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

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October News



### From the desk of the Governor

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Vacant Zone Chair interest  
contact DG Karol Chopp

Well, this month has proven to be challenging for me and full of emotion. We have had several deaths of loved ones. We lost my brother-in-law suddenly, and a family friend, then a new grand daughter was born, and we moved. This all happened in one week. I preach to everyone family first and let me tell you that has been my focus lately and I apologize if it seems as though I am not doing my part as a Lion. I am doing the best I can.

On to some of the lion's stuff that has been happening. Many clubs are getting back to doing service and fundraising. Very proud of all of you who have been working so hard in such an uncertain time. We had a New Member Orientation this past weekend put on by the District GAT team. GMT Lion Elvie planned out this event and put a lot of time into making it a successful event and a thank you to GST Lion Amy who did a service project with the group and helped me to fill in for GLT Jeff who also suffered a sudden loss. Thank you to the lions who came out on a Saturday for a few hours to do this training. We are looking for more ideas of trainings you would like to see.

I would like to say good job to the clubs who are adding new members. We are getting it done! Keep up the good work and keep asking others to become lions.

Currently, I am getting ready to head to the next council of Governors meeting in Gaylord this weekend and then next weekend we will have our cabinet meeting. It should be a pretty drive up to Gaylord and I am looking forward to spending time with the other Governors in our state.

Please make sure to put on your calendars that we are having Project Night on November 29, information will be coming out next month so stay tuned.

Thanks again for all you do for your town, communities, state and our world because – "Together We Serve!"

Yours in service,

DG Karol

# Governor Karol's Calendar & Dates to Remember

**2021**

## **October**

*Vision Awareness Month/Lions and Leos Membership Growth Month*

- 1 – 2: Council of Governors – Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord
- 7: South Haven Black River Club Visit
- 9: Cabinet Meeting – 9:00 am – Three Rivers Lions Service Center
- 10-16: "Celebrate Community" week-long event that promotes join service projects among the incredible members of Lions International Kiwanis International, Optimist International and Rotary International. Join the celebration!
- 14: World Sight Day
- 19: Benton Harbor Fairplain Club Visit
- 23: Edwardsburg Lions 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – flyer in Beacon

## **November**

*Diabetes Awareness Month*

- 5-7: Leadership Institute – Higgins Lake
- 15: Peace Poster postmark deadline – send to DG
- 22: Vicksburg Club Visit
- 29: Projects Night – Antwerp Township Activity Center – 6:00 – 8:30 pm

## **December**

- 3-4: Council of Governors – Holiday Inn, Mt. Pleasant
- 5: International Leo Day
- 12: Holiday Cabinet Dinner - TBA

**2022**

## **January**

*Hunger Awareness Month*

- 31: All Zone Meeting – Antwerp Township Hall – details to follow

## **February**

*Childhood Cancer Awareness Month*

- 25 – 27: Council of Governors – Holiday Inn, Grand Blanc
- 26: Michigan Forum – Holiday Inn, Grand Blanc

## **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 – DoubleTree by Hilton – Holland

## **June**

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





# Club Anniversaries



<u>Club</u>	<u>Charter</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>Years</u> <u>Old</u>
Mattawan	10/30/1958	63
Benton Harbor Fairplain	10/31/1934	87
Colon	11/24/1937	84



## First Vice District Governor Julie Mayuiers



# Stepping up....

Over the next 3 months/issues I'm going to share some conversations that took place at USA/Canada Forum in Des Moines.....getting members to “**Step Up to Leadership**”.

I will guess that many of our clubs in our District as well as the State are in a similar situation.....clubs have the same President, Secretary and/or Treasurer year after year or maybe they get a little reprieve and get a year or two off before stepping back into the same Leadership position. If we don't get members to step up and take on these Leadership roles to assist their clubs, eventually we are going to have member burn out and that can turn into clubs losing members and facing the risk of turning in their Charters and we definitely don't want to see this happen anywhere. There are no prerequisites to holding a club office unlike holding a District office.

So, with this being said, let's start this series by talking about the Club Treasurer position. First, it is recommended that the President and Treasurer are not from the same household. This is the Chief Financial Officer of your club. Now that may sound kind of scary to some, however it basically is not that difficult of a job. There are many tools on lionsclubs.org available to assist members to become familiar with the details of the duties and what is expected of the Lion holding the position. Basically, it is paying the bills, receiving the funds from projects and fundraisers and seeing that those funds are given back to the public and making deposits into the two accounts a club is required to maintain. The two accounts are easily identified as follows:

The **Administrative Funds** or also known as the **General Fund**, which includes funds supported through contributions from members through dues, fines, and other individual contributions by members. These funds are used to pay the administrative responsibilities of the club such as dues and building maintenance if they have a building.

The other is the **Public Funds** or otherwise known as the **Activity (Project) Account**. These funds include all funds raised from the public and money accumulated from invested public funds and must be used for the benefit of the public.

## First Vice District Governor Julie Mayuiers Cont'd.

It is also very important for all clubs to have their financial records audited on a **yearly** basis even if you have the same Treasurer for multiple years in a row or when the position is held by a different Lion. This is not to say that we can't be trusted but is part of the Financial Transparency that LCI also wants every club to follow. I'm including the Financial Transparency Guidelines on the next few pages for easy access.

You should record of all officers in your club minutes immediately following your elections. Some banks require a copy of the minutes indicating who the Treasurer is and who the other authorized signers on the accounts are. It is recommended you have your Treasurer, President, Secretary and maybe a Vice President listed as authorized signatures. You should also have the Treasurer and one other of the previously named officers sign every check and the two signatures should be from two different households.

