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A FEARLESS LION!

Fremont Lions Club entered a Fearless Lion in the Fremont Fall Harvest Festival Hay Art competition. Pictured creators Ron and Barb Gibson and Evie Reed. Not pictured are Brenda & Steve Adsmond. The Lion is located in Fremont Veterans Park along Main Street and people can vote for the Community Choice Award by bringing canned goods to the Chamber of Commerce office until Friday, October 11. The Hay Art with the most weight collected for the local food pantry wins.

HELPING IN THE AFTERMATH OF HURRICANE DORIAN

Hurricane Dorian devastated areas of Grand Bahama Island and the Abaco’s. LCIF has taken immediate action to provide disaster assistance, but there are still ways in which you can help and at the same time, be assured your support goes directly to those in need.

PID Neil Spencer, MD-35 Executive Secretary, has provided details on how to assist, below. MD-35 includes Florida and the Bahamas. As recovery efforts continue, teams of workers are focused on providing the essentials: water, food clothing and shelter. We can do our part to help.

The MD-35 Disaster relief team is working with Past District Governor Dudley Bent in Freeport, to get supplies transported to Grand Bahama Island as quickly as possible. 20 pallets of supplies are being taken to Freeport on September 10th with the District Governor and she will assess what other needs are required. There are about 50 service and religious organizations working to ease the suffering that Dorian left behind.

The most pressing needs at the moment are:

Flash lights

Batteries - AA, C, D

Tarps

Canned food with pull tops

Plastic Wrapped Diapers

Canned Milk

Baby Food

Small Generators

Bottled Water

If clubs wish to send monetary donations they can do so to:

MD-35

7200 Lake Ellenor Dr. Ste 109

Orlando, FL 32809-5786

Please mark the donations as "Bahamas Relief"

Should anyone wish to send other types of donations, gift cards to Lowe's, Home Depot, Publix, Winn Dixie, Ace Hardware, etc... With the gift cards, the disaster team in 35-N can obtain items that are of current critical need and transport them to the islands. They can also be sent to the MD office in Orlando.

Yours in Friendship and Lionism, Neil R. Spencer, PID

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Michigan Lions Membership Month October 2019

November 8-10

Lions Leadership/Graduate Institute

Houghton Lake, MI

November 14

World Diabetes Day

November 20

Michigan Forum Committee Teleconference Call 7.00pm

November 23

MD 11 Lions Convention Committee Meeting Lions of MI State Office 10.00am

December 6 - 7

3rd Council of Governors Meeting

Wyndham Garden, Ann Arbor

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

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PRIDE NEWS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S Pride

WENDY BURNS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LIONS OF MICHIGAN ANNOUNCES NEW ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT!

Amber Ebright is a former member of the Michigan Lions All-State Band on the flag corps. She traveled to Australia in 1991 and Minnesota in 1993. She went to Ovid-Elsie High School and played flute for concerts and was on the flag corps for marching season. Her daughters Megan (17) and Emily (14) are also members of the All-State Band. They both traveled to Milan, Italy and Megan also attended the Chicago Tour.

Amber is married to Brent Ebright of Ithaca and has three children, Megan (17), Emily (14), and Micah (11). She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management and has over 10 years of experience as an Administrative Assistant. Amber has also earned her state license as a Massage Therapist and has practiced as a Licensed Massage Therapist (LMT) for over 4 years.

We welcome Amber to the Lion Family!

–Lion Wendy Burns, Executive Director

LMASB member Amber Ebright, Flag Corps 1991 (picture)

WORLD DIABETES DAY - 14 NOVEMBER

Diabetes is the signature cause of Lions and Leos worldwide. This year, Lions Clubs International is on a mission to screen 1 million people for prediabetes and diabetes. Help us reach our goal on World Diabetes Day (November 14) by taking the online risk assessment or organizing a screening in your community. Lions are teaming up to increase awareness around a disease that affects 1 out of 3 Adults. Half of seniors have prediabetes and 80% don’t even know they have prediabetes.

COULD IT BE YOU?

We’re asking ALL Lions members and clubs to participate in a challenge to screen 1 million people for prediabetes and diabetes. Together, we can educate communities to better understand, prevent and care for diabetes.

OPTION ONE - Online Risk Assessment

Finding out if you’re at risk for prediabetes or diabetes is simple. You can complete the test at https://doihaveprediabetes.org in roughly 5 minutes and a few clicks….then encourage others to take the assessment. Assess Your Risk!

We are asking ALL Lion’s members and Clubs to share the above screening link on your social media page on the day of the event and ask your friends to do the same.

OPTION TWO - Organize a Screening Project on that day.

Clubs can make a difference by organizing a screening project in their communities. The ADA Diabetes paper Risk Test is available through Globe Printing at 906-485-1033 and they can coordinate shipping and quantity AT NO COST to the Club. Have a Lions member set up a display at a location in your community. Besides entering the information in myLION, email your LCIF Diabetes Program Manager/Administrator of your screening on November 14th.

Report Your Screening: To reach our goal of 1 million screened, it’s important for all of us to report our service. After your clubs screening, be sure to report your activity on MyLion.

PROJECT IDEAS

* Work with a healthcare professional to organize an educational talk about diabetes, pre-diabetes, prevention and management at your club or district meeting.
* Facilitate a discussion about diabetes to encourage club members to share their personal connections to the disease.
* Share a low calorie high nutrient snacks such as fruits and vegetables at your club meeting and ask a nutritionist or diabetes educator to teach club
* members and their families about interpreting food labels.
* Sign-up for myLION and learn how Lions and Leos are getting involved in diabetes service.
* Download an app that educates and encourages healthy lifestyle choices. Invite club members to participate in healthy lifestyles related challenge.
* Newspaper: Lions for Diabetes Awareness event in your community.
* Partner with healthcare professionals to organize a screening for diabetes, diabetic retinopathy and diabetic foot.
* Promote diabetes prevention through social media campaigns or radio announcements.
* Volunteer for a day at a diabetes center
* Sponsor a healthy cooking demonstration for people with diabetes and pre-diabetes.
* Organize a weekly walking club at your place of work and share a healthy snack afterwards.
* Bring fresh fruits or vegetables to an elementary school classroom to encourage children to try a variety of healthy foods.
* Collaborate with a healthcare professional to organize a physical activity and promote exercise and healthy eating.
* Sponsor a training program for community healthcare workers to learn about screening, community support programs and prevention of diabetes complications.

#LIONSFIGHTDIABETES

Credit for development Gary Perala, Program Manager, SD10

WORLD DIABETES DAY

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SPOTLIGHT

DISTRICT GOVERNOR’S SPOTLIGHT

GOVERNOR MICHAEL SCOTT, MD 11 B1

“Beyond The Norm”

“If you don’t love what you do, you won’t do it with much conviction or passion.” - Mia Hamm

I had the good fortune of crossing paths with Past International Director Sanjay Khetan at the Spokane airport en route home from the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. I was immediately touched by his warmth, sincerity, and the passion he exhibits for membership within our association.

