



JUNGLE JOTTINGS

Not above you, not beneath you, but with you.

December Brings Out the Best In Us

Bells rang, radios hummed, eyes were screened, a new Leo Club was born and the Danbury Lions Club did it all almost overnight. One might have expected to see the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future lending a hand, but we managed it with just the help of mere mortals. Read on...

Ring out Solstice Bells! Stephanie Jacobson was everywhere, ensuring that Lions kept up the holiday cheer and kept the Salvation Army kettles brimming with loot. She wrote: "Thank you to everyone that donated and/or put in their time this year with the kettle. Even though we haven't officially won the Lions-Rotary challenge, you are ALL winners in my eyes. Your generosity is overwhelming! Thank you!" Then, Lion Mike Kallas wrote: "Happy Holidays to all fellow Lions: Thank you, thank you, thank you. I am still in shock at the generosity of our Lions. I was expecting to collect maybe \$50 or so to put in the bucket. We collected an astounding total of over \$1300. I am all choked up. Because of you, many needy recipients will have a very happy holiday.



Those who were not at the meeting can still contribute on Saturday Dec 10, by going to Macy's (airport entrance), just look for our freezing Lion's aprons, and drop something in the bucket. If our Rotary friends can match that, more power to them and God Bless us all." *Ed. Note:* No, of course the Rotary didn't match that. The final tally was: Lions \$2253.40; Rotary \$762.05. A very proud Lion President Kallas offered this, "I will accept the trophy for all of us, but I am humbled by your generosity (over \$1600 of our total came directly from the Lions)." ■





Breakfast, radios and Lions. On December 14th, 176 of us gathered at the Amber Room to support CRIS Radio – the radio information service for the visually impaired. Since 1994 CRIS has been manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week offering news and entertainment to its users.



Local readers, led by coordinator Keith Beaver, keep the airwaves humming on the 380 specially designed radios that have been placed in homes throughout the Greater Danbury area. At our annual breakfast diners heard how their donations and volunteer efforts can change the lives of listeners. As

a result of the generosity of Lions our Club collected \$12,253 for the cause. ■



I screen, you screen, we all screen for eye screen. On Friday, December 9th from 8:30 AM until 3 PM, Lion Lisa Cerbone-Montalto orchestrated the Lions Club's participation in the Homeless Connect 2011 program at the Bill Williams Gymnasium in Berkshire Hall at Western Connecticut State University. Lisa said, quite correctly, that, "The Homeless Connect Program is an amazing annual event that helps many people in our community access healthcare and other social services they may not otherwise receive. For many people, this program is the first time they see Lions in action, and may very well be the only eye care they receive."

According to Lisa, here's what the program entailed:

1. **Station One: Staging** – We had a staging area for signing in each client. We gave each client a numbered eye screening form, and correspondingly numbered 3"X 5" card for covering each eye for the distance vision eye chart. Station One volunteers asked for the client's name, address, phone number and age as well as questions about the client's health and eye health history. The clients were instructed to sign the disclaimer at the bottom of the form and then directed to Station Two – Distance Visual Acuity. Our bilingual volunteers were paired with a client through the screening.

2. Station Two: Distance Visual Acuity Testing - Volunteers explained the purpose of the distance vision test. They then asked each client to cover each eye with their 3”X5” card and read from an Eye Chart to determine distance acuity. The volunteer then marked the results on the client’s form, give the form back to the client and directed them to Station Three.
3. Station Three: Visual Field Test - Volunteers trained to run the FDT machine tested the client’s visual field and then instruct them to go to Station Four.
4. Station Four: Medical Exam for Glaucoma and eye health. Drs. Casden and Young provided glaucoma and fundus exams. Retinal Imaging was also provided at this station.

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On December 12, 2011 Lion Lisa Cerbone-Montalto wrote:

THANK YOU!!!!

“The count is in...we screened 81 people last Friday at Homeless Connect, 2011, referring at least 5 for further glaucoma screening, giving out at least 12 pairs of reading glasses to very appreciative recipients (I lost count). It was sobering to see many of the same people returning to us this year for our services, and the number of children served was higher than I recall.

