# LION PRIDE WE SERVE

# "MEMORIAL DAY"



Dave Hill MD 11 Council Chair 2021-2022

At "O dark 2" on the morning of October 30, 2005, our C-130 landed at Balad Air Base. It was "Day 1" of our 365-day countdown to go home. Balad Air Base was the home of "Camp Anaconda", the Army's logistical headquarters in Iraq and one of the major U.S. airbases. It was sixteen square miles of desert in the middle of the Sunni Triangle nicknamed "Mortaritaville" because it received more mortar and rocket attacks than any other Iraq base. Concrete "T walls" were placed throughout the base to

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provide some protection during attacks. T-walls are concrete barriers that range from the 3 foot "Jersey" barrier (that

you see on the highways) to twelve foot "Texas" barriers. There were thousands of these T-walls on Iraq military bases. A tiny fraction of them became painted memorials to units that had been there. Occasionally, there was a T-wall painted in memory of a soldier who did not make it to "Day 365". The 180th Transportation Company of Muskegon was preparing to go home when I arrived. The 180th was part of the 766th Transportation Battalion that I had commanded from 1999 to 2001. Two soldiers of the 180th Transportation Company recognized me and asked me to visit the company area. The soldiers were in good spirits and I congratulated them on a job well done. Three months later I ran across the T-wall barrier pictured with this article. It was dedicated to the memory of the 180th soldier that did not make it to "Day 365". A Gold Star Family is the immediate family of a service member who died while serving in a time of conflict. While Veteran's Day is dedicated to honor "American veterans of all wars" it reminds me to also honor the sacrifice of the families of those that gave "the last full measure of devotion."

CC Dave Hill COLONEL(R) US ARMY



# MEMORIAL DAY



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# **UPCOMING Events:**

MAY 2022 STRENGTHEN MEMBERSHIP MONTH

MAY 19

LIONS ICNIC RIVER BENDS PARK SHELBY TOWNSHIP

**MAY 20** 

5th COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MTNG Convention Welcome Night Reception/Dinner LIONS GONG SHOW!

**MAY 21** 

LIONS CONVENTION AWARDS
BREAKFAST
Business Session
AWARDS BANQUET

**MAY 30** 

**MEMORIAL DAY** 

SEPTEMBER 15-17

USA/CANADA FORUM
CALGARY ALBERTA CANADA

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#### > PRIDE NEWS

# "LIONS COME TOGETHER" **BREAKOUT SESSIONS MD11 CONVENTION**





**PCC Jeff Mayuiers** 

#### FRIDAY, MAY 20 10:30 a.m. Breakout Session I: Why am I a Lion?

Is this a question you're been asked by others? Is this a question you're asked yourself?

Either way this question deserves to be answered. Hopefully the answer to the question is simple and makes you smile on the inside. If not I offer you an opportunity to spend 20 minutes with myself and other Lions by attending a session that just may relight your internal Lion fire!

This session will cover a variety of topics, including:

- Why am I a Lion 1)
- What is a Lion 2)
- 3) Lionism – Open to anyone?
- Just ask one
- Your thoughts—Why am I a Lion? 5)
- What kind of Lion are you? 6)
- Stepping up!

2:00 p.m. Breakout Session II: Like a butterfly in spring, you'll transform a wine bottle into a cheese platter for your next patio party! \$12 fee includes supplies and unlimited fun. Session limited-register today! 517-887-6640 ext 11 or email wburns@ lionsofmi.com

#### **SATURDAY. MAY 21**

1:30-3:30 p.m. Breakout Session III: Planting Seeds of Service. Vegetable Seed Packet Project, to benefit local Food Banks, led by the Global Service Committee. All are welcome to drop in and package up over 3,000 seed packs!

1:30-2:15 p.m. Breakout Session IV: Growing Your Club: Is your club ready to R.O.A.R.? REBUILD! ORCHESTRATE! ASK! REJUVENATE! Join Lion Tammi Graber of the New Baltimore Lion Club as she shares tried and true ideas on growing your Club's membership to new heights. New Baltimore grew from 36 members to over one hundred members in 2 ½ years. This has enabled them to expand their scope of service and fundraising.

#### 2:30-3:20 p.m. Breakout Session V: Helping Children with Cancer BLOOM! Led by Childhood Cancer Team

Join us to learn how your Lions Clubs can support families affected by childhood cancer. Our presenters will make it easy for your club to get involved in this LCI initiative. They will have tips for what items can be donated to the hospital for the kids, what items they can pass along to the families, and suggestions for getting started. In addition, they will talk about the surprising array of family centered programs available such as music and art therapy, social programs, school, therapeutic play, and much more.

Session presented by Rose Freigeh and Lisa Kristoff from Beaumont Hospital's Pediatric Oncology Center in Royal Oak. They are dedicated Child Life Specialists tasked with coordinating all non-medical aspects of a child's stay.

**PDG Connie Shelton MD 11 LCIF Chairperson – 2018-2022** Saturday, May 21 3:30-4:20 p.m. **Breakout Session VI: Spreading Seeds of Hope through Campaign 100** 

PDG Connie Shelton has been committed to Lionism since 1980, first as an Avon Hills Lioness then as a Lion, member of Bloomfield Lions Club & now as a Rochester Lions Member. She has served on many Club & District committees as well as District 11A2 Governor in 2008-2009. Lion Connie is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow receiving this recognition for her work in District 11A2. PDG Connie was asked to serve as District 11A2 LCIF Coordinator in 2009-12, then served as MD11 LCIF Coordinator 2012-15. She served again as MD11 LCIF Coordinator 2018-2021 during LCIF's "Campaign 100"

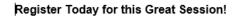


(which was extended to 2022 due to COVID). In addition, Lion Connie serves as 11A2 Representative on the MD11 Convention Committee as well as Childhood Cancer & Hunger Initiatives.

PIP Joe Preston, Constitution Area 1 Campaign 100 Co-Chair; Chairperson of the Lions **Engagement Committee for Leader Dogs for the** Blind. Lion Joe Preston is from Mesa, Arizona

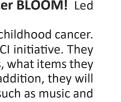
PIP Preston will give a presentation and there we will be recognition of the 20 Model Clubs. This session will cover the importance of Model Clubs, the importance of Club support, Individual Giving, and an introduction to our Legacy Program.

Join PIP Preston and PDG Shelton in this very informative session on the value of our LCIF partnership.



Friday, May 20 2:00 p.m. Breakout Session II: Like a butterfly in spring, you'll transform a wine bottle into a cheese platter for your next patio party! Led by a team of crafty Lions. \$12 fee includes supplies and unlimited fun. You must register in advance as session attendance is limited

Yes! Sign me up:	
Club Name:	
\$12 Enclosed	Mail payment to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing MI 48911





#### **PLANT TODAY YIELD TOMORROW!**

Whenever planting seeds comes to mind, aren't we really thinking down road of the future? It is the choice of consuming the seed or planting it with the hope and the hought of getting more abundance. Isn't that so with Lions as well? And, isn't one of our favorite fields that Lions enjoy planting service, our youth? This issue of the Pride, I would like to share with you a trifecta of seeds. One that looks to and encourages a bountiful harvest for tomorrow. It centers around one well known service in Lions and two profoundly important services we Lions do. This harvest encourages our youth through sight and the ability to read. No new machinery is required. We already have all the tools in the barn and can put them to use with a minimal investment.

by PDG Dave Wineman

First, there is Project KidSight. Now sponsored throughout the state by the Lions of Michigan Foundation, Project KidSight gives us the ability to screen students in our communities with the sweet spot ages six months through six years. This is an extremely popular service that Lions throughout the Midwest and the United States participate in. It is obvious that the ability to see words affects the ability to read.

Next, there is the youth that struggle to read. Lions commonly participate in two different areas here. One is better known to Michigan than the other. Both are very important. The first of the lesserknown programs is Reading Between the Lions. The second is grades 1-3 classroom reading. The great part of these two programs? We don't even have to buy the seed! It all can be done by Lions without

Reading Between the Lions is really a play on words. People (young and old alike) frequently encounter a difficulty when reading words that are on multiple lines. For some both the cadence and the motion of the eye when going from line to line, such as in this article or a book is confusing and interrupted causing the person to lose place and comprehension. Lions in Nevada are well known for a program that can correct this, called Reading Between the Lions. In Michigan our very own PDG Bob Hohendorf has spent considerable time on this subject. He has presented at the USA Canada Forum on the subject and is an all-around great resource.

Classroom reading in grades 1 through 3 is also a great way to bring Lions to your community. With the opioid crisis of 2008 and since, many children struggle to read at this grade level. This is especially significant since there now are competency levels a child must exhibit by the end of third grade before moving to higher grade levels. The simple act of a Lion going to the local school on a regular basis and reading with children can make a lasting difference in their ability to read and comprehend. The fun part of this activity is that kids this age can really teach us something too!

