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B2 Beacon Lions of District 11-B2 "Together We Serve"

Julie Mayuiers, Editor 2021
January News

From the desk of the Governor

Hello fellow lions!

The start of a new year is underway. What had your club been up to? I am not seeing a lot of sharing of your events if you are having any. Please share with me if you are having something that I can try and attend and share it here in the Beacon as well. When you send event info into the Beacon, it lets other clubs know what you are doing and maybe they would like to come and support you!

Talking about events, how many of you are putting this information into MyLion? One of my goals was to get 75% of the clubs to report. It really is not hard, and you can have anyone in your club put the information on MyLion, you just need the Secretary to put in the statistics, like how many people helped, lion hours, etc. You can put in your business meetings as well and any program meetings.

We have even gotten a person to help you if you can't figure this out and couldn't get to our All-Zone Meeting. GST Amy Thackston can help with putting information in and she is willing to help to get you started. I would prefer you learn how to do it but at the same time, I need that information put in the computer!

On to other things, still need to hear from some of the clubs who I need to visit! Easiest way to contact me is via email.

Please put on your calendars the district convention that will be held on April 22 & 23! We are working on the details now, but we are planning on fun, fellowship, and service. We will also have the Great Eye Glass Challenge. My hope is that Covid cases will be down again like last year and hopefully even better so that we can have a fun and safe convention! Time to get back to being Lions!

Thanks for all you do as lions!

Karol Chopp

DG 11B-2



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contact DG Karol Chopp

District Governor Karol Chopp Cont'd.

All Zone Meeting – January 31, 2022

We had a small group of people, but we were able to get 109 Valentine's kits for the kids at Bronson Children's Hospital.

We had pizza and assembled the kits then we had a one-on-one training with the people who needed it on how to report activities in MyLion.

We had generous donations from clubs who couldn't attend and from the ones who did. We took the money that was donated towards supplies and purchased extra books so we had a total of 42 books that will go to the Children's Hospital as well.

Thanks to the Cabinet and to those we came to learn and help!



♥ Happy Valentine's Day ♥



DISTRICT CONVENTION 2022 "UNDER THE BIG TOP"

Friday Night: Fun,
Games & Fellowship!



Saturday: Great
Eyeglass Challenge
and SO MUCH
MORE!

Save the date:
April 22 & 23!!

More Information
Coming Soon!!

it's
party
time



Advertising in 11B2 Convention Program:

The program is an overall size of 5 ½ w x 8 ½ h

Indicate size of ad below ____

Full page (5 ½ W x 8 ½ H) \$100_____

Half page (5 ½ W x 4 ½ H) \$50_____

Qrt. Page (5 ½ W x 2 1/8 H) \$25_____

All ads are black/white and must be camera ready artwork saved as a .jpg or .pdf and emailed to Tammie Grabowski at cheftammie@gmail.com no later than March 1st.

Checks made payable to District 11B2

Checks mailed to: Treasure Carol Patridge at 10904 W. O Ave, Mattawan, MI 49071

Please indicate on your check that it is for 11B2 Convention Program.

Deadline is March 1st to receive both payment and ad layout. No ads will be placed without full payment.

Any further questions please contact Tammie Grabowski at cheftammie@gmail.com or 269-303-0731.

Thank you in advance for your support of 11B2 Convention.

Advertiser Name:_____

Address:_____

Phone :_____

Email:_____

Governor Karol's Calendar

2022

February

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month



12: Mattawan Soup Supper – flyer in Beacon
25 – 27: Council of Governors – Marriott Grand Rapids
26: Michigan Forum Virtual



March

12: Mattawan Soup Supper – flyer in Beacon

April

22 – 23: District Convention – Four Points by Sheraton – Kalamazoo
24: Cabinet Meeting – Four Points by Sheraton – Kalamazoo



May

20 – 22: Council of Governors and MD-11 Convention

June

4: Cabinet Meeting TBA @ 9:00 am
24 – 28: International Convention - Montreal



**We Serve****PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE****Service from the heart with
International President,
Douglas X. Alexander****Dear Lion,**

The new year is a time of great personal reflection and hope for the future. It is an opportunity to celebrate your achievements, build on your successes and find new ways to do even greater things in the months ahead. As Lions, let's use this opportunity to reflect, renew and ready ourselves for a new year of service.

That begins with each of us. So focus on strengthening your club and the incredible connection you share. And encourage each other to grow to your full potential as Lions and community leaders. Because when we ensure that every Lion has the opportunities to live out the service in their hearts, the best is yet to come.

Yours in Service,

Douglas X. Alexander
International President



Club Anniversaries



<u>Club</u>	<u>Charter Date</u>	<u>Years Old</u>
Marcellus	2/2/70	51
Richland Gull Lake	3/3/54	67
New Buffalo	3/6/42	79
Schoolcraft	3/25/85	36
Sister Lakes	3/30/66	55



Project Night Recap

Lions District 11B2 - Project Night 11/29/21

1/9/22 FINAL

Project Name	Project Night Donations	Additional Donations	Total Donations
All State Band	\$2,700.00	\$450.00	\$3,150.00
Bear Lake Camp	\$2,305.00	\$300.00	\$2,605.00
Camp Leo	\$4,055.00	\$650.00	\$4,705.00
Eversight	\$4,855.00	\$500.00	\$5,355.00
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$360.00
11-B2 Diabeties Program	\$2,248.00	\$550.00	\$2,798.00
Leader Dogs	\$4,655.00	\$400.00	\$5,055.00
Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)	\$6,012.00	\$400.00	\$6,412.00
Lions of Michigan Service Foundation (LMSF)	\$4,605.00	\$450.00	\$5,055.00
KidSight	\$3,695.00	\$550.00	\$4,245.00
Paws With A Cause	\$2,655.00	\$250.00	\$2,905.00
Youth Exchange	\$1,795.00	\$205.00	\$2,000.00
Childhood Cancer	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Total Tally	\$39,990.00	\$4,705.00	\$44,695.00



Donations were up \$4,705 from previous year and one more club at 100% giving!!!!



Stepping up.... Learn. Lead. Grow

Speaking of “Stepping Up”...welcome SVDG Amy Thackston and thanks for steppingup!!!!