Many Thanks are in order for carrying out this HUGE collaborative effort:

- Lions Joyce Wruck and (PDG) Dan Uitti are always the first to arrive and last to leave – thank you for coming to Danbury from far away to provide your invaluable time and talent – Joyce and Dan come to Danbury Homeless Connect each year with equipment and their special knowledge to help us run a successful screening. You should know that they travel to eye screenings and other Homeless Connect programs throughout Connecticut as they are asked – truly serving as Ambassadors of Sight!

Our home team pitched in, as they always do, to make this program a success:

- Lions Mark Stirling, Ernie Harrington, and Warren Levy, with the assistance of translators from The Hispanic Center of Danbury, Union Savings and Webster Bank and Savings Bank of Danbury helped our clients' complete their intake paperwork.

- Lion Carlos Valenzuela was a pro - volunteering at his first Homeless Connect as a Lion helping clients complete their distance visual acuity tests (all morning long). He was assisted by volunteers from the Hispanic Center of Danbury in the afternoon. (Thank you, Lion Ingrid Alvarez-DiMarzo for providing so many volunteers). Long time friend, George Bogart lent a helping hand with translations for our many Spanish-speaking clients. A further special thanks to our translators from West Conn, Webster Bank (Mark), Savings Bank of Danbury and Union Savings Bank.

- Drs. Young and Casden (with their able assistants) each gave half of their day to take eye pressure readings, review field of vision reports (prepared by Lions Joyce Wruck, Keith Beaver, Debbie Benedict, Berni Kallas, Frank Molinaro, Tom Nolan and Joan Bielizna) and examine pictures of our patients' retinas, macula and optic nerves for evidence of glaucoma, retinal detachment and other eye diseases (pictures expertly provided by PDG Lion Dan Uitti, while training yours truly and DG Lyn Meyers on his technique and on the equipment). Dan was a very patient teacher.

- Lion King Mike Kallas and DG Lyn Meyers escorted a number of our clients to AmeriCorps Community Health Center personnel for further medical evaluation when needed and helped where needed – and they were needed! Lion Helga Ruopp took lovely pictures of the event.

- And last, but certainly not least, Lions Stephanie (“I’m in charge of the numbers”) Jacobson, Debbie Benedict, Father Peter and Berni Kallas directed the movement of clients from one testing center to another – without them, the screening process would not have gone as smoothly as it did! Father Peter – thank you for your moral support and for staying until the very end. I am sure that many others assisted this day, and please forgive me if I have not recognized you. Please know that you were part of an endeavor that helped 81 people who would not otherwise have gotten the eye care that they needed.

This was a monumental outpouring of support by Lions, and I know from the smiles on the faces of those who received glasses or an exam, your efforts were most appreciated. We do indeed Serve.

It is good to be a Lion.” ■

---- Story almost entirely from Lion Lisa C-M
Photo by Lion Helga R

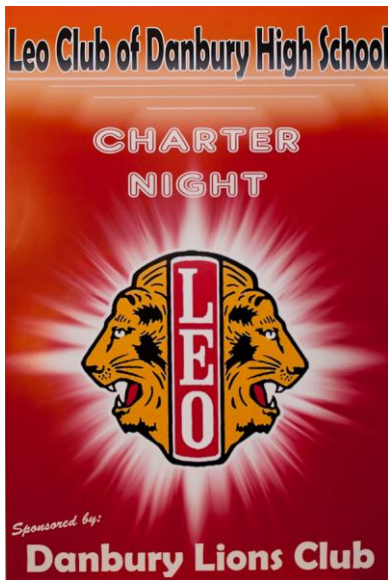
QUESTIONS FROM THE TAIL TWISTER

1. John McCain was first elected to serve in the U.S. Senate representing the people of Arizona in 1986. Who's seat did he fill?
2. What famous novel is subtitled, “The Old Sea Dog at the Admiral Benbow?”
3. Saint Nick will forever be associated with Christmas, however he was actually the patron saint of ... what?
4. There are only two days a year when none of the four major professional sports are played. Which days are they?

