

# LION PRIDE WE SERVE

A PUBLICATION OF THE LIONS OF LOWER MICHIGAN - MD 11

## LIONS OF MICHIGAN to Apply for Statewide Grant: Defense Against Diabetes

District 11 E1 was highly successful in obtaining and executing a \$45,000 grant from LCIF for diabetes. The money enabled them to implement a pilot program, Defense Against Diabetes. The program covers Diabetic Retinopathy screenings, nutrition education and A1C screenings. The committee members worked with professionals throughout the district. Not only were they able to complete a very successful project, they were able to show what Lions contribute to our state.

Governors were asked at their recent meeting to support a statewide diabetes initiative by applying for a Core 4 Grant through LCIF - which would require matching funds from each club- enabling us to implement the "Defense Against Diabetes" program as outlined by District 11 E1.

- There are several options for consideration: Each club donates \$100, generating close to 50,000 for a 25% match.

- With a 25% match from Lions of Michigan, we would qualify for \$150,000 from LCIF
- The amount of funds dispersed to each district would be based upon how much money was contributed from their district
- Each district would appoint a fund administrator, project coordinator and treasurer
- There would be a designated state fund administrator and project coordinator.

A Steering Committee was appointed to draft an action plan to present to the Council of Governors at their May 18 meeting. LCIF recommends a state proposal as opposed to individual district requests. This is a highly effective way to support our diabetes service and gain exposure for the Lions of Michigan.

Updates will be provided at the MD 11 Lions Convention in May.

PDG Ron Gibson  
Steering Committee



## VP Gudrun Yngvadottir

to address MD11 Lions Convention, see page 8 for more details.

## Lions of Michigan Foundation assist with District 11 B2 DISASTER GRANT



The Lions of Michigan Service Foundation responds without hesitation to the needs of District 11-B2 by Lions of Michigan Service Foundation.

The devastation that struck southwest Michigan in the month

of February had not been experienced in over 40 years. Massive flooding overtook many areas; flooding homes, businesses, roads, and property. As the rivers all rose over ten to eleven feet above flood stage they remained at that level for over a week or more. In District 11-B2 the the devastation was present in many local towns and communities. The loss of property has been valued well over \$2.5M dollars. Governor Rick Snyder finally did call for emergency disaster relief for the area, however before that happened the local Lions Clubs were hard at work with the help of the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Emergency Grant Assistance Program

which authorized and approved funds without hesitation!

Funds were awarded to the following Lions Clubs to help out their cities.

- Three Rivers \$5,000
- Kalamazoo Downtown \$3,000
- Kalamazoo Westside \$3,000
- Comstock \$3,000

What a life preserver we as Lions have. To everyone involved with the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, GREAT JOB and THANK YOU!!

**PDG Jeff Mayuiers**  
Trustee

For mail returns see ID statement.

## UPCOMING Events:

**April 13-15**  
D1 Convention, Ann Arbor

C1 Convention  
Paws with a Cause

**April 17**  
Deadline to File Income Tax

**April 20-22**  
A1 Convention, Petersburg, OH  
SD 10 Convention, Bark River

**April 27**  
E2 Convention, Bellaire

**April 27-May 6**  
White Cane Week Michigan Lions

**May 15**  
Defense Against Diabetes  
Fat Tire Ride, St. Johns

**May 12**  
Lions of Michigan  
Family & Women Symposium  
Sterling Heights Lions Club House

**May 13 - Happy Mother's Day!**

**May 17** - Lions Picnic  
Bear Lake Camp Golf Outing  
Metamora Country Club

**May 18**  
Council of Governors Meeting  
MD 11 Lions Convention  
Breakout Sessions  
Bayou Bash -6:30 pm  
Holiday Inn Gateway Centre  
Grand Blanc

**May 19**  
Awards Breakfast  
Business Session – 10:30 am  
Breakout Sessions  
Awards Banquet

Check our website for updates and additional information [www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

**WHITE CANE WEEK: April 27 - May 6**

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S  
Pride**

Wendy Burns, Executive Director



We know that Lions are generous to a fault. Even when it comes to sending money to a fellow Lion in need- who may or may not have lost their wallet or had it stolen while out of the country.

Sound familiar? Have you fallen victim to this old scam? Sadly, there are deviant-minded cybercriminals always looking to take advantage of ones' generosity.

When you receive an email stating your friend is out of the country and in need of help, pay attention to the alarm bells going off in your head. Is this the approach a person you know would take if stranded in another country? A little research is all it should take to put your mind – and checking account – at ease.

For more information on internet scams, look up Spear Phishing and protect yourself against identity theft.

Yours in Service,

**Lion Wendy Burns  
Executive Director**



*"Help me!  
I'm in  
Mexico and  
I've been robbed!"*

**Club Highlight**

Received the Don and Marsha Brown 11-B2 Club of the Year at the District 11 B2 Convention on 24 March

Situated just south of I-94, west of Kalamazoo in Van Buren County, is the village of Mattawan. With a population of approximately 2,000, Mattawan boasts an active Lions Club of 32 members. They hold their meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at the Antwerp Township Community Center.

Chartered in 1958, the Mattawan Lions Club plays an active role in community

events and activities. They hold Soup Suppers in January, February, and March; each supper has its own theme, with this year's themes being Mattawan History, an art contest, and Fun Bingo. Proceeds from these events benefit local organizations and individuals; this year's Bingo Night resulted in funds going to the family of a local teacher whose husband suffers from ALS.