So what's holding us back? Look at your local school. You might be surprised at how welcome you really are. In Lions alone we have school superintendents such as Lion Shawn Wightman, who fully embraces Lions helping in the education of our youth. Work up the courage. Go talk with your school about these programs and invest yourself. Need to scale this back a bit? No problem. Do Project KidSight with reading to youth at your local library. Maybe just start with Project KidSight. Then recruit and work up the courage to take on the next bit of the trifecta challenge. As a Lion you are a farmer of your community. Plant the seeds of caring and hope today at your local school. The harvest is helping our youth meet the challenges of tomorrow.

Cheers!

**Dave Wineman Midwest Lions Alliance** 

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#### SPOTLIGHTS <

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR SPOTLIGHT

As many of the clubs are finally re-engaging, the future of Lions is looking positive! I have seen the number of people joining lions increasing. My hope is that this will continue.

The only thing that is not going up is the amount of people stepping up into leadership roles. Not sure if there is a concern with time commitment, cost, or lack

Being a leader is not about being at the top and being

the best. IT is about doing what you can do to help Lionism grow and helping your fellow lions.

My challenge to all of you who are reading this is to go online to MyLCI, check out the Learning Center. Read about positions, take trainings, locally and online. Learn as much as you can and get the confidence to step up!

"The most dangerous leadership myth is that leaders are born-that there is a genetic factor to leadership. That's simply not true. Leaders are made rather than born"- Warren Bennis



**DG Karol Chopp** 

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# "WE SERVE" includes Providing **Opportunity**

I recently read an article titled "The Blue Zones: Lifestyle Habits of the World's Longest-Living Populations". It was about a journalist named Dan Buettner who led a series of expeditions with National Geographic and a team of anthropologists, demographers, and scientists to discover the world's longest-living populations and the commonalities between these unique groups of people. They were able to identify five regions of the world with



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the largest percentage of individuals 100 years of age or older, that they called Blue Zones.

The people of these regions engage in similar lifestyle habits, such as consuming a plant-heavy diet and prioritizing tight-knit social networks. They concluded that there were nine habits that helped these communities enjoy a healthy and long life. Of the nine, I think that five are factors that membership in the Lions enhance. They are: (1) Sense of Purpose; (2) Stress Management; (3) Social Networks; (4) Spirituality and: (5) Family First.

The "60 by 60" membership campaign is about providing the opportunity to people who want to serve improve other people' lives, and their lives, though the support platform that Lions Clubs provides. Give them the opportunity to become a Lion, it may help you to live to 100 years!

MD 11 Council Chair Dave Hill

#### **Membership Application**

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Membership types and fees

New member
New members pay an entrance fee of US\$35 or must
submit the proper waiver certification form. International
dues total US \$43 annually. Dues are billed on a semiannual basis. Additional district, multiple district and club
dues may apply.

Transfer member
Transfer members in good standing pay no entrance fee
when transferring to an existing club within 12 months.

Family member
The Family Membership Program provides families with the opportunity to receive a special dues discount when they join a Lions club together. The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues (US\$43), and up to four additional family members pay only half the international dues (US\$21.50). All family members pay the one-time entrance fee of US\$35.

The Family Membership Program is open to family members who are (1) eligible for Lions membership, (2) currently in or joining the same club, and (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. Common household family members include parents, children, spouses, aunts and uncles, cousins, grandparents, in-laws and legal dependents. Submit via MyLCI, or include the Family Unit Certification Form with the Monthly Membership Report Form (MMR).

Student Student Student have age of majority and through age 30 pay no entrance fee and half international dues. Students over age 30 and joining a Campus Lions club pay a US\$10 entrance fee and full international dues. Submit the Student Member Certification Form (STU-5) for each student.

What are your community's needs?

Current or former Leo
Current or former Leos seeking membership through the
age of 35, who have served as a Leo for at least a year and
a day, pay half international dues and receive an entrance/
charter fee waiver under the Leo-Lion membership
program. You may select Leo-Lion as the membership type
in MyLCI or submit the Leo to Lion Certification form with
your MMR.

Submit the Leo to Lion Certification Form for credit of Leo years of service to the Lion member record for each current or former Leo.

Lions serve
When caring people join together, roll up their sleeves and take action to make their community better, it's a beautiful thing—and an incredible feeling for everyone involved. That's Lions. Being a Lion is about leading by example, building relationships and improving the world through kindness. If s. 1.4 million caring men and women serving together so they can make a lasting impact and change more lives.







# **CALL THEM NOW!**

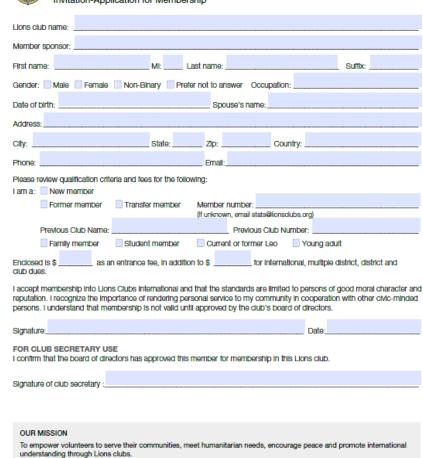
International Director Bob Block has been a Lion in the Chicago area for forty-two years and was the guest speaker at District A2's recent convention in Bay City. Nancy and I met Bob and his wife, Brenda, the year I was a DG and knew how fortunate A2 was to have him as their guest. Part of his dinner speech concerned providing the opportunity of membership to former Lions. His challenge was "If you have lost ten Lions, make it a point to call them and see if you can get five back".

We all have known some great Lions that have had to resign their membership because of some issue that may have improved. They would probably welcome a call letting them know that they are appreciated and missed. Let them know what the Lions are doing for their community and the opportunity they have to be part of it. If they are not interested in the club they left, see if they would be interested in another. Ask them if there is a cause or community issue that they are passionate about. They could be a "spark plug" to start a new club.

Michigan Lions have an exceptional class of District Governors this year. Under their leadership MD11 currently has 133 more Lions and SD10 has 33 more Lions as of April 15. We are emerging from two years of "social distancing" and many people will welcome the opportunity to become a member of an organization dedicated to improving the quality of life in their community and the world. Offer the opportunity to someone to become Lion. -

**Council Chair Dave Hill** 







#### Checklist:

- Keep a copy of the completed application form for the club's files. Do not send it to Lions Clubs International. Add the member using MyLCI or include the member's
- name and address on the monthly membership report.
  When the entrance fees and dues have been collected and the new member has been provided with a membership card, turn money over to the club
- Add the new member's name and address to the club
- roster and mailing list.

  See that the new member receives a New Member
  Kit. The materials within are to be presented at the new member's induction ceremony. Take the time to complete the certificate for the new member prior to the induction ceremony.
- Included in the New Member Kit is a coupon for our Club Supplies store at www2.ionsclubs.org. Show the new member the website so they may browse items to spend their coupon on, such as shirts or personalized

#### > SD10 NEWS REPORT



## CLUB LION STEPS UP TO SERVE IN DISTRICT CABINET

District 10 is proud to introduce Lion Mike Smock from the Negaunee Lions Club, our upcoming District Treasurer. He replaces Lion Scott Kwarciany, our Second Vice District Governor Elect. Lion Mike joined the Negaunee Lions Club in 2001. While attending a club service project, he was inspired by the opportunity to serve his community and was impressed by the fellowship shared by the Lions as they performed their service. He was delighted when a member invited him to join. Lion Mike has served for many years on the club's Board of Directors, twice as club president and currently is its club secretary.

Fellow Negaunee Lion, Zone chair, D-10 Hunger and Diabetes Chair Gary Perala shares, "Lion Mike is a steady leader who listens and communicates well. Both Mike and his wife are awesome people to get to know and do a lot of volunteer service in our community."

When the district treasurer position opened, Lion Mike was the first choice of the Governor Team to promote from the club level to fill the post. His strong financial background assures he is imminently qualified to assume the district position. A former CEO of the Peninsula Bank (now a part of Nicolet Bank) and having been the CFO of the First National Bank of Iron Mountain, coupled with his willingness to serve will prove to be a perfect fit for D-10. He is currently supported, mentored, and being trained by two former district treasurers assuring he is ready to step into the position come July 1st.

"I am interested in learning more about district operations and to share what I have learned with my club," Smock states in his interview for this article. Lion Mike grew up in Evart, Michigan. This small town of 2000 in lower Michigan is primarily an auto manufacturing and farming community. He is a graduate of Michigan State University, earning a degree in finance. Mike and Mary Kay have been married for 37 years. They have 3 sons and 2 grandchildren. Active outdoors throughout the year, his hobbies include seasonal fat tire mountain biking, both cross country and downhill skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, photography, travel, and grilling. He sounds like a fun guy to know.

