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B2 Beacon

Lions of District 11-B2

"The Blind Shall See"

Julie Mayuiers, Editor
April 2019 News



My fellow Lions of 11-B2;

Who will be the 1,000th Lion in our district? Which club will they belong to? As I look at our membership numbers this final morning of April, I see that we are at 999 members in our district. Now, I fully realize that perhaps we have already become a "four digit district" and that the club secretary just hasn't entered the new member into LCI just yet. But still, it is fun to imagine all this especially given our district and state history.

The Lion year of 2008 – 2009 was a good one for the state and our district. That year was the last year that the Lions of Michigan finished in positive numbers for membership. The state membership rose by 90 members and 11-B2 did more than its fair share with an increase of 34 members. Since that year, overall state membership has declined every single year. Our district has followed that trend every year but one, 2015 – 2016 with an increase of 10. As Vice Chair of the Lions of Michigan Council of Governors I have access to stats for the entire state. Yesterday I sent an email to my fellow governors inviting them to join us in FINISHING STRONG so that our state could finish with actual membership growth for the first time in a decade. Yesterday we were at -22, today we are at +8! This is fantastic news.

In B2 we began this year at 945 members. Yes, we are currently showing an increase of 54 members. I am extremely proud of everyone in our district who has made that happen. It has not been by mere happenstance. We have made a concerted effort to increase our membership with a focus on women and younger members. We have also worked hard on retaining the members we already have by utilizing simple communication techniques and getting members, especially newer members, involved in club activities to have a deeper sense of commitment and ownership of the service we perform.

I chose my motto, "...the blind shall see..." because of my personal story of being blind and now being able to see better than the average human and because it was used in the Bible to herald a new era of greatness for God's people. I want this year's membership increase to be just that, the beginning of a new era. I will be heart-broken and surprised if this new trend of positive membership is a one-year event for the state and our district. I have said time and time again in my travels to our clubs that we have the programs and we have the people to write our own destiny and be

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District Governor Cont'd.

the unparalleled provider of humanitarian service in our district and state. What we don't currently have and need, we will create for ourselves and our future. Our best days as Lions lie ahead of us!

This new era of greatness has also seen a literal application of my motto as your governor and I am so pleased that this has taken place during my brief tenure as LCI's presiding officer in 11-B2. All of us, working together, have made it possible for Marci W. of Niles to be able to see with her new E-sight glasses. If you want to know more about them I invite you to check them out on Google. Marci, like me, was once blind and can now see. How awesome is that? It should make you extremely proud that you have answered Helen Keller's challenge to become a "Knight of the Blind". We are special. We make miracles happen. We make the blind see, we feed the hungry, we fight disease, and we make our communities better and brighter. Where there is a need, there is a Lion.

This is truly a time of celebration for our district and our state but this is not the time to be complacent. Let's take a moment to pat ourselves on the back but let's get right back to work for there is still much to do. The needs in our communities will not stop just because we have had some success. The needs of our communities won't stop and neither will we!

In service,

Lion Fran



Special Report from the Governor and his Cabinet concerning District Surplus Funds

History and Cause

The biggest reason for this extra money in our account is the dues structure which designates money to be used to send the outgoing district governor to Lions Clubs International Convention. I do not know the exact year this practice stopped. However, as the locales became more and more international in flavor and expensive, it was decided that this practice would stop. I have no intention of going to Milan on the district's dime! This year's price tag for going to Italy is around \$5, 600.

In addition to the accruing of this revenue, we have been especially good stewards of your money. We run a zero-sum budget. Conventions are designed to break even. It is hard to chip into the extra money by doing this.

What we've done.

--As a district, at the business meeting during our convention on March 23rd, we agreed to spend the necessary funds to pay off the balance of E-Sight glasses for Marci W. of Niles. These run about \$10,000 but we got them for about half of that. The total that was actually spent: \$2,720.

--At the March 24th Cabinet Meeting we had a discussion about extra expense that might accrue from Camp Leo being forced to be at a location other than Crystal Springs Camp. The United Methodist Camp Board suddenly decided to shutter Crystal Springs. After discussion, a motion was made and approved to spend up to \$4,000 on Camp Leo to cover any additional costs and/or to provide for a full extra day of camping.

What we are going to do.

I saw lots of head nodding as I spoke about this extra money at our business meeting and how all of us on the cabinet had discussed it and are in complete agreement that this money belongs to the members of our district. Therefore, this surplus should be used to help the clubs in our district to serve. I mentioned how we discussed "mini-grants" for service projects that could be used by clubs with a great service idea but a lack of funds to make it happen. Even with a general consensus of nodding heads at the business meeting, the Cabinet was of the opinion that since this money belongs to the entire district that we all would be better served to have input from across the district in deciding the fate of these funds. The Cabinet has approved the creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee being formed with a representative from each of the 6 zones in 11-B2. In the next few weeks, DGE John Postelli will have named the members of this committee and they will be ready and they can meet publicly NOW with my blessing and best wishes for a plan that will be presented to the District Cabinet for approval in the 2019 – 2020 District Budget.



Dear Lions:

I daily try to magnify my desire to give more of my heart to service. I thought long and hard about what I could say to help fan the flames for service in all of us when I realized that the words of many great inspirational voices have already said it best:

“Wherever you turn, you can find someone who needs you. Even if it is a little thing, do something for which there is no pay but the privilege of doing it. Remember, you don’t live in the world all of your own.”

~Albert Schweitzer

“Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don’t have to have a college degree to serve. You don’t have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve.... You don’t have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

~Martin Luther King, Jr.

“Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile.”

~Albert Einstein

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”

~Elizabeth Andrew

“You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give.”

~Winston Churchill

“The meaning of life is to find our gift. The purpose of life is to give it away.”

~William Shakespeare

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”

~Margaret Mead

“One person can make a difference, and every person must try.”