The **LEO Club** of Danbury High School held its Charter Night and Installation Dinner on Friday, December 16, 2011 between 5:30 to 9:00 pm at the Danbury Holiday Inn. It was a great success with 36 members sworn in and about 60 Leo friends, lions and family members in attendance. At one table were Mike and Nancy Michael, and their granddaughter. Also at the table were Warren Levy, Bob Young, and me. The Michaels left early. There were four door prizes. The first number drawn was won by Warren, the second was won by Bob, to much grumbling. The third was won by Boyd, accompanied by howls. The fix was in!! Keith Beaver left his table, with some fanfare, and sat with Warren, Bob, and Boyd. You guessed it!!! Lo and behold, Keith won the fourth prize. It was a fun ending to great night. ■



---- Story by Boyd Losee and Warren Levy



--- Photo by Lion Rafiqul Alam



This meeting was very unusual. The guest speakers YOUNHEE SHIN & YONGSOOK HAN were in their traditional dresses. The slides told about Ancient and Modern times in Korea. King Sejong the Great was a beacon of light 1397-1450. He completed the alphabet with consonants and vowels. The duty of the King is to love his people. Going to modern times the Prime Minister went to England for financing for their ship building in the 1970's. They did not realize that they needed a ship yard first. They completed the ship, and the first ship yard at the

same time. The Vessel was 250,000 tons. Today the 5 top ship builders are located in Korea. The Koreans built the first TUTTLE ship in 1592. In the modern world they do stand out for all their accomplishments. More information can be found www.kscpp.net. ■

--- Story by Kathy Golankewicz

At the December 8, 2011 Lions' Club luncheon, we were fortunate to have Gregg Skelly, Moira Molinaro and Glen DaMota from the M.J. Molinaro Institute for Life as our guests to talk about Sudden Cardiac Arrest and the importance of aggressive CPR. Mr. Skelly indicated that he and the entire staff at the M.J. Molinaro Institute for Life are dedicated to expanding the availability of CPR training in the Greater Danbury area; taking it beyond the medical community and onto Main Street America. He stated that such training and capability create a sense of accomplishment and self-worth, as well providing an immense benefit to the community. Mr. Skelly explained that Sudden Cardiac Arrest all too often results in death unless a bystander initiates aggressive CPR, an automated external defibrillator is properly applied and the patient receives prompt advanced care at a hospital. He explained that the fatality rate for Sudden Cardiac Arrest in the New York area is a staggering 98-percent, which Mr. Skelly attributes to a lack of CPR training and awareness. He noted that in communities that place a high emphasis on CPR training, such as Seattle, the survival rate is close to 30-percent. He stated that it is imperative that CPR begin immediately after Sudden Cardiac Arrest and must not cease until emergency personnel arrive. He stated that simply waiting for emergency services to arrive on the scene is not a viable option because irreversible brain damage can take place within 6 to 8 minutes, and the ambulance can only be expected to arrive within 9 to 10 minutes (based on a national average). He encouraged people to be aggressive and take the initiative when an emergency arises and to get in action beforehand and get trained! ■



--- Story by Emile Buzaid



It was a jam-packed meeting on the 15th, with our guests the Rotary Club and the Low Vision Support group. More tables had to be set up to accommodate the large crowd and the meeting was quickly underway. We had a lot to cover in a short amount of time so Tom Nolan gave us a quick run down about the history of the Low Vision support group. Lou Matthews initiated the clinic and with the help of Danbury Hospital CEO Frank Kelly the group was started May 20, 1998, and now has over 80 members. Tom Nolan presented Lion Mike with a certificate of appreciation signed by all members of the low vision group for the Lions Club. On a side note, Happy Birthday to Tom Nolan, President Mike claims that it is Tom's 50th but I tend to think Mike exaggerates a little.

After lunch the main attraction, no, not the Danbury High School Madrigals but another singing group, The Danbury Mad Hatters Chorus filed in. A sea of green sweaters entered the room and took their places behind President Mike. With Mike's red jacket he looked like the bow on a Christmas wreath. What a nice way to get into the holiday spirit.

