

LION PRIDE ASK ONE

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To Celebrate



A celebration not to miss and never to be forgotten has been years in the making and is quickly approaching.

Highlights of the convention include opportunities for you to attend a major league baseball game or participate in a golf outing; listen to the classic sounds of the band Chicago and The Beach Boys; participate in the Parade of Nations and gather in fellowship with Michigan Lions at Tommy Guns 1920's Dinner Theater.

Thursday, June 29: White Sox vs. Yankee's Baseball Game

Thursday, June 29: Lion's Club Centennial Hickory Classic Golf Event

Sunday, July 2: Michigan Lions Night at Tommy Guns Dinner Theater.

For those already registered for Michigan Night, we will meet in the lobby of the Hyatt McCormick place at 4:45 p.m. and walk to the venue at 5:15 p.m.

Tours of LCI Headquarters in Oakbrook, IL are filling up fast and if you plan to do this, reservations need to be made as soon as possible. Contact LCI at www.lions2017chicago.org.

A Lions Jubilee Concert will be held on Sunday evening at the 4th Presbyterian Church, located at 126 & Chestnut St., Chicago. Information and tickets are available at www.lions.de/web/lions-jubilee-concert/tickets.

us. Parade uniform for all: Lions of Michigan red/blue shirt with embroidered stars, navy trousers or capris, black shoes and optional white hat. Parade shirts are available for purchase at the state office. Call 517-887-6640 to order yours.

See you in Chicago!

Bill Simpson, PDG
LCI Convention Chair



We'd like everyone to participate in the Lions parade – if you can handle a one mile walk, please join

2016–2017 Council of Governors

Thank you to this outstanding group of Governors and Council Chair for their service to the Lions of Michigan, SD 10 and MD 11! For your time spent weekends away

from family at Council meetings and your legislative efforts; your behind-the-scenes work above the bridge and below, to your antics in the Hospitality Suite:

your guidance, enthusiasm, knowledge and leadership are forever appreciated. Thanks for the many memories!



Front Row: DGs Matt "Dennis" Doney, SD10; Dave Hill, 11 B1; Jim Farrell, 11 B2; Patti Barr, 11 A1; Carol "Carlos" Athan, 11 E2; Lloyd Foster, 11 C1 and Martha Brown, 11 A1. Back Row: Council Chair Justin Faber, 11 D2; DGs Ron Gibson, 11 E1; Ken Ridalls, 11 C2; Dave Wineman, 11 D2; Thomas Hardt, 11 D1.

For mail returns see ID statement.

UPCOMING

Events:

June 28-29
Leader Dog Tour
Leader Dogs for the Blind
Rochester, MI

June 30-July 4
Centennial Celebration
Chicago, IL

July 2
Michigan Night
Tommy Guns Dinner Theater

July 4
Happy Independence Day

July 9
Early Registration Deadline
USA/Canada Leadership Forum

August 4-5
VDG Training
Council of Governors Meeting
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Grand Rapids

August 5
LMF Hall of Fame Dinner
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Grand Rapids

September 21-23
USA/Canada Leadership Forum
Portland, Oregon

November 10-12
Lions Leadership Institute
R.A. MacMullian Center
Roscommon

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House Bill 4160 UPDATE

State Representative Shane Hernandez introduced House Bill 4160 on February 2. The bill addresses the ban on roadway fundraising facing Lions Clubs and other charitable organizations across Michigan. The bill has 6 bi-partisan cosponsors.

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee took testimony on the legislation in late April. Council Chair Faber attended the committee and did a fantastic job testifying in support of the bill and answering questions from the 14-person committee.

The bill was scheduled for a vote on May 2nd, but was pulled from the agenda because of last-minute amendments from committee members. Language was worked on with the committee chairman and members and the bill was amended by committee. The transportation committee voted in support of the bill on May 9 with a 14-0 vote. The full house then voted to pass the by 105-2, which was a huge victory for the Lions of Michigan.

The legislation is now awaiting action by the Michigan Senate. A committee hearing by the Senate transportation committee will be held on June 8 and we are in a good position with the committee.

During the committee process in the House, the

organization representing cities and villages lobbied legislators to support an amendment that gives local municipalities authority to prohibit roadway fundraising from occurring anywhere in that municipality. Unfortunately, the amendment passed and was added to the bill. The specific language states: A LOCAL AUTHORITY MAY ENACT OR ENFORCE AN ORDINANCE THAT PROHIBITS THE ACTIVITY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (2).

I am working aggressively to remove this language and protect the ability of charities to raise money through roadside fundraising. I believe we are in a good position and will work to get action soon by the Senate on this bill.

Lion Matt Sowash
MI Legislative Consultants

Past District Governors Association of Michigan



As our 2016-17 Lionistic year comes to an end I sincerely hope that all your leadership goals were met and each of you had personal and Lionistic success in your leadership roles. Leading a committee, club (Lions, Lioness, Leos) or district is a big responsibility, normally accomplished by teamwork and lots of hard work. Thank you to each and every one who stepped up to a leadership role. Thanks for serving.

My sincere congratulation to the newly elected and appointed district and club officers for the Lionistic year 2017-18. As each of you move into your leadership position I urge you to use the vast experience of leaders in your club and district to make your transition a smooth move as you become their Leader.

Leadership comes with a price, not in dollars and cents, but more in making the right decision. It may not make everyone happy and not everyone will agree with your decision, hopefully whatever decision you make is in the best interest of the club, district or situation. With several leadership opportunities available throughout your district, state and LCI please consider taking advantage of them.

I am asking each Lion, Lioness and Leo to step forward and offer whatever assistance and guidance possible to your incoming leaders. They have stepped up and accepted the responsibility; however they need your continued support to be an effective and successful leader. No one person is responsible for the overall success, Teamwork is the key!

As new members are inducted into your club (Lions, Lioness and Leos) instill the feeling of being part of the club (it's not your club it's yours/our club). Ensure proper orientation and mentoring is in place and continues as your member continues to grow, both in being active and knowledge of Lionism. As a senior or mature Lions member help to mold your new Lions member into becoming a vital and active participant in all club activities. A ship's captain may run the ship, but it's the crew below deck putting the oars in the water to move it forward. As we grow as a member of yours/our club we take ownership and that's a good thing, remember that the club belongs to all the members.