~John F. Kennedy

Eight inspirational truths which can serve as the building blocks of our service! Lions change lives, our community and the world by one act of service at a time. Thank you for your service!

LION JOHN



2019 - 2020 Roster Book Contacts

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City, Zip _____
Email _____
Phone (C) _____
Phone (H) _____

Secretary

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City, Zip _____
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Phone (C) _____
Phone (H) _____

Treasurer

Name _____
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Please advise if food is served at your meeting: _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

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SIGHT/VISION CHAIR:

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

LCIF CHAIR:

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR:

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

1st VDGE Julie Mayuiers

When opportunities arise I believe in taking advantage of them.....

Just last week one of those opportunities came to me as PDG Jeff's gallbladder decided it was time to flare up so we spent 5 days at Bronson Hospital. Needless to say I had some extra time on my hands while he was undergoing numerous tests and surgeries. I thought maybe our son Dr. Mayuiers would like to see the Pediatric Oncology/Hematology Unit with me and meet my new friend Heather Oestrike who spoke at our District Convention and see if she had time to take us on a quick tour. Well timing didn't work out and Matt had to return to his job before Heather and I could make this all work out but I was able to get my tour.

Heather took me through the beautifully painted hallways of the pediatrics wing where the murals are all painted in bright cheerful colors of various animals, scenes, magic and fairy tales that are sure to help lift the spirits of these children. Some of the treatment rooms are painted in similar motifs as well as some of the rooms they stay in. These paintings are either in memory of someone or donated by families of children that have been patients there or just people that care enough to want to see a smile on a child's face and help them face whatever fears they may have when they enter the hospital.

They have a huge playroom that they are currently looking at remodeling but the items in the room have to be able to withstand the constant sanitizing requirements. Someone asked why they just couldn't go to the local home improvement store and pick up cabinets, etc. and replace in the rooms and the answer was that they have to be made of special materials to be able to withstand the constant cleaning to keep things safe for the children. Hence the amazing costs of such items. Who knows maybe we can tackle another project to help them out with some of these needs.



L-R: Heather Oestrike,
Lion Julie, Child Life
Specialist Morgan King

1st VDGE Julie Mayuiers

The Manager of Nursing for the Pediatric Unit Nathan Vemich took us on a tour of the unit where we met Dr. Michael Leinwand one of the pediatric surgeons who was off and running to his next appointment. His bubbly personality would surely help ease some of the fears these children and their families have being in this facility.

This was an amazing opportunity that I am so glad I took advantage of and will never forget. Thank you all once again for your generosity in providing crafts and supplies for the Bronson Pediatric Oncology and Hematology Department at Bronson Hospital this year. Your generosity is what touched my heart so deeply that made me decide to take this one step further and take a mini tour of this amazing facility and all that it has to offer for the kiddo's and their families.

I ask what other items could they use support with besides the arts/crafts we have donated and these are just a few that they are looking for community support with:

- The remodel of the playroom for inpatients
- Blue Ray players for All In-Patient Rooms in the Children's Hospital
- Support for a new, state of the art Crib
- Ongoing support of "Surgery Bears" given by Child Life prior to a child going into surgery (these are specific stuffed animals that we purchase)
- Sending our Pediatric Oncology Patients to a special summer camp

Heather offered to see if groups of 5 – 7 people could take pre-arranged tours of the facility as well. So if you are interested in seeing this amazing facility please contact Heather Oestrike at Bronson's Pediatric Foundation.

Lion Julie





Club Anniversaries



<u>Club</u>	<u>Charter Date</u>	<u>Years Old</u>
Westside	5/1/02	17
South Haven	5/16/96	23
White Pigeon	5/29/45	74
Bloomington Gobles	6/6/94	25
Three Oaks	6/9/93	80
Comstock	6/11/70	49
St. Joseph	6/15/28	91
St. Joseph Twp.	6/19/81	48
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_____ Round trip bus to Leader Dogs for the Blind @ \$5.00	\$ _____
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_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lioness or Leo	\$ _____
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_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$26.00 per person	\$ _____
_____ (Choice) of: Salisbury Steak w/ Mushroom Demi Glaze # _____	

Grilled Chicken # _____

Vegetarian # _____

GLUTEN FREE# _____

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1. Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless (excluding Saturday Banquet) registration fee is paid.
 2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 10, 2019. No refunds after May 11, 2019.
 3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Auburn Hills Marriott in Pontiac. They will not be mailed to you.
- The registration desk will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 17 and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 18, 2019.

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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 2019 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 11th Annual, will be held on August 3, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Comfort Inn and Suites located at 2424 South Mission - Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Lodging is \$99.00 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 or by calling the Comfort Inn at 989-956-0460 and requesting the Lions of Michigan Foundation group rate.

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

Dr. Gary Anderson, PID
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Gerald "Gary" Babcock, PDG
R.G. Bamum, PDG
William "Doc" Barr, PDG
Dennis Bellinger, PCC
David Bennett, PDG
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John Cioroch, PDG
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Glen Dings, PDG
Dr. Tom Doyle, PDG
Charles Cone, PDG
Frank Cunningham, PCC
Granville Cutler, PDG
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Bill Erickson, PDG
Duane Farnsworth, PDG
Richard Foust, PST

Charles Frederick, PCC
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PDG George Cole of B2 will be honored this year!

2019 Hall of Fame - Registration Form

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Choice of Entrée: Shrimp Alfredo - #: _____ Roasted Pork Loin - #: _____ Eggplant Parmesan - #: _____

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DEADLINE: Monday, July 8, 2019

GLT



As the Districts Global Team Leader I think sometimes we should all take a few minutes and reflect on the Lion Year and where it's taken us.

For me I feel it's important to have definite goals. Maybe that's because my wife Lion Julie has taught me the value of keeping a good list. What makes that funny is now I have too many lists.