It's time to finalize the District Cabinet for next year.
We are in need of a couple Zone Chairs, GST, GLT and Beacon editor.
If you are interested and need more information, please contact me at jumayuiers@gmail.com or 269-254-1938

**Check out the links below for lots of
helpful information for every Lion**

International President Douglas Alexander's Utube
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rR4KOWtZcrE>

Lions Learning Center with such topics as Club Officer Training, Zone Chairperson Training, VDG Training
<https://lci-learnonsite-app-prod.azurewebsites.net/>

Marketing Resources
https://cdn2.webdamdb.com/md_kOD1uCJdUzp0.jpg.pdf?v=2

Social Media Kits and graphics to use on brochures/flyers
<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/social-media/kits>
<https://vimeo.com/showcase/8755590/video/564738434>

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

Second Vice District Governor Amy Thackston

Thank You!

Fellow Lions,

I'm honored to move up and support our District as Second Vice District Governor. I love being a Lion and look forward to continued growth as a Lion. I became a Leo and later joined the Lions because of my passion to serve those in need. I will continue to serve as GST the remainder of the Lion year and expect my focus will continue to be service for the years to come.

As Lions we are here to help our communities and by reporting we are able to show our impact and share ideas with other clubs. I know not everyone is tech savvy or simply don't have the time to get on a computer and report service. Let me help you report. Send me an email, text, call me, or mail me a piece of paper with notes of your club's service and I will do the reporting for you. I love seeing that clubs are serving so I would love to hear from you!

Here's the service reported since my last Beacon article. Great job Portage!

Portage- pill bottle collection, diabetes workshop, clothing donation

Valentine's Day is coming. Take the time to send someone a card, donate a few boxes of valentines to a local school for kids whose parents could not afford to send them with some, or even just art supplies to a school, or nursing home. Don't forget your own members that may not have been able to make it to meetings lately. Any chance to put a smile on someone's face is service from the heart!

Don't forget to send me your service to report. Even if it's 8 months old it was done and should be reported, and I'd be honored to help!

Kind Regards,
2nd VDG Lion Amy Thackston





GMT – Lion Elvie Marfil



We entered the second half of our Lion term!

Per LCI report we ended the month of January 2022 with 872 members.

Shout out to the following Lions Clubs for inducting new members and a big ROAR to their sponsors!

December 2021

Portage Lions Club – 1 new member

Richland Gull Lake Area Lions Club – 1 new member

St. Joseph Lions Club – 4 new members

January 2022

Sturgis Lions Club – 1 new member

Our heartfelt condolences to clubs and families who lost great LIONS!

On another note:

Multiple District 11 is conducting 60 new members in 60 days challenge, starting April 1 through June 30, 2022.

Worldwide Induction Day is an exciting global membership celebration held annually on the last Saturday in April. This is a way to unite clubs around the world in welcoming new members.

While this year has been a year like no other, many clubs and districts have been successful in forming new clubs and recruiting new members. Let's celebrate that accomplishment on April 30, 2022 together on Worldwide Induction Day. There are ways that you can celebrate safely, whether it is in person in accordance with our local guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19 or in a virtual setting.

LCI waived the charter and entrance fee until June 30, 2022. This is a great opportunity to encourage all your Lion members to invite someone to serve our communities.





Here are some ideas on how to recruit new members

1. Ask someone. Ask One!
2. Bring a guest to meetings
3. Advertise in newspapers & cable TV
4. Have a clear club goal & a strategic plan
5. Letters or personal contact with local businesses
6. Contact with Chamber of Commerce
7. Place customized bookmarks in library books
8. Have public meetings at malls, outdoors, etc.
9. Have a booth at malls, fairs, festivals etc.
10. Place pamphlets in doctors' offices, hospitals, cafeterias, libraries, etc.
11. Create videos of your events and promote your Club on YouTube
12. Host an Open House
13. Hold a club assembly only on membership
14. Ask former Leos, Effective Speaking Contestants, Lions Quest grads, Vision Screening school contact, etc.
15. Make the membership chair an active Club Officer that reports at each meeting
16. Put together guest information packets (see Family recruitment Brochure Campus Club recruitment brochure Standard recruitment brochure Club recruitment brochure template// /)
17. Service projects that serve a need in the community
18. Invite family members to join
19. Send letters to people in the news with an invitation to visit the club
20. Print club business cards with club meeting location and time
21. Distribute extra copies of LION magazine and attached information about your club in waiting rooms, etc.
22. Hold high-profile meetings (all candidates meetings, special guests, etc.)
23. Hold wine and cheese receptions for prospective members
24. Ask for help from your Region Chairperson/Zone Chairperson/GMT Coordinator/DG Team
25. Have a special guest day
26. Send club members to a district membership seminar
27. Make prospective members feel important
28. Honor outstanding community members with awards like Melvin Jones, Awards by Club (certificates), etc.
29. Don't take age into consideration
30. Make some meetings social events
31. Build a club web site and a social media presence
32. Use email contacts to promote your club
33. Put posters in public areas (see "We are Lions" club recruitment poster Pinterest page of posters Our Global Causes) / look at posters other Lions created / or be inspired by



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34. Ask corporations and employers to sponsor or subsidize membership
35. Have a reward/recognition program for those who bring in new members at Club level
36. Create more fun
37. Give a money-back guarantee—if after 3 months a new member does not want to stay, return their fees
38. Invite the media to cover well-known speakers
39. Use word of mouth
40. Network with coworkers, friends, and family
41. Follow up with guests
42. Place a colored dot on the watch of every member to remind them to bring a guest
43. Lead by example—how many members have you recruited?
44. Have members give talks at other organizations
45. Provide guests with free meals
46. Update your club's satisfaction surveys. Your Club Your Way / Know your Ratings / CQI
47. Look for members in ethnic groups not represented in your club
48. Provide brochures for new employee packets in local companies with approval from HR/owner
49. Advertise at sports events
50. Ask the district for help
51. Hold joint meetings with other groups
52. Share your club experience with others
53. Participate in community events
54. Write letters to the newspaper about the campaigns your club is working on
55. If a prospect can't join because of your meeting day & time, suggest other nearby clubs
56. Publicize club successes, elections, events, in local newspapers
57. Circulate the club newsletter widely
58. Design a club brochure Club recruitment brochure template
59. Hold recruiting events with two or more clubs
60. Form/join a speakers' bureau or organize a pool of speakers to be available for presentations outside Club
61. Wear your Lions pin at ALL times
62. Mention your club at meetings of other organizations during announcements
63. Send newsletter to guests
64. When asked about your leadership skills or career success, tell them about your club
65. Ask the DG, VDGs, or GMT to attend a board meeting to talk about membership
66. Ask every member to submit 3 prospects to the membership chair
67. Always make it FUN
68. Give every member a club decal or bumper stickers for their car
69. Give testimonials about your club while guests are at the meeting



