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OUR INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT DOUGLAS ALEXANDER

As a Lion for more than 35 years, International President Douglas X. Alexander has always led with his heart. His career and his life have been defined by family, a passion for service, and a dedication to inspiring leadership and kindness in those around him for the benefit of their communities.

2021-2022 Theme: Kindness in Action

What makes our family of service so unique is that we never stop growing. Our door is always open, an invitation to those who want to be a part of it. We are a place where people answer the calls of their hearts to serve and are welcomed with open arms. We offer everyone the opportunity to participate in something bigger than us all: the selfless service of others. The heartbeat of service. Connecting to communities through impassioned giving. Yet, what is sometimes lost in our depiction of our international association are the individuals behind the collective. We are certainly proud of our 48,000 clubs and 1.4 million members, and we use these numbers to showcase the sheer magnitude of our service and global community. This year, let’s remember the most important element of our success: you. You, and each individual Lion, are absolutely critical to our collective success. You are the heartbeat of service. This year’s message, Service from the Heart, is a call to all districts, clubs and Lions to be sure we are always leading with what brought us to Lions International to begin with – our hearts. If we let our passion for service shine through, there is absolutely nothing we can’t accomplish together

MD11 CONVENTION VIDEO NOW AVAILABLE TO ALL!

You can view the convention in its entirety or select the session you’d like to watch. Looking for a club program? Share the sessions on Hunger, Zoom or Lions History with your club members! To access the convention program, go to the Lions YouTube Channel at http://lionsofmi.tv/ You can find all playlists created by the Lions of Michigan which include the Leadership Opportunities; Lions Michigan Forum and most recently, the MD 11 Lions Convention.

THANK YOU TO THE MD 11 CONVENTION

PLANNING COMMITTEE & TECH TEAM!

Lion Evelyn Cooper Lion Connie Shelton

Lion Terri Huffman Lion Bob Sturgis

Lion Jeff Mayuiers Lion Julie Mayuiers

Lion Deb Davis Lion Dick Foust

Lion Jackie Glazier Lion Marie Leathers

Co-Chairs Lions David and Brenda Hacker

Special Thank You to:

VIDEOGRAPHER SHANE DAVIS

THE AMAZING TECH TEAM: Lions Steve VanTol, Deb Davis, Marie Leathers, Ray Robins & Lion Michael Scott

PRESENTERS: Lions History: Lions David Hacker & Joe Bogar

ZOOM Session: Lions Marie & Rod Leathers, Julie Mayuiers, Wendy Burns

Hunger Session: Lions Lloyd Foster, Connie Shelton

Special Thanks & Appreciation to: Hungry for Christ

Paws with a Cause

Military Salute Veterans

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY-SATURDAY

October 1 - 2

2nd Council of Govs Mtg

VDG Training, Friday

Treetops Resort, Gaylord MI

THURSDAY-SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 9-11

USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM Des Moines, Iowa

OCTOBER 2021

Michigan Lions

Membership Month

NOVEMBER 5 - 7

LIONS LEADERSHIP/

GRADUATE INSTITUTE

MacMullan Center Higgins Lake

FRIDAY- SATURDAY

DECEMBER 3-4

3rd Council of Govs Mtg

VDG TRaining, Friday

Holiday Inn Express

Mt. Pleasant

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2022

LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM

Holiday Inn Gateway Center Flint

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

Most people secretly wish they could do what you do. Maybe we’ll call it “volunteer-envy” but I can say with certainty that when you are volunteering at the Metamora Hot Air Jubilee, the Mason Lions Club Down Home Days food tent or checking in golfers at the New Buffalo Lions Annual Golf Outing, people wish they were helping, too.

We know people want to volunteer because they tell us “I’d love to volunteer but I don’t have time.” They see that Lions are a step ahead of them because you make the time – it’s a priority.

But the number one reason people wish they could do what you do is that you make it look so fun! (Keep this in mind when you are grilling 500 chicken dinners outdoors in the heat -or rain.) You’ve got that volunteer energy that comes with doing good in your community and serving others.

Summer is a season of service with many festivals, fairs and Friday night street parties taking place throughout our state. It doesn’t slow down much in the fall and all this visibility to your club offers the perfect setting for the ASK. Michigan is off to an exciting start in 2021-2022 with membership numbers increasing statewide. Let’s keep the momentum going and turn those onlookers into members of your club.

Ironically, as I was thinking of the many ways Lions volunteer, a request for volunteers went out from Lion Cheryl Anderson, coordinator of the USA/Canada Forum Store. Within minutes a flurry of emails began going back and forth between Lions offering available shift times.

You never disappoint when called to step up and serve, Lions.

And that is an enviable trait.

Yours in Service,

Lion Wendy Burns

Executive Director

MAGGIE’S WIGS4KIDS THERAPY GARDEN, ST. CLAIR SHORES

(picture) PDG Connie Shelton, 11A2 Childhood Cancer Coordinator & MD11 LCIF Coordinator along with Lion Jim Maciasz from Sterling Heights Lions Club (who built the Therapy Garden)

MD 11 A2 Lions volunteered their time, talent and money recently to build a Therapy Garden at Maggie’s Wigs4Kids in St. Clair Shores.

The kids’ Picnic Table was donated along with two umbrellas, landscaping, fencing, a bench for the parents and many more acts of LOVE and LABOR for this project. It is completely enclosed by fencing and a gate to keep it private for the families of Maggie’s Kids.

Maggie’s is looking forward to the many fun activities planned for our wig recipients & families. They are focused on growing vegetables & herbs, harvesting and then cooking them in a Farm-to-Table healthy meal planning class. -Submitted by PDG Connie Shelton, A2 Childhood Cancer Chair

(pictures)

Lion Jim Diez from Shelby Twp. Lions is painting the donated Kid’s picnic table and also helped to build the Therapy Garden

MISSION MOMENT! PDG CONNIE SHELTON, LCIF CO-ORDINATOR

LCIF Hunger Grant helps feed thousands more monthly since LCIF’s first Hunger grants were approved last year. Worldwide, Lions have completed impactful service projects to address issues of food equity in their communities.

When LCIF adopted “Hunger” as a new initiative, PDG Lloyd Foster saw the need in MD 11 C1 and sprang into action. Lion Lloyd recognized the vital role a food bank called Hungry for Christ serves and worked to ensure it can continue supporting those with food insecurity and seeking fresh, nutritious food.

Lion Lloyd applied for and received the first LCIF Hunger Grant worldwide of $45,000 with the vision of expanding the infrastructure and freezer capacity at the Hungry for Christ food bank, which provides food to 200 partner organizations and serves 187,000 people each month. Lions in the district went beyond a match for the grant and Lion Lloyd secured donations from other sources such as Tyson Foods in addition to the $45,000 from LCIF, and to date have donated nearly to $100,000.00 for the project.

The additional capacity will enable the bank to serve 18,000 more people monthly while increasing food quality and decreasing waste. “This new freezer will impact thousands of people in Allegan County alone – every single week,” said Theresa Bray who serves as CEO/Executive Director of the Allegan County Community Foundation.

