

## District 11-B1 Newsletter

# April 2022 Edition

Editor: Cathy Koning Submit your club news to cathykoning@yahoo.com

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#### A FEW WORDS FROM DG TERRI



We continue our Lions journey, Sailing into the Future! We Serve our communities through fundraisers and service projects.

The convention committee has been working diligently to put together an all-inclusive, fun, and inspiring convention on April 29-30. Many clubs have responded by the April 9 registration deadline. If you missed the deadline, contact me ASAP!

Spring Leadership Training will be April 21. Zone Chair Training will be June 2.

Contact GLT Roger Bosse at rogerbosse@att.net or 269-578-3684 to RSVP

I am proud and grateful to be your Governor! DG Terri

#### **REPORTING CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2022-23**

Clubs need to report their officers for the next fiscal year by early May. Identifying these new officers by early April allows them to attend Spring Training at Vandercook Lake High School on April 21.

Club officers must be reported to Lions Clubs International headquarters using MyLCI. Once the new officers are reported, those Lions will begin to receive correspondence and have appropriate access to MyLCI and other resources including training.

If your club needs help reporting club officers, assistance is available by contacting Cathy Koning at 616-745-0119 or <a href="mailto:cathykoning@yahoo.com">cathykoning@yahoo.com</a> or Dave Hill at 517-262-8928 or <a href="mailto:codhill@gmail.com">codhill@gmail.com</a>.

#### **SERVICE REPORTING (MYLION)**

Has your club been reporting community service hours in MyLion? It's a great way for clubs, the district, and LCI to see the fantastic impact you and are making in your communities.

MyLion training will be included in the Spring Training on April 21. All clubs are encouraged to designate a person to perform this important role and come for training.



#### **LCIF CAMPAIGN 100 UPDATE**

As of April 8, the LCIF Campaign100 has reached 92.8% of goal, bringing the new cumulative worldwide total to \$278,476,983

We would like to have all of our <u>clubs</u> donate at least \$25 and <u>individual</u> Lions donate \$100. This will make participation 100% for the year. Any donation before June 30, 2022 will help us achieve our goal.

Remember, because of LCIF we are able to get grants to help in our communities. Contact Kelly Lubbe at 517-745-4404 or klubbe 1065@gmail.com to learn more.

#### **CAMPAIGN 100 RAFFLE**

LCIF's Campaign 100 is ending a 3-year fundraising drive at our International Convention in Montreal this June. This has been a worldwide campaign to raise 300 million US dollars.

For the Lions of Michigan, the culmination of our largest fundraiser will be happening these next few months, ending at our MD convention mid-May. Our international guest will be Past International President Joe Preston from Arizona. He, as well as Past International Director Jenny Ware, co-chair this campaign for the United States. Past International Director Esther LaMothe of District B1 is the lead coordinator for Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky.

The Council of Governors and the Campaign 100 District and MD Coordinators have set a goal of raising \$20,000 to present to PIP Joe Preston when he visits in May. To do that, we are selling raffle tickets at \$20 each. The drawing will be at the MD convention. See the prize sheet in this newsletter.

All prizes were donated, and they are wonderful items for non-Lions as well. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Kelly Lubbe, our district Campaign 100 coordinator, and PID Esther have these tickets to sell.

All proceeds will be donated to LCIF on behalf of the Lions of Michigan

PID Esther LaMothe (517) 914-3417 or Esther49201@yahoo.com

# LCIF CAMPAIGN 100 LIONS OF MICHIGAN RAFFLE FLYER PRIZE LIST

# MICHIGAN LIONS CAMPAIGN 100 RAFFLE DRAWN AT STATE CONVENTION ON SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022 AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT CENTERPOINTE



## Club Wyndham Smoky Mountains in TN Donated by ID Justin Faber Value: PRICELESS

3 night stay 1 bdrm Deluxe – date is dependent upon availability —

MUST be used by Sept. 30, 2022 - Here is the link with pictures

https://clubwyndham.wyndhamdestinations.com/us/en/resorts/
wyndham-hotels-resorts/united-states-ofamerica/tennessee/sevierville/

AN ORIGINAL ACRYLIC PAINTING "WINTER LANDSCAPE" SIGNED BY PIP JOE PRESTON, Co-Chair of LCIF Campaign 100, LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL.