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70. Repeatedly invite prospective members
71. Practice selling your club at Club meetings—have a one minute elevator speech ready
72. Conduct a Membership Satisfaction Survey – see How Are Your Ratings Member Satisfaction Guide and the
73. The club president asks three club members as a personal favor to each recruit one new member
74. Bring your boss to a club meeting
75. Make contact with women's business associations
76. Bring your co-workers to a club meeting
77. Bring your subordinates to a club meeting
78. Have new member kits available at every meeting
79. Use books, brochures, videos, posters and other resources from LCI
80. Hand out invitation cards for a "free" lunch (breakfast, dinner)
81. Have members constantly promote and rave about your club
82. Meet at a good location
83. Assign members to five-person recruitment teams—each team brings in a new member every six months
84. Develop a strategic membership plan as a year-round priority – growth needs to be planned
85. Have incentives for recruitment
86. Have a large poster that lists all the members who have sponsored a new member in the past year
87. Select a missing career or other classification in the membership and work on filling it
88. Display a thermometer showing progress towards the club membership goal
89. Feature a member's "benefit of the month" in the club newsletter
90. Induct new members with pizzazz & invite their spouse/partner
91. Develop a welcome letter from the president for all new members
92. Contact all members who have resigned in the past 3 years
93. Use billboards at bus stops and roadside
94. Ask club members to put club ads on their commercial trucks
95. Recognize new members in newsletters
96. Regularly check the LCI website for ideas
97. Visit other Club, District, Multiple District websites and social media for ideas
98. Invite spouses to social functions
99. Ask recipients of your Lions Club service or donations (or LCIF) to speak for Lions or your Club
100. Pass out M & M candy to remind members that "Membership Matters" and that we need "More Members" to provide more service





Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion Leader,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to impact the work of Lions and communities around the world, creating challenges for our clubs and the people we care for. Throughout this global crisis, Lions have continued to safely serve because the needs have been so great.

To help ensure that clubs are able to meet the growing needs in our communities, the International Board of Directors passed another resolution to make it easier to invite new members to serve with us.

Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the Board of Directors:

- **Charter and entrance fees waiver** – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from January 1 through June 30, 2022. Charter and entrance fees are also currently waived through December 31, 2021.

Please note that clubs should pay any outstanding balances right away to stay in good standing and avoid being placed on financial suspension on November 15.

This does not include international and club dues



Lions Clubs International

Dues Adjustment Resolution Will Be Voted on at 2022 International Convention

Dear Lion Leader,

Lions Clubs International supports clubs and members around the world so we can advance our global mission of service together. Our international support and the work of Lions Clubs International is fueled by the international dues of our incredible members.

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The International Board of Directors voted in October 2019 to approve an international dues adjustment resolution that would be voted on at the 2020 International Convention, but it was postponed due to the cancellation of our 2020 convention and the move to a virtual convention in 2021 as we adapted to the pandemic. *The new dues adjustment model will be voted on at the 2022 International Convention.*

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust dues \$7 over a three-year period.

Under the proposal, international dues would be adjusted according to the following schedule:

- \$3 increase on July 1, 2023
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2024
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2025

Why an international dues adjustment is needed

We realize the association has been reluctant to adjust dues over the years, and we have not adjusted international dues since 2011. The proposed adjustment will help cover our costs and allow us to suitably serve our members' needs. With that said, the Board of Directors did not take this issue lightly, nor are we minimizing the value of each dollar that our members contribute.

As we consider this dues adjustment, it is essential that we keep in mind that our global efforts and initiatives support more than 1.4 million members in 50,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of staff, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources, training events and software, club operational support, hybrid convention, international meetings, language services, technology, Foundation support, leadership support, and everything else we have come to expect as Lions.

A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products such as our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as the Learning Management System (LMS), development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and other tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand, and our membership.

Why your help is needed

Essentially, we have to decide whether or not we want Lions Clubs International to continue to grow and thrive. Lions is more than a way of life. It's also an investment of money, time, energy and passion. As with any good investment, the more we put in, the more returns we see.

We need you to help our members and leaders understand why this adjustment is needed. We have developed an [international dues adjustment FAQ and PPT](#) to help you present it to your Lions. If you have any questions on the dues adjustment resolution, please contact LCI Executive Administrator Sanjeev Ahuja.

I hope that you will see this adjustment as we do: as an investment in the future of Lions. Through your support, we can ensure that Lions are positioned for success in the future.

Yours in Service,

Douglas X. Alexander
International President



LIONS CLUBS of Michigan Family Kitchen Cookbook

*Make Homemade Memories
and Season them with Love*



Volume 1 - November 2021

Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers
517-887-6640 - info@lhcmi.org

Cookbooks reduced to \$15 each. Clubs that sell 20 or more receive \$5 back on each one they sell. Shipping for individual orders only will be absorbed by LMSF. Club orders will have shipping applied.

Lions of Michigan Foundation Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers

Cookbook Fundraiser



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

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

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of their hearing loss. Lions Clubs or other nonprofit organizations who sell 20 or more cookbooks collectively will receive a \$5 rebate for each book sold to be used for their local projects.

As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

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Cookbook Order and Donation Form

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☐ I would like to purchase _____ cookbook(s) for \$15 each for a total of \$_____.

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

Payment Method: ___ Check ___ Credit Card ___ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____

Signature: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Lions Club or Business Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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☐ Enclosed is my gift for \$ _____ to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

☐ Please bill me for \$ _____ as my gift to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

☐ Please charge my debit/credit card for \$ _____. This is a: One Time Gift _____ Monthly
Recurring Gift _____ Annual Recurring Gift _____ to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ Other _____

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____

Signature: _____

This gift is for:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> KidSight Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assistance Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Yager Military Family & Veterans Relief Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sight Restoration Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Disaster Relief Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

This gift is in memory of: _____

This gift is in honor of: _____

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Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____



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Acrylic Tray
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Banks & Credit Unions
Travel Agencies
Government Offices
Courthouses
City Offices
Flower Shops
Eye Doctors
Chambers of Commerce
Funeral Homes
Hardware Stores
Car Washing Rooms
Medical/Dental Offices

Restaurants (especially fast food places—try to place a double tray because of volume)

Any retail business that has a good volume of walk-ins such as card shops, shoe stores, etc.