You may or may not know that PID Sanjay is from Nepal and is part of LCI’s leadership team overseeing Special Interest Club Development. To say this gentleman works on a global scale is an understatement...he was preparing to board a flight to San Francisco while booking a hotel in Estonia.

I happened to be wearing a Jackson Lions Diabetes Service Club golf shirt that day which served as an appropriate catalyst for our conversation. I was proud to share how this team has developed and provided a top-level summary of the accomplishments of this newly-chartered club.

“Special Interest clubs have been formed in every era but yet in limited numbers,” said Khetan. “The number of specialty clubs organized worldwide is now increasing every year, thus allowing the opportunity for our membership to grow. Clubs have been created in areas where clubs did not exist.”

I was fascinated to hear that there is tango-focused dance club in Argentina, RV clubs for avid travelers in Australia, and even a Sherpa club that collects trash from Mount Everest! Ethnically based clubs are quite common, as are sporting/golfing groups, colleagues with similar professional backgrounds form clubs and even those who have a shared interest in wine. The opportunities are seemingly endless. People who share a common interest gravitate towards each other so growing our membership while developing new clubs with a specific focus in mind is a logical and natural progression.

So, what type of specialty clubs are getting chartered? Here are some examples:

* Common Interest: These members share similar experiences, hobbies or cultural connections.
* Sports: Athletes, fitness enthusiasts or individuals focused on living active lifestyles form clubs while making community service part of their agenda.
* Retirees: Those who have left the workforce are looking for ways to contribute to their communities.
* Cause-Focused Clubs: members make a difference by collectively supporting environmental concerns, animal efforts, etc
* Other: There may be common interest gatherings in the community, such as young professionals, theater troops, investment clubs, food and wine enthusiasts, musical ensembles, or people who worship at the same place.

Before this discussion, I tended to strictly associate specialty club membership with our key areas of focus (vision, youth, diabetes, hunger, environment, and childhood cancer) however my mind is now open to endless possibilities, and I hope the same is now true for you! What ideas are now popping into your head? I encourage you to brainstorm with others and keep the conversation going. There are so many ways for us to serve, and a diverse membership will help us support that fundamental effort of Lionism.

SPOTLIGHT ON JACKSON LIONS DIABETES SERVICE CLUB

The mission of the Jackson Lions Diabetes Service Club is to identify and assist people affected by diabetes. Our community service projects include diabetes awareness, prevention, and public education which support and promote healthy lifestyles.

Makena L'Huillier, President of the Jackson Diabetes Service Club, outlined the scope & purpose of the club.

Why did you start a new service club to help people with diabetes?

I started the club with the motivation to have better access to help families experiencing Type 1 diabetes and Type 2. As a Type 1 diabetic myself I understand intimately the problems the diabetic and their family experiences. I believe working with the Lions gives me an excellent platform to spread information about treatment, prevention and education.

According to the CDC, over seventeen thousand Jackson County residents have diabetes and statistically only half of them know it. Diabetes is the greatest cause of blindness in the United States. Our mission is to help identify people with diabetes, provide preventative and nutritional training and materials and help under-insured and uninsured diabetics in Jackson County.

What will the new Diabetes Service Club do?

1. Identify diabetics

2. Provide educational materials and training

3. Identify resources to help and partner with other organizations

4. Provide needed resources to under-insured and uninsured diabetics

How are you going to do that?

1. We will have booths are public events and local agencies to help identify pre-diabetics and diabetics using a questionnaire, glucose testing and referral for an A1C test if necessary. We hope to offer this and vision testing to local not-for-profit agencies at no cost.

2. We will have both nutritional and preventative educational opportunities and provide informative materials.

3. We want to start a support group for parents and anyone that would benefit from the support group.

4. We will be working with local agencies to assist uninsured and under-insured diabetics.

5. We will be identifying other opportunities as we progress.

Is the club part of Lions Clubs International and, if so, why?

Yes. Lions Clubs were asked by Helen Keller to help the blind and prevent blindness, and they have been doing this since 1925. Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in the United States. Lions Clubs International and the local district are providing money and other resources to the club.

What kind of people are joining your club?

People who are concerned with our community and want to help. Most of current members have had someone in their lives affected by diabetes or are medically related professionals so far. We welcome any person that is willing to help us prevent diabetes and help diabetics in our communities.

Why do Lions Clubs care about diabetics?

It is the greatest cause of blindness in the United States.

Who do you want to join the club?

We welcome anyone who is interested in preventing diabetes, helping diabetics, and improving our communities.

Is this the only diabetes service club in the county?

There are several local agencies in the county that help people with diabetes but we do not know of any service club that is dedicated to the prevention of type one and two diabetes. We are working with JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) and will partner with any agency or club that would like to help.

How many diabetics are there in Jackson County?

The information that we have says that 11% of the citizens of Jackson County have diabetes which would be over 17,000 people. Statistically, only half of them know it.

Will this club be restricted to only helping people in the city of Jackson?

No, we will be active in all of Jackson County.

How can other organizations help?

We are working with local medical facilities, MSU Extension, Department on Aging, Pharmacies to develop partnerships in service.

Where can people find out more about your club?

Check out our current events under the events tab of the Facebook page. The page can be found by searching for

"Jackson Lions Diabetes Service Club" - Feel free to message us as well!

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LIONS CELEBRATE

2020 MD11 LIONS CONVENTION HOLLAND MICHIGAN

Join Us May 14-16, 2020 in beautiful Holland, Michigan

DoubleTree by Hilton

650 East 24 St. Holland, MI 49423

Tel: 1-616-394-0111  
Fax: 1-616-396-0711

For the 2020 MD11 Lions Convention

WINDSOR LIONS CLUB

Remember this date and book early to avoid disappointment

March 21, 2020

Join us in celebrating our 100th anniversary!

That’s 100 years of community service!

Windsor Lions

Caboto Club – 2175 Parent Ave., Windsor

The Club that made Lions International

Tickets $45.00 US

Pins $5.00 US

Plaques $78.00 US

Can reserve table for 10

Hotel rooms have been blocked for those who may need to book one

Holiday Inn use Group Code QWE/Association – 517-966-1200

King $134.99; Queen $134.99

Hampton Inn use Group Code WDL – 519-972-0770

King $139; King Suite $149; Queen $139

For more info contact: Lion Dave Balmos [davecarol@sympatico.co](mailto:davecarol@sympatico.co)

517-791-8714

CONGRATULATIONS YOU’RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

November 6, 2019

20 Monroe Live, Grand Rapids

Featuring the Band

“Mid-Life Crisis”

For more information contact Lion Cheryl Anderson at [Andersonoc@gvsu.edu](mailto:Andersonoc@gvsu.edu) or call 616-443-1995

MUSKEGON HOST LIONS CLUB CELEBRATES 100 YEARS IN MICHIGAN!

Muskegon Lions Club Charter was held on Dec 9, 1919

you are cordially invited to celebrate our 100 years of service to the citizens of Muskegon and district 11-C1 on: Sunday November 10th at the Delta Hotel by Marriott, 939 Third St., Muskegon MI

Cost for dinner is $35 & includes social hour, dinner & guest speaker

Contact Lion Ed Weessies for details at: 231-744-5275, [eweessies@aol.com](mailto:eweessies@aol.com)

EVENTS AND PARTIES!

