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GROWING TOGETHER

MAY 19-21, 2022 AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT, PONTIAC

Join fellow Lions and friends at the MD 11 Lions Convention at the beautiful Auburn Hills Marriott. Grow with us as we explore **Why am I a Lion? Growing your Club, and Spreading Seeds of Hope through LCIF Campaign 100, Childhood Cancer: How Lions can help.** Reconnect with our roots through the service project, **Planting Seeds of Service.**

Special LCI guests, PIP Joe and Joni Preston will arrive in time for the convention kick-off picnic on Thursday, May 19. Shelby Township Lions Club will host us at River Bend County Park, where a barrier free playground was designed with children of all ages and needs

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PIP Joe and Lion Joni Preston will join Lions as our featured LCI guests

in mind, including those who have limited mobility and those who use wheelchairs. Phase I of the park was funded in part by a matching \$100,000 grant from LCIF, Shelby Township Lions Club, and in partnership with the local Kiwanis Club.

Get your act together and pre-register for the **LIONS GONG SHOW** on Friday Night! Our own Chuck Barris will be on-hand along with a variety of celebrity judges. It's a '70's themed night of fun and surprises. Lions are encouraged to participate in the Gong Show show with limits on the first 10 acts. Dress in your '70's best and **BRING IT ON!**

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> PRIDE NEWS



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S PRIDE LIONS CHALLENGES!



As is true in any type of disruption to our usual lifestyle, Lions were challenged to overcome the fallout from a pandemic: Lost meeting time, lost fundraisers, lost members. This caused us to become more versatile than we ever imagined. We learned about Zoom, bottle drives, drive-through food pantries, and we bounced back with renewed passion.

Last month we held the annual Michigan Lions Forum in a webinar format for the second year in a row. Last May, the MD 11 Lions Convention was a hybrid event – part live presentations, part recorded. And not only did we keep up with traditional events, shown in a new style, we utilized the tools acquired during lockdown and added a new event, “Getting to Know your State Projects” which featured our five MD 11 projects.

Lions Clubs across the state began to listen, learn, and adapt. I read an article that pointed out “the pandemic made beginners of us all” and this could not be truer. We are reinventing how we conduct service. We’ve learned new lessons and we’re moving forward, growing our fundraisers, growing our clubs, and growing our membership.

With renewed excitement and energy, we look forward to meeting together again at the Multiple District 11 Lions Convention. This year’s convention theme is Growing Together, and we’ll do just that through breakout sessions offered on service, membership, club growth and more. We are honored to have as our guest speaker, LCI Past International President Joe Preston and his wife, Lion Joni.

Shelby Township Lions Club will host the 2022 Convention Kick-Off Picnic at the River Bend Park, Shelby Township. What makes this park a standout is the barrier-free, accessible playground built with a \$100,000 matching grant from LCIF. What an excellent “show-and-tell” moment this will be to showcase LCIF and what Shelby Township Lions were able to do to enrich the community.

We’ve all missed facetime with our fellow Lions and the excitement of being at a convention. To welcome you back this year, the MD 11 Convention Committee is hosting The Lions Gong Show on Friday night, May 20. Get ready for a night of mystery, laughs and plenty of fun, Lion-style.

Lions are back – bigger and better than ever!

*Looking forward to seeing you at the MD 11 Lions Convention.
Lion Wendy Burns*



by PDG Dave Wineman

“It’s Weird Being the Same Age as Old People”



Dave Hill
MD 11 Council Chair
2021-2022

I recently read an article from the BBC on a survey that was done in England. The following is an excerpt from it:

Sixty-five to 79 year old people are the happiest age group for adults, according to Office for National Statistics research. The survey of more than 300,000 adults across the UK found life satisfaction, happiness and feeling life was worthwhile all peaked in that age bracket.

In February Nancy and I went to a State with some sunshine and I saw a sign that said “It’s Weird Being the Same Age as Old People”. My conclusion was that if you are in relatively good health, have a good attitude and able to support your lifestyle, you really are not that old. To my fellow Lions that have not made 65 yet, you have something to look forward to. To my fellow Lions that have made it to 65, enjoy yourself, you earned it.

Given that, it is time to get ready for Spring and better weather. The following are some suggestions on things to do this Spring and Summer in Michigan:

1. Pick (and Taste) Morel Mushrooms – Our Lions in E1 and E2 can give us some pointers
2. Attend a Flower Festival – Holland and the Wineries of the Old Mission Peninsula Blossom Days are a good place to start.
3. Go Golfing – Good way to pretend you are exercising
4. Drive a Model T – The Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners has an entertaining class that covers the history, mechanics and teaches you to drive a Model T
5. Toast Michigan Wine Month – Plan a trip to Traverse City
6. Dust off your Bicycle - The Kal-Haven Trail is a 33.5 mile linear multiple-use trail that links Kalamazoo to South Haven. The Kal-Haven Trail is built on the abandoned Kalamazoo & South Haven Railroad route that existed from 1870 to 1970
7. Visit a Botanical Garden - Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids or, the Dow Gardens In Midland.
8. Enjoy Music Outdoors - Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids; Meadow Brook Amphitheatre or DTE Energy Music Theatre in metro Detroit; Kresge Auditorium at Interlochen Center for the Arts near Traverse City; and Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort in Mt. Pleasant.
9. Hunt for Petoskey Stones – Pick a good beach up north
10. Eat an Ice Cream Cone – Suggestions - Uncle Ray’s Dairyland in Fenton; House of Flavors in Ludington; Moomers Homemade Ice Cream in Traverse City; Jackson All Star Dairy in Jackson.
11. Give someone the opportunity to become a Lion – Studies show that “staying connected” is one of the keys to longevity and happiness.

CC Dave Hill

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR SPOTLIGHT



DG Bill Gaines
11E2

The Lion Year is speeding by rapidly with the Michigan Forum behind us while we're looking forward to the District and Multidistrict conventions. Planning is underway for these with itineraries and guest speakers already arranged. It's time to get your hotel reservations made and your convention registrations in. The annual conventions support our yearly elections but also important is the chance to spend time with our Lions colleagues, making new friendships and renewing

old ones. They are also great opportunities to become more familiar with our state projects and those who benefit from them. Hearing from the recipient of a cornea transplant who would not have vision without Eversight or from a Leader Dog recipient whose independent life is enabled by their Leader Dog gives a much more immediate appreciation of the contributions to these organizations that we see in our club budgets without genuinely appreciating the real differences our work makes in people's lives.

The incoming District Governors are currently building teams to help Lionism continue and grow through the coming year. Please take the time to talk with your DG team and identify ways that you can help to fill the many needs that exist above the club level. Our Districts have the capacity to enable service through working together at levels that are beyond the reach of an individual club. That service work doesn't happen without willing Lions expending their time and energy to bring it to fruition.

Here's looking forward to seeing you at your District convention and continuing to serve as a Lion throughout the upcoming year. -Lion Bill

Barrier Free River Bends Park

The Shelby Township Lions Club played a big part in the building of the Barrier Free River Bends Park in Shelby Township. The park includes a \$220,000 phase I that featured two zip lines, swings, a padded jungle gym and a whirl-go-round, to name a few, and a \$45,000 phase II expansion, is the largest of its kind in Macomb County. It was designed with children of all ages and needs in mind, including those who have limited mobility and those who use wheelchairs. All the equipment is situated on a soft rubber mat surface, and some of the equipment accommodates wheelchair access. The Kids at Play



project received its first donation in July 2018 from local Kiwanis clubs and Kids at Play board members. In January 2019, the project received a \$20,000 matching grant from the Kiwanis Children's Fund, and Nitsches Meat & Deli

Shoppe in Shelby Township donated \$20,000. The Shelby Township Lions Club donated \$20,000 toward the project. Lions Club International also approved a \$100,000 matching grant donation toward the project.



Join us at the convention kick-off picnic as we enjoy an evening together, celebrating Shelby Township Lions Club!



GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM REPORT



Brent Beracy
MD 11 GMT
2021-2022

Michigan Lions, you have been doing a great job introducing new members to our association and living as an example of our motto "We Serve". To your credit, the State of Michigan has increased our net membership by +82 so far this Lions year. Let's keep up the good work!

Our MD-GMT team has been working diligently in the background of all of our districts, having sometimes difficult discussions about ways to keep our members engaged. Even though our multiple district is currently experiencing an increase in membership that it hasn't seen in quite some time, we also have to pay attention to the amount of members that we lose. In Michigan this Lion's year we have said goodbye to almost 900 Lions. The majority of these are not due to death and geographical location changes. We call them the Lost Lions, and we seek answers as to why they leave our global organization. Want to be part of this conversation? Contact your district GMT and get involved.