LionMints.net

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Web Site:
www.lionmints.net



THE LION MINTS PROGRAM

How To Approach Merchants

- Ask if the merchant is familiar with the Lions Mints mission.
- Request Counter space for Lions Mints, and be sure to say it will only take a small space.
- Look around—find a desirable spot which has visibility and accessibility.
- Assume a humble attitude, don't be pushy or demanding.

How To Service Accounts

- Always keep your candy displays filled with candy. Some will only need monthly service, while others will need service every 3-4 days in high volume places.
- It is not a good policy to leave too many extra mints at a site for employees to fill trays with as too much money will accumulate if theft is suspected, seal the bottom of the tray with a sticker that would have to be broken if the tray is tampered with. This tends to deter such activity.
- Keep your display clean, signs should be clean and have supplier's name and phone number on the back. Collection trays and containers should be clean. If not, switch for a clean one. Boxes sometimes collect debris—be sure dust hasn't collected, and remember, empty trays are lost sales.

How To Build Public Support

- Form a relationship with business owners and their employees. Tell them about Lions and the things your Club does for the community—glasses, hearing aids, youth programs (baseball teams, swim teams and band camps). People will be more inclined to monitor the mint displays for you, and it is a great way to recruit new members for your Lions Club.

Qty.	Item	Unit Price	Total
	Peppermint - 576 Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Wintergreen - 576 Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Fizzy Fruit Candy - 576 Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Peppermint DROPS - 4,500 Mints (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Wintergreen DROPS - 4,500 Mints (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Red Plastic Display Tray: Hold 24 Lion Mint Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 3.00	
	Piggyback Rack: Stack Two Plastic Display Trays (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 4.50	
	Price Sign: Tray Backer Card - 50¢ Imperis (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 0.75	
	Acrylic Display Tray 1: Hold 1,500 Lion Mint Drops (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 40.00	
	Acrylic Display Tray 2: Hold 4 Boxes Lion Mint Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 40.00	
	Lion Mints Program - Starter Kit	FREE	
	Shipping Charges: FedEx Ground	FedEx.com	
TOTAL			

Date: _____ Club Name: _____

Ship To: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Bill To: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

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Shipped: _____

REMINDER: Our mints are manufactured in Australia and COVID shut down much of their manufacturing. We have containers finally shipping but won't arrive in the US until sometime in March and then will probably be sitting in ports for quite some time. With that being said our **inventory of Fizzy Fruits is limited at the State Office** so if you club sells a lot of Fizzy Fruit and want to have enough on hand, **please let me know by February 4th** and I can pick up when I go to the State Office on the 5th. After that time, I don't know when I will be back at the State Office or if our inventory will hold out very long.



Mints For MILITARY

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is proud to recognize the brave men and women serving our nation in the United States military. We have Lion Mints Care Packages ready for distribution,

but we need the names and addresses of more service men and women to recognize. Please help us by displaying and distributing this flyer in your community.



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 Executive Drive
Lansing, Michigan 48911
517-887-6640
info@lmsf.net
www.lmsf.net



PLEASE SEND A LION MINTS CARE PACKAGE TO:

Military Member's Name: _____

Rank: _____ **Unit:** _____

APO: _____ **FPO:** _____ **AE:** _____ **AA:** _____ **AP:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____



36th ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT PRIZES

1st-\$5,000 - 2nd-\$2,500 - 3rd-\$2,000
4th- \$1,500 - 5th-\$1,000 - 6th-\$500
7th-\$400 - 8th-\$300 - 9th-\$200 - 10th-\$100

SELLER INCENTIVES

1st-\$750 - 2nd-\$500 - 3rd-\$250 - 4th-\$100

EASY MONEY

30-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club
100 - 249 Tickets Sold = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club
250+ Tickets = \$5.50 Per Ticket For Club

DRAWINGS

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 7, 2022

Lions of Michigan State Office
Lansing, Michigan

FINAL DRAWING

May 21, 2022

MD 11 Convention - Auburn Hills, MI

The PRICE is RIGHT

\$10.00 Per Ticket

Attention-Attention-Attention

Do you have a friend or relative who has everything?

What better gift could you give than one that helps those in need? For a gift of \$10, you can buy a Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for a friend or family member, providing them with a chance to win several cash prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Upon receipt of your gift, we will mail a sweepstakes ticket stub and sweepstakes information to your honoree with a card acknowledging your gift.



lmsf.net - lhcmi.org

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Gift
36th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Donor's Name(s): _____

Donor's Email Address: _____

Donor's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Honoree's Name: _____

Honoree's Email Address: _____

Honoree's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

30 tickets will be mailed to all Club Presidents around
the second week of November.

Tips on selling LMSF Sweepstakes tickets



- ❖ Give each club member a set number of tickets to sell. If your club has 30 members and you receive 30 tickets it's not hard for each member to sell 1 ticket.
- ❖ Remember this can be an easy fundraiser for your club because the club can earn money for tickets sold.
- ❖ Send a letter to friends and family members sharing how proud you are to be a Lion and what our motto "We Serve" means to you and how much Lions give back to communities both locally and globally.
- ❖ We are able to provide eyeglasses and hearing aids through some of the proceeds of the ticket sales as well as other services individuals may need assistance with.
- ❖ Tickets make great gifts for birthdays, Christmas...any holiday. Just think that if you give or receive a \$5 ticket and you win any of the prizes it is well worth the \$5 investment.
- ❖ Hand out requests to other groups such as Library Boards and Book Clubs.
- ❖ Take the sale one step further if you want and send a "thank you" card to everyone that purchased a ticket(s) and especially if that someone is a lucky winner.

The breakdown for your club to raise funds is as follows:

- For 30-99 tickets sold, we will earn \$3.50 per ticket.
- For 100-249 tickets sold, we will earn \$5.00 per ticket.
- For 250+ tickets sold, we will earn \$5.50 per ticket.

JOIN US FEBRUARY 26, 2022

The Michigan Lions Forum committee is disappointed to announce that we will not be able to hold an in-person Forum this year due to the cancellation of all events at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre, Flint.

If you have already registered, a refund will be sent to you. I have requested that the hotel cancel our block of room reservations, as well.

We will move forward with a virtual Michigan Lions Forum, to be held on February 26. Please watch for notification and registration for this **free event!** The Forum committee had great success with a virtual event last year, and we will continue the tradition of the Michigan Lions Forum excellence offered to our membership for over 20 years.

White Cane Week is April 23-May 1, 2022. Download the White Cane order form from our website to view our products and order your supplies. Orders will be filled and mailed to you from the State Office. <https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/white-cane-catalog-and-more>

Thank you for your continued support!