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S  
Spotlight**

DG Barb Stutesman , 11 B2

**"We Serve"**

So simple, yet so complex. As Lions, we all embrace the concept of service. We belong to clubs that serve our local communities, and we belong to a larger organization that serves our global community.

Our local service takes many forms, from distributing food to the hungry and toys to children to cleaning community parks and screening vision. We provide eyeglasses and hearing aids to those who cannot afford them. Obviously, the list goes on and on.

Our global service is also wide-ranging, from rebuilding communities devastated by wildfires and earthquakes to building water wells and latrines that help to control the spread of blinding diseases. We offer Lions Quest to young people to help them create safe and supportive learning environments. Again, the impressive list continues.

But Lions service is not restricted to our local communities and our global community. We often neglect that critical component of service: serving our fellow Lions. How often do we complete a major service project or fundraiser and then just plunge right into the next huge project? Wait a minute! Before jumping right into the next project, why not take a brief moment to celebrate our success? The celebration need not be

something elaborate or extravagant. But it could mean a great deal to those who devoted countless hours and personal resources to see the project through to its completion.

Now, there are those who declare that they receive satisfaction from seeing positive results of a service project or fundraiser; they say that they don't need an award or certificate. Still, who among us doesn't appreciate an occasional "Thank you for your contribution" from fellow Lions? It doesn't have to take the form of one of the many available certificates of appreciation; instead, it can simply be a heartfelt "Thanks. You helped us succeed with this." How many people have stepped away from Lions and affiliated with another service organization because they have felt that their efforts and talents were not needed or appreciated, let alone recognized?

We have two hands for service. We are proficient at using one for serving others; we could definitely improve upon using the other one for serving each other. That being said, I thank the many Lions who have contributed in many ways toward our mission: We Serve!

**DG Barb Stutesman  
District 11 B2**

**Mattawan Lions Club**

They sponsor Boy Scout Troop 161, along with its Cub Scout Pack; they also sponsor Girl Scout Troop 90696. And they sponsor their Leo Club, which was the District Leo Club of the Year in 2017.

Each year they, along with their Boy Scouts, sponsor a Trivia Night, which is popular with not only Mattawan residents but also area Lions Clubs. They also hold an annual Community Carnival each spring; this event coincides with the Mattawan Business Association's annual Easter Egg Hunt and includes Project KidSight. Every August they hold a Breakfast Fly-In at a local private air strip; another breakfast event they sponsor is their annual Relay for Life Pancake Breakfast. All of this fund-raising has resulted in thousands of dollars of assistance to residents and organizations in their community.

They created the Mattawan Lions Foundation in 2013 and regularly partner with this organization to raise funds for a wide variety of community projects. One of their points of pride is their Lions Club Vegetable Garden, which provides fresh produce to the Mattawan Area Pantry.

All of these projects, as well as many more, have resulted in high visibility in their community and, this year, in being awarded the Don and Marsha Brown Lions Club of the Year award for 2017-2018, as selected by the District Convention committee.



## DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S Spotlight

DG Fred Sullivan , 11 D2



## Everyone Needs A Hero

Recently I saw a bill board with this slogan on it. Everyone Needs a Hero! I got to thinking about who are our current heroes? As I pondered, I decided I needed to know the definition of a hero. I checked to see what Webster says about a hero and this is what I found. *Hero: A person of exceptional quality who wins admiration by noble deeds of courage.* Wow! To me that sounds like a Lion! A few Lions of note came to mind among others who advocated service. Melvin Jones, Helen Keller, FDR and his march of dimes, JFK, and Jimmy Carter are a few. Melvin Jones started what became known as Lions Clubs International based on his idea "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else". He subsequently gave up his very successful Insurance business to work full time at Lions International Headquarters and later represented Lions Clubs International as a consultant at the United Nations Conference on International Organization. Helen Keller was the first

deaf/blind child to earn a Bachelor's Degree. Now, talk about courage! She campaigned for women's suffrage, labor rights, and other noble causes. In 1925 she was an ambassador for the newly organized American Foundation for the Blind and spoke to the Lions International Convention. She courageously challenged the Lions to become Knights of the Blind. Hundreds of Millions of lives have been touched by the work of Lions in their quest to extinguish preventable blindness and aid visually impaired. Her courage and inspiration have led to innumerable acts of heroism through the efforts of Lions throughout the world.

More recently, I think of the Council of Governors who had the courage to get a law passed and on the books in Michigan to legalize our collecting on roadside for our charities. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are raised in this manner and fund many Lions activities. They have enabled

many heroes to fund their efforts.

I had to ask myself more profound questions. What if Melvin Jones and his friends hadn't started a club called Lions? Who would Helen Keller have challenged to be her Knights of the Blind? If Lions couldn't raise funds from the public what could happen to our charities? Would Leader Dog have to stop training Leader Dogs? Would Lions even be thinking of taking on the challenges of poverty, hunger, and Diabetes on a global scale? What are we doing about this challenge? Have we begun to help educate our communities about this problem? Will we Lions continue to be heroes in this next century?

The challenge of Helen Keller is being renewed in Las Vegas this summer at our International Convention. In her words, "Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable

blindness, no little deaf – blind child untaught, no blind man or woman unaided. I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind, will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?"

Now we have a new concern. Diabetes contributes to more than 5 million deaths a year, making it the 5th leading cause of death in the world, and the numbers are rising. Lions and Leos are confronting this global health emergency by raising awareness of diabetes through many local events. The big question becomes, "How will Lions meet this global challenge?" Will we Lions act courageously? Will we Lions continue to be heroes?