As we start to look forward to spring here in Michigan, it's time to consider adding to our membership once again. Council Chair Dave Hill has announced the 60 members in 60 days challenge that will run from April 1st to June 1st this year. During that time the MD-GMT team will be switching gears and want to offer you a few ideas how your club or district might be able to make some increases in membership during this time. Just imagine the impact of 600 new Lions in Michigan if all our districts are successful.

On March 13th, our District Governors and those that they invited received specialized training about how to use social media to attract new quality members for your club. Lions marketing professionals from Tennessee, Delaware and New York instructed us on how to use advanced functions of Facebook and Instagram to target an audience that you want to attract new members from. Grants are available for each district to help cover the costs of growing our membership. Contact your District Governor or GMT for more information about what we learned at this meeting.

Also consider either your district or your club having a membership drive with the new members being able to be installed by our international president on worldwide induction day. This year, that day is April 30th. Your club or district can have your new members installed and given the new member oath by our International President, Lion Douglas Alexander. Check out <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/worldwide-induction-day> for a full planning guide including special certificates to mark the momentous day.

Another method that's being used to increase membership is the traditional membership drive. Now known as "Membership Growth Events" a full set of resources is available at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/membership-growth-event> Visit this part of the Lions website for all kinds of ideas, PowerPoint slides for meetings, and tips for advertising your event. I'll close with a success from District 11-D2 using print media in the local newspaper. They put this ad in the local newspaper of a club they're assisting with membership. I understand they added 6 new Lions at the event!

Dear Editor:

Attention _____ Community and Surrounding Area

Lions Clubs International, District _____ are looking for people that are community minded for the _____ Lions Club.

Please take a moment to consider the following questions: Are you interested in serving your community? Are you interested in the opportunity to network with key people in your community? Are you interested in meeting people and having fun?

If you answered "yes" to any one of these questions, then the _____ - Lions Club is the organization for you. District _____ Lions has unanimously agreed to extend an invitation to you, your spouse and your family to join us to increase club membership.

The _____ Lions Club has been serving the community since (month) of (year). With projects as diverse as collecting eyeglasses, environment, hunger, cancer and diabetes, supporting Leo Clubs in local Schools, providing extensive assistance to those who suffered loss from the recent tornadoes, the _____ Lions Club is dedicated to serving your fine community. We would like to continue to expand and continue our projects, and want you to be a part of our efforts and successes.

We hope you can join us at an informational meeting (Date and Time). We promise good food, good fun and some enlightening information on how you can help serve the citizens of _____ and surrounding areas, as well as the world. If interested, please respond to our District Membership chair (Name and phone number) or the _____ Lions club president (Name and phone number)

I'm looking forward to hearing stories of successes as all of our districts march into spring "Just Ask"-ing and making progress towards completing the 60 by 60 challenge.

Yours in Service,
Lion Brent

> SD10 NEWS REPORT



NEWS FROM NORTH OF THE BRIDGE..... THAT IS SINGLE DISTRICT 10.



The Day I Became a Lion By Lion Jim Svinicki, Governor SD10

I was a member of the Stephenson Lions Club for eight or nine years before I really became a Lion. Yes... I regularly attended club meetings. Yes..., I had flipped hundreds of pancakes and I had grown to be a committed club member. I faithfully paid my dues, contributed to LCI, and was drawn to future Lions leadership when my tile business calmed down. I am currently the District Governor of District 10, Michigan's Upper Peninsula, USA. It was while attending the US-Canada Leadership Forum in September of 2021 in Des Moines, Iowa USA, that a name was put to the profound experience I had a few summers ago.

Every year in June the District 10 Lions are invited to spend a workday at Bay Cliff Health and wellness center located in Big Bay, Michigan. Bay Cliff is a fabulous rustic, yet modern facility in the woods on the rugged south shoreline of Lake Superior. **Founded in 1933, the first summer session was in 1934. Bay Cliff Health Camp is a therapy and wellness center serving the needs of youth living with a variety of disabilities.** Campers are provided physical therapy, occupational therapy, medical and dental care, and specially adapted recreational activities. **Bay Cliff also provides multiple programs throughout the year, including hosting public events, providing service opportunities and workdays for organizations aligned with their commitment to promoting health, happiness, and independence for people of all ages.** While the campers are attending Bay Cliff, their families and caretakers get a much-needed respite from caretaking.

Well, I was at Bay Cliff for Lion's Day. I had spent the morning helping with some tile repair. Around 11:30, the bell rang out from the porch leading to the Dining Hall, signaling it was time to join the campers and Bay Cliff staff for a family-style lunch. While chatting with the staff member and four campers sharing my table, I stuffed myself full of roast pork, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, and a gooey whipped cream cookie crumble dessert. After the post luncheon entertainment, it was time to get back to my tile repair. I have a three-hour drive home.

Stepping out of the door onto the wide wood-beamed porch I saw a young camper on crutches with braces on both of her tiny legs. She was working her way gingerly down the four wide wooden steps. Very carefully, just as she had learned in physical therapy, she meticulously inched her way down the set of stairs. I stood and watched her with a heartfelt awe. Silently inside I was cheering her on. Suddenly, at the bottom of the last step, as her little foot hit the ground, she lost her balance, and pitched forward. An attempt to catch herself failed and she fell flat on her face in the dirt.

Without even thinking, I launched off the porch like Super Grandpa. "Oh my, are you hurt? Can I help you up?" The image of my youngest granddaughter flashed through my mind. There she was face planted in the dirt. Before spontaneously swooping her up into my arms, I had the where-with-all to ask her if she would like my help. "Yes, please, if you would be so kind," A small brave voice squeaked. I picked her up and helped her to get re-balanced on her crutches. I verified again that she was not injured. As I was wiping small bits of gravel off her sweet little face, our eyes locked. A single tear escaped from her thick lashes, trickling down her cheek. "I wish I could be just a regular, little girl, she sighed.

As if having been struck by lightning, at the bottom of the stairs with that lovely child still reeling from her fall, every hour I had spent in a meeting, every hour I had faithfully served, every dollar I had given to the Lions mission, all came to a life-changing crescendo. I understood what being a member of the largest service organization in the world really means. I re-dedicated myself to a life of Lions service, leadership, and membership. I felt the true honor and pride to be serving at Bay Cliff where this brave seven-year-old child would be given moments when she and her peers could forget about their crutches, braces, and missing limbs, and could be "regular" kids. My service was providing the opportunity for kids to play outdoor adapted games, go canoeing, sing camp songs, roast marshmallows over a campfire, swim, and to enjoy the natural surroundings of Michigan's spectacular Upper Peninsula.

I had witnessed moments of campers' sheer will throughout the day, but the rescue of a little girl at the bottom of the dining hall stairs launched the spirit of Lionism straight into my heart. One sunny day in June, on a cliff overlooking the rugged shoreline of Lake Superior, at the bottom of the dining hall stairs, I understood the mission of Lionism and the impact our service can have on individual lives. On that unforgettable day, I forever, in my heart and soul, I became a Lion!

Bay Cliff Health Camp is a non-profit wellness camp located in Big Bay, District 10, that offers year-round programs that promote wellness for children and adults with physical disabilities.



Gwinn Lions 3rd Annual CARDBOARD CLASSICS!



It was a not so balmy day at the ski hill for the 3rd annual cardboard classic. The hill was groomed but it snowed over night so it was a little more of a challenge for the participants to make it down the hill but they battled through and everyone had a blast. The event was organized by Lion Ryan Lipinski and

the Gwinn Lions Club. Shannon's restaurant cooked the hot dogs and buns and hot chocolate with a donation from the Lions Club. First Baptist Church of Gwinn provided coffee and had a bus running so people could have a place to warm up. Frito Lay donated a variety of chips.. The event is free, but donations are accepted.

Roving Lions reporters and photographers battled through the chilly air with frozen pens and frozen fingers and struggled to take notes and photos but also enjoyed helping with and watching the festivities. They interviewed some of the young participants as follows:

Isabelle said it was her first time at the event and she was excited to go down the hill! It took her four hours to create her cardboard racer which was a bright pink with encouraging stickers attached.

Joselyn said it was her first time competing. Her sled had a pointed front and had a lot of bright orange color. She said it took her two days to build and decorate her sled. She was excited to race and maybe win a prize. After

the interview she also excitedly said "I just got interviewed for a newspaper!" Post-race, "That was awesome!"

First Baptist church made a team racer that looked like Noah's ark! It was packed with people and decorated with a variety of stuffed animals. They won first place for best



cardboard racer. The animals two by two also seemed to enjoy the ride down the snowy hillside. Willow, kindly let them borrow her monkey and bunny for just a few of the furry friends. Willow said it was also her first time at this event and she was excited to go down the hill in the ark.