We have previously held officer trainings in person and via Zoom. If you haven't been able to participate you can find "E-books" on lionsclubs.org for most offices that will provide you with details of the requirements. If you have any questions about holding this office or any office, I encourage you to talk with our GLT Jeff Mayuiers, DG Karol Chopp, myself or any other PDG in our District. I've heard GLT Jeff is working on some Leadership Trainings in the near future so watch for those details and then mark your calendar to attend and learn more about "Stepping up"!

To summarize....you do not need to have held a previous club office to become your club treasurer. With that being said, we are asking all Lions that have previously not held the position of Club Treasurer to consider running for the office in early 2022 when the candidates for offices are being finalized.

We need Lions to hold club offices and then step up to district offices as LCI has changed the rules on holding district offices beginning July 1, 2022. Those changes are that a PDG may no longer be elected as a District Governor or Zone Chair once they have held the office of District Governor. Zone Chairs cannot hold that office for more than 3 terms either starting July 1, 2022.



# Best Practices for Financial Transparency

*Integrity and transparency are at the very heart of a Lions club. Sound and clear communication is critical to achieve this goal.*

This flyer was designed to provide general best practices, but it should be noted that every club should consult an accounting professional to ensure that the club is compliant with local regulations and the district rules of audit to further ensure that the club is engaging in appropriate business practices.

## Financial Reporting

The club should outline in the club constitution and by-laws that the board of directors should receive the club's financial report no less than monthly and the original bank statement on a regular basis. Care should be taken to ensure that the bank statement and the financial report balance.

The Financial Report should include:

1. **Opening Balance** – The balance that was reported during the previous meeting. The report should include the amount in each account.
2. **All income** – Note the amount and source of the income.

Fundraising events should include an itemized report outlining the money received and each expense paid. Every significant expense requires an invoice sent or receipt and the income should be validated by attendance, ticket sales or some other quantifiable means. The club may establish a definition of the amount requiring a receipt.

3. **All Expenditures** – All payments made which were approved by the board of directors.

It should be noted that all payments must be approved by the club's board. Sometimes the expense payment approval is included in the club's budget approval process or by separate formal resolutions. Either way, the approval requires a quorum and must be reflected in the minutes. Receipts and invoices received should be obtained to verify the amount spent.

4. **Ending Balance** – The final amount is provided, which will be the opening amount the following month.



## Reimbursement Procedures

As noted, reimbursement should only be done when the expense is approved by the board of directors and includes an invoice or receipt for the club's records. The club may establish a minimum amount that would not require a receipt, but this should be only for very small amounts.

## Bank Account Management

### Have two Bank Signatories

Bank accounts should include the treasurer and another officer as signatories and every check should bear the signature of both if appropriate. The two signatories should be from different households.

### Maintain at least Two Accounts

Article XII of the Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws defines two types of club funds.

1. **Public (activity) funds** – which includes all funds raised from the public and money accumulated from invested public funds, must be used for the benefit of the public. The only deductions that can be made are the direct expenses relating to the fundraising activity, which would be reimbursed to the administrative funds account from the activity account.
2. **Administrative funds** – which includes funds supported through contributions from members through dues, fines and other individual contributions by members. It is recommended that these funds be kept in separate accounts so they can be easily tracked and reported.

Some clubs create accounts for special projects or fundraisers. Every account should be included in the club's financial report.

### Ensure Visibility

In addition to inclusion on the club's financial report given to the board of directors, every account should be reviewed by two or more members of the board on a regular basis. These members should also ensure that the bank statements align with the financial statement.

### Update access (and the password) to the account annually.

Each year, as new officers are elected, the account should be updated and the passwords changed to protect the funds.

### Changing Accounts or Banks

Any change to an account, including changes to a new bank, should require approval by the club's board of directors.

## Conducting Audits/Reviews

While a club should regularly seek the advice of an accounting professional to ensure compliance with local laws, the club should also conduct an annual audit of club accounts when the responsibility transitions to a new treasurer or at the end of each term. The review should include the following:

1. Bank statement at the close of the year.
2. Minutes showing the approval of expenditures and income.
3. Fundraising, event and project reports that have financial implications and provide information regarding the collection or disbursement of funds.
4. Receipts, thank you notes, invoices and other evidence of disbursement.
5. Final year-end report, showing the income and expenses for the year, which should reconcile with the above mentioned documents.
6. Paperwork or registration of the names on the account and the revisions to the account at the change of the fiscal year.

### Why it is Important that the Treasurer be Bonded

Insuring (bonding) a treasurer provides the club protection and assurance that in the event the treasurer engages in criminal behavior or otherwise breaches their duty to the club, the club will not suffer as a result. This is not available in all countries and you may need to contact a financial or legal advisor for more information.

### What to do when Fraud is Suspected

If the financial standing of the club is in question or fraud is suspected, the club officers should investigate such matters, and determine whether fraud occurred or whether it was merely an unintentional oversight. Discuss your concerns with the club's board of directors and ask for clarification. If there is evidence that an inappropriate action took place, a complaint may be filed under the [Club Dispute Resolution Procedure](#). Your district leaders may utilize the Club Dispute Resolution Procedure and a neutral conciliator may review the complaint and may help the club determine how it can improve its financial practices. However, if the club's board of directors has determined that criminal laws were broken, then the club may consider filing a formal complaint with the local authorities. Although we encourage Lions to clarify any doubt in their behavior, on occasion, criminal charges may be appropriate so as to insure the public that the club is taking action and to maintain the trust of the public and those that donate to the local Lions club.