Locating my District Leadership list I realize I still kept the "to do" list open and never ending. I believe that was done on my part as a reminder. A reminder that leadership itself is never complete. It remains a cycle that just keeps coming around year after year. The one area that still stands out to me like a flashing Vegas sign is training! The timing just didn't work well on the last one we had scheduled so it's still something we need to plan on before our spring days rush into our summer days and our endless list of date possibilities fill up one at a time. I do believe this is one of the most important trainings we offer to help all Lions at the Club level. I promise attending it will make a positive difference in your Lion Year.

For all of you who wished me well during my recent argument I had with my gallbladder, I thank you....it is now listed as MIA and I am told I will be all the better without it.

And to all of you Lions.....You are Leaders already.....LEAD ON!!!

GLT Jeff





LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

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Hello 11B2 District Lion Clubs,

It is with great joy to tell you that the funds have been raised to provide Marci Wells with eSight Vision Glasses. Many of the clubs in our district donated to the request for assistance when the email first was sent to all the clubs asking for help. Because of your generosity and the 11B2 District picking up the balance of what was needed, now Marci can get her eSight glasses.

Marci will go for some training once the glasses are ordered for her. She is so very appreciative of what the Lions have done for her. Finally, she will be able to see her children and her husband up close. Marci will also be able to fulfill her dream of becoming a nurse.

Lions you have helped make a dream come true for this young woman. To Marci a miracle is about to happen for her. Once she is trained, she hopes to come to an 11B2 event as she wants to meet the Lions and tell us how she was before she received her eSight glasses and then the miracle of seeing with the eSight glasses.

Thank you for your generous support of giving for the eSight glasses for Marci Wells. This is what Helen Keller has asked of all of us, become "Knights of the Blind" a crusade against darkness. Rest assured, that is what we have done here for Marci Wells.

Respectfully,

Lion David Stiffler

LMF, Trustee



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Chad McCann – 517-887-6640

The Lions of Michigan Foundation has been added to the list of nine Michigan charities eligible to receive direct contributions from Michigan tax payers filing their 2018 and future Michigan Income Tax Returns.

Lansing, Michigan – January 2019 – Governor Rick Snyder has signed Public Act 255, creating a Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund within the Michigan Department of Treasury for the purpose of collecting funds donated to the Lions of Michigan Foundation through annual Michigan income tax return filings. Any Michigan Tax Payer, when they file their Michigan Income Tax Return, Form MI-1040, may now support the Lions of Michigan Foundation by simply checking the appropriate donation box and indicating the amount of their donation on Form 4642: Michigan Voluntary Contribution Schedule.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is now 1 of 9 Michigan charities with this very distinct honor, which requires the approval of the Michigan House of Representatives, Senate and Governor. It was made possible through the dedication and support of Representative Wendell Byrd who introduced the legislation and former Speaker of the House Tom Leonard who advocated for the legislation. The legislation received strong bipartisan support throughout the Michigan Legislature.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a public charity that was created in 1984 to help Michigan Lions Clubs provide community services. The foundation works in partnership with its member Michigan Lions Clubs and other organizations to address serious human needs and improve quality of life.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation helps financially struggling Michigan residents whose options for affordable medical treatment are limited. Primarily, the foundation provides vision, hearing and emergency services aimed at helping Michigan residents maintain their independence, excel in school and prosper in life.

Michigan Voluntary Contributions Schedule (Form 4642) - Charitable Funds Available – 2018 Tax Year

- o American Red Cross Michigan Fund
- o Animal Welfare Fund
- o Children's Trust Fund
- o Fostering Futures Scholarship Fund
- o Kiwanis Fund
- o Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund
- o Michigan World War II Legacy Memorial Fund
- o Military Family Relief Fund
- o United Way Fund

Lions of Michigan Foundation



Project KidSight

May 2019

Hello Dear Friends of District 11B2,

We are so pleased at our numbers this year with Project KidSight! As of today, April 28th we have screened 5,888! Only 12 kids away from doing 6,000 kids! But Pat McFarland is still doing one more screening tomorrow April 29th and is in hopes he screens 12 children. For the month of April, we have screened 476 kids with 50 referrals. The month of May will add much more to our total because the events coming up are with a lot of children attending. 😊

We are so very lucky to have Lion GMT Rick Young and ZC Carol Young help with so many of the screening events. Without them we could not manage to do all the screening requests that we are getting. Earlier in the month, Pat McFarland, Tanda & David Stiffler were invited to the Lakeshore Lions Club to bring three SPOT cameras as there is some interest of some ladies to get involved with doing Project KidSight. We were thrilled and once we showed the camera off, it was obvious that three ladies wish to dive in and get involved! This is exciting to our team as we need more volunteers to help with PKS. The Lakeshore ladies wish to get started on one of their upcoming events on July 14th which is a car show. The PKS team will go to this event with the KidSight trailer but only to be there to help them if they have questions. They are going to do the setup, screening and packing up of the equipment. They show a great promise of doing the eye screening with no problems at all. We are very excited and hope they span out in their area to do more screening events.

Please invite our PKS team to one of your meetings. We can bring the SPOT cameras and show your members how simple it is to screen children. Our goal is to make sure every child can see well. This is a great project that you could offer to your community!