Lion Mike is an active member of his Negaunee Lions club. His favorite service projects include working at the club's aid stations for the Noquemanon Ski Marathon, the Ore to Shore mountain bike race, and the 906 Adventure Polar Roll, a winter fat tire bike race. He and fellow Negaunee club members serve to maintain the Pit #1 Miner's Park and the Iron Ore Heritage Trail, both being local historic sites in Negaunee. Lion Mike is a "roll up his sleeves and get to work" kind of Lion.

Welcome Lion Mike to the Michigan Lions leadership team. We all look forward to getting to know you and to serve by your side!



## LCI NEWS ....RESPONDING TO CRISIS....

#### **Responding to the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine**

The conflict in Ukraine has driven millions of people from their homes, creating a humanitarian crisis that is forcing families to search for safety and security. In this time of great need, Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) is awarding grants to make sure Lions are there to help provide immediate relief to those struggling to meet their most basic needs, and Lions around the world are uniting through kindness to help the people who desperately need it.

LCIF is awarding grants to Lions supporting Ukrainian refugees who have crossed their borders. Lions in Ukraine have also received LCIF grants to address the critical needs of people who remain in the country. Grand funding will enable Lions to purchase and distribute immediate relief items, such as food, clothing, hygiene supplies, sleeping bags and medicine.

#### **April Is Leo Awareness Month**

Leo club advisors, celebrate Leos and their service by ensuring they are counted in our goal of 200,000 reported Leos! Start by adding any unreported Leos in MyLCI, and encourage them to use the #LoudAndProudLeo hashtag on social media to show their pride in being counted toward this important goal.

#### It's Coming! Is Your Club Ready?

The Lions International Marketing Award is launching in July 2022! If you don't already have a marketing communications chairperson, now is a great time to consider appointing one in the upcoming Lions year to lead the effort.

Visit www.lionsclubs.org for complete details.

#### Have you registered for the LCI-Convention? Montreal is ready and waiting for YOU!





# **Job Opening CEO LMASB**

# Lions of Michigan All State opening

#### QUALIFICATIONS

- 2. Have a thorough understanding of Lions Clubs International
- 3. Have leadership experience in business, education or Lions Clubs International

4. Have adequate time available to perform the duties of CEO which include: travel to Lions Club meetings, facilitating quarterly board meetings, attending staff and committee meetings, budget preparation, organizing and facilitating the rehearsal and performance schedule with the music director, pre-tour camp and possible tour attendance to name a few.

- 5. Have business experience
- $6. Have \ the \ ability \ to \ organize, \ delegate \ and \ see \ that \ operations \ pertaining \ to \ the \ LMASB \ are \ facilitated.$
- 7.1t is important that the candidate has some background in music; i.e. participated in a high school or college band or a past member of the LMASB. Must have the desire to interact with a dedicated music staff as well a the members and alumni of the LMASB

If you are interested, a detailed application form and package will be emailed to you. Contact wburns@lionsofmi.com or call 517-887-6640 ext. 11.

Candidates who submit an application will be contacted with respect to interview procedures. All applicants will receive a response. Applications must be submitted by April 30.

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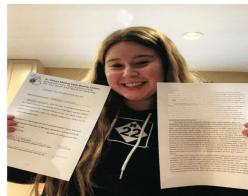
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# LMF.LHC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



#### MORGAN NIMMO - Highland, Michigan Hope College - Forensic Psychology

When I was born, I had a lot of other very important medical problems that the doctors needed to focus on, so they completely forgot to do a hearing test. After a couple of weeks at home with three dogs and noise all around me, my parents had an instinctive feeling the something was suspicious about my hearing. In fact, my grandpa clapped in my ear, and I subtly reacted, and he said "see, she can hear". Even with that, at around two weeks old, my mom took me to a doctor's appointment where they ran multiple hearing tests, and I failed all of them. My family quickly found out that I had moderate to severe hearing

Throughout the 18 year of my life, I have been told by many people that I can't do this or do that, and I am pretty sure that I proved them wrong each time. When I decided to play the saxophone in the school band, the teacher told my parents that I would probably not be successful in that class, however, my parents supported whatever I wanted to do, and when I got to high school, I joined the marching band. In my junior year, I became an assistant section leader, and as a senior, I was head section leader for the saxophones. When I wasn't marching, I was first chair alto saxophone, and I played tenor saxophone in the symphony band, our highest caliber band.



# SAMANTHA PROVENZANO - Livonia, Michigan Indiana University (Kokomo) - Nursing

When I was six years old, my parents received a letter from our county that I had failed a hearing screening at my elementary school. My parents were determined to find out why I was suddenly losing my ability to hear. A CT Scan picked up something pushing on my brainstem; I underwent a ten-hour craniotomy at the University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's Hospital to remove the mass. The doctors and nurses who cared for me were kind, gifted and passionate, and they sent me home with an amazing badge of courage, a scar with more stitches than any other kid in my school. At six years old, the heroism I recognized in my health care team was not that they saved my life, but that they got me back to the playground. My hearing loss was permanent, and I was soon fitted with my first pair of hearing aids, and a teacher consultant for the hearing impaired became part of my IEP team at my elementary school and continues today.

The 2011-12 UofM Women's Basketball Team "adopted" me through the Friends of Jaclyn Foundation, a charity that connects children with brain tumors with collegiate athletic teams. It was my introduction to something amazing, basketball. I had not idea how much I would come to love the game. When I am playing basketball, no one cares that I am hearing impaired, that I wear hearing aids or that I had a brain tumor. The hardwood is the one place I feel like I belong, and I am thankful to Indiana University Kokomo for believing in me and helping me fulfill my dream with an offer to play women's basketball while pursing my nursing degree.



# SHANNON SULLIVAN - Canton, Michigan Schoolcraft College - Undecided

Ever since first receiving her hearing aids in kindergarten, my older sister Shannon has strived, in every way, to keep them in great shape. Amazingly, her original hearing aids lasted for years, thanks to her dedication. She would disconnect the tubes, gently brush out debris and change the batteries as needed. Although, her current hearing aids do not need nearly as much maintenance, she is still very careful with them. Regardless of her disability, Shannon has done well in her classes - last semester, she had a 3.5 cumulative grade point average. Furthermore, there have been multiple occasions when she has helped out fellow students, and when she is faced with a tricky homework assignment, it is not in here nature to give up.

Shannon will not allow whispering, staring or teasing to slow her down. By growing thick skin, she walks down hallways full of thousands of students without worry. In fact, she dislikes it when people see her as anything less than normal, so she surpasses expectations to prove she is just like everybody else.



#### TIA FALZARANO - Iron Mountain, Michigan Saginaw Valley State University - Masters Degree - Public Health

I was born with severe-profound hearing loss. I wore hearing aids for 23 years, and in March 2020, I underwent the process of receiving a cochlear implant. The support I received through my audiologist, family, and friends has motivated me to continue my education. I graduated from Oakland University in 2019 with a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science, concentrating on Health and Safety.

The pandemic certainly is a challenge for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community, due to lip reading being a valuable mechanism for communication. During this time, I was faced with the challenge of learning new sounds with my cochlear implant with limited access to lip reading, and I struggled to find work that was accommodating to my challenges as a new cochlear implant recipient without access to lip reading. However, I ended up working with the Macomb County Health Department for most of 2020.

I am currently working as an Infection Prevention Specialist at Dickinson County Healthcare System in the Upper Peninsula. My current position allows me to put my passion of educating others on public health information into practice while continuing my education at Saginaw Valley State University.



# ZANDER BOLHUIS - Kalamazoo, Michigan Florida Southwester University - Business

I have been deaf in my left ear since birth. I am not book-smart like my twin sister who was born without any disabilities. In fact, my sister is an overachiever in everything, and school is easy for her. I struggle with most scholarship applications because of the long essays, but my mom told me about a scholarship for the hearing impaired, and I was excited about the opportunity to apply.

I am sure all of the students applying for this scholarship are deserving, but I have a few reasons why I think I am deserving. Although my hearing impairment has created challenges over the years, I always maintain a positive attitude. I have advocated for myself in school and with sports, and at one time, I was a tri-athlete. I have maintained good grades and kept up with other kids in my class, and I have tried to break stereotypes associated with hearing loss.

There has definitely been challenges over the years due to my hearing impairment. I was bullied either because of my hearing aids or because I couldn't hear, but I always stood up for myself, and I think in doing so, I stood up for others as well. I know I cannot change my disability, but I can work with what I have and help others see that I can be successful regardless of my hearing impairment.

