# LION PRIDE WE SERVE

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# THANK YOU, MICHIGAN LIONS COUNCIL CHAIR DAVE HILL

Each year we have a group of Lions who volunteer to selflessly provide their time and resources to become District Governors. In this Lion year I believe that MD11 and SD10 have been gifted with the leadership of an exceptional Council of Governors for 2021 and 2022.

**SERVICE** - In the area of service, the Council of Governors has significantly improved the number of clubs reporting service through the coordinated efforts of each District Governor, District Administrator and District GLT. Through their combined efforts they have been able to increase emphasis, training and assistance to clubs with the LCI site. They have established a service reporting infrastructure that has resulted in MD11 exceeding the National Lion average of service

**COMMUNICATION** - In the area of inter-District cooperation and assistance, this Council of Governors has excelled as a team. Using Zoom, this Council met on a weekly or bi-weekly basis to discuss and share information to improve both MD11 and SD10. This Council included Lions from five other States and full-time staff from LCI in many of their Zooms. As a result, we learned from Lions across the United States how to improve in both membership and service. It took extra dedication and time, but this group gave it. The result was a team that knew it could depend on and learn from each other as well as from LCI and Lions from other

MEMBERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP - In the area of membership and leadership, MD11 and SD10 have reported positive growth in every month of their tenure. This Council of Governors established a working relationship with LCI and four other Multiple Districts to locate source experts on social media and targeted advertising. The result was a two-hour social media workshop involving New York, Tennessee, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan Lions. This Council successfully applied for and received a \$3,000 grant from Lions Clubs International to be used for recruiting. Currently, MD11 has a positive membership growth for this Lion year of 159 and SD 10 a positive growth of approximately forty. With the dedication and help of Lions throughout the State of Michigan, this class of District Governors could be the most successful membership class in four decades.

I personally want to thank each of the 2021-2022 District Governors for the privilege of being a member of their team. It has been an honor to serve them. I would like to thank Executive Director Wendy Burns for her superb support, PDG Dave Wineman for his support as our Area LCI leader and Lion Nancy Hill, my bride, for her support and service to the Michigan Lions and this Council Chair. Also, I want to thank our GAT leaders PDG Brent Beracy, CCE Ron Gibson and PDG Matt Doney. First and foremost, I want to thank every Lion in Michigan for your service and dedication to our State and the world. **YOU ARE THE BEST!** 

46th ANNUAL LIONS

In your service, CC Dave Hill





Welcome to Calgary! The USA/Canada Forum is an excellent way to meet Lions, network with the new class of International Directors and get to know Incoming President Sheehan and his wife, Lion Lori.

Registration is now open for this event, to be held September 15-17.

To register, contact the Forum office directly at 605-723-4007 or online at: infor@lionsforum.org.

Check their website for complete schedule and keynote speakers.



# For mail returns see ID statement.

# **UPCOMING**

## **Events:**

#### **JULY 29-30**

Friday, July 29 VDG Training 10am – 4pm Friday July 29 Council Meeting 7pm Sat, July 30 Council Mtg 9am - 3pm Sat, July 30 Hall of Fame Awards Dinner 5pm **Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac** 

#### SEPTEMBER 15-17

**USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum** Calgary, Alberta Canada

#### OCTOBER 7-8

Friday, Oct 7 VDG Training 10am – 4pm Friday Oct 7 Council Mtg 7pm Saturday, Oct 8 Council Mtg 9am – 3pm **Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord** 

#### **NOVEMBER 4-6**

**Lions Leadership Institute** MacMullen Center, Higgins Lake, MI

#### **DECEMBER 2-3**

Friday, Dec 2 VDG Training 10am – 4pm Friday Dec 2 Council Mtg 7pm Sat Dec 3 Council Meeting 9am - 3pm **Holiday Inn Grand Rapids Downtown MI** 

**Council of Governors Mtg & Lions Michigan Forum -Location TBD** Friday, Feb 24 - VDG Training 10am - 4pm Sat, Feb 25 Lions Michigan Forum 8am-3 pm Sat, Feb 25 -Council of Governors Mtg 7pm Sunday, Feb 26 -Council of Governors Mtg 9am - 4pm MI

#### MAY 19 2023

Friday, May 19 Council of Governors Mtg 9am - 12:30pm Friday, May 19 District Governor Elect Mtg 1:30 - 3:30pm May 18-May 20, 2023 MD 11 Convention Muskegon, Michigan

> **Check our website for updates** & additional information www.lionsofmi.com

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# **AWARDS... MD11 CONVENTION**





PDG Dennis Lautzenheizer was awarded the prestigious S.A. Dodge Award by DG Terri Huffman, MD 11 B1, and PIP Joe **Preston** 



PDG Karen Routson, MD 11 C2, is presented with an LCI Certificate of Appreciation for her leadership as the MI **Lions Forum State Chair** 



PDG Dave and Lion Brenda were recognized for their work on the MD 11 Convention



Successful Campaign 100 Leaders, PDG Connie Shelton, PIP Preston, PIDs Jenny Ware and Esther LaMothe



PIP Joe Preston presents PDG Jim Williams with the prestigious S.A. Dodge Award. PDG Williams was nominated by DG Roshni Patel, MD 11 A1.



DG Bill Bradfield, MD 11 D1, is presented with an LCI Certificate of Appreciation for his leadership in organizing and overseeing the D.A.D. grant program



PIP Preston and Governors Huffman and Riebschleger, on behalf of the 2021-2022 **Governors, present Council Chair Dave** Hill with an appreciation award: a gavel that cannot be lost!



Money raised for Campaign totaled \$11,000.00 and a check was presented to PIP **Preston by PDG Connie Shelton, LCIF Chair** 

# AND MORE AWARDS...



An excited PID Jenny Ware presents a **Melvin Jones Fellow to PDG Shirley Kelly** 



PIP Joe Preston presenting awards at the lions of Michigan MD11 convention



**Wood Carver extraordinaire, PDG Dan** Gibbons, created these gifts for the Preston's



**PCC Peggy Allen and Lion Laura Hunt both** received Certificates of Appreciation for their work as Co-Chairs of the Childhood **Cancer Committee** 



PDG Ray Robins was presented a **Certificate of Appreciation for his work as** the State IT Chair



Lion Michelle Turner-White, MD 11 A1 was awarded the Roger LaMothe District





**Muskegon Northside Lions enjoy the Awards Banquet** 



PDG Brent Beracy, **Global Membership** Team Chair



of the following team leaders:

IPDG Terri Huffman, **Global Service Team** Chair



IPDG Roshni Patel, **Global Leadership** Team Chair

#### SPOTLIGHTS <

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR SPOTLIGHT



We are members of the largest service organization in the world.

Community service is unpaid work performed by a person or group of people for the benefit and betterment of their community without any form of compensation. Community Service can be distinct from volunteering since it is not always performed on a voluntary basis and may be compulsory. (WIKIPEDIA)



**DG Terri Huffman** 

I am proud and honored to be the Global Service Team coordination for Michigan Lions this upcoming year. I am excited to see and learn about the different ways Lions are doing service projects throughout the State. I am also looking forward to sharing the service projects that I have facilitated. I look forward to sharing resources to improve existing projects and increase the impact the service has on our communities. We all know that Quality Service projects increases member satisfaction and attracts new members enhanced and the impact on the community much greater.

Part of my responsibilities will also be to enlighten Lions about the benefits of documenting all of the service hours that are completed. By documenting service hours Lions are able to accurately measure the global impact we are making, we can identify the best ways to work together as Lions, we are bringing the great work of the Lions to the attention of our communities and we are making sure clubs are being supported by grants in the best ways possible. When a club calculates their monthly hours it is amazing to see how many hours have been completed throughout their community. Truly something to Brag about.

Identify that service coordinator in your clubs and hook them up with your Districts GST! I look forward to working with all you.

DG Terri Huffman, GST Chair 2022-2023

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR SPOTLIGHT



When I was growing up in Sterling Heights, my mother and father both showed me how to serve others, some ways I did enjoy more than others.

Shoveling snow for 3 older people in the neighborhood did get old pretty fast, along with my mom getting me out there in the cold at 5:30 a.m. so I could get started before anyone else got a chance



**DG Brian Betzhold** 11D2

to was a bit of a head scratcher for me. When I moved out to Metamora and had kids, I tried to pass along the art of giving back. Unfortunately for me, I had two girls that hate the cold and hate shoveling our long driveway, so I'm still out there shoveling!