However, keep in mind that this can be a learning experience, and not every situation that arises may arise to the level that criminal charges need to be filed. One of the purposes of the Club Dispute Resolution Procedure is to provide guidance to resolve disputes and address concerns of club members. This ensures that the club's practices can be fully transparent and provide the club with a high level of financial integrity, so every member in the club can rest assured that the work that they have done is truly assisting someone in need and in accordance with the club's intentions and the policies and procedures of the Association and International Board of Directors.





## GLT – PCC Jeff Mayuiers



From the District Global Leadership Team.....PCC Jeff Mayuiers

As the title implies, my task is to help provide ideas, concepts, and leadership to all our district Lion members. It's pretty much an open canvas with my focus being to assist our district, it's clubs and club members anyway I can. Currently we have all been talking a lot about membership. Clubs are saying, help, we need members.

Rest assured your Global Action Team hears you and we are willing to act. The question is are you? On Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, our District GMT Elvie provided a program on new member orientation. Ideally every new member or any member who has not had an orientation should have attended, it would have been well worth their time.

So as your GLT, I am willing to try to offer a Leadership type training on **“gaining new members, where do we start?”** This training will be an interactive type program which means the more Lions audience participation we have the better this program will be. If you participate and take back to your club just one of the ideas we present, I am positive your club will experience new membership growth. PDG and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Julie and I just returned from Des Moines, Iowa and the USA/Canada Forum. It was three days of different seminars covering all kinds of topics as it pertains to Lions. The majority of the seminars were on membership, getting, finding and keeping

### 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 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](mailto:wjmayuiers@gmail.com).

## GST – Lion Amy Thackston

Fellow Lions,

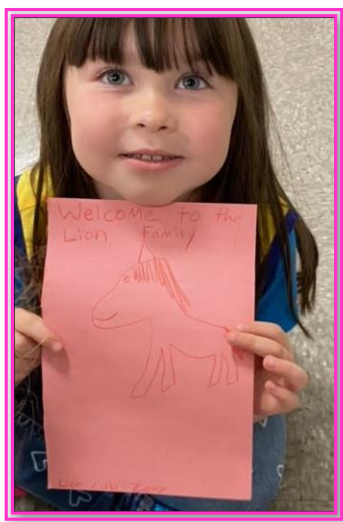
November is Diabetes awareness month and your clubs chance to do a diabetes related service project. Follow this link for project ideas [25 Project Ideas for Diabetes \(webdamdb.com\)](http://webdamdb.com). As always don't forget to report your service. So far there were no reported service projects in September.

We had a very successful new member orientation training presented by GMT Lion Elvie on September 25<sup>th</sup>. During the orientation I took some time to talk about service and even got participants involved in a small project. Last month my article mentioned creating a Kindness Rock Garden and that is what all of the participants helped with. Attached you will find more information about creating a Kindness Rock Garden of your own along with pictures of the Garden we created.

A second service project was done by Zoey Thackston and Lucy Rhodes a couple of special Lion Cubs. The Cubs spent time drawing pictures on cards welcoming the new members to the Lions family. I always stress that service does not have to be a large project requiring a ton of members and time, it can be anything that simply puts a smile on someone's face. Lion Cub Zoey was also a huge help in pre-painting the rocks for the Kindness Rock Garden.

Enjoy these pictures of some service from the heart!

Lion GST Amy Thackston



## Kindness Rock Garden

An easy service project for any size club. Bring a smile to your community by creating Kindness Rock Gardens. You can make one garden or several. Place your gardens near churches, retirement homes, businesses that will allow it, etc. Think of places where people who need a smile might go or be that need a little pick me up.

Put an inspirational, fun, or cute message on the top of your rocks for people to enjoy. Don't forget to write your club name on the bottom so people always know







## GMT – Lion Elvie Marfil



Per LCI report, we ended the month of September with a total of 884 Lion members.

Congratulations to our new members and sponsors from the following clubs.

ROAR, ROAR, ROAR!

Centerville 1-----Coloma 1-----Colon 1-----Lawrence 1-----Lawton 1-----St Joseph 2

Sadly, we also lost members. Please accept our sincere condolences to the clubs and families.



Last September 25, 2021, our District GAT presented a New Member Orientation. This orientation plays a vital role in helping new members internalize what it means to be a Lion.

The session was broken out into four sections: Who Lions Are, Your Club, District and Multiple District and Lions Clubs International.

We highlight the history and organization of LCI; mission, vision, purposes and code of ethics of LCI. We also focused on benefits and responsibilities of a Lion member; financial obligation; opportunities for immediate involvement in club activities, projects, programs and fundraising events upon becoming a member.

Overall, it was a fruitful day to spend our Saturday.



## GMT – Lion Elvie Marfil Cont'd.



Cub Lucy Rhodes with DG  
Karol Chopp



Cub Lucy Rhodes, Portage  
Lions Club



Lion Amy and Cub Thackston,  
Bangor Lions Club

Cub Lucy Rhodes (Portage Lions Club) was inducted to the world of lionism. The Cub Program is designed just for kids to teach them the joys of volunteering and guide them to a lifelong dedication to helping those in need.

### Who are Cubs?

Cubs are children and relatives of Lions club members in the community through age 12. For the purpose of the program, Cubs are divided into three age groups:

Level I: age 3 and under, Level II: Age 4-7, and Level III: Age 8-12.