#### > WHITE CANE NEWS

## **WHITE CANE WEEK - APRIL 23-MAY 1**



#### MD11 CONVENTION SERVICE PROJECT 2022



#### GST & MD 11 CONVENTION COMMITTEE PLANS SERVICE PROJECT TO BENEFIT SUMMER CAMPS

All districts in Multiple District 11 and District 10 are being asked to supply items for vegetable seed packets to be donated to area food banks. Food banks provide a variety of vegetable seeds to clients, enabling them to grow and harvest fresh vegetables. *Our goal is to fill 1000 packets*.

The annual Convention Picnic will be held at River Bend's Park this year, showcasing an outstanding playground of all abilities funded in part by and LCIF grant obtained from the Shelby Township Lions Club. The playground was a community effort and provides a unique, outdoor playground that allows individuals to participate, no matter what your abilities may be.

The GST in you District is asked to supply 1000 seed packets from the list. Contact your District GST or PDG Matt Doney, MD 11 GST Chair, with any questions you may have. PDG Matt can be reached at matt\_doney@yahoo.com or call him at 906-282-8284.

DIST	RICT NEED	GST CONTACT
D10	Carrots	Joe Maki
<b>A1</b>	Cucumber	
A2	Onions	
B1	Peas	Louvenia Shack-Seals
<b>B2</b>	Green Beans	Amy Thackston
<b>C2</b>	Radish	Becky Hamilton
D1	Summer Squash	Joe Bogar
D2	Winter Squash	
E1	Radish	
<b>E2</b>	Lettuce	Marie Leathers
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# GROWING TOGETHER IN SERVICE

WHITE CANE ORDER	FORM	
Lions/Lions/Lub Name	Date	
SHIPPING ADDRESS:	BILLING ADDRESS:	
Name:		
Address:	Name:	
City: Zip	Address:	
Phone:	City:	Zip

UNITS	ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL
	Miniature Plastic White Canes	1000/bag	\$140.00	
	Punched Cards	500/bundle	\$15.00	
	String Tags	1000/box	\$57.00	
	White Cane Stickers (roll)	1000/roll	\$25.00	
	White Cane Appliques	500/bundle	\$65.00	
	Bib Apron	Each	\$14.00	
	Waist Apron	Each	\$8.00	
	White Cane Placemats	500/bundle	\$21.00	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (large)	Each	\$7.50	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (small)	Each	\$5.50	
	Extra Eyeglass Box Stickers (set of 3)	Each	\$3.00	
	White Cane Law Pamphlets	250/bundle	\$20.00	
	Certificate of Appreciation	Each	.60¢	
	White Cane Bookmarks	100/bundle	\$10.00	
	Leader Patch	Each	\$3.00	
	Leader Pin	Each	\$3.00	
	Individually Wrapped Mints (Peppermint or Wintergreen)	750 per box	\$20.00	
	42" Wooden Cane	Each	\$15.00	
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#### Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com

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# 2022 DISTRICT CONVENTION DATES

#### 2022 District Convention Dates

District	Dates	District Governor	Location	Speaker
A1	April 22-24	Lion Roshni Patel	Troy	PID Mark Hintzmann
A2	March 25th	Lion James Leach, Jr.	Bay City, MI	ID Robert Block
B1	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Lion Terri Huffman	Jackson, MI	PID Anne Smarsh
B2	April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lion Karol Chopp	Kalamazoo, MI	PID Bud Wahl
C1	May 14	Lion Ron Riebschleger	Sportsman Club,	Rockford
C2	March 18-20 <sup>th</sup>	Lion Tracy Temple	Lansing, MI	ID Mike Banks
D1	April 1-April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lion Duane Wilcox	Bay City, MI	ID Ernesto "TJ" Tijerina
D2	March 17-20th	Lion Brian Betzold	Bay City, MI	ID John Youney
E1	April 22-23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lion Bill Bradfield	Big Rapids, MI	PID Bruce Beck
E2	April 29-May 1st	Lion Bill Gaines	Boyne Falls, MI	ID Allen Snider
SD10	April 9-10 <sup>th</sup>	Lions James Svinicki	Harris, MI	PID Mark Lyon
MD11	May 19-22 <sup>nd</sup>	CC David Hill	Auburn Hills, MI	PIP Joseph Preston

#### LCICON 2022 NEWS <

#### OFFICIAL LCICON HOTELS MONTREAL

Michigan Assigned Hotel Monville or Omni Mont Royal Hotel

Guests who book their housing with Lions Clubs International at a delegation hotel will have free shuttle transportation to all official convention events. Booking your hotel through LCI helps keep convention costs low.

- Lions will be assigned to their delegation hotels on a first-come, first-served basis (subject to availability) through January 7, 2022.
- After January 7, Lions can choose their delegation hotel, or a hotel based on rate or location (subject to availability).
- In addition to at least one adult registration payment, a hotel deposit in the amount of US\$200 per room is required to make a reservation. The deposit is not the daily rate but will guarantee the reservation. The US\$200 deposit will be credited to your guest folio at check out.
- A minimum of two nights is required to book your housing with Lions International.

The cancellation deadline for individual and group refunds of hotel deposits is Sunday, May 1, 2022. Failure to cancel by this deadline will result in the forfeiture of your hotel deposit.

The Hotel Monville rate is \$168.00. Hotel Omni Mont Royal is \$225.00. Hotel Monville is closest to the convention center, The Palais Des Congres.

#### **LCIC 2022 MONTREAL**



When Lions and Leos coming together to celebrate, the future of service gets brighter. That's why we're thrilled to see you at LCICon 2022 in Montréal, Canada next year! Get ready and register today.

#### LCICon JUNE 24-28, 2022 | PALAIS DES CONGRÈS DE MONTRÉAL

Take in Montréal's rich history and culture at LCICon 2022! From beautiful architecture and a buzzing arts scene to a wide variety of cafes, restaurants and shops, Montréal offers an LCICon 2022 experience like never before!

At the Palais des congrès de Montréal Exhibit Hall, where the convention takes place, you'll be greeted by beautiful contemporary windows and modern art that truly represents the incredible diversity of Lions Clubs International.

Connect with Lions International staff as well as Lions and Leos from around the world in the Exhibit Hall while exploring the many facets of our organization. And if you're a delegate from a club in good standing, vote in the International Election.

Join us in the famous Bell Centre, to listen to a wide variety of topics from world-renowned keynote speakers at our Plenary Sessions. And, of course, hear from our organizational leaders about the past, present and future of Lions International. But that's not all - at the International Show, which will also take place in the Bell Centre arena, you can catch world-class entertainment!

It wouldn't be LCICon without service opportunities — which we'll tell you about closer to the date. Take part in, or simply enjoy, the Parade of Nations featuring thousands of Lions from all over the world. Registration now open: https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/get-readyfor-lcicon-2022-montreal

#### Staying safe

As always, safety is always a top priority for us. This year, we will be partnering with local officials to apply all recommended health and safety guidelines. We'll let you know more about the safety procedures as we get close to LCICon 2022.

#### LION PRIDE MAGAZINE

The Lion Pride (USPS 978-200) is published monthly for the Lions members of Multiple District 11, Michigan, except for the combined issues of January/February, April/May, July/August and September/October, at Lion Pride Magazine, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911. Lions receive the publication for annual dues/subscription rate of \$4.50. Advertisements must reach the above address by the 15th of the month for publication in the following month's issue. All clubs must send their own news and pictures to their district editor, allowing ample time for the district editor to forward the copy to meet the deadline stated above. Clubs or individuals must send their information to their district editor, not to the publication.

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#### REGISTRATION FEES

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Registration: US \$

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Name as it appears on credit card. Credit card must be in the name of the registrant. - - Expiration Month/Year - / -Security Code (3 digits) - -Card Number

- · Please submit all pages of completed form once via mail, fax, or email · Allow 4 weeks for processing.
- national, Attn: Convention Division, 300 West 22nd Street, Oak Brook IL 60523-8842, USA

Ticketed Events: US \$

- Fax: (630) 203-3787
- Email: registration@lionsclubs.org
- Credit card information should only be entered into this form and never written into the body of an email. · Personal checks should be mailed
- · After processing this form, Lions International will email your Official Registration Confirmation. Please print your Official Registration Confirmation and bring it to the convention in order to obtain your name badge. A photo ID is required.
- Information provided on this document shall be used in accordance with the privacy policies and procedures of Lions International
- Please note: Lions Clubs International will be documenting LCICon for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event. · Your registration is your consent for use of images by Lions International.
- To avoid a duplicate, please do not mail original if faxed or emailed.

#### > 102 ANNUAL MD11 CONVENTION NEWS

# **MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION MAY 19-21 2022**



#### THERE AIN'T NO PARTY LIKE A 70'S PARTY!

Groove with the Governors on 70's Night!

Join us for the best 70's party of 2022 as we kick-off the convention with the Lions Gong Show on Friday, May 20. Come dressed in your best and get ready to groove the night away.