The Mad Hatters Chorus was started in 1966 and is the Small Chorus Champions of the North East district. They are members of the Barbershop Harmony Society and compete yearly for the title. They began the program with "Ten Feet off the Ground" and then went on to "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" from the Wizard of OZ. The singing was so good that I fully expected Glenda the Good Witch of the North to appear in her bubble. They continued to show off their talent with Jimmy conducting the group, however none of them seemed to need his direction and admitted that they rarely pay attention to him any way. After a very spirited rendition of "Nothing Like a Dame" from South Pacific the group moved into the classic Christmas Carols and ended with God Bless America, which many Lions and Guests joined in on although we were warned not to sing too loudly as we could throw the group off key very easily.

The Danbury Mad Hatters meet every Tuesday at the Church of Christ on Clapboard Ridge Rd. and has members ranging in age from mid twenties and older although they would not reveal the actual age of the oldest member. The group encourages men who are interested in singing to join them at one of their meetings. They are available for hire at Valentine's Day and will sing to anyone or anything. They were once hired to sing to a horse; not sure what the horse thought about it but a gig is a gig just the same. ■

--- Story by Stephanie Jacobson

On December 22nd Scott Farrell from Positively Speaking LLC was our guest speaker. Scott talked about the value of a positive attitude in marketing, using membership recruitment in the Lion Club as an example. He used the letters of the word MARKETING as a mnemonic tool for remembering the keys to success: M-emorable, A-ttitude, R-esponsible, K-nowledge, E-valueate, T-arget, I-nitiative, N-etwork, G-et Press. ■



The last Thursday of each month, starting in December, had been declared “Open Mike” day for our Lion Club meetings. This excited me a bit because I figured that anyone could get up and talk about anything that interested them. It might even lead to a karaoke type meeting where we could get up and belt out a tune from month to month. However at our last meeting in December, King Mike pointed out to us that it was an “all business” meeting where different members in our club would be speaking about different projects they were involved in regarding Lion’s business. I was disappointed at first, because the thought of us doing karaoke seemed more intriguing and more entertaining than Lion’s business, but I was so wrong in my thinking.

Gerry Hoffman was our first “Open Mike” speaker for our “all business” meeting. Gerry spoke about a program called The Gift of Sight. It is a collaborative effort between Lion’s International and Lens Crafters to provide free eye exams, lenses, and frames to people who need corrective glasses, but who cannot afford them. Gerry works with three organizations in the Danbury area, the Community Health Center, AmeriCares, and the City of Danbury’s Health and Services. Together they provide a standard application form for the preliminary screening of each applicant. Once an application is approved the originating organization, the physician and Lens Crafters work together



with the client to arrange for free glasses. In 2011 our club, working in conjunction with Lens Crafters, provided these various services to 65 individuals. Gerry feels that this is a remarkable number of folks that our club has helped. If you have any questions regarding The Gift of Sight program, please contact Gerry.

Our second speaker was Dr. Howard Schultz. Howard spoke about the Hearing Aid Bank whose mission is to make affordable hearing aids more accessible to hearing impaired children and adults who have a financial need. Howard reminded us that it was Helen Keller who reached out to the Lions once again to be her "Champions" of isolation and silence for the hearing impaired and deaf. As Howard explained, "Going through District 23A enables all Lions to participate together in addressing this worthwhile challenge." We were told that the program's success really depends on two things; first, club members collecting usable hearing aids that can be reconditioned and secondly, the generosity of the Lions Clubs in 23A.

He then told us how the process works. First the applicant gets a hearing evaluation by a licensed audiologist. Next the applicant completes and returns the application with the audiogram report. The application is sent to Yale New Haven's Hearing and Balance Center, then if deemed eligible, the applicant is asked to contribute \$50.00 towards the hearing aid cost and the applicant's family is asked to donate whatever they can. Howard also explained that our club provides \$250.00 towards each hearing aid. We were also told that right now Danbury has 2 individuals who are benefiting from this program. If you have any questions about this very worthwhile program, please speak with Howard.