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LIONS SPOTLIGHT

DISTRICT 11B-1 7TH ANNUAL DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PICNIC

District 11 B-1 held the 37th annual Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic in September at the Bedford Lion’s Den in Bedford/Battle Creek. We had a total of 41 guests, with 22 Lions/Lioness club volunteers present from 10 different Lions/Lioness Clubs, MYCA with 5 cadets – they were a HUGE help – thanks guys - and two Interpreters from Deaf Link – Sara and Audrey – excellent job as always - ladies.

1st Vice District Governor David Anderson opened the picnic festivities, and Deaf and Hard of Hearing Committee Member Pat Stiff led our Pledge of Allegiance, and Wendall Lawrence led us in prayer. We had two past district governors in attendance: PDG Ron Quada and PDG LuAnne Bullington – so good to see you – thanks for coming! Our current District Governor Mike Scott, IPDG Roger Spriggs, PDGs Barry and Peggy Allen and many other guests were in attendance in heart – as they were at the 43rd annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Spokane, Washington. Brats, hot dogs, chips, cutie oranges, baked beans, cottage cheese, potato salad, and ice cream treats for dessert were enjoyed by all!

The Bedford Lioness Club did a great job – as always – thank you ladies - by preparing the picnic lunch! Our food items were donations from local stores, and many participating District 11 B-1 Lions and Lioness Clubs. What a fantastic group effort!

We had two major food donations from Family Fare of Bedford, Michigan, and Meijer located on B Drive in Battle Creek. Pat Stiff - Battle Creek Cereal City brought the SPOT camera for eye testing and Battle Creek Cereal City Lion Dorothy Bosse completed 17 blood sugar tests. The guests enjoyed games of bingo, pumpkin bowling (many thanks to Ron Kohmescher - Clinton Lions Club - for volunteering to bring the game), and a new one this year – a corn hole/bean bag toss game. We had prizes galore, to include many gift cards that were donated by committee members, Battle Creek Cereal City and Battle Creek Host Lions Clubs. I truly appreciate this group effort!

This annual picnic takes “a village” to put together. Many many thanks to my Deaf and Hard of Hearing committee members – Pat Stiff – and her trusty sidekick John Stiff, Sandy Determann, Nancy Chantrenne, Jean Mohon, Bob Field and two new volunteers - 2020 committee members to be: Kay Smith – Battle Creek Cereal City, and Jenny Stowell – Marshall Lions Club. Thanks to all for your willingness “To Serve”! See you next year! Lion Peg Griggs Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic Chairperson District 11 B-1

DISTRICT EDITORS

Each Lion and every club is changing lives in ways both great and small. Service is a personal journey that impacts the people serving and the people we serve. We make an effort to post club service stories under the District Club Happenings section of the Lion Pride. Has your story been shared?

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WHO’S WHO IN 2019-2020!

Who’s Who A Roster of Michigan’s 2019-2020 Lion Leaders In Michigan Lionism (pin)

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VETERAN NEWS

WELCOME TO OUR 103RD INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2020

Welcome to our 103rd International Convention in Singapore -

noted as the second safest city in the world by the Economist Magazine and one of the most expensive cities globally. Here are a few facts to round out your experience.

1. Singapore is 12 hours ahead of Detroit time; Airport code: Singapore (SIN) and Detroit (DTW)
2. Travel from Detroit to Singapore is 22 hours and 9400 miles. Detroit to Australia is 23 ½ hours and 9900 miles.
3. Singapore is located 85 miles south of the equator with its average humidity above 50%. Weather is considered tropical year-round. Daily rainstorms are possible any time but usually peak in November and December. Daily high temperatures are around 88° F, rarely falling below 85° F or exceeding 91° F. Daily lows are around 79° F and rarely fall below 77° F.
4. Singapore receives predictable haze and smoke from the slash & burn agricultural fires in nearby Sumatra, Indonesia. Travelers with respiratory problems should check the “Haze in Singapore” website.
5. No visas are required for the International Convention and those Lions staying 30 days or less. You should have a copy of your travel itinerary for customs officials.

Watch upcoming issues of the Lion Pride for more details on this exciting city and the 1003rd LCI Convention!

- PDG Bill Simpson, International Convention Chair

THE 2020 LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN SINGAPORE FROM JUNE 26TH TO 30TH 2020

INVOLVE A VETERAN PROGRAM

Involve a Veteran Program

Service to other has many faces.

Those who serve their country made great contributions and great sacrifices. Lions Clubs International recognizes the commitment and passion of these individuals. As a way of welcoming them into the global family of Lions, the organization offers veterans and active duty service members an entrance or charter fee waived when joining a Lions Club.

Lions International provides opportunities for leadership, personal fulfillment, and relationship building through community and global service activities, easing the transition to civilian life and connecting individuals who share similar life experiences.

Veterans and active duty service members have incredible experience to offer any Lions Club they join, or any new club they bring together. They don’t just know how to get the job done – they know how to do it with teamwork and strong leadership. Their adaptability and practical service experience can create tangible contributions to their community, continuing the momentum of a life led in service to others.

Lions International is a place where kindness matters, and the ‘Involve a Veteran’ program offers servicemen and women the opportunity to be a part of our global service mission.

‘See Veteran Program Qualification Criteria Certification Form for complete details.’

Lions Clubs International

For questions about the Veteran Program, please contact: Membership Development Division

Lions Clubs International

300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, IL 60523 USA

[membership@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membership@lionsclubs.org)

2020 LIONS CLUBS OF MICHIGAN SCHOLARSHIP

2020 Lions Clubs of Michigan Scholarship for Visually Impaired

Three $3,000 scholarships to be awarded

Please mail completed scholarship application to:

The Lions of Michigan State Office

Attn: Scholarship Committee

5700 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

[www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

Phone: 517-887-6640

Fax: 517-887-6642

Scholarship Criteria:

1. Must be legally blind and provide verification (letter from optometrist or ophthalmologist or letter
2. from vocational counselor).
3. Applicants must be a resident of the State of Michigan and a United States Citizen (International students
4. must provide proof of citizenship) and either attending or accepted by an accredited trade or
5. business school, college or university.
6. Applicants must complete the official scholarship application (both sides).
7. Must submit two letters of recommendation.
8. Must submit an essay outlining why you need the scholarship.
9. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (transcript required).
10. Completed scholarship applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30th annually.
11. Must attend the Lions of Michigan Forum to accept scholarship during a ceremonial presentation.
12. (Actual check(s) will be issued to the school/university/equipment manufacturer upon submission of
13. documentation. Two weeks notice required).

Scholarship Selection Process:

1. Lions of Michigan Scholarship Committee will review all applications during January.
2. This scholarship will be awarded in February annually at the Michigan Forum.

Name

Phone

City State Zip

Email Address

Date of Birth

\*Degree of visual acuity

\*Legally blind is defined as best corrected vision in both eyes of 20/200 or less and/or visual fields of less than 20 degrees.

How did you hear about the scholarship?