**DG Fred Sullivan**  
**District 11 D2**

## Club Highlight



Felix Schramski, seated, poses for the camera with assistance from Dad, Nathan. Felix is the great-great grandson of S.A. Dodge, and Nathan is his great-grandson.

## USA Lions & Harbor Beach Lions Clubs had a special guest at a recent KIDSIGHT SCREENING

"Thank you today for offering the eye screenings to the children this morning. It's reassuring to know that Felix's eyes are developing normally. My name is Lorrie Dodge Schramski and Felix is my grandson. I am the granddaughter of S.A. Dodge, one of the founders of Leader Dogs for the Blind. It is neat to know that S.A.'s great-great grandson was able to participate in a program like many other children that was so important to my grandfather. I think he would have been really happy to know how many people have been blessed by the Lions organization. Have a great day!" Lorrie Dodge Schramski

## ATTENTION Lions!

Put your leadership skills to work for the Lions of Michigan! Two-year terms for State Committee Chair positions are open for the following committees:

All State Band	International Convention
Bear Lake Camp	Lions Quest
Constitution and By Laws	Multiple District Convention
Eversight Michigan	Public Relations/Social Media
Hearing & Speech	Sight Conservation/Diabetes
Information Technology	

Complete descriptions may be found in the MD 11 Policy Manual located on our website under "downloads" at [www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com).

## LION PRIDE MAGAZINE

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## &gt; MD11 News

Columbus, Ohio September 20-22, 2018	Columbus, Ohio September 20-22, 2018	Columbus, Ohio September 20-22, 2018	Columbus, Ohio September 20-22, 2018
<b>MICHELLE RAY</b>	<b>GUDRUN YNGVADOTTIR</b>	<b>JON PETZ</b>	<b>JOHN PINERO</b>
<p><b>Take the Lead. Embrace Change. Own Your Future.©</b></p> <p>During this engaging, informative and dynamic Friday luncheon presentation, you will learn new strategies to respond rather than react to new realities. By viewing change through a positive lens, you will leave with practical take-aways to develop enduring relationships with members &amp; supporters, as well as new ideas to tap into your creativity, to grow as an open-minded leader &amp; position yourself for continued success.</p> <p><b>BREAKOUT SESSION</b> How To Attract, Retain &amp; Keep Great Lions</p>			
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skills

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your marketable  
leadership skills  
to advance  
your Lions &  
professional  
careers



### The Defense Against Diabetes: FAT TIRE RIDE

Sponsored by:  
Lions of Michigan District 11-C2



Fundraiser for Diabetic Testing Supplies and Diabetic Awareness for the Underprivileged Population

**SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018**

Register via BikeReg.com: The Defense Against Diabetes: Fat Tire Ride  
On-Site Registration: 8:00 a.m.

Donation: \$40/person  
Ride Start: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Fred Meijer Trail  
Starting in St. Johns, Michigan at the Railway Museum  
Two Rides: St. Johns to Ovid and return (20 miles)  
or  
St. Johns to Owosso and return (34 miles)

Tire Recommendation: Wider than 1 1/2 inches  
For question please contact: Tom Doyle at 517-881-9684

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Mae Luchetti, Suzi Henningson  
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Running a Lions Club is similar to running a business: You'll need the basics, such as officers, meeting space, insurance coverage and your nonprofit corporation ID number.

On or before October 1 of each year beginning the year after incorporation, Michigan Nonprofit Corporations must file to renew their nonprofit status by October 1. Notifications will be sent mid-summer, but it's never too early to plan for filing. The fee is \$20. Businesses may ask for your nonprofit status or your identification number when requesting donations.

If you should have question on your Nonprofit status with the State of Michigan, contact: Corporations Division at 517.241.6470.

Are you planning an outdoors (or indoor) summertime event? Do you need proof of insurance to present to the city where you are planning this event? Your answers are just a click away on the LCI website. Download a copy of an insurance liability form, or the print a copy of the Lions Insurance Booklet for a handy reference. You'll even find an event checklist to help ensure you've covered all the bases, from parking an food service, to liquor liability and medical aid.

Stay on top of proper licensing and insurance for your club's success.

## TAX-TALK FOR LIONS

All Lions clubs are on a fiscal year that begins on July 1 and ends on June 30. The clubs are all 501(c)4 organizations and are covered under group exemption 0239 through Lions Clubs International. Clubs do not have to file form 1024 when they are organized because of the group exemption. However every club must file an annual tax return.

Income tax returns are due 4 ½ months after the year ended June 30. The returns will be due by November 15. Every club will have to file a 990N, a 990EZ or a 990 tax form.

Form 990N is basically an information form wanting to know if your club is still alive and that your annual gross receipts are under \$50,000.

Form 990EZ is a little more complicated and requires financial information. You can use form 990EZ if your annual gross receipts are under \$250,000.



## LIONS OPEN HOUSE

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Please call 800-253-7297.  
[pawswithacause.org](http://pawswithacause.org)

**Saturday  
August 18, 2018  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm**



Form 990 is much more complicated and may require the services of a professional. Form 990 is used by organizations with gross receipts in excess of \$250,000.

The term gross receipts are a little confusing to many people. If your club has various fundraisers that bring in more than \$50,000 before expenses, you cannot file form 990N. You may have to file form 990EZ or a full 990. Charitable gaming will make many clubs file more detailed returns.

Many clubs have also set up a charities organization as a 501(c)3 organization. Both the club and the charity must file separate tax returns.

