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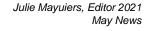
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Z2 Chair Dan Chopp 269.998.2042 takeahike161@yahoo.com Aloha! Welcome to warmer weather!!

Just wanted to recap the convention for those who missed it. What a fantastic time we all had. We had some great training and community service that was done together. We put together over 100 snack bags and 100 personal care bags for the homeless. They were delivered to the Gospel Mission in Kalamazoo.

We also planted seeds in recycled egg containers, and it was a beautiful day outside, so we were able to spend a few minutes outside filling our containers up with dirt. Many of those containers that people didn't take for themselves or a food pantry near them will be used in the Mattawan Community Garden that serves the Mattawan Area Pantry.

We had special guests PID Bud Wahl and his wife Jama from Illinois and they were extremely kind and fun to be around.

Friday night we had carnival games and raised some money for purchasing pillowcases for Bronson's Children's Oncology floor and we had 3 pillowcases donated.

We handed out awards for Shining Star, the John C. Johnson award, Centennial Circle, 100% Giving awards, Club Growth awards, and Gov. Appreciation Awards that went to GLT Jeff Mayuiers, GMT Elvie Marfil, and GST Amy Thackston. We had the PID give out International Director Certificates of Appreciation to Carol Patridge, Dan Chopp and Amv Thackston. 1st DGE Amy Thackston was also awarded the Leadership Award for all that she does for our district.

We had the family of our peace poster winner attend the luncheon on Saturday and she did a wonderful job speaking about her vision for the poster.

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District Governor Karol Chopp Cont'd.

We had the family of our peace poster winner attend the luncheon on Saturday and she did a wonderful job speaking about her vision for the poster.

The great eye glass challenge happened Saturday morning and we had a great number of glasses collected, thanks to Buchanan Galien for doing such a great job with this every year.

A special treat for the night was when we had the PAASM Cultural Dance Group do a special dance for us at the end Saturday, it was beautiful. Thanks to GMT Lion Elvie for setting that up!

Again, thank you to everyone who helped make it such a fun event, especially my home club of Mattawan who came up with doing a carnival theme. We had so much fun with our Mattawan Leo Club as they ran the games for us and provided us with some great entertainment!

The year is still not over so please continue recruiting new members to your club, I would love to hit those 60 new members in our district by June 1.

Continue making sure to report and if you can't do it, get with me!!

Hope to see some of you at training on Sunday, May 15!

Yours in service,

DG Karol



Governor Karol's Calendar

2022

May

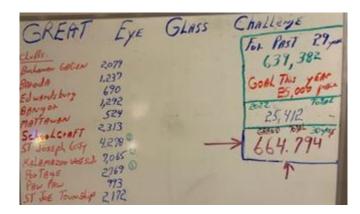
20 – 22: Council of Governors and MD-11 Convention

June

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

















Club Anniversaries



<u>Club</u>	Charter <u>Date</u>	Years <u>Old</u>
Kalamazoo Westside	5/15/2002	19
South Haven Black Rive	er 5/16/1996	25
White Pigeon	5/29/1945	76
Bloomingdale Gobles K	al Haven	
	6/6/1994	27
Comstock	6/11/1970	51
St. Joseph	6/15/1928	93
St. Joseph Twsp.	6/19/1981	37
Baroda	6/19/1984	37



District Governor Elect Julie Mayuiers

Hello everyone,

First let me apologize for getting this edition out so late this month. Time just got away from me the past several weeks.

What a great District Convention we had this year!!! Congratulations DG Karol for a great year so far.....but you aren't done yet! Every club is helping you achieve the 60 in 60 Challenge by getting 60 new members inducted between April 1 and May 31. So come on clubs bring in the new members now!!!

Some exciting news will be coming next month with full details but I can share this for now. The new Beacon editor for next year 2022 – 2023 will be Lion Wes Garman of the Mattawan Lions. Wes recently retired and Lion Nancy didn't have enough things on his "honey do list" to keep him busy so he asked if he could take over the Beacon which I was happy to say yes to. It is been about 7 or 8 years now that I have been doing it and like everything else it is time for a change. In the next edition I will be providing you with Lion Wes's contact details, file types he prefers, deadlines, etc. As you are aware when the Beacon comes out it contains the previous months club news as well as information on future events. So the first edition Lion Wes will be preparing will the August issue which will contain July news since the Lions year starts on July 1. So through the month of June you will still be sending me your Beacon articles and information, then starting in July you will be sending to Lion Wes. In addition to sending Lion Wes your flyers on upcoming events, please continue to send me your events throughout 2022 – 2023 for my calendar so that my chauffer Lion Jeff and I may attend as many of them as possible.