### Why integrate the Cub Program into the activities of our club?

There are many reasons to include children in club activities. Child participation:

1. Fosters a tradition of volunteering
2. Builds family-friendly clubs
3. Provides an avenue for quality family time
4. Adds new energy to club activities

Please email [membership@lionsclubs.org](mailto:membership@lionsclubs.org) for more information.





## Leo October Membership Growth Award Nomination Form

The Leo October Membership Growth Award may be presented to any Leo who recruits three or more new members during the month of October to the Leo club in which they are a member. To obtain this certificate, Leo club advisors must submit this form by the **November 15 deadline**.

### IMPORTANT NOTES

- **The newly recruited Leo club members must be added to the Leo club roster in MyLCI in the month of October.**
- Completed forms will only be accepted by the reported Leo club advisor or an officer of the sponsoring Lions club.
- The email address provided must be that of the Leo club advisor as it will be used to deliver the certificate.

### RECIPIENT

Leo Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Member ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Leo Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Club Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of New Leo Members Recruited: \_\_\_\_\_

New Leo club member name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID: \_\_\_\_\_

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### ADDITIONALS CAN BE ADDED ON REVERSE SIDE

### NOMINATOR

Sponsoring Lions Club: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Leo Club Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit completed forms using one of the below methods.**

Email: [leo@lionsclubs.org](mailto:leo@lionsclubs.org)

Lions Clubs International, Leo Club Program | 300 W. 22nd Street, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523-8842, USA

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# Full Steam Ahead... on the track to Normalcy

## Projects Night

Be a 100% Club!  
Donate something  
to every project!

November 29, 2021

Antwerp Activity Center

5:30 Social Time

6:00 Pizza/Salad/Dessert Dinner and Program

All State Band

JDRF or DAD (Defense Against Diabetes) donation

Camp Leo

Lions Bear Lake Camp

LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation)

Leaderdog

Paws With A Cause

Youth Exchange

Kidsight

Eversight

LMSF (Lions of Michigan Service  
Foundation)



Make checks payable to the projects.

Checks for Kidsight should be made payable to  
Lions of Michigan Service Foundation with  
Kidsight on the memo line. Checks for Camp  
Leo should be made to Berrien RESA with  
Camp Leo on the memo line.



## D.A.D. (Defense Against Diabetes)



Julie,

This patient/family story was shared at Bronson today and I wanted to thank the Lions Club as well! The support for Diabetes Education Materials helps make this all possible. Pretty awesome to see the outcome.

With Gratitude,  
Heather

### **Keri and Ellena were awesome in caring and educating my son**

Audrey Vanderleun, Family Member

I can't thank Keri, ICU peds nurse, enough or Ellena or the nurse in the emergency department that moved fast to get my son the care he needed. Keri and Ellena were awesome in caring and educating my son who was just told he was now a type 1 diabetic at 17 years old. They encouraged him to ask questions and made him comfortable with his new life. They supported me as his mother and showed me everything I needed to know. It was very scary but I was comfortable knowing they were with him. I can't thank them enough.

TAGS: [PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE UNIT](#), [PICU](#), [BRONSON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL](#), [CHILDREN'S HEALTH](#), [DIABETES](#), [EMERGENCY & TRAUMA](#), [EMERGENCY CARE AND TRAUMA SERVICES AT BRONSON METHODIST HOSPITAL](#), [NURSING](#), [PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE](#)

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## **LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers Affordable Hearing Aid Program**

**[www.lhcmi.org](http://www.lhcmi.org) – [www.lmsf.net](http://www.lmsf.net)**

- Through an application process, the Lions of Michigan Foundation's Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers provide affordable hearing aids for low-income people in Michigan who suffer from hearing loss.
- All applicants for the Affordable Hearing Aid Program should be sponsored by a Michigan Lions Club or Lions District that can provide help in completing the application and may provide additional resources and services.
- All Hearing Aid Applications must include a copy of the applicant's hearing examination (audiogram), preferably, dated within 6 months of the application date, proof of Michigan residency (Michigan Driver's License or Identification Card) and proof of annual household income (a federal income tax return for those required to file and/or a Social Security Benefits Statement, Pension Benefits Statement or Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Determination Letter).
- Applications for hearing aid assistance are prioritized based on the overall financial and medical need of the applicant, and applicants with annual household incomes up to 325% of Federal Poverty Guidelines may qualify for hearing aid assistance.

<b>Number of Household Members</b>	<b>Top Qualifying Annual Household Income For Level 1 Assistance</b>	<b>Top Qualifying Annual Household Income For Level 2 Assistance</b>	<b>Top Qualifying Annual Household Income For Level 3 Assistance</b>
1	\$15,950.00	\$28,710.00	\$41,470.00
2	\$21,550.00	\$38,790.00	\$56,030.00
3	\$27,150.00	\$48,870.00	\$70,590.00
4	\$32,750.00	\$58,950.00	\$85,150.00
5	\$38,350.00	\$69,030.00	\$99,710.00
6	\$47,937.50	\$79,110.00	\$114,270.00

- The Sponsoring Lions Club or District representative should work in cooperation with the District's Hearing and Speech Committee Chair or a Lion of Michigan Foundation Trustee to ensure that the Affordable Hearing Aid Application is complete and all of the supporting documents have been collected.
- Once the application is complete and all supporting documents have been collected, the application and supporting documents should be forwarded to the Lions Hearing Centers Lansing office for review and action.