Education Information

High School you attended

What college or other institution are you attending/planning to attend?

Have you been accepted?

What do you plan to study?

What are your personal and educational goals?

How will the scholarship funds be used? (Check all that apply)

Tuition

Books

Housing

Specialized Equipment (please specify)

Other (please specify)

Organizations, Activities and Awards

Describe briefly your most significant public service, community, or campus activities associated with your education and/or future career goals.

Special honors and awards

Special talents and training

Applicant’s Signature

Date

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Eversight PCC Don Brown

Ad-Hoc Committees

Leadership Institute PCC Hemeryck/ PID Ware

Michigan Lions Forum PDG Karen Routson

GAT TEAM MULTIPLE DISTRICT COORDINATORS

Michigan's Lower Peninsula

As stated in the October issue of the Lion Pride, we are seeking candidates for the positions of GLT/GMT/GST-MD11 Coordinators for the 2020 to 2021 term. We will follow the procedures listed below so that all qualified persons will be considered.

All job descriptions are available on lionsclubs.org. The current GAT Team is holding an informational meeting and training session November 2 at the State Office at 1:00 p.m. All interested applicants should plan on attending.

The GAT Team must be willing to work together as a team. Everyone must be proficient at using the computer for email, LCI web access, and Word, Excel, and Power Point (or equivalents).

APPLICATION PROCESS

At its October meeting, the Council of Governors voted to consider applicants at the December Council meeting. Specific times will be announced later. If you would like to apply, please take the following steps:

1. Complete the form glt\_md\_coord\_app.pdf, which you can find on the LCI website. You don’t need the signatures yet. (The form may still be for the 2017 - 2020 term but you can use it anyway for our purposes.)
2. Feel free to add key information about your experience that might not be reflected in the standard application. This is no time to be humble!
3. Applications must be received by October 30. They should be emailed to BOTH of the following:
   1. Executive Director Wendy Burns – wburns@lionsofmi.com
   2. MD11 GLT Coordinator Jeff Mayuiers – wjmayuiers@gmail.com
4. For the MD GLT position you will be given a topic to present as a full-fledged training session.
5. For the MD GMT position you will need to list your experience with membership both recruitment and retention from the club to district to state levels.
6. For the MD GST position you will need to list your experience as it pertains to service and service projects from the club to district to state levels.

If these positions are something you’d like to consider in the future, here are some hints to start qualifying:

1. Build your credentials as a Lions trainer. Continue to do training and presentations at the district level. Serve as the District GLT/GMT/GST Coordinator. Get involved in training at the state level, such as doing presentations at the Michigan Forum and serving on the committee.
2. If you have not already done so, hold the offices of Zone and Region Chair and District Governor to gain the experience base and Lions leadership skills for conducting position-specific training. (While it’s true that you can teach a topic without direct experience, there’s nothing like “been there, done that” to build a solid rapport with your students.)

For more detailed information, please contact MD11 GLT Coordinator Jeff Mayuiers. [wjmayuiers@gmail.com](mailto:wjmayuiers@gmail.com)

2020-2021 COUNCIL CHAIR

APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPTED

Attention all eligible Multiple District 11 Past District Governors, Immediate PDG’s, District Governors and 1st VDG’s: The search is on!

In accordance with the MD 11 Constitution and By-Laws, the Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor or a seated District Governors. 1st VDGs are eligible to submit an application for consideration, as they will be a seated Governor 2020-2021. He/she shall serve for a one-year term and may not serve in that capacity again.

Notice to all eligible candidates is required and published in the Lion Pride at least 40 days prior to the application deadline. To be considered for the position, please submit a cover letter, the application form included in this publication and your resume to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than November 8, 2019. Late applications will not be accepted.

Interviews will be conducted by the 2019-2020 MD 11- 1st Vice District Governors on Friday, December 6, at the Wyndham Garden, Ann Arbor. Selection of the 2020-2021 Council Chair will be made at the conclusion of the interviews.

Thank you for taking the time to consider serving the Lions of Michigan, MD 11, in this very important capacity.

MD 11 Council Chairperson 2020-2021 Application Form

Please type or print:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

Spouse’s Name (if applicable)

Address

City and State

Zip/Postal Code

Residence Phone (Include Area Code)

Business Phone (Include Area Code)

Fax (Include Area Code)

Cell Phone (Include Area Code)

E-Mail Address

Your Lions Club

District #

Year Served as a DG

Offices held at the club level:

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The motto for the 2019 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Class should be "pay it forward." This year's inductees have served our association for an average of 40 years and sponsored countless new members into Lionism. In addition, they set aside time throughout the years to volunteer for many other charities and community service organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, the Michigan

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2006-2007

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PDG Tony Capozzo's sons

(Charlie, Nick and Scott)

accept his 2019 Hall of Fame

Induction Certificate from

Tony's long-time friend and

Richmond Lions Club

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MD 11 NEWS

INTRODUCING THE NEW MD 11 SD/10 GLOBAL SERVICE CHAIR

PID Dr. Gary Anderson, OD, "PDG Diane will be great as the MD-11 GST Chairperson. Her professional career as a nurse and educator has given her develop very good public speaking skills, team building skills and the ability to create a plan of action with excellent follow through. Her personally leading many club and District Lions service projects gives her hands-on experience by which to lead others to perform more service. Diane has a true passion for service and will develop a framework to assist all the District and Club leaders in expanding their service options needed in their communities in service."

At the October Council of Governor’s Meeting, PDG Diane Wehby was appointed to fill the Statewide Global Service Chair to

complete the term vacated by ID Justin Faber.

Diane is a member of the Thornapple Valley Lions Club in District 11-C1. Diane has served in her club as the vice president, club

president, club service chair, and LCIF club chair. She served as a zone chair then was appointed to the position of 2VDG. She

continued to serve as 1VDG then became district governor in 2014-2015 Lions year. She remained active at the state level serving

as the centennial service chair for a three-year term.

She currently serves as both the 11-C1 as District Global Leadership Chair and District Global Service Chair. In Addition, as a registered nurse she services as the LCIF Diabetic Grant Program Manager for her district. She serves alongside her husband IPDG Greg Wehby who is the LCIF Diabetic Program Administrator. The Global Action Team is a collaboration of the leadership, service, and memberships chairs. Diane believes this works well in her district as she serves alongside PDG Julie May who is the District’s Global Membership Chair. As Diane is now in the statewide chair for service chair, she looks forward to forming a working relationship with the state’s Global Action Team.

According to DG Paul Hodge from District 11-C1, “PDG Diane has proven

herself to be an outstanding GST for MD 11-C1 and I look forward to her leading our state GST district coordinators and continuing her service initiatives and implementation of state service projects for MD 11.”

As the leader for the multiple GST, Diane believes that the leader for this position is vital to the achievement of the success of each district’s GST. She believes that she has an important role to:

* Supporting the district should their GST be vacant including helping to fill the vacancy
* Have ideas and passion to make service come to life
* Be organized to develop service plans to assist the districts and statewide initatives
* Assist district’s set goals and assist them in achieving them
* Be a resource to leading statewide projects

PDG Wehby is an excellent speaker but more importantly an excellent facilitator to motivate team to have ongoing service works. ion Diane recognizes that our districts are different in size populations and needs. What works in one district may not work in another, so it’s important to listen to the District Governors, the District Global Service chairs and the Lions in each area.