So now on to some information both LCI and I need to know ASAP. Every club by now should have held their new club officers elections for 2022 – 2023. The form to be completed by the President or Secretary is on the next couple of pages along with how to submit to LCI. Please email me a copy as well so that I can provide the updated information in the District Roster Book that I am compiling right now and is scheduled to go to print no later than June 10th.

Special thank you for all the members of the military that have served our country...both those that were fortunate to return to their families and especially those less fortunate that gave their lives.



URGENT! THIS IS YOUR 2022-2023 LIONS CLUBS OFFICER REPORTING FORM

- Reporting newly elected dub officers is extremely important to ensure that the new officers receive the information and material they will need in preparation for the coming year.

 Please only use this form if MyLCl is not available. The deadline to update new officers is May 15.
- * Changes in club officers during the fiscal year should be entered in MyLCI or sent to International Headquarters.

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CLUB MEETING INFORMATION

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SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

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	I certify that the above information is correct.	
	My Name:	
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please go to http://mylci.lionsclubs.org

Please remember that MyLCI is the preferred and fastest method for updating club officers. To access the MyLCI website,

GLT – PCC Jeff Mayuiers





lappy Memorial Day

As your District GLT.....

We had a fantastic time on May 15th where we held the Lions Training Day in Mattawan. A big thank you to all the clubs that participated. The training attempted to cover a 2-day training in less than 2 hours total!! Not bad if you attended and I hope you found it worth your time. I was the trainer for Club Presidents and promised I would provide you all with some online training links to get copies of the material we covered.

The Lions Clubs International has a large amount of training and teaching handouts already set up to use. You will find material on just about every type of training that was done on May 15th. Other trainings covered were on Secretary, Treasurer, Membership, Zone Chair, Media (non social media), and Leo Advisor.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/search-results?keys=E+books is where you will find all the various E-books on President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/search-results?keys=Constitution+and+By+Laws&items_per_page=10 is where you will find the International and Standard Constitution & ByLaws. Your club may have created their own personal version of this document, but remember that International's trumps all clubs if there is a question on something.

<u>https://lmsf.net/</u> this is your clubs insurance group more or less. You will find information on Project KidSight, eyeglasses, hearing aids, andemergency disaster grants.

As discussed during today's training, your trustees for 2022 – 2023 Julie Mayuiers, jumayuiers@gmail.com or 269-254-1938 and Jeff Mayuiers wijmayuiers@gmail.com or 269-254-1936.

Forthcoming will be the New Member Orientation Guide and Special Awards Booklet.

Remember to also check out the District 11-B2 FaceBook page for information on everything B2!!

Thanks for attending. GLT Jeff

First Vice District Governor Elect & GST – Lion Amy Thackston

Fellow Lions,

It was so great to see so many of you at our convention. DG Karol and the Mattawan Lions & Leos did an amazing job! My mini Lion Cub Zoey had so much fun as well.

Every club that attended the convention participated in planting seeds to donate to food pantries, putting together food packs, first aid kits, and the great eyeglass donation. If you need help reporting the service from the convention or any other service please let me know.

Shout out to the clubs that reported in the past month. This list is awesome! Let's try to beat 10 clubs reporting next month!

Paw Paw
South Haven Black River
Mattawan
Portage
Coloma
Bangor
Vicksburg
Richland Gull Lake Area
Centreville
Schoolcraft



We are still behind on our district goal of getting 75% of our clubs to report service. We are sitting at 56% and need your help to reach our goal. It can be as simple as emailing me your service or even just the last meeting you had and I can report it for you. I'm also happy to meet up and offer 1:1 training. theckstona@gmail.com

The state convention is almost here and each district was asked to collect 1,000 specific seed packets to make seed kits to donate to local food pantries. Our District was given beans. If you are able to help us reach our goal please email me so we can count your club in on the donation.

I would like to take a moment outside of my GST report to thank everyone for welcoming me in as your First Vice District Governor Elect. I'm so excited to continue getting to know all of the clubs in our district and helping all of you in any way that I can. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there is anything I can do to help your club.

