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LIONS OF DISTRICT 11B2

SEPTEMBER NEWS

"TOGETHER WE SERVE"

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Happy Fall Lions!!!

It's so hard to believe how quickly the summer came and went. Kids are already back in school and parents are shuffling their children to sporting events and other after school functions. Lions clubs are starting to re-engage for the year after some take the summer off.

I've visited a few clubs already this year and have several on the schedule over the next few weeks. I will be calling the clubs to

schedule my visit but would also like to ask the clubs to please let me know if you have an event coming up that I could attend and help out at. If you have a flyer on the event please send it to our Beacon Editor Wes Garmen by the 25th of the month prior to the event (or even 2 months in advance as schedules tend to fill up quickly) and also send a copy to me so I can see how it may fit on my calendar.

We held the President's Breakfast on August 27th at the Sister Lakes Lions Club. Thanks to the many members of this club that provided the breakfast buffet...and I mean a buffet!!! We had a great time meeting new Lions, sharing ideas of what some of the clubs were up to, asking questions of how other clubs did things and talked about clubs working together on Projects. One example is if a club is having say a Pancake Breakfast and wants KidSight screening at the same event, ask a neighboring club to come and work the KidSight screening so your club members can focus on flipping those pancakes. Then turn it around and have your club go to a KidSight screening when the other club is holding another event. We all know that it takes many Lions to work when we do fundraisers such as Pancake breakfast, etc. and still more members to screen the kids so why not work together with another club. It's a great way to meet new Lions and even share more ideas of what each other may be up to and make new friends! Roster Books were also passed out to the Zone Chairs that attended, so they should be getting those out to the clubs very soon. The Roster Book is also available on the e-district website. I'm embarrassed to say that I gave PCC Jeff Mayuiers a different phone number under the Three Rivers Lions Club page...but it's correct under the Cabinet Officer page.

Speaking of Project KidSight.....there are some changes being made to this program as we are still struggling to get every club to have at least a couple of certified screeners available for when their club wants to hold a PKS event. Dave and Tanda Stiffler are back as the District Coordinators (YEAH!!!) but will no longer be working alone at the screenings. Every club must have some skin in the game and have members available to screen and write referrals at any event the club requests PKS be at. If the Stiffler's receive a request from a school or organization they will be reaching out to the nearest club and getting at least a couple of certified screeners to assist them. I'm asking the Zone Chairs to coordi-





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FROM THE GOVERNOR'S DESK (cont.)

nate with the clubs in their Zones and with Dave and Tanda Stiffler to schedule training for all the clubs in their Zones in a combined event. They don't need children to practice on, they can do it like we did at the District Convention this past year and screen each other and "pretend" to fill out referral forms. By also getting club members trained, then they can borrow the cameras from the Stiffler's and go out and do screenings on their own. The trailer is not always needed if there is an indoor event where things can be set up in a dark area/room.

I wanted to mention a few of the upcoming events that the District is focusing on.

Our next Cabinet meeting is October 14th at Dowagic Lions Club. All Cabinet meetings are open to the entire District. If you'd like more details just contact me and I'd be happy to share. We do need to know if you are planning on attending as there is breakfast served and we want to make sure we have enough prepared.

November 14th we will hold our annual Projects Night (formerly Parade of checks). This will be held at the Antwerp Township Hall in Mattawan from 6 - 8 pm. I have invited all the Projects we support to come and give a brief overview of what is happening with them this coming year. We are again asking every club to please support all our Projects no matter the size of their donations. We want every club to be 100% in their giving. After all, when the Projects were voted on the clubs committed to supporting everyone one of them in whatever monetary donation they could. Every dollar the clubs give goes towards great causes and keeping these Projects able to support the needs of many individuals and animals. Further details will be in the October and November Beacon and sent out to the Club Presidents later in September.

November 13th is the deadline for clubs to have selected their winning Peace Poster and to make sure that I have received their chosen poster by this date as the Cabinet will be selecting the District winner at Project Night on November 14th and then that poster will go on to the State judging in early December. If you haven't already done so, please reach out to your school's art departments, local children art groups, etc. and share the details of the Peace Poster contest. You can still order the Peace Poster kits on lionsclubs.org to provide them with all the details and specifications.