As I complete this article I want to leave you with this thought and challenge. Membership, that is current and of course NEW MEMBERS are the life blood of your/our club. Retaining your current members is so critical. They provide a history of yours/our Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs. Value their part in keeping Melvin Jones dream alive. Welcome new members into yours/our club with sincerity and put them to work. The challenge is to make the 2017-18 Lionistic a memorable one by sponsoring at least ONE or MORE NEW MEMBERS. The more we have the more we can do and live up to our motto "We Serve" and "We Serve Too."

Proud to be a Lion and Proud to Serve.

PDG Bob Jenkins, President
PDG Association of Michigan



Show Your Appreciation at the DG Appreciation DINNERS



- August 12 District 11 B1 – Governor Dave Hill
- August 20 District 11 C1 – Governor Lloyd Foster
- August 26 District 11 E1 – Governor Ron Gibson
- Sept. 10 District 11 E2 – Governor Carol Athan
- Sept. 30 District 11 D2 – Governor Dave Wineman
- Oct. 13. District 11 A2 – Governor Patti Barr

Complete details can be found on the Lions of Michigan website calendar at: www.lionsofmi.com

B-1 District CLUB HIGHLIGHT



VCL Lions 2017 Garage Sale in progress

The Vandercook Lake (VCL) Lions Club is a large - and growing - club in Summit Township, just south of Jackson and west of US-127. Over the last seven years they've grown from 53 members to 69 members. Ironically, they held the "largest club in the district" title for a brief period of time until this March, when they sponsored an even larger club, the University of Michigan Lions, with over 70 Charter Members!



The club recently celebrated its 60th Anniversary is very active in the

community. They are well known for their Pancake Breakfast, held every 3rd Sunday of the month, from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., for the price of a "free will donation". Their largest fundraiser is their annual "Cash-O-Rama" banquet and reverse raffle, which nets over \$8,500. The club also holds an annual garage sale, which they just wrapped up, participates in the White Cane Drive and is a 100+ ticket seller in the Lions of Michigan Foundation Sweepstakes. Each winter, they put up 60 utility pole-mounted, lighted Christmas decorations, to the delight of area residents and businesses.

The VCL Lions have their own clubhouse, a.k.a. the VCL Community Center. It's a converted two-story fire station left empty after the Summit Fire Department moved to a newer, larger facility. The club rents the nicely accommodated clubhouse to residents and groups at very low cost as a service to the community. They recently completed their Centennial Legacy Project by renovating the upstairs into a two rentable facility with its own entry way, providing even more places for folks to utilize for meetings, parties and classes.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S Spotlight

DG Dave Hill, 11 B-1



Nancy and I have led blessed lives and the last year as District B1's District Governor is ongoing testimony to that. We have had the privilege to serve our forty Lion and Lioness clubs, start our forty-first club at the University of Michigan and work with one of the finest groups of Michigan District Governors this state has seen.

Upon reflection of the past year, I have some observations that I would like to share in this article. They are;

LIONS ARE KIND PEOPLE The president of one of our clubs shared with me the story of how he became a Lion. He told me that he was one of thirteen children and was having difficulty in school because he needed glasses, but his family was not able to afford them. The school nurse contacted the local Lions club. They arranged for an eye examination and provided him with the glasses he needed. He had a successful career and said that he never forgot the kindness he was provided. Almost sixty years later, he is doing what he can to return that kindness. KEEP UP THE KINDNESS!

LIONS TAKE CARE OF THEIR OWN At each meeting I attended in the last year a Lion would inform the group of any Lion or member of a Lion's family that was ill or needed help. Most of the time a Lion or Lions would give a short report on their recent visit to the Lion or member of their family. If the Lion needed help, the club or a fellow Lion would be there for them in their time of need. Unfortunately, we lost DG Tom Hardt of E1 this year. I cannot tell you how many acts of kindness for Tom and his family I witnessed. We miss Tom, but he knew he was loved and cared for by his fellow Lions. KEEP UP THE CARING!

LIONS ARE HUMBLE, SOMETIMES TO A FAULT Every club made significant contributions to their communities and to the worldwide cause of sight. Whether it was buying glasses for a student or member of their community, providing a winter coat, sponsoring a student, or performing a significant service project, Lions don't boast of their contributions. WHILE THIS IS VIRTUOUS, WE NEED TO LET THE COMMUNITY KNOW THE GOOD THINGS YOU DO. One club in B2 owned a community center, but their membership had deteriorated to twenty-one and they were having difficulty taking care of it. They published an article in the local newspapers stating "This is what you will lose when you lose the Lions" and had a recruitment dinner. At the end of the dinner, they had forty-one members. LET YOUR COMMUNITY KNOW THE GOOD THINGS YOU DO.

LIONS HAVE FUN Whether it is at a meeting, fund-raiser, service event or celebration, Lions has fun. Nancy and I have been able to attend the International Convention, USA and Canada Forum, State Convention, State Forum and several other events in the last few years. Lions events are always professionally done and entertaining. One of the greatest parts of the events if being part of a group that enjoys each other's company. When members of the

community see Lions provide service and having fun, they want to become Lions. KEEP HAVING FUN.

SERVICE PROJECTS ARE THE GLUE THAT KEEPS CLUBS TOGETHER My home club has a breakfast once a month. Members of the community make voluntary donations and each month there is a report on the amount of donations the club received and the cost of the event. At one meeting, a member expressed that we did not have enough of a return to justify the event. Another member wisely observed that of all the breakfasts he helped with, he was always impressed with enjoyment that the members seemed to have together. In essence, he thought that the event had much more value to the club than just the monetary return. Service projects are the glue that keep us together. KEEP ON SERVING!

OFFER THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING AS A LION It has been an honor to serve the clubs of B1. When I worked in the private sector we had a saying of "success is where preparedness and opportunity meet". There are many members of your community that would become Lions, but we need to do some regular networking and "advertising". We need to be providing articles on service projects, recruitment nights, Lion opportunities, and what we have done for the community to newspapers and local radio. We need to schedule regular recruitment campaigns, possibly in partnership with other Lions clubs in your areas. Through a community needs assessment done by the Battle Creek Cereal City Lions they found at least two new members who did not know what the Lions did. If you have a local person who provides resources to the club, instead of a thank you gift, offer them an Affiliate membership. Ask a prospect to attend a service project. Call a local radio station to announce service projects and meetings. BE READY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND ASK SOMEONE TO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE LARGEST HUMANITARIAN SERVICE ORGANIZATION IN THE WORLD!