Kind Regards, FVDG Elect Amy Thackston

GMT – Lion Elvie Marfil





Let me congratulate the following clubs, sponsors and new members for your

participation in the 60 x 60 new member campaign. The clubs were Centerville, Benton-Harbor, Lawton, Paw Paw, Mattawan and Three Rivers... Roar! Roar! Roar!

Starting a new club

Starting a Lions club offers you the opportunity to create the club you want to see in your community and serve the causes you care about with the service-minded people you care about most.

Benefit your community

By introducing service projects and offering more community members the opportunity to serve, you create good by chartering a new club.

Starting a new club also benefits your Lions district. You will expand the reach of Lions Clubs

International in your area and encourage membership growth. A new club creates potential—potential leaders, potential service, and potential recruitment—for your district.

Club Branch

Club branches are a way that a club can diversify their membership by engaging a small group of at least five people who want to make a difference in their community. Club branches allow people to serve as Lions who may not be inclined to join the parent club.

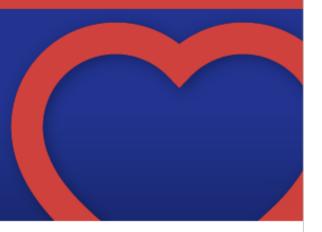
Members of a club branch become part of an existing parent club, but may hold independent meetings and activities. The parent club appoints a branch liaison to serve as the go-between for the parent and the club branch, allowing club branches a high level of autonomy from their parent if that is desired.

What do I need to start a club branch?
At least 5 new or existing members
An existing club willing to engage these members as a branch of their club
A member of the parent club to serve as branch liaison
Notification sent to the District Governor



Explore the beautiful city of Montréal while attending LCICon—see our guided walking tours, post-convention attractions and more.







PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Service from the heart with International President, Douglas X. Alexander

Dear Lion,

Our Lions family brings together people of all ages, experiences, cultures and character, and we are united by a common passion—service. What makes you special and unique is also what makes you exactly the right person your community depends on to make a difference every day.

By embracing our diversity, we're celebrating how our kindness transcends borders and our service is without exception. And when we give every member the opportunity to lead, grow and pursue their passions, our service will be without limits. Let's never forget to celebrate who we are, what makes each of us so special, and how we can accomplish anything together when we let our passion for service shine through.

Yours in Service,

Douglas X. Alexander
International President



Foundation Fridays

We don't just serve the world—we represent it. And your generous support of Lions Clubs International Foundation and Campaign 100 ensures that Lions all over the world can make a greater impact every day in their own special way.

Join International President Alexander on March 18 for a very special Foundation Fridays webinar to hear how your foundation helps support the work of Lions at home and around the world. Live translation will be available, so wherever you are, make sure you register online to be a part of this event. And if you haven't already, consider giving a gift to your community through one of LCIF's many ways to give.



Worldwide Induction Day

Lions are a great big family—but there's always room at our table for one more. Watch a <u>special video</u> <u>message</u> from President Alexander about how we can strengthen our clubs by giving others the opportunity to put their talents and kindness in action.

Each new member brings a new perspective and new ways to serve. And on **Worldwide**Induction Day on April 30, you can join Lions from all over the world as we come
together to celebrate the diversity of our service and our newest members.

Visit the <u>Worldwide Induction Day</u> page for a planning guide, special downloadable certificates and public relations tips for your event. Make it a day that your new Lions will remember for the rest of their lives. And don't forget to share your event on social media using #WeServe.

Celebrate Earth Day with Lions

When Lions come together, we create lasting solutions. So this Earth Day on April 22, let's do our part to protect, restore and advocate for the environment in our community and around the world. Here are three great ways to get started.



- Support the cause The <u>environment</u> is one of our global causes, so learn how Lions are caring for the environment. Download one of our project planners to help your club make a difference in your community.
- Plan a project Get 25 project ideas to increase community engagement by developing your own unique environmental project to educate and benefit the people around you.
- Share your stories Inspire your social network by sharing stories about how
 your club is working to protect the environment or share <u>stories of Lions</u> who
 are making a difference around the world. And don't forget to use the hashtag
 #WeServe.



Reduced to just \$15 per book

Suggestion for clubs to purchase 12 books for their monthly program speakers and then the club only needs to sell 8 more to receive the \$5 rebate per book by buying 20 books total. They would then receive \$60 back or the cost of 4 books.



Make Homemade Memories and Season them with Love



Volume 1 - November 2021

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

Each book comes with a QR Code that contains any corrections to recipes after publication and can be uploaded to have an online version of the cookbook.