Contact either Lion Tanda Stiffler at tandastiffler76@gmail.com or call my cell 574/350-9215 or Lion Patrick McFarland at binkie_1_99@yahoo.com or his cell 269/206-0549. We would love to offer you the training to get you involved. 😊

Respectfully,

Lion PKS Co-Coordinator Tanda Stiffler

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STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

April 26 – May 5, 2019

as

WHITE CANE WEEK

WHEREAS, the Lions Club of Michigan is an organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all people, especially Michiganders who are blind or visually impaired, providing opportunities for these individuals to achieve greater independence; and,

WHEREAS, the white cane has become an international symbol, identifying individuals who are blind or visually impaired and alerting Michigan drivers to observe caution for the safety of drivers and pedestrians alike; and,

WHEREAS, for these past decades, White Cane Week efforts have supported projects and organizations that benefit people who are blind or visually impaired and help provide examinations, eyeglasses and white canes to those in need; and,

WHEREAS, during this week, we encourage people throughout Michigan to learn more about White Cane Week and to support projects and services that facilitate the independence of blind or visually impaired people; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize the dedicated volunteers of the Lions Club of Michigan for their continued tradition of community service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim April 26-May 5, 2019, as White Cane Week in Michigan.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer
Governor



BANGOR LIONS GOLF OUTING



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Phone: 269-468-3831

Sunday, June 9, 2019
Four Person Scramble
Cost: \$60 per player
Registration 7:00 AM
Shotgun Start – 8:00 AM

Enjoy a complete program of special events, 18 holes of golf (including cart), lunch, door prizes, and our 50/50 Raffle

All for just \$60 /player

Longest Drive
Closest to the Pin
Longest Putt Made

29th ANNUAL BANGOR LIONS CLUB GOLF OUTING AT PAW PAW LAKES GOLF COURSE



This year's event will be held Sunday, June 9th, 2019 at Paw Paw Lakes Golf Course in Watervliet, MI.

Registration begins at 7 am, with the shot-gun start at 8 am.

The cost for this event is only \$60. This price includes entry into all events, 18 holes of golf, riding cart, lunch, and various awards.

Proceeds to benefit Project KidSight, College Scholarship Program and other community events.

To Register or for More Information:

John Burnside Cell: 269-491-0136

Email: mjburns37@yahoo.com

THANK YOU, for your continued support of the Bangor Lions Club.



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Bangor Lions Club

All vehicles welcome! RAIN OR SHINE!

Saturday, October 12th

10am-2pm in Downtown Bangor

Trophies for the Top 25 Vehicles/Dash Plaques for the First 75 Vehicles

Fire Chief, Police Chief & Mayor's Choice Awards

Registration Begins 9am
Pre-Registration Fee \$10
Registration at the Gate \$15
Participant Voting
50/50 Raffle



**For More Information
Please Contact**

Lion Tim

269-214-0593

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Sponsored by the Bangor Lions Club

Shine 'em up and bring 'em out!!!



Benton Harbor Fairplain Lions Club



**BENTON HARBOR - FAIRPLAIN
LIONS CLUB**

The Dank

2651 Pipestone Road
Benton Harbor

Saturday, June 1, 2019

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Adults - \$8.00 Children 6 Yrs.-10 Yrs. - \$5.00 5 Yrs. & Under Free

*Cash Bar

*50/50 Raffle

*Proceeds to provide
eyeglasses for those less fortunate



**** Please bring used eyeglasses for donation ****

Buchanan- Galien Lions Club



The Mountain of 28,242 glasses” - collected this year



Eyeglass Challenge Chairman and MC Lion Lewis Lambert



Entertainer Dino Di Augustino



Grand Rapids Eyeglass Chairman Brent Spoelspra



The Winners- Portage Lions” and Lions Lewis Lambert and Brent Spoelspra



Lions Zone 4 Chair Dave Clark accepted awards for the St Joseph City and St. Joseph Township Lions



Lions Zone 3 Chair Elvie Marfil accepted the award for the Kalamazoo Westside Lions

Buchanan- Galien Lions Club

Great Eye Glass Challenge 2019

The "Great Eye Glass Challenge" was hosted by the Buchanan/Galien Lions club on Saturday April 13, 2019 at the Community of Christ church in Galien, Michigan.

The Challenge is held every year with District 11-B2 Lions Clubs collecting, sorting, counting, and bringing their collection to the event where awards and prizes are presented to participating clubs.

Activities began at 9:00 a.m. with a breakfast and fellow Lions sharing stories with each other while the boxes of used eye glasses were stacked up on the sidewalk outside. About 9:30, host and Master of Ceremonies Lion Lewis Lambert introduced Dino Di Augustino who played and sang a few memorable songs for those attending. Lion Lewis then shared some stories and facts about how the Great Eye Glass Challenge was started 27 years ago. To date, the District 11-B2 Lions have collected over 500,000 pairs of used glasses to be processed and fed into a service project reaching far beyond the small town of Galien and the Lions Club who had this vision.

Lion Brent from the Grand Rapids Lions Club shared many more details about how their team prepares the glasses for week long service trips to other countries where the glasses are fitted by the vision team to those in need. These Lion mission trips happen two or three times per year, and each trip is supplied with 8,000 pairs of glasses with none returning back to the United States.

This year, 28 members (representing 10 different clubs) attended the Challenge and brought in used glasses because their club shared in this vision of service.

Awards presented were:

1st	KING OF THE JUNGLE	Portage Lions	698.8 pairs per member (total of 6,988 collected)
2nd	MAKING THE LEAP	Kalamazoo West Side Lions	182.7 pairs per member (total of 6,029 collected)
3rd	LYING IN WAIT	St Joseph Township Lions	130.6 pairs per member (total of 3,656 collected)
4th	CUB AWARD	St Joseph City Lions	14.5 pairs per member (total of 983 collected)
Most Glasses By a Club		Portage Lions	6,988 pair

Total count of glasses turned in for the day: 28,242.

Total count of glasses turned in over the 27 year history: 589,459

TIME TO START COLLECTING GLASSES FOR NEXT YEAR! If you have any used glasses- drop them in any local Lions collection box or just give them to a Lion member.

Buchanan- Galien Lions Club

Buchanan Easter Egg Hunt- sponsored by the Buchanan Leo Club- held on 4/20/19



Buchanan Leo's and Advisors



The Field Set With Over 8,000 Eggs



The Crowd Gathers



The Hunt Is On



Miss Buchanan and Court and prizes



Leo's and Peter Rabbit

BUCHANAN-GALIEN LIONS CLUB

? ?
**TEASE
YOUR BRAIN
AND WIN!**

**\$200 IN
BUCHANAN
GIFT CARDS!** ?

TRIVIA NIGHT ?