It is important to be able to measure the success of service. At the fundamental level, it is important to achieve goals of the number of projects completed, number of people served, and the numbers of Lions serving on a project. Each measurement assures that the service remains important and vital to our communities.

In a year that the service reporting platform has changed from myLCI to myLION, there is a thought that we may have a risk that clubs and districts may stumble with service reporting, Lion Diane believes that the GST team must immediately react to assure that we can continue to see service numbers continue to increase. Reporting is importing. With the right training, we will continue to excel this year, proving that we are, in fact performing a significant amount of service as the

world’s largest service organization.

Lion Diane’s priority will be to take service to the next level by inspiring Lions to serve and lead. While we continue fighting the global causes, we must find new and innovative approaches to service by expanding our ability to meet our communities’ needs.

If you would like to contact Lion Diane, you can reach her at [dianewmsn@ameritech.net](mailto:dianewmsn@ameritech.net). If you want to speak with her, send her your contact phone number in the email and the best time to call.

PDG Diane Wehby, GST Chairperson

MD 11 APPOINTS PDG LLOYD FOSTER TO

HUNGER CHAIR POSITION

PDG Lloyd Foster, MD 11 Hunger Chair

Hunger Chairpersons serve at the District and Multiple District levels, and are appointed by the District Governor or Council Chairperson, respectively. Hunger Chairpersons support Lions

and Leos engaged or interested in projects to alleviate hunger and malnutrition. They may collaborate with leadership throughout the

organization, including the Global Service Team (GST).

PDG Lloyd will be working with his newly appointed team to work on hunger initiatives within the districts and state.

MD 11 Endorses PID Fabricio Oliveira,

Brazil, LCI 3rd Vice President

2019-2020, Governors from MD 11 voted to endorse PID Fabricio Oliveira as candidate for LCI’s 3rd Vice President.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Fabrício is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He previously served as the Secretary of Industry and Commerce of the State of Paraiba and an administration council chairperson of several companies, as director of the National Confederation of Shopkeepers, chair of the Federation of Shopkeepers of the State of Paraiba, chair of the Chamber of Shopkeepers of Catolé do Rocha and chair of Manoel Vitoriano de Freitas Foundation supporting institution of the Children’s Hospital Erninia Evangelista. Past Director Fabrício and his wife, Amariles, also a member of the Catolé do Rocha Lions Club and Melvin Jones Fellow, have three children and a granddaughter. Voting will take place at the 103rd LCI Convention, Singapore, June 2020.

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Lion Pride

LEO OF THE YEAR

Manchester’s Lillian Diuble was recognized as MD 11’s Leo of the Year. Adding to her honors, she has recently gone on to be named International Leo of the Year.

Leo stands for Leadership, Experience and Opportunity. Leos are the youth branch of the Lions Club.

Every year Leo Club members nominate a member for Leo of the Year. That name is then submitted to the MD 11 Governors for a MD 11 winner. IPDG Roger Spriggs, 11 B1, presented Leo Lilly’s name to the 2018-19 Governors and she was the overall winner. Lilly was then chosen as the International Leo of the Year at the International Convention in Milan, Italy.

Manchester has only recently had a Leo Club, and this is thanks to Lilly and her sister Abby. Lilly was a charter member of the WISD Leos, which was started 6 years ago. Abby joined officially when she reached the minimum age of 11. The WISD Leos club are a fully inclusive youth organization with over half of the charter members blind or visually impaired. Lilly has Usher syndrome, a rare degenerative disorder that causes both hearing and vision loss. The Leos met at the Neutral Zone in downtown Ann Arbor. Last fall, Lilly and Abby were the only two active members left in the club; the others had moved or graduated. Angela stated, “Instead of letting the group fizzle out, the girls proposed a change of venue to MHS. We contacted principal, Mr. McCalla, who agreed with the plan, filled out the necessary paperwork and then began recruiting members. The change enabled the club to recruit 11 new members who were inducted last January at the club’s fifth anniversary celebration.”

Lilly has a lot of “favorite parts” of Leos club, but says she really likes volunteering and helping the community.

Currently, Lilly is the Leo Club president and her sister Abby serves as club vice-president. In addition to their involvement with the Leos, both girls are active Diuble Family Vision and in fundraising for the Foundation for Fighting Blindness. “Diuble Family Vision (DFV) is a labor of love for the Diuble family and our board of directors. All of our board members work full time jobs and volunteer with DFV in our spare time. Lilly and Abby are youth chairs on our board of directors. Family Vision’s mission statement is to support research for treatments and cures, provide public awareness and to promote the wellbeing of persons with disabilities or the underprivileged,” stated Lion Angela Diuble.

Congratulations, Leo Lilly!

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THE 2020 MICHIGAN FORUM

Friday February 21 – Forum Service Project

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The Shelby Lions Club in conjunction with a grant made possible by LCIF has completed the first phase of a barrier-free playground in Shelby Township. "This is one of those times where we really had community people coming together -- the township and charities, etc. Whenever I went to somebody, they have stepped up and said this is a good thing, we want to make this happen," Shelby Township Lions Club project lead Jim Diez said. The $210,000.00 project benefits from a $100,000.00 donation from Lions International. Many children with disabilities are unable to play on a regular playground, due to woodchip bases, restricting wheelchair movement. This playground is designed to accommodate wheelchairs-a first for the county.

Lion Terry Treppa received his Doctoral Degree at Lions University Graduation during the USA/Canada Forum on September 20, 2019. Congratulations PDG Treppa of Dearborn Heights Lions Club and PCC Bob Jenkins of Sterling Heights Lions Club and Lion Terri Huffman, Branch Area Lions Club.

IPDG Shirley Kelly and PDG Ronald Coleman met with PDG Roberta Sexton, Lion Nancy Hill and potential members from the Jackson, MI area for an information meeting. These ladies are interested in starting a new club in District B1. The meeting was held at Penrickton Center for blind children.

The Bedford Township Lions Club celebrated their 50th anniversary on September 15th, 2019. In attendance were nearly 150 Lions’ Club members including dignitaries from district 11-A1 and the State as well as Senator Dale Zorn, representative Jason Sheppard and Keynote Speaker PID Esther LaMothe. The Club was recognized for their work by many Monroe County and State organizations. Additionally, Garnet Francis and Denzil Bell were awarded the Presidential Certificate of Appreciation, the fourth highest award given by Lions International.

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Eastside Lions held their annual picnic for nursing home residents earlier this summer. Music, fun and food was supplied by a pride of Lions Clubs: North East, North Central, Mid City, Westtown, Renaissance, New Gratiot and Harper Woods-Grosse Pointe Lions Club. An anonymous donor contributed $1,000 to offset the cost for this highly popular event, benefiting the senior community.

Celebrate with IPDG Shirley Kelly on Sunday, October 20! Appreciation Dinner at the Park Place Banquet Facility 23400 Park Street, Dearborn, MI 48124. Cost: $35/person. Please RSVP to Lion Phyllis Turner by October 14.

