



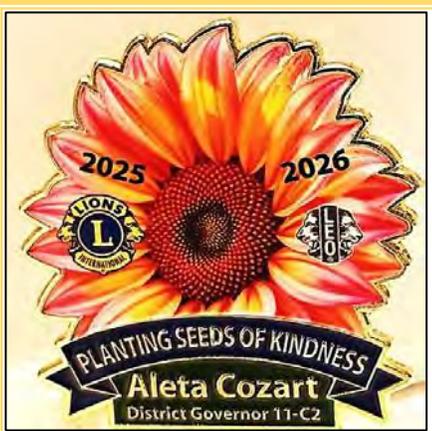
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Lions District 11-C2 Newsletter

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From the desk of the Governor



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THE MANY MOODS OF MARCH!

*Coming In Like a Lion - International Women's Day
Celebration of Service - March is Reading Month
March Madness - SPRING!*



This past weekend I attended the Lions of Michigan Forum. What a great event, lots of fellowship and lots of learning. I cannot praise this event enough! Those who have not attended need to make it a priority next year; it is well worth the time. I must share updates from my sister CS Denise Temple's great email about the Forum and add my own extra thoughts at the end:

"I feel the need to do a short report on the Lions Forum. They offered the following breakout sessions: Building Membership Through Specialty Clubs; Managing Your Club on The Web; Officer Training (for President, Treasurer, Secretary and Tail Twister); LCIF & LMF; The Leadership Challenge; Cybersecurity; Leader Dog Puppy Raisers; Serving Together; Flipping For Fundraisers; Estate Planning; Attracting Younger Members; Service Carnivals; and Eversight. A lot of great information and a lot of enthusiasm!

The service project was putting together little backpacks for little heroes that are in foster care, homeless or displaced in another way. Each backpack contained: throw blanket, hairbrush, school supplies and even a comfort animal to name just a few. Items were color coordinated with the backpacks, so each child had a specific color. Great Job to everyone!

I would like to share some of the things that I learned from the sessions that I attended. Estate planning taught me that even though I have a plan, I'm not quite ready with putting my affairs in order for my kids. You should go over your will every 3-5 years because things change. Probably not a good idea to put your kids on your accounts while you are still handling your own business. The lawyer presenting this session has seen a lot of kids taking advantage of their parents.

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Bit of Wisdom



THE MANY MOODS OF MARCH! *(continued from the previous page)*

There are four things that need to be considered: 1. Real estate - to avoid probate you should consider a lady bird deed. 2. Bank accounts - you should go to each bank that you bank with and tell them you want to fill out a payable upon death stipulation form (POD) or have all money sent directly to the trust. 3. Investments- you should have a beneficiary listed in layers like spouse, kids, parents, siblings etc. 4. Things - You can do a bill of sale for items except if they have a title, you need a TR 29 for next of kin if under \$100,000.00 and the lien holder has to be addressed before anyone else gets anything. It is not advisable to try to fill out your advanced directives without the help of a lawyer, they can be very complicated.

Attracting younger members - Letting everyone know that we do fun, meaningful things at our meetings. Use the word 'Invite' when trying to get someone to join. Maybe before bringing prospective members to a meeting, have them help with a service project to see firsthand what we do. Let families know that everyone can participate. Bring the family. Mentor your new members, don't just leave them on their own."

I, DG Aleta, tried to attend other breakout sessions so we could share information. My report here is not as detailed as the one from Lion Denise above, I will have to write an email and send out more information.

I attended the breakout on Service Carnivals. This is something the club building team has discussed, and there were a lot of great ideas on how to build a carnival. Making all eight causes/initiatives as stations to offer not only information for people but draw them in with interactive things to do for them and children. The way it was laid out, I could see it happening.

I also attended cybersecurity. The presenter of that breakout session had such a large amount of information it could not be reviewed all in the little over an hour we had. An article that explains that it will be written and sent out soon (after our upcoming Celebration of Service). Lastly, I attended Serving Together, Flipping for Fundraisers. Many items in this breakout session I did not know and will be happy to share with you all soon.

-- *Lion Aleta Cozart*
District Governor

Looking Ahead to 2026-2027 in District 11-C2...

...with
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I am not looking to replace any existing District Committee Chairs for next year. I am just looking to add on more members to our committees so that the committee chairs don't have to do it by themselves. The following committees already need some more help: Environmental, Hunger, Information Technology and Website, Radio Reading Service, Public Relations and Marketing, and the Newsletter.

If you want to help on these committees, please talk to the chairperson (see the roster book) to collaborate on needs.
[http://e-district.org/userfiles/342/file/2025-2026%2011-C2%20Roster%20Book%20Ver%20009%20DG%20Aleta%20Cozart%202025-09-06\(1\).pdf](http://e-district.org/userfiles/342/file/2025-2026%2011-C2%20Roster%20Book%20Ver%20009%20DG%20Aleta%20Cozart%202025-09-06(1).pdf)

I am also still looking for some people to fill some other spots in my 2026-2027 cabinet, and I also need some new committee chairs: Zone Chair for Region 2 Zone 1, Zone Chair Region 3 Zone 2, LEO Club Advisory, Childhood Cancer, and Peace Poster. If you're interested in filling some of these cabinet and committee chair positions, please contact me.

District 11-C2 Business & Cabinet Meetings

- March 13 and 14, 2026 Celebration of Service / District Business Meeting
- April 24, 2026 5:00 PM District Cabinet Meeting at Dutch Hollow, Durand

NOTE: Please be sure to RSVP to Cabinet Secretary Lion Denise Temple at tsjellyboo@aol.com for cabinet meetings.



Lions Bear Lake Camp Fundraiser: This fundraiser will be held on **Friday, April 3**, at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with social time at 6:00, followed by a buffet dinner. There will be a silent auction, raffles, and bingo games. Each club is asked to bring an unwrapped gift valued at \$10 or more for the silent auction. The cost is \$15 per person. Members of the public are welcome. A flyer will be included with



Lions of Michigan Forum

Pictured above are about two dozen Lions from District 11-C2 attending the Lions of Michigan Forum on February 28, 2026, in Kalamazoo. In the photos above that, their Lions mascot got close with both Council Chair Becky Hamilton and First Vice District Governor Kenny Kinsey. See the comments about the Forum from DG Aleta Cozart and CS Denise Temple on the first and second pages of this newsletter for more details.

Around the District



Eaton Rapids Lions Club

Thank you all who have been dropping off used glasses around town. Our members and volunteers sorted 480 pairs at our club meeting! These will help a lot of people!

Owosso Lions Club

Owosso Lions were in action last month at St. John's Church in Owosso. They served breakfast and prepared lunch for 30 food insecure guests. The breakfast menu included scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage gravy and biscuits, and a warm fruit compote! They always include enough food in lunch bags to last the rest of the day.