My daughters became involved in Girl Scouts as well as local school projects. I lived in Metamora for 10 years before I knew about the Lions Club. They'd have breakfast from time to time and would manage the Balloon Festival beer tent, but I really did not know what they did. I volunteered for the schools and of course the Girl Scouts and then one day we were doing a fundraising fish fry for the school and using the Lions Club kitchen. There was a Lion there, (Lion Ralph), sitting in a chair watching us work and I asked him what exactly the Lions did. He gave me a brief overview what causes Lions support. That night changed everything for me. I've thrown myself into the Lions ever since.

I think this is one of our biggest issues.... people not knowing what we are about. They may know one thing, maybe glasses, but I don't think most people know the breadth of our service. How do we combat that? I tell clubs that I look at the world as basically 2 sets of people...those who serve others and those who want to serve others and do not know how. I look at all our members we have in our district, the state, the country and internationally and I realize these are the people that knew they wanted to serve. Everyone else I view as a potential member, a potential donor, and a potential friend to the Lions Club.

Don't be afraid to ASK.....ask someone to be a member, ask someone for a donation, and ask people to support their local clubs as well as Lions Club International. You would be surprised at what people are willing to do to help their local Lions Club, they just never had anyone approach and ask.

I want to thank everyone for a special year. We got off to a rough start, but we persevered like I knew we could. Statewide we are up 260 new Lions, a feat not seen for the past 40 years. Let's keep that going in the next Lions year and continue to inspire our communities.

Yours in Service -District Governor Brian

#### **GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM REPORT**

MD 11 Global Membership Team 2022 – PDG Brent Beracy

I'd like to start by thanking the District GMT's, Council of Governor's, ID Lion Justin and the liaison committee for their support, guidance, leadership, and teamwork throughout the 2021-22 Lions year. This year's stats are on course to break a nearly 40-year membership growth record, a testament to the quality and resourcefulness of Michigan's leader's. That "Never Quit" attitude is certainly one to pass on to our incoming membership teams.



**MD 11 GMT** 2021-2022

Even though this Lions year is not quite over, I'd like to 2021-2022 recognize the continued efforts of all of the district's membership teams; 2021-22's covid pandemic rebound has challenged all of our clubs to find new ways to serve in their own communities and our Lions did not disappoint! In April and May our district's participated in the 60 members in 60 days challenge. EVERY District added new members during the challenge, led by district D1, A1 & A2. This momentum can carry through our upcoming year as we continue to build new community partnerships as well as new clubs.

I'd also like to congratulate District A1 DG Roshni Patel and her team who who are looking to serve in their community. By sharing information about have chartered 1 new club (Detroit Wayne State Community Area) and District grants that are available through LCIF the service projects can be greatly enhanced and the impact on the community much greater.

B1 DG Terri Huffman and her team chartering the Clear Lake Virtual Lions Club. Throughout Michigan there are still a number of potential new clubs just over the horizon. Great work Governors!

The continued hard work of our district teams also shows when we highlight the most important part of our team, YOU, the Lions Clubs of Michigan who have grown your membership 20% or more ushering in a new generation of Lions to serve our communities:

11-A1 Canton +26.32% Detroit Renaissance +67.5% Detroit Weston-Hartford +21.43% HarperWoods/Grosse Pointe Woods +30%

11-A2 Beverly Hills +22.73% (2nd year running) New Baltimore +30.59% (2nd year running)

11-B1 Albion +100% Clark Lake +21.62% Dexter 33.33% Manchester +20% North Adams +25% UofM +100%

11-B2 Lawrence +62.5% Marcellus +36.36%

11-C1 Fruitport +26.09% Hopkins +21.43% Martin +66.67% Middleville +35.71% Nashville +22.22% Rockford +29.63%

11-D1 Auburn Williams +27.91% Chesaning +23.08% Fairgrove +20% Fenton +29.03% Saginaw +92.86% Vassar +42.86%

11-D2 Deerfield +22.22% Applegate +83.33% Metamora Lioness +35.71% Pearl Beach +60% Port Huron Host +22.22%

11-E1 Arcadia +100% Onekama +26.92% Remus +25% Stanwood +25% Traverse City +33.33%

11-E2 Alpena +27.27% Glennie +27.27% Harrisville +52.38% District 10 Bay de Noc +57.89 Ishpeming +20% Newberry +46.15% Perkins +111% Skandia +25% Sugar Island +193.33%

Our DGE's throughout our great state have been diligently planning, team building and goal setting for our next Lions year expecting to carry forward our successes. We're not at the finish line yet, so Michigan Lions, keep up the good work, our communities count on us. Where there's a need, There's a Lion!

Lion Brent

#### **GAYLORD TORNADO**

Gaylord, Michigan was hit with a rare, EF3 tornado in May, causing devastation throughout the community. Two people died and dozens more were injured.

The County Emergency Management in Gaylord has turned over assistance to displaced people to the United Way. Lions in District 11 E2 are coordinating the Lions response with United Way. They have been flooded with donations of food and supplies, and their immediate need is for gift cards. As a district, we applied for a Lions of Michigan Foundation emergency grant of \$7500 with which will we will purchase Wal-Mart or Meijer gift cards.

> These will be distributed to the displaced so they can buy clothing, pot, pans, etc.

We have district funds available as well. The United Way director has requested that we wait about 2 weeks to disburse those when they can see what the needs are then. If your club would like to make a contribution to help with this effort, you can either wait a couple weeks when I will send out more information, or if you would like to do something now, you can send a check made out to Lions District 11-E2, and we will add that to the funds we will be disbursing in a few weeks for the ongoing needs.

In about a month, we will be applying for an LCIF Community Recovery Grant. We can get up to \$20,000 (if approved, of course!) from LCIF which can be used for repairs and refurbishment and other longer term needs.

If you would like to help with the efforts already started by the district, please contact CST Barb Durflinger at: 989-742-2790 or email lionbarb@comdac.com



#### > MIDWEST ALLIANCE NEWS



by PDG Dave Wineman



# What's Your Legacy?

Have you ever sat back and wondered, "What is it that I would like to be remembered for?" It is pretty much a given that we all have at some point or another. It's a question where title or privilege has little to do with outcomes. For instance, if someone asked me to name the long past presidents of the United States it would be a no brainer to list Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, or Roosevelt. I remember each of these people for what they did. Others are not remembered, not because they were lacking the title or privilege, but because they lacked profound actions. Helen Keller is remembered for what she did. Each of these leaders had the unique ability to bring people together. They were uniters. They understood people and did something good with their talent.

So as our Lions year dwindles down, it is time to honor some of this year's uniters. Here is my list. I encourage you to make your very own. And, then thank them. These are Lions that have made a difference to Michigan. CC Dave Hill, well done. You took a vision and

your very own. And, then thank them. These are Lions that have made a difference to Michigan. CC Dave Hill, well done. You took a vision and made it into a reality. MD-GLT Ron Gibson, you took a group of leaders and turned them into our coming years governors. DG's Ron Riebschleger and Jim Svinicki you led your districts in FUN and membership. DG Ron's 11C1 led Michigan in reported service as well. Talk about uniters.

One group of uniters this year must be district 11A1. For those of you who do not know they are the smallest district in the state. Rather than divide or complain about their size, the district did something about it. When they started the year, there were many unanswered questions. But, they worked together to unite their district and produce membership and yield service. And then... Yesterday, just when most of us are winding down for the year, they brought in one of the newest clubs in Michigan, the Michigan Desi Cyber Lions Club. It was a delight to see this group work together to achieve this feat. Uniters and builders on a district level.

Many of us Lions have leaned on the resources and staff of Lions Clubs International this year to address the needs of our districts. It takes a lot to work for so many different leaders, who quite sincerely are demanding. Another example of a group of individuals who have made a difference by being uniters. Thank you LCI staff!

Lion Wendy Burns, our executive director and all around "do darn near everything and make it look effortless". Words do not describe the difference you make. You are more than a uniter. You are the glue that helps hold Michigan together.

A non water winter wonderland state Lion that needs to be honored is PID Jerome Thompson. Many Lions and leaders in Michigan have had the pleasure of working with him. How PID Jerome finds the time is rather a mystery to me. He does, and it has made a huge difference to the area (United States). His patience and encouragement are exemplary. Recently, he is engaged in establishing a Quest/DEA club in the state.