A discussion followed the presentations about how we could collect hearing aids. Someone pointed out that we have eyeglass containers in many facilities throughout Danbury and that maybe these could be used to collect more than just glasses. Maybe someone will contribute a karaoke machine. ■
--- Story by Mark Stirling

The LCI is Calling All Photographers... The Lions Environmental Photo Contest is a wonderful way for Lions from around the world to showcase the beauty of their environment. We invite all multiple districts to submit one photograph for the international EPC that will take place during our 2012 International Convention. We also feature many of the photos in our annual EPC wall calendar. ■

International President Tam encourages us to believe that the world can be changed when we come together as Lions. During January, you can make a difference by joining our "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign. As part of this campaign, we're providing resources to help you assess local needs, mobilize your club and plan a project. Consider organizing a community food drive, delivering food baskets to families in need, or planting a school vegetable garden. ■

Tom Nolan insists that each table “bring two” new members into the club. While that may or may not happen, one thing is clear, members have heard the call and new members are joining us. That’s pretty good



... no matter how you slice it. ■

Ten Reasons to Join Lions.

1. To help others less fortunate.
2. Improve your community
3. Learn new skills
4. Make new friends in your town, state and world.
5. Eat good food
6. Visit new places
7. Develop good organization habits.
8. Be a community activist.
9. Build positive relationships.
10. Have FUN.



Sponsor BethAnn Fetzer congratulates new member Larry Thomson on his induction



New member and Jungle Jottings contributor Emile Buzaid looks on with obvious satisfaction as he is inducted into the club

64 YEARS LATE

In the spring of 1946 the USS Trumpetfish transited the Panama Canal en route to Pearl Harbor, for an 18-month deployment. After a few weeks of training, including free ascents in the escape tower, the "fish" was ordered on a cold war patrol (we didn't know what it was) into the Arctic Ocean. We departed Pearl in early June 1946 with an unexpected guest, Rear Admiral "Red" Ramage, a WWII submarine hero. This excited the crew since admirals don't ride subs, they ride battleships and aircraft carriers, but we couldn't figure out what the Admiral was doing on board. We did a lot of diving to see how the boat handled in fresh (mostly) water. We took bottom samples and fired torpedoes into the Columbia Glacier to see how the sub reacted in cold water. The crew thought this was a ruse to cover our presence off the Russian coast because plenty of torpedoes had been fired in cold water during the war. I think we made sortie under the ice cap. We believed this because we had a new piece of equipment in the control room. It was up-looking sonar. Although I was a sonar operator (as well as a radio and radar operator) I wasn't told much about this equipment. It appeared to show the bottom of the ice above us.

We seldom saw the admiral. He stayed pretty much in officer's county. I did send a rather long coded message for him. It was difficult because of the magnetic north being close by. We returned to Pearl the end of July. Almost immediately we were ordered back to the states, to Portsmouth, NH for refitting to a guppy/snorkel configuration. After much training, diving and snorkeling, I was discharged 12-15-47.

Getting a job, getting married, raising a family, I pretty much forget about the Navy. But a few years ago, my wife Jean, met a nursing school classmate on a golf course. It turns out that he was a sub vet. I soon received an application to join the WWII Inc. in Bridgeport. I also joined the U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc. in New London and I learned that the Trumpetfish had a web site. It listed all our activities. But, curiously the Arctic Patrol wasn't listed.