When the MD 11 Convention went virtual last May, the Council and convention committee members were still able to tour Hungry for Christ and witness first-hand the work they do. IPIP Choi, who would have been present for the convention and tour had it not been cancelled, has scheduled a trip to Michigan in September with the purpose of touring Hungry for Christ to see the results of this grant in person.

Hunger grants, awarded from $10,000 to $100,000, help Lions address chronic and episodic food insecurity through infrastructure development and equipment acquisition. Learn more about Hunger grants and how your club can get involved by visiting LCIF’s Grants Toolkit webpage.

LCIF HELPING HANDS AWARD

IPDG Bob Hohendorf and PDG Connie Shelton present PDG Lloyd Foster with the Helping Hands Award

Without his “helping hands” and leadership, District 11C1 and Lions of Michigan would not have benefited to serve those in our area. PDG Lloyd Foster was presented with the LCIF Helping Hands Award, which recognizes Lions who promote greater awareness of and support for LCIF at the club, region, district or multiple level.

To be eligible for the award, Lions must promote LCIF either by 1) making presentations on LCIF at Lions functions and meetings, 2) writing or placing at least one article on LCIF in local Lions newsletters or Web sites. 3) sending regular communications about LCIF to clubs via e-mails or mail or 4) promoting LCIF in other visible manners to Lions or the public.

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“CONFIDENCE COMES FROM BEING PREPARED “ - COUNCIL CHAIR DAVE HILL

“Confidence comes from being prepared” is a quote from John Wooden who was the head basketball coach for Indiana State University and UCLA from 1946 to 1975. He gained lasting fame with UCLA by winning 620 games in 27 seasons and 10 NCAA titles during his last 12 seasons.

I believe that John Wooden would be impressed by our current Council of Governors. Our District Governors class of 2021-22 has made a concerted effort to prepare for a successful 2021-22 year. They have met using Zoom two to three times a month since January of this year to prepare for success. During this time, they had several Zoom meetings with Lions Clubs International to put together a membership plan that will support every district in growth during their year. As a result, we have been assigned Danial Elkins (currently 2VDG of Delaware) as our dedicated membership advisor who can assist and coach teams to start new clubs and conduct successful membership campaigns. In addition, we applied for and were successfully awarded a LCI Matching Membership Grant of $3,000 that we have to match with $750. This grant is dedicated to starting new clubs. If we are successful in improving membership by October, we can receive up to $7,000 more in matching grants.

We usually have a loss of membership in July, however, we are showing an increase of 103 members in MD11 since July 1. We have prepared a two-page preparation questionnaire to help prepare and plan to start new clubs in addition to preparing a Social Media class to help current clubs and start new clubs. Each district has a $375 budget to start a new club by October. Your District Governor, MD11 GAT team, LCI membership advisor and your District GAT team are prepared to help you with social media advertising, timeline preparations, informational sessions, community needs-analysis, Lost Lion Surveys and other tools to put together a plan to start new clubs.

Lion year 2020-21 was a challenging year for our Michigan leadership team. I would like to personally congratulate the District Governor class of 2020-21 and their Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers for their exemplary performance under difficult circumstances.

I also want to thank our GMT/PDG Brent Beracy, GLT/PDG Ron Gibson and GST/PDG Matt Doney for their willingness to be on the MD11 GAT team.

In conclusion, I want to thank all the District Governors of MD11 and SD10 for providing me with the honor and privilege of being their Council Chair. MD11 is gifted to have to have this dedicated and focused group of District Governors. With your help, they can be one of the most successful Council of Governors MD11 has had.

PDG Dave Hill

MD 11 Council Chair -2021-2022

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM REPORT - KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK LIONS!!

I’m Lion Brent, your MD GMT for this year and I look forward to serving alongside all of our district's GAT teams this year. Feel free to contact me as a membership resource throughout the year. It’s early in this new Lion’s Year but not too early to celebrate success. Congratulations to IPDG Leo Schaefer and the 11-A2 GAT team; and IPDG Kurt Stromlund and the 11-C2 GAT team. You and your teams were two of only 16 districts in CA-1 to meet or exceed your 2020-21 district goals. Your efforts will be recognized at the USA/Canada Forum next month in Des Moines, Iowa. OUTSTANDING!

As of today’s date our MD sits with a +88 membership for the year. Most districts have added net membership gains with district 11-C1 leading the charge with a 28 net membership gain. Congratulations Lions of Michigan, your combined efforts are expanding the reach of our service!

Here are a few bullet points from the membership leg of the GAT Team:

- MD-11 has been approved for $3,000. Membership grant to provide funds to districts for marketing and supporting new club development. Contact your district GMT for more information.

- When shown successful, MD-11 will be considered for another $7,000 to continue our growth.

- The NAMI process has been a success where implemented in our MD. Now known as the Global Membership Approach(GMA), the process is being implemented globally to extend our service reach.

- Zoom meetings for the GMT’s are going to be held monthly this Lion's year to help increase communication within the MD and to provide training as needed.

I’m excited to be a part of our MD’s GAT team and am looking forward to what the 2021-22 year has in store for us all. If we continue to “Just Ask” our friends and families to serve alongside us locally, we’ll make ripples in the pond of our global association.

Where There’s a Need, There’s a Lion!

Lion Brent Beracy

DISTRICT COVERNOR SPOTLIGHT IPDG LEO SCHAEFER 11A2  
2020-2021 WHERE DID THAT YEAR GO. IT WENT BY SO FAST!

Looking back, it seems so long ago now. All the great and wonderful idea’s we had. Some came to fruition others fell by the wayside. We were all held hostage by the virus.

The clubs in 11A-2 in August of 2020 purchased the zoom program so they could start having their meetings that way. One of our clubs was working on a playground for kids with a $ 100,000.00 matching grant. That was finished. The district got a $10,000.00 grant for hand sanitizer. Lake Orion Lions got a $ 2000.00 grant for face masked for the teachers in the Lake Orion Schools.

Candy cane and the Goodfellow Paper fund raisers set new records in Richmond and Sterling Heights. All the clubs were looking for new ways to get things done. Spring came and new projects came also. Play Place Autism & Special Needs in Sterling Heights was looking to put a kitchen in. This was to help teach the older ones how to work in a restaurant setting. Members from the Shelby Lions, Sterling Heights Lions, and a $10,000.00 grant from LCIF got this project on its way. Maggie’s Wigs for Kids was looking to have a raised garden for the children. Once again Lions from St. Clair Shores, Hazel Park, Shelby, To work and got it done. Early in the year of 2020 the district had a video made. It was to be used for showing to prospective new members. It showed (5) of our charities and what they do to help people in our communities. We did not get to use it like we wanted to.

This is a NEW Year we will start to use it now. Speaking of membership. 11A-2 was one of the few in CA-1 to be on the plus side for The year. We had one new club in Sterling Heights, and will be getting another in Lake Orion. One club in the district the New Baltimore Lions has brought in over thirty new members. All the clubs have gotten new members this past year.

So, all in all the covid slowed the district down, but we won in the end. 11 A-2 is so much stronger now, and ready for the next challenge. The new leadership team for 2021-2022 have started already to make 11 A-2 bigger and stronger than before.