Michigan has had a bounty of International Directors that have been uniters and builders. Having seen other states and how they operate, rest assured that our group of PIDs are both great leaders and uniters. We have been blessed with some of the best of the best.

Did you miss your name on the list? Truly there are many that belong on this list that are beyond this article. The neat thing is that they are there through their service and accomplishments. They gave their all as a Lion. They were inviting to the public and other Lions. They were uniters and could see the difference that it made to those around them. It has been a pleasure to work with all the uniters and builders this past year. And...

As we embark on a new year, let's build the teams that distinguish our great Lions organization. Teams that unite rather than divide. Teams that serve (and report it, haha...) and better those around us. Teams that make a difference.

Bring on the new Lions year! We got this.

Cheers!

Dave Wineman

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# **2022 LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**



# NOVEMBER 4-6, 2022

#### **GREAT LEADERS ARE MADE IN MICHIGAN!**

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. Participants will gain leadership tools and confidence which may be helpful to improve Michigan Lionism and gain skills that may be applied to their job and personal life.

The training will be held at R.A. MacMullan Center, 104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653.



WATCH FOR REGISTRATION FORM COMING SOON!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS <**

# LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP Introducing Interim Director Lion Traci Tribley!





April 18th, 2022

## INTRODUCING INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LION TRACI TRIBLEY

Dear Lions, Friends, Family, and Supporters of Lions Bear Lake Camp,

I would like to introduce myself to you as the new Interim Executive Director for Lions Bear Lake Camp, and take the opportunity to thank Shelly O'Henley for all she has accomplished for the camp and wish her luck in her new endeavors.

Professionally, I have a background of 20+ years in management and customer driven consulting experience. I have been involved in Lions for over 17 years, and I am the current Vice District Governor of District 11-C2. I am the State Chair and District Chair for Lions Bear Lake Camp, as well as District Leo Club Advisor. I am a 2021 Lions University Bachelors Graduate and am on the path to receiving my Lions University Masters in Calgary this fall.

I began volunteering at Lions Bear Lake Camp when I first joined Lions, and found the camp to be a passion of mine from the beginning. I joined the Board of Directors and Executive Board in 2017, and have served as secretary for both, as well as HR Committee Chair, Finance Committee member, and Board Development Committee member. Last summer I had the privilege of working in the kitchen during camp season, which gave me the opportunity to build relationships with the staff as well as experience camp firsthand.

My husband Tim and I reside in Bancroft, MI and have raised 5 amazing children and are blessed with 13 beautiful grandchildren. Our kids and grandkids are all very involved in both Lions and Leos, and enjoy helping and serving others.

Whether through Girl Scouts, 4H, or the Leo Club, I have always had a strong devotion towards mentoring and supporting youth to develop leadership and life skills. I am excited and honored to take on this new role and look forward to a great summer and camp season. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you have. I appreciate all of your continued support and dedication to Lions Bear Lake Camp.

Gratefully,

#### **Lion Traci Tribley**

Interim Executive Director

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# LMASB CHARITIES, INC. LIONS ALL STATE BAND LMASB CEO ANNOUNCEMENT

Introducing Lions of Michigan All State Band's new CEO – Lion Deb Davis

Hello fellow Lions, friends, and supporters of the Lions of Michigan All State Band...

Please allow me to introduce myself as the new CEO of the Lions of Michigan All State Band and to thank Lion Becky Dahlke for her many years of devotion and service to the band. Her long-term commitment was an inspiration and a true sign of dedication to the band's mission.

My professional background includes a 25+ year career at Paws With A Cause in fundraising, marketing and public relations. In my position at PAWS, I worked with the Lions of Michigan, numerous Lions Clubs within Michigan and around the country in their support of Assistance Dog placements. Lions Club members always impressed me with their passion for service, so I became a proud member of the Rockford Lions Club in District 11-C-1 in 2013.

My Lions service has included the roles of Cabinet Secretary (previous and incoming), District Convention Chair, MD11 Convention Committee Member, District Projects Night Chair and District Zone Chair. I have attended the Lions Leadership Institute for two years.

As for musical experience, I played clarinet in our high school band and was a 4-year member of the Marching Chippewas at Central Michigan University. I have worked at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp as well. Music and band have been strong components of my educational experience. The friendships and leadership experiences gained through band are part of who I am today.

My duties for the LMASB will include helping to recruit musicians, plan their travel and promote the band in all Lions Forums, including a new website for the band! (Stay tuned for details!)

I look forward to working with all Lions and the Board of the Directors of the Lions of Michigan All-State Band as we look forward to the International Lions Convention in Boston in 2023. We invite our fellow Lions to watch our progress as we look to strengthen the organization through increased communication in forming the 2023 band.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting the Lions of Michigan All State Band.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Deb Davis debdavisrockford@gmail.com



#### Serve the Environment from the Comfort of Your own Home

Now that the snow has melted, and the possibility of frost fades, gardening season begins in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. District10 Lions are feeding both their indoor and outdoor plants with homegrown compost. We all can serve the environment by becoming worm farmers. It is the season to plant our vegetable, flower, and pollinator gardens. Whether you have started your seeds in your own greenhouse, sprouted your seeds in a sunny window, or choose to buy your plants at a local garden center, planting a garden, container pot, hanging basket, or window box is good for our planet.

You can nourish your plantings by adding your own vermicompost, watering your plantings with worm tea, and amending your soil with worms you have raised on your kitchen fruit and vegetable waste. Additionally, you can repurpose your old newspapers and non-glossy paper junk mail by using it as the moistened paper you will need in your worm bin!

To become a worm farmer, you will need two plastic totes with holes drilled in the bottom and lid of one of the totes. Simply fill one tote with clean dirt and get yourself a pound of worms. Red wrigglers, commonly used for bait fishing are the recommended choice and can be purchased at your local sporting goods shop, fishing supply, and often at gas stations near fishing

lakes and streams. Worms can also be purchased off the internet or from an active worm farmer in your community. One pound of Red Wrigglers is all you need to start your worm farm. Simply put the worms in the tote filled with the dirt, moisten the soil, add shredded paper, and feed them regularly with clean fruit and vegetable waste. Vegetable peels, wilted lettuce, limp celery, rubbery carrots, onion skins, coffee grounds, banana peels, melon rinds, apple cores, and the seeds and ends of vegetables you might have once discarded, now can go to feed your worm farm.

Worm farming is fun to do as a family, with your grandchildren, or as a group service project. Your worm farm will create vermicompost and worm tea which you can use to water your plants and garden.

For step-by-step instructions from the Environmental Protection Agency website go to, www.epa.gov.



#### > SPECIAL OLYMPICS NEWS

### **SPECIAL OLYMPICS UNIFIED CUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

#### MICHIGAN LIONS AND SPECIAL OLYMPICS UNIFIED CUP 2022

The Lions of Michigan have been asked to fill volunteer positions for this year's 2022 Unified Cup, taking place at various locations in Detroit and the surrounding area. Volunteers make the Unified Cup possible by furthering the mission of opportunity for all. Volunteers play a critical role in providing an outstanding experience for the athletes, families, and spectators. We appreciate you giving your time, talent, and commitment to making this the best Unified Cup ever!

#### **VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**

- Volunteers must be 16 years of age by July 30, 2022
- Have your own email address & mobile phone number for registration.
- Individual Adult & individual Minor volunteers will sign up for a minimum of two (2) shifts when the shift selection site opens (June 2022).
- Everyone must follow all health, safety, venue operating guidelines and Volunteer Code of Conduct.
- Volunteers are asked to be vaccinated for COVID-19 and may be required to present proof of vaccination prior to volunteering.
- Some volunteer roles will require a background check and/or motor vehicle driving record check. These positions may require a separate registration and additional training
- Complete required training and orientation before receiving your credential, games-issued items, and volunteering.
- Please show up if you sign up. The athletes and your fellow volunteers are counting on you!
- Add volunteerunifiedcup@somi.org to your email contacts to ensure you receive Unified Cup updates and scheduling information.

#### **ADULT Volunteers:**

- Must be a minimum of 18 years of age at the time of registration.
- Will electronically sign a 2022 Special Olympics Unified Cup Adult Waiver.