We have had a very successful year in B1. We will end this Lion year with a significant increase in membership and service to our communities. I want to thank all members of the Lions Clubs of B1 for the warmth, hospitality and kindness they have provided Nancy and I. I further want to thank my VDG and DGE Luanne Bullington for her support. We had a good past year, but I sincerely believe the next one will be better under her leadership. Finally, I want to thank every member of my Cabinet and especially my wife, Nancy. It was their hard work and faith that made a great year possible.

DG Dave Hill
COL (R), U.S. Army

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR Patti Barr 11 A2



In 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind was founded by three Detroit-area Lions Clubs members and converted a farmhouse into a guide dog school, helping to popularize the idea of service dogs.

As I was thinking about a subject to write about for the Lion Pride, I was also surfing the Lions International website. That's when it came to me - Who was Melvin Jones and what has happened with Lions in the past 100 years? My research came from the LCI website and the internet.

Melvin Jones born in Fort Thomas, Arizona on January 13, 1879. His father was a captain in the United States Army. Jones settled in Chicago, where he studied at the Union Business and Chaddock Colleges of Quincy, Illinois. Melvin Jones, at age 33, was the sole owner of his own insurance agency in Chicago and became a member of the local business circle. He was elected secretary shortly thereafter. Jones proposed that the talents of the circle's members could be better utilized in other areas of community life. Melvin Jones was a Freemason, a dreamer, a doer and a pragmatist. He was an energetic, extroverted salesman who in private hours would read Shakespeare. Whose personal motto was "You can't get far until you start doing something for somebody else". On June 7, 1917, this was the man that helped to establish a new organization that would change the lives of millions around the world: Lions Clubs International.

Our new association expanded rapidly, becoming International in 1920, with the addition of a club in Windsor, Canada and the current Lions emblem traces its roots back to 1920 when Maurice Blink, a Chicago commercial artist created the initial design.

In 1925, Helen Keller spoke at the Lions convention and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind." Lions enthusiastically accepted her challenge, expanding their service to people who were visually impaired.

In 1927, the Nuevo Laredo club was formed in Mexico and a number of other clubs in Latin America quickly followed.

To allow people who were blind to navigate streets more safely, Lion George Bonham painted a cane white with a red band in 1930, an innovation that is still in use today.

With the addition of Lions Clubs in Lismore, Australia; Stockholm, Sweden; and Manila, Philippines in the 1940s, Lions were well on their way to a global presence.

In 1945, Jones represented Lions Clubs International as a consultant at the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco.

In 1950, Lions International acknowledged Jones' contributions to the organization by awarding him the title of Secretary General for life.

By 1950, there were more than 400,000 Lions in 31 countries and we would soon include every continent with the establishment of a club in Casablanca, Morocco in 1953 and one by Antarctica research scientists in 1957.

In 1954, the motto "We Serve" was chosen.

In 1957, the first Leo Club was chartered, giving young people the opportunity to serve. Today there are more than 6700 Leo clubs in more than 140 countries.

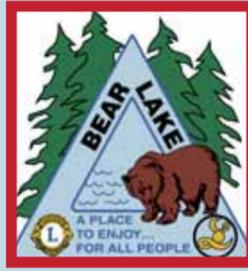
Melvin Jones died June 1, 1961 at the age of 82.

In 1968, the Lions Clubs International Foundation was established. The foundation, which provides funding for disaster relief, youth, sight and other humanitarian projects, now awards millions of dollars in grants each year, largely through the generosity of Lions.

In 1987, membership was opened to women. Today, women make up nearly 30% of our membership and are the fastest growing segment of members.

Now in 2017 we have grown to 1.4 million members - in more than 46,000 clubs - in more than 200 countries and geographic areas. It is the goal of LCI Forward to triple our impact worldwide by improving the lives of at least 200 million per year by 2020-21 through expanded humanitarian service. And all united by a single idea: We Serve

DG Patti Barr



OPEN HOUSE FOR PDG "BIG AL" KASSIN

In 1967 The St. Louis Cardinals Win The World Series; The Packers Win The First Super Bowl And The Andy Griffith Show Is The Most Watched Program On Television. More Important Than All Of That: Al Kassin Becomes A Lion!

Come Help Us Celebrate Big Al's Amazing Achievement! A Lion For 50 Years!

Sunday, August 17, 2017
Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 Five Lakes Rd., Lapeer, 48446
12:00-5:00 pm. Tours all day
Lunch served at 1:00 Program at 3:30 p.m.
No Cost! Donations to the camp accepted. This is a camp Open House and Celebration of Founder, Lion Big Al Kassin.

Hot dogs, lemonade & other picnic food will be provided, picnic begins at 1:00 p.m. Rsvp by 8/10/17 to guarantee food count

Please RSVP to jamesleachjr@yahoo.com or Cell:248-561-3203



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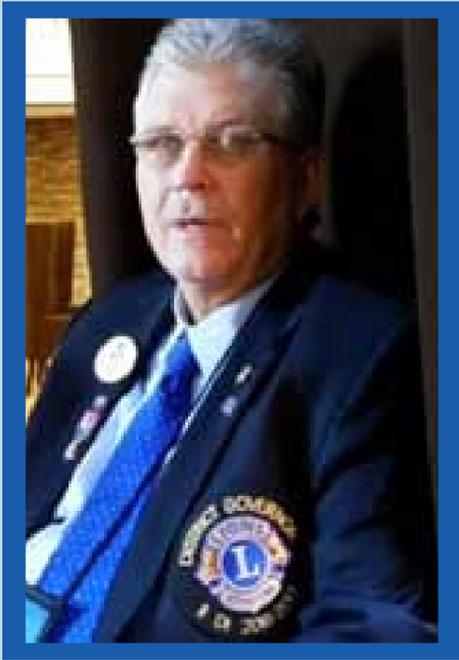
Michigan Lions Partner *with* SAM'S CLUB

In February 2017 at the Michigan Forum, a new partnership between Sam's Club and Lions Clubs throughout the state of Michigan was announced. At Sam's Club locations across Michigan, you will now see boxes for donating used eyeglasses and hearing aids at the Optical and Hearing Aid Centers located within each store. There are 24 Sam's Club locations throughout Michigan, and each has agreed to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids on behalf of the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation and the Lions Hearing Center of Michigan.