Mason Lions Club

On Wednesday, February 11th, the Mason Lions Club had Zone Chair Eileen Delaney present three Lions with chevrons for their service anniversaries. Rev. Bill Pinches spoke about several ministries at the First Presbyterian Church of Mason, highlighting their trips to assist at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.



Around the District

Grand Ledge Lions Club

Despite the cold temperatures, GL Lions had a terrific turnout at their second monthly Lions Club meeting in January! Look at all these fabulous volunteers who make their meetings so much fun. Community, laughter, and service — couldn't ask for better!



Bath Township Lions Club

During a recent club meeting, Ken Robertson was presented with his 55 year Charter Chevron. Lion Ken is the last of his club's Charter members and has served the club, community and our state association in numerous capacities over the past 55 years. Thank you, Lion Ken and Congratulations! — with 1st Vice DG Lion Kenny Richard Kinsey.



Grand Ledge Lions Club

GL Lions president, Chuck Wriska, poses alongside January Student of the Month, Kamsi Iweajunwa's mother, Ogenna Habib; Kamsi's step-dad, Abubakar; and inspirational teacher, Courtney McDonnell.



Around the District



DISCOVER YOUR PASSION



Durand Lions Club

The Durand Lions were honored with a visit from our District 11-C2 Governor Aleta Cozart. DG Aleta presented our club president Lew Deisler with a pin from International President A P Singh.

Around the District



Grand Ledge Lions Club

Please join us in giving a warm Lions welcome to our newest member, Bob Buckley! The Grand Ledge Lions Club just gained someone truly special. Bob brings with him not only a heart for service, but a life story that is nothing short of remarkable. If you ever have the privilege of sitting down and hearing about his journey, you'll walk away inspired.

Lions Bear Lake Camp

🔥 REGISTRATION IS OPEN – SUMMER 2026 AT LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP! 🔥

Summer is calling... and camp is ready. Whether your family is looking for connection, your child is ready for independence and adventure, or you know someone who wants to make a difference as a staff member, now is the time.

💚 Family Camps 2026

- Visually Impaired & Blind Family Camp – July 3–5, 2026
- Deaf & Hard of Hearing Family Camp – July 24–26, 2026

A weekend to unplug, connect, and experience camp together. Swimming, boating, climbing tower, archery, crafts, meaningful parent sessions, and time that truly matters.

👉 Register for Family Camp here:

<https://www.bearlakecamp.org/.../family-camp-registrations>

💛 Youth Camps 2026 (Ages 6–16)

- Visually Impaired & Blind Youth Camp – July 5–11, 2026
- Deaf & Hard of Hearing Youth Camp – July 12–18, 2026

A full week of overnight camp filled with friendships, challenge course, fishing, bonfires,

team building, evening programs, and growth that carries far beyond summer.

👉 Register for Youth Camps here:

<https://lionsbearlakecamp.portal.icamppro.com/>

☀️ Leadership Development Program (Ages 15–17) Teens ready to step into leadership roles can apply to grow, mentor younger campers, and gain hands on experience that builds confidence and responsibility.

👉 Register for Leadership Development here:

<https://lionsbearlakecamp.portal.icamppro.com/>

👋 Join Our Summer Staff Team

Want to be part of something bigger? Work where you see lives change every single week.

👉 Apply for a staff position here:

<https://www.bearlakecamp.org/index.php/home/employment>

Spots fill quickly every year.

If camp has been on your heart, this is your sign.

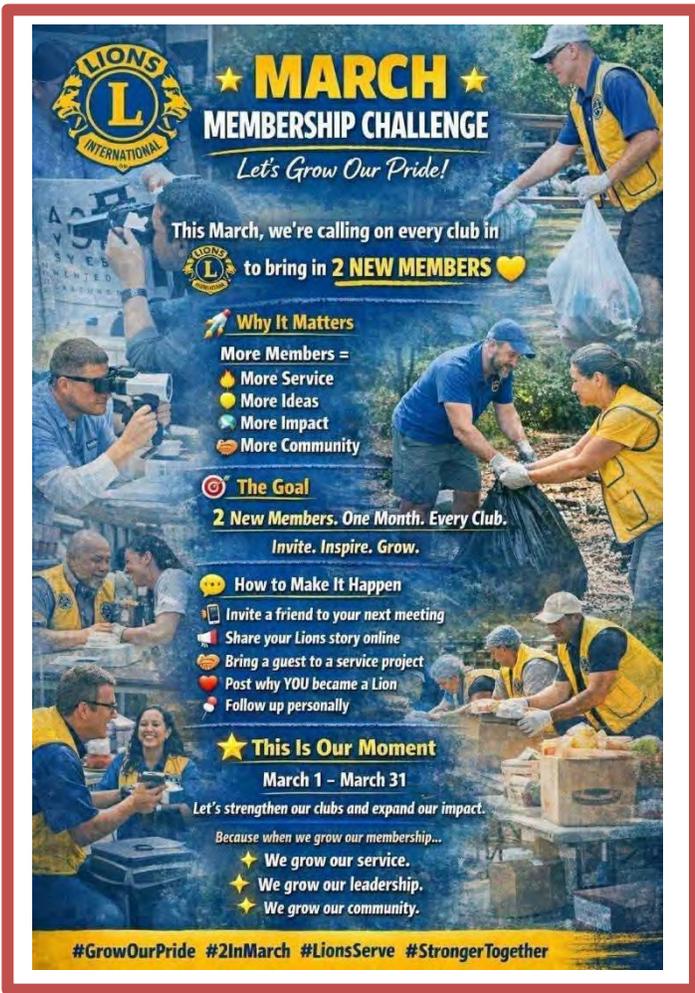
📍 Lions Bear Lake Camp

3409 N Five Lakes Rd, Lapeer, MI

☎️ 810-245-0726

✉️ info@bearlakecamp.org

Share this with a family who needs camp this summer. 💚



★ MARCH ★
MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE
Let's Grow Our Pride!

This March, we're calling on every club in
 to bring in **2 NEW MEMBERS** ♥

Why It Matters

- More Members =
- More Service
- More Ideas
- More Impact
- More Community

The Goal
2 New Members. One Month. Every Club.
Invite. Inspire. Grow.

How to Make It Happen

- Invite a friend to your next meeting
- Share your Lions story online
- Bring a guest to a service project
- Post why YOU became a Lion
- Follow up personally

This Is Our Moment
 March 1 - March 31
Let's strengthen our clubs and expand our impact.
Because when we grow our membership...

- We grow our service.
- We grow our leadership.
- We grow our community.

#GrowOurPride #2InMarch #LionsServe #StrongerTogether



Bear Lake Camp Ice Plunge

Lion Steve had fabulous form before going into the water. Always a bright smile, even when cold. See Facebook for more Ice Plunge photos!