#### **MINOR Volunteers:**

- Must be a minimum of 16 years of age.
- 16-17 years old must have a parent or legal guardian complete the Minor Registration.
- Have a parent or legal guardian of the minor or ward, complete the required 2022 Special Olympics Unified Cup Minor Waiver.

#### **VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION & SHIFT SELECTION:**

March 2022 – People interested in volunteering can register by creating an account in the Volunteer Management System.

June - July 2022 – Individual volunteers will begin to select their shifts.

Mid-July 2022 – Volunteer orientation sessions. Details provided at a later date.

July 28 – August 7 – Volunteer shifts at various Unified Cup locations.

#### FAQ'S

#### WHERE WILL EVENTS FOR THE 2022 UNIFIED CUP BE HELD?

The 2022 Special Olympics Unified Cup will take place at various venues around metro Detroit. Volunteers will be needed at the following locations:

- Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center: Detroit, MI
- The Corner Ballpark: Detroit, MI
- Schoolcraft College: Livonia, MI
- Keyworth Stadium: Hamtramck, MI

#### WILL TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING BE INCLUDED?

- Transportation to volunteer locations is not included
- Parking at volunteer locations will be provided (details to be shared at a later date)

#### WHAT DO VOLUNTEERS RECEIVE?

Volunteers will receive:

- Unified Cup Volunteer T-Shirt
- Unified Cup Souvenir Credential
- Unified Cup Cap
- Complimentary food, snacks and drinks based on scheduled volunteer and shift times

To ensure you receive updates and information, please add the 2022 Unified Cup volunteers email address to your email contacts: volunteerunifiedcup@somi.org.

Policies, information, and schedules are subject to change at the discretion of the 2022 Unified Cup Organizing Committee.





## Signup here for General Volunteer Website: https://www.specialolympics.org/unified-cup-2022

#### Hotel Welcome/Info Desk - Description

Serve as greeters at host hotels, provide transportation information, assist with event information and other general duties.

#### **Delegation Services/Info. Table - Description**

Serve as greeters at venues, provide transportation information, assist with venue information and other general duties

#### **Honored Guest Lounge - Description**

Serve as greeters for Honored Guests at venues, provide information, assist with venue information and monitor credentials.

#### Honored Guest Welcome Center - Description

Assist at the Honored Guest/Family Welcome Center.

#### Volunteer Check-In - Description

Working at volunteer check-in table assisting with checking-in volunteers, providing details to volunteers on their responsibilities for the day and distributing volunteer uniforms.

#### **General Office Assistance - Description**

Assisting as needed in event operations office, making copies, organizing materials, supplies and other general office duties.

#### **Game Volunteers**

#### Game Operations Volunteers - Description

This is for those interested in working game operations, including timekeeping, scorekeeping, ball retrievers, etc. <u>These positions require some knowledge of soccerand will require an all day commitment for that days matches.</u>

#### **Locker Room Attendant - Description**

Lead teams to and from field/locker room. Remove athlete belongings from locker room and bring them to the field. Clean locker room between uses for next team to use.

#### Scorekeeper - Description

Keep track of match score on both scoreboard and paper score sheet during competition. <u>Some soccer knowledge required to perform this position.</u>

#### Timekeeper - Description

Keep track of match time during competition. <u>Some soccer knowledge required to perform this position.</u>

#### Ball Retriever - Description

Run the sidelines during each match with extra game balls, throwing them back into play when a ball goes too far out of bounds, then chasing down the fall and returning to the sidelines.

#### Healthy Athletes Volunteers - Description

Select this to Volunteer to assist with the Healthy Athletes Program at Schoolcraft College.

#### Healthy Athlete Guide - Description

Assist with checking athletes in upon arrival and escorting them through to each Healthy Athlete discipline.

#### Healthy Athlete Check-In - Description

Enter athletes' health screening form into the online data entry platform.

#### Transportation Volunteers - Description

Assist with various transportation duties, including Bus Monitors and Courtesy Car Drivers. <u>Courtesy Car Drivers will be required to submit drivers license information for records check.</u>

#### Bus Monitor at Ren Cen - Description

Assist with transportation operations, including helping direct guests to shuttle buses, helping manage loading and unloading of shuttles and providing general transportation information.

#### **Courtesy Car Driver - Description**

Serve as driver for various attendees using sponsor provided vehicles. Driving may include to/from airport, venues, and other events. This position will require a background check to verify license to operate a motor vehicle.





#### **USA/CANADALCICON 202**

# 46th ANNUAL LIONS USA CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM





Welcome to Calgary! The USA/Canada Forum is an excellent way to meet Lions, network with the new class of International Directors and get to know Incoming President Sheehan and his wife, Lion Lori.

Registration is now open for this event, to be held September 15-17.

To register, contact the Forum office directly at 605-723-4007 or online at: infor@lionsforum.org.

Check their website for complete schedule and keynote speakers.



#### **WE SERVE!**



Several of the State Chairperson terms will expire June 30, 2022. While many have been filled, a few open positions remain.

All interested Lions are asked to contact Executive Director Wendy Burns, wburns@lionsofmi.com for further information.

Lions of Michigan State Committees
Childhood Cancer - Expires 6/30/22Childhood 22
Eversight — Expires 6/30/22
Lions Quest — Expires 6/30/22
Youth Exchange — Expires 6/30/22

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#### **EVENTS - DATES TO REMEMBER!**

#### July 29-30, 2022

Friday, July 29 VDG Training 10 am – 4 pm Friday July 29 Council Meeting 7:00 pm Saturday, July 30 Council Meeting 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Saturday, July 30 Hall of Fame Awards Dinner 5:00 pm Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

#### September 15-17

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Calgary, Alberta Canada

#### October 7-8, 2022

Friday, October 7 VDG Training 10 am – 4 pm Friday October 7 Council Meeting 7:00 pm Saturday, October 8 Council Meeting 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

#### Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord November 4-6, 2022

Lions Leadership Institute

MacMullen Center, Higgins Lake, MI

December 2-3, 2022

Friday, December 2 VDG Training 10 am – 4 pm
Friday December 2 Council Meeting 7:00 pm
Saturday, December 3 Council Meeting 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Holiday Inn Grand Rapids Downtown

#### February 24-26, 2023

Council of Governors Meeting &
Lions Michigan Forum -Location TBD
Friday, February 24 - VDG Training 10:00 – 4:00
Saturday, February 25 – Lions Michigan Forum 8:30 am – 3:00 pm
Saturday, February 25 -Council of Governors Meeting 7:00 pm
Sunday, February 26 -

Council of Governors Meeting 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

#### May 19, 2023

Friday, May 19 Council of Governors Meeting 9:00 am – 12:30 pm Friday, May 19 District Governor Elect Meeting 1:30 – 3:30 pm

#### May 18-May 20, 2023

MD 11 Convention Muskegon, Michigan

July 7-1, 2023

LCI Convention

Boston, MA

September 14-16, 2023

USA/Canada Forum Reno, NV

# THANK YOU, MD 11 CONVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE!

If you attended the convention, it would have been difficult to miss the hardworking Lions in the yellow shirts who served with a passion this year on the Convention Planning Committee. This group has met monthly since last September to plan out every detail, from the picnic location to the Awards Banquet and everything in between.

Thank you to all for making 2022 our best convention yet!

PDG Evelyn Cooper, A1
PDG Connie Shelton A2
DG Terri Huffman B1
CC Dave Hill B1
PCC Jeff Mayuiers B2
DEG Julie Mayuiers B2
PCC Donald Brown B2
Lion Deb Davis C1
Lion Richard Foust C2
PDG Becky Hamilton C2
PDG Bob Sturgis D1
DGE Jackie Glazier E1
PDG Bob Gingerich E2
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Co-Chairs PDG Dave Hacker and Lion Brenda Hacker D2



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# MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION MAY 19-21 2022

# GROWING TO



**HAPPY LIONS AT THE PICNIC** 



CONVENTION CO-CHAIR PDG DAVID HACKER WELCOMES THE PRESTON'S TO THE CONVENTION



IT WAS A FULL HOUSE FOR THE BREAKFAST PRIOR TO THE BUSINESS SESSION



REGISTRATION CREW PDG SHIRLEY KELLY, LION EMILY TIPTON AND PDG EVELYN COOPER



**C2 LION LEADERS** 



IMMEDIATE PAST COUNCIL CHAIR JEFF
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OUTSTANDING DISTRICT GOVERNOR AWARDS
TO PDG/DGE JULIE MAYUIERS, B2; DG KURT
STROMLUND, C2; DG DAVID WILBERT, A1



LCI GAT CHAIRPERSON MEDALS WERE AWARDED BY CC DAVE HILL ON BEHALF OF PIP KJ HABANANANDA. THIS WAS AWARD WAS GIVEN IN APPRECIATION OF THEIR EXEMPLARY ACHIEVEMENTS THIS LIONS YEAR. THIS AWAR IS AN ACCOMPLISHMENT ATTAINED BY LESS THAN 1% OF ALL LIONS WORLDWIDE EACH YEAR, AND IT SHOWS HOW THEIR HARD WORK AND DETERMINATION HAVE TRULY CREATED AN IMPACT.



