

Please allow me to introduce myself. I am Dennis Landry, Zone 7 Chairperson. I am also a member and twice past president of the Gardner Lions. I am a member of the Campaign SightFirst II team. I look forward to meeting with you all at your meetings and events. Zone 7 is very busy this fall, a few upcoming events include:

Ashburnham: Boot Drive on October 13<sup>th</sup>  
Meat Raffle on October 20<sup>th</sup>

Fitchburg Community: Calendar Sales  
Canister Drives

Gardner: Gardner Speech Contest Oct 29<sup>th</sup>  
Oil Raffle to be drawn Nov 6<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas tree sales

Gardner Leos: Installation of Officers Oct 10<sup>th</sup>  
Cleanup Gardner HS Oct 26-27<sup>th</sup>

Lunenburg Turkey Hill: Food bank for disasters Oct 5<sup>th</sup>  
Homecoming October  
Road block for food Nov 10<sup>th</sup>  
Putting together Thanksgiving baskets.

Yours in Friendship & Lionism,  
ZC Dennis P. Landry



I am pleased to announce that as of September 13, CSFII worldwide has raised a total of \$111,680,044 toward our minimum goal of \$150 million. District 33A has personally been responsible for helping to raise (donations plus pledges) over \$81,000. You will be receiving more information to motivate your club for further success.

Much has been accomplished, but much work remains for us to reach our minimum District 33A goal of \$110,000 (that's 110 Melvin Jones Fellowships!!). As Knights of the Blind, we must take this opportunity to raise funds that will prevent blindness and change the world for the better.

I'm sure you're asking yourself how SightFirst funds are distributed. Every district (even District 33A) is eligible for a SightFirst grant in their community. Districts apply for SightFirst grants through the LCIF chairperson (IPDG Denis Legare is 33A's LCIF chair), which then makes a recommendation to the LCIF Executive Committee. The LCIF EC formally approves a grant and oversees the distribution of funds.

An FYI: In the USA, the Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP) is funded by SightFirst grants.

District group coordinators and I are looking forward to meeting with your club. For a video presentation please give PCST Phil a call at 508-892-8553.

Yours in Lionism,  
PCST Phil Robo, CSF II District Coordinator

CST Mark has a limited supply of MD-33 sweatshirts and polo shirts. The cost is \$17.00 (\$18.00 2x or larger) the shirts will be available at the Advisory meetings.

## Humanitarian Award

Each year, at the Mid-Winter Conference, the District presents an award to an individual (or individuals) who have distinguished themselves through humanitarian acts. Each club is asked to seek out that person (or persons) in your community. Club presidents and your ZC's have these applications. Please fill out the form and return it to me before December 1, 2007. Please note: Lions, Lioness and Leos are not eligible for this award. Nominations received after the deadline cannot be considered. If you have any questions please call me at 978-943-7887. I hope your Club will put together a committee to actively seek out a nominee for this prestigious award.

Sincerely, Lion Pat Boutillette

## Lions Young Ambassadors of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Award

Three years ago, at the request of Lions International, District 33-A initiated the Lions Young Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century award. We were extremely pleased with the response and quite astonished with the outstanding accomplishments of the applicants. Club Presidents have been sent the criteria for this year's sponsorship. It is not a lot of work for your club. Please offer this opportunity to your local High School. The award will be presented at the Mid-Winter Saturday luncheon to the winning candidate. Completed applications must be submitted to me no later than Saturday, December 1, 2007. If you have any questions, please call me at 508-943-7887.

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A new carbon monoxide (CO) awareness program, **"Get Alarmed, Lunenburg!"** a partnership between the Lunenburg Turkey Hill Family Lions Club and the Lunenburg Fire Department was recently launched. It is hoped the **"Get Alarmed, Lunenburg!"** will help to increase the number of residents with both CO alarms and smoke alarms. The idea for the project came from one of the Lions Club's members: Lunenburg Fire Chief Scott Glenn. With the assistance of Lion David Clement, the Lunenburg Turkey Hill Family Lions Club and the Lunenburg Fire Department launched the program to promote public awareness that CO detectors, as well as smoke detectors save lives. Deputy State Fire Marshall Leonard stated "the department of Fire Services encourages Fire Departments to approach their local Lions Clubs to develop and support a similar CO safety awareness campaign. He commended Chief Glenn and Lion Clement and the Lunenburg Turkey Hill Family Lions Club for their efforts.

The Harvard Lions held their 3rd annual Fall Festival on September 15th and 16th, drawing over 5000 attendees. They had 2 days of fun & entertainment for the entire family! Highlights included a concert by the band "Beatle Juice", kid's carnival, craft fair, a sanctioned BBQ cook-off and a magnificent fireworks display.

The Brookfield's Lion Club held a "Glow Ball" 9 hole golf tournament on September 22nd and the Paxton Lions Club held an 18 hole scramble golf tournament on September 29th, at the Quail Hollow Country Club.

The Leicester Lions held an "Apple Fest" Pitch Party on September 21st. Proceeds will benefit Mass Lions Eye Research and the Leicester Community. Watch for future pitch parties.

The Oxford Lions recently donated \$6,000 to the Clara Barton Camp through their efforts from their 12th annual golf tournament. Their donation makes it possible for two Oxford girls to attend the Clara Barton Camp who would otherwise be unable due to financial hardships. In August, the Oxford Lions sponsored the Sunday concert series and on August 12th, they sponsored the Clara Barton ice cream social. The Oxford Lions held their annual Fall Festival on September 29th.

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## Region 4

The Lionistic year is off to a great start in Region 4, as all Clubs are off and running! I'm very fortunate to have two super Zone Chairs who are very hard working and a lot of fun. Zone 7 Chair is Dennis Landry and Zone 8 Chair is Jeanine Legare. This year's first Region meeting will be held October 4, at the Otter River Sportsman Club in Templeton. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm with a speaker to follow. For your calendar, future Region meetings dates are: Nov 8, Jan 10, and Mar 13. Club President's, please call in your club count to your ZC by the deadline. As we are obligated to pay for all meals that are called in, we need an accurate count for all meetings. This year we are doing something different at our meetings. When a Lion brings another Lion (who has never attended a Region meeting before), the Lion bringing the new attendee will receive a ticket(s) towards a drawing for a great prize at the last Region meeting in March. Bring as many new attendees as you can! Remember: The only thing worse than not having sight, is having sight without vision! So lets have a vision of a successful year for Region 4!

Yours in Lionism, RC Michael Lachance



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We extend our best wishes to our District Team  
DG Richard  
VDG Don Bourque  
CST Mark Desmarais



The Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Laboratory is proud of its long-standing relationship with the Massachusetts Lions Clubs and the work they do for eye research.

**Best Wishes For Continued Success**