11 A2

DG Scott Berry

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(pictures)

The Eastpointe Lions were winners in their division at the Mt. Clemens Grand Prix Soap Box Derby held on Sept 7, 2019. Governor Scott Berry is shown here with a participant, proudly displaying their trophy.

DG Scott Berry with participant

The wood carving of a sitting lion was done on the remaining nine feet of a 100+ year old and 100+ foot tall red oak tree at the home of Lion Dick Belloli. The Lion stands 5’ tall and took approximately 16 hours to complete. Floodlights illuminate this beautiful piece for all visitors to enjoy. Woodcarving artist Dr. Milan E. Szkipala and son, Emil, are well known in the metro area for their unique artwork.

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Become a Puppy Raiser! Leader Dogs for the Blind is currently looking for more people who are interested in serving as a volunteer puppy raiser. By “raising” a Future Leader Dog, you’ll help a person who is blind or visually impaired gain confidence, and the ability to travel safely and independently. Raising a Future Leader Dog won’t only change someone else’s life- it will also change yours! For more information about raising Leader Dog puppies, visit <https://www.leaderdog.org/volunteer/raise-a-puppy/>

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11 B1

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Vandercook and North Jackson Lions Clubs had their annual dinner on September 11 at the VCL Clubhouse. Sharon, a puppy raiser for Leader Dog, and Brewer were able to visit.

The North Jackson Lions collected 217 pair of eyeglasses to send to the recycling center in Grand Rapids. North Jackson Lions donated $500 to the building program for the Penrickton Center.

“Constitution in their Hands” – Blissfield Lions Lions Stan Masters, Dale Wotring, Russ Quinton, Dick Saxton, and Ed Petee placed copies of the Constitution in the hands of 5th grade students at Blissfield Elementary on September 16 to commemorate Constitution Day.

Several Clubs visiting Leader Dog - Ann Arbor Host Lions and WISD Leos enjoyed a fabulous day at Leader Dogs for the Blind this past weekend.

Thank you to AA Host Lions Linda Evans and Mark Hymes for all of their thoughtful planning and leadership

Festival of the Forks - Albion Lions Club

On September 21, 2019, the Albion the Battle Creek Cereal City and Marshall Lions Club, held a Kidsight eye screening and diabetic testing event at the Albion Festival of the Forks.

Al Larson from the Vandercook Lake Club delivered and picked up the Kidsight trailer. Pat and John Stiff, and Teresa Gest from the Battle Creek Cereal City Club and Barb Baggerly from the Marshall Lions Club donated their time and talent to make the day successful.

Susan and Ron Conner, Corinne Atchison – (she represented our club by driving her jeep decked out with glasses and a stuffed lion sitting in the back – see pic); Mark Robison, Peg Griggs, and Cris Solis from the Albion Club participated in the event. Thank you all! Due to an electrical problem – and therefore no air conditioning, we weren’t able to screen as many children/adults as we would have liked to, but were able to complete 22 children eye screenings, with one referral, and passed out 22 books to the kids. Barb Baggerly completed a hand full of diabetic testing, and provided much diabetic counseling. Again – thanks all! See you next year!

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New Lion Paul Weson Receives his Lion Pin from sponsor Lion Pearl Etzwiler after being sworn in by Zone 2 Chair Person Lion Amy Thackston. Lion Amy rec eives a Kal Haven club banner from Kal Haven Secretary Lion Patsy Richardson. Paul has been a friend of the Kal Haven Trail Lions for years, helping out at various fundraisers, and finally decided he should officially join us.

Lions from Centreville manned the fair gate at the St. Joseph County Fair and members of the Three Rivers Lions helped. Centreville Lions help Three Rivers Lions at their annual Ox Roast in June. This is how clubs work together on projects. Pictured is 1st VDG Julie Mayuiers of Three Rivers Lions and ZC Cathy Hopkins of Centreville Lions who is in charge of lining up the workers.

Thank you to the Lawton Lions Club for their continuing support of Summerfest! 2020 Summerfest planning has begun. L-R: Heather Hackenberg-Shannon & Vanessa Claassen Strausberg

St Joseph Township Lions 2017-2019 President Mark Laukus with daughter SJ Twp Lion Emily. Thanks Lion Mark for your service....there was never a dull moment!

On September 19, 2019 The St. Joseph Lions Club held its annual Mini-Golf & Steak Fry. This year's event was very well attended by Lions and their significant others. The golf tournament was held at Hidden Point Mini-Golf and many Lions competed for the coveted "Tweed Jacket" won by Lion Steve Nordberg last year. Everyone played hard to get the "Tweed Jacket" back from Lion Steve. It turned out to be a very competitive event with Lion Ron Griesinger, by one stroke, winning the event. Following the golf tournament we all headed over to Riverview Park for some fellowship and a delicious steak dinner cooked by Lion Ron, his wife, and other Lion helpers. Thanks to Lion Ron for once again organizing this event as chair of our Social & Recreational committee.

Lion Natalie appears to be behind a "rock and a hard place“….but I hear it was a hole in one!!!

Three Rivers Lions have ordered a Buddy Swing to be installed at Scidmore Park playland by the city Parks & Rec. Dept. It is to be used by toddlers and an older buddy so the toddler feels more secure when flying in the air.

Expression Swing is a GameTime exclusive and the industry's first playground swing that promotes intergenerational play as adults and children swing together. The patented face-to-face design features a bucket seat for children under five and a comfortable adult swing seat that allows a parent and child (or grandparent and grandchild) to interact with each other and experience one another’s facial expressions while at play.

Three Rivers Lions guest speaker on September 10 was Regina Mains, Mobility Manager at SJCTA shared the various services that they offer on their bus routes. They offer barrier free services for everyone. Fleet consists of 16 buses and 10 vans. Provide rides to the VA Hospital in Battle Creek on Wednesday and rides to Kalamazoo County for customers wishing to go there. They also offer a Circle Line around the cities of Three Rivers and Sturgis. President Adam presented Regina with our club friendship banner.

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White Pigeon Lions hosted a ham and bean soup dinner on October 11.

Coloma Lioness Lions will host a Give Back Tastes Great Event on October 16.

Coloma Lions will host the Great Pumpkin Derby on October 26.

Covert Township Lions will host an authentic Tamale dinner on November 2.

St. Joseph Lions will host their Annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Show on November 2.

Mattawan Lions will host a Holiday Carnival on December 7

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DG Paul Hodge

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PID Dennis Cobler displays the 2020 Raffle Calendar

Muskegon Northside Lions Raffle calendar is ready! For just $20.00 you’ll have 365 chances to win cash prizes. Calendar sales benefit charitable causes within the following areas: Greater Muskegon, Michigan, USA, and Mission trips abroad to help those in need of eye and hearing care. Contact any Muskegon Northside Lion or

PCST Lion Ed Weessies at 231-744-5275

Lions Ken and Katherine

The Alto Lions welcome Katherine Kryger into the club. Lion Katherine is the daughter of our President, Lion Ken Adamy.