**PIP PRESTON ADDRESSES THE** 

COUNCIL

PIP JOE AND LION JONI PLAYING FOR THE CROWD AT THE PICNIC



GONG SHOW HOST DG RON RIEBSCHLEGER AND JUDGE PHYLLIS DILLER



THE MAN BEHIND THE MAGIC, PDG DAVE HACKER, CONVENTION CO-CHAIR



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GONG SHOW CONTESTANTS, PIP JOE AND LION JONI PRESTON



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#### **GROWING TOGETHER <**

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



**COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS FINAL MEETING OF THE YEAR** 



GROOVING!
PHYLLIS, JANIS AND WENDY



DG RON REIBSCHLEGER IS ALL BUSINESS AT THE MD 11 ANNUAL BUSINESS SESSION



LION SUSAN GIGLIO AND LION LINDY WINEMAN HARD AT WORK ORGANIZING CONVENTION DETAILS



D.A.D. GRANT APPRECIATION CERTIFICATES WENT TO THE KIDNEY FOUNDATION AND MSU EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVES



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DG TERRI HUFFMAN & LION TRACI RIEBSCHLEGER ARE FEELING THE LOVE



LMASB STATE CHAIR TOM MACNAUGHTON AND LION MILA PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE BAND TO ATTENDEES AT THE CONVENTION IN THE EXHIBIT HALL



**JUDGES AT THE GOON SHOW** 



GROOVY GOVERNOR TRACY



FLASHBACK 70'S!



LORS!

**CONVENTION FUN AND GONG SHOW PARTY** 

# Lions of Michigan HALL OF FAME

The Lions of Michigan Foundation officially opened the **LIONS OF MICHIGAN HALL OF FAME** on July 25, 2009 to begin celebrating the rich history that Michigan Lions have at all levels of our association - local, state, district and international. The goal of the Hall of Fame is to keep alive the memory of our great leaders and to document their service so that Lions in the present and future can share a sense of the service that our great state has given to our association. Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than March 1 of each year.

The 2022 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 13th Annual, will be held on Saturday, July 30, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Marriott Hotel in Auburn Hills, Michigan. Lodging is \$120.00 plus tax per night for a standard guest room. Lodging reservations can be made by contacting the Lions of Michigan State Office at 517-887-6640 - info@lmsf.net.

# NGRATULATIONS 22 INDUCT

PCC & PST Donald Schmaltz - 11-A1 PCC LINDA TATE – 11-A1 PDG JAMES WILLIAMS – 11-A1 PCS ED WEESSIES – 11-C1 PCC EUGENE STAELENS - 11-C2 IPID JUSTIN FABER – 11-D2 PDG PAM SCHROEDER – 11-E1

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**DEADLINE:** July 1, 2022

#### **REGION NEWS <**



11 A1

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



District A1 Lions and friends enjoy a moment together at the MD 11 Lions Convention in Auburn Hills.









Congratulations to District Michelle Editor Turner-White. Lion Michelle is the recipient of the 2021-2011 Roger LaMothe District Editor Award, presented by Council Chair Dave Hill and PIP Joe Preston

Detroit Renaissance held a pig roast at the Jefferson Yacht Club, raising money to benefit their service projects in the community. What a great summer event for a great cause!











LIONS CLUB DISTRICT SERVICE PROJECT- Kids Collation Against

You helped us pack and distribute 25,284 meals to more than 18 different Food Pantries and Soup Kitchens that feed our District's hungry. Many thanks to the clubs that us successfully meet our goals:

Bedford Township, Brownstown, Canton, Dearborn Heights, Detroit Mid City, Detroit Northwest, Detroit Renaissance, Detroit Westtown Hartford, Ecorse, Greater Metro Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods, Lincoln Park, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Rockwood, U of M Dearborn, Wayne, Westland and



Entertainment, Kids Events, Leader Dogs and Griffin Claw Brewing Company made for another successful Leader Dogs for the Blind event!



Cinco de Mayo Parade 2022 Southwest Detroit Today the Lions and volunteers

participated in the Cinco de Mayo parade showing our Lion Pride. Cinco de Mayo is a Mexican celebration of victory over French forces at the Battle of Puebla, on May



A1 Lions volunteered at Leader Dog's "Bark and Brew" event, including new members Lions Al & Geri Boswell...jumped right in to serve at Bark & Brew

A new podcast to support Lions club events, promote and bring more awareness to the Lions Club International... see Lion Michelle White (248) 238-4863, to share your information, or come on the podcast. Please send any financial support to cash app: \$MichelleRWhite

Bedford Township Lions Club awarded 13 scholarships to local High School students this year. All thirteen students received a \$2,000 scholarship, and increase of \$500 over past years thanks to White Cane sales and sales from the Lions Den resale shop, located in Temperance.



#### 11 A2

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



District 11-A2 Governor Leach and his family joined members of the Royal Oak Lions Club to clean up Lions Club Park in preparation for the summer season.



The Romeo Lions Club spent the day on April 22 at the Skyline Camp and Retreat Center in Almont assisting with readying the cabins for the season and with installing a French drainage system. Pictured here are Lion Richelle Lucero, Romeo Lions Club President Jamie Lucero, and Lion Larry Rekar



The Lake Orion Lions Club held their 6th Annual Lions Races on May 7 at the Boulder Pointe Golf Club . A light dinner and bar accompanied an evening of racing, wagering and fun. Local businesses and groups sponsored lions for the competition and the Best Dressed Lion Award went to the Orion Veteran's Memorial.



The Romeo Lions Club held a White Cane Euchre Tournament on April 9. Attendees enjoyed a nice dinner and participated in several raffles featuring prizes donated by local businesses. The money raised was earmarked for Leader Dogs for the Blind.



Along with lion racing, several raffles and a square raffle were offered. Tim English is shown here making his square selection.



Kathy Bourlier and the other Sterling Heights Lioness/Lion Club Branch members have been making cards to send to the CARD FOR SOLDIERS Program. This program gives all occasion cards to the military here at the USA bases, hospitals and also abroad at The USO facilities. Since COVID started The SHLLCB main focus has

been on signing cards to thank them for their Service (1500) and Christmas cards (3000). These cards help boost their moral so they know the people at home appreciate ALL they do to protect our FREEDOM.



Lake Orion Lions (from I to r) Werner Siegle, Wendy Siegle, Barb English and Angela Boomer are shown here manning the registration table.



marched in their city's annual Memorial Day Parade. Shown here from L to R are Lions Maureen Kennedy and Cindi Wells carrying the club banner with President Bob Westbury, a Viet Nam veteran, carrying the American Flag. Behind them are Lions Laura Mastracci in the lion suit and Lion Karen Burke with service dog Minkey.





The Troy Community Lions gave out "Heart of a Lion" awards to 2 sisters, Shivani and Sridevi Swaminathan for collecting used eyeglasses at their Troy schools. Shivani collected glasses at Wass Elementary School and Sridevi collected glasses at the International Academy Pictured East. with the students is Lion Bill Gelement who manages 12 eyeglass collection box sites in Troy. The Troy Community Lions typically recycle over 4,000 glasses annually



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#### 2021-2022 District Goals



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Kids Kicking Cancer: Kids Kicking Cancer's mission is to ease the pain of very sick children while empowering them to heal physically, spiritually, and emotionally. The services provided are free to the children and their families.