It was Abby's second time at the event and her racer was shaped like a car with black duct tape on it. She was part of the 308 Tiger Scouts team who worked on their racers together and did it in an hour.

In spite of the cold, it was another successful event with forty-one cardboard racers. There were bonfires at the top and the bottom of the hill providing additional warmth. A variety of volunteers both Lions and those from the community pitched in to assist with registration, parking, and timing. The Forsyth Township Police were in attendance and handed out the trophies to the winners. The categories were children, team, adults, and outlaws. There were prizes for first through third place along with best cardboard racer and best crash.

There were several crashes because of the thick snow as the contestants went sliding down the slope. Many contestants got stuck part way down the hill and then would pick up their racer and sprint to the finish. Snow covered smiling faces were seen crossing the finish line. We are excited for next year's event as the numbers of participants continue to grow. It was a roaring good time.

Lion Kris Patterson

Lions Michigan Forum Re-Cap – by Roving Reporter PDG Roger Spriggs, Battle Creek Cereal City Lions Club, MD-11 B1

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FORUM (VIRTUAL)

I think everyone was looking forward to the MD-11 Forum this year and, finally, an opportunity to meet face to face with our fellow Lions. When the hotel notified the Forum committee that new owners cancelled all events, and no time to arrange a new venue, it was decided to call on the Forum Tech Team and utilize ZOOM Webinar for a virtual event.

As we have done before, PDG Roger and Lion Harriet, hosted a big screen showing of the forum along with drinks and snacks. While not quite the same as the 'real thing' it does recreate some of the comradery of the live forum and make it fun.

We were joined by Roger and Dorothy Bosse, Mary Wallace, and Muriel Walters. The forum presenter was our friend Karen Routson who had been Roger's teacher when he was 2nd VDG.

Presentation I: Deb Davis, Kate Sickrey, Mary Gillette FUNDRAISING

Lion Deb, who we know from her time working with Paws with a Cause, gave a presentation outlining the important role of fundraising. She explained that funds raised from the public can only be used to serve the public and have to reside in the Activities account. We learned that all clubs are automatically granted (c)(4) status when they are formed, this means that clubs are exempt from paying taxes but that monies donated to the club are not tax exempt for the donor. Clubs may apply to be (c)(3) status if they wish to have donations tax exempt for the donor. Deb introduced two speakers to talk about their experience fundraising.

We were told to set goals for fundraising projects, not necessarily financial goals but maybe new member goals as fundraisers are excellent vehicles to invite friends to help and introduce them to Lions.

FUNDRAISING CAN BE A GATEWAY TO MEMBERSHIP.

Finally, we heard about setting up payment accounts other than cash, PayPal and Venmo accounts can be used to raise higher amounts than the limited cash that people may carry and should be a tool for fundraising. Great presentation, thanks Lions Deb, Kate and Mary.

Session II By DG Terri Huffman, DIABETES AWARENESS

DG Terri introduced speakers from District 11-A1 who were Lions and also were blind or had low vision. The presentation cleverly linked diabetes and blindness. While most people are aware of diabetes, mainly because almost all of us know someone who is diabetic, many people do not realize that this disease can lead to blindness or low vision. The sugar damages the very fine blood vessels in the eye leading to progressive loss of vision. One of the speakers noted the features on an I-Phone with voice-over software that helps her to lead a more independent life, including banking, medical monitoring, and travel.

12,000-24,000 people will lose vision due to diabetes each year. Devices to assist the blind should be well designed and have useability meaning that they are easy to use. Many low vision and blind have limited sources of income so devices must be affordable. Thanks Governor Terri.

Session III By CC Dave Hill, 60-60 PROGRAM

CC Dave Hill introduced the 60-60 program, a new initiative to increase District membership. The program requires each district to bring in 60 new Lions in 60 days. As the program completes on June 1st the 60 days will cover April and May 2022. LCI is providing each District with a \$375 grant to support advertising and expenses associated with the program. 60 new members in District 11-B1 is an average of 1.1/2 new members per club, very attainable, of course half Lions are not allowed so you need to round it up to 2 new members over two months. GO GET 'EM For further information call Dave Hill at 517-262-8928 or Brent Beracy at 989-847-2803

Session IV By IPCCJeff Mayuiers, THE POWER OF REGIFTING

Jeff gave a new take on recruiting that was original and thought provoking. He asked us to think back to when we became a Lion. No, not the day we were inducted but the day when we really became a Lion, that Ah-Ah moment when we realized just what being a Lion means. For him, it was working at Winter Camp and seeing the gratitude on the faces of the campers. I am sure you all have your own Ah-Ah moment or will at some time soon.

Jeff said remember that moment, it was like having a gift, now think about regifting that moment to someone else so they can become a Lion and have their own Ah-Ah moment. So how do you do this? Invite someone to a meeting, a project or attend another club or service partner together. Offer to pay their dues for six months so they can try-out Lions at no cost. Regift the joy you felt when you really became a Lion and started really serving your community. Jeff was my 1st VDG trainer and is a very special teacher, this was an excellent presentation. Thank you IPCC Jeff.

Session V By Jean McDonough, CHILDHOOD CANCER

Jean is the Director of Camp Quality and she was joined by Amy Smitter (Camp Quality fundraising) and Lion Christine Smith. We were told that 13,500 new cases of Childhood Cancer will be diagnosed this year which means that 1 in 285 children will receive a cancer diagnosis, this is a chilling statistic. In Michigan 470 children are diagnosed each year and Michigan is the 5th highest rate for Childhood cancers. The story does not get better, since the 1970's childhood cancer diagnosis has increased by 24%. 50% of families with a child with cancer end up filing bankruptcy.

Camp Quality offers camping experiences for children with a cancer diagnosis, their families and siblings. There are many camps held each year and no child or family is charged to attend camp. For a child to attend every camp during the year the camp has to raise \$2,500. An increasing proportion of the camps income is coming from Lions. Maybe it would be an idea to support a single child as we support a child at Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids. To qualify to attend camp a child has to be between four and seventeen years old and must have been diagnosed with cancer. About 170-180 families are served each year.

IF YOU KNOW A CHILD WITH A CANCER DIAGNOSIS TELL CAMP QUALITY.

Each camp has medical staff on hand and travel assistance is available. You can visit the Camp Quality website for more information.

Keynote Address by Sandra Pearson, CEO/President, HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Most Lions know of President Jimmy Carter's association with Habitat for Humanity and there is a common misconception that he was involved in the development of this program. President Carter is a Past District Governor and one of very few political leaders who is a Lion, in fact he has stated several times that had he not been a Lion he would not have run for the President of the United States.

Habitat for Humanity is a global organization with 1,300 affiliates in over 200 countries, so it's much like LCI. There are 48 local affiliates in Michigan. The organization serves people who want to own their own home, and candidates must be able to take on a mortgage to pay for their home and be willing to put sweat equity into building the home. Backgrounds such as current living conditions, budget and education are taken into consideration. The completed home has a much lower cost as the labor is provided by the future homeowner and the volunteers. The program helps people who cannot obtain traditional mortgages on homes on the market. Providing a home is not as simple as it seems, specialist services are required for every home including, real estate experts, fundraisers, mortgage lenders, social services, developers, builders and underwriters.

BUILDING UP WALLS AND BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS

HABITAT PROVIDES A HAND UP, NOT A HANDOUT.

All homes are ADA compliant with wheelchair access and meet the highest environmental standards. Not all homes are new, many older homes are refurbished to current codes and standards. In Michigan Habitat completes around 40 new homes each year. If you need building materials or fittings and furniture, check out the Habitat ReStore, this treasure house of goodies donated to Habitat generates \$13 million for the organization each year.



Thank You Michigan Lions Forum 2022 Committee Members and Presenters!

The Michigan Forum has a long history of successful events, and this year's Forum continued that tradition. We started out planning for an in-person Forum this year. In Lion Pride articles, you saw all the great sessions we had lined up – sixteen of them! Unfortunately, circumstances at the hotel caused them to cancel all their events. With just 5 weeks to go at that point, we had to scramble to come up with a zoom webinar! Thanks to a terrific group of committee members, we made it happen!

Here are the people who made this all happen, starting with the Committee:

Every one of these Lions put their hearts into the Forum. Each gave a lot of time and contributed great ideas about speakers, format, communications, and technology. Much time went into putting all those plans and ideas into effect. Every committee member deserves a round of applause!

