
Sat. 20	10am-3pm	Scarecrow Day at Rink
Wed. 24	7:00 pm	Second October General Meeting
Sun. 28	4:30 pm	Halloween Parade
Nov.		
Sat. 10	8 am	Rockery Clean-Up
Wed. 14	7:00 pm	First November General Meeting/BOD at 5:30
Sat. 17	8 am	Holiday Fest Decorations Set-Up
Wed. 28	7:00 pm	Second November General Meeting
Dec.		
Sat. 1	10am - 6pm	Holiday Festival Day #1
Sun. 2	11am - 5pm	Holiday Festival Day #2
Sat. 8		Skate Swap at Rink
Wed. 12	7:00 pm	First General Meeting in December/Holiday Party/BOD at 5:30

# "Next Gen" Lions Committee Approved

By Nora Yousif

The Easton Lions have accomplished a great deal to earn the Best Club in the World award a few years back and help mold Easton into the wonderful community in which we live. Looking ahead, members are taking a fresh look at recruiting young individuals who will carry on the Lions mission.

To that end, the Board of Directors Wednesday evening unanimously approved the creation of the "Next Gen" Lions Committee. The committee and newly recruited members will have the flexibility to try out new events geared toward community programming for younger families and adults. A professional development element will also be added to the Easton Lions along with a revamped marketing strategy that covers clothing, flyers, and signage.

Kevin Martin, Courtney Pupkin, Tony D'Ambrosio, Bill Anderson, Ryan Cook, and Nora Yousif are the founding members of the Next Gen Lions and will be looking for new members to help fuel the momentum. The group meets regularly at local restaurants to share appetizers, ideas, and put plans in motion.

Easton's next new exciting event could come from you! Please contact Nora Yousif (508) 230-8960 <u>nora.yousif@rbc.com</u> with your interest in joining the committee. Your energy and ideas are warmly welcome.



## Can & Bottle Recycling Report

By Ruth Calvagne

Turned in to date in 2012 are 212 cases of bottles and cans yielding \$254.40! Keep them coming and let everyone know--send Emails to customers too.

# Drivers Needed for Eyemobile

By Rich Freitas

Have a need for a driver for the Eyemobile who has either been trained to drive it, or has experience driving it or similar vehicles.

Immediate needs are for 9/29, 9/30, 10/3, and 12/1...

Also, if anyone is interested in operating or being trained any of the screening equipment on the vehicle for our upcoming events, please contact me at (cell) 508-951-7913

# Easton Lions Welcomes Visitors from University Campus Lions Clubs to Annual Cookout

Richard Freitas brought his my nephew Brad Devins, an Easton resident, Oliver Ames grad, and UMass Amherst Junior to this June's annual cookout.

According to Rich, out of about 85 Campus Lions Clubs in North America, for 2012:

1) Brad was this year's Campus Club President of the Year;

2) The UMass Amherst Lions Club was voted the Best Campus Club of the Year; AND

3) The UMass Amherst Lions Club (in which Brad had a big hand in doubling its membership this year) is the 5th Largest Campus Lions Club in North America.



Rich Freitas and Brad Devins

In addition, Michael Pietrowski hosted Sean Milligan, a student at American University in D.C, at the cookout. Thanks to both of our guests for helping us celebrate another outstanding year!



Mike Pietrowski and Sean Milligan

### **Queen of Hearts**

By Ginny Ando and Paul Lemieux,

The -♥ <u>Queen of Hearts</u>♥ - <u>Raffle</u> is now over \$2,182.27 <u>wow!!</u>...

### **Newsletter Sponsor**

By Mark Vinocoor, Newsletter Chairperson

Special thanks go to: **Mike and Janice Melley** for sponsoring the mailing of this newsletter

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

"Every girl wants you to be her man...but I'll wait my dear till it's my turn I'm not the kind of girl who gives up just like that, oh no....."

Send entries to: mvinoco@comcast.net

\*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.

\* Markie V. Inc. retains all rights to this contest.

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