All money raised from members of the public is used for charitable causes only!

Lions Fact

Mason Lions Club

Rachel VanHouten from Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan was suddenly called away and was unable to speak at Mason's Lions Club meeting on February 25. She will be rescheduled for later this spring. Instead, on behalf of the Mason Area Historical Society, Lion Doug Klein did a Black History Month presentation on Malcolm X's time living in Mason as a teenager.




Around the District



Owosso Lions Club Club

Owosso Cubs made Valentines for patients of Memorial Healthcare Cancer Center. These cards were certain to brighten their day!



Durand Lions Club

The Durand Lions were honored with a visit from four Byron area students that are attending the Lions International Convention in Hong Kong this summer as members of the Lions of Michigan All State Band. Byron HS senior Mason Davis, junior Mya Keway, U of M freshman Emma Davis, and Byron HS sophomore Abby Harper introduced themselves to our club and thanked us for helping to sponsor part of their trip. Durand Lions president Lew Deisler presented them with our club banner. Great group of young folks, for sure!



Grand Ledge Lions Club

Please join us in celebrating our Student of the Month, Alexia Sells! The Grand Ledge Lions Club is proud to recognize Alexia for her hard work, dedication, and the positive example she sets both in and out of the classroom. Students like Alexia remind us that the future is bright and full of promise. Congratulations, Alexia!



**READ ALL
ABOUT IT –
ONLINE!**



Please be aware that the State Magazine **Lion Pride** (paid for by part of your State dues) is always available by online access. We have phased out the publication being printed, mailed, or e-mailed. This direction is being taken due to the rising cost of printing and postage. For easy access to your full color .pdf version, please download the **Pride** online through the www.lionsofmi.com website.

However, our Lions of Michigan District 11-C2 still plans to continue to e-mail its monthly newsletter to all Lions in the district with a valid e-mail address.

For additions or corrections to e-mail addresses, e-mail our IT Chair at rayrobins9998457@gmail.com. "Ray Robins" <rayrobins9998457@gmail.com>, "Ray Robins" <RaymondLRobins@yahoo.com> The district newsletter is also available online at [District Newsletters](#) or <http://www.e-district.org/sites/11c2/page-6.php>.

UPCOMING LIONS OF MICHIGAN EVENTS

May 14-16, 2026
MD11 Lions Convention
Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire



SHANTY CREEK RESORT

July 3-7, 2026
LCI Convention
Hong Kong China

September 3 - 5, 2026
USA/Canada Forum
Memphis, TN

Check Lions of Michigan website for updates & additional information:

www.lionsofmi.com

Youth Camps & Exchange - Michigan, USA

The Youth Camp and Exchange (YCE) program is gearing up, and this is another update to all clubs. We have several countries who have reached out already looking to send exchange youths to Michigan – we desperately need host families! This is a fun experience for your family, and for the exchange youth – it's a great opportunity to share our values and show what being a Lion is all about. Additional information about the program in general is provided on the Lions of Michigan website under Youth Exchange <https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/youth-exchange>

If you have any questions or would like a visit to your club to discuss the program in more detail, please contact Lion Elvie or your YCE District Chair.

Thank you for your time!

Key details regarding the YCE Program for 2026 are as follows:

- Hosting dates will be from July 16-August 6, 2026.
- Designated airports are Detroit, Grand Rapids, and/or Chicago O'Hare.
- We will accept 15-20 international youths, with only one participant per country.
- The accepted age range is 15-18 years old at the time of camp.
- Invitations will be extended to Michigan Leos and youths of the same age to join us at camp.
- We propose July 27-31, 2026, as camp week. Camp cost \$350.00
- WE NEED HOST FAMILIES!
- For more information, please check out our Lions of Michigan website and click Youth Exchange.
- For further information, please call me at 818-800-1060 or email epmarvil5@gmail.com



YCE District Chair 11-C2 **PDG Brent Beracy** bberacy@hotmail.com

Lion Elvie Marfil
YCE State Chairperson
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Phone: 818-800-1060



NEED HELP MANAGING DIABETES?

Attend a free 6-week workshop

Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) is an interactive workshop designed to help individuals with diabetes or pre-diabetes improve their health and feel better. Caregivers are welcome to attend.

Get on the PATH to better health!

Learn how to:

- Eat healthy
- Create balanced meal plans
- Decrease stress
- Get physically active
- Balance your blood sugar
- Improve communication skills
- Problem solve and make decisions
- Deal with difficult emotions
- Prevent complications
- Action plan
- Improve your overall health, increase your energy, and more!



UPCOMING WORKSHOP

St. Johns Lutheran Church

511 E. Sturgis St. – St. Johns

Mondays, March 23 – April 27, 2026

6:00 – 8:30 pm

Workshop is free of charge. Funding provided by Lions Club International. St. Johns Lions Club.

To register, call Tri-County Office on Aging at 517-887-1465 or email histedc@tcoa.org



For a full schedule visit: <https://www.tcoa.org/classes/evidence-based-programs/>



Workshops made available in whole or part with funding from the Federal Older Americans Act and MDHHS/Bureau of Aging, Community Living, and Supports through the TCOA.



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Many thanks to those who've been able donate to the Lions Clubs International Foundation this Lions year! As of the end of February, we have donated \$7,123 toward the goal set by the Foundation for our district. That goal is \$22, 029, so we're 1/3 of the way there.

As a reminder, here are some quick notes about our Foundation:

The story of LCIF is epic—filled with unlimited compassion and tireless support of Lions service. Founded in 1968, the mission of LCIF is to "empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding."

For more than 55 years, we've dedicated our energies to increasing the ability of Lions everywhere, helping them empower the communities they serve. With every grant we give, our history grows, along with the impact of Lions. Today, we couldn't be more proud of where we stand, or more excited about the future of our work.

There are many worthy causes tugging at our heartstrings. If your circumstances allow, please consider including a donation to the Lions Clubs International Foundation in your giving.

Thank you!

PDG Karen Routson
District 11-C2 LCIF Coordinator
KarenRoutson@yahoo.com

p.s. I was pleased to be able to do a presentation about LCIF grants at the Bretton Woods Lions Club recently. If you'd like a short talk about any aspect of LCIF at your club, just email me!

Michigan Lions –



Take advantage of an opportunity to have your Lions hear in-person about how to put more of their Lions Club service on local TV and other media to attract members. Through June 2027, our Lions of Michigan PR/Marketing Chair Doug Klein is available to speak for free at your meetings, conferences and conventions.

Lions will learn how to assemble and use their own publicity toolkit - a practical easy guide to crafting compelling stories about a club's service activities and effectively engaging with local news media.