SATURDAY

MAY 11

BUCHANAN AREA SENIOR CENTER

810 RYNEARSON ST, BUCHANAN, MI

\$25 per person ?

\$190/team Max of 8

- DRINKS
- DINNER
- FUN

DOORS & BAR OPEN 5:30P

DINNER SERVED 6:30P

TRIVIA STARTS 7:00P

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!

BEER/WINE CASH BAR!

DINNER PREPARED BY BASC!

Must be

18+

or older to
participate

Buchanan-Galien Lions Club ?

Phone: 269-695-3000

Buchanan- Galien Leos



Buchanan Leo Club



The Buchanan Leo's are in their 6th year of service to the community of Buchanan. The club was initially chartered March 13th, 2014 by the Buchanan Lions Club under the direction of Lions Alice Kring, BHS Superintendent Andrea van der Laan, BMS teacher Melissa Frost and Leo Co-Presidents Brittany Schmidt and Kiah Weaver. The Leo's have volunteered and supported many community activities over the last five years. Examples are: decorating cookies for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting, senior citizen leaf raking, Christmas gift wrapping at Red Bud Area Ministries, helping with both winter and summer Thrill on the Hill events, Eye Glass Challenge, Buck Teens, and Camp Leo.

Current Leo Advisors are Lions Brian Fisher and Alice Kring and the Leo Club President is Lucy Arbanas. The Leo's have been very busy of late organizing and preparing for the annual Buchanan Easter Egg Hunt on April 20th at the Buchanan Common. High school students and many community members have donated the candy for this year's event and have helped the Leo's stuff over 8,000 eggs. The Leo's will recruit help from the local Boy Scouts early Saturday morning to set the stage for the annual hunt by age group. Months of planning and help from the community will be over in less than an hour, but the smiles of the successful hunters will live on for some time. Rumor is the Easter Bunny is planning to stop by if he can get away from his 11th hour task of decorating of eggs also.



Buchanan- Galien Leos



Centreville Lions Club

Centreville Lions Club
PRESENTS

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

DONATIONS ACCEPTED!

All Proceeds for the
Nottawa Community
School

JUNE 1, 2019 | 8AM - 11AM
26438 M-86, NOTTAWA, MI



Centreville Lions Club

Centreville Lions Club
PRESENTS

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

DONATIONS ACCEPTED!

All Proceeds for
Centreville Lions
Community Projects!

JULY 13, 2019 | 8AM - 11AM
DOWNTOWN CENTREVILLE,
DURING

Covered Bridge Days



Coloma Lioness Lions

The Berrien Community Foundation recently spoke at a meeting of The Coloma Lioness Lions Club about the “Back to School” event for the Coloma and Watervliet communities to be held on Saturday, August 10, 2019, from 10 – 2 pm at Midway Baptist Church. Families would be able to receive backpacks filled with school supplies and have access to other services to prepare them for the onset of the school year. The one-day event would distribute over 750 backpacks at the one-day event, which would also provide free vaccinations from the Berrien County Health Department, and a mobile food pantry would be on-site, as well as other community resource agencies. Members of the Coloma Lioness Lions Club will help fill the back packs and be on hand to assist with the hand-outs. The club has also contributed monetarily to help reach as many in need as possible. Also in the planning stage, is a coordinated school supply drive through the North Berrien communities. The collected supplies would be delivered to the schools for the teachers’ access during the school year.

Pictured below (on the left) is Sue Matheny, Program Manager for the Berrien Community Foundation, and (right) Lisa Cripps-Downey, President of the Foundation.



Covert Township Lions Club

Covert Township Lions prepare food boxes for April 13th distribution



Edwardsburg Lions

THE EDWARDSBURG LIONS CLUB

May 2019

The Edwardsburg Lions Club had their Annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast with the Easter Bunny & our Lion Mascot for the little kiddos that came to the breakfast. This year it was a great year as the Edwardsburg Leos helped serve the delicious breakfast and they played games and helped with crafts for the little kids as parents were able to socialize with fellow community members.



The Edwardsburg Lions offer the pancake & sausage breakfast each year before Easter. PKS was there too!



Edwardsburg Leo Club

2018-2019

The Edwardsburg Leo Club has had an amazing year during this school year. The Leos had the opportunity to receive hours from 28 different events that were offered to them. Collectively the Leos racked up 826 hours!

On April 24th the Leo Pinning was held at the Edwardsburg High School Performing Arts Center as parents, relatives and friends watched the Leos get their pins. This club must obtain six hours of community service to receive their pin. The club consists of 71 members and of that 54 Leos had six or more hours. At the pinning ceremony only 26 Leos were able to attend as this time of year many are in spring sports or work so not all could attend. This club is flexible!

The ceremony started out with a few words from Leo Advisors Tanda and David Stiffler and then Mr. Ryan Markel the High School Principal spoke to the guests and Leos. Mr. Markel told the Leos that he once was a Leo himself. He remembers their largest fundraiser was selling pies. He praised the Leos for the numerous hours they dedicated to our Edwardsburg Community. Next our 1st VDG Elect Julie Mayuiers spoke to the Leos via telephone as PDG Jeff Mayuiers was in the hospital. She praised the Leos for all their efforts they put into their projects and the importance of them being our future in Lionism. Next Lion Amy Anderson who is the State Leo Chair spoke to the Leos telling them that the Edwardsburg Leo Club has set a high standard for other Leo Clubs. She also praised the Leos for their dedication and service to our Edwardsburg community. Next was our own Lion President Wayne Falda. He told the Leos how proud he was of them and the work that they have done. Lastly Grand Knight Dennis Traxler of the Knights of Columbus spoke to the Leos. He first shook the hand of Leo President

Edwardsburg Leos

Tyler Dahms before he spoke to the Leos and guest. He praised the Leos for the numerous times they came to the Knights dinners that they hosted during the year to our community. He said it was refreshing to see young Leos helping "older 60 year plus folks" with their dinners as the Leos would always stay to clean up and set everything back in place for the Sunday coffee hour at the church.