As a final note, Lioness and Leo Clubs are part of the Lions Club. Revenue and expenses need to be added to Lions Club revenue and expenses for tax filing purposes. Remember to account for the Lioness Club and/or Leo Club receipts when deciding whether to file form 990N, 990EZ or 990.

**Paul Hemeryck  
CPA and State Treasurer**

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**REGISTER for the International Convention online**at <http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/attendees/registration-information.php>**LIONS OF MICHIGAN****PARADE  
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@34.00/each	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____

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39.00/each	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____

WOMEN'S SIZES S-XL	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
@34.00/each	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____

WOMEN'S SIZES 2XL-3XL	QTY	PRICE	TOTAL
@39.00/each	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____

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to benefit  
*Pediatric  
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Being Prepared For The Unexpected****Moderator**

Kim Trent, Wayne State Board Of Governors

**SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018****8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**Sterling Heights Lions Club House  
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Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:  
Lula Gardfrey, MD 11 GMT Coordinator  
313.410.9778

**LCI Announces  
SPONSORSHIP  
INITIATIVE**

Wherever we serve, we inspire others to make an impact. And when our clubs grow, our impact grows. President Aggarwal is asking every Lion to invite a friend or family member to serve with us. You can even earn a special prize of \$750 when you sponsor new members in your club. Here's how the new member sweepstakes works:

- Sponsor a new member between April 1 and June 15, 2018 to be eligible to win.
- You will receive one entry for each new member sponsored and be automatically entered into a drawing for your chance to win US\$750.
- Two winners per constitutional area will be selected at random and notified by email.\* \*\*

If we embrace this opportunity, we can make our clubs and communities stronger. Plus, we can make history together. Since 1982, we have been working to reach the ambitious goal of 1.5 million Lions. With your help, we can achieve this incredible milestone by our International Convention in Las Vegas in June.

Invite a new member between April 1 and June 15 for your chance to win \$750. Help us reach a new membership record so we can serve more people than ever before. Let's put the Power of We into action.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal  
Your International President

## LCI-CON Las Vegas JUNE 29-JULY 3

Add deeper meaning to your convention experience by serving with Lions and Leos from around the world! LCI Convention Service Projects are large scale, hands-on volunteer opportunities aligned with the Centennial Service Challenge campaigns and the LCI global causes. A variety of projects will be offered at the MGM Grand and around Las Vegas throughout convention. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. The \$25 non-refundable registration fee includes transportation, a commemorative t-shirt, and refreshments. Announcement of Service Projects scheduled for the Las Vegas area will be made a later date.

The International Parade of Nations will step off on Saturday, June 30 at 8:30 a.m.

Have you purchased your Michigan Night tickets? Join us on Sunday, July 1 for the Tournament of Kings show at the Excalibur Hotel. Cost: \$50.

## Convention Speakers ANNOUNCED

### President George W. Bush Monday, July 2

43rd President of the United States and Founder of the George W. Bush Presidential Center, George W. Bush was sworn into office on January 20, 2001, and served as Commander in Chief for two consecutive terms. Before his presidency, he served for six years as Governor of the State of Texas.

### Dr. Sanjay Gupta Sunday, July 1

The multiple Emmy® award winning chief medical correspondents for CNN and a practicing neurosurgeon, his medical training and public health policy experience distinguishes his reporting from war zones and natural disasters. Gupta's passion for inspiring Americans to lead healthier, more active lives led him to launch "Fit Nation," CNN's multi-platform anti-obesity initiative that is now in its sixth year.

### Security

Please note: For all Plenary Sessions and the International Show at the Grand Garden Arena, special security measures will be in place. Purses, back-packs, tote-bags, camera bags are prohibited in the Grand Garden Arena. To compensate for this, all attendees will be given a clear plastic stadium bag to use to carry their belongings during the convention.

On July 2, all attendees will be required to pass through metal detectors at the entrances to the Grand Garden Arena. Additional information will be provided onsite at the convention.

Register for the International Convention online at <http://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/EN/attendees/registration-information.php>



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**SCHEDULE  
Of Events****THURSDAY, MAY 17**

**6:00 p.m.** Pre-Convention Picnic Lions Bear Lake Camp  
Experience first-hand the excitement of Lions Bear Lake Camp! You must register in advance. Cost: \$10  
**Meet in hotel lobby @ 5:30 p.m. Car pool or bus (\$5.00) to Camp**  
**VP Gudrun Yngvadottir will attend if travel time allows**

**FRIDAY, MAY 18**

**9:00 a.m.** Council of Governors Meeting  
**10:30 - 11:30 a.m. NEW!** Breakout Session: Nutrition for the Diabetic - Meal planning for a diabetic diet can be a challenge, learn ways to simplify the process  
**12:00 - 9:00 p.m.** Exhibitor Displays Open both Friday & Saturday  
**1:30 p.m.** District Governors-Elect Planning Meeting  
**2:00 - 3:30 p.m. NEW!** Breakout Session: Human Trafficking - Learn ways to "Help Break the Silence" by becoming informed  
**6:30 p.m.** Welcome Reception & Cajun Bash!  
Silent Auction will remain open through Saturday @ 6:30 p.m.  
**8:30 - 10:30 p.m.** Entertainment by the Bayou River Band  
**10:00 p.m.** *The After-Party* Hospitality

**SATURDAY, MAY 19**

**8:30 a.m.** 2018 Awards Breakfast  
Sponsor: Lions of Michigan Foundation  
Guest Speaker, PID Dr. Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson  
**10:30 a.m.** Business Session - Hear reports from our State Projects, Leo Clubs and more!