The upcoming fundraiser for the year will be the 5th Annual Golf Outing and Dinner, July 25, 2922 at Knollwood Country Club. You may not be a golfer but you can support the fundraising effort with a donation. Send checks to Kids Kicking Cancer, 27600 Northwestern Highway Suite 220, Southfield, Mi. 48034. For more information regarding the event call 248-864-8238 or email golf@kidskicking

If you would like to volunteer at this event contact Lion Phyllis Turner at 2488902227 or psturner@ sbcglobal.net

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#### 11 B1

DG Terri Huffman
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B1 Lions gathered at Vandercook Lake High School for Spring Leadership Training organized by Roger Bosse, Cathy Koning, and team. Many thanks to the Lions who stepped up to be trainers, those who took the time to be learners, the senior students who helped with technology, and the Vandercook Lions who served dinner. Building a stronger district... together!



LionsRoger Bosse and Dick Saxton lead the way



our district membership's Facebookgroupnamed, "Lions Members of District 11-B1" https://www.facebook.com/ groups/164726954206924/

Also available on CD or USB drive by request to Cathy Koning, cathykoning@yahoo.com

Adrian Breakfast Lions have been living up to the Lions motto "We Serve" by donating \$850 back to the community in April. \$400 was donated to the Adrian Area Little League making it nearly 50 consecutive years the club has been a sponsor. This makes the club one of the longest continuing sponsors for the program. \$100 was donated to the Adrian High School After Prom Party providing a safe and fun event for students. \$300 covered the cost of a hearing aid fitting for a local resident, while \$50 was donated to Leader Dog to help in their matching funds campaign. In addition, the club membership has begun planning for their annual radio auction slated for October 22nd.



Cereal City Lions Red O'Leary, Teresa Gest, Bob Harvey help out during the White Cane fundraiser.



ANN ARBOR EVENING Club members recently participated in White Cane Days, District Convention, and Bear Lake Camp Cleanup. Making pulling weeds look FUN!



Bedford Lions have recently welcomed new members (installed by PDG Roger Spriggs) and held a Chicken BBQ fundraiser. It's looking like 2022-23 is going to be a good year!



Lion Carol Downton recently represented Ann Arbor Host Lions at Visions 2022. Her table featured information on Project KidSight, eyeglass donations, white cane, Lions mints, the sensory garden at Liberty Plaza, and membership applications.

The 2022 VISIONS Vendor Fair featured a variety of exhibitors who demonstrated the latest products and services for the blind, visually impaired, and physically disabled. Electronic readers, magnifiers, support services, Braille devices, library services, CCTVs, leader dogs, and transportation services. This event is presented byWashtenaw Library for the Blind and Print Disabled and is co-sponsored by the State of Michigan's Bureau of Services for Blind Persons.

Hanover-Horton Lions believe that life, people, and events are all what we make of them so bring on the party that is Bingo 2022! They made the best of it and can't wait to do it all again! Cascade Lions Arthur Turner and Johncie Turner used the KidSight camera to screen preschoolers. All 19 children passed with good eye sight tests.

Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club is roaring about Lion Carolyn Verbecken who is the Chair for the clothes and paper product collection for Northeast Elementary. She collects donations from members, goes to garage sales, then washes everything and delivers with the help of her husband and member John Verbecken. Thank you to Shawne Lige who made a very large donation of clothes.



Lions Hope and Scott Swank (center) pictured with Peggy Allen (left) and Laura Hunt (right)

Two hundred and twenty-five pillowcases, sufficient to cover the entire camping season of Beaumont Hospital's Camp Quality (for pediatric cancer), were carried to the convention by Hope and Scott. This is their first Multiple District convention and they have not had an opportunity to meet many Lions from other Districts before, so they certainly jumped into the deep end - and loved every minute of it! Hope and Scott agreed to deliver the pillowcases the club produced for Camp Quality to the MD-11



Karl Sorrick Award - Club of the Year - Battle Creek Cereal City - Congratulations! Club President Teresa Gest, District Governor Terri Huffman, Past International Director Anne Smarsh



Cereal Festival promoting Lions and Project KidSight! Hanover-Horton Lions believe

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11 R2

DG Karol Chopp
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The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their White Cane Fundraiser in June and July. This was another very successful event due to the continued generosity of our two communities and the many Lion volunteers. Thanks to all who continue to support our Lions "We Serve" mission!



The Buchanan Leo's Club sold Red Bud Tree starter kits at the Buchanan Farmer's Market on May 7th. They also had a collection donation cane for the Lions White Cane Drive going on that same morning. The trees are a popular item each year and the Leo's still have some trees available for anyone interested. Great job Leo's and club advisors Lions Brian Fisher and Alice Kring for another successful event!



The Lakeshore Lions Club is pleased to announce Hailey Hentz as this year's scholarship winner. Hailey impressed us with her essay and work experience showing that she's already made contributions in the area of her college major; journalism.





The Paw Paw Lions club participated in White Cane on May 21 & 22. We stood outside of Walmart and Family Fare in Paw Paw. We were helped by some of our Middle School Leos as well



Sturgis Lions Club presented checks to its two scholarship winners, Katie Strawser and Eathan Klar. Both are planning to attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Katie has not yet decided on a course of study but Eathan has his sights set on Aeronautical Engineering. The checks were presented by the Scholarship Committee members, Harlan Blood, Kay Large, and Ron Laffler.



White Cane Day was held at Walmart on May 21st. In spite of cloudbursts and thunder which cancelled our first shift, the day went well. Thank you to our Sturgis neighbors who contributed so generously!!





Members Lou Ann Cox and Julie Kennard recently visited a Leo Club meeting where they demonstrated how plastic grocery bags are cut into strips and crocheted or woven into mats or tote bags for homeless persons. Lion members (and faculty advisor) Amy McAllister is shown with Leo members trying out their skills. Leo members are collecting bags to further this community project.



MD 11 Lions Convention in Auburn Hills

L-R: ZC Dan Chopp, DG Karol Chopp, CCE Ron Gibson, PDG Fran and CS Tammie Grabowski, PCC Jeff and DGE Julie Mayuiers

Two Paw Paw members participated in the MD 11 Convention in Auburn Hills. PDG Fran and CS Tammie Grabowski were feeling groovy at the Friday night party and CS Tammie participated in the Gong Show with PCC Jeff Mayuiers of Three Rivers. It was a lot of fun and we had the chance to work alongside PIP Joe and Lion Joni Preston doing projects and learning from others.



# **CLUB**

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Manchester Lions Club inducted new member Sharon Jones into the Manchester club. Sharon was a long time member of Kiwanis and will help serve our community and the club. Her sponsor is PCC Barry Allen.

Congratulations to the Manchester Lions Club for earning their community's Best of 2022 in the Non-Profit Organization division. Their constant presence with their resale store, Worth Repeating, on main street and their donating to community services is obviously much appreciated!

much appreciated!
Jackson Diabetes Service Lions
participated in the 24th JDRF Wall
In Jackson recently and hosted
the KidSight trailer. They handed
out water bottles and sharps
containers. It has been deemed an
awesome success!
Dexter Lions provided a commercial

Dexter Lions provided a commercial refrigerator, commercial freezer, and bedding for the apartments for Faith in Action. The Lions of Michigan Foundation provided additional funds which was used to supply furnishings for Hilltop View Apartments. Hilltop View Apartments provides housing for veterans and financially insecure families. Lion Dick Dettling and his wife Shawn spearheaded the Lions

effort to support the new food pantry and Hilltop project! Ann Arbor Host Lions recently held a

Zingerman's Bakehouse Bakel fundraiser. They attended virtual instruction on how to make two different types of their signature scones: Lemon scones and Country scones - Sweet and savory! Clinton Lions recently held a Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness. Mary Lou reported at their club meeting that it was a successful fundraiser, raising about \$3000 to support their community service projects.

service projects.

Napoleon is hosting a golf scramble to support their community service projects

Jen Stowell is the Lion of the Year for Tekonsha Lions. She has been a member for five very active years, starting our new highway cleanup project and helping with many fundraisers. She helps her community in many ways, including giving blood, plasma, and platelets as often as they will let her. She also helps with the annual Relay for Life.



District 11 B2 has a new Facebook page (11 B2 Lions). Like and follow this page for all new of 11 B2. If you want items posted on the Facebook page, please send them to Lion Tammie Grabowski at cheftammie@gmail.com



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#### 11 C1

DG Ron Riebschleger
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2022 Convention: Service it is what we do best!