Leos received their official Leo pin, 2nd year Leos received the Paws Lion pin; several Leos were given Outstanding Leadership pins, while others were given Perfect Attendance pins for attending all the meetings. All received certificates as well. It was a great evening for these fine students.

The Knights of Columbus hosted a very nice reception afterwards to thank the Leos for their dedication and service not only to them but to our entire community.



Lion/Leo Advisor Tanda thanked the parents and explained that their child was planting a seed for themselves to step up and do service for those in need. Hopefully it will follow them thru life wherever they might be. Lion Tanda wanted the parents to be proud of what their child accomplished by being in the Leo Club of Edwardsburg. It was great meeting the parents of these fine students at the reception. We told the parents we are "Blessed" with having their child in this club.

Kalamazoo Westside Lions



WESTSIDE LIONS CLUB 18TH ANNUAL SIGHT & HEARING GOLF OUTING

Dear Lions Sponsors,

The Westside Lions Club of Kalamazoo is currently seeking sponsors for our 18th annual Sight & Hearing Golf Open Tournament, to be held on Saturday May 18th, 2019 at Ridgeview Golf Course

Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support the Sight programs, Kid sight program and other community sight projects.

The Westside Lions have provided much needed services to Kalamazoo, Oshtemo and other areas in need in the past years. It's only with our sponsor's generous support that we are able to continue to contribute to disaster areas and the needs of people in our area and the United States. Currently the sponsorship fee of a hole for this golf outing is \$100.00 per hole. If you are planning on donation prizes for a hole, please try and give prizes equal to the amount of \$50.00 per hole (\$25.00 women / \$25.00 men).

We have tried to maintain the same sponsorship fees and value on prize amounts as in the past years.

For those of you who helped us sponsor our golf outing in the past, we thank you very much and hope to have your continued help again this year. If you have not had the honor of helping us in the past, we welcome your help and support.

Please contact Lions: Bill Bennett at 269-308-0044, Lion Sharon Bennett at 269-649-3130, Lion Michael Halpin at 269-375-8821 or Lion Bill Dill at 269-427-7869 if you have any questions.

Thank You for all of your help in sponsoring our tournament.

Please mail all sponsorship checks or correspondence to Westside Lions Club in Care of

Lion Treasurer Donnelda Dill

106 E. Arlington St.,

Bangor, MI 49013

Kalamazoo Westside Lions

WESTSIDE LIONS CLUB

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN



STAY FOR SPECIAL AUCTION



18th Annual



PROJECT KIDSIGHT SIGHT & HEARING

LEADER DOG

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GOLF OPEN

EVERSIGHT

SERVICE FOUNDATION

YOUTH OUTREACH

RIDGEVIEW GOLF COURSE

10360 WEST MAIN ST

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN 49009



On MAY 18TH 2019



4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

SHOTGUN START App. 9:00 A.M.

Cost is \$55.00 per person -

fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart, food, and PRIZES

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

Michael Halpin Ridgeview golf 269-375-8821 /Carrington Kistner

BILL DILL 269-427-7869 - MARILYN PARTHUN 269-808-5314

Sharon Bennett 269-649-3130

NAME _____

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Kal Haven Trail Lions

Great Eye Glass Challenge in Galien and District GMDC Visits



Kal Haven Lion Kathy Richardson unloads Kal Haven Glasses at the 27th annual Great Eyeglass Challenge in Galien.

The goal of collecting 20,000 pairs of glasses was shattered when clubs donated over 28,000 pairs. It was estimated that over 500,000 pairs of glasses have been donated over the last 27 years and 50,000 people have been served by the project. Representatives from the Grand Rapids Lions were on hand to receive our district's donations.

Collected glasses are taken to Grand Rapids where club members sort and measure prescriptions. Every year the sorted glasses end up in a different country where a team of volunteers dispense them. Last year people in Jamaica were served.

In Galien, this year, 10 district clubs participated in the donation contest. Kal Haven donated 1179 glasses for an average of 84 per member. In 3rd place was St Joseph Twp Lions at 130.6 pair per member: 2nd place was Westside Kalamazoo at 182 pair per member and 1st place was Portage with 698 pair per member. Portage turned in 6,988 pairs of glasses!



Global Membership District Coordinator, Lion Rick Young, shared ideas on growing your Lions Clubs. Lion Rick had stacks of pamphlets, and Lions International learning materials from advertising to web site use to aid in increasing membership. Lion Rick receives a Kal Haven banner from President Lion Rob Ferguson

Lawrence Leos Club



We have held 2 food drives where the proceeds went to Eleanor's Pantry. We are getting ready to start, April 18, a Coloring against Cancer which is a donation box we are setting up to collect crafting materials, coloring books, crayons, coloring books, etc. After this donation drive we are starting another one with pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald Hospital Homes for those whose family members are in nearby hospitals to stay in for free. We will collect JUST the tabs in which the Ronald McDonald foundation will turn into money.

Wednesday, April 24th we inducted our new officers.

Welcome to our new Leos!!!