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN****BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**2:00 p.m.** Recruiting Success in a New Century - Round Table Discussion led by GMT Chair, Lion Lula Gardfrey  
**3:00 p.m.** Diabetes Awareness, Prevention, Treatment & Research-Lions Barb Bagerly & Terri Huffman When International President Sten Akestam wanted to help raise awareness about diabetes, he turned to one of the most influential women in the world for help: Eppie Lederer, better known as advice columnist Ann Landers. We turn to Lions Barb Bagerly, Diabetic Nurse, and Lion Terri Huffman.  
**4:00 - 4:30 p.m.** Travel Tips to Las Vegas - LCI International Convention led by PDG Bill Simpson

**SATURDAY AWARDS BANQUET-KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Sponsor: Leader Dogs for the Blind  
**6:00 p.m.** Performance by Lions of Michigan All State Band  
**7:00 p.m.** Memorial Service  
**7:15 p.m.** Awards Banquet Keynote address by: **1ST VP GUDRUN YNGVADOTTIR**  
**9:30 p.m.** Live & Silent Auction Wrap-up  
**10:00 p.m.** *The After-Party* Hospitality

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In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws, all Lions Clubs in good standing with Lions International and the Multiple District are entitled to one (1) vote for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club, as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding the month during which the convention is held. The major fraction referred to is five (5) or more members.

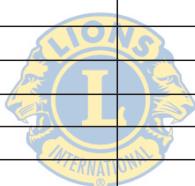
The number of delegates your club is entitled to for

the MD 11 Convention is determined by your Membership Report as of the end of March - provided it is submitted to Lions International in a timely manner. When you complete your Membership Report for March, you can compute the number of delegates and alternates your club is entitled to and select your representative(s). List their names below on the left side of this form. Also indicate whether each representative listed is a Delegate or an Alternate.

Your delegate(s) must register and obtain a name badge before they can be certified to vote. Then they must sign this form at the convention and receive a delegate sticker from the Certification Desk. All delegates must be REGISTERED AND CERTIFIED by 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018 in order to vote at the convention. VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY AT THE HOLIDAY INN GATEWAY CENTER, GRAND BLANC MICHIGAN.

Return this form prior to April 28, 2018 to: Lions of Michigan State Office 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Total Number of Lions in YOUR Club as of April 1, 2018 who have been enrolled for at least one year and one day.

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY CLUB SECRETARY Name _____ Delegate or Alternate _____	THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED AT CONVENTION SITE Signature _____
	
I hereby certify that the delegates and alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11. Lions Club of _____ District _____	
President's or Secretary's Signature _____	Signature of Governor or Governor-Elect <small>(Valid only at convention and only if President/Secretary of club is not present)</small>

**NOTE: THIS IS NOT A REGISTRATION FORM.** All Lions must register before they can be certified to vote. Please advise your delegates to arrive early. The Certification Desk at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center, Grand Blanc, Michigan is open from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. Friday, May 18, 2018 and from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018. Any Lion who is not in line by 11:30 a.m. Saturday will not be certified as a delegate and will not be allowed to vote. Voting will take place between 12:00 and 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

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Is this your first MD Convention? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How many years a Lion member _____				
QUANTITY	AMOUNT			
Thursday Picnic @ \$10.00, May 17, 2018	\$ _____			
Round trip bus to Lions Bear Lake Camp @ \$5.00	\$ _____			
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion	\$ _____			
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Friday Night Welcome Reception @ No Charge	\$ 0.00			
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Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

1. Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless (excluding Saturday Banquet) registration fee is paid.

2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 8, 2018. No refunds after May 9, 2018.

3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Grand Blanc. They will not be mailed to you.

The registration desk will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18 and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

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## Membership to Vote on New State Project: LIONS OF MICHIGAN ALL STATE BAND

The Council of Governors has received a resolution from the officers of the All-State Band requesting that the Band be included in the list of recognized projects of the Lions of Michigan. The Council has also received from the Band nine (9) sub-district resolutions of support for their request to become a recognized project of MD 11.

The Band has met the requirements for being a state project those being:

- Has submitted nine (9) sub-district resolutions of support.
- Is a project of SD 10.
- Is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a charitable organization under 501 (c)(3).
- Although it has maintained a close relationship with the Lions of Michigan, the Band is an independent agency.

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of Governors of Multiple District 11 does hereby support the request of the All-State Band and that the By Laws of Multiple District 11 be amended as follows:

Article VIII, Section 3 – add Lions of Michigan All-State Band

Article IX (Committees), Section 1-a - add number 24 – Lions of Michigan All-State Band

Section 1-b – Lions of Michigan All-State Band

Section 5-b – Delete the entire section.

Section 5-c - Renumber to Section 5-b

# 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 2018 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 10th Annual, will be held on August 4, 2018 at 6:00 PM at the Crowne Plaza Hotel located at 5700 E. 28th Street - Grand Rapids, Michigan. Lodging is \$85.00 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.

## HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

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## 2018 REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Choice of Entrée: Chicken Parmesan - #: \_\_\_\_\_ Eggplant Parmesan - #: \_\_\_\_\_ Grilled Salmon - #: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions or Lioness Club: \_\_\_\_\_

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**5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, MI 48911 - 517.887.6640 - www.lmsf.net**

**DEADLINE: Monday, July 9, 2018**

## 11 A1



**DG Terry Treppa**  
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Pictured are president Larry Houff, 1st VP, Cindy Wagner, Terry Houff and other Lion members. PRC Dave Wilbert (candidate for 2VDG), PDG Evelyn Cooper, Lion Henry Cable (chef's apron), Jan and friend with Leader Dogs for the Blind, Kimba and our beloved Patrick (Debbie's dog)

**Garden City Lions** held their Annual Pancake Breakfast which involved Garden City firefighters cooking the pancakes and sausages.



**Westland Lions** enjoyed a visit from 1st VDG Shirley Kelly and 2nd VDG Norris Turner. They dined and distributed Monarch Chevrons to the Lions of the Westland Club. Chevrons are issued in recognition of long periods of membership in Lions Clubs International.



## CLUB

## Happenings:



**District A1 • District Editor: Linda Tate**  
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**A1 Members** are asked to participate in two upcoming service projects. The first will be held at the District Convention April 20-22, and Governor Treppa has asked that you bring non-perishable food items and paper product. For the MD 11 Lions Convention, the District is asked to provide washcloths for camper back packs. Back packs will be provided to Lions Bear Lake Camp located in MD 11, and Bay Cliff Camp located in SD 10.

**Detroit Hispanic Lions** will hold a bowling fundraiser at the Thunder Bowl Lanes in Allen Park on April 14. Bowling, shoes, food and fun are

included in the \$20 fee. \$10 kids. Detroit Mid-City Lions Club celebrated Black-History Month by touring Detroit's Motown Museum.

**Detroit North Central Lions** will hold a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on May 5 at the Vernon Chapel A.M.E. Church. It's the best breakfast in town, for just \$7.00! Tickets sold in advance or at the door. Contact Curtis Perry @ 313-369-1652

**Lions of Michigan Family and Women's Symposium** will be held Saturday, May 12, Sterling Heights Lions Club. Contact Lion Lula Gardfrey, GMT Chairperson, for registration information, or

refer to the registration form located in this issue of the Lion Pride or on the website: [www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

**Dearborn Heights Lions** will hold their 34th Annual Charity Golf Scramble June 22 at Gateway Golf Course in Romulus. Come out for a day of golf, prizes, food and fellowship and help us raise money for the charities we continue to serve throughout the year.

**Lions of Michigan Family & Women Symposium** will be held Saturday, May 12 at Sterling Heights Lions Club House. M

**A big thank you** to all who attended the Bear Lake Camp Fundraiser - we had a full house and a great time! Thanks to you, over \$43,000.00 was raised at this event. Great job, Lions! The annual cleanup date for the Bear Lake Camp is set for Saturday, May 12, and all hands are welcomed to help out.

**Lions of Michigan Family & Women Symposium** will be held Saturday, May 12 at Sterling Heights Lions Club House. Moderator Kim Trent from

Wayne State Board of Governors and educational speakers.

**Belleville Lion** JoAnn Gardner enjoyed a visit at Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, Michigan along with 47 Lions visiting from Indiana. It was rewarding enjoying fellowship with Lions from a neighboring state.

**Fraser Lions** have a busy spring with their 1st Annual Wild Game Dinner, Comedy Hypnosis Show and A Night With Elvis by Steve Hunt entertaining his memories of Elvis.

**Madonna University and Lions/Lioness** host the 33rd Annual Dinner and Program on



## 11 A2



**DG John Bingham, Jr.**  
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Kick-off 2018 White Cane Week with a dinner and performance by the Macombers at Eastpointe Manor Banquets and Catering. The Macombers are an all-student chorus and one of the finest show choirs in the state! Hosted by **Eastpointe Lions**, call to reserve your tickets today as this will sell out! 586-202-7858



**Memphis Lions** conducted a project KidSight at Memphis Elementary School during their annual Winter Carnival.



## Richmond

**Lions** participated in Richmond Chamber of Commerce's alpaca races event. Members enjoyed creating; naming and participating in this community event. Lions took advantage of this opportunity to connect with the community and decided to share White Cane Sale information.



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Deafness and Communication. Event takes place April 26 on Madonna University Campus.

**Memphis Lions** held a Euchre Tournament with 50/50 Drawing and prize money to winning participants.

**Wild Game Dinner** at Bear Lake Camp, Saturday, April 14. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Enter to win a Connon Capital 64 Gun Safe and many other prizes at this highly popular event.



**11 C1**

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**Hudsonville Lions**  
chartered Troop #146 in 1992. The Scouts presented to the Club an annual review of their activities and accomplishments. Club President Patrick Waterman recently presented a \$300 check to the troops.



**Rockford Lions** hosted a full house during their 8th Annual Chilifest which included 5 different Lions clubs from their district. \$1,500 was raised from the silent and live auctions. This event has grown in success and fun every year, and we are looking forward to next year.



March 2018 marked the seventh year of the **Fruitport Lions** Literacy project with the Fruitport Community Schools. It all started with a challenge to involve youth in reading from Lions International President Wayne Madden in 2012.

To date they have read to over three hundred and fifty classrooms and delivered over one thousand books. Each classroom visit includes discussion on Lionism, public service, and of course the importance of reading.



**Lakewood Lions** hosted their 6th annual Night for Sight Event. This was a night to remember – they had 38 people in attendance representing the Paw Paw, Thornapple Valley, Alto, Marne, Saranac, and Lakewood Lions Clubs plus some special non-Lion guests from their Community. They

celebrated the gift of Life and Gift of Sight for those receiving transplants and honored those who donated as well as the members of the donor families.