The Lions who attended the District 11-C1 District Convention had opportunity to participate in two service projects. Since service is what we do best, the planning committee endorsed doing simulations projects. Set-up for the projects was done by the planning committee the evening before. Using an assemble line method, the Lions were eager to participate. After obtaining a galloon size zip lock bag, one of each of the items were placed in each kit. Since many hands make light work, the actual assemble line took less than 20 minutes.

Hygiene Kits: Deb Davis was able to identify an unmet need at North Kent Connect. The agency was in need of items that are rarely if ever donated for their clients. The item in a hygiene kit included: sunscreen, band aids, nail clippers, anti-itch medicine, Motrin, and deodorant. The Lions assembled 150 kits for distribution to their clients. The cost of this project was approximately \$6 per kit.

Kids Snack Bags: An ongoing need through out the district is snacks for children. Many children who are on the free or reduced lunch program or whose families use local food pantries often only get the basics and nothing more. The snack bags included: fruit snacks, granola bars, cheese-its, Rice Krispie treats, pretzels, and teddy grams. The cost of the project was approximately \$2 per kit. A total of 250 kits were made. The distribution site included 2 mobile food pantries, Safe Haven (Domestic Violence Shelter), and a homeless



Ravenna Lions held their Senior Citizen Dinner on June 1st. They had 90 seniors in attendance and served a delicious meal at no charge for them! The weather was beautiful and they gave away twenty 10-inch flowering pots as door prizes to the lucky winners.





President Harold Woodard, Lansing TV anchorwoman Sheri Jones and Lion Bruce Jones



Muskegon Northside Lions presented more mini grants to the educators at Reeths -Puffer and North Muskegon schools. This presentation was for \$1868 which now makes the total for all grants for the year \$4062.00. The Muskegon Northside Lions were very proud and excited to present these grants; knowing it will be impacting many students in their local school districts!





Muskegon Northside Lions now working on yet another great community project! This will make it the 4th playground equipment that they have helped install.

#### 11 C2



DG Tracy Temple
CLINTON • EATON • GRATIOT
INGHAM • LIVINGSTON • SHIAWASSEE
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Lions from Ashley, Durand, Holt, Bancroft Lioness Lions, and Lansing Capital Lioness Lions assembled and filled 1,000 radish seed packets that will be used for the Multiple District 11 Convention Service Project, Planting Seeds of Service: Vegetable Seed Packet Project that will benefit local food banks.



DeWitt Lions Club: Three members constructed a handicap ramp for a DeWitt resident. Cost of materials was \$1,000 and it took 20 hours of manpower – PRICELESS! DeWitt Lions Chris Pienta, Lions George Walter and Greg Houghtaling



Mason Lions Club presented scholarships to two deserving Mason High School seniors. Brendan Richardson, Lion Cyndi Mark and Sydney Cross



St. Johns Easter Egg Hunt Lion Nancy Presocki wishes to express her thanks to all those who assisted with the Easter Egg Hunt on a "chilly" April 16, including those who helped with set up and cleanup on the day of the event club members, Lion Brent

Beracy and Clinton County Champions members, Lansing Capital Area Lioness Lions Club members, local boys scouts and many, many more. Attached is a flyer that lists the contributors and others who helped to make it a success. They each received a personalized thank you letter

personalized thank you letter from Lion Nancy. E.Bunny takes a well deserved break!



recognition for the club's eyeglass collection fforts over the last 12 months. A total of 1,536 eyeglasses and seven sets of hearing aids were collected. Lions Michael Banks ID, Kenny Kinsey, Tracy Temple DG



Lions Caleb Jenkins, Jake Andrews, Kurt Stromlund PDG, Carrie Montrose, Bethany Charboneau, future Lion Corbyn Smith participated in the Walk for Warmth. Money raised from the walk helps pay heat bills for those in need in Livingston County.



It was a great turnout for the Lions Bear Lake Camp fundraiser. Lions helped to \$7,947 for the camp at this fun event, with Modern Woodmen donating \$2,500 in the form of a matching grant.



Volunteer Lion Joanna Dresden and April Derlan , Habitat for Humanity

Hartland Lions Club assisted with an Earth Day event in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity. Douglas Fir seedlings were handed out throughout the day.

DG Tracy Temple's Appreciation Dinner is set for Friday August 26, 2022 at Dutch Hollow Golf Course in Durand. Invitation and registration form to be published in advance of the event.

LANSING CAPITAL LIONESS LIONS have been secretly surprising a fellow club member by a remembrance. Some fun, thoughtful and lovely items have popped up. It is a treat to open an envelope or be given a bag of goodies and wonder, who is your secret pal? What this activity has done is show us how wonderful it is to receive. Someone

thought of you and acted on that thought. Some wonderful, diverse goodies have come our way, such as, lottery tickets, gift cards, flowers, personal items and greeting cards. Knowing the feeling of receiving is a warm fuzzy and, as a LION, we are givers in so many ways. That is our mission. Volunteering is one of the greatest of gifts because we can create a bright, warm spot in the lives of those in need.









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11 D1

DG Duane Wilcox
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President Dwayne Amman awarded two Chesaning High School graduates with a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice on Sunday, May 22nd at the awards ceremony.



Here are the winners of the grand prize: Bikes from the Chesaning Lions Easter Egg Hunt held on Saturday, April 16th. CONGRATULATIONS!!



The Frankenmuth Lions Club held a recruitment event at the Lion Haus in Frankenmuth on May 18, 2022. Twenty-five members welcomed 19 guests for a special program, including the viewing of the Frankenmuth Lions video. Also present that night was District Governor Duane Wilcox who inducted five new members into the club. Lion Duane also presented the club with the LCI Certificate of Recognition in Marketing.







#### 11 D2

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Pearl Beach Lions will celebrate their 75th Anniversary on October 8 and everyone is invited to attend. RSPV to President Crystal Briskey, 810-278-0157



USA Lions Club have LIONS Brooms for sale call 989 450 3644 or text if you would like on of these super purple



USA Lions Club Grand Annual Cheese and Wine Evening with auction, hor d'ouvres, lots of wines to try and buy, raffle, 50/50 and lots more fun besides! Date is Saturday 23rd July and its at the American Legion Hall in Sebewaing from 6pm. Tickets are \$25 each or \$45 for couple. This fun event becomes more popular every year! Call Lindy 989 450 3644 or text for tickets and info....



Hadley Lions continued with their Thumb-famous spaghetti dinner after taking a month off after supply issues forced them to cancel last month's dinner. Their top-secret sauce that takes an entire day to make and packs the town hall every month.

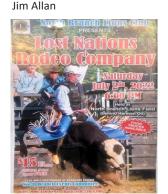
Deerfield Lions are planning a benefit in support of a local family. They are working with local car enthusiasts to have a car show, an auction and a spaghetti dinner benefiting the family.



The Elkton Lions and their community had Kids Day. The Lions gave away about 200 kites, and the Oliver Township Fire Department served up almost 400 free hot dogs. The kickoff to summer featured foam parties, a 27-foot slip-n-slide, water wars, a SpongeBob combo bounce house, games and more.



Lexington Lions held their awards ceremony. The Lion of the year award was given to Georgeann Burdick. The Heart of the Lion award was given to Betty Pasut and Carol Westby. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Sid White, Tabitha Ellul, Dawn Smith and Jim Allan.



North Branch Lions will be having their annual bump-nrun June 25. They also will have their first Rodeo on Saturday, July 2.



The Minden City Lions Club continue their raffle and are preparing for the big festival coming up. The club recently purchased 4 sets of bleachers for the community to use in the local park.



ID Justin Faber news, Charter President Luke Emvi of the Njeru Nile Lions Club was at the orphanage to present Lion Luyima John the shoes to the children that were purchased by the efforts of Mrs. Heather Shanks 7th grade class at Cros-Lex Middle School. These students felt the passion to help these children in need who had no shoes of their own. They raised \$1,625 to purchase each child a pair of shoes, 2 pairs of socks, and shoe polish. The smile on the children faces says it all! Please stay tuned on the Ubly Lions Club efforts to build a well for the orphanage and village in Uganda Africa.



Metamora Lioness Lions held a very successful road rally/scavenger hunt/photo scavenger hunt. They had 30 teams of 4 scrambling around Lapeer, Metamora and Oxford looking for clues and items. The participants then returned to the Lions Hall for a buffet.