IPDG Leo Schaefer 11 A-2

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> MID WEST LIONS ALLIANCE NEWS

GREETINGS LIONS OF MICHIGAN!

We are nearly 2 months into our Lions year and things are hopping!

Congratulations! First thing Lions, congratulations on net positive membership growth! Well done. MD11 has crossed the 100 net membership gain! Let’s hang on to the lead and service that it brings!

Service! Service! Service! International President Douglas Alexander has set the Lions International Presidential theme to be “Service from the Heart”. It is the essence of Lionism. First and foremost, we are a service organization. Lions’ members make a terrific difference to their community and the world around them. Part of encouraging others is sharing that information. We need to encourage our fellow Lions. Our goal for Michigan is to have each club report at least one, that’s correct, just one service project or fundraiser which in turn helps others. Our goal: Each club report one service project for the Lions year.

Zone Chair Training… On August 31st at 7 PM EDT, there is a joint area wide ZONE CHAIR TRAINING! PID Connie Le Cleir-Meyer has joined efforts with the Midwest Lions Alliance (our area) to organize a joint Zone Chair Training. GMA focuses on and depends on zone chair leadership. Here is a great starting point for districts. Information on this program will be emailed to zone chairs and district governors as well as the multiple district leaders. If you are a zone chair or have an interest in helping your fellow Lions by becoming one, contact your district governor, GLT or myself for the invite. The presenter is PCC Winster Ceballos. He is well known as one of the best zone chair trainers. Be certain to catch this event!

New Name, Same Great Benefit… What was NAMI the past 2 years is now GMA, or Global Membership Approach. What began as a pilot program in the United States and Canada has now gone global. We have our Lions friends from around the globe beginning to join in and reap the benefits of GMA. GMA is a leadership framework that guides leaders to build teams from the ground up club level. As a team of Lions, we do amazing service. We bring opportunity to our communities. Check out more on GMA at www.lionsclubs.org/en/global.

Build a Vision… Has your district built a team and a vision? Time is burning and there never was a better time than now! As a helper, leaders keep your eyes open for learning opportunities (such as the Zone Chair Training above) that are sent out. Several districts have already done SWOT (strength and weakness analysis) to help set goals. Struggling to get started in your district? Send an email and get help (including the zoom session) leading your district to success.

Michigan Membership Grant… Finally, on a very happy note, MD11 received an LCI membership grant! The total amount nationwide available was $30000. Michigan has gotten an initial $3000 with options to collect additional amounts up to the $10000 requested based on the first quarterly spend, impact and perceived needs report filed by the Council Chair. Our Lion friends in Ohio received the same grant. Congratulations!!!

Cheers!

by PDG Dave Wineman

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2021 – 2022 DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday-Saturday, October 1-2

2nd Council of Governors Meeting

TreeTops Resort, Gaylord, MI

Thursday –Saturday, September 9-11

USA/Canada Leadership Forum

Michigan Lions Membership Month October 2021

Lions Leadership/Graduate Institute, November 5-7

MacMullan Center, Higgins Lake

Friday-Saturday, December 3-4

3rd Council of Governors Meeting

Holiday Inn Express, Mt. Pleasant

Saturday, February 26, 2022

Lions Michigan Leadership Forum

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre, Flint

Saturday-Sunday, February 26-27, 2022

4th Council of Governors Meeting

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre, Flint

Michigan Lions White Cane Week April 22-May 1, 2022

May 20, 2022 Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

May 10-21, 2022

MD 11 Lions Convention

Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

Save the date for LCI Convention 2022 Montréal!

June 24-28, 2022

2020-21 GRAND PRIZE WINNER YUE ZHENG 13 YEARS OLD – CHINA

We Are All Connected

While overcoming new challenges brought on by an unprecedented global pandemic, we’re celebrating the things that keep us connected to each other, to our communities, all together around the world. This year, we invite young people to envision, explore and visually express these connections.

Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. The kit is available in 12 of our official languages. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

The 2021-2022 Contest: We Are All Connected

Each kit contains:

• Official Club Contest Guide and Rules

The official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules

• Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home

• Sticker to place on back of winning poster

• Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

2021 PEACE POSTER INTERNATIONAL WINNER

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> LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE NEWS

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE – WE’RE BACK!  
Lions Leadership Information

LIONS GRADUATE INSTITUTE

R.A. MacMullan Center, Higgins Lake, Michigan

November 5-7, 2021

Enhance and hone leadership skills which can be applied to your everyday life.

Event Information

Date: November 5-7, 2021 Friday morning through noon Sunday.

Location: R.A. MacMullan Center

104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, Ml 48653

The training center is located on the northern shore of pristine Higgins Lake. The MacMullan Conference Center provides a quiet, casual atmosphere where you can benefit from self-discovery and wander through a natural experience.

The MacMullan Center is easily accessed from US-127.

$225 per person, fee includes registration, course materials, two night’s lodging and six meals!

Participant Qualifications

The purpose of the Lions Graduate

Institute is to expand on skills learned at

the Lions Leadership Institute. The curriculum focuses on techniques and concepts that will enhance the quality and overall effectiveness of Lion leaders. In order to attend, participants must have completed the Lions Leadership Institute.

Qualified candidates are members who want to become effective leaders through advanced leadership training, presentation skills and project management.

Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program (Friday morning -Sunday noon). Attendance at classroom sessions is mandatory.

Graduates of this Institute are expected to utilize their skills in training events at all levels of Lionism.

LIONS GRADUATE INSTITUTE  
5730 Executive Drive

Lansing, MI 48911

(517) 887-6640 • fax (517) 887-6642 lions@lionsofmi

Lions Graduate Institute

Class activity directly involves participants in the learning process. Challenging activities encourage communication and problem solving, and enable participants to experience the concepts presented.

Training equips Lions with motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided.

It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.

Presentation Skills

Training involves more than “stand up” delivery skills, but those skills are extremely important in conveying your message. Learn critical delivery skills for effective trainers including:

* Eye contact and movement
* Tone, pace, and expression
* Movement and posture
* Appropriate language usage

Leadership Skills

Leadership is a key skill for all Lions. Being an effective leader means taking initiative, being open to diverse options and encouraging creativity and innovation.

Lionistic Skills

Part of being effective leader is knowing how to talk about the Lions organization. Learn how to communicate who Lions are, what they do and how their services enrich lives.

Training Benefits

Training is vital to the growth, health and

future of the Lions organization. Yes,

"We Serve," but the quality of our service depends

upon the quality of training.

Training can also influence membership. Through sharing ideas, success stories, and humanitarian endeavors, training unites Lions and solidifies their commitment to service. Today's volunteers view opportunities for personal and professional growth as a primary motive for volunteering. Organizations that provide training enhance the volunteer experience by meeting the needs of the community and the member simultaneously. Training is just one more way Lions Clubs can enrich the lives of members. Through training, individual Lions can

grow personally and professionally, expand their knowledge and skill base, and enhance leadership and organizational skills.

Selection Process

Because of space limitations and the anticipated high number of applications to be received, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. After screening the applications, the Institute Planning Committee will notify you of your acceptance.