<https://lrb.gy/2djy85>



You may schedule a short talk for a club meeting, a longer breakout session, or even a two-hour workshop - for free. Just e-mail Lion Doug at douglein@usa.net or call him at (517) 775-8601 to check current availability and to reserve.

SERVICE

2025-2026

Environment

April 18-26, 2026





GET INSPIRED - US LIONS ROCK! YOUTUBE CHANNEL

YouTube Search + Create 9+

US LIONS ROCK!



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The Lions of the United States are more than just volunteers—we are a global force of...more

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How To Start Join Together Lions Clubs
139 views · 2 weeks ago



Let's Grow!
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Jumpstart Growth: Lions USA Leadership Session | Club Extension & 2 Club Challenge
108 views · 1 month ago



'When you stop growing, you start dying.'
Mission POSSIBLE
25 views · 6 months ago



District 11-C2 Lions, Lionesses, and Leos

*Gathering Together at The Quarry
To Share, Learn, and Grow*

Wednesday April 8, 2026 ~ 6 p.m.



Discover *The Quarry*, Eaton County's newest entertainment venue.

3659 E. Clinton Trail, Charlotte, MI

It features 240 acres of land around a private lake,
With an event barn and amphitheater.

Agenda

- Meet and greet with Lions of 11-C2
- Enjoy Wood Fired Pigro Pizza
- **Share** what is happening in your club
- **Learn** about the Helping Hands Hunger Grant and how our district can make it happen.
- **Grow** with Earth to Table and participate in a nature-based service project.
- **Celebrate** Lions joining within the last year!
- **Save the Date:** September 25, Hunger Grant Dinner at the Charlotte Senior Center 6 p.m.

Helping Hands Food Pantry, located in Charlotte, MI, served over 23,000 people in 2024, from 27 counties. The need continues to increase. In March of 2026, they are breaking ground to expand their facility.

The Lions of District 11-C2 recently applied for a \$52,360 LCIF Hunger Grant to purchase and install a new walk-in refrigerator and freezer for the pantry. Under the terms of the grant when it is approved, LCIF will provide 75% of the funds, with District 11-C2 responsible for the other 25%.

The Gathering at the Quarry is an opportunity to coordinate and share fundraising efforts throughout the District to meet this need.

Enjoy

PIGRO
Wood Fired Oven

Pigro Wood Fired Pizzas will be available for \$15 each, as the **Lions Gather at the Quarry Pizza Menu: Greek, Sausage and White Cheddar, Pepperoni, Cheese**

To guarantee quality and the appropriate amount of dough, preorders are required by April 1.

Use the QR code below or text: (269) 919-2806. Leave your name, pizza type, and quantity.



Ways to Support the District 11-C2 Helping Hands Hunger Grant

Respond to the Zone Challenge

At the February 18, Region 3, Zone 1 meeting, a challenge was issued by 2nd Vice District Chair Chuck Vasilion and seconded by our District Governor Aleta Cozart. ***The challenge is for every Lions Club in Region 3 Zone 1 to plan an activity or an event to raise funds for the Helping Hands Hunger Grant.*** Bonus points will be given for clubs participating from outside the zone. Bring your ideas to *Lions at the Quarry* and discover what happens when the challenge is met!

Attend the *Lions Gathering at the Quarry* on Wednesday, April 8

- Encourage Lions in your club to make a commitment to attend the Quarry event.
- **Preorder your meal by April 1.**
- During club meetings, circulate a sign-up sheet for pizza orders. Include name, phone number, quantity, and pizza type (Greek, Sausage and White Cheddar, Pepperoni, Cheese).
- Take a picture of the sign-up sheet and text it to (269) 919-2806. Pre-orders are completed!
- For text orders, please pay at the event. To pay in advance use the QR code.
- Invite members who have joined Lions within the last year to come to the Quarry event. They will receive special recognition.
- There will be an opportunity for new members to be inducted when *Lions Gather at Quarry*.
- Contact Lion John Messner (jdmessner@gmail.com) with questions and new member info.

Helping Hands Fundraising Dinner on September 25

Lions at the Quarry represents the kick-off for clubs in our districts to begin raising funds for the Helping Hands Hunger Grant. On Friday, September 25, 2026, a wrap-up dinner will be held at the Charlotte Senior Center to support hunger relief. This will be a celebration of fundraising efforts for the grant. It is also an opportunity to show support for other pantries in our district.

The evening will include:

- 5-6 p.m. Pantry Tours and Hors d'Oeuvres at Helping Hands, 621 Jefferson St. Charlotte
- 6 p.m. Doors open at the Charlotte Senior Center - 804 Cochren Road, Charlotte
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner is served.
- Menu: Pork Tenderloin, Potato, Vegetable, Salad, Dinner Roll, Dessert
- Live Music
- Admission: Individual tickets \$25 ~ Table of 8 \$180
- ***For every ticket a Lions Club sells, \$5 goes to their food pantry of choice within our district.***
- A Silent Auction and other fundraising activities will take place during the dinner.
- More information and dinner tickets will be available at *Lions at the Quarry*.

***Please Begin Collecting Items for the September 25 Silent Auction
Thank You For Your Willingness to Serve!***

Lions Service Spotlight: The Sowing Seeds of Hope Initiative

We are excited to invite all local Lions Clubs to join us for a high-impact service project dedicated to biodiversity, community health, and food security. On **April 8th**, we will be hosting a seed sorting and packaging event at **The Quarry** to give surplus seed stock a second life.

Phase 1: Be a "Seed Scout"

Before the event, we need your help to gather materials! Please visit your local retailers—such as **Home Depot, Lowe's, Menards, garden centers, plant nurseries, Dollar General, Family Farm & Fleet, or any other place that sells seeds**—and ask for donations of their previous year's seed stock (bulk or individual packets).

Mandatory Pre-Registration: To ensure our assembly line is prepared, please **email LiamDBritton@gmail.com** with the following information as soon as you have collected your seeds:

- **Common Name** of the seed (seed type/variety)
- **Seed Date** (found on the packaging)

Liam will use this to prepare a master list, including the Latin Binomial for each packet!

Phase 2: The Assembly Line (April 8th)

When we gather at The Quarry, we will work together to transform these donations into community resources.

- **Time Commitment:** Approximately **30–45 minutes** (may vary based on total volume).
- **What to Bring:**
 - **Pens and markers** for clear labeling.
 - **Extra rubber bands** for bundling finished packets.
 - **Spare grocery bags** to transport your finished bundles home.

The Process:

1. **Labeling:** Hand-writing the Common Name, Latin Binomial, and Seed Date on each new packet.
2. **Packaging:** Carefully measuring the seeds into their new individual parcels.
3. **Sorting & Bundling:** Organizing by type, rubber-banding into bundles, and preparing for distribution to your local clubs.