That piqued my interest. What were we doing in the Arctic Ocean that caused it to be left out of the boat's history? In November of 2010 I ordered a copy of my navy records and they did not reference the arctic patrol either, but they did contain one sentence that really intrigued me. It said "8-7-47 Awarded Presidential Testimonial this date." I was not told of this award! Now I was really interested to know what it said. After a few weeks of trying on my own to find something about the award I contacted Congressman Chris Murphy in his New Briton office asking for help. Over a period of several weeks Brittany would call to say she was still working on it. In April of 2011 she called and "said it's in the mail". I was surprised!!! The next day a copy of the award arrived. It doesn't say what I did to earn this high honor, signed by President Truman, but I'll take it. That's my story, and I'm sticking to it! ■

---- Story by Lion Boyd Losee

Ed. Note: On August 7, 1947 RM3 **Lion Boyd Losee** received the following from President Harry Truman. "To you who answered the call of your country and served in its Armed Forces to bring about the total defeat of the enemy, I extend the heartfelt thanks of a grateful Nation. As

one of the Nation's finest, you undertook the most severe task one can be called upon to perform. Because you demonstrated the fortitude, resourcefulness and calm judgment necessary to carry out that task, we now look to you for leadership and example in further exalting our country in peace." Boyd and his wife Jean attended the 38th annual recognition luncheon on May 18, 2011. If you talk to Boyd you will come to understand that while he's not the same young man who earned that letter, he's proud of the path he's travelled since being honored by President Truman. Ask him why he's a Lion. He'll tell you. ■

HEY, THAT'S OUR LYN!

See our District 23A Governor's most recent installment of his District Pride newsletter. Click the link and download it in pdf form. [Link](#)



Lion Bernie makes a request: In order to have a more complete Roster, Lion President Mike and Lion Secretary Frank would like to include your cell phone numbers. I know many of you have given me your numbers, but I am asking those that have not done so to please e-mail me with your number. With all that we do, it is important to be able to reach one another. My email address is bkallas2001@yahoo.com. Thank you for taking the time to respond. ■

Just when you thought the **Peace Poster Contest** was over. It's time to start again. LCI is off and running with the contest theme for 2012 – 2013, which will be "Imagine Peace." Contest kits will go on sale on January 15 from Club Supplies (don't know what that is, maybe the King does). But here's a good thing: each kit includes an entry form for students who are visually impaired, which shares the same theme. ■

LION KING KALLAS' KORNER...

December was a very busy month. We started the month with a successful fun evening on Dec 2 at District Governor Lyn Meyers' MD23A Holiday Party held at Teddy's Lounge in the Danbury Holiday Inn. It was well attended by the entire district (even the Gov came). Then, Dec 3, we continued with the month of Salvation Army bell ringing Saturdays. Dec 5, we attended the Zone 5 meeting and Lion Keith Beaver gave a very interesting presentation on CRIS radio (not actually ON CRIS radio, but about CRIS radio). Dec 9, and it was Homeless Connect time. We screened about 83 clients and, fortunately, found no serious conditions. Saturday, Dec 10, was a very special bell ringing day. It was the Rotary Challenge day at Macy's. Well, as we have done for so many years, we whupped 'em real bad. When the smoke had cleared, the final decimating toll was: Lions \$2253.40; Rotary \$762.05. Then, we actually had four days off until Dec 14, when we held the Danbury Lions Charity Breakfast. Lion Keith did his CRIS thing again and through the hard work of Ken Saloom, Debbie Benedict, and Berni Kallas along with generous donations from the Brookfield and Newtown Lions, we netted \$12,253. (I've been told that a picture from the breakfast appeared in the Newtown Bee.) I want to thank all of the attendees and the door prize donors for their generosity. The very next day, we hosted the Low Vision folks and our Rotary friends at lunch where a full house crowd of 88 had a hearty fare and were entertained by the Danbury Barbershop Chorus. Without so much as a day of rest, on December 16, we held the feature event of the month, The new Danbury High School LEO Club charter night. This was masterminded by Lion Rafiqul Alam and his son Parvis. More than 60 Lions, parents, and LEO's witnessed the start of a new club and, hopefully, a new era with an active LEO club in Danbury. Thirty-two LEOs and officers were sworn in as charter members. The rest of the month was much quieter at the Lions Den. We inducted two more new Lions this month as the drive for membership continues at an exciting pace. It is up to each and every Lion to help grow our club. Tell your friends, acquaintances, business associates about the Lions, the good work that we do, the fun that we have, and the warm feeling that comes from helping others in need. Help them join the Lions. Remember....WE SERVE!