- A1 IDPG Dave Wilbert
- A2 PCC Paul Hemeryck
- B1 CC Dave Hill
- B2 PCC Jeff Mayuiers
- C1 Lion Kristen Kelling
- C2 IPDG Kurt Stromlund and PDG Karen Routson
- D1 Lion Joe Gwizdala III and PDG Steve VanTol
- E1 PDG Jackie Glazier
- E2 Lion Marie Leathers, IPDG Rod Leathers, and PDG Dave Zeller
- Executive Director Lion Wendy Burns

And now, here are the presenters:

If you've ever done a presentation at any level, you know that many hours or even days of time and thought go into preparing that talk. Let's give another round of applause to each of our presenters!

- Fundraising: Lion Deb Davis (Rockford), Lion Mary Gillette, and Lion Kate Sickrey
- Diabetes Awareness and You: DG Terri Huffman
- Sixty-in-Sixty (upcoming membership initiative): CC Dave Hill
- Re-Gifting Membership: PCC Jeff Mayuiers
- Camp Quality: Jean McDonough and Amy Smitter of Camp Quality, and Lion Chris Smith
- Habitat for Humanity: Sandra Pearson, President and CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Michigan

Our heartfelt thanks go out to every one of you who made this event such a success!

PDG Karen Routson, Chair
Michigan Lions Forum 2020 – 2022

Lion Wendy Burns
Executive Director

FORUM VIDEOS

The Lions Michigan Forum videos are uploaded to YouTube and ready for viewing. Each session can be watched separately, and easily shared at your next club meeting. In addition to this year's Forum, you will find past webinars for the Forum, MD 11 Convention and the MD 11 State Projects webinar.

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and you will be directed to the Lions YouTube channel.



> BEARLAKECAMP WORK BEE NEWS

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP SPRING WORK BEE NEEDS YOUR HELP NOW!



If your club is looking for a community service project, look no farther than Lions Bear Lake Camp!!!! We are in the process of getting our camp ready for the 2022 season. We have many renovations that are needed, and we really need Lions assistance in getting the work done prior to April 2022. We have 10 cabins that to renovate, which includes removing beds, repainting, and installing new carpeting squares. The campers will really appreciate the refresh of the cabins. To meet the schedule, we have set up workdays every Saturday, starting January 15th through March 19th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

To sign up, you just need to go to:

www.bearlakecamp.org
and click on the **2022 Cabin Renovation Work Bee Sign Up Menu** link at the top of the page

Due to the limited space in the cabins, we are limiting our workers to 8 per day. Contact Lion Shelly O’Henley

IF YOU CAN HELP ANY OTHER TIME ALSO PLEASE CALL SHELLY AT Bear Lake Camp Tel: 810 245 0726



or Cell: 810-837-0119



WHITE CANE WEEK APRIL 23-MAY 1

WHITE CANE ORDER FORM

Lions/Lioness Club Name _____
 District _____ Date _____

SHIPPING ADDRESS: _____ BILLING ADDRESS: _____
 Name: _____ Name: _____
 Address: _____ Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip _____ City: _____ Zip _____
 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	
**You will be billed for shipping and handling fees.			** Shipping and Handling	
			TOTAL:	

Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com

Mail to: Lions of Michigan • 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911 • (517) 887-6640 ext. 10 • fax: (517) 887-6642

WE SERVE!  **2022 DISTRICT CONVENTION DATES**

There are many ways to serve the membership of MD 11. Participating as a district representative on one of our many State Committees is one of several opportunities.

Below is a list of all State Committees. Several of the State Chairperson terms will expire June 30, 2022.

The MD 11 Policy Manual states each committee shall have district representation and will appoint a Vice Chairperson of each. All interested Lions are asked to contact Executive Director Wendy Burns, wburns@lionsofmi.com for further information.

Lions of Michigan State Committees

- Lions All State Band
- Lions Bear Lake Camp
- Childhood Cancer -Expires 6/30/22**
- Constitution and By-Laws/Rules
- Diabetes – Expires 6-30-22**
- District Editors Advisory
- Eversight – Expires 6/30/22**
- Global Leadership Team – Available 1 year term**
- Global Membership Team – Available 1 year term**
- Global Service Team – Available 1 year term**
- Hearing
- Hunger – Expires 6/30/22**
- Information Technology -Expires 6/30/22**
- Lions Clubs International Convention
- Lions Clubs International Foundation
- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Leo Clubs
- Lions Michigan Forum – Expires 6/30/22**
- Lions Quest
- MD 11 Lions Convention – Expires 6/30/22**
- Public Relations/Social Media
- Reading Action Plan – Expires 6/30/22**
- Sight Conservation/White Cane
- Youth Exchange**

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 th	Lion Terri Huffman	Jackson, MI	PID Anne Smarsh
B2	April 23 rd	Lion Karol Chopp	Kalamazoo, MI	PID Bud Wahl
C1	May 14	Lion Ron Riebschleger	Sportsman Club, Rockford	
C2	March 18-20 th	Lion Tracy Temple	Lansing, MI	ID Mike Banks
D1	April 1-April 3 rd	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 rd	Lion Bill Bradfield	Big Rapids, MI	PID Bruce Beck
E2	April 29-May 1 st	Lion Bill Gaines	Boyne Falls, MI	ID Allen Snider
SD10	April 9-10 th	Lions James Svinicki	Harris, MI	PID Mark Lyon
MD11	May 19-22 nd	CC David Hill	Auburn Hills, MI	PIP Joseph Preston



WE SERVE!

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://lcon.lionsclubs.org/get-ready-for-lcon-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.

Periodicals postage paid in Lansing, MI 48911.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to
Lion Pride Magazine, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911
Wendy Burns, Editor

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Please notify your post office and club secretary immediately if you change your address so that your Lion Pride copy can be mailed to your correct address. New labels are prepared by Lions Clubs International and usually require 2-3 months before taking effect. For advertising rates, please contact Lion Pride Magazine, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911.

For information on state projects or the state office, contact 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911, (517) 887-6640, fax (517) 887-6642.

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104TH LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC, CANADA • FRIDAY, JUNE 24 - TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022

CONVENTION REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

DEADLINE - SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022

Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation and to request a refund for registration, housing and/or ticketed event.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

ATTENDEE (Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.)

First/Given Name Last/Family Name Badge/Call Name

Address

City State/Province Postal Code Country

Daytime Phone E-Mail (Unique email address is required for every attendee)

Lion Leo-Lion* Omega Leo

*Leo-Lion is a Lions membership type available exclusively to Leos who served in the Leo Program for over a year.

Club # Membership # * District Title

*Required for club delegates who will certify and vote in the election

COMPANION

First/Given Name Last/Family Name Badge/Call Name

Lion Leo-Lion Omega Leo Alpha Leo Adult Guest

Club # Membership # * District Title

*Required for club delegates who will certify and vote in the election

E-Mail (Unique email address is required for every attendee)

CHILD

First/Given Name Last/Family Name Age Alpha Leo

E-Mail (Unique email address is required for every attendee)

First/Given Name Last/Family Name Age Alpha Leo

E-Mail (Unique email address is required for every attendee)

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact Name Emergency Contact Phone Number

OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS

MELVIN JONES FELLOW LUNCHEON (Must be registered to attend.)

I/we plan to attend this event.

Date/Time: June 26, 12:30 - 14:30 Fee: US \$75 Quantity: Amount Due \$:

DISTRICT GOVERNORS/PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS BANQUET (Must be registered to attend.)

I/we plan to attend this event.

Date/Time: June 27, 20:00 - 22:00 Fee: US \$125 Quantity: Amount Due \$:

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

No Restrictions Indian Vegetarian Vegetarian Other:

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General Attendee 7/21 EN

SERVICE PROJECTS IN MONTRÉAL

I am interested in participating in a hands-on community service project during the Montréal International Convention.

LEOS AND YOUNG LIONS INTEREST

I am interested in receiving information on sessions and activities for and about Young Lions, including: Leo-Lions, Student Members and Campus Lions clubs. Please email membership@lionsclubs.org for questions about Young Lions programs.

I am interested in receiving information on sessions and activities for and about Leos. If you have questions, please email leo@lionsclubs.org.

HOTEL INFORMATION

PACKAGE A Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.

Before January 7, 2022 - room reserved in delegation hotel based on availability

After January 7, 2022 I prefer my delegation hotel Prefer another hotel:

Arrival Day/Date Departure Day/Date

of Guests in room including yourself: # of beds requested 1 2

Special Requirements: Wheelchair Accessible Other:

• US \$200 Hotel Deposit is per room and credited to your hotel bill at check out.

• Room requests are subject to hotel availability

PACKAGE B

NO ROOM REQUIRED (Registration only for each person listed above)

REGISTRATION FEES AND PAYMENT

Full payment is required with this form. US Currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US Banks. Visa, Mastercard & Discover accepted.