I don't think Zoom will ever go away and I want your club to be able to still have access to meetings lasting longer than 40 minutes with up to 100 people. So if your club is in need of a Zoom Pro Account which allows you to hold meetings longer than 40 minutes with up to 100 people, the District will reimburse you for half of the cost of the plan or \$75. You must provide a receipt showing paid in full to the Cabinet Treasurer in order to be reimbursed.

There a couple of immediate needs to fill Cabinet positions. We need a GST and 2nd Vice District Governor. Please reach out to me to find out more about what these positions entail.

Thanks again for all you do and remember "TOGETHER WE CAN" and "KEEP ONE" and most of all you are all "AWESOME"!!!! as International President Brian Sheehan says!!

DG Julie





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GOVERNOR JULIE'S CALENDAR

September

- **4: Sister Lakes Fireworks**
- **11:** Paw Paw Duck Race
- **14: Centreville Lions**
- 24: South Haven Black River BBQ on the Bluff

October

- 7: 8 Council of Governors, Gaylord, MI
- 15: Cabinet Meeting @ Dowagiac Lions Club (breakfast at 8:30, meeting at 9:00)

November

- **5: LMSF Board Meeting**
- **10: Buchanan Galien Lions**
- 13: Deadline for clubs Peace Poster to be received by DG Julie
- 14: Projects Night & Peace Poster (Cabinet Judging), 6 –
 8 pm @ Antwerp Township Hall, Mattawan (more details to follow)







UPCOMING EVENTS TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR

September

- **7:** Online Zone Chair Training, 6-7:30PM **Pacific Time**, presented by: PCC Al Hedstrom, LCIP, Register: https://bit.ly/GLFZCTrain (see article this issue with QR code)
- **9-11: Duck Race & Hole in One Challenge,** Paw Paw Wine & Harvest Festival, Paw Paw Lion Booth
- 15-17: USA/Canada Leadership Forum, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- **24:** BBQ on the Bluff-4-10pm-American Legion Post #49-presented by the South Haven Black River Lions Club (See flyer is this issue)

October

- 7-8: Council of Governors-Tree Tops Resort, Gaylord.
- **15:** Cabinet Meeting-Dowagiac Lions Club
- **15:** Trivia Night- 6-9pm, Antwerp Activity Center-24821 Front St., Mattawan, MI-hosted by Mattawan Lions Club

November

- **5:** Craft Show-9am-3pm, Antwerp Activity Center-24821 Front St., Mattawan, MI-hosted by Mattawan Lions Club
- **19:** Quarter Auction -3-6pm, South Haven Elks Lodge #1509, 405 Phoenix St #1-2, South Haven, MI, hosts: South Haven Black River Lions

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

We Serve

VDG AMY THACKSTON



The B2 Beacon

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Fellow Lions,

I'm excited to spend this Lion Year helping DG Julie with her goals and planning my own. I would love to spend the Lion year meeting with your clubs. If you have an extra opening at a program meeting or

even just a few minutes to spare I would love to stop by a meeting to meet all of you. I'm also excited to try to attend as many of your club events as possible. If you haven't shared your events with Wes to go into the Beacon, please do it as soon as possible.

I'm looking for people looking to serve as part of our District Cabinet next year. If you or someone you know may be interested in a cabinet position or want to know more about one please let me know. I look forward to seeing everyone at meetings and events!

Kind Regards, VDG Amy Thackston thackstona@gmail.com 616-307-0027



IPDG KAROL CHOPP



September is Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month!

Please try and post something on your Facebook or website pages about what Lions are doing to help those families.

This year we will be collecting funds to donate gift cards to families who have children with cancer. We will be collecting money or gift cards at the Projects Nights on November 14. You can do a fundraiser to collect money to purchase gift cards or just donate the money and we will get the gift cards to donate to the families. These will be handed out at the Pediatric Oncology ward of Bronson's Children's Hospital. We asked and that seems to be the greatest need currently.

