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# Opportunity is Knocking

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## District 23B Governor's Newsletter



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### DO YOU KNOW WHAT MONTH IT IS?

If you answered "October".... well I can only give you partial credit. The correct answer is... "**October Membership Growth**" month. LCI will be recognizing recruiting success this month by re-introducing the October Membership Growth Award Program. Any club that reports a new member to LCI in their October membership report will receive a **banner patch** signifying their participation. For those filing online, that means you have until October 31<sup>st</sup>. Last year, 14 clubs in 23B recorded a new member in the month of October. Can we do better in 2009?

### CONGRATULATIONS!!!

While I'm on the subject of membership, I'd like to congratulate the clubs in Zone 4 for combining for a positive net growth of 6 members for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of our Lions year. In my January newsletter, I will announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter leader. Plenty of time for the rest of the district to catch up!

### THANK YOU

On September 18<sup>th</sup>, Lions from across the state gathered to provide eyecare and vision screenings at the Veterans Stand Down in Rocky Hill. Thanks to Lions Alan Daninhirsch, Rich Miller, Steve Polezonis, Sandy Uitti, and all the rest who gave of their time to assist 188 veterans at the event.

Also thank you to all of the clubs that participated at the two Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation walks this past month. Every step you took brings us closer to a cure for this leading cause of blindness. The Terryville Lions and friends once again did a great job handing out popcorn at the East Hartford event.

## A SOBERING THOUGHT...

In the time it has taken you to read this far, a child somewhere in the world has gone blind.

## A SPECIAL NIGHT FOR SOME SPECIAL KIDS

On Thursday, October 29, the American School for the Deaf will once again put on a dinner in appreciation of the support they get from our clubs. Clubs will have the opportunity to present their donations in person, and be treated to a presentation by the students. So the School can know how many to expect, please RSVP to Tammy Selinger – (860) 570-2355, or [tammy.selinger@asd-1817.org](mailto:tammy.selinger@asd-1817.org).

## WARNING: DEADLINE APPROACHING

If your club is participating in the Peace Poster Contest, please remember that the submissions must be in by November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of Lions Dennis Perreault (Berlin), Herman Bercowetz (Bloomfield), and George Parker Sr. (East Windsor)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1	Club visitation – Windsor Locks
October 5	23B Cabinet meeting, La Trattoria, Canton
October 6	Club visitation – Woodbury
October 7	Club visitation - Norfolk
October 8	Club visitation – Hartland
October 12	MD23 Council Meeting, TBD
October 13	Club visitation – Watertown
October 15	Club visitation – Hartford Host
October 19	CLERF Board of Directors
October 20	Club visitation – Greater Hartford West Indian
October 21	Club visitation – Kent
October 22	Club visitation – Enfield
October 26	Club visitation – New Hartford
October 26	Low Vision Board Meeting
October 27	Club visitation – Hartford Hispanic Seniors (day)

October 27	Club visitation – Canaan (evening)
October 28	Club visitation – Litchfield
October 29	American School for the Deaf Open House
October 31	Multiple District 23 Membership Rally
November 1	New England Lions Council Meeting
November 2	Club visitation – Newington
November 3	Club visitation – Rocky Hill/Wethersfield
November 4	Club visitation – East Windsor
November 5	Club visitation – Torrington
November 10	Club visitation – Glastonbury
November 12	Club visitation – Bethlehem
November 16	Club visitation – Trinity College
November 17	Club visitation – Manchester
November 18	Club visitation - Sharon
November 19	Club visitation – Canton
November 23	Low Vision Dinner – TBD
November 26	Happy Thanksgiving!
November 30	CLERF Board of Directors

And remember – **It's Great To Be A Lion!**

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