REGISTRATION FEES

EARLY (Before January 7, 2022) Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$175 Omega Leo: US \$100 Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20

REGULAR (January 8, 2022 - March 31, 2022) Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$225 Omega Leo: US \$100 Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20

LATE (April 1, 2022 - Onsite) Adult/Leo-Lion: US \$250 Omega Leo: US \$100 Child (17 and under)/Alpha Leo: US \$20

PACKAGE A: Registration: US \$ Ticketed Events: US \$ Hotel Deposit: US \$200.00 **Total Due: US \$**

PACKAGE B: Registration: US \$ Ticketed Events: US \$ **Total Due: US \$**

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check # (payable to Lions Clubs International) Wire Transfer (payment slip must be attached to this form) Visa MasterCard Discover

Name as it appears on credit card. Credit card must be in the name of the registrant.

Card Number Expiration Month/Year Security Code (3 digits)

Cardholder Signature:

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

MD 11 GAT APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Global Leadership, Membership and Service Team State Chair applications are now being accepted for the 2022-2023 Lion year. The term begins on July 1. Applications are due by April 1, 2022 and can be emailed to wburns@lionsofmi.com or mail to: Lions of Michigan

5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

Complete information can be found on LCI's website:
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/global-action-team>

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MD11 LIONS CONVENTION OVERVIEW *GROWING TOGETHER*

MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION OVERVIEW -GROWING TOGETHER

Thursday, May 19

Convention Kick-off Picnic at River Bend 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

10:30 am Breakout Session taught by Lion Deb VanTol: Wine Bottle Cheese Platter Class. Registration limited to 25. Cost \$12.00
2:00 p.m. Session II Membership: Why am I a Lion? PCC Jeff Mayuiers
Friday 2:30 p.m. District 11 C2 Business Session, DG Tracy Temple
Friday 6:00 p.m. Convention Welcome Reception/ Dinner,

Entertainment “The Lions Gong Show”

Saturday, May 21

Learn and Grow Together at the Convention
Saturday morning Awards Breakfast: 8:30 AM
Saturday Business Session 10:45 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Saturday Breakout Sessions 1:30-4:30 p.m.
1:30 – 3:30 pm Ongoing Service Project: From Seed to Table-Vegetable Seed Packet Project, Global Service Committee.
All are welcome to drop in!

1:30 pm Growing Your Club (membership) Lion Tammie Graber
2:30 pm LCIF Campaign 100 President Preston/PDG Connie Shelton
3:30 pm Planting Seeds of Service Childhood Cancer –Lion Laura Hunt & Team
4:30 pm Tips to Toronto: LCI-Con 2022


Saturday Banquet 6:00 p.m.

Social hour, dinner, S.A. Dodge Awards

Keynote Address by Past International President, Joe Preston

Congratulations to the 2021-2022 S.A. Dodge Recipients,

PDG Jim Williams, 11 A1 and PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser, 11 B1



GROWING TOGETHER
2022 MD 11 Lions Convention
Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac
DIRECT PHONE (248) 648-6016
GROUP RATE: \$89 PER NIGHT (plus fees & taxes)
REDUCED RATE AVAILABLE ONLY THRU APRIL 29, 2022

Name _____ Lion Spouse Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ Lion Spouse Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____


Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Is this your first MD Convention? Yes No How many years a Lion member? _____

QUANTITY	AMOUNT
_____ Thursday Picnic @ \$12.00, May 19, 2022	\$ _____
_____ Thursday Bus Transportation \$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	\$ _____
Entree Choice: Grilled Chicken _____	
Salsbury Steak w/Mushroom Demi Glaze _____	
GF _____ Vegetarian _____	Total: \$ _____

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless registration fee is paid. (excluding Saturday Banquet) 2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 9, 2022. No refunds after May 10, 2022. 3. 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 completed form and payment to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911



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 17, 2019) \$50.00
 _____ Saturday Only (May 18,2019) \$50.00
 _____ Friday and Saturday w/ad \$80.00
 _____ Ad Only: \$25.00

Do you require an electrical hook-up? Yes _____ No _____


CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE _____

ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

DATE _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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. 10



We Serve

MD11 LIONS CONVENTION OVERVIEW

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SING DANCE, ACT OR MAKE US LAUGH AT ...

THE GONG SHOW



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 wburns@lionsofmi.com; fax 517-887-6642 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): _____

Contact Phone _____

Contact Email _____

Contact District/Club Name _____

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

WHERE THERE'S A NEED... THERE'S A ROCKFORD LIONS CLUB!



The Rockford Lions Club has been holding an ongoing can-drive fundraiser for the past year. The Rockford Rotary Club held their own can drives in partnership with the Rockford Band Boosters, in support of the Marching Band's effort to finance their trip to march in the 2023 Rose Bowl Parade. Last year, Rockford Lions raised over \$25,000, with a good chance to meet or beat that record this year.

On February 12th it was noticed the cans were missing from the trailer. The Can Drive committee members were contacted, and no one knew about the missing cans. The following day the president of the Rockford Rotary Club contacted Lion Kim Neveau and stated their trailer was missing, along with all the cans collected for Rotary and the Band Boosters. The Rockford Police Department was immediately contacted and were made aware of the situation. They stated they would increase patrols around town and at the trailer locations.

Over the next few days, while the donation trailers were again filling up with donated cans dropped off by community members, thieves "collected" the cans several more times. On the 6th night of police patrol, they witnessed the burglary of the Rotary Club's donation trailer and made an arrest.

Wood TV in Grand Rapids heard the news and interviewed Lion Kim, allowing her to share the story while gaining community awareness and support. The Rockford Lions Board of Directors came up with a plan to make this a positive, community-wide event and coordinated with the Rockford Rotary and Band Boosters a new can-drive geared toward recouping their losses.

Volunteers from all three groups come together to help unload bags of cans from cars donated from people who heard of their story. Rockford Lions made the decision to donate all cans and cash collected to the Band Boosters in support of their fundraising efforts for the 2023 Rose Bowl Parade. The day of the can drive, over \$8,000 in cans, along with over \$900 in cash donations was received.

The entire event, from awareness of the theft to the community can-drive, transpired in less than a month's time. And what a success! Not only did three service groups come together and strengthen the community, Rockford Lions were able to shine the spotlight on the Rockford Band Booster's fundraising efforts. It showed Lions leadership in the community. Where there is a need, there is a Lion! It was a very unfortunate event and Rockford Lions Club turned it around and gave it a very positive ending.

Submitted by – Lion Kim Neveau, Rockford Lions Club

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 1/2"

- 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

Name:	_____
Business Name:	_____
Billing Address:	_____
City, State, Zip:	_____
Home Phone:	Business Phone: _____
Email address:	Cell Phone: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Included is a print ready ad or message <input type="checkbox"/> Please design my personal or business ad to read (please attach detailed information for your ad)	
CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:	
Ad Size: 1/4 page 1/2 page Full page	
<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed is my check for \$ _____	
We are unable to accept Credit Cards	

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



Please state situations or conditions that might limit the time or energy of your services.

Provide any additional information that supports your candidacy for this position. (Attach additional page if necessary.)

I have read the responsibilities and meet the qualifications of a GLT-MD Coordinator, and I agree to perform them to the best of my abilities.

Applicant (Signature) _____ Applicant (Print Name) _____ Date _____ Multiple District _____

MULTIPLE DISTRICT USE ONLY

The Council of Governors has appointed the above candidate to serve as the GLT-MD Coordinator for the term July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Council Chairperson (Signature) _____ Council Chairperson (Print Name) _____ Date _____

GLT Area Leader (Signature) _____ GLT Area Leader (Print Name) _____ Date _____

Submit completed form to:

Lions Clubs International
Leadership Development Division
300 W. 22ND Street
Oak Brook, IL, 60523-8842 USA
FAX: 1-630-706-9335
Email: glc@lionsclubs.org



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The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a public charity that was created in 1984 to help Michigan Lions Clubs provide community services. We work in partnership with our member Lions Clubs and other organizations to provide disadvantaged individuals and families with access to affordable medical care and services designed to help improve their quality of life.

While our programs encompass many areas, through screening, diagnosis, treatment, education and research, we primarily help underserved populations and financially struggling individuals who require assistance with eye care, hearing aids or an unexpected life event. Our services are offered statewide with a focus on helping Michigan residents succeed academically, develop normally, maintain independence and prosper in life.

Our motto is "Partners in Service" which both describes our close relationship with our Michigan Lions Clubs and auxiliaries and our philosophy on making a difference in the lives of disadvantaged people in our state. It is our belief that by combining resources and working together with other charities, businesses and foundations, we can better address the issues that face our state, and we can confidently confront the challenges that lie ahead.