Sincerely, IPDG Karol 11B2Pediatric Cancer Chair







GMT AND KIDSIGHT

GMT-PCC JEFF MAYUIERS



GMT update

Just dropping a line to let everyone know your good work is paying off! Memnumbers bership are moving up on the plus side thanks to all your efforts! Let's do our best to keep this trend going!!

The District Governor's theme is "Keep One" and it touches our district in many ways.

1. *Keep One member!* This is about retention. The statics show most new Lions exit Lionism somewhere in the first 3 years. Let's be sure to keep all our club members engaged. They may not attend the meetings but keep them in the loop....reach out and say "HI". Let them know they are still valued and when your next upcoming project is.

2. Keep One....also refers to keeping our club....with many of our clubs we are experiencing the only existing members are the very senior members. We are finding their membership down to just a select few due to age. We need to reach out in these areas and re-engage the community. These clubs need to be reborn and find new younger members willing to carry out our mission of "We Serve"!

3. Keep One also refers to our more experienced Lions. At one point we had a core of our Guiding Lions. To become a Guiding Lions is not really that difficult; it's a simple online class to be certified. Guiding Lions are crucial to the success of all our clubs. Consider the thought of becoming one.

4. Keep One can also refer to club development and service. What if you made a new list of additional ways you could increase your service to your community, and then from that list keep at least one new project or activity to add to your service/project calendars.

These are all things to work on and consider and remember it is like our New International President Brian Sheehan says "TOGETHER WE **CAN**"!!

Yours in service, Lion Jeff

KidSight Update.....

How about some great news everyone.....

Lions Dave and Tanda Stiffler have both received some improved health news and are willing to continue as our District

KidSight Coordinators! That's a big plus for us but we are going to still continue our KidSight Training Program. We still want at least 2 volunteers from every club willing to help Community Eye Screening For Children



work the KidSight program. If your club would like an event done in your community, your school or any events, you need to have KidSight people from your club trained and ready to pitch in.

Feel free to contact Lion Tanda, Governor Julie or myself and we'll tell you how.

MD 11 State KidSight Chairman Jeff Mayuiers

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PROJECT KIDSIGHT

PKS COORDINATORS TANDA & DAVID STIFFLER



September 2022

Project KidSight is opening back up for many Lion events and schools are now requesting the Project KidSight Team to come and screen their kids. Our hope is that the Zone Chairs can arrange a date and time to get Lion Clubs to send at least two people to a training which would be much more in depth, so everyone understands that taking pictures with the SPOT camera is easy, but there is much more to learn

when the camera shows the child has difficulties in some well. The seeing camera will show what the referral is and the taking person the picture needs to complete the referral packet to give to the parent to get their child seen by an eye Lions David doctor. and Tanda Stiffler are



more than willing to teach anyone interested in making a difference in a child's life by becoming a PKS technician or assistant. Even if a Lion member just wants to come and assist with the consent forms or QR Code would be a great help. The sooner we get more Lions involved, PKS can be spread out over our entire District to help reach as many kids as possible to check their vision.



We have one more upcoming event in September. Anyone who wishes to participate is more than welcome to come and learn!

September 17th Edwardsburg Community Day held at the Edwardsburg Fire Department.

More information to follow closer to this date. Please contact Tanda Stiffler at tandastiffler76@gmail.com or call 574/350-9215 if you can attend this event. I will give you the address of the event when you call.

Tanda & David Stiffler PKS Coordinators



ZONE CHAIR TRAINING

ONLINE ZONE CHAIR TRAINING Presented by: PCC Al Hedstrom, LCIP September 7, 6:00-7:30 PM Pacific time

Register: https://bit.ly/GLFZ-Train or open QR code to register)

Great news! The Zone Chair Training session has been expanded. То accommodate this there is a change in venue online. See the announcement below and be certain to REGISTER for the event. This training



will be reportable in LEARN so this is a great opportunity. Note the address initially sent out will not be used and the new event location which requires registration will be required. This is a great opportunity to interact with other zone and region chairs and gain information on current events and practices.