**CLUB Happenings:****District C1 • District Editor:  
No Appointment**

**District 11 C1** Convention will be held Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Paws with A Cause in Wayland.

**Cedar Springs Lions** is holding 3 all you can eat Pancake Breakfast fundraisers at the United Methodist Church in Cedar Springs. The dates are February 17, March 24 and April 21. Funds will be used for sight assistance in the community.

**Grand Rapids Lions** presented their 13th Annual Blind Dinner Date. Funds raised will be used to provide children and adults with eye care through the Grand Rapids Lions Club Vision Clinic.

at Cherry Health, help children with special needs through the Eyeglasses Program at KISD, and assist individuals with blindness or severe low vision through the Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

**Rockford Lions and Rockford Leos** joined forces at the Rockford Expo on St. Patrick's Day by performing a Project KidSight vision screening. 150 kids had their eyes tested with the use of the Districts camera, some referrals were made. It was a busy and fun event for all!

**District C2 • District Editor: Noreen Boes**  
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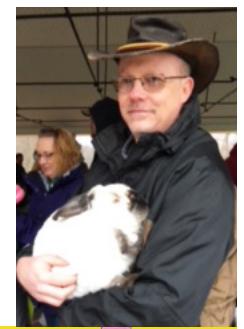
**Bretton Woods Lions** will be working May 16-17 a Texas Hold-em fundraiser located behind Havenly Ham.

**DeWitt Lions** will hold Texas Hold-em on May 18-19 at the new location of Honeybaked Ham.

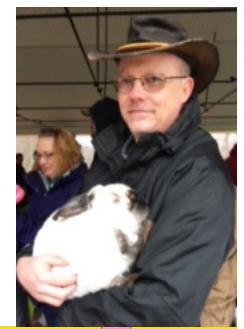
**Grand Ledge Lions and Lioness** invite you to board the bus for a tour of Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, MI. The trip and tour is on Saturday, April 28th. The cost will be \$30.00 per person. If you haven't seen the recently upgraded facilities at Leader Dog this is a great way to get there and see it all. Contact: Lion Joanne Ford (517) 627-9470.

**Holt Lions** sold over 400 tulip, lily and crocus plants during their Annual Spring Flower sale.

**The Defense Against Diabetes Fat Tire Ride** will be held on Saturday, May 18. Registration is \$40/person, and the ride will be held on the Fred Meijer Trail, St. Johns. Questions: Contact Lion Tom Doyle @ 517-881-9684



**Hartland Lions** Club President Kurt Stromlund received a club excellence award from DG Brent. Lion Kurt was nominated at the District Convention as 2nd VDG-Elect, 2018-19. Congratulations!



**St. Johns Lions** Easter Egg Hunt took place in the city park. The event is sponsored annually by the St. Johns Lioness Club with support from the City of St. Johns and local businesses and groups. While the attendance was lighter than past years

due to the weather, the children who participated had a good time having their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. Other activities included face painting, clowns who made balloon animals, crafts and live bunnies for petting.



**11 D1**

**DG Jeffrey Hunt**  
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enjoyed a raffle with a prize of a vintage 1974 Yamaha SL433 Snowmobile, all you can eat pancake breakfast, lunch and chili dinner. The swap meet was also a hit once again this year.



Pictured from left to right are little Jaycee Toma, Carissa Toma, Dwayne Amman and Mary VanLoon

**St. Charles Lions** new member Jean Rooker-Damic was proud to deliver a check for \$400 to Area 22 Special Olympics for the purchase of new helmets for their winter games.



**Chesaning Lions** presented a \$1,000 check to the Chesaning Area United Appeal (CAUA) fund drive. CAUA Co-Chair Mary VanLoon gratefully accepted the check, which will go toward supporting charitable programs in the Chesaning area, including the River Rapids District Library, Chesaning Area Emergency Response (CAER), the Young at Heart club located at the Chesaning Senior Center and the Rehmann Health Center.

**Swartz Creek and Lennon Lions** presented a check to Will Roth to help fulfill his dream of seeing Germany through Swartz Creek schools German Club to Deutschland. Will is a 14 year old who is losing his vision to rod-cone dystrophy.

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**District 11 D1** Convention will be held at the Wyndham Garden in Ann Arbor on April 13-15.

**District 11 D1** will sponsor FAMILY (Fun Activities Community Education Services) on Sunday, May 20 at Grand Blanc Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Flint. There will be speakers for the adults activities and fun for the kids displays and hands-on fun for all.

**Auburn Williams Lions** announce their 7th Annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, July 14 at Sandy Ridge Golf Course in Midland. Application available online at [www.awlions.com](http://www.awlions.com).

**Bay City Lions** will gratefully accept proceeds from The Comedy Services entertainment evening at Willow Lunge in Bay City.

**Fairgrove Lions** look forward to their fundraiser Spring Picnic at Fairgrove High School in Akron. The event will include a silent auction with proceeds to fund scholarship and community projects. The picnic will be held on April 29.

**Freeland Lions** held their Annual Easter Egg Hunt at the end of March along the bunny trail in Tittabawasee Township Park on Midland Road.

**Grand Blanc Lions** gladly accepted proceeds from a recent

casino bus trip that Bryon Masonic Lodge #80 hosted. The trip took players to FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek to enjoy a day of gambling.

**Kingston Lions** held their Craft Show and Soup Luncheon at the end of March at Kingston Elementary School Cafeteria. Several kinds of soup and homemade desserts were served. The club has also completed 22 blankets for their Covered in Love project hosted by District 11 D1's District Governor and First Lady.