# 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. 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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## Order and Recipe Submission Form - Deadline October 1, 2021

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- ☐ I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_ cookbook(s) for \$20 each for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ I have enclosed/attached a copy of my personal or family recipe that you may use in the cookbook.
- ☐ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - info@lmsf.net

There is still time to submit your recipes by October 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Please email them to [dgibbons4870@charter.net](mailto:dgibbons4870@charter.net)





## 2022 Lions Clubs of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired

Three \$3,000 scholarships to be awarded

Please mail completed scholarship application to:

**The Lions of Michigan State Office**  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911  
[www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

Phone: (517) 887-6640  
Fax: (517) 887-6642  
email: [lions@lionsofmi.com](mailto:lions@lionsofmi.com)



### Scholarship Criteria:

1. Must be legally blind and provide verification (letter from optometrist or ophthalmologist or letter from vocational counselor).
2. Applicants must be a resident of the State of Michigan and a United States Citizen (International students must provide proof of citizenship) and either attending or accepted by an accredited trade or business school, college or university.
3. Applicants must complete the official scholarship application (both sides).
4. Must submit two letters of recommendation.
5. Must submit an essay outlining why you need the scholarship.
6. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (transcript required).
7. Completed scholarship applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30th annually.
8. Must attend the Lions of Michigan Forum to accept scholarship during a ceremonial presentation. *(Actual check(s) will be issued to the school/university/equipment manufacturer upon submission of documentation. Two weeks notice required).*

### Scholarship Selection Process:

1. Lions of Michigan Scholarship Committee will review all applications during January.
2. This scholarship will be awarded in February annually at the Michigan Forum.

Name				Phone	(     )	
Address						
City		State		Zip		
Email Address						
Date of Birth			* Degree of visual acuity			
<small>* Legally blind is defined as best corrected vision in both eyes of 20/200 or less and/or visual fields of less than 20 degrees.</small>						
How did you hear about the scholarship?						

## Education Information

High School you attended			
What college or other institution are you attending/planning to attend?			
Have you been accepted?			
What do you plan to study?			
What are your personal and educational goals?			
How will the scholarship funds be used? <i>(Check all that apply)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuition	<input type="checkbox"/> Books	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing	
<input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Equipment (please specify) _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____			

## Organizations, Activities and Awards

Describe briefly your most significant public service, community, or campus activities associated with your education and/or future career goals.

Special honors and awards				
Special talents and training				
Applicant's Signature			Date	

# PEACE

LIONS INTERNATIONAL  
PEACE POSTER CONTEST



2021-2022

ORDER NOW

## We Are All Connected

### How the Contest Works

Lions clubs can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students ages 11 to 13 on November 15, 2021. Participating students are asked to create posters that visually depict the contest theme, "We Are All Connected." Visit [lionsclubs.org/peaceposter](https://lionsclubs.org/peaceposter) for more information, deadlines, to download a video and view past finalists' posters.

To get started, purchase your club's Peace Poster Kit (PPK-1) from the Member Service Center at International Headquarters. The kit is sold in English and in all 12 official languages. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one\* school or organized youth group.

- Official Club Contest Guide & Rules (PPC-1)
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules\* (PPC-2)
- Participant Flyer\* (PPC-3) that your club can fill in the blanks, duplicate and give to each participating student to take home
- Winner Sticker (PPC-4) for your club to place on back of winning poster
- Achievement Award (PPC-5) and Certificate of Appreciation (PPC-6) for contest winner and sponsored school or youth group

*\*Clubs can sponsor more than one contest in either the same or multiple school(s) and/or youth group(s) by purchasing more than one kit. Clubs will send one poster per each contest sponsored to the next level of judging.*

The Lions International Essay Contest Entry Form (PPE-4) is also included in the Peace Poster Kit and available on the Lions International website.

Kits are available January 15 to October 1, 2021

Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipping and contest planning.

Visit the LCI Store at [shop.lionsclubs.org](https://shop.lionsclubs.org) and Search "Peace Poster Kit." Price is \$11.95 USD each. Kits are available from January 15 to October 1.

Peace Poster Contest Kit (PPK-1) Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ at US\$11.95 each Total\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Language Required (Available in all official languages) \_\_\_\_\_

### Method of payment

Club/District Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Lions Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Officer's Signature (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

The protection of your payment data is important to us. Your credit card purchases of Lions merchandise must be made directly online at [shop.lionsclubs.org](https://shop.lionsclubs.org). Please do not include your credit card number in any written communications or correspondence. Visa, MasterCard, Discover

### Ship order to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (No P.O. Boxes) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone # (Required) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Postage, handling and taxes (if applicable) will be added at time of order. Duty/taxes may be required upon receipt of your order. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for payment of these duties or taxes.

## Peace Poster Contest 2021-2022

Theme: "We are All Connected"

Contributed by: Lion Elvie Marfil, District Chair

While overcoming new challenges brought on by an unprecedented global pandemic, we're celebrating the things that keep us connected to each other, to our communities, all together around the world. This year, we invite young people to envision, explore and visually express these connections.

Lions Clubs International sponsor's Peace Poster Contest in a **local schools** or **organized youth groups**. The contest is open to **students** ages 11, 12, and 13 by November 15, 2021.

Participating students are asked to draw, sketch or paint their interpretation of the contest theme "**We Are All Connected.**" The contest is a wonderful opportunity for clubs to work with youth in their community to stress the importance of peace, tolerance and international understanding.

### Peace Poster Contest Judging

Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme.

Posters advance through several judging levels: club, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners.

### Peace Poster Contest Awards

International winners will be notified on or before February 1

- One international grand prize winner will receive US \$5,000 and a trip to a special award ceremony.
- Each of the 23 merit award winners will receive a cash award of US \$500 and a certificate of achievement.