GOLF SCRAMBLE



Sponsored by the Paw Paw Lions Club



SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019

LAKE CORA HILLS: 56640 CR 671 PAW PAW, MI 49079

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

REGISTER AT LAKE CORA HILLS OR CALL 269-930-1918

SHOTGUN START AT 8:30 AM

- \$65 per golfer includes:
- Entry
 - Green and cart fees
 - Complementary gift bag
 - Coffee and doughnuts at registration
 - Prizes and lunch after golf
 - Silent Auction

HOLE IN ONE CONTEST SPONSORED BY TAPPER AUTOMOTIVE

All proceeds will go to Lions Charities and the
Building Improvement Project



GOLF SCRAMBLE



Sponsored by the Paw Paw Lions Club



SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019

LAKE CORA HILLS: 56640 CR 671 PAW PAW, MI 49079

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

REGISTER AT LAKE CORA HILLS OR CALL 269-930-1918

Paw Paw Lions Golf Outing Entry Form:

\$260 per team Make checks to: Paw Paw Lions Club

Team Captain: _____ Contact Information: _____

Team Members: _____

Send registration to outing co-chairperson, Jack Wyatt:

56188 Fairway Dr. Paw Paw, MI 49079

or via email: jhwyatt@aol.com

Portage Lions Club

Saturday, May 4, 2019

Tickets \$ 5.00

Preview: 12:00pm. – 1:00 p.m.

Auction Starts: 1:00 p.m.

Quarter/ Paddle Auction To Benefit Portage Lions Club Charities



Here is Quarter Auction 101. Upon checking in, you will receive a numbered paddle. All the participating vendors provide items valued from \$10-\$100 that will be up for auction. When an item is up for bid that you are interested in, you will be asked to place the appropriate number of quarters in the basket in the middle of your table and you raise your paddle.

\$10-24.99 = 1 quarter bid
\$25-49.99 = 2 quarter bid
\$50-74.99 = 3 quarter bid
\$75-100 = 4 quarter bid

Once the bidding has closed, the auctioneer picks a random numbered ball. The individual with the matching paddle if they bid will win that item. If the matching paddle owner did not bid, say "NO BID" and the auctioneer will pick another ball until there is a winner.

Kalamazoo Masonic Center

4371 W. U Avenue

Schoolcraft, MI

Participating Vendors

- Jo Jo's No Sews
- KLR Innovations
- Originals by Marilyn
- Precious Pearls
- Trouble in Laws
- Scentsy
- Thirty One Gifts
- Tupperware

Additional Prizes: 3 Sizes of Miche bags, \$100 Gift Card, Sharon Studio dance lesson worth \$140, 2 Erbelli's gift cards, Faces Skin Care gift certificates, Mikasa candle holder and more!

For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact:
Amy Blankshain at 269-365-3175
Or
Elvie Marfil 818-800-1060

There will be a snack bar with food and beverages for purchase. Please no outside food/drinks. Bring your quarters!!!

St. Joseph City Lions Club



Today's program: Lion Heiden was host to our speaker, Greg Grothous, St. Joseph City Assistant Director of Public Works. He also oversees the Parks and Cemeteries. Greg is our City contact for our Lions Beach and parks cleanups. He handed out one-question survey cards for members to fill out. What would make the Downtown better? It is part of the Downtown Vision Plan that is currently being reviewed. There is a meeting on April 25 at Heritage Center to gather input from area residents on how to improve the downtown and the other parks. The master plan being presented covers three City areas: **Riverview Park, Whirlpool Centennial Fountain Park and Dickinson Park.**

Riverview Park: The Briarwood Lodge Pavilion was in disrepair. It was built in the late 1930's and needed to be replaced. The City crews demolished the structure and a new steel frame/roof structure is currently under

construction. There will be wooden boards on interior ceiling to keep the rustic look of the old structure. It will be about 75 ft. long, but will not have a kitchen area as the old one contained. The flood risk is too high to allow a kitchen. The construction should be completed by Memorial Day. The bleachers at the Tiscornia Baseball Field have been closed for years and were demolished last winter. Hopefully new bleachers will be built, as the American Legion teams play there. There are also plans for canoe and kayak launches along with new fishing platforms.



Three Rivers Lions Club



Pasta Dinner Fundraiser

Three Rivers Lions Club is proud to announce that Lillian Ruesink, an 8th grader at Three Rivers Middle School was chosen to be a member of the Lions of Michigan All State Band! As part of this experience, Lillian and the band will be touring Italy and the Vatican in July of 2019. Each band member is responsible for raising their own funds for this trip.

We are holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on **Friday, May 3** from **5:30 – 7:00 pm.** (or until sold out, which ever comes first).

Location: Three Rivers Lions Service Center
420 Sixth Ave.
Three Rivers, MI

(across from the football field at the high school)

Cost: Donations will be accepted

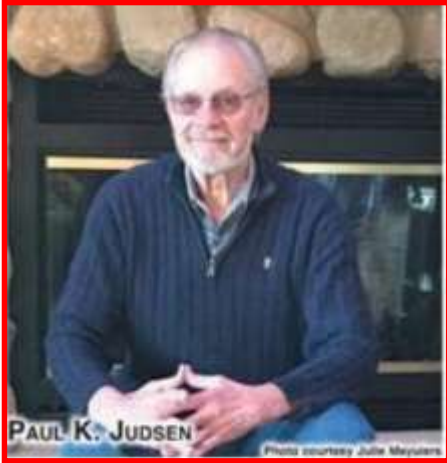
There will also be some musical entertainment provided by the students.



Meal will consist of spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, dessert, coffee and lemonade.

Come on out and help support this young lady and her musical talents.

Three Rivers Lions Club



Lion Paul Judsen was selected as the Three Rivers Lions Club Bruce C Snook Citizen of the Year. Lion Paul will be honored on Tuesday, May 28th at Pineview Golf Club. Cocktails 5:30 – dinner 6:00. Tickets are \$25 and available at Ridgeway Floral or contact Lion Julie Mayuiers. No tickets available at the door.

Drain Commissioner Jeff Wenzel gave a presentation St. Joseph County Drain Commission responsibilities April 9.



Ron Hooker of St. Joseph County Literacy Council was our speaker on April 23. 30 years ago began the 1st Three Rivers Literacy Council. They have 35-50 volunteers with a main office in Centreville. Teach adults to read, offer free tutoring and be 18 years of age and older. Must be a St. Joseph County resident. They offer one-on-one tutoring in public places for one hour a week. They are always looking for new readers/volunteers.