We'll be joined by LCI guests PIP Joe and Lion Joni Preston, Chuck Barris, Phyllis Diller,
The Dancing Governors, Hee-Haw cast members and so many more.
Attention Contestants! Register your act today! Space is limited for this crazy, fun
event.



# 2022 MD11 Convention Picnic in the Park

Thursday, May 19, 2022
Hosted by Shelby Township Lions
Club
at River Bends Park, Shelby
Township
Join special LCI guests, PIP Joe and
Lion Joni Preston

This all-accessible playground was built with assistance from a \$100,000 LCIF grant, Shelby Township Lions and additional community organizations.

You must pre-register on the enclosed convention registration form. Cost: \$12.00

Meet on site or take the bus from the hotel: \$5.00

For reservations at the Auburn Hills Marriott:
Call Direct: 248-648-6016
Last day to book for a special rate of \$89 is 4/28/2022
Auburn Hills Marriott, 3600 Centerpoint Pkwy, Pontiac



GROWING TOGETHER – MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION
May 19 – 21, 2022 Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac
Come to learn, network, celebrate and be LIONS - together again!

#### Thursday, May 19

Convention Kick-off Picnic at River Bends County Park, hosted by Shelby Township Lions Club. Bus transportation will pick up at 5:30 from hotel. Bus: \$5.00 Picnic: \$12

#### Friday, May 20 – Learn and Grow Together at the Convention 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Council of Governors Meeting 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Exhibitor's Hall Open

**10:30 a.m.** Breakout Session I: Why am I a Lion? Presented by PCC Jeff Mayuiers **1:30 p.m.** District Governor Elect Meeting

**2:00 p.m.** Breakout Session II: Like a butterfly in spring, you'll transform a wine bottle into a cheese platter for your next patio party! Led by Lion Deb VanTol. \$12 fee includes supplies and unlimited fun.

2:30 p.m. District 11 C2 Business Session, DG Tracy Temple 6:30 p.m. Convention Welcome Reception/ Dinner, Entertainment "The Lions Gong Show"

#### Saturday, May 21 – Learn and Grow Together at the Convention 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Exhibitor's Hall Open

8:30 a.m. Awards Breakfast

**10:45 a.m.** Business Session featuring news from around our state and world

**Breakout Sessions - continued** 

**1:30-3:30 p.m.** Breakout Session III: Planting Seeds of Service. Vegetable Seed Packet Project, to benefit local Food Banks, led by the Global Service Committee. All are welcome to drop in!

1:30-2:15 p.m. Breakout Session IV: Growing Your Club: Is your club ready to R.O.A.R.? REBUILD! ORCHESTRATE! ASK! REJUVENATE! Join Lion Tammi Graber of the New Baltimore Lion Club as she shares tried and true ideas on growing your Club's membership to new heights. New Baltimore grew from 36 members to over one hundred members in 2 ½ years. This has enabled them to expand their scope of service and fundraising.

2:30-3:20 p.m. Breakout Session V: Helping Children with Cancer BLOOM! Led by Childhood Cancer Team

**3:30-4:20 p.m.** Breakout Session VI: Spreading Seeds of Hope through Campaign 100

**6:00 p.m.** Awards Banquet: Social Hour, Dinner, S.A. Dodge Awards Congratulations PDG Jim Williams, 11 A1 and PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser, 11 B1, this years' recipients!

**Keynote Address by Past International President, Joe Preston** 



Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac
Reservations direct: (248) 648-6016
Group Rate: \$89/Night (plus fees & taxes)
REDUCED RATE AVAILABLE ONLY THRU APRIL 29, 2022

Name □Lion □Spouse □Guest

Club Name District
Address City/State/Zip
Phone #: Email:

QUANTITY	AMOUNT
Thursday Picnic @ \$12.00, May 19, 2022	\$
Thursday Bus <u>Transportation \$</u> 5/person	\$
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion	\$
Registration @ \$15.00 for each N/C Leo	\$
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse/Guest	\$
Friday Evening Buffet @ \$23.00 per person	\$
Friday Night Welcome Reception Only (free)	#
Saturday Breakfast@ \$15.00 per person	\$
Saturday Night Banquet @ \$35.00 per person Entrée Choice: Grilled Chicken Sallsbury Steak w/Mushroom Demi Glaze	\$
Gluten Free Vegetarian	Total: \$

Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless registration fee is paid. (Excludes Saturday Banquet). Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 9, 2022. No refunds after May 10, 2022. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 4:00; Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance. Mail to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, Mi 48911



#### Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

GROWING TOGETHER

The Lions of Michigan are pleased to offer the opportunity for Corporate and Personal Sponsorships for the Lions of Michigan Annual MD 11 Lions Convention May 19-21, 2022 Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Platinum Sponsor - \$1,000.00

Speaking opportunity during the Saturday Awards Banquet (*up to 10 minutes*); Full page advertisement in Lion Pride publication; advertisement in the convention proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### Gold Sponsor - \$500.00

Speaking opportunity during the Friday evening Welcome Reception and Dinner (up to 5 minutes) or Saturday Awards Breakfast; Full page (7.5" tall x 4.5" wide) advertisement in proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### Silver Sponsor - \$400.00

Full page (7.5" tall x 4.5" wide) advertisement in proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; insert included in Welcome Packet; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### Bronze Sponsor - \$300.00

Thursday pre-convention picnic or Hospitality Room Sponsor; Listing in proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; insert included in Welcome Packet; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### Heart of a Lion Sponsor - \$150.00

One of five Breakout Session Sponsors; insert included in Welcome Packet; advertisement in proceedings booklet

All sponsors who commit by <u>April 21, 2022</u>, will be listed on the promotional materials, recognition at the convention, in the Lion Pride, on the Lions of Michigan website and Facebook page. Checks should be made out to **Lions of Michigan and mailed to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911** 

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#### **GROWING TOGETHER <**

# TOGETHER

# WE'RE BACK, WITH A BIGGER BOLDER MD11 LIONS CONVENTION



#### EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT –MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION FRIDAY – SATURDAY, MAY 20-21, 2022 AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT – PONTIAC, MI

Please reserve a display table for the undersigned at the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11 Convention, at the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac, MI. Enclosed is a check covering the exhibition fee of \$80.00 for **Friday and Saturday**; the fee includes a *business card sized ad* in the State Convention booklet. \$50.00 is the fee for a **single day** and for an additional \$25.00 the *business card size ad* can be included in the State Convention booklet. The charge is fully refundable if, for any reason, the convention is canceled or moved to another city or in case of fire or other catastrophic occurrence to the property. All conditions stated in the letter of invitation shall be accepted and followed by all exhibitors and their representatives.

The undersigned releases the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, and its agents from any and all liabilities that may arise or be asserted as a result of participation in this exhibition. The Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. will determine the eligibility of any company or product for exhibit. Acceptance of an exhibitor for the convention does not imply endorsement of the product or services, nor does rejection imply lack of approval of the product or manufacturer.

Exhibitors shall take precautions to provide security to safeguard their property during non-show hours. It is understood that neither the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. nor Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac, MI (nor legal entities which own, lease and/or operate it), nor their members, officers, directors, or employees shall be responsible for injury to any person or persons for loss or damage to property belonging to the exhibitor or any person or persons while in transit to or from the hotel/conference center or while on the hotel/conference center property or otherwise. The exhibitor assumes complete responsibility and liability for all injury to any and all persons or property in any way connected with exhibitor's display caused by the exhibitor, his agents, representatives or employees. The exhibitor indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. and the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac, MI (and legal entities which own, lease, and/or operate it), their members, officers, directors, and employees against any and all liability whatsoever arising from any or all damage to property or personal injury caused by exhibitor or his agents, representative, employees or any other person.

#### 2022 MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT – PONTIAC MAY 20-21, 2022

Please reserve a display table for me on:	Friday Only (May 20, 2022)	\$50.00
	Saturday Only (May 21, 2022)	\$50.00
	Friday and Saturday w/ad	\$80.00
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Exhibitor Hours: Friday 9:00 am -6:00 pm	Saturday 9:00 am -4:00 pm	
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Space is limited! Please submit by May 1, 2022

Mail your registration to:

Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 11

Confirmation letter with complete details will be mailed upon receipt of payment.



#### 102ND ANNUAL MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION - MAY 19-21, 2022

Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac, MI ADVERTISEMENT OPTIONS

Listed below are several options to sponsor a personal or business ad in the MD 11 Lions Convention Proceedings Booklet.

Placing an ad shows fellow Lions, Lioness and Leos your support of the Lions of Michigan!