For more information, please call Lion Elvie Marfil, District Chair at 818-800-1060 or your Zone Chair.





**BUILDING LION  
LEADERS...**

## **LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**



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### **ATTENTION:**

Your help is needed. Please  
share this information with  
club members and officers!

August 2021

Dear Club Presidents and Secretaries:

We are pleased to announce that the annual Michigan Lions Leadership Institute will be held on November 5-7, 2021 at the MacMullan Training Center on beautiful Higgins Lake.

Experienced presenters will conduct group sessions in a relaxed, informal setting. Offerings include Personality Styles, Personal Effectiveness, The Essence of Leadership, Listening and Speaking Skills, Managing Change, Setting Goals, Team Building, and Conflict Resolution.

In addition to the traditional Leadership Institute, a Graduate Institute is offered for those who have already attended the Leadership Institute and want to enhance and better utilize their Lionistic skills, presentation skills and leadership skills.

Both the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute begin with lunch on Friday at 11:30 a.m., with the first instructional sessions starting at 12:20 p.m. Registration precedes lunch, between 10:00 and 11:15 a.m.

The MacMullan Center is a recognized training center set in a natural, wooded environment. Housing is in lodges with semi-private rooms, and shared bathrooms. The food is great!

All of this – informational sessions, two night's lodging, and six meals – for only \$225.00 per person. We ask you to share information on the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute with your club officers and members.

The deadline for applications is October 8, 2021. Two informational brochures (which include application forms) are enclosed for your convenience and may be duplicated. Please make checks payable to "Michigan Lions Leadership Institute."

Yours in Lionism,

**Bill Hansen, PID, Chairman  
Leadership Institute Committee**

Enclosure



# Lions Graduate Institute

Class activity directly involves participants in the learning process. Challenging activities encourage communication and problem solving, and enable participants to experience the concepts presented.

## Training Benefits

Training is vital to the growth, health and future of the Lions organization. Yes, "We Serve," but the quality of our service depends upon the quality of training.

Training can also influence membership. Through sharing ideas, success stories, and humanitarian endeavors, training unites Lions and solidifies their commitment to service.

Today's volunteers view opportunities for personal and professional growth as a primary motive for volunteering. Organizations that provide training enhance the volunteer experience by meeting the needs of the community and the member simultaneously. Training is just one more way Lions Clubs can enrich the lives of members.

Through training, individual Lions can grow personally and professionally, expand their knowledge and skill base, and enhance leadership and organizational skills.

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.



## Presentation Skills

Training involves more than "stand up" delivery skills, but those skills are extremely important in conveying your message. Learn critical delivery skills for effective trainers including:

- Eye contact and movement
- Tone, pace, and expression
- Movement and posture
- Appropriate language usage

## Leadership Skills

Leadership is a key skill for all Lions. Being an effective leader means taking initiative, being open to diverse opinions and encouraging creativity and innovation.

## Lionistic Skills

Part of being an effective leader is knowing how to talk about the Lions organization. Learn how to communicate who Lions are, what they do and how their services enrich lives.

## Selection Process

Because of space limitations and the anticipated high number of applications to be received, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. After screening the applications, the Institute Planning Committee will notify you of your acceptance.

The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.

# APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2021

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 What year did you attend the Leadership Institute? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness \_\_\_\_\_ Leo (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_  
 District \_\_\_\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Highest Lions office held \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

☐ Enclosed is my check for \$225.00

## CREDIT CARD:

☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover

Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

CID No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Send application and check to:

**Lions Graduate Institute**  
 5730 Executive Drive  
 Lansing, MI 48911



(CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE)

## Event Information

Date: November 5-7, 2021 Friday morning through noon Sunday.

Location: R.A. MacMullan Center  
104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653

The training center is located on the northern shore of pristine Higgins Lake. The MacMullan Conference Center provides a quiet, casual atmosphere where you can benefit from self-discovery and wander through a natural experience.

The MacMullan Center is easily accessed from US-127.

**\$225**  
**per person**

Fee includes registration, course materials, two night's lodging and six meals!

### Participant Qualifications

The purpose of the Lions Graduate Institute is to expand on skills learned at the Lions Leadership Institute. The curriculum focuses on techniques and concepts that will enhance the quality and overall effectiveness of Lion leaders. In order to attend, participants must have completed the Lions Leadership Institute.

Qualified candidates are members who want to become effective leaders through advanced leadership training, presentation skills and project management.

Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program (Friday morning-Sunday noon). Attendance at classroom sessions is mandatory.

Graduates of this Institute are expected to utilize their skills in training events at all levels of Lionism.



Enhance and hone  
leadership skills which  
can be applied to your  
everyday life.



## LIONS GRADUATE INSTITUTE

R.A. MacMullan Center  
Higgins Lake, Michigan

**November 5-7, 2021**



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## UNITING TALENT WITH OPPORTUNITY

*The Leadership Institute is an opportunity for Lions to develop lifelong leadership skills.*

*Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented.*

The Institute features a variety of classes including...

- > team building
- > mentoring
- > conflict resolution
- > four R's of leadership
- > personal effectiveness
- > listening & speaking skills
- > personality styles
- > managing change

### > WHY ATTEND A LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE FOR LIONS?

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.



Attending the Leadership Institute gives participants the tools and confidence to become more effective leaders. The skills learned can be applied to their job, their Lions Club and their everyday lives.



Participants learn key components of team building. By sharing ideas, success stories and humanitarian endeavors, Lions learn how to influence membership and become more open-minded and receptive to change.



### How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism?

The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.