Dr. Robert Hong, Board Chairman of the Lions Hearing Center and otolaryngologist at Michigan Ear Institute, was instrumental in developing this partnership. "Sam's Club is very interested in finding ways they can help various communities around the state. This partnership helps Sam's Club meet their charitable goals, and certainly is a boost for our efforts to collect eyeglasses and hearing aids that will ultimately benefit thousands of people in our communities," said Dr. Hong.



Each Sam's Club location has a local Lions club and contact person responsible for picking up the donations. If you have any questions about this partnership, you should contact your District Governor for more information.



In Memory of District Governor *Tom Hardt,*

Governor Tom was a hands-on Lion, actively working in his club and helping other clubs within District D1. He believed that clubs should work together to improve their communities. He helped deliver food to the needy; build ramps for the handicapped; assisted with bingo at the VA; served beside another club by volunteering as a blackjack dealer. He truly believed in our Lions motto "We Serve".

DG Tom and Lion Shelly were together for 25 wonderful years and he is thought of daily and missed very much by all of his family and friends. He was very dedicated to serving as a Lion. Lion Shelly is currently working on a Legacy Fundraiser in his memory and plans to

continue this fundraising event as long as she is able. Details will be provided as they unfold.

There was an overflow crowd at the funeral home on Saturday, May 27, for Governor Tom's service. This is a wonderful tribute to the Hardt Family, and they thank for your love, support and kindness these past several months.

Memorial contributions may be sent in Governor Tom's honor to:
*Special Needs Vision Clinic
3660 Southfield Dr.
Saginaw, MI 48601*

Lions of Michigan Leadership/Graduate Institute Coming Soon!

Attend the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute and join the ranks of Lions who have gone on to become the leaders in our state. The Lions Leadership Institute is a unique opportunity for individuals to learn and develop lifelong leadership skills, which can be applied to their job, their Lions Club, and their life.

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills

to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translate into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.

Attending the Leadership Institute gives participants the tools and confidence to become more effective leaders. The skills learned can be applied to their job, their Lions Club and their

everyday lives.

Participants learn key components of team building. By sharing ideas, success stories and humanitarian endeavors, Lions learn how to influence membership and become more open-minded and receptive to change.

How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism?

The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.

Brochure with complete details and application will be sent to club President's and Secretary's in August.

GREAT LEADERS ARE MADE IN MICHIGAN!

Lions of Michigan Leadership/Graduate Institute

November 10-12, 2017
Friday morning - Sunday noon

R.A. MacMullan Center
104 Conservation Drive
Roscommon, MI 48653



PEACE POSTER Kits Now Available

Lions clubs can sponsor this art contest in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups. "The Future of Peace" is the theme of the 2017-18 Peace Poster Contest. Cost of the kit is \$11.95 plus tax and shipping.

The Lions Essay Contest is open to visually impaired youth ages 11-13. This essay contest was created to offer an opportunity to visually impaired young people to express their feelings of peace, and also has the theme of "The Future of Peace."

District finalists will be judged by the MD 11 Council of Governors at their December 1st meeting.



Lions of Michigan All State Band LEO CLUB MEMBERS

District Governor-Elect Brent Beracy recently inducted 72 new Leo members into the LMASB Leo Club. The club is made up of band members and was chartered last year. Ashley Lions Club, District 11 C2, is the sponsor. We wish them great success as they travel to Chicago to perform during the LCI 100th Celebration Convention.



LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL NEWS

NEW MEMBER "ENTRANCE FEE" INCREASE Effective July 1, 2017

Lions Clubs International has announced that effective July 1, 2017 membership initiation fees for a new member joining an existing club or the fee for a Charter shall be consolidated into a single category called "Entrance Fee."

- All new members joining after July 1, 2017 will pay a \$35 entrance fee
 - This is the first fee increase since 1993
- Complete details are available at www.lionsclubs.org

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District 11-A1 Lions Clubs screened over 100 children at the 2017 Detroit Grand Prix on June 3rd and 4th with help from the WeatherTech girls



**LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION
33rd ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 5 2017**

The Lions of Michigan Foundation's Annual Meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids. For overnight accommodations, please call 517-887-6640 Extension 14 or Crowne Plaza at 616-657-1770. Standard rooms are \$80 per night, double occupancy.

AGENDA

- 12:00 PM – CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME Steve Van Tol, President
- INVOCATION Steve Van Tol
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Richard Dettling, Secretary
- INTRODUCTIONS Steve Van Tol
- CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT Conrad Swanson, Vice Pres. – Chair
- The Board of Trustees has approved a complete rewrite of the Constitution & By-laws, including voting procedures. The current and proposed documents can be viewed on the Lions of Michigan Foundation website (www.lmsf.net) under the News & Media heading.*
- LUNCH – 12:15 PM
- PRESENTATION & REVIEW OF ANNUAL REPORT Kerry McGinley, Treasurer
- SPECIAL RECOGNITION Chad McCann, Executive Director
- PASSING OF THE GAVEL Steve Van Tol
- CLOSING COMMENTS & ADJOURNMENT Conrad Swanson
- VOTING: 1:30 PM

**LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION
33RD ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM**

Name(s): _____

Total Registrants: # _____ @ \$17.50 Each = \$ _____ (Market Style Wrap Buffet)

Lion/Lioness Club: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____

Lions of Michigan HALL OF FAME

The Lions of Michigan Foundation officially opened the **LIONS OF MICHIGAN HALL OF FAME** on July 25, 2009 to begin celebrating the rich history that Michigan Lions have at all levels of our association - local, state, district and international. The goal of the Hall of Fame is to keep alive the memory of our great leaders and to document their service so that Lions in the present and future can share a sense of the service that our great state has given to our association. Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than March 1 of each year.

