



# EASTON LIONS CLUB

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## President's Message

By *Cindy Rodham Tuck, President*

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



We Serve

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It never ceases to amaze me all the hard work and dedication of the members of the Easton Lions. To quote Jon Morgan the Holiday Festival was "organized chaos". The weather on both days was frigid to say the least which seemed to keep the numbers down. The biggest problem we had in my opinion was manpower. Our Club has 180 members but it is the same people there every year working long hours in all kinds of weather. Several of the new members pitched in and hopefully enjoyed themselves.

Despite a demanding travel schedule for work, Jon Morgan once again took the helm as Chair. I wish I had a quarter of his organization skills. I know I am going to miss someone, but I would also like to thank John Mallers, Dale Kerester, Kevin McIntyre, Ken Love, Ed Pires Matt Soeldner, Matt Cioffi, Tyler Bourne, Dennis Gutman, Bob Cunha, and Ryan Cook. They all put in long hours on BOTH days. Mark Vinocoor ran the kid's party which also was a huge success. I was so proud to be the President of such a fine organization

because of the efforts of these members as well as all the others.

Now, we move on to the Auction which will be held on Sunday February 9, 2014 (let's pray that Mother Nature cooperates this year and there are no snowstorms). Kevin McIntyre has "volunteered" to be the Auction Chair. He has scheduled a meeting before the Holiday Party on December 18. Nancy Sullivan and Amos Keddem will be handling the manpower. When you are called, please help us out. Dale Kerester will organize the solicitations.

In reviewing the roster, I have discovered that some of our member's information is incorrect or incomplete. Please provide us with any changes: phone, address or email. Some of you have listed work emails and/or phone numbers. It would be most helpful if we had your home phone and email as well.

Our Holiday Party will be on December 18 at the VFW at 7:00 PM. We will be having a Yankee Swap. So bring a gift (no more

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than \$15.00) and let's have some fun. There will be a meal. AND, the Queen of Hearts is now at \$7129.00 plus whatever money is collected that night. **THERE ARE ONLY THREE CARDS LEFT!!!!** Hopefully, someone will have a very happy Holiday.

Don and I would like to wish everyone a very happy and joyous Holiday Season.

## Eye Mobile Report

By Rich Freitas

**Easton Holiday Festival at the Rockery, Main Street, North Easton, MA, Saturday, December 7, 2013 from 10:30 to 4:00 PM**

	<u>Tested</u>	<u>Referral</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Vision</b>	3	1	<b>33%</b>
<b>Blood</b>			
<b>Sugar</b>	0	0	<b>0%</b>
<b>Blood</b>			
<b>Pressure</b>	2	0	<b>0%</b>
<b>Glaucoma</b>	0	0	<b>0%</b>
<b>Hearing</b>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<b><u>100%</u></b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>33%</b>

Partly sunny and in the low 30's.

Thanks to the following lions for their hard work, namely: Ryan Cook and Rich Gravely (driving), and George Mussari (vision). My apology for anyone missed—let me know about it if so.

Please call me if you wish to help or learn to use the screening equipment.

## Holiday Festival Wrap-up

By Jon Morgan

The 27th Annual Holiday Festival is behind us, and the finally tally will be shared in a few days. I am confident it will prove to be successful.

This year's event offered new ways to engage the public and manage our coordinated labor efforts. Many hours of planning and soliciting were directed at adequately staffing the Festival. A key concern I have is that our membership failed to meet the commitment of hours needed to smoothly execute the event. Those members present know we struggled to meet the needs of what proved to be a bit smaller crowd that we usually see. I appreciate the efforts of those members who answer a call to interrupt their Sunday afternoon and help our Club out. I know there are many demands of our time, and the Holiday Festival is an event that demands considerable man hours.

I will be holding a **wrap up meeting for the recent Holiday Festival at 7:00 PM, Wednesday, January 15**. Anyone who has ideas or comments on what can be done to improve on this event is invited to meet at the VFW Hall. The meeting will not last longer than an hour.