Why Your Contribution Matters

These seeds are more than just items; they are a catalyst for community growth. Once you return the bundles to your local club, you can:

- **Support your community** by donating to local seed libraries (or start your own) or starting a Lions Donation Garden.
- **Foster environmental stewardship** by partnering with local parks, nonprofits, or municipalities on pollinator-friendly projects.
- **Enhance biodiversity at home** by planting seeds to support local bees, monarchs, and other essential pollinators.

We look forward to seeing the reach of our Lions network in action as we turn these seeds into a flourishing future for our communities.



Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

Fellow Lions,

On behalf of the MD 11 Lions Convention Committee, we wish to personally invite you to celebrate our 106th Annual MD 11 Lions Convention, to be held at Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI, May 14-16, 2026. The committee is excited to announce our LCI guest speaker this year will be President A.P. Singh of Kolkata, India. ***This will be the first time we have had a seated president as our guest since President Ralph Lyman in 1979 – 47 years ago!***

For those arriving early on Thursday, you are invited to join us for our ever-popular kickoff picnic, to be held at Cellar 1914 in nearby Central Lake. Check out this winery online at www.cellar1914.com to find out more. Charlevoix Lions Club will grill up their delicious chicken dinner, and we'll find out first-hand what put this club on the map!

Friday morning provides the opportunity to attend a guided tour at Grass River Natural Area, and of course Friday night's Welcome Party promises to be a night to remember. **Prepare to be Merry** as we celebrate Renaissance style. Falcons, archery demonstrations, music and merriment - costumes are **strongly** encouraged!

Learn at the convention. Hear from Skegemog Raptor Center, a nonprofit dedicated to the rehabilitation of injured birds of prey, environmental education, and the protection of raptor habitat through community engagement and conservation efforts. Learn from a panel of experts on Women in Leadership and attend a session on Successful LCIF Grant Application, which will provide insight into available grants for every club. More details on breakout sessions to come.

Saturday's Awards Breakfast speaker will be Lion Haley Laskowski, board member for Michigan Ski for Light. Ski for Light is celebrating 50 years of service with a mission to promote the physical fitness of visually and mobility impaired adults, in an environment where "we can't" is replaced with "we can." We'll end the night with the S.A. Dodge Awards Banquet and our special guest LCI President A.P. Singh. This year's S.A. Dodge recipients are IPDG Cheryl Anderson, 11 C1, and 1st VDG Larry Wegrzyn, 11 A1.

Consider sponsorship this year - from the Heart of a Lion sponsorship to the Platinum level, there is room for you at the convention. With your support, we can provide an exciting convention experience for all.

We hope you will share this information with fellow Lions and encourage attendance at this year's 106th Annual MD 11 Lions Convention at Shanty Creek. Help us achieve our goal of representing each club in Michigan by sending one member to attend this year!

Come to learn, network, celebrate, and be ready for another memory-making convention.

Sincerely,

PDG Dave & Lion Brenda Hacker
Convention Co-Chairs

5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911
phone: 517-887-6640 • fax: 517-887-6642
email: lions@lionsofmi.com • website: www.lionsofmi.com



2026 MD 11 Lions Convention
LCI Guest Speaker President A.P. Singh
Lead to Serve. Serve to Lead.

May 14-16, 2026 Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI
Reservations: 231.533.3000 Room Rate: \$119 +tax/fees
Register early for discounted rate by: 4.14.26

Name _____ Lion Leo Spouse Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ Lion Leo Spouse Guest

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

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

QUANTITY

AMOUNT

_____ Thursday 5/14/26 Picnic @ \$20.00 Cellar 1914	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$20.00 for each Lion/Leo	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$20.00 for each Spouse/Guest	\$ _____
_____ Friday Grass River Nature Area Tour \$10.00	\$ _____
_____ Friday Renaissance Party@ \$30.00/person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Awards Breakfast@ \$18.00/person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$40.00 person	\$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Entrée: _____ To be determined! GF, Vegetarian also available

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

*Everyone **MUST** pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless the registration fee is paid. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is **May 5, 2026**. No refunds after **May 1, 2026**. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 5:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. **Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance.***

Mail to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

**MICHIGAN LIONS: LEAD TO SERVE. SERVE TO LEAD.
 106TH MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION – MAY 14-16, 2026
 SHANTY CREEK RESORT, BELLAIRE, MICHIGAN
 ADVERTISING OPTIONS**

Listed below are several options to sponsor a personal or business ad in the MD 11 Lions Convention Proceedings Booklet.

Placing an ad shows fellow Lions and Leos your support of the Lions of Michigan.

ADVERTISING RATES AND SIZES

Overall Booklet Size: 8" x 5 1/2"

- | | |
|------------------|---------|
| 1. 1/4 page ad: | \$35.00 |
| 2. 1/2 page ad: | \$40.00 |
| 3. Full page ad: | \$50.00 |

Please note that all ads must be prepaid by **April 28**. Mail form to Lions of Michigan State Office, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911; email to lions@lionsofmi.com or fax: 517-887-6642

Name:	
Business Name:	
Billing Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Home Phone:	Business Phone:
Email address:	Cell Phone:
<input type="checkbox"/> Included is a print ready ad or message <input type="checkbox"/> Please design my personal or business ad to read (please attach detailed information for your ad)	
CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:	
Ad Size: 1/4 page 1/2 page Full page	
<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed is my check for \$	
Payments online at: https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/up-coming-events	
Accepted Credit Cards: MasterCard/Visa	

Thank you for your continued support-See you at Shanty Creek!
 Mail form and advertisement to:
 Lions of Michigan
 5730 Executive Dr. Lansing, MI 48911
 Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 102



EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT –MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION
FRIDAY – SATURDAY, MAY 14-16, 2026
Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, Michigan

Please reserve a display table for the undersigned at the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11 Convention, at Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI. Enclosed is a check covering the exhibition fee of \$85.00 for **Friday and Saturday**; the fee includes a *quarter sized* in the State Convention booklet. \$50.00 is the fee for a **single day**. This charge is fully refundable if, for any reason, the convention is canceled or moved to another city or in case of fire or other catastrophic occurrence to the property. All conditions stated in the letter of invitation shall be accepted and followed by all exhibitors and their representatives.

The undersigned releases the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, and its agents from any and all liabilities that may arise or be asserted as a result of participation in this exhibition. The Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. will determine the eligibility of any company or product for exhibit. Acceptance of an exhibitor for the convention does not imply endorsement of the product or services, nor does rejection imply lack of approval of the product or manufacturer.