Yours in Service,

PDG Karen Routson
Forum Chair

Lion Wendy Burns
Executive Director



Join us for this free webinar! 9:00 a.m. Saturday, February 26, 2022

Opening Welcome: PDG Karen Routson, Michigan Lions Forum Chair

Session I: Fundraising. Hear from a panel of experts successful fundraising tips & tricks to grow your service. Lion Deb Davis, Rockford Lions Club, MD 11 C1

Session II: Diabetes Awareness and YOU – Diabetes Awareness starts before the complications impacts your life. Prevention happens by changing your lifestyle and through education. When the complications of diabetes impacts your vision it impacts your life style and mobility. This is life altering. DG Terri Huffman, MD 11 B1

Session III: Membership: The Power of Re-Gifting – What if I was to say to you, every Lion has been given a very special gift. A gift that as of yet, has not even begun to reach its full potential. In this 20-minute presentation I will reveal to you exactly what this *special* gift is and how you can allow it to increase its potential through *the Power of Regifting*. PCC Jeff Mayuiers, Three Rivers Lions Club, MD 11 B2

Session IV: Childhood Cancer –Bringing the Heart of Lions and Camp Quality Together in Service. Lion Christine Smith, District 10; Jean McDonough, Executive Director Camp Quality

Keynote Address: Sandy Pearson, President/CEO Habitat for Humanity. Sandra Pearson is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Habitat for Humanity of Michigan, which supports a network of 50+ affiliates and ReStores. Sandy's passion is to team up with people who can use a hand, a coach, a mentor, a connector in achieving their life goals, one of which may be to own a home. Sandy understands the value of stability starting at home. She lives a wonderful life and wishes for a wonderful life for all.

REGISTRATION FOR THIS FREE EVENT WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL!

Find us online at: www.lionsofmi.com

WHITE CANE ORDER FORM



ions/Lioness Club Name _____

istrict _____ Date _____

SHIPPING ADDRESS:

BILLING ADDRESS:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

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

Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com

***This form is for informational purposes only. It is not to be used for ordering. For more information, please contact the Lioness Club of Michigan at (800) 368-6666 or (616) 368-6666.

White Cane Supplies

Popular Picks: For photos of items visit our website at www.lionsofmi.com

White Cane Appliques

High quality self-adhesive cloth sticker is the perfect way to raise awareness for White Cane Week.

\$65.00/500



Certificate of Appreciation

Recognize businesses and individuals who support your White Cane Drive.

60¢/each

String Tags

Blue tag with cane on front. White Cane Law printed on back.

\$57.00/1000



Individually Wrapped Mints



Mint Drops are individually wrapped mints. Two flavors available: winter-green and peppermint.

750 per box \$20.00

Waist Apron

Cloth apron with two large pockets for collecting money and holding white cane supplies.

\$8.00/each

Bib Apron

Over-the-shoulder apron made of heavy duck. Durable and good for all your Lions projects.

\$14.00/each

White Cane Placemats

Very colorful and great for public relations! (measures 10"x13")

\$21.00/500



Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Collection Boxes

White fiberboard collection boxes include stickers on three sides. Small box measures 9x9x14 1/2, large box measures 14x14x30.

\$5.50/each (small)

\$7.50/each (large)

Extra Eyeglass Collection Box Stickers

Each set consists of two large stickers promoting used eyeglass and hearing aid collection and one small sticker with club contact information.

\$3.00/each (set of 3)

Miniature Plastic White Canes w/ Punched Cards

The updated (compliant with the American Council for the Blind and LCI) miniature plastic white cane lapel pin with a clutch back. (Used with punched card to deliver the white cane message.)

\$140.00/1000

Punched Cards

1 1/2" x 3/4" tags to be used with plastic canes. They feature the White Cane traffic symbol and the Lions Emblem.



\$15.00/500

White Cane Leader Patch

Recognize club members who are leaders in your White Cane Drive.

\$3.00/each

White Cane Law Pamphlet

Tri-fold brochure which features the White Cane law and Public Accommodations act. It also explains what an individual should do when encountering a blind person.

\$20.00/250

White Cane Bookmarks

Bookmark with White Cane Law printed on back. Great giveaway for libraries.

\$10.00/100

White Cane Stickers

Two-color stickers on a roll. Design features the Lions logo and White Cane traffic symbol. 2 1/2" in diameter.

\$25.00/1000



GROWING TOGETHER!
2022 MD 11 Lions Convention

Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

DIRECT PHONE (248) 648-6016

GROUP RATE: \$89 PER NIGHT *(plus fees & taxes)*

REDUCED RATE AVAILABLE ONLY THRU APRIL 29, 2022

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

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

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

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

Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless registration fee is paid. **(excluding Saturday Banquet)** 2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 9, 2022. No refunds after May 10, 2022. 3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 4:00; Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance.

Mail completed form and payment to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

Lions Clubs International GLT Multiple District Coordinator Application

(Appointment for a GLT-MD Coordinator is a one-year term)

To Serve: July 1, 2022 thru June 30, 2023

Multiple District #

Candidate Name	<input type="text"/>	Membership #	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>	Residence Telephone	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>	Residence Email*	<input type="text"/>
State/Province	<input type="text"/>	Business Telephone	<input type="text"/>
Zip/Postal Code	<input type="text"/>	Business Email*	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>	Mobile/Cell	<input type="text"/>
Occupation	<input type="text"/>	Fax	<input type="text"/>
Club Name	<input type="text"/>	Club Number	<input type="text"/>
Current Lion Title	<input type="text"/>	# of Years as a Lion	<input type="text"/>

* An email address is strongly recommended. All GLT correspondence is sent via e-mail. Please provide your preferred email address here

Please state any volunteer or professional experience that would qualify you for this position.

✓ Check Lion Positions Held:

☐

International Director

☐

Region Chairperson

☐

Council Chairperson

☐

Zone Chairperson

☐

District Governor

Club Officer (specify)

☐

Multiple District Coordinator: GLT ☐ GMT ☐

Other (specify)

☐

District Coordinator: GLT ☐ GMT ☐

Are you available to travel throughout the multiple district to conduct leadership development programs?

☐

Yes

☐

No

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

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

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

Applicant (Signature)

Applicant (Print Name)

Date

Multiple District

MULTIPLE DISTRICT USE ONLY

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

Council Chairperson (Signature)

Council Chairperson (Print Name)

Date

GLT Area Leader (Signature)

GLT Area Leader (Print Name)

Date

Submit completed form to:

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

Lions of Michigan Foundation PROJECT KIDSIGHT



As many of us know we as Lions have many important projects we step up and volunteer for. They are all important every single one of them, however this project is so important and affects so many children and families in our community we must have your help.