Our building and grounds have been under some updates lately. Lions Gary Reames, Tom and Brenda McWatters, Jeff and Julie Mayuiers put in a long weekend of remodeling the two restrooms and partial kitchen remodel in addition to cleaning up outside, re-ropeing our flag poles, replacing the lighted sign at the road, and placing a new sign on the building itself.

Our own little Bunny...I mean Lion Brenda



Items you may know someone is needing and your club would like to donate.

Club	Contact	Phone	Item(s)
Sister Lakes	Judy Pullins		Walker, wheelchair, canes



If your club has items they'd like added to the list please email jumayuier@gmail.com

Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



May

- 3: Three Rivers Spaghetti dinner fundraiser – flyer in Beacon
- 4: Portage Lions Paddle Auction – flyer in Beacon
- 11: Buchanan-Galien Trivia Night – flyer in Beacon
- 16-18: MD 11 State Convention – flyers in Beacon
- 18: Kalamazoo Westside Golf Outing – flyer in Beacon



June

- 1: Cabinet Meeting – TBD
- 1: Benton Harbor-Fairplain Spaghetti Dinner – flyer in Beacon
- 1: Centreville Pancake Breakfast – flyer in Beacon
- 8: Paw Paw Golf outing – flyer in Beacon
- 10: Bangor Golf Outing – Paw Paw Lakes Golf Course – flyer in Beacon
- 14-16: Three Rivers Ox Roast
- 16: Three Rivers Turtle Derby



July

- 13: Covered Bridge Days Centreville Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11A – flyer in Beacon

August

- 3: Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Hall of Fame Banquet – District 11B2 will be honoring PDG Lion George Cole former member of the Three Rivers Club - flyer in Beacon

September

- 19-21: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Spokane, WA – flyer in Beacon



Don't see your event listed here....email flyers and details at least one month in advance to jumayuier@gmail.com to have it included.



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

Please note that the new Cabinet Secretary is Tammie Grabowski. Please send all obituaries to her for distribution to the District. cheftammie@gmail.com

Please click on the following links to access further information on these topics.

Lions of Michigan <http://lionsofmi.com/>

Lions Pride <http://lionsofmi.com/lion-pride/>

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

<https://www.lmsf.net/>

Asking for your help...

Let everyone know if you have a club member needing support with a Get Well Wish, Condolence or Congratulations.

Please email me jumayuier@gmail.com with members name, address, phone, hospital, reason, whatever you'd like to provide and I will publish in the B2 Beacon for the District to support them with well wishes, prayers, condolences or whatever.



Prayer

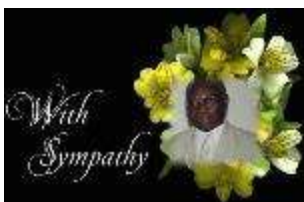
*How to do nothing
and still think you're helping*



Please keep PDG Marsha Brown and PDG Jeff Mayuiers in your thoughts and prayers as they continues to heal.

PDG Marsha Brown
46495 30th St.
Paw Paw, MI 49079

PDG Jeff Mayuiers
23250 Van Resort Drive
Mendon, MI 49072





I recently wondered where some of the photos and stories were coming from that were published in the Lions Pride from our district so I reached out to the State Office only to be told that if they don't have enough submissions they have to go searching on FB and websites for things to fill the pages with. I have heard numerous times "why doesn't our club ever appear in the Lions Pride". Well the answer is quite simple. If your PR person doesn't send me the information for the B2 Beacon then I don't know about it to submit to the Lions Pride.

So.....Club Presidents

PLEASE have your PR person email me so I have their contact information and we can keep in touch to share your club happenings, both past month and future. This is especially important with upcoming events so we can include on the next few months calendar and hopefully encourage Lions from other clubs to attend your events also. Attending other clubs events also provides your clubs with new ideas.

The more eyes that see your events the better attendance you will have!!!

Flyers for future events need to be to me the sooner the better. It's always good to post at least a month in advance **but no later than the 15th of the month for next months publication.**

Julie Mayuiers
jumayuiers@gmail.com

B2 Beacon Editor

Be sure to email me everyone in your club that would like to receive the electronic B2 Beacon and I will be happy to add them to the list. If your email changes be sure to let me know also.

We want to know what your club has been up to so please send articles in Word (.doc or .docx are best) and photos as .jpgs separately whenever possible.

Deadline is the 28th of the month to receive information for publishing in the next month's newsletter. If you know you will have something to submit on an event happening between the 28th and end of the month please let me know by the 28th and I will hold off finalizing until I receive your information. I would like to have the final edition published by the end of the first week of every month.

All flyers for events that you'd like included in the B2 Beacon must be sent to me at minimum 45 days prior to event and especially important if event is happening in first 10 days of the month. There will no longer be separate emails with flyers and event information being sent out.

NOTE: Submissions for *Lions Pride Magazine* are also now to be submitted to Julie Mayuiers who will then submit articles to *Lions Pride Magazine*. Please do not send anything directly to the magazine.

Julie Mayuiers
B2Beacon & Lions Pride District Editor

jumayuiers@gmail.com

P: 269-254-1938

District Web Page

www.e-district.org/sites/11b2

Webmaster – Julie Mayuiers

When events are posted on the District Calendar, a flyer for that event can be linked to that posting. When your club has an event to post on the calendar, just send the flyer to jumayuiers@gmail.com. Julie will use the information for the calendar and put up the link to the flyer....it is that simple. **The catch is that the flyer can only be accepted as a .pdf, no other format will work.**

Recycle your Lions Pride and Lions Magazine by cutting out your mailing label or covering it with a white label with your clubs contact information. Then place them in your local library, doctors offices, etc. and try and recruit new members this way. Also place a label on a copy of the B2 Beacon and leave in the same locations to encourage others to see what Lions are all about and how WE SERVE!!!