The 2017 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 9th Annual, will be held on August 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel located at 5700 E. 28th Street - Grand Rapids, Michigan. Lodging is \$79.00 plus tax per night for a standard guest room. Lodging reservations can be made by contacting the Lions of Michigan State Office at 517-887-6640 - info@lmsf.net or by calling the Crowne Plaza at 616-957-1770 and requesting the Lions of Michigan Foundation group rate.

Congratulations 2017 Inductees

- PDG Bud Weber – SD 10
- PDG Bill Klingensmith – 11-A2
- PDG Gary Babcock – 11-B1
- PDG Glenn Dings – 11-B2
- PDG Rod Prys – 11-C1
- PDG Bob Sturgis – 11-D1
- PCC Don Seifried – 11-E2

2017 REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s): _____

Registrant(s): \$25.00 Each = \$_____

Choice of Entrée: Tuscan Chicken - #: _____ London Broil Sirloin Steak - #: _____

Lions or Lioness Club: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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Convention in *beautiful*



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good food

thank you exhibitors



thank you volunteers



silent auction



LIONS OF MICHIGAN MD11 CONVENTION



great awards



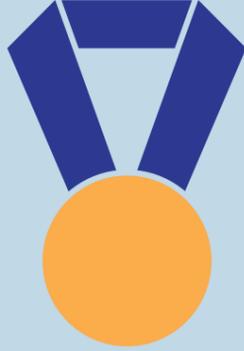
THE MOXIE STRINGS

great entertainment

2016-2017 MD 11 AWARDS

Congratulations

to the following
very deserving Lions
who received awards at the
MD 11 Convention:



S.A. DODGE AWARD

Lion Ed Weessies, 11 C1

Council Chair Justin Faber, 11 D2

PRESIDENTIAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

PDG Barry Allen, 11 B1

IPDG Leo Dolehanty, 11 D1

Lion Steve Langford, 11 D2

PDG Pete Conarty, 11 E1

PDG Barb Durlfing 11 E2

LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

2nd VDG Shirley Kelly, 11 A1

Lion Walt Reed, 11 B1

2nd VDG Elect, John Postelli, 11 B2

Lion Harold DeMott, 11 D1

PDG Whitey Simon, 11 D2

PDG Lynnwood Mast, 11 E1

Lion Tommy Otto, 11 E2

PRESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

PDG Tim Anderson

Lion Wendy Burns

Lion Laura Hunt

PDG Karen Routson

NET GROWTH AWARD

District 11 D2 DG Justin Faber 2015-2016

OUTSTANDING MICHIGAN GOVERNOR AWARD

IPDG Sharon-Jordan Crowley 11 A1, 2015-2016

IPDG Justin Faber, 11 D2, 2015-2016

IPDG James Leach, Jr., 11 A2 2015-2016

Thank You

to our MD 11 State Convention
EXHIBITORS

Ann Arbor Convention & Visitors Bureau

Camp Quality Michigan

Eversight Michigan

Lions Bear Lake Camp

Leader Dogs for the Blind

Lions of Michigan Foundation

LMF KidSight

Lions Youth Exchange Program

Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind

Paws with a Cause

Winter Camp for the Blind

Thank You to our 2017 MD 11 State Convention **SPONSORS**

Leader Dogs for the Blind

Lions of Michigan Foundation

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Camp Quality Michigan

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District 11 A1 Convention



Honoring deceased members

Detroit Westtown Hartford Lions

Electronic Music Festival club fundraiser



Dearborn Heights Lions

partially sponsored the band Steve King at the Dearborn Spirit Fest which took place during the first of June.



U of M Dearborn Campus Lions

Newly chartered Lions club



11 A2

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Center Line Lions

held their annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser at Center Line High School.



Richmond Lions

White Cane Results Every dollar goes to serve sight. Our club historically supports many local community projects with a focus on visually and hearing impaired. Richmond Lions assure that 100% of donations go toward their intended purpose. In the case of the White Cane program 100% goes toward support of the visually impaired.

Some examples of visually impaired assistance we provide as Lions? It can be as simple as paying for a vision exam and frames for a local child or providing financial support to Leader Dogs for the Blind, the Eversight Michigan, Penrickton Center for Blind and handicapped children, just to mention a few.

This year, thanks to additional store locations and the efforts of club members we took in \$2,300.



Richmond Lions

held a combined meeting with Center Line Hosts which entailed a tour visit to newly renovated facility of Leader Dogs for the Blind. This is the 78th year of the Leader Dogs for the Blind program in all 50 states. Visually impaired or deaf-blind recipients gain independence through the guide dog program.



Pictured is one of the three groups enjoying the tour



Center Line Club Prrsident Dave Dolley and Richmond Lions President Paul Ostby welcome members following the tour

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District 11 A1 Officers Training was held June 3 at Madonna University. The training was open to all Lions to receive leadership training.

Dearborn Heights Lions will hold their 33rd Annual Charity Golf Scramble on Friday, June 23. The event will be at Gateway Golf Course in Romulus, MI.

Detroit North Central Lions held their Semi-Annual Pancake Breakfast during May at Vernon Chapel A.M.E. Church in Detroit.

Northville Lions held an Induction Ceremony where several new members were inducted by 1st VDG Terence F. Treppa and IPDG Jordan-Crowley.

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Lions District 11 A2 100th Anniversary Celebration Dinner Dance took place at DeCarlo's Banquet Center.

New Haven Leo Club, the only Leo club in District 11 A2, is reinstated and enjoyed an Induction dinner at New Haven Lion Club.

Club Officers Training takes place on two dates: June 10 & August 19 at Fraser Lions Den.

17th Annual "Ride For A Reason" took place with all proceeds used to benefit Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Ride begins in Dundee and ends at Biker Bob's Harley-Davidson in Taylor, MI.

Richmond Lions main fundraiser which is their annual golf outing, takes place during June. 100% of the proceeds goes back to the community for projects the club supports.





11 B1

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Lions from all over Michigan

gathered in Lansing to attend Lions of Michigan for a Legislative Reception. The reception took place on the west wing of the State Capitol Building. DG Dave Hill, CCE Peggy Allen and DGE LuAnne Bullington toured the capitol and met state representatives to address the roadway fundraising issue affecting many club mission's throughout the state.



University of Michigan Lions Club

held their charter luncheon at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. The campus club has almost 70 new members.