### How can all of this be accomplished?

The Institute is partially funded through a grant from LCI's Leadership Division. Lions Clubs and Districts also provide a portion of the cost of the Institute. In addition, a registration fee is paid by participants.

## APPLICATION FORM

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously attended a Michigan Lions

Leadership Institute? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion Lioness Leo (circle one)

District \_\_\_\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_

### OFFICES YOU HAVE HELD:

Club Level- \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

District Level- \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple District Level- \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Lions Leadership Institute  
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# BUILDING LEADERS

ONE LION AT A TIME



## Lions Leadership Institute

R.A. MacMullan Center  
Higgins Lake, MI

**November 5-7, 2021**

## 2022-2023 COUNCIL CHAIR APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPTEED!

Attention all eligible Multiple District 11 Past District Governors, Immediate PDG's, District Governors and 1st VDG's: The search is on!

In accordance with the MD 11 Constitution and By-Laws, the Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor or a seated District Governors. 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs are eligible to submit an application for consideration, as they will be a seated Governor 2022-2023. He/she shall serve for a one-year term and may not serve in that capacity again.

Notice to all eligible candidates is required and published in the Lion Pride at least 40 days prior to the application deadline. To be considered for the position, please submit a cover letter, the application form included in this publication and your resume to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than November 23, 2021. Late applications will not be accepted.

Interviews will be conducted by the 2021-2022 MD 11- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governors on Friday, **December 3, at the Holiday Inn Express, Mt. Pleasant, MI**. Selection of the 2022-2023 Council Chair will be made at the conclusion of the interviews.

**Thank you** for taking the time to consider serving the Lions of Michigan, MD 11, in this very important capacity. Contact Lion Wendy Burns with questions at 517-887-6640 ext 11. Mail your resume to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911



**MD 11 Council Chairperson – 2022-2023  
Application Form**

***Please type or print:***

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
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Spouse's Name (if applicable)

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Address	City and State	Zip/Postal Code
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Residence Phone (Include Area Code)	Business Phone (Include Area Code)
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Fax (Include Area Code)	Cell Phone (Include Area Code)
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E-Mail Address

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Your Lions Club	District #	Year Served as a DG
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**Include on separate letter head the following:**

**Offices held at the club level:**

**Offices held at the zone, region, and district level (including committee assignments):**

**Offices held at the multiple district level (including committee assignments):**

**Special awards, honors, and recognitions you have received:**

**Skills or talents you bring to the position:**

Mail to: Lions of Michigan  
Attn: Wendy Burns, Executive Director  
5730 Executive Dr.  
Lansing, Michigan 48911

## Buchanan- Galien Lions

The Buchanan-Galien Lions Club held their annual Member Guest Steak Fry at Lion Tom Gordons on Thursday September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Good fellowship, steak, sweet corn, and the fixings were enjoyed by all at the beautiful St. Joe River front setting.

Lion President Lewis Lambert welcomed the Lions, guests and future members and filled them in on planned upcoming Lions events.

Lion Rudy Kappe was presented a Melvin Jones Award for his 30+ years of service and leadership to the Lions Club.

Lions Past President Mark Skene and Alice Kring presented the award with the following words:

*"This award is going to a very deserving Lions Club member, who has contributed with his passion for service to the Buchanan-Galien Lions club, for over 30 years. This Lion served on the Lions Club board for over 20 years and was the first President to serve a two-year consecutive term. He has also served on numerous committees. He was instrumental in setting up the Lions scholarship fund, including rolling over his personal scholarship fund into the Lions account so that we are able to give at least two \$1000 grants per year. He also helped set up the scoring system for this scholarship fund. He led the eyeglass challenge, collecting and warehousing donated eyeglasses, for many years. Lion Rudy was the chairperson for the Nut & Candy Fundraiser for over 15 years. He brought the game of soccer to Buchanan and was a key leader in the Optimist Soccer League. He is a master at presenting a truly heartfelt Lions Mission of serving others to an untold number of future community leaders and Lions at Lions Senior Athletes night." A side note from Lion Mark Tumbleson, who could not be there for the presentation: "Lion Rudy will truly be a friend forever. I love to read or listen to his many unique life experiences. We have lined many a soccer field together, watched many kids enjoy a good game of soccer and I am a better person because of his wisdom and fellowship." Lion Skene then added "From me and all Lions who have ever served beside him, I want to say DITTO to the fact that we will all be better people because of his wisdom, fellowship and leadership. What a great honor it has been to serve alongside Lion Rudy Kappe."*

*Buchanan-Galien Lions Club- Serving our communities for 88+ years- and still going strong!.*

## Buchanan- Galien Lions



# **EDWARDSBURG LIONS CLUB CELEBRATES**



## **75 YEARS OF SERVICE!**

**1946 ~ 2021**

**THE EDWARDSBURG LIONS ARE INVITING LION MEMBERS (PAST & PRESENT) ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILIES, & THE EDWARDSBURG COMMUNITY TO A SPECIAL CELEBRATION ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup> FOR A HOG ROAST DINNER AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 365 ON US 12 IN EDWARDSBURG.**

**TIME: NOON UNTIL 4:00 PM.**

**COME HELP US CELEBRATE THIS MILESTONE!**

**FOR 75 YEARS THE EDWARDSBURG LIONS CLUB HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO SERVING THE COMMUNITY WITH ASSISTANCE WITH EYEGLASSES, EYE SURGERIES, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND SO MUCH MORE.**

**WE LOVE TO SERVE!**

**SEE FACEBOOK TO LET US KNOW IF YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING! |**



## Kalamazoo Westside Lions



Lion Bob Andrew's explaining the delivery of a reading machine for the visually impaired that their club donated to resident of Friendship Village.