P.S. Don't forget the 61st Annual MD23 Lions Mid-Winter Conference, February 3, 4, & 5. Come on down! ■

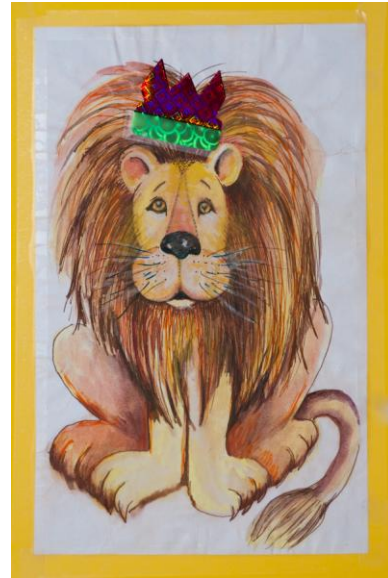
Vote for a font..

We have a winner! Yes, the voter has spoken and by sole and therefore unanimous consent the Jungle Jottings will be issued in Times New Roman font, set at 13. Actually, the electorate suggested either 12 or 14, so I'm splitting the difference. For all of you non-voters out there this is a good example of how one vote can make all the difference. In this particular case there was only one vote. So never overestimate the power of the proudly, blissfully, totally silent majority or underestimate the power of one. In order to preserve the integrity of the ballot box I will not reveal Warren's name. ■

Ever since Lion Vice President Helga Ruopp kicked off the annual **Danbury Lions Club Raffle** campaign in November tickets have been flying; maybe not as fast or as far as our Lion King would like, but just as we do every year, Lions will come through for this community. Helga is a painter with more than her share of talent and she's offering one of her own "Lions Portraits" as a prize to the top ticket seller. As of the 22nd, Mike Michael was in the lead at 99, with Mike Kallas (and Frank Molinaro within spitting distance. Then again, we've been known to spit quite some distance for a good cause so anything is possible. ■



*Is Lion Helga helping to put out fires
or is she starting them?*



--- Photo by Santa's Helper

Did you know that there's a **Lions Clubs App** for your Android phone? There sure is and with it you can access videos from Lions Clubs International - and Lions around the world - on YouTube. You can find photos from other clubs on Flickr, the Lions Club International Facebook page, the Web site, Club Locator and undoubtedly more – like water from a firehose.

Join fellow Lions in honoring our historic 67-year partnership with the United Nations during the 34th annual Lions Day with the UN. This event will take place on March 16, 2012 in New York. ■



Debby Benedict reported that fundraising for the purchase of a thermal imaging camera for the Fire Department was progressing. King Kallas said the Club goal was to raise \$10,000. We are now at about \$9,000. Union Savings Bank has made a major contribution of \$1,200 toward the purchase. Mike is now zeroing in, like the Seal Team member that he is, on another major contributor to help us reach our goal. ■

Answers from the Tail Twister:
 1. Barry Goldwater 2. *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson. Ed. At the risk of challenging the omnipotent power of the Tail Twister, I will say that I think that's not the subtitle, just the name of Chapter One. 3. Sailors and Theives. 4. The day before and the day after the baseball All-Star game.

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So, here in my fifth Jottings month, I just want to thank you. Please take note of how many Lions contributed stories or photographs this month. It's our newsletter and you make it better. So, if you don't feel comfortable behind a microphone, drop me a few words or your best photograph and I'll put your name in lights and darks. Come on, it'll be fun. Tom Nolan did it, Scott Leroy did it, Cathy Golankiewicz did it too along with Stephanie Jacobson, Warren Levy, Mark Sterling, Boyd Losee and Emile Buzaid and you know Mike Kallas is stuck doing it for about five more months. This is your forum. Express yourself. Show us what you've got. ■

UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

January 5	Natu Patel – Comparative Culture
January 12	Michael Johnston – United Way
January 19	State Rep. Christopher Donovan
January 26	Laurie Hollander – Military Heros
February 2	Fran Norman – Habitat for Humanity
February 9	Lindsay Carlson - Gatekeeper 8

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