Cookbooks have been 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.

Avoid shipping and contact Trustees Tanda Stiffler or Julie Mayuiers as they have 40 cookbooks on hand.

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 the 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

Cookbook Order and Donation Form

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: _____ Last Name: _____

Lions Club or Business Name: ______

Mailing Address: ______ State: _____ Zip Code: ______

Telephone: ______ Email: _____

I WANT TO HELP NEEDY FAMILIES

The LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people in Michigan with unmet needs by helping them become more independent. We provide emergency assistance and services aimed at helping people with sight and hearing deficiencies excel in school, secure and retain employment and remain self-sufficient. Your contribution will help us change lives.

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LION MINT ROLLS



Wintergreen Fizzy Fruit Peppermint 12 Pieces/Roll 576 Rolls/Case 48 Boxes/Case

LION MINT DROPS

Peppermint

Size: 1" X 1 1/2" Individually Wrapped 4,500 Pieces/Case 6 Boxes/Case 750 Pieces/Box







Piggyback Rack



Red Display Tray

Mint Drops

Acrylic Tray Mint Rolls



Suggested Recount Locations

Airports Bus Stations Beauty Salons Nail Salons Berber Shops Insurance Offices Visitor Centers Telephone Stores Dry Cleaners Golf Pro Shops Car Dealerships

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Banks & Credit Unions Travel Agencies Government Offices Courthouses. City Offices Flower Shops Fiye Doctors Chamber of Commerce Funeral Homes Handwere Stores Car Waiting 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, elcetera.



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	Wintergreen - 576 Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Fizzy Fruit Candy - 576 Rolls (Shipping Not Induded)	\$ 110.00	
	Poppermint DROP8 - 4,500 Mints (Shipping Not Included)	8 110.00	
	Wintergreen DROPS - 4,500 Mints (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 110.00	
	Red Pleatic Chipley Tray: Hold 24 Lion Mint Rolls (Shipping Not included)	\$ 3.00	
	Piggyback Rack: Stack Two Plastic Display Trays (Shipping Not Included)	8 4.50	
	Price Sign: Tray Sacker Card - 50p Imprint (Shipping Not Included)	\$ 0.75	
	Acrylic Display Tray 1: Hold 1,500 Lion Mint Drope (Shipping Not Included)	\$40.00	
	Actylic Display Tray 2: Floid 4 Boxes Lion Mint Rolls (Shipping Not Included)	\$40.00	
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THE LION MINTS PROGRAM

How To Approach Merchants

- Ask if the merchant is familiar with the Lions. 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

- +Alwaya 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 debrisbe 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.

Bangor Lions Club

On a sunny, cold Saturday morning the Bangor Lions Club held their first Easter Bunny Hop. Local groups included the American Legion, We Care, Bangor Queens Court, and of source the Easter Bunny.

Court, and of course the Easter Bunny.



















Bangor Lions inducted 2 new Lions on 4/26/22. PDG Bill Dill did the honors. L-R: Sponsors Abel & Cynthia Munoz, PDG Bill Dill, new Lions Christina and Mark Sanders

Buchanan- Galien Lions

he Buchanan Galien Lions Club participated in the 14th Annual Buchanan Chamber of Commerce Chili Walk on April 7th.

This was an excellent opportunity for the Lions to interact with an estimated 350 chili seekers as they were winding through the streets of Buchanan in search of the perfect brew. Twenty one businesses or organizations entered their favorite recipes. Lion Mark Tumbleson prepared the Lions chili entry entitled "A Taste of Heaven"



The Lions Table



Lions Mark Tumbleson, Dianne Ross, President Lewis Lambert



"Let's Do This"



Judges and some friends



Lion Brian Fisher, wife Kim and daughter Olivia



Lion Dianne and family



Buchanan- Galien Lions

The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their monthly club dinner meeting on April 14th. The program was Soup of Success and was delivered by Founder and Director Betsy Ayrea.

Their mission is to empower women, through education and resources, to help them build self-esteem, develop independence, and improve their quality of life.

The method used is an intensive 20-week program which addresses the whole woman mentally, physically, and spiritually.

The program helps marginalized women find their voices, discover their direction, establish their goals, overcome obstacles and achieve their goals.



On the afternoon of Saturday April 30th the Niles-Buchanan YMCA hosted a Y Healthy Kids Dav.

The event was very well attended and over 140 children participated.

Lion Michelle Holloway handed out Lions Club information and activities fliers and membership applications to those interested.