In 1925 as many of you know, Helen Keller challenged us as Lions to become “Knights of the Blind”. Prior to that time our organization was searching for a meaningful purpose. Upon receiving that challenge, Lions Clubs International became known for helping and assisting those with visual needs.

Here in 11B2 we introduced a very special program that involved screening young children for vision issues. The program was started by our very own Lion Bill Kowalski and soon Lion Pat McFarland joined Bill. Back then these two began working with schools, churches, and community events doing anything they could to screen the younger children of our district. As we stand today, Lion Bill Kowalski has now since passed and Lion Pat McFarland has been troubled with many health issues and has been forced to mainly just be a consultant. This program itself has grown larger than ever expected. It was turned over to the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation and now provides screenings to the entire State of Michigan.

For many years we have been blessed to have Lions Dave and Tanda Stiffler dedicate themselves to the KidSight program. They store the KidSight trailer, maintain the equipment, run the appointment calendar, and attend a majority of the events. But as with everything, we all age and it comes to a time our priorities have to be evaluated. That being said, Dave and Tanda have put in their notice asking to step back. I know this was not an easy decision for them at all. As the KidSight Chairman for the State of Michigan, and it just so happens I am from District 11B2, I am asking this district for help. We need volunteers most desperately. We need a Project Coordinator as well. What I propose we do is to get a list of all those people interested in becoming screeners and helping with this project. Once we have that list, we will coordinate a meeting of everyone on the list. We will invite Dave and Tanda to help facilitate this meeting and answer all your questions, train those that are willing to step up and hopefully make the transition for a new program Coordinator as well. Please, think about this program, our communities, and our kids as this is not a program we can afford to lose.

I ask you to forward me your name, email, and phone number if you are willing to step up and be involved in a program that will touch your Lions heart every single day. Email me at wjmayuiers@gmail.com.

Thank you
PCC Jeff Mayuiers
11B2 District GLT & LMSF KidSight Chairman



Big Al Kassin Fellowship

To benefit Lions Bear Lake Camp

To recognize outstanding community service and
exemplary humanitarian efforts

Available to:

Lions

Lions Clubs

Lions Districts

Individuals

Businesses

Also for posthumous recognition

\$1,000 Contribution:

May be funded by one or more individuals or groups

May fund up to three consecutive years

(will not be awarded until paid for)

One desktop flame series acrylic and one pin will be awarded with each fellowship.

Lion "Big Al" was the founder of Lions Bear Lake Camp.



Buchanan- Galien Lions

The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their clubs monthly dinner meeting on January 13th. Lion President Lewis Lambert presided and gave an update of club happenings.

The guest speaker was Elvin Gonzalez who currently serves as the Family Division Administrator of the Berrien County Trial Court – Family Division in Michigan. He has oversight over all juvenile justice programs and services in Berrien County including the Intake Unit, Court Services Division, Juvenile Detention Center with Secure Detention and Residential Treatment and Tether Programs. Additionally, he oversees the Probate Unit of the Family Division. He has over 34 years of experience in the juvenile justice field including working in detention facilities, residential treatment, intensive probation program, and management of Probation and Court Services Departments in Illinois and Michigan. Through the influence of his leadership, out of home placements of delinquent youth in Berrien County has declined by approximately 80% in the last fifteen years resulting in significant financial savings and reinvestment of the savings in community/family based models of intervention.

The Lions will be hosting their **Second Annual Virtual Trivia Night on Feb 26th**



Buchanan- Galien Lions



Lion Alice Kring also presented a parting gift from the club to our good friend Lion Sarah Gault who will be moving to the Knoxville, TN area in pursuit of her life-long dream of working within the Make A Wish Foundation.

Congratulations and Best Wishes Lion Sarah on your new venture!

The Lions will be hosting their **Second Annual Virtual Trivia Night on Feb 26th**



1st Runner up Hayden Bauer



Miss Congeniality Joy Kaltenbach

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

Buchanan-Galien Lions Club 2nd Annual Virtual



Saturday, February 26, 2022

Log-in starts @7 p.m.

Play in the comfort of your own home!

\$20 per person (teams of 5-6 people)



**Visit Buchanan-Galiens Lion Club
Facebook page for registration details
or email Lions49107@gmail.com**

Coloma Leos



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



Picture: Left: Cali Grenon, Camryn Brown, Alyse Grenon, Gavin Morlock and Addy Kimmerly.

Edwardsburg Lions

The Edwardsburg Lions Club Annual Christmas Tree Sales 2021



A FANTASTIC YEAR for the Edwardsburg Lions Club in selling Christmas trees for 56 years! This year, all the 300 Christmas trees sold! Plus, it was an amazing year that “Friends” of the Club along with Leos came in numbers the day after Thanksgiving to unload the trees and setup the tree lot. The Edwardsburg Club cannot express enough how appreciative they are for the help as it made the project come together quickly and smoothly to start selling trees that very day. The tree sales amazingly sold very quickly this year. What a blessing to the club for all those that helped the Lions *and* came to our tree lot for their perfect tree for the holiday season.

Special thanks to the H & R Block business for allowing the Edwardsburg Lions to set up their tree lot in their parking lot. So much appreciated. 😊

HAPPY NEW YEAR
MAY YOU STAY SAFE & HEALTHY!





Edwardsburg Leos

Nov.-Dec. 2021-2022

Five Events November – Three Events December

The Edwardsburg Leos kept plenty busy in November and December. The Leo Advisor Tanda is just playing catch up on reporting! (Too many family incidents happened in October, November, and December, sad to say....)

1. First event in November, the Leos helped at a Christmas Bazaar held at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church. The Leos helped the vendors with setup, tear down and served the vendors' lunch. The Ladies running the Bazaar were thrilled that Leos helped so much.
2. Second event in November, the Leos help the Knights of Columbus with their Annual Fall Harvest Dinner. Because of the pandemic the Knights did not have a sit-down dinner but offered a delicious dinner as a drive through. The Leos helped distribute the dinners out to the vehicles as they drove up. The Knights sent an email to the Advisor expressing how they truly could not have pulled this off without the Leos participation.
3. Third event in November, several Leos volunteered during school hours to help the Edwardsburg Food Pantry setup the parking lot with cones as community members came to the Food Pantry to pick up their Thanksgiving baskets. Again, because of the pandemic, community members were asked to just drive up and Food Pantry members and Leos would load up their vehicles with several bags of food for their Thanksgiving dinner. The Principal of the Edwardsburg High School was more than excited to allow the students to take off a morning to assist in the Edwardsburg Food Pantry Thanksgiving Project.
4. Fourth event in November, the Leos made Thanksgiving cards for the Westwood Nursing Home in Niles. Each Leo made cards and wrote inside words of inspiration they were thankful for. The Leos also

Edwardsburg Leos

decorated large snowflakes that had glitter on them by writing encouraged words that reflected thankfulness. Advisors took the cards and snowflakes to the nursing home after the meeting and the Administration Members were absolutely thrilled upon receiving the cards and decorations for the doors of each patient.