Our close working relationship with our Michigan Lions Clubs and auxiliaries enables us to readily identify, select, and effectively provide services for individuals and their families who require our help to deal with their medical problems and quality of life issues. Michigan Lions Clubs provide advocacy for our clients, and in most cases, the local Lions Club provides additional financial support and services for clients.

Through our KidSight Program, we aim to identify and help restore normal vision to children suffering from undiagnosed vision disorders that affect their ability to perform in school and develop on pace with their classmates. Our hi-tech mobile vision screeners are programmed to quickly and accurately identify vision disorders such as myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness), anisometropia (unequal refraction power), astigmatism (optical defect), anisocoria (unequal pupil size) and strabismus (gaze deviations) through non-invasive testing.

When identified early, 95% of vision problems can be corrected, however when vision problems are not detected early, a child's vision can deteriorate, and vision loss can be irreversible. Over time, treatment options diminish, and the cost of treatment increases substantially.

Through our Hearing Screening Program, our objective is to identify and treat hearing problems before they impede a child's learning and development and negatively impact a child or adult's quality of life. Research shows that 15% of children and over 30% of older adults suffer from hearing loss that harmfully affects their daily lives. Untreated hearing loss will interfere with a child's ability to learn and may cause behavioral issues that will disrupt their academic success and social development, and among older adults, untreated hearing loss is the third highest disabling condition after arthritis and hypertension.

Through our Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Program, we help low-income people with hearing loss maintain self-sufficiency through the provision of affordable hearing aids and audiology services. One in every ten people in our state suffers from hearing loss, which can only be treated with amplification, and without financial help, many people in Michigan cannot afford hearing aids.

Our strong partnerships with hearing aid manufacturers, including GN ReSound, Oticon, Phonak, Prairie Labs, Starkey and Unitron, audiology groups and hearing specialists and other charities enable us to provide our hearing-impaired clients with all types of digital hearing aids for about twenty percent of the average market cost. Collaboration allows us to keep program costs down and help many more Michigan residents without jeopardizing service quality.

Through our Emergency Individual Assistance Program, we help uninsured and underinsured people who suffer from severe vision and hearing disorders that can only be corrected through surgical intervention or costly medical procedures. Our service agreements and partnerships with ophthalmology groups and medical service providers throughout Michigan ensure that program resources are used efficiently and effectively and that clients receive exceptional care at affordable costs. Funding is determined based on the overall financial and medical needs of the applicant.

Through our Emergency Military Family and Veterans Relief Program, we help current and former military members and their families with financial emergencies. Funding is determined through an application process, and it is based on the financial needs of the applicant.

Through our Emergency Disaster Relief Program, we help people and families affected by natural disasters, including severe storms, flooding, fires and tornados. Funding is determined by the number of individuals and families affected by the disaster and the overall amount of losses incurred.

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The Lions of Michigan Foundation and our programs are funded with revenue derived from our Lion Mints business, our Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes (a statewide raffle whereby tickets are distributed by our Lions members), donations, grants from other foundations, special events and investment income generated by a small endowment fund. We receive no state or federal government support for our programs.



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11 A1

DG Roshni Patel
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This year Special Olympics Unified Cup is coming to DETROIT. The event starts from 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 as things evolve. Thank you for all you do!

DG Lion Roshni Patel



In memory of Delia Trejo, The Detroit Hispanic Lions Club held their 6th annual White cane fundraiser, we collected 1800.00 dollars. Half was given to Holy Redeemer Grade School to help two students, here I am presenting the check along with Jim Saucedo, to the two students and principal Sister Kitera. The other half of the money raised we'll use for glasses and a food bank.



11 A2

DG Jim Leach Jr
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Four members of the Royal Oak Lions Club (and one spouse!) volunteered at Forgotten Harvest on January 24th in observance of World Hunger Awareness. 541 boxes of non-perishable food were packed for distribution.



Shown here are Lion Bob Westbury, Lion Mary Lambrix, Lion Laura Mastracci, spouse Mark Mastracci and Lion Maureen Elliott

Clarkston Area Lions President Bob Murdock (left) and Treasurer Jerry Baumgart (right) recently presented Ryan Pizzo of Neiman's Family Market with the Leader Dogs for the Blind Founders Tribute plaque in recognition of Neiman's ongoing support of Lions Club fundraising activities.



Above are the winners: Moose (organization); Waste Treatment (Public service) with TP - Chili; and on right (home cooked).

Ron's daughter Dianna and Granddaughter Rayanna stop by and sample Lion Keith's Muttonville chili (not first place)!

This year's Recreation Department Chili Cook-off was sponsored in part by the Rybar family in memory of their father (Lion Ron Rybar above left) and Mother Joanne.

The family of Ronald Rybar, who was a Richmond Lions Club member, made a memorial donation and sponsorship of supplies and prizes for the chili cook off. The donation has made possible the availability of some roasters, which are available upon a first come, first serve request basis.

The chili is separated into three categories, home cooked, public service, and service organizations. We only recognize first, second and third place for home cooked. Participants, they receive a framed certificate and cash prizes or a cash gift card. Public service and service organizations have a first-place winner. Some local groups, such as the Richmond Lions Club and the Richmond Moose Lodge #2575, have private rivalries in which they compete against each other for trophies.

In January, volunteers removed the wreaths that were placed on the burial sites of veterans at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Township. The wreaths were supplied by Wreaths Across America and funded by sponsors. The Ortonville Lions Club sponsored 25 wreaths. Representing the Ortonville Lions Club is Lion Elizabeth Rheame and Lion Larry Westphal who braved the wind and cold temperatures this day and took part in this event. Thank you! For more information on Wreaths Across America, visit their website <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/.../16194/Overview/...>



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Lion Cathy of Ann Arbor Evening Lions Club had fun volunteering at Lions Bear

Lake Camp. Lion George from the Michigan Center club and I made it up there and worked with Jesse the maintenance man, on rubber base trim along the newly painted and carpeted cabin walls. Lions Kirk and Jack from Clawson Lions Club installed carpet in the cabin next door.



11 B1 DG Terri enjoyed her recent visit to the Manchester Lions Club's resale shop, which they sponsor. The initial startup was assisted by a grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). The income from store sales is invested directly into their community. The club stays very active in the community, and they are well known for the service they provide too so many.



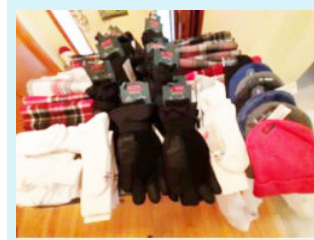
Manchester Lions also donated teacups to Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids' Enchanted Tea Room.

On a snowy February afternoon, Lions Bryan Cook, Jane Cook, and Teresa Gest members of The Cereal City Lions Club braved the weather to help RISE (R.I.S.E (Re-integration to Support and Empower) is in place to support and help (Empower) families and children who have experienced trauma or tragedy cope and to do things necessary to put their lives back together again. R.I.S.E UP!) with their monthly food distribution. This is our second year working with R.I.S.E. to distribute food to the community. This time we added a few Valentines treats to each box, a bag of assorted candy to bring a little more cheer to people who must brave the cold and snow to get their food boxes. The Valentines bags were conceived by Mary Wallace and were gratefully received.



The board of Directors came in early for their Board Meeting to pack 350 valentines gift bags for distribution with the food packages with R.I.S.E.

The Ann Arbor Host Lions Club completed Phase 2 of its Socks n' Scarves n' Hats n' Gloves project for its January service project. This time, the warm outerwear was donated to Hope Clinic to give to people in need, mainly the homeless in the Ypsilanti area, in all 21 scarves, 20 pairs of heavy white socks, 10 pairs of ski gloves and 8 toboggan hats were donated.



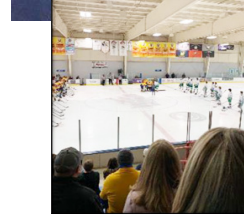
The Dexter Lions helped Lion Lou Ceriani celebrate his 95th birthday with 175 cards!! HAPPY BIRTHDAY LOUIE!!



11 B2

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The Mattawan Lions Club went to a Mattawan High School Hockey game to support one of our local kids who is 11 years old and was recently diagnosed with Leukemia. Cole is in 6th grade and has a heart of gold and we wanted not only to support him but show that we support Pediatric Cancer Awareness!



Three Rivers Lions club members attended a Three Rivers Lady Wildcats Varsity basketball game to show our support for their hard work and assistance at our annual toy distribution in December.