Thanks Lion Michelle!







Buchanan- Galien Leos

The Buchanan-Galien Leo's planned, prepared for and hosted the Community Easter Egg hunt on Saturday April 16th.

Over 9,000 eggs were stuffed with candy and prizes by the Leo's and other community helpers in preparation for the event.

Most of the candy and prizes were donated by community sponsors and supporters.

About 15 Leo's, Lions and helpers spent 2 ½ hours preparing the Common Area and placing the eggs in the four age specific areas.

When the Buchanan Fire Department sounded the horn to begin at 11:00 a.m. sharp- the eggs were collected in about three minutes.

Great job Leo's, Leo co-leaders Lions Alice Kring and Brian Fisher, Buchanan-Galien Lions and all others who helped and or supported the event.















Buchanan- Galien Lions

The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their White Cane Fundraiser on Friday 5/6/22 an Saturday morning 5/7/22.

This was another very successful event due to the continued generosity of our two communities and the many Lion volunteers.

Thanks to all who continue to support our Lions "We Serve" mission!















Buchanan- Galien Leos

The Buchanan Leo's Club sold Red Bud Tree starter kits at the Buchanan Farmer's Market on May 7th.

They also had a collection donation cane for the Lions White Cane Drive going on that same morning.

The trees are a popular item each year and the Leo's still have some trees available for anyone interested.

Great job Leo's and club advisors Lions Brian Fisher and Alice Kring for another successful event!









Centreville Lions Club

April 13th First Vice District Governor Julie Mayuiers inducted 2 new members into the Centreville Lions Club.

Pictured L-R: Sponsor Lion Karen Gleason, new Lion Sandy Cooley, new Lion Brandy Eckert and her sponsor Lion Patty Bender





Coloma Lions

The Coloma Lions Club was happy to resume it's Annual Easter Egg Hunt after a two year Covid Break. It was a cool morning but there was a large crowd of excited kids and parents to swoop up the more than 3,300 Easter eggs loaded with candy and prize tickets. They swept the 4 baseball fields clean of eggs in about 5 minuets after President John "Buzz" Sternaman activated the count down. The Coloma Queen and King and their respective courts assisted in awarding the prizes.ar









Mattawan Lions Club

The Mattawan Lions Club is so happy for Lion Nancy Garman on receiving her Scouting Lion Service Award. It was presented to her at the convention.





president giving it to her!

CONGRATULATIONS DG Karol!!!

Proud moment - we honored our DG Karol who is the first Mattawan Lions Club member to become District

Governor with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Here is a picture of Lion Dan the club's





Newest member inducted at convention-Lion Mezei Jones

Mattawan Leos

The Mattawan Leo Club ahs been busy! They helped do White Cane with the Lions Club.

Worked the games at the District 11B2 convention.





Making Tie Blankets with the Mattawan Lions Club to be donated to the Bronson's Children's Hospital.



Paw Paw Lions Club



New Member Induction

The Paw Paw Lions Club continues to grow! At our April 20th meeting, we inducted new Lions Joe Harper and Nick O'Shea. Lion Joe's sponsor is Lion Tom Shoemaker (stand in Lion Theresa helped with his induction) and Lion Nick's sponsor is Lion Janet Wartman. Welcome to the world's largest service organization!

Lions Invitational Track Meet

Each Spring, the Paw Paw Lions sponsor the Lions Invitational Track Meet. Our club provides the workers for all the field events, the announcers and the medals. This year, 16 of our Lions braved the cold weather on April 16th to serve the athletes from 4 different high schools.

Paw Paw Lions at the District Convention

Paw Paw sent 10 Lions to 11-B2's District Convention this year and a great time was had by all. Our club participated in the Friday night carnival, The Great Eyeglass Challenge and the service activities making blessing bags for the homeless and planting vegetables in recycled egg cartons. You can bet that those service hours have been reported!













Sister Lakes Lions Club



SPONSORED BY SISTER LAKES LIONS CLUB, 99661 95TH AVENUE, DOWAGIAC, MI 49047



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY MAY 29, 2022

LIONS PARK

99661 95TH AVENUE

8:30 AM TIL 1:00 PM

JOIN US FOR THIS FUN START TO OUR SUMMER SEASON!

COME OUT AND GET TOGETHER WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!!!