Annual Ravenna Lions Dog Daze event was held on July 19th, Car show with several food and vendor booths from local community organizations. Also, Project Kidsight was on site and did 39 screenings with 2 referrals.

Dorr Lions achieve 100% Attendance Awards

Lion Luella Leys is Lion of the Year

Dorr Lions recently honored several members with 100% attendance awards. In addition, Lion Aggie Kurzmann received a Kenneth Lautzenheiser award and Lion Luella Leys was honored as the Dorr Lion of the Year! Congratulations!

Martin Lions Club -Weekend Blessings is a weekend food program for the children at Brandon Elementary. The goal of the Weekend Blessings Program is to supplement those needy children’s weekend food and ensure they get some quality, nutritious items. Each child chosen to be a recipient of the Weekend Blessings Program will receive a Tote Bag full of nonperishable food on designated Fridays. The sacks are dispensed in a discreet and caring manner for the benefit of the child.

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SPARTA LIONS On July 17th they were at the grill cooking up their famous chicken dinner and serving over 800 meals!! Sparta Lions held their first golf outing on August 24th at Moss Ridge Golf Course. With 30 teams in attendance, a beautiful day, along with some tasty chicken, made for a huge success. Mark your calendars for August 22, 2020!! On October 10, they will be contestants at the upcoming North Kent Pastors’ Feud to help raise money to benefit North Kent Connect.

Rockford Lions Club held a beer tent at the Rockford’s Harvest Fest, September 27-28, 2019 in downtown Rockford. Many attended to support their neighboring Lions Club!

WYOMING Lions Partnered with SME Chapter 38for a Golf Outing held on September 6 at Scott Lake Country Club in Comstock Park.

11 C2

DG Becky Hamilton

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Hartland Lions Club President, Kurt Stromlund presented a check to Jeff Robertson and Emily Newman of the Livingston County DART – (Disaster Assistance Response Team), to help with the purchase of a new AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for their South Truck.

The St. Johns Lions Club recently hosted an event to raise awareness about the recycling center. Jill brown, an account executive from Metro Recycling Solutions was on hand to explain the recycling process. Jill state that the largest expense of recycling is for the labor involved in removing contaminants from the recyclable materials that are collected. Guests were served free Hot Dogs, popcorn and beverages and were invited to tour the recycling center.

A big thank you goes out to the St. Johns Lioness Club, who donated $500.00 to help support the recycling center.

Dewitt Lion Mae Luchetti (pictured in center) was awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship for her continued strong leadership for the den and the district. Congratulations Lion Luchetti!

The MSU Campus Lions Club along with Holt Lion Ray Robins helped out at MSU’s Spartan Stadium for the Club’s first fund-raising project of the school year. The MSU Campus Lions had just held their first meeting of the year, three days prior to the MSU vs Arizona Football game. When it was announced that the club would have the opportunity to work at the Stadium and earn money towards the club’s administration fund, 6 members volunteered along with Lion Ray Robins. The Lion members set out T-shirts for the student section of the stadium and also handed out to Spartan fans 60,000 neon green Pom-Poms.

Shown here are Lions Matt Kilroy, Club President Alexa Wright and Garrett Amstutz

Holt LC member Ray Robins did his part by handing out approximately 2,000 Pom-Poms.

The Grand Ledge Lions and Lioness Clubs honor American Legion Girls’ Graduates at the Honors dinner held at the Grand Ledge American Legion on September 14th.

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Dewitt Breakfast Lions Club

Health items to loan/donate—Contact Lion Dunn for Canes, Crutches, Walkers and Wheel Chairs.

St. Johns Lion and Lioness Clubs

An abbreviated version of the White Cane Sale is over for this year. Thank you to everyone who participated on May 3 and 4. A huge thank you to Roger Dershem who made sure the sandwich boards and stools were delivered in a timely manner. He also made the rounds to collect the money and refill supplies.

Nearly $1,500 was raised over the two days at Kroger and Walmart. This was my first time coordinating the fundraiser. Hopefully next year we can raise even more, but that amount is not bad for getting a late start. Thank you all again.

Laingsburg & Ovid Lions Clubs

Proceedings from Last years golf outing went to Lions of Michigan Service Foundation $1500.00 and to Bear Lake Camp $1500.00. This year we would like to increase this amount but the only way we can is have more Golfers, Please send at least one team from your club. Remember you can still sponsor a hole if you cannot get anyone to Golf. ($25.00--$50.00--$100.00)

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11 D1

DG Steven VanTol

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The Bogar Family and many from the District turned out to celebrate IPDG Joe Bogar’s successful year as Governor.

IPDG Joe extended his thanks to those around the district with recognitions and small gifts. Joe was also appreciated with donations to organizations and personal treasures as well from many clubs and individuals in the district. The St. Charles club will be honoring his dedication with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

St. Charles Lions Scholarships Delivered! Two $1250 College Scholar - ships were presented to two deserving young ladies this month. Lion Secretary Kathy Bogar gave Aubrey Kruske her award. Aubrey is the daughter of Joc and Candy Kruske of St. Charles. Aubrey will attend Albion College and will join the Equestrian Team, while studying Business and Economics.

Lion Bill Anderson trained our Lions at the meeting on the 18th for Adopt a Highway procedures with brochures and a video and set Lion Pat Sowle and Lion Kathy Bogar up for some time on the road on the Sept. 26th. They had fun chatting as they encountered quite an array of trash! Three full bags plus tire pieces and lumber along a stretch from Rich to Marian Roads.

The Saginaw West Lions purchased and along with the Covenant Neighborhood Association installed this bench honoring PDG Tom Hardt in Bliss Park.

Essexville-Hampton Lions Club served hot dogs, chips, soda, & water to the community at Smith Park in Essexville for the arrival of the Tall Ships in August. They also made possible procuring a safety van for the Essexville Fire & Safety Dept.

Frankenmuth Lions Club recognized seven graduating seniors from the Frankenmuth High School and their parents at a July meeting. They are pictured along with several Lions members. Each student was awarded a $1000 scholarship towards their college expenses, the money having been raised through multiple fund-raising activities by the club.

Swartz Creek Lions Club cordially invites all Lions to a fun evening on Wed., Nov. 6th (5 to 7:30 pm) to celebrate our 50th Anniversary at the American Legion Post #294 in Swartz Creek - Thank you & may God bless! Questions? Contact Lion Kerry Morgan: 810.516.7774 / [kwmorgan44@gmail.com](mailto:kwmorgan44@gmail.com)

Linden Lions Club concluded its kayak raffle. The winner, Pat Lozano, a member of the Linden club and also of the American Legion Auxiliary, donated the kayaks to the Wilwin Veterans Lodge in Custer, Michigan on the west side of the state. The 1000-acre wooded site is available for veterans, some suffering from PTSD for therapy and just to decompress in a peaceful setting. The club members are very happy that our kayaks have found such a worthwhile calling. Anyone wishing to know more about the Wilwin Lodge can go online at [www.wilwin.org](http://www.wilwin.org)

Flint Downtown Lions Club is still working on making an impact on the Flint community by making several types of blankets. We are looking for donations of fleece to make blankets for children going in to foster care. Our other project involves using plastic bags to create blankets for the homeless. We hope to complete several of these before it gets very cold to donate to the homeless shelter. Please feel free to contact us to donate your plastic shopping bags, to teach crocheting to youth and elderly or to offer any other help you can give with this project.