The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.

APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2021

Last Name:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip:

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ What year did you attend the

Leadership Institute? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_

Club Name: \_

Lion Lioness Leo (circle one) District\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_ \_ Highest Lions office held

Payment Options

Enclosed is my check for $225.00 CREDIT CARD: Visa Master Card Discover

Card No:

CID No: Exp Date:

Signature:

Send application and check to:

Lions Graduate Institute

5730 Executive Drive Lansing, Ml 48911

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Graduate Institute Information

BUILDING LEADERS

One Lion at A Time

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R.A. MacMullan Center

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UNITING TALENT WITH OPPO·RTUNITY

The leadership Institute is an opportunity for lions to develop lifelong leadership skills. Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented.

The Institute features a variety of classes including ...

> team building

> conflict resolution

> personal effectiveness

> personality styles

> mentoring

> four R's of leadership

> listening & speaking skills

> managing change

WHY ATTEND A LEADERSHIP INSTITUE FOR LIONS?

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills

to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops

more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service.

Training makes Lions more effective.

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

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

change.

PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS & SELECTION PROCESS

The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute focuses on building the skills of emerging Lion leaders at the club, zone, region and district levels.

All Lions in good standing who wish to develop or improve their leadership skills are eligible to apply. Club and district officers are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn life-long skills.

Applicants should demonstrate a desire to improve their leadership skills.

Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program {Friday morning through Sunday noon), followed by

life-long personal growth.

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The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all I aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.

How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism? – The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.

How can all of this be accomplished?

The Institute is practically funded through a grant from LCI’s Leadership Division. Lions Clubs and Districts also provide a portion of the cost of the Institute. In addition, a registration fee is paid by participants.

APPLICATION FORM

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Have you previously attended a Michigan Lions Leadership Institute?

□ Yes □ NO

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_ Lion Lioness Leo {circle one)

District \_\_\_ \_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_ \_

OFFICES YOU HAVE HELD:

Club Level-

Position: Year:

Position: Year:

District Level –

Position: Year:

Position: Year:

Multiple District Level –

Position: Year:

Payment Options

Enclosure is my check for $225

Credit Card: Visa Master Card Discover

Card No:

CID No: Exp Date:

Signature:

Send to Lions Leadership Institute, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

LEADERSHIP AND GRADUATE INSTITUE SIGN UP!

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> LCIF NEWS

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION DR. ROBERT MATHOG LIONS HEARING CENTERS

COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER

Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be “Knights of the Blind”, and she declared that “the problems of the deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus – the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man.”

Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents.

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of the their hearing loss. As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

Order and Recipe Submission Form – Deadline October 1, 2021

I would like to purchase \_\_\_cookbook(s) for $20 each for a total of $\_\_\_

I have enclosed/attached a copy of my personal or family recipe that you may use the cookbook.

I would like to make a donation to the Lions Hearing Centers in the amount of $\_\_\_

Payment Method: Check Credit Card PayPal ([info@lmsf.net](mailto:info@lmsf.net))

Card Number:

Expiration Date:

Expiration Date: CVV Code:

Signature:

First Name: Last Name:

Mailing Address:

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LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION DR. ROBERT MATHOG LIONS HEARING CENTER COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER

Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be “Knights of the Blind,” and she declared that "the problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus — the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man." Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents. With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of the their hearing loss. As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

Sponsorship Opportunities – Deadline October 1, 2021

Back Cover & Recipe Feature – 5.5” x 8.5” – Full Color: $1,500  
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I would like to be a sponsor for the Lions Hearing Centers’ Cookbook: \_\_\_\_Back Cover \_\_\_Full Page \_\_\_ 1/2 Page \_\_\_Name Listing. I have enclosed the text/artwork and my recipe, or I will email the text/artwork and my recipe to info@lmsf.net.  I do not wish to participate as a sponsor of the Lions Hearing Centers’ Cookbook, but I would like to purchase \_\_\_ cookbook(s) for $20 each for a total of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.  I do not wish to participate as a sponsor of the cookbook, but I would like to make a donation to the Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers in the amount of $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Payment Method: \_\_\_ Check \_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net) Card Number: \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ - \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - [info@lmsf.net](mailto:info@lmsf.net)

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MISSION: TO DEVELOP LEADERS, MOTIVATE AND EDUCATE ATTENDEES, PROVIDE AN OPEN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS, AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND GOALS OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL.

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Keynote Speakers include Vice President Douglas Alexander and Michelle Ray. Michelle is a keynote speaker, author and thought leader and renowned for her expertise on leadership, accountability, resilience, change and building outstanding cultures.

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Leo Club Advisor Conclave Part 1 of 4  
Date: Oct. 23, 2021  
Time: 12 PM – 2 PM (EST)  
Calling all Leo Club Advisors & Faculty Advisors from Constitutional Area 1 & 2 to participate in a series of comprehensive discussions/workshops on the Leo Club Program and youth leadership development.

Register today at <http://advisorconclave.leasforum.org>  
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MD11 AWARDS 2021 <

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING LIONS! 2020-2021 MD 11 AWARDS

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Lion Wendy Burns receives a Melvin Jones Fellow on behalf of the 2020-2021 Council of Governors

Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers, 2020-2021 S.A. Dodge recipient

Evelyn Cooper, 11A1 2020-2021 S.A. Dodge recipient

Governor Julie Mayuiers was presented the 2020-2021 District Editor Roger LaMothe Award, presented by Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers.

State Treasurer receives a recognition certificate from PID Anderson, while DG Julie Mayuiers photobombs in the background.

State Treasurer Paul Hemeryck has held this volunteer position for over 10 years as his service to the Lions of Michigan. He is also a strong supporter of Beaumont Silent Children’s Fund. The 2020-2021 Council of Governors presented a check to Beaumont Silent Children’s Fund in honor of Treasurer Hemeryck.

PDG Jack Becher, 2019-2020 S.A. Dodge recipient

The 2020-2021 Council of Governors received certificates of appreciation recognizing their efforts during a pandemic year. The awards were presented by PID Gary Anderson on behalf of ID Faber and PIDs Anderson, Jenny Ware, Esther LaMothe, Dennis Cobler and Bill Hansen.

PDG Ron Papa, 11 A2, 2020-2021 S.A. Dodge Award Recipient

CC Jeff Mayuiers received a Progressive Melvin Jones Award during the B2 Convention. (Governor Julie photobombed the presentation!) Visiting International Director Steve Thornton presented the award.

Roger LaMothe District Editor Award

District Governor Julie Mayuiers

Melvin Jones Fellow

Lion Wendy Burns

Lion Ed Weessies

S.A. Dodge Award

PDG Jack Becher, A2 2019-2020

PDG Jeff Mayuier, B2 2019-2020

PDG Evelyn Cooper, A1 2020-2021

PDG Ron Papa, A2 2020-2021

Council Chair Mayuiers presented Lion Weessies with his 10th Melvin Jones Fellow Award .Lion Ed Weessies was presented with his 10th Melvin Jones Fellow on behalf of the MD 11 Council of Governors in appreciation of 25 years of service on the Constitution & By Laws committee, serving as MD 11 Chair for most of those years.