Exhibitors shall take precautions to provide security to safeguard their property during non-show hours. It is understood that neither the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. nor Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI (nor legal entities which own, lease and/or operate it), nor their members, officers, directors, or employees shall be responsible for injury to any person or persons for loss or damage to property belonging to the exhibitor or any person or persons while in transit to or from the hotel/conference center or while on the hotel/conference center property or otherwise. The exhibitor assumes complete responsibility and liability for all injury to any and all persons or property in any way connected with exhibitor display caused by the exhibitor, his agents, representatives or employees. The exhibitor indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. and the Shanty Creek Resort (and legal entities which own, lease, and/or operate it), their members, officers, directors, and employees against any and all liability whatsoever arising from any or all damage to property or personal injury caused by exhibitor or his agents, representative, employees or any other person.



MICHIGAN LIONS – *Lead to Serve. Serve to Lead.*
EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT – MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION
FRIDAY – SATURDAY, MAY 14-16, 2026
Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI

Please reserve a display table for me on: _____ Friday only (May 15, 2026) \$50.00
_____ Saturday only (May 16, 2026) \$50.00
_____ Friday and Saturday \$85.00
_____ Boxed Lunch Sat. only @ \$20.00

Total _____ \$ _____

Exhibitor Hours:

Friday 9:00 am -6:30 pm Saturday 9:00 am -4:00 pm

Do you require an electrical hook-up? Yes _____ No _____

CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE _____

ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

DATE _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Space is limited! Please submit by May 1, 2025

Register online:

www.lionsofmi.com

Mail your registration:

Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 103



Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

The Lions of Michigan MD 11 Convention Committee is pleased to offer the opportunity for corporate and personal sponsorships to the
2026 Multiple District 11 Lions Convention
May 14-16, 2026 Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Platinum Sponsor - \$1,000

Speaking opportunity during the Saturday Awards Banquet (up to 10 minutes);
Advertisement in the Lion Pride publication; advertisement in convention proceedings
booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner on display throughout event; insert
included in welcome packet

Gold Sponsor - \$500

Speaking opportunity at Friday's Welcome Reception/Dinner *or* Saturday Awards
Breakfast (up to 5 minutes); advertisement in convention proceedings booklet;
complimentary exhibitor table; your banner on display throughout event; insert included
in welcome packet

Silver Sponsor - \$400

Full page advertisement in proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your
banner on display; insert included in welcome packet

Bronze Sponsor - \$300

Full page advertisement in proceedings booklet; banner on display throughout the
event; insert included in welcome packet

Heart of a Lion - \$150 Club Special!

Breakout Session or Coffee Break sponsor; advertisement in proceedings booklet;
banner on display

All sponsors who commit by April 1, 2026, will be listed on promotional materials, in the
Lion Pride publication, on the Lions of Michigan website and Face Book page. Checks
should be made out to Lions of Michigan and mailed to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive
Dr., Lansing, MI 48911. Contact wburns@lionsofmi.com or call 517-887-6640 for
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Plot It. Build It. Grow It. With Map2Grow.

Starting a New Club Prompts

Community Needs & Assets

- What assets already exist in this community that we can build a club around?
- What local challenges could a Lions club help address?
- Which local leaders, organizations, or businesses might be potential partners?

Outreach & Vision Building

- Who in this area shares a passion for service and might join us?
- How can we cast a compelling vision for a club that energizes local residents?
- What is our ideal club size, makeup, and service focus for this community?

Strategic Planning

- What should be our first service project to introduce ourselves to the community?
- How can we align our efforts with the Global Membership Approach to build success?
- What resources (marketing, funding, leadership) do we need to launch effectively?

Recruitment

- Who can we invite who isn't yet serving but has the passion and skill to lead?
- What's the best way to invite young professionals or emerging leaders into this new effort?
- What language or messaging will resonate most with our target members?

Partnerships

- Which local nonprofits, schools, or civic groups are already serving—and how can we collaborate?
- Can any of these groups help us co-host an event or launch meeting?

Prompts for Evolving or Rebuilding an Existing Club

Club Assessment & Reflection

- What are our club's strengths, and how can we amplify them?
- Where have we struggled recently, and what can we learn from those challenges?
- Are we meeting the needs of today's members—or yesterday's?

Member Engagement

- How welcome do new members feel when they join?
- What kind of service or fellowship events do our members most want?
- How can we re-engage past members or those who've become inactive?

Vision & Revitalization

- What would it look like to relaunch our club with a new community focus?
- Can we adopt a fresh service initiative or signature project to attract new energy?

Leadership Development

- How can we mentor the next generation of Lions leaders in our club?
- Are we supporting members with clear pathways to leadership?

SWOT Analysis

- What external opportunities exist—like new residents, retiring professionals, or community events—that we haven't yet tapped?
- What threats—such as member fatigue, lack of visibility, or other service clubs—should we address head-on?

<https://bit.ly/Map2Grow>





DISTRICT 11-C2

HELP FIGHT HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITIES

Your loose change makes a difference to food banks supporting our community members. During Our District Cabinet meetings, we will be collecting loose change again this year. The Hunger Committee also encourages each club to collect loose change at their monthly meetings.

Please contact Lion Jenny Stromlund (810-923-4251) or Lion Karen Ketola (517-927-4834) with any questions you have or if you'd like to match a Cabinet Meeting Collection.

Thank you to all the clubs that participated last year, we raised \$800 and were able to provide those funds to two Local Food Banks in our District. Let's double that this year!!

District 11-C2

*Celebration
of Service*

**March
13th-14th 2026**

Comstock Inn
300 E Main St.
Owosso, MI 48867
989-725-0999





Lions Bear Lake Camp

Our Mission is to develop leadership skills, build confidence, and to provide a premier outdoor educational and recreational experiences year-round to all persons, regardless of ability.

Lions of Michigan – Lions Bear Lake Camper Sponsorship Challenge Challenge Dates: January 1, 2026 – May 1, 2026

Dear Lions Club Members, District Governors, and Chairs,

We are excited to launch the **Lions of Michigan – Lions Bear Lake Camp- Camper Sponsorship Challenge!** This is your club's opportunity to go above and beyond your annual giving and help make camp dreams come true for children across Michigan.

As a proud project of Lions of Michigan MD11, Lions Bear Lake Camp provides life-changing experiences to youth who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, or hard of hearing, and we need YOUR help to send campers to camp in 2026. It costs \$995 for a weeklong residential camp for one child; families only pay \$100 per camper, thanks to Camper Sponsorships and donations from Lions Clubs across Michigan. For our 3-day Visually Impaired/Blind and Deaf/Hard of Hearing family camps, the cost is \$500, with families charged only \$100.

Here's the Challenge:

We're asking every club and district in Michigan to:

- Sponsor one or more campers at \$995 each or sponsor one family at \$500 each
- **Reach out to local vision and hearing centers, eye doctors, and audiologists to help find additional sponsors**
- Engage local businesses, civic groups, and individuals who would be willing to sponsor a child

Club & District Recognition:

To keep it fun and rewarding, we'll be recognizing:

-  The club that brings in the **most camper and family sponsorships**
-  The district with the **highest percentage of club participation**

Winners will be honored at the MD11 State Convention and featured in Lions Bear Lake Camp's communications and social media.