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## Environmental Photo Contest

### Overview

The Lions Environmental Photo Contest provides a way for Lions to portray, through an original photo, their pride and commitment to improving, protecting and preserving the environment. Every Lion from a club in good standing can enter a photograph of his or her immediate surroundings into the Lions District 33S Environmental Photo Contest. The Lions District 33S single, overall, winning photograph will advance to the Lions Multiple District 33 (Massachusetts) competition, and if winning the state competition, to the Lions Clubs International competition.

### Entry Guidelines

-This year's Lions Environmental Photo Contest includes the following five categories:

Animal Life

Plant Life

Urban or Natural Landscape

Weather Phenomenon

**Special Theme:** "A Dream for a Healthy Environment"

- o Seeing the beauty and value of our natural environment for today and tomorrow.

-All photo entries must be 8" x 10" in size, unframed, with no print, writing, or numbering on the photo. Each entry must have the category (*see the above five options*) clearly marked on the back of the photo.

-Six (6) District photo entry awards will be presented- one to each of the five photo category winners, and one overall photo winning entry selected from the five category winners.

### Timeline

-All entries by mail, or electronically by e-mail attachment, must be received by District Contest Chairperson PDG Dave Cox, by Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Entries may be hand delivered to Chairperson Cox, or to a Committee member, up to 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2014 at the Mid Winter Conference. All entries will be on display at the Mid Winter hotel, and voting conducted, on Saturday, January 11, 2014. The winning District entry will be announced at the Mid Winter Conference on Sunday morning, January 12, 2014.

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## Two People from Easton to be Honored in Statehouse Ceremony

By Jennifer Bray

Two men credited with preserving a piece of the town's past will be honored at a ceremony at the Statehouse in January.

Avery Lee Williams and Edmund Hands have been selected to receive a Keuhn Community Preservation Award. Both are on the town's Community Preservation Act Committee, and both are founding members of the committee.

"These two men are completely deserving of this award. They have done so much to preserve the historic and natural resources of Easton," said selectmen Chairwoman Colleen Corona, who nominated them.

The role both played in the preservation of the Ames Shovel Shop brought them to the attention of the executive director of the Community Preservation Coalition, Stuart Saginor.

Almost \$7.5 million of community preservation money was funneled into the Ames Shovel Shop, said Saginor.

"Avery and Ed deserve a tremendous amount of credit for using the money exactly the way Bob (Keuhn) would have wanted it to," said Saginor.

Kuehn was actively involved in the drafting and passing the state's Community Preservation Act, signed into law in 2000. Kuehn was also one of the founders and main

supporters of the Community Preservation Coalition, and served as vice chair of the coalition's steering committee until his death in June, 2006

The Ames Shovel Shop dates to 1852 and was recently transformed into 113 housing units, 30 of which are below market rate. The historic character of the buildings was preserved.

Before it's transformation, a developer had bought up the property, which had been in use as office space, and proposed a 200-unit housing development that did not seek to preserve the historic character of the buildings.

The Ames Shovel Shop was listed as one of the National Trust for Historic Preservation's 11 most endangered historic places in 2009.

(From the Easton Journal website 9 December 2013  
<http://www.wickedlocal.com/easton/news/x1069228257/Two-people-from-Easton-to-be-honored-in-Statehouse-ceremony>)

## Update on Charlie Hammond and Bob Govey

By Lee Williams

Charlie Hammond is up and around with a walker. X-rays in January will tell if his bone is mending. Bob Govey is at Life Care in West Bridgewater. Charlie did not know how long he'd be there.

## Queen of Hearts

By Ginny Ando and Paul Lemieux,

The -  Queen of Hearts  - Raffle  
Jackpot is

**\$7,129!**



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By *Mark Vinocoor*, Newsletter Chairperson

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