DG Group 2020 - 2021 Memorial

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WE SERVE

There are many ways to serve the membership of MD 11. Participating as a State Chairperson or District Representative on one of our many State Committees is just one of several opportunities. Thank you to the many Lions who have volunteered to serve our membership in this capacity!

2021-2022 Lions of Michigan State Committees

Lions All State Band -Chair, Becky Dahlke

Lions Bear Lake Camp-Chair, Traci Tribley

Childhood Cancer-Chair, Laura Hunt

Constitution and By-Laws-Chair, Dick DeLong

Diabetes-Chair, Roger Blackwell

District Editors Advisory-Chair, Bob Tetzlaff

Global Leadership Team-Chair, Ron Gibson

Global Membership Team-Chair, Brent Beracy

Global Service Team-Chair, Matt Doney

Hearing-Chair, Bev Bodum

Hunger-Chair, Lloyd Foster

Information Technology-Chair, Ray Robins

Lions Clubs International Convention-Chair, Wendy Burns

Lions Clubs International Foundation-Chair, Connie Shelton

Leader Dogs for the Blind-Chair, Frank Cunningham

Leo Clubs-Chair, Larry Wegrzyn

Lions Michigan Forum-Chair, Karen Routson

Lions Quest-Chair, Harry Johnson

MD 11 Lions Convention-Co Chairs, Brenda & Dave Hacker

Michigan Eversight-Chair, Terry Walters

New Voices-Chair, Brent Beracy

Public Relations/Social Media-Chair, Jeff Hunt

Reading Action Plan-Chair, Bob Hohendorf

Sight Conservation/White Cane-Chair, Roger Bosse

Youth Exchange-Chair, Eileen Delaney

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MD11 A1 JUMPS INTO ACTION WITH AN EMERGENCY RELIEF GRANT

Devastating floods occurred in the Detroit and surrounding area in June, causing three major flooding events in the span of three weeks.

The Lions of Multiple District 11 A1 took quick action and applied for an LCIF Emergency Relief Grant and were awarded $10,000 in emergency funds. On July 29th, volunteers from Multiple District 11A1 (serving Wayne and Monroe Counties) participated in providing flood relief supplies and food to more than 500 families living in Hamtramck, Detroit, and Dearborn.

Volunteers distributed tote bags filled and buckets filled with cleaning supplies as well as box fans. In addition, fresh produce was provided including potatoes, onions, corn on the cob, tomatoes, peppers, cabbage and watermelons. All were necessary and welcome supplies.

The Relief Effort was initiated by Lion Ali M. Ali and the Dearborn Lions Club, with support from Access of Dearborn, Gleaners Food Bank and multiple Lions Clubs throughout District 11A1.

(picture)

A mound of supplies ready to hand out to those in need after devastating flooding in Hamtramck, Detroit, and Dearborn

IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS APPRECIATION DINNERS

Appreciation Picnic for IPDG Kurt Stromlund District 11-C2

September 18, 2021

6:00 p.m. Social followed by Dinner $25.00

Ironwood Golf Course

6902 E. Highland, Howell

RSVP to Lion Jenny Stromlund 810-923-4251 or stromlund@sbcglobal.net

In lieu of gifts, please consider a donation to Eversight

Governor Appreciation Picnic

2020-2021 District 11-E2 IPDG Rod Leathers

September 18, 2021

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Davis Pin Shoot Pavilion

5600 Wicks Way, Central Lake MI

Dress is picnic casual-games, beverages and FUN

RSVP to PDG Dennis Richardson by August 31, 2021

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DISTRICT 11 A1 APPRECIATION CELEBRATION

IPDG DAVE WILBERT & THE CHARTER CLUB LAUNCH

Of GREATER ST. JOHN CLUB @ Park Place Banquet Hall

Sunday, October 17, 2021

4:00pm - 9:00pm

23400 Park Street, Dearborn, MI 48124

$35/per person

DISTRICT 11 A2 IPDG LEO SCHAEFER APPRECIATION DINNER

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Tina’s Country House

50828 North Ave., Macomb, MI

Social hour 2:00 p.m., Cost: $35.00 per person / cash bar

RSVP in advance to Lion Rich Pfeiffer 989-619-6115

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Lions Club International has just confirmed The Detroit Greater Detroit Lions Club as a CHARTER CLUB in District 11 A1.

The incoming president is: Bishop Russell Schaller. The new club has 22 members and growing weekly. We plan on having a charter party sometime in the Fall in conjunction with our District Governor's appreciation dinner.

BROWNSTOWN LION’S CLUB President Caesar Sumanting with the able support of Vice president Vangie Tong headed to Beaumont Hospital in Trenton to participate in program dubbed “Feed the Heroes ‘’ with their food donations to the ICU and IMC units of the hospital.

The next stop for the Brownstown LC was to deliver food to 2 Fire Departments as well as 2 shifts at the Police station. (Picture show Brownstown LC President Caesar Sumanting with the Fire responders)

The Lions of District 11 A1 were notified of a need in the area by PDG John Daoud regarding “Pantry of Plenty” a Detroit area food pantry. The Pantry helps approximately 3000 people per month with food supplies. Due to the recent epidemic, the Pantry had to come up with a new plan for food distribution in order to avoid risk of contact and the possible spread of the virus. Pre-filled boxes were found to be the answer; however, the Pantry could not afford the number of boxes that were required. District 11 A1 worked together to provide the contributions necessary to make the new process possible.

Regarding the same topic of Pantry donations, members of District 11 A1

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11 A2

DG Jim Leach Jr

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(pictures)

Richmond Lions Club -With most all fundraising opportunities lost for the club last year, scholarship money earmarked for the 2020 High School Seniors was reduced. Four recipients received a $1,000.00 scholarship, down from the typical $2,000.00 the club awards each student. The idea of a raffle was proposed and Lion Dennis Bolen, Scholarship Chair, and his committee moved forward with the idea. The raffle was named S.O.S. or Save Our Scholarships with 100% of raffle proceeds going to student scholarships. The club set a goal to raise enough funds to provide four $1,500.00 scholarships for 2021 graduating seniors living in the Richmond School District, regardless of public, private school, etc.

The S.O.S. raffle exceeded our expectations by providing four $1,500 scholarships this year, and they were able to supplement 2020 scholarship winners with an additional $350 each. What a finish!

Royal Oak Lions Club who marched in the Memorial Day Parade in Royal Oak on Monday, May 31. We marched on Main St. from south of Lincoln to 3rd Street with about 36 other groups.

Lions Maureen Kennedy, Karen Burke, Steve Garrett, Cindi Wells, Marilyn Bidinger, Bob Westbury and Laura Mastracchio just before the parade began.