Battle Creek Cereal City Lions

assembled for the quarterly road cleanup. Members of Cereal City Lions Club and friends and family of Lion Glenn Schultz gather before starting to clean their two mile section of The Penetrator. This project is continued in honor of Lion Glenn Shultz who was in the process of starting this community service project when he passed. It was beautiful weather and we all enjoyed the comradery working together in the sunshine.

11 B2



DG Jim Farrell
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Edwardsburg Lions

participated in the Village of Edwardsburg's Annual Memorial Day Parade. This year the float adorned a giant life size "Lion" that was purchased in Chicago.

The Lion will then go to its new home at the Edwardsburg Sports Complex (ESC) in front of the Lion Pavilion.

Lions International is celebrating 100 years, 1917-2017. Edwardsburg Lions Club decided to take on the pavilion project for the Centennial year.

Pictured left to right Lion Dennis Johnson and Pat Pratley



Lawton Lions

2017 Lawton Lions Club Melvin Jones Fellowship Award recipient is Dennis Johnson. The Melvin Jones Fellowship Award is the highest award that can be earned by a Lions club member for exemplary service to the club and to their community. Dennis has served as President of the Lawton Lions Club, a member of the Heritage Center Management Team, a trustee and currently serves as co-chair of the weekly Lawton Lions Club Bingo. Dennis has been a member of the Lawton Lions Club for the past 11 years, but has been a Lion for 40 years, previously serving in a Lansing area Lions club.

Paw Paw Lions

sponsored tee box signs for the Kalamazoo Westside Lions Club Golf Outing and the Paw Paw Kiwanis Club Outing. Winning the Mixed Division was 1st VDG Fran Grabowski, Vickie Lietzau, Tom Shoemaker, and David Rife, Sr.



Pictured left to right 1st VDE Fran Grabowski, Vicki Lietzau, Tom Shoemaker (David Rife, Sr. not pictured)



Three Rivers Lions

On May 24 Three Rivers Lions club sponsored a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for the Three Rivers High School Marching Band Uniform Fund. An estimated 300 meals were served netting the band \$1,503!

This total was added to the previous \$1,000 donated. High school and middle school bands performed duets and solos during dinner as added entertainment.

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weekends. They also supported the Food Pantry. One member helped out on Buddy Day at the Secretary of State office.

Albion Lions collected over \$400 during their White Cane fundraiser.

and served by the Bedford Area Lioness. They assisted the Bedford Elsa Lioness in providing a free community dinner for senior citizens in the area.

Dexter Lions did a clean-up at Forest Lawn Cemetery. They also donated to the Dexter schools for beehives and towards a disability camp.

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions White Cane fundraiser raised \$3,700. Lions also hosted Buddy Day at the Secretary of State which is an annual event to promote organ, tissue and cornea donation. They also held Adopt A Highway cleanup.

Blissfield Lions conducted three days of SPOT vision screening on incoming kindergartners. Prospective students arrived on a schedule for entrance testing. Those screened received a Lions sticker and small bag of goodies. Parents and siblings were also screened, as well as many staff members.

Battle Creek Host Lions celebrates the Lions Clubs International 100th anniversary by purchasing 100 cans of soup to be donated to food pantries.

Clinton Lions continued their monthly donation to the 192 Ministries who prepare meal packs for children on the low/free lunch program at the school, designed to feed the children over the

Bedford Area Lions held a 50th Anniversary banquet at the Bedford Area Clubhouse and enjoyed a delicious meal prepared

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Lions of Michigan All State Band will be in District 11 B2 for their pre-tour band camp. Wednesday June 28 will be a chance to have dinner with the band and enjoy their first performance of the year.

by Senator Tonya Schuitmaker, Senator Margaret O'Brien and State Representative Beth Griffin. The event connects senior citizens and veterans in Southwest Michigan with community service providers and health care professionals. This year over 100 vendors set up information areas and over 950 people were in attendance.

Bangor Lions held their annual Easter Egg Hunt at the high school football field. What a great turnout, approximately 175 kids enjoyed this fun event and enjoyed a special visit from the fire department's mascot "Sparky". The weather was beautiful and each kid received candy and a prize.

Lawton Lions recognized students from the Lawton Middle and High Schools for leadership, citizenship and academic achievement. Students were recognized at a banquet and four graduating seniors were awarded scholarships.

St. Joseph Twp. Lions are sponsoring a Leo Club at St. Joseph High School. These wonderful young St. Joseph High School Leo Club members helped out with White Cane sales.

Mattawan Lions - May 8th was another day for Lions to shine at the Mattawan Lions Club Senior and Veterans Expo signature activity. The expo was co-hosted



11 C1

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Cedar Springs Lions

jump start spring by flipping flapjacks at the Methodist Church and performed roadside cleanup.

Cedar Springs Lions were one of several community organizations who are featured on a Maibaum erected in May by Cedar Springs Brewing Company honoring the organizations that make their city great!



Hastings Lions

along with many lions clubs across the state were out canvassing for White Cane Week April 30th.



Muskegon Northside Lions

held White Cane Tag Days in an alternative method this year with members stationed at six business locations. Lion Ed Weessies reminds Lions that White Cane is more than a fundraiser, it is a method of bringing awareness to the White Cane law and the law on accommodation for service dogs.

11 C2



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Grand Ledge Lions

White Cane Campaign event was a success, thanks to the great giving community and to the many volunteers of Grand Ledge Lions and Grand Ledge Lioness.



Grand Ledge Lions celebrated their 73rd Anniversary at the Eaton County Museum in Charlotte. Members were



Mason Middle School Leos

promoted awareness and prevention of child abuse. They planted pinwheels in front of the school along with signs conveying the message that young people do not have to remain silent and that help is available.



In the picture: Leos, some Mason Lions, and representatives from Smalltalk

treated to a tour of the 133 year old former court house building. They also enjoyed dinner and explored multiple floors including the exquisite still available courtroom on the upper floor.

Lions of Michigan All State Band Leo Club

District Governor Elect Brent Beracy recently inducted members of the Michigan Lions All State



Band into the Lions Michigan All State Band LEO Club. It is the first of its kind in the world. At 72 members, it also the largest Leo club in Michigan. This LEO club was sponsored by the Ashley

Lions Club in 2016 with 24 members. It has tripled in size this year with 72 members with the help of Michigan All State Band CEO Becke Dahlke and band director Jason Russell.