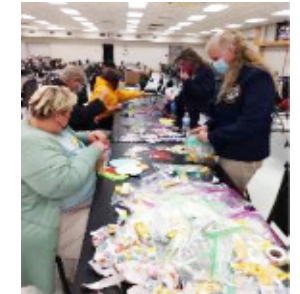
The Coloma Leo Club had many activities going on in the months from October-December of 2021. In October we collected over 200 pairs of socks for our local food pantry, Hope Resources and the help Resources helped many families stay warm for the winter. Our December event was making blankets for the Bronson Children's Hospital. Our kids made 23 blankets to help in their neonatal units. Our upcoming event will be making cards for our local Woodland Terrace Residents and also making Valentine Wreaths to decorate their halls and doors. We will of course be looking forward to Spring with our Annual 5k run/walk for St. Patrick's Day weekend. Being a Leo is so rewarding and fun.



The Watervliet Lions Club doing their part to help in the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Michigan. 5 of our members took part in the plunge this year.



109 Valentine's kits were packaged up for the kids at Bronson Children's Hospital during a recent District Cabinet meeting. We enjoyed pizza and assembled the kits, followed by one-on-one training with on how to report activities in MyLion. We had generous donations from clubs who couldn't attend as well as donations from the Clubs who did. We took the money that was donated towards supplies and purchased extra books so we had a total of 42 books that will go to the Children's Hospital as well.



Lion Alice Kring of The Buchanan Galien Lions Club presented a parting gift from the club to our good friend Lion Sarah Gault who will be moving to the Knoxville, TN area in pursuit of her life-long dream of working within the Make a Wish Foundation. Congratulations and Best Wishes Lion Sarah on your new venture!



Two Buchanan-Galien Leo's were crowned at the Miss Buchanan contest on January 15th! Congratulations to these two wonderful young women!



1st Runner up Hayden Bauer Miss Congeniality Joy Kaltbach

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PDG Bob and Cabinet Treasurer Earl present Deb Atwood (Deaf and Hard of Hearing Exec Director) with a check from the Lions District 11C1 for \$15,000 to kick off their capital fundraiser! The Lions will have part of the offices named in our honor--as well as having services provided to the neighboring counties (27 counties!) for hearing services.

A very successful Rockford Lion's Chili Cook off and Auction. Thank you to everyone that came and supported our Lions Club of Rockford, Michigan. Also, a huge thank you to all the businesses and individuals that donated to our auction. Hats off to our chili cooks. We awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd place tasting and the best presentation/energy. We had a lot of great silent auction items and fun with our live auction plus it was National Chili Day.



Deb and Lloyd Foster from the Martin Lions Club

The Martin Lions Club were proud to participate in the 2022 Allegan County Community Foundation Peanut Butter Drive by contributing 100 jars of peanut butter. The goal is to distribute peanut butter to 6,000 of our neighbors, co-workers, and friends in Allegan County. Peanut butter is highly nutritious and remains one of the top 3 items requested by our food pantry members. Peanut butter jars will be distributed to 15 of Allegan County pantries: Allegan United Methodist Church, Christian Community Church, Allegan County Food Pantry, Hamilton Christian Reformed Church, Hungry for Christ, Christian Neighbors Plainwell, St. Margaret – St. Vincent DePaul, Martin United Methodist Church, Christian Neighbors Douglas, Ladders of Hope, People Helping People – Pullman, Hopkins United Methodist Church, Christian Neighbors Wayland, Project Hope, Epiphany Lutheran Church.



The Muskegon Northside Lions were excited to give out more mini grants to educators at Reeths Puffer and North Muskegon schools. The last picture shows some of our members holding the check representing \$1868.00 given away this past month. The TOTAL for all grants for the year was \$4,062.00. We were very excited to be able to do this knowing it would be impacting many students in the districts.



It was a fantastic turn out at Maria's fundraiser, a local Sparta resident who needed help with expenses for a cancer surgery. The Sparta Lions Club sold tickets for and provided a dinner which included, BBQ brisket, chicken, kielbasa, cowboy baked beans, coleslaw & roll.



11 C2



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The Gratiot County Lions Clubs got together to host the 14th Gratiot County Lions Clubs Tractor Races. A fun event where the community has fun and raises a little money to support Lion's activities. The Tractor Races are preceded by a dinner. A great crowd of people turned up, estimated about 200 tickets sold. The rules are explained and it's off to the races. Best way to understand it is to see it. Please review the pictures. I was asked so here is one quick explanation. When the roller with a die rolls it and a number 1-6 comes up, the Tractor on that numbered track moves forward one section on the track. The more times the number is rolled the tractor moves. That is why there are only 6 tracks.



Some of the Clubs involved for Gratiot County, Durand, Ovid, Maple Valley and Ashley Lions Club



The winning team from ZFS got to take home the traveling plaque for the coming year. Next year they will have to defend their title.

The Robert Kerr and Bertha Neal Elementary schools collected 301 pairs of glasses, enough to fill a 56qt container! The Bancroft Lioness Lions Club will be announced to the principals of each Elementary which classroom collected the most eyeglasses at each school and they received an ice cream party sponsored by the Shiawassee Leos Club and The Bancroft Lioness Lions Club. The donated glasses will make their way to a Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center where they will be sorted, measured, and cleaned. Glasses that can be used will then be packed and sent on vision mission trips where they will help give the gift of sight to children and adults worldwide! Eyeglass cases will be donated and used to make first aid and hygiene kits for homeless and those in shelters.

Congrats to Mrs. M's preschool class at Berta Neal Elementary for collecting the most eyeglasses! It sure looks like they enjoyed their ice cream party thanks to the Bancroft Lioness Lions Club!



Bellevue Lions Club members, Nancy, Mark, Bob, Terry, Jenn & Joan helped owners of a new Habitat for Humanity house, paint the whole interior of the house. GREAT JOB everyone and a big thank you to all the volunteers.



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The Auburn-Williams Lions Club recently completed a project to aid diabetic type T-1 and T-2 kids in the Bay City School System. The "No Low" Snack Program was chaired by Lion Robin Nelson and her daughter, Lion Heidi Ahler, and was inspired by Nelson's granddaughter, Leah, who is a Type 1 diabetic. The program provided 110 snack bags that contained a carb, a protein, and a juice box for kids in danger of having a "diabetic low" while at school. While some diabetic kids do come to school prepared for such an emergency, for many families with financial hardship it is difficult to send those "extra" snacks to school. A child experiencing a "low" may feel dizzy, clammy, nauseous and may even, in an extreme case, pass out. This can happen when a child has not eaten properly, or is suffering stress (for instance, during test taking), or is simply having a "bad diabetes" day. The club provided snack bags to the four most critical schools in the school system. We look forward to continuing to support T-1 and T-2 kids in the future.



At the Linden Community's 6th Annual Ice Fishing - Chili Cook-off, The Linden Lion's Club served up steaming hot Chili to the cold fishermen and fisherwomen after a great day of fishing. They were all very happy to have their fingers defrost and enjoy the tasty chillis. It's a great time to get to know the businesses and the fantastic people from the community.



The Flushing Lions have been selling Foundation Raffle Tickets with the aid of their Leader Dog puppies. A contribution container is available with the tickets of which we have sold approximately 200 to date. Our member with her leader Dog is helpful as well. The latest Leader Dog Hannah, raised by Kristin

Shively was just placed into service with her new Mom. There are two pictures showing Hannah as a puppy and one with her new master. Lion Kristin has been responsible for over 50 dogs and puppies raised for the program. We also have several other residents of Flushing raising Puppies for the program. Two of them have shown up at the Bueche Supermarket to show the puppy program project to the Community which does wonders for donations.



The Western High School Leo Club members earned a grant by cleaning up around the town of Auburn. Officers Lindsay, Katelynn and Madison presented a check for \$500 to Good Samaritan Rescue Mission of Bay City to use where most needed.



A crew of Bay City Lions put in some work at Bear Lake Camp. After about 20 years Lions Bear Lake Camp cabins needed a total overhaul. Clubs from around the state have been helping tear out carpet and bunks, patch walls and paint 10 cabins. We are proud to support this program and appreciate our community partners! A big thank you to Northeastern Paint Supply Inc and Sherwin-Williams out of Bay City- both donated painting supplies for this project at Lions Bear Lake Camp.



Lion President Dwayne Amman and Lion Treasurer Doris Amman of The Chesaning Lions Club presented \$1,000 donation check to Chesaning Area United Appeal member co-chair Cathy Gross. The Chesaning United Appeal is a philanthropy, voluntarism, and grantmaking foundation in Chesaning, MI whose mission is: To raise funds for community non-profit organizations.



11 D2

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The Marysville Lions Club members continue to serve in their community at Mid-City Nutrition. Vice District Governor Dr. Shawn Whitman works with several other Marysville Lions serving their community, literally. They prepare the dinners to hand out. The club has gotten involved with Mid-City Nutrition organization and providing a hot meal that was on the menu.