Congratulations!!! The following Troy Community Lions received Progressive Melvin Jones awards:

Left to right: Lions Donna Quinn (secretary), Jim Quinn (treasurer), Bill Gelement (Membership & White CaneChair), and Jed Sprunger (President)

Members of the Royal Oak Lions Club worked at the City's "Clean the Park" Day. The club was joined by a group of 16 students and teachers from Royal Oak Shrine Catholic High School, who contacted us. At the end of the 90-minute work bee, Shrine's principal showed up to add his support for the project! Forty-three bags of leaves, sticks and yard debris were collected. Lion Steve Gillette organized the group, and Lion Bob Westbury made sure there were snacks and water for the participants.

From left to right, Lions Jim Westbury, Cindi Wells, Marilyn Bidinger, Bob Westbury, Steve Gillette, and Maureen Kennedy, plus Lion Maureen's husband David Reed.)

Troy Community Lions are “Premier Donors” in support of the newly built Troy Stage Nature Center Raptor House, which currently houses 5 rescued owls. We believe it is important to protect the environment and nature. Pictured: Lions Barb Myhal, Jim Quinn, Donna Quinn, and Nature Center Naturalist, Christina Funk (along with Sam, the owl).

Richmond Lions Club has adopted an airplane (F86A) at SANG air museum. Lions and volunteers turn out each year to give the plan its annual clean and shine. A sign located near the plane credits Richmond Lions for “adopting” the F86A.

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Cereal City – Held a fundraising garage sale this past June, with all items donated so that 100% of the receipts would be used for club activities account. There were a few special donations that were considered too valuable to be sold cheaply at a garage sale and these will be sold after the sale to boost the funds available to serve our community.

A Pride of (Jackson Eyeopener) Lions attend the B1 Banner Exchange!

PID LaMothe greets Lions at the Banner Exchange

Dexter - Donated $ 7,500 to Leader Dogs for the Blind in memory of Dexter Lion PDG Hal Geppert. One of the Canine suites in the Canine Development Center will be named for PDG Hal Geppert.

Jackson Eyeopeners - Held a successful White Cane campaign in April, collecting $645. Special thanks to AA Market for hosting club members for two days. Jackson Eyeopeners’ Meat Raffle was another great fundraiser for the club, brining in $1,950 to support our continued service to the community of Jackson and beyond. Lion Connie Neese alone sold 91 tickets! Thank to all who supported this annual fundraiser.

Jackson Host Lions  - Celebrated their CENTENNIAL (Chartered May 7, 1921) with a scaled down event for club members due to COVID restrictions. A larger in-person event is tentatively scheduled for October 9, 2021. Additional information will be provided as event details are confirmed.

Napoleon Lions - Installed a fence around new trash bins at the Napoleon community park and worked the White Cane weekend collecting over $2,200 dollars for their sight fund. Starting May 6 thru the end of June, they will work their concession stand at their Napoleon Lions baseball fields for the baseball.

Their band played for the Napoleon Memorial Day Parade.  While the parade was a community event, we are proud that Lion Dick Tallman has been the chairman of this special event to remember our fallen soldiers since the seventies

Lion Dale Babcock coordinated the annual Onion Sale this spring! Proceeds will be used to support Napoleon Lions Club community projects.

Clinton - Screened 44 children in 3-hours during Tecumseh's Kindergarten Roundup. They provided 5-referrals.

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The Bangor Lions Club held its annual Awards Dinner, guests included DG Karol Chopp and her husband Lion Dan Chopp, ZC Carol Young and her husband Lion Rick Young, and GMT Elvie Marfil. DG Karol Chopp installed 3 new members into the Bangor Lions Club: Lions Misty Kovell, David Aldag and A.C. Aldag.

The Shining Star awarded Lion Carrie Jones

The 2019-2020 Lion of the Year Awarded to Lion Irene Troutman

The 2020-2021 Lion of the Year Awarded to Lion Carrie Jones

The final award of the evening went to former Lion Richard Ely for his 40+ years of service to the Bangor Lions Club and community.

The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their Annual Kayak Poker Run on the St Joe River at Lake Chapin Camp Betz facility. 43 kayaks/participants were joined by the Buchanan Township Water Rescue and Sheriff Department safety patrol units. A cookout, 50/50 raffle, and poker hand prizes were waiting at Camp Betz for all participants. Lion Jerry Flenar presented a State of Michigan flag (previously flown over the State of Michigan Capital building) to Camp Betz as a token of appreciation.

The Buchanan-Galien Lions participated in the Community Olympic Watch Party at the Buchanan Common to cheer on Buchanan’s own Olympian Hannah Roberts in Women’s BMX.

Hannah earned a Silver Medal as the crowd of approximately 750 supporters watched on the jumbo screen. This was the largest watch party crowd recorded to date for the 2021 Olympics.

The Buchanan Galien Lions gave out free Freeze Pops and handed out information on the club and it’s up-coming events.

The Centreville Lions celebrated their 75th Anniversary on July 10th (delayed from 2020) with a Pancake Breakfast and Ox Roast lunch. The Lions had the assistance of the Centreville High School Football Team with serving the meals. The football team won the State Championship last Fall and the proceeds from both events went to the football team to help purchase new uniforms. Congratulations to the Lions for another great year and out-standing support of your comunity!

The Edwardsburg Lions Club’s longest serving member is Lion John Braniff, who was recognized for 65 years of service. Just 22 years old when he joined, Braniff said he does not remember exactly why he decided to join the club; however, he knows why he stayed, which is the same reason he believes the club has been able to last as long as it has. “It’s the service,” Braniff said, “We do a lot in the community.”

The Mattawan Lions Club welcomed the District Governors Banner at the Banner Exchange at Antwerp Activity Center. DG Karol Chopp is the first member in 63 years to serve as Governor!

The New Buffalo Lions Club held its Annual Golf outing at Whittaker Woods Golf Course. This is one of the New Buffalo Lions largest fund raisers and was really missed by the New Buffalo community in 2020.

Pictured Gary Naeyaert, New Buffalo Lion Frank Giglio, Richard Giglio and Ray Giglio; 2nd photo Rachel Ghareeb and teammates, Daughter of New Buffalo Lions Rick and Carolyn Ghareeb)

The Three Rivers Lions held their annual “Thank You” picnic to their members and community volunteers that helped at the Annual Ox Roast in June. 25 Lions and guests enjoyed grilled burgers and brats along with all the other fixings. The Ox Roast is held in conjunction with the Three Rivers Water Festival every June, where the Lions serve their secret recipe Ox-Roast sandwich with Ham & Bean Soup. Bangor Lions serve homemade pie as one of their fundraisers. The Lions are assisted by residents of Twin County Probation Center with all fundraisers and in turn, residents are credited for community service hours.

PDG Jeff Mayuiers, 4 volunteers from Twin County Probation Center, Lion President Tom McWatters

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The Edwardsburg Lions Club will celebrate its 75th anniversary August 21st, 2021. With three-fourths of a century under the clubs’ belt, members said they believe the club’s future will be as strong as the past.

“This is an honor and quite an accomplishment,” said Lion Tanda Stiffler. “We’ve done a lot to help this community, and we are here when-ever they need us.”

The Edwardsburg Lions Club was chartered on Aug. 21, 1946, with President Harry Vanferson. Originally, the club was sponsored by the Niles Lions Club.