## Kal Haven Trail Lions

# KAL HAVEN RETURNS TO BLOOMINGDALE OCTOBER FEST



Kids line up at the 'ole fishing hole' to try their luck.  
Lion Marianne Abbott helps baiting the hook.



Behind the fishing hole wall Lions Kathy Richardson and John Stassek attach presents to the lines and give a tug signaling that the kids 'have a bite.' Lion Dave Mead is shown selling tickets for our 14<sup>th</sup> annual shotgun raffle.

## Lakeshore Lions

Lakeshore Lions will be holding their annual White Cane sale on Thursday OCT 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> in downtown Stevensville. This is the Lakeshore Lions major fund raiser of the year. The money collected from this sale will help us continue our support of our many local service programs. We would like to thank everyone for your support.



## Mattawan Lions Club



The Mattawan Lions Club had its annual Fly In Breakfast at the end of August. We have some new members and we decided for our programs this year that we would visit local small businesses in our community.

On September 22, we visited Shades of Lavender which is a small lavender farm in Mattawan that has new owners as of May.

We took a small tour of the farm and had nice conversation with the young owner of the business. We learned a lot of new things and were able to purchase some nice items.





# **DRIVE THRU TRICK OR TREATING!**



**JOIN US AT THE PAW PAW LIONS CLUB!  
(227 CR 665, PAW PAW)**



**OCTOBER 30 FROM 2-5 PM**

**THIS IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT AS YOU WILL  
BE IN YOUR CARS.**

**BRING A CARLOAD!**



**WEAR YOUR COSTUME!**

## St. Joseph City Lions Club

At a recent St. Joseph Lions Club meeting, Lion Jim Bembenek (l) was awarded the International President's Certificate of Appreciation "In recognition of distinguished achievements in fulfilling the mission of Lions Clubs International". St. Joseph Lion and Past District Governor John Postelli (r) presented the award on behalf of Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, 2019-2020 International President. This is the third highest award in Lionism. Lion Bembenek was the St. Joseph Club's 2017-2018 President. He currently maintains the Club's Website, organizes media presentations during meetings, and works tirelessly on many Lions service projects in our community.



## Sturgis Lions Club

Jo Cherry and Lori Barczak from St. Joseph County ISD

The above representatives spoke at our Sept.15th meeting about their Work Based Learning Program.

This impressive presentation showed how young adults with various challenges/disabilities can learn to be independent, self -supporting, contributing members of their community. Students learn what is required in the workplace and how to meet those standards through classes, coaching, and actual work experience.

Larry Frisbee Golf Outing sponsored by the Sturgis and Centerville Lions Clubs

August 1 was a perfect day for golf-fair skies, low humidity, mild temperatures.

With 76 golfers (19 teams) it was the best on record. Many thanks to all the participants, sponsors, donors, and workers for making this event so successful!



On August 20<sup>th</sup>, Sturgis Lion made a presence at the Sturgis Fest Cruise-in & Parade. Members were in club uniform to staff our tables of displays while explaining the various activities of our group. Seated L-R: new Lion Karen Keyser, Lion Cathy Blood, and Lion Regina Laffler





## Three Rivers Lions Club



Three Rivers Lions presented President Tom McWatters with the 2020 Lion of the Year Award for his outstanding commitment to the club and service to the community. Pictured is Lion Alice Kielau (2019 Lion of the Year) and President Lion Tom McWatters.

Mike Eldridge and Diane Foghino, Board Members of the Three Rivers Promise (TRP), presented a program to Lions on September 28. Details were shared on how the TRP provides Scholarships for graduates of Three Rivers Community Schools to successfully achieve their goals through post-secondary education and/or vocational training. Pictured L- R President Lion Tom McWatters, Mike Eldridge and Diane Foghino.





## Medical Equipment Items to Loan

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

269-277-8821 or [pullins1852@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:partylikeabanker@yahoo.com) or 269-251-6553



# Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



**2021**

**October**

- 1 – 3: Council of Governors – Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord
- 9: Cabinet Meeting – 9:00 am - Three Rivers Lions Service Center
- 23: Edwardsburg 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – flyer in Beacon



**November**

- 5-7: Leadership Institute – Higgins Lake
- 15: Peace Poster postmark deadline – send to DG
- 29: Projects Night – Antwerp Township Activity Center – 6:00 – 8:30 pm

**December**

- 3-4: Council of Governors – Holiday Inn, Mt. Pleasant
- 12: Holiday Cabinet Dinner - TBA

**2022**

**January**

- 31: All Zone Meeting – Antwerp Township Hall – details to follow

Don't see your event listed here....email flyers and details at least one month in advance to [jumayuier@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:cheftammie@gmail.com)

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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](mailto: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 these Lions and/or family members who have recently lost loved ones in your prayers. If you'd like to drop them a note I've included their addresses.

Sherri Polashak (spouse of PDG Jim Polashak who passed away)  
225 Wilson St.  
Coloma, MI 49039.9009

ZC Carol Young (father passed way)  
17848 72<sup>nd</sup> St.  
South Haven, MI 49090

Pat Wragg (spouse of Lion Jim Wragg of Centreville Lions passed away)  
340 W. Railroad St.  
Centreville, MI 49032

**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](mailto: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 25<sup>th</sup> of the month for next months publication.**

Julie Mayuiers  
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## 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> and end of the month, please let me know by the 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.**

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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](mailto: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 club's 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!!!**