5. The fifth event of November, the Leos helped the Edwardsburg Lions Club with unloading 300 Christmas trees that were delivered on Friday the day after Thanksgiving. The Lions were thrilled as this year the Lions had the most help ever in unloading and sitting up the tree lot. The Lions said they were done in under an hour! On a happy note, the Lions, sold every last Christmas tree this year!

1. The first event of December, the Leos signed Christmas cards for every Edwardsburg Teacher and the Administration Members. Every card was signed by every Leo that came to the meeting. They then put them in their mailboxes in the office. Some teachers were picking up their mail and had smiles on their faces when they realized they were getting a Christmas card from the Leo Club. One teacher said what a thoughtful idea and he loved to hear from Leos about all the projects they do. So much so, that he encouraged his class students to join the Leo Club!
2. The second event in December, Leos helped the Edwardsburg Food Pantry after school on a Friday to load and pack food baskets in preparation of distribution the following Monday for Christmas.
3. The third event in December, even though it was the first day of their Christmas break, Leos went to the Edwardsburg Food Pantry and helped setup the cones in the parking lot for the drive through. They stayed to help load the vehicles with the Christmas baskets as Edwardsburg Community Members arrived.

It's a new year 2022 and the Leos are gearing up to host a "Sock Drive" to raise funds to purchase socks for the Homeless and for the Veterans. The Leos will form a committee to start this very meaningful project to help others. Many other events will be discussed and decided on in the next coming months.

LEOS ROCK!!!

Kalamazoo Westside Lions

Kalamazoo Westside Lions Club:

Kalamazoo Westside is having their annual Valentine's flower sale!

The cost is \$15 contact Donnie Dill before February 9 to order.

One rose, 2 carnations, baby's breath in a fishbowl type container.

More information contact: Donnie Dill/Bill Dill 427-7869



Mattawan Lions Club Invites you to our...



**Soup
Supper**

&



4:30-6:30pm

Antwerp Activity Center

**24821 Front St.,
Mattawan 49071**



All meals come with crackers, dessert, and a bottle of water!

**Mark your calendar for our other upcoming
soup supper dates:**

February 12th, 2022

March 12th, 2022

**Donations for these soup supper dinners will be used to
support the Mattawan community .**

Suggested donation \$5.00 per person



We Serve

Mattawan Lions Club



The Mattawan Lions Club went to a Mattawan High School Hockey game to support one of our local kids who is 11 years old and was recently diagnosed with Leukemia.

Cole is in 6th grade and has a heart of gold and we wanted not only to support him but show that we support Pediatric Cancer Awareness!



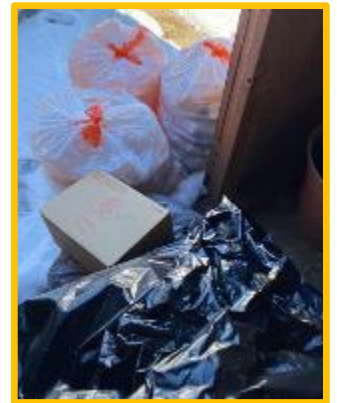
Portage Lions Club

Portage Lions Consolidate Prescription Pill Bottles

Last January 15, 2022, Lions Laura, Amy and Elvie cleared out Lion Elvie's shed of accumulated used prescription pill bottles collected from the local community and District 11-B2 Lions Clubs. It took both Lions Laura and Amy's car to load them. Sorting and dropping off used pill bottles to Matthew 25: Ministries in Cincinnati, OH, will be scheduled sometime in February or March 2022. These cleaned, de-labeled, prescription pill bottles will be used to dispense prescriptions to those in need in Africa.



*Caring for a Needy World
With the Things We Throw Away*



Lions of Michigan Clothing Banks & Resale Shops



Portage Lions donated coats, boots, and blankets to the Lions of Michigan clothing banks and resale shops.

Tina Fagerman's Bags of Love Project

Local Portage resident, Tina Fagerman, an independent Sales Consultant for Thirty-One Gifts, asked the Portage Lions to help her this year to fill a couple of needs that she had identified within the community. Her pet project is to provide cinch sacks filled with items essential for two underserved groups: (1) new mamas transitioning into the NICU unit with their precious one(s) and (2) children being removed from their homes and being placed into foster care.



Tina presented 50 Bags of Love to Bethany Christian Services in Kalamazoo - pre-pandemic. The Portage Lions, led by Amy Blankshain, helped her by collecting toiletries from the community to help fill the bags and providing used eyeglass cases to contain small items going into the bags. In addition to providing more Bags of Love to Bethany this year, Tina will be providing Bags of Love to Bronson Methodist Hospital.

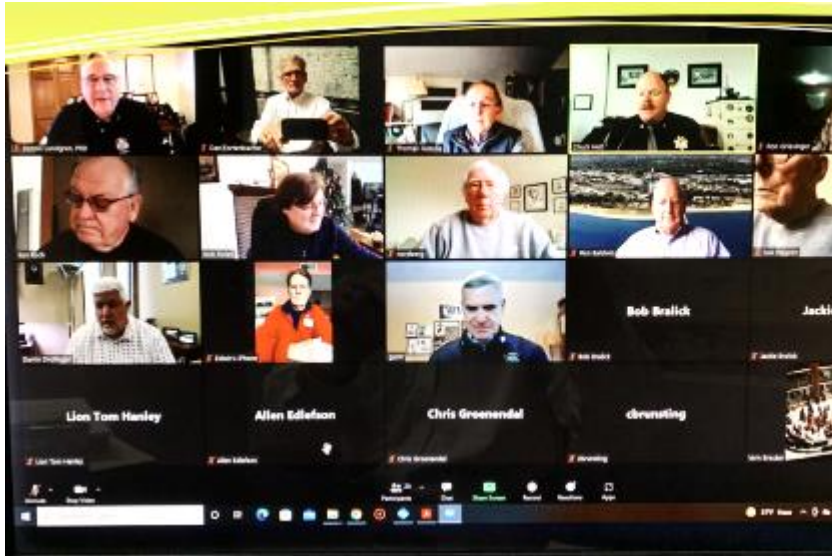
Generous sponsors have provided Tina with a total of 109 cinch sacks to date. Items being collected for the Bags of Love designated for Bronson are as follows: lotion, pens, notebooks, journals, coloring books, colored pencils, gas gift cards, warm fuzzy socks, deodorant, blankets, hand sanitizer, and eyeglass cases (of course!). The Portage Lions Club provided approximately 300 used eyeglass cases from our last eyeglass sorting for Tina's Bags of Love. Lion Ron Gibson personally donated 150 pens to the cause.