Since chartering, the club purchased the first ambulance for the village of Edwardsburg, bought the lights for the former football field at Edwardsburg High School, placed welcome signs in the village, built ramps for those in need, donated and helped build a pavilion at the Edwardsburg Sports Complex, built a pavilion that was moved to Krause Park, operated Project KidSight, hosted road clean ups, organized a Leo Club and for many years hosted a local circus. According to Lion members, those are just a sampling of the many projects the club has supported over the last 75 years.

Past District Governor Julie Mayuiers presented the Lions with a Proclamation for their Anniversary.

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The Allegan Lions Club held their 50th Allegan Club Tennis Tournament! Pictured here are the champions, runners-up and consolation winners from the 50th Allegan Lions Club tournament. Congratulations to them and all of those that competed in the tournament this week. Lots of great matches, great efforts, great shots, significant learning and lots of laughs. Well done!

The Sparta Lions Club’s Annual Chicken barbeque took place along with Sparta Town and Country Days. Lions offered a half chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, dinner roll all for just $10.00. Over 900 chicken halves went over the coals and it looks like the Sparta Lions had fun serving up all the delicious food.

Muskegon Northside Lion Kevin Dean found that the picnic tables at Mullally Park were in dire need of attention. He enlisted a crew of Northside Lions to work on the tables the beginning of July. Seen here is a picture of Lion President Kathleen Cobler, helping the group with the project.

The Muskegon Northside Lions are once again holding their pancake breakfasts at Walker Park in North Muskegon. On the second breakfast held, even with light rain folks came to get takeout. Then the sun came out and folks came to enjoy the crew’s great pancakes and sausage. One North Muskegon resident give us a significant donation and we received many other donations that day.

Muskegon Northside Lions Pancake Wagon at Walker Park

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PDG Brent Beracy of the Ashley Lions Club attended the St. Johns Lions Club meeting to induct two new members into the Club. Welcome Tyrell Wilson (Sponsor Lion Roger Dershem) and Cesar Medina (sponsored by Lion Kenny Kinsey).

Left to right: Cesar Medina, Kenny Kinsey, PDG Brent Beracy, Tyrell Wilson, Roger Dershem

The Dimondale Lions Club had yet another successful blood drive. Hosting a drive about every 56 days since before 2008, this dedicated club has collected over 2710 pints of blood from a group of donors that sign up for each drive. Each pint can be split into three parts; red blood cells, plasma and platelets. Platelets are needed for some cancer patients. When a cancer patient has chemotherapy or radiation therapy, their blood does not clot as easily as it should.

We invite anyone to come join us and help your neighbor. You will never know when you will need that pint, for yourself or a loved one.

The Mason Lions Club recently approved a donation of $500 to the Mason Promise Scholarship fund. Club secretary Doug Klein presented their check to Mason Promise Board President Melissa Oesterle at the Mason Promise’s June BBQ Sandwich fundraiser at Darrell’s Market.

They are proud to support the long-running Mason Promise Scholarship program. The program allows a select number of Mason High School graduates to attend Lansing Community College each year.

The Elsie Lions Club recently installed our newest Lions, top photo.

Also a picture of our new Ovid-Elsie Lioness Branch Club bottom photo.

Lions Douglas Sturgis, Roseanne Weyersburg and Lion President Ike Hunt

Mary Hughey, Rose Marie Thering and Joanne Sturgis. Back row L-R Karen Wooley, Raelene Easick, Sue Peterson, Carolyn Long and Peggy Airgood

The Dewitt Lions Club presented two $1,000.00 scholarships the winners were Hannah Kurncx and Jordyn Shipps. Both students were introduced and told us of their future plans for school and gave a big thank you to the Club for their scholarship checks.

Hannah Kurncz - 2021 Scholarship winner her parents Steve and Shari and brother Landon left.

On right Ms. Jordyn Shipps - 2021 Scholarship winner and Mother, Christine.

The Shiawassee County Leos Club volunteered at the 4 Club Charter Night and District Convention in June. The Leo club is sponsored by the Bancroft Lioness Lions Club, and they are looking forward to helping at future district events and working on service projects in the community.

The Food Drive held at the District 11-C2 Convention was a huge success. The food ended up being so much it was decided to divide it and give to two organizations. District Governor Lion Kurt Stromlund and Lion Jenny Stromlund dropped off 256 pounds of food to Bountiful Harvest in Brighton and the other half went with District President Lioness Sheri March to a food program the Bretton Woods Lioness Club helps with at King Arthur's Court in Lansing. Altogether we collected over 500 pounds of food! Great job Lions, Lioness, and Leos!

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Flint Downtown Lions Club members and numerous community volunteers worked hard to make about 30 fleece blankets for children in need. Due to Covid restrictions and closures, it took a while to get them to our chosen agency. However, we were finally able to meet with Dawn Ramirez at Little Lambs Closet to give her the blankets. They do great things for children in the community. We have already began collecting fleece and fleece blankets for the next event. This time we would like to make sure the blankets are made in the fall so children have them for the winter.

At this point we are excited about our newest fundraiser. Please consider donating new or like new unwanted items that can be sold during an online auction in August. We will gladly accept bottles and cans for return to purchase gift cards to auction off. All nearby Lions are encouraged to participate by either donating items or purchasing at the auction. All items are needed by the end of July.

The Flushing Lions had a meeting at the Flushing Historical Society; that meeting we awarded the Dr. Mike Bigelow award of a $3000 scholarship to Reagan Herr a local Flushing High school graduate who plans to attend Kettering for a Mechanical Engineering degree.

We also had another guest at the same meeting; Ethan Case explain his Eagle Scout project which was a musical instrument storage cabinet for the high school. He belongs to Troop 42 which is sponsored by the Flushing Lions Club and we donated $200 toward his project. The total cost was about $625 due to the increase in lumber costs. He raised the remainder of his funding from other sources throughout the community.

We are also over the bottle and can collection of 80,000, which translates to $8,000+ raised for the community and Lions projects. We are in the process of preparing for our 4th annual car show and have been obtaining sponsors for the event. We also have enlisted a high school student whose hobby is photography to take pictures of the event.

Shown are Christa McAuliffe Middle School Leos in Bay City packaging for Lions Club International’s Childhood Cancer Project.

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The USA Lions Club Summer Cheese and Wine held on July 31 was a knock out! Best Wine and Cheese event so far – over $5000 raised and 70 people attended. Live Music, Vendors, Super h’or douvres, Live and Silent Auction a great selection of Michigan and Italian Themed wines this year and great sponsors thanks to all for a fantastic turnout and we are looking forward to Summer 2022!!

The Emmett Club was at Bear Lake during their worker bee program. The club brought all the equipment and spread the mulch around the trees and bushes. The club has been doing this for the past decade and continues to show up.

Lions Cam Walsh, Steve Plenda, Ken Walsh, Bill Rhody, Chuck Belesky, Jack Belesky, Chuck Wood, Paul Krause, and Dick Belesky

The Deerfield Lions celebrated their charter night at their sponsors hall, the Metamora Lions club. It was a fun night with great food and refreshments, there was also live entertainment. There were several local clubs that had members attend. The night went extremely well with Governor Dr. Sami Makhoul presenting Deerfield President Joseph Stratton with the club Charter. Almost all the Deerfield members were on hand to be part of the festivities. Thanks to the Metamora Lions for the hospitality, President Tim VanWagner was part of the presentation.