Note the time is 9 PM Eastern. (The announcement is in Pacific time zone.)

A number of students requested the ability to register for this event so we have joined with Lions Virtual in presenting this (and other upcoming) training sessions, and as a result, we now have a larger Zoom license which allows us to have students register for the event. Please feel free to let your Clients know of this change and request that they now register for the event if they desire to attend. The link is below as is the QR code to register. Upon completion of the course each student will receive evidence of completion which they can share with your District GLT to post to LEARN to be counted towards the achievement of your training of your Zone Chairs goals.



Your District Needs YOU! Due to some of our ZC's terming out as per LCI guidelines, 11B2 will be in need of new Zone Chairs. Help secure the healthy future of our clubs in our district by becoming a Zone Chair!

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE Together we can with International President, Brian Sheehan



Dear Lion,

We accomplish amazing things together every day because of what you give. And while giving takes many forms, one of the best is your ongoing support of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). Because that's how we ensure that our biggest projects succeed. And like all things Lions, it starts with you and your club.

The work of LCIF is so important. And you can be a part of it by making a donation, by applying for a grant

to take on even bigger projects, and by sharing your LCIF stories and videos. Because the more that our communities know about LCIF, the more our foundation can magnify our service at home and around the world. We're all working together to make a big difference. And when we all give a little, we can accomplish so much.

Make a great day, Brian Sheehan International President

Watch a special video message (from President Sheehan



Our Giving Never Stops

LCIF has been magnifying our service for more than 50 years. Watch a special video message from President Sheehan about how your support gives Lions the opportunities to make a big difference where it's needed most.

Just like the Lions of District 201-V2 in Australia who organized Camp Koala to help teenagers who were recently diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes to build self-management skills, a positive body image and confidence. Read Navigating Diabetes at Camp Koala to learn more about how a grant from LCIF can help clubs achieve greater things.

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Get Involved with Your Foundation

Your service makes a big difference every day in people's lives, and you can make your impact even bigger through LCIF. Here are three great ways to get involved with your global foundation.

Apply for a Grant – Visit the LCIF Grants Toolkit page to learn more about how your club can get even more done in your community with the right grant.

Share Our Story – Take pride in the incredible work Lions do around the world and share our Stories of Pride and other stories from the Lions Blog on social media using the hashtags #LCIFLions and #WeServe.



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

Make a Donation – Discover the many Ways to Give that help support our service around the world—and in the community outside your door.

So let's keep serving, let's keep supporting our foundation and our communities, and let's keep building a better world together.



Kindness for Every Stage of Life

For years, the Lions of District 1-BK in Illinois, USA, helped many families find a little more comfort during end-of-life care for their loved ones at the Lightways Hospice and Serious Illness Care. And when they recenty decided to expand their support, they did so in a big way.

Read Providing Compassionate Care and Comfort at the End of Life to learn more about how these Lions grew their service

with the help of 15 other Lions clubs and a matching grant from LCIF. Learn more about LCIF matching grants and how they help empower Lions to take on large-scale humanitarian projects.

Were there's a need...there's a Lion.





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Hartford September 6, 1946 76 Congratulations to the Hartford Lions for 76 years of service!

And now...some Lions 11B2 Trivia from PCS Harvey Holm!

Who was the first woman to join the Mattawan Lions Club?

I believe the following information is correct! Give or take a year, it was 1989. Judy Shreve later to become Judy Fross. Judy was having personal problems due her poor eye sight. A friend told her to call the Paw Paw Lions Club and ask for help. She did and they gave her my phone number. Turned out Judy got fired because of her poor vision and didn't know what to do. I knew that the surgery cost about \$11,000 in those days, also knew there no way our club had that kind of money. I told Judy to give me a couple days and I would call her back.

I knew the **Lions of Michigan Foundation** existed, but I didn't know anything about it. So I called DG Glenn Dings. He headed me in the right direction and I applied for a grant from the Foundation. I then called President Paul Becker and got him up to speed. The grant was approved, and Paul and I delivered the news face to face. The surgery was successful!