#### ADVERTISING RATES AND SIZES

Overall Booklet Size: 8" x 5 ½"

1. 1/4 page ad: \$25.00

2. 1/2 page ad: \$30.00

3. Full page ad: \$35.00

Please note that all ads must be prepaid by May 1, 2022. Mail form to Lions of Michigan State Office, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911; email to wburns@lionsofmi.com or fax: 517-887-6642

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Thank you for your continued support-See you in Pontiac!
Mail form and advertisement to:
Lions of Michigan
5730 Executive Dr. Lansing, MI 48911
Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 10



FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022

Get ready for a night of hilarious '70's entertainment as we entertain you with THE LIONS GONG SHOW! Dress for success in your '70's BEST!

Sing, dance, act or make us laugh at The Gong Show!

#### Pre-Register your act today – first 10 applicants will be accepted!

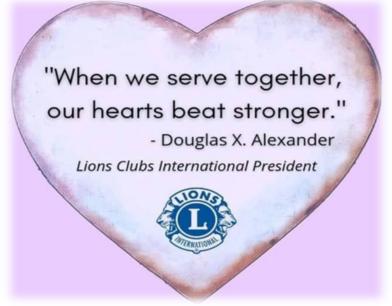
The Lions Gong Show will be held Friday, May 20 at the Auburn Hills Marriott, and will be the entertainment during the MD 11 Convention Welcome Reception and Dinner. You must pre-register your act by completing the registration form and sending it to <a href="wburns@lionsofmi: fax 517-887-6642">wburns@lionsofmi: fax 517-887-6642</a> or mail to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive Dr, Lansing 48911. Entries must be received by **May 1**. Prizes will be awarded to the top acts!

Participant Name/s (list all):	
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Contact Email	_
Contact District/Club Name	

Return form to <u>wburns@lionsofmi;</u> fax 517.887.6642 or mail to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing 48911

#### > LCIF NEWS







#### Minimum Per-Member Average (US\$)

#### Recognition\*

Model Club - \$500

Banner Patch
Written and Public Recognition

VISIONARY Model Club – \$750

VISIONARY Purple Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

200% Model Club - \$1,000

**200%** Silver Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

300% Model Club - \$1,500

**300%** Silver Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

400% Model Club - \$2,000

**400%** Gold Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

500% Model Club - \$2,500

**500%** Gold Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

600% Model Club - \$3,000

600% Gold Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

PREMIER Model Club - \$3,500+

**PREMIER** Gold Banner Chevron Written and Public Recognition

# Michigan's Model Clubs 11 A1 Belleville Area Lions 11 C1 Martin Lions 11 A2 Dearham Heights Lions 11 A3 Dearham Heights Lions

11 A1	Belleville Area Lions	11 C1	Martin Lions
11 A1	Dearborn Heights Lions	11 C1	Thornapple Valley Lions
11 A1	Livonia High Nooners Lions	11 D1	Auburn-Williams Lions
11 A1	Trenton Lions	11 D1	Chesaning Lions
11 A2	Novi Lions	11 D1	Linden Lions
11 A2	Royal Oak Lions	11 D1	Montrose Lions
11 A2	St. Clair Shores Lions	11 D2	Pearl Beach Lions
11 B1	Jackson Eye Openers Lions	11 D2	Ubly Lions
11 B1	Manchester Lions	11 E2	Elk Rapids Lions
11 B1	North Jackson Lions	11 E2	Hillman Lions
11 B2	Portage Lions	11 E2	Rose City Lions

#### **REGION NEWS <**



#### 11 A1

**DG Roshni Patel MONROE • WAYNE** www.metrodetroitlions.org



The 28th annual Wyandotte Lions Club Flea Market and Antique Sale is eagerly anticipated by both club members and shoppers. This one will be special for a couple of reasons. First and foremost, like so many other public events, the Lions Club had to cancel the event for the last two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As the club's main fundraiser each year, loss of the money that the flea market provides is not easy to replace for the nonprofit organization.



Detroit Renaissance Lions Club members DG Roshni Patel, Pres. LaWonna Lofton Coleman.1st VP Rosalind Khan, Velisa Perry. Janet Banks-McElrath, Michael McElrath, Michael Harper, PDG Harold Stephens and PDG Ron Coleman gathered at the DRLC Clubhouse to sort and pack used eyeglasses. Those glasses were delivered to MOST Ministeries in Ann Arbor on March 3. A tour of the facility was provided by Kelly Bone to DRLC DG Roshni Patel, 1stVP Rosalind Khan and PDG Ron Coleman. A powerpoint presentation was most informative about how our glasses would be distributed to needy residents in underdeveloped countries.

A quick drop off trip to MOST Ministeries in Ann Arbor by Lion Ron Coleman and his son Jason with about 700 glasses donated from the Harper Woods Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Club's President Cathy McAdams and her members.



Brownstown Lions Club monetarily assisted in providing a much-needed ramp to a local community member. BLC treasurer Vic Tong and 1st Vice President Vangie Tong. Brownstone President Vic and VP Vangie Tong visit with Kathy Kaluckritz to check out her new ramp.



Detroit Westown-Hartford Lions' Bottles and Cans Fundraiser was a huge success!

A \$1,000 donation was presented to Penrickton Center for Blind Children to support "Play Place" for special needs children. The club also helped to open the dining hall of the facility.





Assistive Technology Recycling Program sponsored by the LI-ONS Blind Low Vision Outreach Committee of District 11-A1 (for

Come read and listen to books by and about the Blind

and Deaf community. Read, listen or support us by join-

ing us virtually. This event link has more information on

how to join and or support

https://bit.ly/3kTXJHw April: No Excuses, Derrick

Coleman, Jr May: Blind Faith

June: Deaf Utopia

Lion Alyson Turner, Chairper-

District A1 will be collecting a "Bed in a Bag" during the Dis-

trict Convention. All donations

will be given to Sleep in Heav-

enly Peace. SHP is made up of

a group of dedicated volunteers

who saw a need to provide beds

in the community. No child

should go without a bed, and

SHP ensures children will get a

good nights sleep, which in turn

provides proper physical, men-

tal and emotional health. An IT

workshop will be held April 30 at

Wayne County Community Col-

lege Downriver Campus. RSVP to it@metrodetroitlions.org or

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com.A1 District website - check it out for all events and activi-

ties! https://lionsdistrict11a1.

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son of DRLC Book Club

Wayne, Macomb and Monroe counties) We have been collecting used assistive technology (AT) that we can offer to blind low vision users, at no charge, through our recycle program. We have a variety of magnifiers, monoculars, Readers such as CD book players, and other talking items for daily tasks such as watches, calculators, or a talking GPS. Our inventory changes depending on donations, and we have previously given away bar code scanners closed circuit TV's and video magnifiers. If we don't have what someone needs, we can help look for it, through other recycling pro-grams. To get an application or if you wish to donate an item call or email: Cathy McAdam mcmcadam@gmail.com

Members of the District's grant team have been working hard to secure money to increase our Hunger service initiatives: IPDG Dave Wilbert, DG Roshni Patel, 1DG Matt Collins, Lion Cathy Adams, Lion Daniel Rathburn, Lion Michelle White, More News to come!



#### 11 A2

DG Jim Leach Jr **MACOMB • OAKLAND** www.lionsdistrict11a2.org



District 11-A2 Euchre Tournament, sponsored by the Eastpointe Lions Club, was held at the Fraser Lion's Den on February 20th. PDG Tom 'Too Tall" Hill and Lion Lester Dobberowsky took First Place in the tournament and are shown here alongside Governor Leach with their trophies. Congrats fellas! Second Place in the tournament was awarded to PDG Jim Bone and Lion Tracy Antrikin. Well done!



Lion Jerry Baumgart of the Clarkston Area Lions Club recently delivered a \$1,000 check to Michele Robinson, Manager of the Lighthouse Food Pantry in Clarkston. The funds will be used to purchase food items that are not received through donations.



The Rochester Lions Club held their 2022 Snow Glow (formerly Fire & Ice). They had a greater than expected turnout despite the chilly temperatures, selling 45 gallons of hot chocolate! Lions Paul Clark, Don Westphal and Larry Cole are shown here hard at work making the event a success for the club and the community.



The Rochester Lions Club, the Harper Woods Lions Club and the Grosse Pointe Woods Lions Clubs teamed up to provide help to the Rochester Area Neighbor House Food Pantry. Pictured here behind the masks are PDG Connie Shel-ton, Lion Valerie Kindle and Lion Bruce Macgregor. Together they delivered 1,275 pounds of food to the Harper Woods Helping Hands Food Pantry for distribution to needy families and individuals in the Detroit area.



Lions Just Wanna Have FUN especially at the A2 District Convention!













Congratulations to Lion Tammi Graber, Lion Jim Diez and PCC Frank Cunningham for receiving Presidential Appreciation Certificates. All three of you are so deserving of this award and much more. Also, congratulations to Immediate Past District Governor Leo Schaefer on his Presidential Medal; Past District Connie Shelton on her Presidential Medal, 1st Vice District Governor Shawn Blaszczyk on receiving the Leadership Medal, and to PCC Paul Hemeryck on receiving the first ever "Paul Hemeryck Leadership Award." All of these Lions are hardworking, dedicated to our motto, "We Serve" and are very deserving of these awards.