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Dorr Township Lions were out collecting donations for White Cane Week at their local Dick's Market and Hometown Ace Hardware Store.

Fruitport Lions held Old Fashioned Days with tons of family fun. The annual festival in Muskegon County included two parades, car show, fireworks show, carnival, 5K and 10K races, plenty of food and entertainment. Organized by Fruitport Lions Club was held May 24 through Memorial Day, May 29.

Hudsonville Lions celebrate their 70th anniversary this year! In 1947 Hudsonville Lions chartered with 24 members.

Lakewood Area Lions had another successful White Cane drive. White Cane donations help us to contribute to organizations such as Leader Dog for the Blind, the Michigan Eversight, Welcome Home for the Blind as well as in our own communities with Project Graduation and local eyeglass assistance. Lakewood Area Lions and also held a Chicken BBQ at Lake Odessa Beach Pavilion.

Marne Lions, Marne American Legion, and Wright Township joined forces to organize the 69th annual Marne Memorial Day Parade and Marne Fest. Marne Fest followed the parade where the three organizations showed their love for Marne by celebrating with a Car and Motorcycle Show,

5K Race, food, music, crafters lane and competitions like the decorated bicycle contest. Local youth also compete each year to draw the official logo which this year featured the theme "American Pride."

As warmer weather hits us, bikers are out in droves pedaling on trails, sidewalks and streets. To help cycle safely and gain major public goodwill, **Middleville Lions** cohosted a kids Bike and Bike Helmet Giveaway with Thornapple Township.

Muskegon Northside Lions were flipping flap jacks and selling treasures at the Muskegon Northside Yard Sale May 19th.

Rockford Lions held their White Cane Days and opened the Rockford Market, which they manage for the city. They also held a cemetery clean up in the local cemetery and have multiple projects taking place with Lions and Leos.

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Eaton Rapids Lions conducted their annual White Cane fundraiser, which was successful.

Holt Lions held a Mother's Day Flower sale which took place during beautiful weather with a steady stream of customers.

Olivet Lions held their Annual Chicken BBQ at Trenton Schrontz Memorial Park in Olivet, MI. Proceeds to Olivet Lions service projects.

St. Johns Lions welcomed the opportunity to tell the community of the great vision work Lions have done and are doing locally and around the world during White Cane week.



11 D1

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11 D2

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Sincere Words from Acting DG Jeff Hunt

I'm saddened by the loss of our DG, Tom Hardt, who unfortunately did not make it through the entirety of his term. My deepest sympathies to Shelly, his family and his

many friends. Tom worked hard as a lion, helping his community in so many ways. He brought clubs together, working jointly on projects that they might not have been able to

individually. Tom lived up to the slogan "We Serve" on a daily basis.

Bay City Lions

enjoyed their biggest fundraiser of the year, Tag Days. Every dollar goes back to the community. We provide glasses and hearing aids, children's holiday parties, food giveaways and so much more!



Fenton Lions White Cane drive collected \$3,835, its second-most successful drive in recent years. This was \$267 over the 10-year average, in spite of a cut in collection days from four to three.

Millington Lions

Six Millington Lions visited Millington and St. Paul's first grade classes and conducted an annual American Flag Education Program. The Lions also gifted an American flag to each student and answered questions about our flag. The event is thoroughly enjoyed by the Lions, as each participating member relishes the interaction with our young citizens.



Emmett Lions

held 2017 Emmett Lions Club Craft and Vendor Show at the American Legion Merrick-Potter Post 566.



Memphis Lions

donated trees to the 4th grade Memphis Elementary classes for Arbor Day. Lions met with the students in the cafeteria and talked about the

importance of planting trees and how it effects the environment. There were 74 students that received blue spruce trees to plant.



The seniors at Sandusky high school raised funds to host the Vietnam memorial wall at the courthouse lawn in Sandusky. **PDG Chuck Belesky**, Emmett lions, is getting a 50th Vietnam veterans pin honoring his service. Pinning him is state senator **Lion Phil Pavlov** from Ublly Lions Club.



Ublly Lions teamed up with **Freiburg Saint Ignatius Lions**

and held a reverse raffle. Also, this year we also signed people up into the organ donor registry. Over 60 people were identified as being enrolled! It was also noted that an organ donor recipient and a contributor were both in attendance!



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Tickets for **Fenton Lions** Money Raffle (on October 26th) are now available. Top prizes are \$5,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000.

Flushing Lions will hold their 75th Anniversary Car Show at Riverview Park in Flushing, MI on July 22.

Caro Lions offer a night of food and fun with their Annual Family Chicken BBQ at Tuscola County Fairgrounds. They also served free hot dogs and lemonade at Caro's "Music in the Park" on June 8 for our Legacy Project. It focuses on local musical talent, and there was a performance by Caro High School Jazz Band

Linden Lions participated in the City of Linden Cleanup Day.

The club visited the local cemetery and helped clean up around the markers, some of which were toppled or covered with brush and vegetation.

Lions Club Community Golf Outing was held June 16 at Willow Springs in Vassar, MI. The outing is hosted by Millington Lions Club. Millington Lions received outstanding support from their community again this year during White Cane fundraiser. All funds collected will be donated to the Leader Dog Foundation so that service dogs may be raised, trained and given to those in need.

St. Charles Lions will hold their 15th Annual Golf Outing at

Kimberley Oaks Golf Course on August 19.

Shields Lions members of the Shields Lions Club visited St. Francis Home in Thomas Township and presented chocolate Easter bunnies to the residents during their lunch hour.

Swartz Creek Lions assisted **Gaines** and other Lions clubs, May 20 with KidSight screenings at Asbury United Methodist Church in Flint. Three of the children screened were referred for evaluation by eye-care professionals and the heads-up was much appreciated by their parents. The families who learned their child had passed were relieved and appreciated the peace of mind in knowing all was well.

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Hadley Lions held a fundraising spaghetti dinner with all profits to help the youth of the Hadley Community Church for their mission trip. There also was a silent auction for a quilt that was donated. They also collected White Cane donations to help people with vision assistance.

Jeddo Lions held a Wine & Craft Beer Tasting Party with proceeds to support autism and other Jeddo Lions projects.