Tina is working on identifying items to be collected for the Bags of Love designated for Bethany. Please contact the Portage Lions if interested in making donations.



St. Joseph City Lions Club



Great attendance
for the January
board meeting

Still Zooming at times.....



Lion Drollinger presents donation to The
Therapeutic Equestrian Center's Autumn Zick
in memory of Past President Jeff Richards

Camp Leo chairman Lion Larry Wagner said the camp is scheduled for 08/07-08/10/22. Looking forward to another great camp and hopefully even more campers this year.



Sturgis Lions Club



New club member Amy McAllister is with President Frank Iannarelli following her induction into the Sturgis Lions Club. Amy is the faculty advisor for the Sturgis High School Leo Club.



New club member Julie Kennard with sponsor LouAnn Cox.



Sturgis Lions welcomed two new members recently – Julie Kennard (January 5) and Amy McAllister (January 19)

Members have again volunteered as Salvation Army bell ringers during early December, and continue to man concession stands at local school sporting events.

We have pledged a donation to meet teacher "wish lists", which the Sturgis Foundation will match. Teachers may submit plans for projects, equipment or materials which will improve classroom environment or learning outcome. These requests are received by the Sturgis Foundation which selects the winners.

Our Leo Club had great success with its winter coat project. A very generous response enabled them to outfit fourteen students at the high school with new coats, boots or shoes as needed. The recipients were very grateful and pleasantly surprised. We are so proud of our Leos.

At our January 19 meeting, members Lou Ann Cox and Julie Kennard together with their friend Laura Barnard demonstrated how they have recycled plastic grocery bags, such as from Walmart and Meijer, into mats and tote bags to be distributed to homeless members of our community. They also fill the tote bags with basic hygiene items. It requires 800 bags to create a mat, they report. We will try to keep them supplied.

Three Rivers Lions Club

Emergency Manager Erin Goff of the St. Joseph County Sheriff's Department gave the club a presentation on Homeland Security and Emergency Service. Erin shared some of the many things she is responsible for overseeing for the residents of St. Joseph County. She talked about how the various agencies in the county work together when there is a disaster or emergency situation.

All of these things just show another way that many hands working together make a job much easier!



On January 25th club members attended a Three Rivers Lady Wildcats Varsity basketball game to show our support for their hard work and assistance at our annual toy distribution in December.

Medical Equipment Items to Loan

Contact Lion Judy Pullins, Sister Lakes Lions for wheelchairs, canes and crutches.

269-277-8821 or pullins1852@gmail.com



Three Rivers has a couple of wheelchairs, walkers, and crutches to loan. 269-273-2424

Mattawan have a couple of walkers and other mobility aids. Contact Kim Copenaver partylikeabanker@yahoo.com or 269-251-6553



Lion Request...

I am PCC Jeff Mayuiers from the Three Rivers Lions Club and your current District GLT. Some of you may know that I work at Twin County Probation Center which serves every county in our District. These individuals always need community service and my club helps them with that by having them help out at our club functions and assisting with building maintenance projects. I started a bicycle program because most parolees are not allowed to drive vehicles yet and are required to have a job to pay for their room and board while in the probation center. I have been taking in bicycles and repairing them with tires, tubes, gearshifts, and brakes and then providing them to the parolees to ride to work and back. My problem is I have no more bikes, but many males and females still need a bike. My request is, if you have a bike that you'd be willing to donate to this program I sure could use your help. I can be reached at 269-254-1936 or wjmayuiers@gmail.com.

THANK YOU for those of you that have donated bicycles already!



Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



2022

February

- 12: Mattawan Soup Supper – see flyer in Beacon
- 25 – 26: Council of Governors – Marriott, Grand Rapids
- 26: Buchanan Galien 2nd Annual Virtual Trivia Night – flyer in Beacon
- 26: Michigan Forum – Virtual only – No charge!!



March

- 12: Mattawan Soup Supper – see flyer in Beacon

April

- 16: Schoolcraft Easter Egg Hunt
- 22 – 23: District Convention – Four Points by Sheraton – Kalamazoo
- April 23 – May 1: White Cane Week
- 24: Cabinet Meeting – Four Points by Sheraton – Kalamazoo



May

- :20 – 22: Council of Governors and MD-11 Convention – Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac



June

- 4: Cabinet Meeting – TBA @ 9 am
- 17 – 18: Three Rivers Ox Roast
- 24 – 28: International Convention – Montreal

July

- 4: Schoolcraft Pancake Breakfast & KidSight Screening

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 new of 11 B2. If you want items posted on the Facebook page, please send them to Lion Tammie Grabowski at cheftammie@gmail.com

Please note that the **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 or family member needing support with a Get Well Wish, Condolence or Congratulations.

Please email me jumayuiers@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 all our Lions undergoing health issues as well as their caregivers in your thoughts and prayers.

PCC Jeff Mayuiers
23250 Van Resort Drive
Mendon, MI 49072

PDG Fran and Lion Tammie Grabowski on the passing of Fran's mother
2417 Townhouse Lane
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

In addition, our prayers are with the families and Lions of the Paw Paw Lions Club and St. Joseph Lions Clubs for the recent losses of members of their clubs.

Just spread a little sunshine and kindness and call a fellow Lion just to check on them and see if they need anything.





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. **Just ask your PR person to send me the information for the B2 Beacon so I can submit to the Lions Pride.** If they are sending photos they must also include the text to accompany the photos. I will not be contacting the clubs/members to ask about text.

So.....Club Presidents

PLEASE have your PR person email me jumayuiers@gmail.com 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 25th 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 25th 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 25th and end of the month, please let me know by the 23rd 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 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, doctor's 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!!!