Let's show the power of Lions in action! Together, we can make sure no child is left behind from experiencing the leadership, independence, and joy that only camp can bring.

Thank you for your continued support of Lions Bear Lake Camp and our mission to serve all youth, regardless of ability.

In service,

Chrissy Andre

MD11 Lions Bear Lake Camp State Chair

 chrissy@bearlakecamp.org  www.bearlakecamp.org

3409 N. Five Lakes Road • Lapeer, MI 48446 • PH: (810) 245-0726 • FAX: (810) 245-0750





LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

LIONS OF MICHIGAN CAMPER SPONSORSHIP CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE DATES

JAN 1ST -

MAY 1ST, 2026



**HELP SEND A CHILD TO WEEKLONG RESIDENTIAL CAMP FOR \$995
OR A FAMILY WEEKEND CAMP FOR \$500**

Lions Bear Lake Camp provides life-changing outdoor experiences for youth who are blind, visually impaired, Deaf, or hard of hearing.

This year, we are challenging every Lions Club and District in Michigan to go above and beyond their annual giving to sponsor campers and engage their communities.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Sponsor one or more campers at \$995 each, or a family camp weekend at \$500 each for our Visually Impaired/Blind or Deaf & Hard of Hearing sessions.
- **Reach out to local vision & hearing centers to promote the camp and encourage sponsorship, each sponsorship will count towards your clubs total.**
- Engage local businesses and civic groups to sponsor.

RECOGNITION & AWARDS

Top Club – Most camper sponsorships
Top District – Highest percentage of club participation

Winners will be honored at the MDII State Convention and featured in Lions Bear Lake Camp's statewide communications.

**EVERY SPONSORSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
TOGETHER, WE CAN ENSURE NO CHILD IS LEFT BEHIND FROM
EXPERIENCING CONFIDENCE, INDEPENDENCE, AND JOY AT CAMP.**

810-245-0726

www.bearlakecamp.org

info@bearlakecamp.org

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Sponsor a Camper for \$995

Sponsor a Family Weekend for \$500



The Mission of Bear Lake Camp is to develop leadership skills, build confidence, and to provide premier outdoor educational and recreational experiences year-round to all persons, regardless of ability.

Sponsor a Child for a Weeklong Residential Camp or Sponsor a Family for a Weekend Camp

Visually Impaired & Blind Family Camp \$500
July 3-5th, 2026

Visually Impaired Youth Camp \$995
July 5th-11th, 2026

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth Camp \$995
July 12th-18th, 2026

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Family Camp \$500
July 24th-26th, 2026



Did a Lions Club refer you to this sponsorship?

Yes – Club Name: _____ District: _____

No

Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Sponsorship Session(s): _____

Number of Sponsorships: _____

Total \$: _____



Lions Bear Lake Camp, 3409 N. Five Lakes Road, Lapeer, MI. 48446
(810) 245-0726 *** info@bearlakecamp.org *** www.bearlakecamp.org





A place to enjoy... for all people



Lions Bear Lake Camp

Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner

Saturday, April 11th 2026

Doors open @ 5p. Dinner is served @ 6:30p.

NEW VENUE: Boulder Pointe Golf Club, 1 Champion Dr. Oxford, MI 48371

Join us for a night of auctions, raffles, drinks, and a gourmet Wild Game Dinner! Ticket prices include dinner buffet and an open beer, wine, and mixed drink bar. All proceeds will benefit the Lions Bear Lake Camp for children with disabilities!

\$70 per person OR \$480 for reserved table of 8

Order your tickets online TODAY at www.bearlakecamp.org
under the event tab, or purchase tickets via mail.

Mail to 3409 N. Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, MI 48448.

Make checks payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!



Platinum
\$2,500

Gold
\$1,000

Silver
\$500

For More Information Contact:

Jack Paton japlapelp@gmail.com 248-535-9011
Traci Tribley traci@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726



What Do You Want From Your Time & Talents?

This is about you.

You want your time to matter. You want to grow as a person & a professional. You want real friendships & meaningful purpose. The Lions help you achieve all of that—and more.

- Personal Fulfillment through service
- Leadership Opportunities in real-life settings
- On demand, virtual & in-person skills training that apply to all aspects of your life
- Professional Networking with purpose
- Global Impact with local heart
- Friendship & Belonging in a connected world

You want more than a place to show up—you want a place to belong, lead, grow, and truly make an impact.



Real Impact Starts with You — & Your Dues

Your Lions dues don't go to service projects — & that's a good thing. They cover the behind-the-scenes stuff that keeps our global organization running smoothly — so that when people donate to our Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), 100% of that money goes straight to helping people.

Where Your Global Dues Go

- Admin & Ops | Keeps Lions HQ running — staff, tech, governance, branding, & more.
- Member Tools | LionPortal, training platforms, club resources — all powered by dues.
- Leadership & Training | Supports training for club officers, district leaders, & international boards.
- Brand Reputation | Funds global marketing & communications so Lions stay credible & visible.
- 100% Donation Guarantee | Because dues cover the overhead, LCIF can promise every dollar donated goes directly to service (like disaster relief, youth programs, vision care, etc.).

What Your Local & District Dues Support

- Club Operations – Meetings, supplies, newsletters, printing
- Member Engagement – Events, orientation, recognition, awards
- Leadership Training – Zone meetings, officer visits, planning
- Event Insurance – Covers club activities & protects members



STOP THE DROPS

When members feel valued, connected & proud of what their club does, they don't leave. **Retention isn't about keeping numbers — it's about keeping hearts engaged in service.**

December & June drops are often the result of clubs purging their rosters before the semi-annual billing deadlines. But that behavior is symptomatic, not the root cause. Let's stop the drops by addressing both prevention & perception.

DECEMBER & JUNE DROPS HAPPEN BECAUSE:

- Clubs don't want to pay for inactive members.
- Members feel disconnected or unengaged or unheard or unappreciated.
- There's a "clean-up culture" rather than a renewal mindset.

service + fun = happy Lions

Engage Now - Before the Drop

IDENTIFY AT-RISK MEMBERS

- Who hasn't attended meetings?
- Who hasn't participated in service?
- Who might drop?
- Check in personally with every member now.
- Ask why they have become distant or might be considering leaving — & listen without judgment.
- Offer flexible dues payment options (installments, sponsorships, or club-level assistance funds).
- Use this as a chance to re-sell the value of being a Lion: friendship, purpose, impact & connection.

REACTIVATE THROUGH SERVICE

Promote a December service project where EVERY member has a role, even if it's small.

MEASURABLE GOAL - At least one contact/engagement for every Lion by November 30.