Marine City Lions also experienced a success with their Marine City Lions Club Wine & Craft Beer Tasting event.

Lions from across Michigan are represented here at Lions Bear Lake Camp for their annual spring cleanup. Metamora Lions helped get this great facility ready for an awesome year for kids with disabilities.

Minden City Lions and the Minden City Fire Department will host the Minden City Tractor Pull on Friday, July 14.



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District 11 E1 2016-2017 Cabinet



Back row left to right, Lions Sheila Farrell, Jackie Glazier, Bruce Fredrick, Ray Williams, DG Ron Gibson, Front row: Kay Brandt, Janalee McClure, 2nd VDG Al Roeseler, 1st VDG Peggy Walls, Deb Kreitner, PDG Pam Schroeder, Diane Fleming, missing from picture Laura Johnson



11 E2

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Lincoln Lions member Duane Dillard spearheaded this donation and coordinated the contributions of several local groups to the Alcona Schools Backpack Program.

A group of Alcona organizations and benefactors have teamed up and raised enough money to operate the Alcona Elementary School Backpack Program for an entire year. Volunteers create food parcels for underprivileged children every week and slip them into the students' backpacks on Thursdays so the students will have food to eat on the weekends, school president Tami Bonzheim explained.

Lincoln Lions Club donated \$1,000 to this year's program and has pledged another \$1,000 for the 2017-18 school year.



News Photo by Jason Ogden -- Members of Alcona organizations present checks totaling \$7,200 to Alcona Elementary School officials to help support the Alcona backpack program. Left to right, Mikado American Legion Commander Michael Serafin, Lincoln Lions President Don Larkin, Principal Tami Bonzheim, Mikado American Legion Auxiliary President Tracy Norman, Superintendent Dan O'Connor and Dean of Students Jon Webb

Pictured left to right front: Lions Vicky Otto and Marie Town, back: Lions Lynne Jauss, Dr. Anna Kleinbriel, Cathy Otto and Glenn Deakin. Not pictured Margaret Hellenberg



Gaylord Lions sold 75 Sight & Hearing Raffle tickets and received \$74 in donations. They also supported an individual with sight needs, maintained newspaper recycling trailer and held a Project KidSight vision screening for preschoolers at the Otsego County Fun Fair. 58 children were screened and six children had referrals.

Petoskey Lions held a pancake supper fundraiser which served 85 people with help from friends and volunteers.



Lion Hubert Hayes makes pancakes



Billboard located in **District 11 E2** on 1-75 and Sterling exit.

Coleman Lions Club Centennial Project

Three Pet Waste Stations located in Coleman and in Sanford parks. Midland County Parks Ranger Mike McDonald suggested the project for the Rail Trail and the Sanford Lake Park. Installations took place on May 12. A fourth waste station will also be installed in the Coleman City Park at a later date. Coleman Lions Club also donated \$1,000 toward a new gazebo in downtown Coleman and purchased a bench for the community garden.



Pictured Lion Sandy Galgoci, Ranger Mike McDonald, Lion Al Roeseler, Lion Ann Roeseler, Lion Al Mueller

Onkama Lions held their 50th Anniversary Celebration with approximately 70 guests in attendance. The event was held at the Onkama Lions Den. Guest speakers were Past International Director Esther LaMothe and District Governor Ron Gibson, shown here with Onkama President Dan Gibbons.



Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions

Lions Nancy Lepkowski with Leader Dog Gracie, Bob Roebuck, Lee Thomas, Karla Roebuck with her blind dog Archie, Judy Thomas and Lisa Gregory celebrate Lionism in the Parade to honor our deceased war heroes, families, and friends.



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District 11 E1 Centennial Gifts To The Lions Of Michigan Lion Bill Bradfield, Cadillac's Lions President, on behalf of District 11 E1 as a Centennial Legacy Project presented the sculpture and a time capsule at the Lions of Michigan at the MD 11 Convention. The time capsule will be filled with pertinent items by the Lions of Michigan personnel and then sealed. It is scheduled to be reopened 100 years from 2017.

Empire Lions participated in Empire's Winterfest during February serving a pancake breakfast with feed over 125 guests. Empire Lions will host another pancake breakfast,

with real maple syrup, during the Asparagus Festival.

Mt. Pleasant Lions hosted their 63rd Annual Chicken Barbecue. This outstanding spring tradition served over 4,000 chicken dinners for this one day event. The profits from the event help their club donate back to the community.

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Alpena Lions participated in the Gift of Life Program at the Michigan Secretary of State's office. The Gift of Life Program is the state's only federally organ donation program. Today, Gift of Life recovers more than 900 organs every year for transplantation from 300 or more donors states explained at giftoflifemichigan.org.

Charlevoix Lions made donations to Keep Charlevoix Beautiful, Charlevoix Garden Club, Mandonna University, Venetian Festival space rental fee, North County Trails membership fee and Charlevoix Little League.

Fairview/Comins Lions

donated to Leader Dogs for the Blind, Bear Lake Camp, Oscoda/Montmorency Child Protection Fund, Fairview School 3rd Grade trip to Detroit Zoo, and Fairview School trip to the Upper Peninsula. Distributed books to 3rd and 5th grade classes, delivered emergency supplies to senior citizens, boxed and distributed food at the local food bank.

Grayling Lions provided a \$400 scholarship to a local college student. Held White Cane Fundraiser which raised \$1,270. The Lions of Michigan stuffed backpacks with food at the Michigan Lions Forum, 12 of those backpacks were presented to the Grayling Middle School to

distribute to children who are in need of food for the weekend. They also provided an eye exam and eyeglasses for two individuals and provided one person with a hear exam and hearing aid.

Lewiston Lioness Lions sold quilt raffle tickets donated to J-L Odyssey for the Mind trip to Lansing for world competition, Oscoda County food pantry, Lydia's Gate; Montmorency/Oscoda Protection Council on Abuse and Neglect and donated to one child to supply food. They also donated to the purchase of new J-L cheerleading uniforms.

Mio Lions donated \$250 to Heritage Days and \$200 to a Fairview School zoo trip, held their \$11,000 raffle, took in \$120 from Lions Mints and \$98 from inkjet cartridge recycling.

Oscoda Lions performed their annual White Cane fundraiser

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