Judy wanted to know how she could repay the Lions. I told her if she made a quilt, we would raffle it off at our district convention. So she made the quilt and came to the convention. After she told her story, the afghan was raffled off. Following the raffle, International President Freddie Joyce swore her in as the FIRST FEMALE MEMBER OF THE MATTAWAN LIONS CLUB ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ ⁽²⁾

Note: The raffle was won by Peggy Thornton and the afghan is on display at the museum in the Lawton Lions Club. At a date, Lion Peggy was made OF ONLY HONORARY MEMBER

Thanks, PCS Harvey *"May the Beacon of Hope always Shine Bright"*

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BUCHANAN-GALIEN LIONS

Buchanan-Galien Lion volunteers provided manpower for Lion Jessica Hendrixson's Kombi Keg SW Michigan vehicle debut at the Buchanan Thrill on the Hill event August 4th – 6th.











Buchanan-Galien Leo volunteers also supported the Smoke's Family Vison "Snow Cones for Sight" and "Red Glasses Take Over" for the Red Glasses Movement.





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COLON LIONS

In August, the Colon Lions Club co-sponsors the annual Abbott's Magic Get-Together along with Abbott's Magic Company. Our favorite Lion, Purr-C Abbott, aka Lion Denny Yesh, also greeted the crowd. Other Lions sell magic pins, watch the doors, act as ushers, then stay to watch the magic show. The Colon Lions always look forward to this fun activity!





















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MATTAWAN LIONS

The Mattawan Lions club has been busy planning out the upcoming year! We had the privilege of installing two of our four newest members at our last club meeting. Welcome Devon and Kevin!





We also had our annual Fly In Breakfast at Newman's Airfield. We had great attendance, and it was a beautiful day for the planes.

We are now gearing up for our Mattawan Lions Club **Trivia Night** October 15! **Save the date!!**



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PAW PAW LIONS

The Paw Paw Lions are getting ready for the Wine & Harvest Festival which will be Sept. 9, 10 & 11. They will host the tenth annual Duck Race on the 11th and will also be running the Hole in One contest. (See Flier)



The Paw Paw Lions attended Open House at the Upper and Lower Elementary schools. Kids were given the opportunity to choose some school supplies provided by the Lions.



Duck sales are each Saturday until race weekend. Contact a Paw Paw Lion for tickets or come see us at the festival.



Paw Paw Wine & Harvest Festival Lions Club Activities

DUCK RACE

Duck Sales: Sept. 9 4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Sept. 10 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM Sept. 11 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Race at Warner Vineyard @ approximately 2:30 PM

Beneficiaries: Blue Star Mothers #179 STOP Program (State Trooper Outreach Partnership) Gold Together (Childhood Cancer arm of American

Ducks: \$5 each \$20 for 5 ducks \$100 for 30 ducks
 Cancer Society)

 Prizes: 1st
 \$1200

 2nd
 \$600

 3rd
 \$300

Hole In One Contest

Hole In Qualifying: Sept. 9 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (QUALIFYING) Sept. 10 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM (QUALIFYING) Sept. 11 2:00 - 5:00 PM (FINALS)

Land on the pontoon float in Maple Lake to qualify for a chance at the Hole In One Finals!

Grand Prize: \$25,000

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PORTAGE LIONS

On Saturday, August 20, 2022, Portage Lions club members and Club Membership Chair Elvie Marfil presented an orientation program for new and long time club members as well as prospective members. The focus was on the club, its history, its makeup, and what it does in and for the community. It also showed how the club interacts with the District, the state, and with The Lions International. orientation was interactive, with members and prospective members discussing various topics. Educating members and prospective members is an ongoing opportunity to make us better Lions. Thank you Lion Elvie for organizing and presenting this most informative program!



CC Ron Gibson presented Pres. Laura Berry the Campaign 100 Model Club banner patch.



Lion Elvie Marfil, Club Membership Chair as she presented the New Member Orientation.



