

# **LIONS YOUNG AMBASSADORS OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY AWARD**

October 2014

Dear Fellow Lions and Leos,

Six 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.

This is not a lot of work for your Club. This year the form has been put on the District 33-A website, you will find it under Young Ambassador. Please download the form, read the requirements, noting the deadlines, and offer this opportunity to your local High School. The award will be presented to the winning candidate at the Mid-Winter Saturday luncheon.

Enclosed is the criterion for this year's sponsorship

- No Chairperson required.
- No Club judges or judging required.
- No composing instructions or filling out applications.
- **No fee is required.**

## **THE ONLY REQUIREMENTS OF YOUR CLUB ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Provide the enclosed instructions and application form to the High School in your community.
2. Present your candidate with a suitable cash award for being chosen as a Lions Young Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.
3. Forward the completed application no later than **Saturday, December 20, 2014.**
4. If your candidate is selected as the "Young Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" your club will be responsible for providing the meal expense for the candidate and parents/guardians during the Saturday noon luncheon at the Mid-Winter conference on **February 7, 2015.**

## **BENEFITS FOR YOUTH**

- Encourages them to seek experience in community involvement and leadership.
- Increases awareness of community service opportunities and organizations.
- Recognizes the value of their achievements.

## **BENEFITS FOR LIONS**

- Furthers the Lions motto, "We Serve" by encouraging young people to pursue community service involvement.
- Renews Lions member's enthusiasm and commitment to youth and service, through exposure to committed, enthusiastic young leaders.
- Strengthens public awareness of Lions and their youth and service initiatives.
- Introduces young people to future service and leadership opportunities.

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1. Present the school with the applications. Ask if they will choose the finalist.  
If not, have the applications submitted to your club with ample time to go over the applications and Choose a winner.
2. **The Schools deadline is Friday December 5, 2014.**
3. **Send in your club finalists' application to this committee before Saturday, December 20, 2014** to:

Lion Cynthia A. Mainini, Chairperson  
Lions Young Ambassadors Award  
5 Bandy Lane  
Milford, Ma. 01757-2343

3. Your clubs involvement is completed unless your candidate is declared a winner.

The judging will proceed as follows:

- The committee will make copies of the applications and submit them to the Region Chairmen for their vote.
- The Region Chairmen will score the applications according to the criteria provided by International.
- The scored applications will be sent back to the Committee. **Deadline is Saturday, January 10, 2015.**
- The committee will then calculate the scores and the winner will be chosen.
- The Chairperson will then notify the Club whose applicant has won the award. This will include notifying the clubs of the student's that did not win this award.

The Young Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Award will be presented at the Lions Mid-Winter Conference Saturday noon luncheon on **February 7, 2015**. The winner will be presented with a plaque and a cash award.

If the winning applicant is from your club you will be responsible for the meals of the student and his/her parent/guardian. Any one else that wishes to attend the ceremony will be welcome at their expense.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia A. Mainini  
Chairperson

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**APPLICATION FORM**

**Candidate Information**

First Name		Last Name	
Street Address			
City		State	Zip Code
Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>			
(      )	/      /		
Area Code	Telephone	E-Mail Address	Date of Birth

**Agreement**

We certify that all information contained in this application is true and factual. We also agree that if selected as a candidate for the Young Ambassadors of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Award, he or she will attend and participate in the District 33-A Lions Mid-Winter Awards Luncheon on Saturday, February 7, 2015, and accept the authority and direction of the Lions Club representatives and event organizers.

Applicant's Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

**COMMUNITY SERVICE (50 Points) Note: Use additional pages if necessary.**

List specific community service activities, projects/events in which you have been involved during the past three (3) years.

**Please include documentation of community service involvement, i.e., newspaper articles, awards, etc.**

Activity/Project/Event	People/Institution that benefited from service	Estimated hours of service

In the past three years, how many total hours did you spend on community service activities, projects, and events?

**Estimated Number of Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

Describe how you demonstrated leadership skills and showed initiative for two to three major community service activities, projects or events during the past three (3) years. **Use additional pages if necessary.**

What specific results were achieved through your community service? (i.e., number of people served, goals reached, services created, funds raised, etc.)

Explain what you have learned and how you have benefited by being involved in community service.

**LEADERSHIP ACCOMPLISHMENTS (25 Points)**

List the leadership roles you have filled in the past three (3) years.

Dates	Leadership Role	Organization/Group

Explain what your leadership has accomplished for yourself and for the organizations/groups you helped lead.

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**SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS (25 Points)**

Please attach a copy of a school transcript that reflects courses completed and grades achieved over the past three (3) years.

List any honors, awards or scholarships you have received as a result of your scholastic achievement.

Date	Honor, Award or Scholarship	Honor/Award/Scholarship Criteria

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIONS CLUB**

After selecting your Young Ambassadors of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Award candidate, have your club President fill in the information requested below and forward the completed application form **before December 20, 2014**, to the District Ambassadors Award Committee.

Club President \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail your application to:** Lion Cynthia A. Mainini, Chairperson  
Lions Young Ambassadors Award  
5 Bandy Lane  
Milford, Ma. 01757-2343

**DEADLINE December 20, 2014**