**GMT Tammi Graber presented** a fantastic "60x60 Membership Recruiting" session at the convention. The room was packed! She gave out A LOT of valuable information on how to help clubs recruit and get new members. If you were not able to attend then you should know that she is putting on another session at the MD 11 convention in May in Auburn Hills, please try and make it!



Jerry Baumgart, the Clarkston Area Lions Club Treasurer, is shown here presenting a check to the Clarkston Independence District Library Director Julie Meredith. The annual donation is dedicated to providing resources to vision-impaired patrons of the library.



2021-2022 District Goals



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Bear Lake Camp Buffalo and Boar Wild Game Dinner was held on April 9 at the Metamora Lions Club. A fantastic dinner featuring turkey, venison and wild boar followed by auctions and raffles provided all in attendance with a wonderful evening. The event sold out so be sure to keep on eye on it when it returns next year and purchase your tickets early!







#### > REGION NEWS



#### 11 B1

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PID Esther LaMothe was chosen as this year's Lion of the Year by members of the Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club. President Sam Browning presented Esther with her pin at our March 17 meeting at the Country Club of Jackson. Esther was chosen for this honor because of her dedication to keeping our club up to date and on track with all our activities. She was our secretary from 7-1-2008 to 6-30-2011 and has again volunteered from 2020 to the present time. She very diligently keeps the minutes of all our meetings as well as reminding us of upcoming events and submitting all the required reports on time. During the pandemic she helped us all learn how to meet on Zoom and made sure everyone was kept informed. Esther guided us in the process of becoming a model club for Lions Clubs International Foundation. We all agree she is part of the heart and soul of our club.



The Marshall Lions Club partnered with the Calhoun County Senior Services and shared a \$3,200. grant for ongoing community services that benefit the seniors in Calhoun County.

The Bedford Lions hosted a speaker from the Share Center and donated several items at a recent meeting.VCL Breakfast - Vandercook Lake Lions offer a breakfast the third Sunday of every month at the Vandercook Lake Clubhouse. The Club will also hold White Cane days in May and has scheduled their annual garage sale for June 9-11. Donations accepted!North Jackson Lions have several KidSight dates scheduled for the month of April, covering kindergarten roundup. Volunteers must have Kidsight certificate to work Kidsight Kidsight training has already taken place but can be taken online https://www.lionskidsightusa.org/certifications. Please see Lion Vicki for questions or additional information. White Cane is April 29 and 30 at Polly's.

Jackson Quest Lions are partnering with the Michigan Center Lioness Lions, collecting plastic pill containers which they will recycle.





District B1 Team – 1st VDG Kelly Lubbe, DG Terri Huffman, 2nd VDG Annette Hemeryck

VDG Kelly Lubbe is filling positions for her 2022-23 District Governor year and needs your help. There are many district committees where you can volunteer. The time commitment varies depending on the role. The list of current committees can be found on the district website at <a href="https://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-11.php">https://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-11.php</a>
The biggest positions that need filling are DISTRICT TREASURER and LCIF COOR-DINATOR. We thank Annette for her treasurer work this year and accepting the role of 2nd VDG. We thank Kelly for her work as LCIF Coordinator and accepting the role as VDG! Contact VDG Kelly Lubbe at 517-745-4404 or klubbe1065@gmail.com to learn more. We need YOU!



Thank you to Lions Bryan Cook, Roger Bosse, Dorothy Bosse, Teresa Gest, and Mike Guzak for braving the rainy morning to help out with a citywide Styrofoam recycling event. The event was put on by the Battle Creek Department of Public Works - Environmental Department. Several local high school students were also there, along with people from the DPW. As a "March Is Reading Month" project, the Cereal City Lions Club distributed books to many of the local preschools and daycares in Battle Creek. Acting on a grant from the Lions District 11-B-1, books were ordered from the New Story Community Book store in Marshall. The New Story Community Book store opened, in April of 2020, at 114 W. Michigan Ave in Marshall. (www.NewStorvBooks.com)

Lions Jason Cole and Timi Perry from Tekonsha Lions Wellness Branch Club delivered Christmas stockings filled with gifts for the residents of Whispering Meadows near Marshall and also donated 3 gift cards to the Tekonsha Angel Tree that helps local families in need. TLWBC has adopted the assisted living home for quarterly activities.



Tekonsha Lions had another successful Christmas craft show in their new location at the Fire Department in December. Lions organizers Jaymie Hale, Dawn Copas, and President Becky Omo.



TEKONSHA LIONS WELLNESS BRANCH has "adopted" an area adult care home and love taking them gifts on special days!



Battle Creek Cereal City started a great project for Camp Quality making all of the pillowcases they will need for the camp for the entire year.

Based on the material donations and willing cutters and sewers, we may even have enough for two years. We continue to support Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids.



The Cereal City Lions hosted their annual spaghetti dinner. A total of 19 Lions came out to serve in two shifts. Once again Maryann Vassallo, the owner of Barista Blues, provided the food and prepared the spaghetti assisted by Dana Clark. We thank Maryann for her tireless service to the community and to Cereal City Lions Club. Spaghetti Dinner Chair, Lion Kay Smith, had planned the event over several weeks and encouraged the members to sell tickets. Sales plus donations will generate approximately \$2,000 of incor 119 meals were served including 31 drive ups that did not preorder tickets.

11 B2

DG Karol Chopp
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The Buchanan Galien Lions held their 2 nd Annual "Drive Thru Corned Beef andCabbage" fundraiser on St Patrick's Day. The weather was great and "WE SERVED" over 250 dinners to some very satisfied customers.





also donated \$1,000 to the Buchanan High School Band program in support of their March 4 Band fundraiser "MARCH 4 BAND" is a community drive to raise money for new marching band uniforms, color guard uniforms, instruments, and equipment The Buchanan marching band represents the community at home and on the road, from parades and football games to state competitions. Presenting the check were Lions Alice Kring and Jerry Flenar





The Mattawan Leo Club was finally able to host their Bingo night that had been postposed since 2020. We had a good turnout The money raised will be split between 3 local families who have children with cancer. When the bingo was planned initially it was for Tucker, but his family asked that we share it with the other two families that are in need as well. Childhood Cancer awareness is one of the pillars of Lions What could be more important that helping our kids who are local. We are so blessed to have these kids in our community.



This is Tucker and his family! Tucker won this round of Bingo!!

The Bangor Lions Club held a Quarter Auction" at the Bangor American Legion! Thanks to everyone who came out to support the Lions Club! This fundraiser supports the Bangor Community.







# **CLUB**

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KIDSIGHT TRAINING UPDATE
The Lions clubs of Region 1 Zone
1 recently participated in KidSight
Training via Zoom, led by 1st VDG
Kelly Lubbe, with a guest from
Alaska! Kelly reviewed the need
for Lions to have background
checks done, as per state rules
for individuals working with
children, and to send in their
completed test form to get on
the official KidSight volunteer list.
If you would like Kelly to perform
a KidSight training with your
club, or group of clubs, please
contact her at 517-745-4404 or
klubbe1065@gmail.com to order
yours!

SPRING WORK DAY at BEAR LAKE Saturday May 7 - 9am-6pm

Join fellow Lions for all kinds of work. Tasks including cleaning, painting, gardening, repairs, and more. Light lunch provided. Questions? Contact Cathy Koning (616) 745-0119 or cathykoning@yahoo.com George Woodard (517) 206-2032 Bear Lake at info@bearlakecamp.org or (810) 837-0119.

This year Special Olympics Unified Cup is coming to DETROIT. The event starts July 28, 2022 and ends on August

6th 2022. Lions District 11 A 1 was asked to partner up. We are asking for ALL HANDS ON DECK. Detroit is expecting 450 players from all around the world. There will be 500 family members and dignitaries, 1000 volunteers, 10,000 spectators. There will be 60 matches among 24 teams. ESPN will be covering the events. It is expected that there will be 370,000+ viewers. This is an opportunity for our district to shine. These are just the preliminary figures. We will need a lot of help from all the Lions Clubs. Neighboring Lions Districts have also promised to help. Will keep the district posted in the as things evolve.

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#### 11 C1

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The Middleville Lions Club want you to see the finished Eagle Scout project completed by Christopher Smith at Spring Park in Middleville! He did a fantastic job restoring the historic, carved wooden sign to this community Christopher, thank you for using your talents to spruce up Spring Park!



The Cedar Springs Lions Club partnered with the Cedar Springs Women's Club for an Easter Kettle Corn sale with great success, they completely sold out! Profits from the sale will be used for The Cedar Springs Women's Club Scholarship fund.