**Linden Lions** are hosting their annual White Elephant Auction. This is an evening with good food, lots of fun, a chance to pick up a rare find at a good price and to share good times and tall stories with other Lions. Plan on joining Linden Lions on Tuesday, April 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church in Linden.

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**Emmett Lions** held their Annual Rabbit Hunt during February at the Emmett VFW Hall in downtown Emmett.

**Algonac Lions** supported their local varsity and middle school cheer and robotics with a successful spaghetti dinner.

**Applegate Lions** offers Euchre parties on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at Applegate Lions Hall. Play starts at 6:30 pm, and includes cards and dinner. They also have a 50/50 raffle and pay out to the three highest scores.

**Almont Lions** hold a Euchre Party on the 2nd Saturday of each month until May 12. Proceeds will benefit area Humanitarian Projects.

Berville Lions have scheduled their big summer 3-Day Event on July 13-15. Saturday is the big diesel performance day with the dyno, drag races, truck/tractor pulls and other events! The rest of the weekend is yet to be determined. Be sure to mark your calendars.

**Capac Lions** held an Easter Egg Hunt at Capac Lions Park. The free event was sponsored by Capac Lion's Club, Capac Chamber of Commerce and Keihin. Kids were able to meet the Easter Bunny, find eggs, and have fun.

**Carsonville Lions** are holding a hog raffle with proceeds to be used for a Carsonville resident battling cancer. The next drawing will be held soon.

**Crosswell Lions** hosted a Top O'The Mornin' Breakfast at their Lions Hall. All donations support KidSight, Eagle Scout projects, Cros-Lex senior party, youth activities, Cros-Lex student scholarships, student exchange students and Crosswell community events.

**Marine City Lions** will be hosting a Wine & Craft Beer Tasting on April 24 with proceeds to benefit Marine City Lions Club charities. This is one of their most popular events!

**Memphis Lions** housed the local Parks and Recreation Easter Egg hunt at their Lions Hall on March 31.

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**Marysville Lions** members spent several hours on March 10 preparing and serving a meal and assisting at Mid City Nutrition Soup Kitchen in Pt. Huron. Lion Paul Wessel (third from left) is the head cook at the Soup Kitchen 4 days/week.



**Marysville Lions** presented a check to Marysville resident, Laura Booth, who has recently become the proud owner of a Leader Dog, Hanna. Laura will use the check for the expenses in taking care of Hanna.



**Marysville Lions** member Lion Marty Whitsitt represented the Lions Club at the Marysville Middle School headshaving fundraiser event for the St. Baldrick's Foundation. St. Baldrick's Foundation funds childhood cancer research. Lion Marty raised about \$1,200, including a sizeable donation from the Marysville Club.



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**Mesick Lions** held their annual Easter Egg Hunt and it was a success.

**Big Rapids Lions**

presented a check for \$2,500 along with an additional check for \$500 to SVOSH, the student branch of Michigan Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity, at Ferris State University. As part of their optometry studies at Ferris, students have an opportunity to participate in mission trips to other countries and assist with eye care for the citizens of those countries. As in past years, students will be traveling this year to Peru, Dominica, and Honduras

**11 E2****DG Bob Gingerich**

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**Hillman Lions**

held a Project KidSight vision screening, where approximately 50 children from Hillman Elementary School were screened.

**Mackinaw City Lions**

Lions enjoyed a sweet 2018 Valentine's Day Dinner and Awards at The Chippewa Room at Audies.



Dear White Cane Scholarship Committee,

Thank you very much for the college scholarship. It is very much appreciated and it will be very helpful to put towards my college costs.

The Lake Ann Lions Club has been helping me since I was 4 years old and it has made a huge difference in my life with various camps and equipment. Thanks again to all of you on the White Cane Scholarship Committee and the Lions Club of Michigan for everything you do and for giving me the opportunity to receive the scholarship.

Sincerely,

Brandon Tyson  
Buckley – District 11 E1

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**District 11 E1** will hold their convention on April 6-7 at H Hotel in Midland. The convention theme is 100th Birthday party.

**Mt. Pleasant Lions** will be serving their memorable 64th Annual Chicken Barbecue at Island Park on Sunday, May 6.

**Coleman Lions** teamed with concerned citizens to host a Health Fair at the Coleman Family Center. A Family Fun Walk Run was held immediately following the health fair. Money raised during the Walk Run will go to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

**Fremont Lions** are participating in their annual Vidalia Onion Sale!

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**Alpena Lions** collected 60 units of blood for the Red Cross in a time span of 40 hours.

**Boyne Valley Lions** conducted child vision screening at Project Connect in Petoskey. They conducted 25 vision screenings, which resulted in five referrals recommending additional vision care.

**Cheboygan Lions** sponsored another successful blood drive, collecting 42 pints of blood. East Jordan Lions and Lionesses and their spouses enjoyed a benefit dinner at the Jordan Inn in East Jordan and participated in an auction that raised \$1,000 for the local Care and Share Food Pantry.



# DONATE LIFE DAY

Thank you Michigan Lions and Lioness Clubs  
for making Donate Life Day 2018 a success!



**THANKS** to more than  
**150 volunteers**  
and your continued support  
on Donate Life Day this year...

We registered  
**1,784**   
new donors

Your stories of hope and healing on Donate Life Day inspired Michiganders across the state to say “YES!” to eye, organ and tissue donation. Eversight is proud to partner with Lions and Lioness Clubs in making vision a reality.

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