The Almont Lions Club distributed White Pine seedlings to all 4th grade students at Orchard Primary School in Almont and Dryden Elementary School in Dryden on Arbor Day 2021. Arbor Day 2021 was celebrated on Friday, April 30, 2021. The first American Arbor Day originated in Nebraska City, Nebraska on April 10, 1872 (147 years ago). An estimated one million trees were planted in Nebraska on that date. Arbor Day is observed in at least 44 countries around the world, not all on the same day. On April 15, 1907, President Theodore Roosevelt issued an “Arbor Day Proclamation to the School Children of the United States” about the importance of trees and that forestry deserves to be taught in U.S. schools.

Lions Pictured are from left to right, are Audrey Steinman, Tina Edler, Janet Devroye, Peggy Hellwig, Dave Fisher, Sandy Fritz, Lucas Swartzentruber, missing from photo, Marty Baker

The Fort Gratiot/Burtchville Lions Club made a significant contribution to the flag laying project at the Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery this past Friday. Our club’s four-Lion contingent, along with other volunteers, first met with Rob Crawford at the town hall for brief instructions – coffee and doughnuts available – and to view a couple of short Memorial-Day-themed videos. Then, the grave area assignments and flags were distributed to the team’s present. Being ever so polite, our Lions bunch waited our turn ‘til the end and were handsomely rewarded with a lion’s share – pun intended - of area to be covered and flags to plant. The effort turned out to be a bit of a slog in the wind, cool temperature, and rain – maybe even a little sleet for a time; and with the expanded area we had to cover, we were on site long after all else had finished their work. Even so, we took the time to take a selfie – in the rain - before we headed home to warm up and dry out.

Lion Laura Campbell, President Bill Jett, Lions Sally Jett, and Pete Jett

The Ortonville Lions Club collected over 1,700 pairs of eyeglasses.

Pictured are Club President, Dan Barnes and Treasurer Liz Rheaume.

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The Kingsley Lions Club sponsored a Kingsley Recreation League Softball team (ages 7-9) for their 2021 spring/summer season. Coaches Kristie Zenner-Helmreich and Joe Ottman guided the team to a 9-2 season, and they came in first place! There were 13 girls on the team. It was fun to watch the teams play and the girls seemed to have lots of fun and comradery between the teams. This is the second year the club has sponsored a youth team.

The Harrison Lions Club decorated the Lions float for the local 4th of July Parade.

Lion members Jerry Brandt, Don Kolander, John Sovey, Cindy Sharp, Sherry Combs, and Bob Gergnon are pictured. Not pictured are Lions Penny McGlaughlin and Nancy Blakemore

King Lion Dave Coyne and Lion Diane Fleming presenting the check to Sarah Adkins, the Executive Director at the Soup Kitchen.

The Weidman Lions Club sponsored the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus for two sold out performances on one day. The Circus arrived in the morning, set up the big top by noon, had open house in the afternoon, performances at 5 pm and 7:30 pm, and departed early the next day leaving the area spotless. With minimal effort, the Club profited almost $4,000 in one day! Almost sixty Mount Pleasant Lions, and their guests, visited the garden of our local Lions member to celebrate being able to once again enjoy the fellowship and enjoyment of membership. Special at the event was the presentation of $1000 to the Isabella Community Soup Kitchen. The Mt. Pleasant Lions Annual Chicken BBQ was the fundraising effort in order to make the donation. The Isabella Community Soup Kitchen is open 6 days a week and serves about 100 meals per day. They are totally supported by donations of money, food, and volunteer hours. We cannot thank them enough for all they do for our community.”

The Central Montcalm Lions had a very successful fundraiser golf outing and lent a helping hand to put up a new fence for long time Lions member Stan Preshaw.

The Greenville Lions club just finished a long week at the Montcalm County 4-H Fair. The first three days went very well for us. However, the last three days were a lot of rain and our business went downhill. The last day, on Saturday, it rained all day and we didn’t even open. We have been working with the 4-H youth to keep the food court open. We look forward to a better year next year. There were 15 out of our 32 members that did help, and we ended up with over $5,000.

Lion Judy Dowell presented the Stanwood Lions 2021 Educational Scholarship to Tobie Smith, graduate of Morley Stanwood High School. Tobie will attend the Ferris Police Academy with plans to pursue her bachelor’s degree in Sociology.

Three members of Coleman Lions worked at Opening Eyes during the recent modified Special Olympics event at CMU. Pictured are Coleman Lions, PDG Al Roeseler (seated) and Lion Chuck Dinsmore. Also helping was Lion Ann Roeseler. Other District Lions working at Opening Eyes were PDG Jackie Glazier (Kingsley Lions), PDG Harry Johnson (Baldwin Lions) and Lion Steve Glazier (Cedar-Maple City Lions). As fewer athletes were present, fewer Lions were needed to help. Those of us who were able to participate had a great time!

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Central Lake Lions have been busy recruiting! Left to right: Lion Randy Miller, sponsor; new Lion Kathy Miller; new Lion Desiree Herrst, Lion Rebecca James, sponsor; inducted by PDG Gordon Harris; new Lion Nancy Weston; PCC Don Seifried, sponsor; new Lion Rose Broome; ZC Jim Broome, sponsor.

Central Lake has inducted 10 new members in recent months -congratulations!

Alpena Lions Club hosted a KidSight screening recently and the club was excited to get back to work. 2 lucky kids were the happy recipients of bikes during this event.

Hale Lion Cheryl McDonnell nails it while helping to build a ramp. Oscoda Lions -- another ramp was constructed by our ramp crew, Lions Bill Gaines, John Novak, and Chuck Andrina for Tom and Ruth Grant. The crew built a 4’ x 5’ platform and an 8’ ramp. Lion Kay Gaines provided lunch. Tom and Ruth covered the cost of materials.

The Boyne Valley Lions partnered with the Boyne City Housing Commission to feed all residents at the city-controlled properties at their annual residents meeting. Hot dogs, pulled pork, side dishes, dessert, beverages, and smiles were served by the Boyne Valley Lions.

East Jordan Lion Denny Gocha helping kids play the corn hole game at the Freedom Festival.

Central Lake Lions promote their chicken dinner during the July 4th parade by pulling a float down the route! Lions and community volunteers served 350 chicken dinners in 1 hour!

Christmas in July bell ringing for the Salvation Army. Salvation Army Envoys (aka elves) Bethany and Greg Irwin, Lion Mike Ring, organizer; Lion Marie Leathers and PDG Rod Leathers donned their Mr. & Mrs. Santa summer suites for the occasion.

East Jordan Lions weeded and will mulch a large berm in their Community Park near the disc golf course entrance.

The Petoskey Lions annual Camp Daggett Cabin Cleanup. Lion Jim Rummer worked at the Lions cabin while Lion Ray Johnson worked the leaf blower with another group of volunteers.

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