Sister Lakes Lions Club





SISTER LAKES LIONS CLUB BLUES AND BBQ

(FOOD FOR PUCHASE BY "BIG PAW'S BBQ")

STARRING:

THE UNDERTAKERS BLUES BAND
JULY 23RD AND AUGUST 13TH
6 TO 9 PM

COME AND JOIN US AT LIONS PARK
66991 95TH AVENUE

BRING YOUR APPETITE, LAWNCHAIRS,

AND PREPARE TO RELAX!!

CONCERT TO BENEFIT THE LIONS CLUB
DONATIONS APPRECIATED

Sister Lakes Lions Club





Sister Lakes Lions Schedule of Events 2022

Pancake Breakfast – Sunday May 29, 2022 (8:30 to 1:00)

White Cane Weekend – June 11 & 12, 2022

Pancake Breakfast – Sunday July 3, 2022 (8:30 to 1:00)

Blues and BBQ – July 23, 2022 (6pm to 9pm)

For purchase Big Paw's BBQ and Beer -Popcorn and Pop also

Blues and BBQ – August 13, 2022 (6pm to 9pm)

Featuring:

Undertaker's Band &

For purchase Big Paw's BBQ & Beer

Cotton Candy, Snow Cones, Popcorn & Pop will also be on sale

End of Summer Extravaganza – September 3, 2022

(Radio Station 98.5 Country will broadcast

Dogs and Brats and Pulled Pork will be on sale & beer

Fireworks by Wolverine Inc. (rain date Sept 4, 2022)

Cotton Candy, Snow cones, Popcorn and Pop will also be on sale)

To our many area business friends who have been so loyal and generous in their support of our many community activities.

Sturgis Lions Club

The Sturgis Lions Club has selected our 2022 scholarship recipients. The two winners will be announced at Sturgis High School Honors Night on May 6.

We have benefited from several interesting programs recently. Vice-president Harlan Blood reported on his most recent birding trip to Japan. He returned from it in December of 2019, just before the COVID shutdown. While there he saw and photographed several species of birds that are only found in that part of the world. His group visited preserves in three different areas of Japan

Barb Gray visited us from the Sturgis Garden Club. Founded in 1956, the group plants and maintains many areas around Sturgis. She announced their upcoming Geranium Sale, their major fundraiser. (See attached photo)

Karen Yoder and Mike Mort most recently came to our meeting. They are working on a documentary film entitled "The Giving Town" about the history of philanthropy in Sturgis. They would appreciate any donation of pictures or film footage to incorporate in the project.

Thanks to the generosity of a local business, we were able to present Easter baskets to thirteen children who were residing at Keystone Place and the Domestic Assault Shelter over Easter.

Our Leo Club reports that the flowers and bulbs they planted last fall are coming up! They are planning further embellishments to the school courtyard. They are also collecting plastic grocery bags to donate to the local people who make the bags into mats and tote bags for the homeless.

We are planning to celebrate White Cane at Sturgis Walmart on May 21 and 22.



Three Rivers Lions Club

April 30th the Three Rivers Lions Club held their annual White Cane event. Despite the rain that came about midday the club still had a successful event thanks to these Lions that withstood the weather.



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 wijmayuiers@gmail.com.

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



Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



2022

May

- 20 22: Council of Governors and MD-11 Convention Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac
- 29: Sister Lakes Pancake Breakfast 8:30 1:00 (new time) flyer in the Beacon

June

- 4: Cabinet Meeting TBA @ 9 am
- 4: Kalamazoo Growlers Baseball game flyer in Beacon
- 17 18: Three Rivers Ox Roast
- 24 28: International Convention Montreal

July

- 3: Sister Lakes Pancake Breakfast 8:30 1:00 (new time) flyer in the Beacon
- 4: Schoolcraft Pancake Breakfast & KidSight Screening
- 23: Sister Lakes Blues and BBQ 6 9 PM at Sister Lakes Lions Park (benefit concert for club, donations accepted) flyer in the Beacon
- 30: Hall of Fame, Auburn Hills Marriott one week earlier than usual

August

13: Sister Lakes Blues and BBQ – 6 – 9 PM (at Sister Lakes Lions Park (benefit concert for club, donations accepted) – flyer in the Beacon

Don't see your event listed here....email flyers and details at least one month in advance to jumayuiers@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. Prayer

How to do nothing and still think you're helping

Please email me <u>jumayuiers@gmail.com</u> 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.



Please keep all our Lions undergoing health issues as well as their caregivers in your thoughts and prayers.

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



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 if 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!!!