District D1 is going digital. For the few of you who still receive your newsletter by mail the September issue will be the last one mailed. Every club is encouraged to appoint a media contact person to make sure email addresses are updated for future newsletters.

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Saginaw VA Medical Center,@ 1500 Weiss St., Saginaw, MI,48602. BINGO TIMES: WEEKDAY EVENINGS 7PM, SATURDAYS 1:30PM, SUNDAYS 1:30PM AND 7PM. To set dates and times please call Lion Bill Bauder at (989) 493-3407 or call Valerie Morley at (989) 497-2500 extention 11076.

Fairgrove Lions Club has been busy this year. We were able to give back to the Parade of Checks, Fire Departments both Fairgrove and Akron, Blue Water YFC, A-F School, MI Bean Festival, A-F Scholarships, Fairgrove Lighted Sign, Boy Scout Troop Charter. Our Labor Day week end was a great success we had plenty of good help.

11 D2

DG Don Spinks

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Memphis Lions participate in the Memphis Days Festival. This year’s Festival included a power wheel race for kid. They had a lot of fun and asked the club to continue this event. There were three age brackets established ranging from under 5-year-old to 12-year-old. The club had an 80% participation rate of members in attendance. The event also included a petting zoo, games, and bounce houses. The Memphis Lions Club held the event for the community, to highlight how Lions give back.

The following day the club hosted a motorcycle show, with trophies for the best in show. This was also a unique, first-time event that was a great success and complimented the annual Old Tyme baseball game and live band for entertainment.

The Blues Festival and Tractor Pull were held on day 2, also sponsored by the Memphis Lions.

A camper in the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Session is ecstatic during trip on the universally accessible climbing tower and zip line!

IPDG Jack Kriete celebrated his year as DG at the appreciation dinner this month. Two Melvin Jones Fellowships were awarded. 2nd. Vice District Governor Brian Betzold and D.A.D. Chairman Lion Mary Bokach became M. J. fellows. Past District Governor Fred Sullivan presented IPDG Jack with his PDG red jacket. Bear Lake director Lion Dennis Tomkins and PDG Wes Wagester give a well-deserved award to IPDG Jack.

IPDG Jack earned his Red Coat!

VDG Brian receives a MJ Fellow from DG Jack

Lion Mary receives a MJ Fellow from DG Jack

Sandusky Lions Club members proudly show District Governor Donald Spinks their new outdoor drop off box for eyeglasses when he visited them on September 24th. Students at the Sanilac Career Center made the custom drop off box. It is conveniently located on the grounds of the Sandusky City Hall.

USA Lions Club recieves DG Don Spinks as their guest of honor in September as DG Don makes his rounds to all the clubs in his area. Pictured, Don Spinks and Club President Lindy Wineman

Wes Wagster and Chuck Belesky

Emmett Lions held their annual awards dinner to recognize several deserving Lions. A 25-key award was presented to PDG Chuck Belesky by PDG Wes Wagester of Almont Lions. The award was in recognition of bringing in new members and keeping the service going for the future.

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Euchre Memphis Lions Every 4th. Sat at 7:00 PM 34758 Pratt Rd Memphis Snacks and beverages

Euchre Almont Lions Every 2nd Sat at 7:00 PM 222 Water St. Almont Sept. thru May food at midpoint

Euchre Applegate Lions 1st. & 3rd. Fridays at 6:30 pm 2630 Sherman Rd. Applegate food served

Bingo Pearl Beach Lions Thu. at 6:30 PM 9590 Phelps,Clay Twp.

Bingo Lexington Lions Fri. at 6:30 PM 6964 Huron, Lexington

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Don’t Pollute Decals in Place Boyne Valley Lions and partners chose a beautiful day to get out and get decals placed by the city sewers. All decals should have been placed by the end of August. There are some decals that still need placing. Anyone having trouble getting out and getting it done, let King Lion John or Secretary Larry know and we’ll find some helpers. Leftover decals or glue are to be returned to King Lion John Cool so it can be returned or used by those who were short. Thanks to all who participated and great job Lions!

The East Jordan Lions Club served 600 chicken dinners to seniors at the annual Lions/Rotary Club Senior picnic at Tourist Park, which the Rotary hosted. A program was presented on the Depot, a teen center in East Jordan.

Oscoda Lions Club built another ramp today. Lions Tony and Chuck and Barb Brinkman are in the pictures Lions Tony, Bill Gaines, and Chuck built a 10' ramp and 7' platform for Barb Brinkman today. She tried it out a couple of times and seems real happy with it. They started at 8 am and finished by 1 pm. The reward was the satisfaction of a job well done and helping someone in need, plus a lunch provided by Barb. WE SERVE!!

Central Lake Lions and Lioness clubs had a successful Barn Sale raising $7,124. The next Lions fundraiser is the annual Golf Scramble, and the next Lioness fundraiser is the annual Fashion Show. See attached flyer below and the golf registration form on the next page for details.

Hubbard Lake Lion Ken Lobert is presented the William "Doc" Barr Knights for Vision Fellowship by President Ray Marshke at the Hubbard Lake Lion's Park.

Hubbard Lake Lion Herb Kitzman is presented the Charles Weir Sight Conservation Fellowship by President Ray Marshke

Lions Ralph, LeAnn, James, Larry, Clare, Julie, John Cool, and Jim helping out at Woofstock

Boyne Valley Lions Club helped at Woofstock, an annual Humane Society Fundraiser held at the Mackinac Trail Winery and Brewery. The day was plenty warm but the views from the winery’s pavilion were spectacular and everyone seemed to be having a great time. From furry friends digging through sandy pools to kids on hay rides and adults sampling sips of the winery’s fruity best there was something for everyone, and when man or beast was tired and hungry the Boyne Valley Lions were there to serve. While business wasn’t as brisk as we would have hoped, it was a positive experience and the well-oiled and organized group had a chance to try out some new best practices for future use.

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The Petoskey Lions, borrowing the District Trailer, screened young children for vision and hearing problems on Friday, August 16, at the Petoskey Festival By the Bay. Despite a few glitches with the technical instruments, starting with setup problems and a wireless keyboard that failed to work, we managed to screen a range of young children. Lion Julie Haase brought hearing equipment to evaluate young children, and some parents who asked to have their hearing checked. Results from the Screenings: — 31 children Vision Screened, 2 referrals. — 32 children Hearing Screened, 8 referrals — 6 adult Hearing Screened, 6 referrals Thanks to Lions Julie Haase, Ray Johnson, Hubert Hayes, and David Zimmer, and to volunteering family members Aaliyah (Julie’s niece), Rose Ross, and Lynne Zimmer, and to Don Haase for driving his truck to pull the District Trailer to and from the event.

Boyne Valley Lions Club August Donations United Way - $211.00 toward support of the 211 number.

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