# The Lion Hearted News 101

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Whew, 2020 is finally gone. I hope and wish for everyone a very happy new year and that we can finally say goodbye to this Covid. I'm afraid that we will have to have a few more zoom meetings before we can meet in person. Please make an effort to join the meeting on January 5<sup>th</sup>. If you need any help joining the zoom meeting with a computer, a tablet, or a phone, please let me know and we will get you some help. Speaking of zoom meetings, this upcoming meeting will be put on by Lions Solomon and George. I am sure there will be opportunities for programs.



I have ordered Lions Club hats with "Concord Lions Club" embroidered above the Lions Logo. These hats will be available for \$15.00 when they arrive. They were ordered mid December. Not sure when they will come in. I'll let you know. See the picture.

Please continue to be safe and check in on your VIPs. Lion Prez, John

#### Concord Lions Club Christmas Party for Visually Impaired Persons The tradition continues in 2020 within Covid-19 restrictions

Concord Lions have hosted a Christmas Party for VIPs for over 75 years. Each year the Lions contact their assigned VIP, invite them and a guest to the festive parties and, present them with a gift. This year, 2020, due to COVID-19 will be the first time in the club's history that the party has been cancelled.

In an effort to maintain the annual event, Concord Lions personally contacted the VIPs and set up a time for a safe-distanced with masks meeting at the VIP's residence. VIPs were given a cash gift of \$50.

The Lions informed the VIP with the hope this gift will offset our inability to host the party this year. Due to their visual impairment, they were informed that the gift included five ten-dollar bills. This was done to help them to safely sort their money. The caretakers were also given a copy of the information.

The Concord Lions hope for our VIPS is a safe and Merry Christmas. Hopefully, next year we can continue our long tradition of the Christmas Party for our VIPs.

This year's event included fourteen Lions visiting 17 VIPs with a budgeted amount of funds use of \$850.



# State Lions Pins

District Governor Donald Cobb has State Lions Pins available. They are \$2 each.

This year's pins feature famous North Carolinian Sam Ervin, Jr. Anyone wanting to purchase pins should email PDG George Culp at LionGeorgeCulp@gmail.com.

## **Service Opportunities Coming Soon!**

Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM) needs any kind of canned vegetables, canned beans, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly/jam, soup, & paper products. Lion Richard Rogers, Service Chairperson suggests holding a Food Drive, perhaps as a monthly or semi-monthly event. Permission to use the drive-thru at Covenant Presbyterian on South Union has been approved. He is also looking at Troutman's BBQ on Church Street. Hmmm, perhaps a broom sale as well?



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### **Calendar of Events**

Reminder: Don't forget your dues for January-June and July -June if you haven't paid them.

- Jan 5, 2021 - 6:30PM Regular Meeting (Zoom) watch for invitation and program information.

- Jan 12, 2021 - 6:30PM Board of Directors Meeting (Zoom)

Speaking of flags.....

Take a look at the plan for Union Streetscape at:

https://www.concordnc.gov/Departments/Planning/ Planning-Services/Downtown/Union-Streetscape

The Concord Lions Club is in discussions with the city to include "flag-pole-holes" at each business location!

Stay tuned for updates.