Let's make every Lion proud to stay a Lion.

WEBBERVILLE LIONS CLUB

6th Annual Golf Outing

Wheatfield Valley Golf Course - Williamston, MI
May 9, 2026 - 9:00 AM - Shotgun Start



A G E N D A

8:00 AM - Registration

9:00 AM - Shotgun Start

Lunch: Hotdog at the Turn

Dinner: Steak and Mostaccioli

Cash Bar

Awards and Raffle Drawings

- Team of 4 Golfers - \$320.00. My payment of \$ _____ is enclosed.
- Individual Golfers - \$80.00 Each. My payment of \$ _____ is enclosed.
- I made payment of \$ _____ through Pay Pal at webbervillelionsclub@gmail.com.

Name (Golfer 1): _____ Name (Golfer 2): _____

Name (Golfer 3): _____ Name (Golfer 4): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

WEBBERVILLE LIONS CLUB

6th Annual Golf Outing



Wheatfield Valley Golf Course - Williamston, MI
May 9, 2026 - 9:00 AM - Shotgun Start



Sponsorship Levels

Platinum—\$500.00

Team of 4 - Hole Sign - Name/Logo

Gold—\$100.00

Hole Sign - Name/Logo

Silver—\$50.00

Group Sign - Name/Logo

I would like to be a _____ Sponsor of the 2026 Webberville Lions Golf Outing. My donation in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

I would like to make a donation to the Webberville Lions Club in the amount of \$ _____.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Name/Wording for Sponsorship Sign: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____



Easter Egg Hunt

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026
11:00 AM

GOOD WEATHER LOCATION

WEBBERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD

BAD WEATHER LOCATION

WEBBERVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

For information: Mark Lott - 517-719-3838
Chad McCann - 517-420-7378



KIDSIGHT - CHILDREN'S VISION SCREENING

WHEN: Saturday, April 4, 2026

WHERE: Webberville Lions Easter Egg Hunt (Before & After)

WHO: Children - Ages 1 to 18

WHAT: We aim to help children through the early detection and treatment of vision disorders that can hinder a child's development and ability to achieve success in school and life.

WHY: When vision problems are detected early, treatment options increase, and normal vision can usually be restored with eye glasses, contact lenses or patching. Vision problems that are not treated properly can lead to permanent vision loss.



Dine at Culver's of DeWitt
Monday, April 13th 5-8pm

and we will donate a percentage of all sales to the:

St Johns Lions Club

The St Johns Lions Club supports our local community by assisting those in need with eyeglasses and hearing aids, contributing to organizations like the Clinton County Senior Center, and donating to various other community initiatives like Meals on Wheels. The money raised will help fund the \$500 scholarships we award to two deserving St Johns High School Seniors.



No flyer or code needed.

*Drive-thru, dine-in, carryout
or order online at
culvers.com*

SHARE NIGHT

Enjoy a delicious meal, benefit a great cause and feel good all over.
Thank you for supporting the:

**St Johns
Lions Club**



Come on in to your local Culver's restaurant:

CULVER'S OF DEWITT
1030 W. Herbison Rd. DeWitt, MI 48820
(517) 668-6188 | culvers.com/restaurants/dewitt-mi-herbison



Attending a Conference or Convention

by Lion Doug Klein, APR, CTA

Participating in a Lions Club conference or convention—whether at the district, multiple district, national, or international level—can be one of the most energizing experiences in your Lions journey. From leadership development to fresh service ideas, these gatherings offer tremendous value for Lions Clubs that approach them with intention. Conferences and conventions are energizing because you see the larger Lions movement in action. You're reminded that your local service connects to something global.

These events are also where ideas are spread. They are where struggling Lions Clubs find solutions -- and they are where strong Lions Clubs get stronger. Set clear goals before you go. Don't just attend—attend with purpose. Before the event, ask yourself:

- What does my Lions Club need right now?
- Are we trying to grow membership?
- Do we need better publicity for our service projects?
- Are we looking for new fundraising ideas?
- Do we want to strengthen leadership succession?

Write down two or three specific objectives. This will help guide you to decisions about how you spend your time, especially when choosing breakout sessions.

Breakout sessions are often the most valuable part of a conference—but they can also be overwhelming. Multiple sessions run at the same time, and it's impossible to attend them all. Choose wisely by matching sessions to your Lions Club's needs. If your Lions Club is struggling with membership, prioritize sessions on member recruitment and retention, engaging younger members, enhancing your meeting experience. If your Lions Club is strong but wants greater visibility, look for sessions on public relations, social media, community partnerships, or digital storytelling.

Balance inspiration with practical skills. Some sessions are motivational. Others are tactical and instructional. Try to attend at least one session that inspires you and at least one session that gives step-by-step tools you can implement immediately. The best conference experience combines renewed enthusiasm with practical action steps.

Even if you are not currently a Lions Club officer, leadership training sessions can be extremely valuable. If several members from your Lions Club attend, coordinate ahead of time. Instead of all going to the same session, split up. That way you can increase the benefit of attendance.

Some of the greatest value happens in hallways and over meals. Introduce yourself to Lions from other Lions Clubs. Don't always sit together with people you already know. Ask what projects are working well in their communities and exchange contact information. Many successful projects start with a simple conversation at a conference.

Visit exhibits and resource tables. Exhibit halls often include service project ideas, fundraising vendors, technology tools, leadership materials, and International or Multiple District resources. Don't rush through this area. Ask questions, collect materials, and think about what might benefit your Lions Club back home.

Instead of writing down everything you hear, focus on specific action steps. A helpful strategy is to write each idea as: "When I get back, I will..." This keeps your notes practical. Then, within one week review your notes and identify 2–3 ideas to present to your Lions Club. Share highlights at your next meeting and then volunteer to help implement at least one new initiative. If nothing changes at the Lions Club level, the impact of the conference fades quickly.

A Lions conference or convention is not just an event—it is an investment in your Lions Club's future. When you attend with purpose, the benefits ripple far beyond the weekend—and your Lions Club, your community, and your fellow Lions will feel the impact for months to come.



Lion Doug Klein regularly passes along tips to help your Lions Club sharpen its public relations and marketing efforts. He has been a member of the Mason, Michigan Lions Club since he retired in 2018 as a Lansing Community College adjunct professor of public relations, communication, business, and marketing. He is currently serving as Mason Lions Club Secretary, District 11-C2 Public Relations/Marketing and Newsletter Chair, and MD11 State PR / Information and Marketing Chair. A member of the Public Relations Society of America since 1983, he has held their prestigious APR designation (Accreditation in Public Relations) since 1996. He was inducted into the American Marketing Association's national honorary Alpha Mu Alpha in 2012. Contact him with any public relations or marketing questions at (517) 775-8601 or at dougklein@usa.net by email.