CC Ron Gibson as he reads the Code of Ethics





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SOUTH HAVEN BLACK RIVER LIONS

SOUTH HAVEN BLACK RIVER LIONS CLUB PROUDLY PRESENTS

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 4:00 - 10:00 PM American Legion Post #49 129 Michigan Ave. South Haven

TICKETS

\$10.00 PRE-BUY \$15.00 AT THE DOOR DAY OF THE EVENT 5 YEARS AND UNDER FREE \$5.00 CHRG FOR ENTERTAINMENT ONLY W/O MEAL FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PRE-BUY TICKETS CALL CAROL BLACKSTON 269-906-5297

WHERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS: WOLVERINE ACE HARDWARE SOUTH HAVEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AMERICAN LEGION POST #49, SOUTH HAVEN FOOD, FUN 4:00-8:00 pm SILENT AUCTION 4:00-9:00 pm 50/50 DRAWINGS LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

This is a Fundraiser proudly brought to you by: The South Haven Black River Lions Club



ST. JOSEPH LIONS OF BERRIEN COUNTY

Where Lions Meet Robotics



Proving you are never too old to learn or too young to teach, twenty members of the St. Joseph Lions Club spent an exciting afternoon with members of the St. Joseph High School Robotics Club on Thursday, Aug. 18th. The Lions Club was there to learn about robotics and all the things it has to offer students and the community. The "Average Joes", as First Robotics Team 3620 is known, have been supported by the Lions since their earliest



beginnings. Carrie and Morgan Brunsta dynamic ing, mother-daughter are their team coaches and mentors and are members of the Lions Club themselves. The Lions are sustaining donors to the Edward J. Todd Innovation Center which opened in 2019 and are also able volunteers for Robotic District Competitions held at SJHS each year.

The much anticipated meeting of Lions and Joes was a first for the two clubs. After sharing lunch and getting an inside look at what a Lions Club weekly meeting is like, the six students took over the program for the rest of the afternoon. First came an informative visual presentation about the wide range of activities and accomplishments of the "Joes" from their beginnings to their current levels of competition and community outreach programs to schools in the District. The students saved the best for last taking the Lions into the



Innovation Center to see their current robot, "Eagle Eye" demonstrate its skills. Driven by junior Andrew Smith, the robot shot cargo into specially designed targets while other team members fielded the many questions from the Lions Club members. By the end of the afternoon it was a sure bet that the "Joes" will have more fans and volunteers at their future events and perhaps a few new Lions will be in the making as well!





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MISCELLANEOUS

Marketing your club is important to:

Expand your knowledge with our Interactive Club Marketing Guide.



Increase your membership



Improve your visibility in the community



Celebrate your service impact



Help your club thrive



clubmarketing.lionsclubs.org



Lions Clubs International





Why report service



By sharing our impact, Lions and Leos inform, inspire and grow our global legacy of service.

Strengthen storytelling

Details give stories power. Saying you fed 87 families is more powerful than saying you organized a food drive. Saying your club contributed 1,265 volunteer hours last year is more powerful than saying your club serves the community. When your club reports service, you collect the details needed to share powerful stories of your club's impact.





Photo by: Lion Othmar Fetz, The LEO Book

Inform decisions

Documented club achievements reveal what's working and what's not. For example, what if your diabetes education program is growing in attendance, but your annual club fundraiser is shrinking? Reviewing past service reports helps your club make better decisions, including choosing service activities and setting realistic goals.

Inspire service

Your reported service projects can be viewed within your district and around the world. That means your club's creativity and impact can inspire Lions and Leos to embrace new causes and serve in new ways. Reports also help Lions International staff identify best practices to share globally.







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Why report service





Grow partnerships

Collaborating with other organizations in your community is a great way to increase the visibility, reach and quality of your service projects. When approaching potential partners, your club's service reports provide tangible evidence of your club's effectiveness to help persuade other organizations to join with you.

Enlighten leaders

High levels of service reporting are a sign of healthy clubs, zones and districts. Knowledge of your club's service history provides invaluable insight to current and future club officers. In addition, district, zone and Global Action Team leaders can best support your club when they understand how clubs in their area serve their communities.