The Metamora Lions Club donated 2 Trex benches this month. One is to be placed in a park memorial garden honoring those who died in the Oxford shooting and the other was presented to a local Middle School in recognition of all the support the school has given the Metamora Lions Club

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The Almont Lions hosted a very successful blood drive. Planning has started for their Heritage Festival.

Otter Lake continues to brighten their community with the Trex program.

They have 3 dedicated to their community in special honor - in memory of Lion Ken Gullekson who lost his battle with cancer in 2017; in memory of PDG

Duane Farnsworth, who was not only an integral part of the Otter Lake Lions, but also an integral part of the Lions Thumb District 11D2; and to PDG Peggy Farnsworth in special recognition of her years of dedicated service. 2 additional benches are dedicated to the people of Otter Lake

The 84th annual Algonac Pickerel Festival will be going on June 30th-July 4th. This is a

huge event put on by the Algonac Lions

#### **REGION NEWS <**



11 E1

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Lions gathered at the recent MD 11 Lions Convention in Auburn Hills.

VDG Jim Patterson showed off his powerful voice during the MD 11 Lions Gong Show. He was in the top three and was presented a trophy! Lion Jim also performed on Saturday evening during the Awards Banquet reception, donation his fee to True North Community Services.



Cadillac Lions did their biannual highway clean up May 4, 2022. They do a 2 mile stretch of highway M115 near Cadillac. This cleanup we had four members and a helper. Pictured from L to R is Lion Dennis Hyzer, Lion Pete Buehler, Lion Marcia Pankhurst and Lion Sam Pankhurst. The helper is Sue Hyzer (taking picture)



PDG Al Roeseler presented \$500 scholarships to three Coleman students at Senior Awards Night on May 18. All three had exemplary volunteer activities as well as superior GPAs and are headed to college in the fall. One scholarship combined with club money and a donation from the Gordon family in Memory of long time Lion Charlie Gordo.



invest Coleman Lions in youth through their Scholarship program

Onekema Lions hosted a full house and sold a total 312 paddles at the Annual Quarter Paddle Auction. Cash, food and auction items were donated totaling over \$10,595.00 contributed to benefit the Onekama Lions Club. Donated items included golf packages, a Mackinac Island gift package, handcrafted items, homemade goodies, lots of restaurant gift certificates, camping chairs, tables, and even a kayak!



The Onekama Lions Club celebrated their Charter Night and celebrated 55 years since the Club started. Congratulations to Phil Coryell for his dedication, Duane Anderson for the Ken Lautzenheiser Fellowship Award, Rob Ide for "Lion of the Year", Rob Ide and Mike Haske on "Cheers Award" and Kathleen Bowers for the "Helen Keller Award". We also inducted a new Lions member Richard Lenz. Welcome Richard! Congratulations to all! Another great night to be an Onekama Lions member!!!



Cowboy participate with the Midland Lions Club in the Memorial Day parade.





Lions Club members marched Memorial D parade handing

out candy along the route and greeting parade-watchers. The club's spring fundraiser did very well this past week. 19 Lion volunteers worked for a total of 32 hours and raised a total of \$1,139.89. That averages out to be \$35.50 per hour. We also have a second White Cane fundraiser in

September. Pictured are Lions Mike Hoy, Cowboy, Mark Schultz volunteering during the White Cane fundraiser.



a 2-mile stretch of road and this year 18 people answered the clubs call to help. Adding to the successful cleanup this year was Zhanbolot Karimov, an exchange student from Kyrgyzstan. Lakeview Lions Club would like to thank Zhanbo for his huge contribution. This marks 106 hours that this young man has volunteered in the Lakeview community since arriving in August. He is leaving to return home at the end of May. He will be missed by many people.



McLaren Central Michigan (MCM) was the recipient of 240 backpacks donated by the Mt. Pleasant Michigan Lions Club in collaboration with Sleepy Dog Books. The backpacks— filled with stickers, colored pencils, coloring book and stuffed lion—will be provided to children visiting the Emergency Department at the hospital. "These backpacks will help ease a child's experience when visiting," said Dr. Daniel Wilkerson, Director of Emergency Medicine at MCM. "Emergent visits are unplanned, and if we can provide them with something to help pass the time and put a smile on their face, that makes their day brighter.





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District Governor Bill Gaines presides over the recent E2 Convention.

convention The service project was well attended, as 500 bags were filled with goodies to be handed out at KidSight screenings. ID Allen and Lion Susan Snider even got in on the fun. Using the KidSight trailer there was also a KidSight screening for children that were at the resort during convention weekend. Thanks to everyone that helped, and especially to the Honorary Committee in conjunction with the GST for their role in organizing this great service project. Many thanks to Boyne Valley and East Jordan Lions club for their service in hosting this year's successful convention at Boyne Mountain!



Hale Lions Club hosted a successful "Murder Mystery" dinner theater with attendees present for the evening's suspenseful events. The story centered around the final wine auction the Tortellini Brothers Winery would ever have. Dinner - and the ensuing murder- created a great fundraiser for the club.



celebrated Earth Day with 5th graders from Hillman Flementary making projects from recycled materials.



Central Lake High School scholarship recipients Sydney Fernandez (left) and Alexis Cain (right) presented by Club President Marie Leathers (center).



Central Lake Lions held a KidSight screening at the Petoskey Stone Festival. They also assisted the organizers with parking, selling buttons and t-shirts and clean up.



Court of Honor for two Eagle Scouts in the local troop sponsored by the Central Lake





East Jordan Lions Club had an excellent turnout for their spring event. More than 100 kids participated in games-wining candy, prizes and bicycles! Stella Barraw





Gaylord was hit with a devastating F3 tornado on May 19, demolishing many homes and businesses. Lions in the district acted quickly to obtain a \$7,500.00 disaster grant from the Lions of Michigan Foundation. Money was used to obtain gift cards and were distributed to those in need. In addition to gift cards, many donated items were collected for disbursement. Where there's a need, there truly is a Lion.







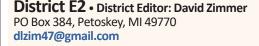
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The District Float will be at its new home beginning August 1st. The address is 8543 E 7 mile RD, Big Rapids, 49307. Reservations still need to go through myself, using the form on the District website. The float is available. Whichever Club picks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

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

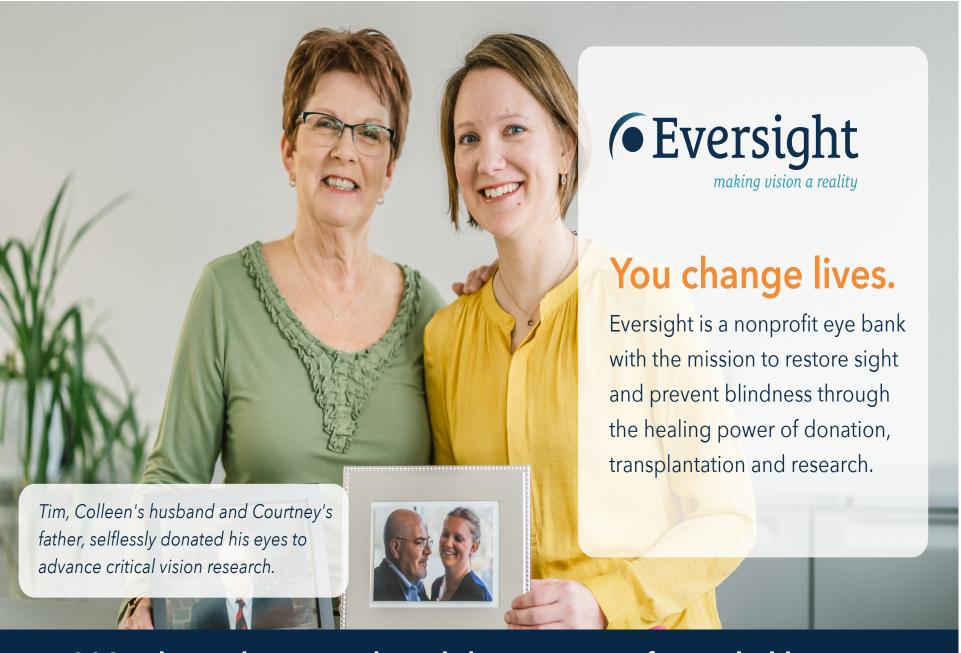
Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have 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.



Boyne 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 performanc-





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