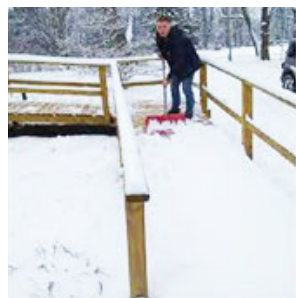
The Elkton Lions Club recently reached a milestone in service to its community: The service organization held its 200th popup food pantry since the pandemic began almost two years ago. The first free distribution was held in March 2020, just a few weeks after the lockdown began and many Upper Thumb residents found themselves out of work. The Elkton Lions wanted to do something to help, and members teamed with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan to organize some free food distributions.



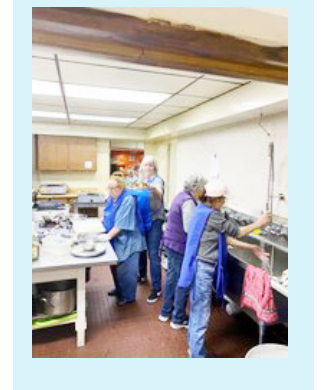
The Ft. Gratiot/Burtchville Lions dedicated their fourth Trex bench to PDG David Eberlein. Lion Dave was the guiding lion and membership chairman helped rebuild this club. Lion Dave with the help of Lion Anita Selby made this small club a viable club. They do so much with so little. This is the fourth bench they have recycled from Trex for their community.



The Emmett Lions packed up holiday food boxes that were delivered to 30 families. While delivering these needed groceries they took time out to shovel the deck. Now that's service.



The Harsens Island Lions Club 2022 Muskrat dinner was a huge success. Everyone said the best. Thank you to all who helped pull this off. The Lioness was such a huge part of a great night!! So many people who went out of their way to help.



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Lion Al Marshall, District E1 Lion of the Month

Lion Al Marshall is a Weidman Lion, a hard-working and valued member of the Weidman Lions Club for 51 years. He has been heavily involved in club fundraisers including Fish Fries, White Cane, Bingo, Light Bulb sales, Broom Sales and most recently, food sales at the Wheatland Music Festival. His excellent carpentry skills have been used in the construction of a concession stand and restroom at the city park, a Santa House, Flag Poles, several benches for the downtown area of Weidman, and a pole barn for the sales activity at Wheatland. That's just a snapshot of Lion Al's dedication to Lions and all he has done as server for 51 years. Congratulations!

God's Helping Hands of Mecosta County received a \$1,000 donation from our small-town club to be used to help provide Christmas dinners to families in our area. We also donated \$200 to a local Christmas drive overseen by one of our members to help provide new gifts to 44 local children and their families. All Lions give of their time, money, and hearts to helping those in need. We give to our community that generously supports us, and that giving stretches for miles.



If your club is looking for a community service project, look no farther than camp!!!! We are in the process of getting our camp ready for the 2022 season. We have many renovations that are needed, and we need Lions assistance in getting the work done prior to April 2022. We have 10 cabins that we are renovating, which includes removing beds, repainting, and installing new carpeting squares. The campers will really appreciate the refresh of the cabins. To meet the schedule, we have set up workdays every Saturday, starting January 15th through March 19th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (EXCLUDING THE WEEK-END OF MARCH 5th)

To sign up, you just need to click on the below link and sign up you and your fellow Lions members. Due to the limited space in the cabins, we are limiting our workers to 8 per day. If possible like if each club could send 1- 2 members to help one day. Questions? Contact Lion Shelly O'Henley 810-837-0119

Michigan Lions Pin Traders would like you to be aware that the Lions International Pin Traders offers an educational scholarship in the amount of \$2,500. This scholarship is intended for the children/grandchildren of Lions, Lionesses, and/or Leo Club members. Applications may be found on the Lions International Pin Traders Website. Applicant must be a graduating senior who has been accepted for admission to an accredited college or institution of higher learning.



DG Bradfield and friends load The Shack onto icy Lake Cadillac. Thanks to District Governor Bill Bradfield, Lions Tim Anderson, Matt Houk and friends Tony, Jason, and Chris, the "Shack" has made its annual debut upon frozen Lake Cadillac! Someone will win \$1,000 in our annual raffle if they can guess when Mother Nature decides to thaw the lake and sink our shack. Ticket sales end February 28, 2022!

March 8th is International Woman's Day and the last couple of years we held a virtual get together, but this year I thought let's have the clubs celebrate the women and men in their clubs, family, and communities. Clubs are having more meetings together so, make sure ALL your Lions feel comfortable at meetings and get to know everyone. During the last couple of years, we have inducted several new Lions, make them feel welcome.

Remember, ALL Lions have a voice, include everyone—New Voices!

All scholarship applications must be processed through a Lions Pin Trading Club or a State/Area Scholarship Committee before submission to the International organization.

Application deadline for Michigan will be March 31, 2022. Send completed application to PDG Peggy Walls, President, Michigan Lion Pin Traders, 13500 215th Ave., Big Rapids, Michigan 49307. Questions, please call: 231-796-2861 or email: walls7@hotmail.com.



11 E2

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Alpena Lions Club welcomed new members. Inductions: (Left to Right): Lions Al Best, Bernie Lamp III, Inductees Dan DeFour, Dwight Olewine, David Baukol, Marilynn Baukol, Lion Jon Emerson, Inductee Pat Rondeau, Vice District Governor Steve Murch



PDG Zeller, left, inducts another new Alpena Lion, Jeff Niemetta, with assistance from VDG Murch



Central Lake Lions Club: IPDG Rod Leathers presents the 2020-2021 Club Excellence Award patch and pin to current President Marie Leathers and Immediate Past President Randy Miller for earning this award during Randy's year as president.



Hybrid meetings have become the new standard during winter months. Club members near and far were able to interact before and during the meeting, and were able to hear PDG Dennis Richardson's inspirational talk on Eversight.



PDG Dennis Richardson



Beaverton High School Leo Club members assisted the local school district in a recent food distribution effort. Several Club members took part in the event as shown in the attached photos



Cheboygan Lions Club: Lion Mark Tamlyn (Secretary) hands Hank Roman, business manager, for the Salvation Army, a check for \$250.00 to help support the Cheboygan community



It was a full house for the Oscoda Lions Club 10th Annual Souper and Bowl Sale, ending in another successful fundraising event. In partnership with Art teacher Jamie Merdzinske, art students created and sold 23 unique bowls, helping them to earn \$1,000 to be donated to the charity of their choice. Homemade soups were provided by the Oscoda Lions Club.



East Jordan Lions Club awarded the milestone Chevron Award to members (left) Linda and (right) Denny Gocha for their 10 years of service. They were recognized for their dedication to the Lions Club and the motto We Serve. The award was given by past District Governor Rod Leathers (center).

Hillman Lions Club assisted the Hillman 5th grade class with a recent project. Club members regularly volunteer in class to help with an art project or host a holiday party and have even brought in someone with a Leader Dog to talk to them about being blind, and how the dog can help them. They provide an age-appropriate bio of Helen Keller every year, and just have fun with the students while increasing awareness of what Lions do. A few years ago, our International guest at our convention asked if there was a service project he could participate in, so we scheduled the art project with the kids during his visit and he and his wife came and helped us and then talked to the kids



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The District Float will be at its new home beginning August 1st. The address is 8543 E 7 mile RD, Big Rapids, 49307. Reservations still need to go through myself, using the form on the District website. The float is available. Whichever Club picks it up is responsible to return it promptly!

Any questions, contact Lion Laura Johnson at 231-250-0537.

Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufacturers. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps., your Zone Chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.

Christmas is a special time for the Barryton Lion's Club! It stands for everything that the Lion's Club means to us, giving to those that need our help. We work throughout the year holding fundraisers so that we can give help when we are called upon. Whether it be college scholarships, hearing aids, glasses, financial assistance or just our time, we are always there to give whenever the need arises.

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Boyer Valley Lions sold out their famous pasties at "Smeltania 2022". Smeltania is a 2-day event, offering a variety of winter fun such as snowshoeing, ice fishing, kid's activities, a polar plunge and many band performances.



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How to Golf for Good!

1. Register by May 6, 2022 to receive your welcome package including instructions, scorecard, golf ball sleeve and exclusive Eversight golf gear. Mail your registration or register online at eversightgolf.givesmart.com.

Registration: \$50 donation per golfer to support Eversight's mission to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation and research.

2. Golf anywhere, anytime between May 26-June 16 and email a photo of your scorecard to philanthropy@eversightvision.org. Golfers are responsible for course fees at their course of choice.
3. Join Eversight virtually June 18th to celebrate the scores, Shared Vision awardees, Best Dressed Team contest winners, and partner awards.

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