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Be proud

Service data gives us the ability to communicate how *We Serve* around the world. For example, in 2021, Lions and Leos served more than 350 million people! We can take pride in that achievement thanks to the leaders who reported over 1 million service activities. Through service reporting, your club joins in that pride and is eligible for service awards.

Would you like to learn more? Visit lionsclubs.org/service reporting





Reporting a Service Activity

- Go to lionsclubs.org
- Click "Member login"
- MyLion
- Click "Report Past Activity"
- Orange "Report +"
- Fill in the pink areas
- Click "report"
- It will tell you that It has been submitted

Creating an Event In Mylion

- · Go to lionclubs.org
- Click "Member Login"
- MyLion
- Click "Plan Future Activity"
- Choose Activity Type, click orange "continue" button
- Choose the cause, click orange "continue" button
- Choose project type, click orange "continue" button
- Fll in activity details, click orange "continue" button
- · Choose who you want to invite, click orange "continue" button
- Review, click "Submit"

***Once your event Is over, you can report the event.

- Go to lionclubs.org
- Click "member login"
- MyLion
- Cliek "Activities"
- You will see your already created activity with an orange "report" on it
- Click "report"
- Follow the steps to fill In the details of those served or money raised or donated
- Click "submit"



Lion Request from Jeff Mayuiers

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. Contact me at 269-254-1936 or wjmayuiers@gmail.com.

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



FREE XXL Lions of Michigan shirt, worn maybe twice, has name Bill embroidered on it. Contact DG Julie 269-254-1938 or jumayuiers@gmail.com



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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 has a couple of walkers and other mobility aids. Contact Kim Copenhaver: partylikeabanker@yahoo.com or 269-251-6553



District 11 B2 has a new Facebook page (11 B2 Lions). Like and follow this page for all that's new in 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

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 Lion Wes at captcartoon@me.com with the members name, address, phone, hospital, reason, whatever you'd like to provide and will publish in the B2 Beacon for the District to support them with well wishes, prayers, condolences or whatever.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR/WEBMASTER

We Serve



The B2 Beacon

LIONS OF DISTRICT 11B2

Hello fellow Lions...

To help keep our DG's calendar current and all of you informed, she has asked that, when you send your material for upcoming club events to me, please be sure to copy Julie. Thank you!

We want to know what your club has been up to!

Really! Honestly! Now that the new season is starting up, I'm hoping to get more and more of you to submit articles and promote your fundraisers and events. Please send articles in Word (.doc or .docx are best), Pages, if you are working on a Mac platform, or just plain text, if that's what's available to you. If you also have photos to go along with your club news, just attach them with the copy or send them separately. You can also share photo folders through Google and Dropbox...I have both. Don't worry about resolution. Send the best you have at the highest resolution and I'll pare them down when needed.

Deadline is the 25th of the month to receive information for publishing in the next month's newsletter. Because of late-breaking things in life, there will always be times when something will come in at the 11th hour. Quite understandable.

THE IMPORTANT THING IS...All flyers for events that you'd like included in the B2 Beacon should be sent to me 45 days prior...especially important if the event is happening in the first 10 days of the month! Finally, submissions for Lions Pride Magazine should be sent to me, and I will pass those articles on. Please do not send anything directly to the magazine.

I've contacted the advisors of all the LEO clubs in our district, inviting them to submit articles that highlight service events and fundraisers that our young Lions-to-be are a part of. The LEO's are a part of our district 11B2 family, and it's time to acknowledge their contributions.

Cheers!

Lion Wes

NOTE: 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 me at captcartoon@me.com. I'll upload the information to the district's calendar and include a download/view link to the flyer...it's that simple.

Quick links to info on other Lion topics of interest:

Lions of Michigan http://lionsofmi.com/

Lions Pride https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/downloads/lion-pride

> Lions of Michigan Service Foundation https://www.lmsf.net/

District Web Page https://www.e-district.org/sites/11b2

> Lions International Leadership Development