The Fruitport Lions Club had a wonderful day for their Easter Egg hunt, which was held at Pomona Park in Fruitport. Not one but two Easter Bunnies were present, along with a couple other "bunnies"!



The Fruitport Lions are also excited about the upcoming Fruitport Old Fashioned Days. The annual event has not been able to happen for the past two years, but they are now working on the event to take place this year on Memorial weekend.





#### 11 C2

DG Tracy Temple
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21 District 11-C2 Lions from 6 Lions Clubs and 1 Leo Club volunteered at the Greater Lansing Food Bank this morning. The GLFB is a member of Feeding America. The new \$10 Million facility is in Bath, Michigan right off exit 92 on 1-69. They provide emergency food to families in Clare, Clinton, Eaton, Gratiot, Ingham, Isabella, and Shiawassee Counties. Some of their programs and services include mobile distribution, produce distribution, SNAP Outreach, Garden Project distributing seed packets, and a weekend meal bag for low-income students.

They helped to pack 90 boxes of snacks in about an hour's time. This accounted for over 1800 pounds of food! The Greater Lansing Food Bank distributes 1 million pounds of food a month.

Thank you to the District Hunger Committee for putting together this service project and a special thanks to Bath Twp Lions Club President Lion Larry Fewins-Bliss for coordinating the event. If you get a chance to voluntary it is a great time!





The Elsie Area Foodbank took time to recognize the Elsie Lions Club for their ongoing support of the Food Pantry. The Lions Club members volunteer at the food pantry, drive to pick up produce and boxes of food from Greater Lansing Foodbank, help with food distribution, and much more. "We feel so fortunate to have them partnering with us. Thank you so very much!"

Elsie Lions Club President Rick Jones handing a check for \$300 to Lion Kyle Thornton. Lion Thornton is Chairman of the New Girls Summer Recreational Softball Team, The Elsie Big Reds.





Three members of The Capital Lioness Lions Club were able to join Lions from Bath, Bancroft, Ashley & St. Johns Champions (and maybe more!) for a morning of food sorting at the Greater Lansing Food Bank. It was fun and informative, including a tour of the new facility. It is amazing how far reaching and with the flexibility of their programs really do make every effort to put food onto the tables of anyone who has

The Olivet Lions Club donated \$3200.00 to the Olivet Firemen's Association to go towards the purchase of an air pack.

At the March 30th meeting of the MSU Campus Lions Club, the results of their Ukrainian Relief

Fund drive was announced. The MSU Campus Lions supported a fund-raising idea suggested by Lion Valerie Medvich to raise money, to donate to a charity that helps in providing temporary housing and supplies to Ukrainians fleeing from the war in their country. Lion Valerie's family is of Ukrainian decent but has been here in the US for over 100 years.

Her simple idea was to have donors just check off how much they were donating on a Bingo like card. Something graphic and easy to respond to. The resulting card was easy to hand out and a great reminder to donate and how to do it. As so now many students use days they could donate to the MSU fund raiser via the Venmo payment App. And of course, they still would accept cash and checks.

The Fund Raiser started March 16th and at the March 30th meeting it was announced they have raised \$2,359.00 so far. Part of that total was \$391 donated by the Holt Lions club and various Lions that attended the Celebration of Service event in Lansing on March 19th.

# **CLUB**







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Frankenmuth Lions Club Presi-

dent Tom Baker recently pre-

sented a sponsorship check

to Coach Andy Donovan, Fran-

kenmuth High School Varsity Basketball Coach, and coordinator of the Frankenmuth

Youth Lions Basketball pro-

gram.

#### > REGION NEWS



11 D1

**DG Duane Wilcox BAY • GENESEE • SAGINAW • TUSCOLA** www.e-district.org/sites/11d1

Bay Veterans Foundation was contacted by Matt Tetloff, a very close friend of MSG Jasen Sanchez, seeking assistance to coordinate clean-up of the Sanchez House to make it livable. While on active duty, the Sanchez's rented the house to folks who trashed the house, didn't pay utility bills, and let trash accumulate inside and outside. Last weekend we had a great response from the community. With help from the Bay County Habitat for Humanity and members of the Bay City Lions Club we filled a 40-yard dumpster, removed wet and stained carpet from main floor and basement bedrooms, and prepped walls for painting. A smaller work group continues through the week to continue painting, replacing light fixtures, and replacing basement drywall.





The Fenton Lions Club with help from Linden Lions and Grand Blanc Lions worked for a weekend at the Fenton Business Expo. The Fenton Lions were offering free vision testing on children tested over 140 kiddos in the 2 days they were









#### 11 D2

**DG Brian Betzold HURON • LAPEER • SANILAC • ST. CLAIR** www.11-d2lions.org





USA Lions Club! - For such a grandiose name we are actually a tiny club in the thumb of Michigan! We have a great community who (thanks to Social Media)have started to show an interest in what our little club does around us. With that in mind we held our first "Meet and Greet" with a small supper at our club and invited the public to come and find out more about Lions. Our guest speakers PDG Dave Wineman and Lion Doug Deming gave a first rate talk and everyone appeared to learn something they hadn't known before! Congratulations to our first two new members Bill and Sherry who were inducted on the night – with several more showing a good interest in joining. I love it when the folk around us are encouraged!



USA Lions also held a Kidsight event at the local chambers Easter Egg Hunt with great results!

Congrats to the Bike and other Raffle winners of the Algonac Lions Club Easter Event on April 2, 2022.

We had great weather and an amazing turnout of people! The event started with a wonderful breakfast, followed by the Community Easter Egg Hunt, pictures with the Easter Bunny and then the Bike raffle. Just look at these Happy faces!









Metamora Lions Club held an April Fool's Day Fish Dinner to benefit Reining in Warriors veterans' association.

The Lioness Lions Club of Metamora held a recent Tail Twister Challenge to benefit the Paradise Animal Rescue, in Lapeer. This was a great success!

The Pearl beach Lions Club held its 22nd annual Easter Bunny extravaganza! Included were all sorts of games and activities for the kiddos, food, pictures with the Easter Bunny and more! The Pearl Beach Club put together two hundred Easter baskets for all the children that attended.





Elkton Lions Adopt-A-Highway. What a beautiful day and 19 bags of garbage collected. Thank you to everyone who showed up to help!



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As part of Pathfinder Elementary School's Reading Month Celebration, Fremont Lions Club members Devin Hummel, Jim Patterson and Steve Sloat recently visited Pathfinder as guest readers in the first-grade classrooms. Brenda Adsmond also attended the event as the photographer. The readers and the students had a great time with Pete the Cat! Fremont Lions Club also presented a Pete the Cat book to each first grader as their very own—what an exciting and fun-filled day!







The Cadillac Lion's Club 15th "Shack" Officially Sank on Monday 4/11/2022 @ 5:17:56 pm. 1st place \$1,000 with a guess of 5:10 pm goes to Keri Dines./ 2nd place \$200 with a guess of 5:05 pm goes to Ms. Kathleen Jeffers. Thank you to all who bought tickets and followed along, we appreciate your support and enjoy holding this fundraiser each year!



The Greenville Lions Club and Rotary Club held a pancake breakfast and were able to raise funds to fill and package 60 spring break food boxes which benefited GPS families in need. True collaboration from two community service clubs working together to do some great stuff!



The Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions Club held an Easter Egg Hunt in Mecosta, which took place at New Hope United Methodist Church. Easter Egg hunters braved the cold weather to search for treasures and received a large cuddly stuffed animal.





#### 11 E2



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The Boyne Valley Lions Club raised \$2,134 at their recent Pasty sale. The Boyne Valley Lions will donate \$300 to the Hospitality Class for the use of their kitchen, ingredients, and Chef Cole's time. This means the club will have raised \$1,834 for the event. As a comparison, the Lions trailer made the same amount for 6 football games last year! The Club also donated 71 pasties to Litzenburger Place and Deer Meadows.



Feed The Need- Alpena is a group of Hunger Heroes partnering with local businesses and organizations to assist our neighbors struggling with hunger in the Alpena area. They held a fantastic distribution thanks to sponsors and all the help received, they hosted one their biggest and most successful distributions to date. A big, big thank you goes out to our March sponsor, The Alpena Lions Club. They were such a hardworking group a volunteers and braved the questionable weather all day.



The Oscoda Lions Club held their 14th annual bowling tournament last Saturday at Vista Lanes. We had 96 bowlers & everyone that participated received a door prize thanks to all the fantastic businesses in Oscoda. The Lions Club thanks all the bowlers and businesses for their generosity in assuring another successful event. We could not continue to serve the community without your support.







East Jordan Lions President Terry Graham welcomes new member Faye Miller

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Last year, Connie received a cornea transplant. Within a week of her procedure, she was able to drive at night again. This surgery renewed Connie's social life and independence, and improved her overall quality of life.



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