FRAMED (18X22) Value: PRICELESS



# NAMING RIGHTS TO A MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD



VALUE: \$1,000 ANONYMOUS DONOR



- 2 night Package Includes: Our Award-Winning Elk Viewing Carriage or Sleigh Ride, Gourmet Dinner & Wine Tasting
- 2 Nights Lodging
- 2 Breakfasts
- Summer & Fall Golf is Optional & Available at a Discounted Rate
- Winter Activity Passes Inc: Cross Country Skiing & Snowshoeing
- DONATED BY: Lions of District 11E2 & Thunder Bay Resort VALUE: \$650.00

#### SPORTS PACKAGE -- TICKETS TO MULTIPLE COLLEGE SPORTING EVENTS

(Must contact ticket holder to make arrangements for mutually agreed upon game) —
College Sporting Events include: (2) tickets for U of M football game (by PDG Dave & Lori
Zeller); (2) tickets for MSU basketball game (by Ryan Thies); (4) tickets on 50 yd. line for
Grand Valley State football game (by PID Gary & Lion Cheryl Anderson);

VALUE: PRICELESS

GROUP OF "10" ASSORTED GIFT CARDS OF \$25.00 EACH VALUE: \$250.00

DONATED BY LCIF DISTRICT COORDINATORS & DISTRICT GOVERNORS ONE OVERNIGHT STAY AT BOYNE MT. RESORT & (2) \$50 DINNER GIFT CARDS

DONATED BY: Boyne Mt. Resorts; Magnum Hospitality; and Boyne City Taproom VALUE: \$200.00

#### **CABINET and COMMITTEE POSITIONS OPEN**

VDG Kelly Lubbe is filling positions for her 2022-23 District Governor year and needs your help. There are many district committees where you can volunteer. The time commitment varies depending on the role..

The list of current committees can be found on the district website at <a href="https://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-11.php">https://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-11.php</a>

The biggest positions that need filling are DISTRICT TREASURER and LCIF COORDINATOR. We thank Annette for her treasurer work this year and accepting the role of 2nd VDG. We thank Kelly for her work as LCIF Coordinator and accepting the role as VDG!

Contact VDG Kelly Lubbe at 517-745-4404 or klubbe1065@gmail.com to learn more. We need YOU!



#### LION-LEO OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

This contest is to determine the District and Zone Lion and Leo of the Year, to be recognized at the Banner Exchange in July. All entries must be submitted to District Governor Terri by May 20, 2022.

Submission forms have been mailed to club presidents and secretaries and are available on the district website.

Contact DG Terri with questions at Terri\_Huffman@hotmail.com or (517) 227-1253

#### BANNER EXCHANGE

Banner Exchange is the annual summer picnic event where everyone gathers to witness the passing of the district banner from the old District Governor to the new one. Details to come!

#### LIONS OF MICHIGAN ALL-STATE BAND CEO POSITION OPEN

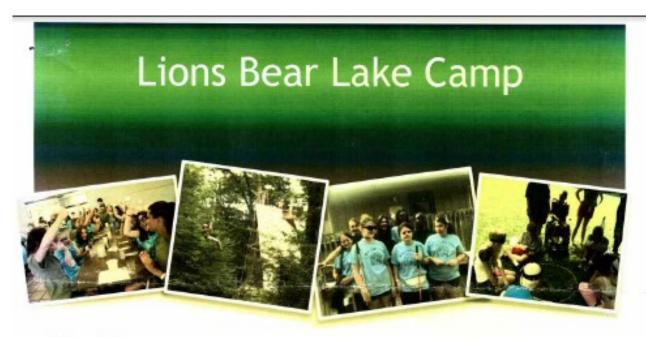
If you are interested in learning more about the position of All-State Band CEO, a detailed application form and package may be emailed to you. Contact Wendy Burns at wburns@lionsofmi.com or 517-887-6640 ext. 11.

Candidates who submit an application will be contacted with respect to interview procedures. All applicants will receive a response.

#### BEAR LAKE CAMP FUNDRAISERS AND RECOGNITION

Support a Fundraiser. Rent a Retreat.

Contact Bear Lake Camp at 810-837-0119 to learn more



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

We offer a unique outdoor focused community that allows individuals to grow no matter what your abilities.

# Speaking Engagements

Lions Bear Lake Camp staff are always willing to attend events throughout the state to share our mission and programs!

Please contact Shelly O'Henley, Executive Director, to schedule a speaking engagement. <u>shelly@bearlakecamp.org</u> (810) 837 0119

#### Rentals and Retreats

Lions Bear Lake Camp serves over 500 youth each year with visual impairments, hearing impairments, juvenile arthritis, autism, cancer, and those that who are grieving loss, as well as their families.

While we host an array of camps to meet the needs of the population we serve from across the state, we are open 365 days a year and encourage schools, employers, non-profits, etc. to utilize our facility and enjoy all that it has to offer.

#### Annual Fundraisers

Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner Fundraiser Hosted at Metamora Lions Hall April 9, 2022

Golf Outing Fundraiser

Hosted at Metamora Golf & Country Club

August 21, 2022

Ultra-Marathon Fundraiser
Hosted at Lions Bear Lake Camp
October 8, 2022

Wine Fundraiser
Hosted at Metamora Lions Hall
November 12, 2022

Please check our website for more information on these events and to purchase tickets:

www.bearlakecamp.org

## SPRING WORK DAY at BEAR LAKE Saturday May 7 - 9am-6pm

Join fellow Lions for all kinds of work.

Tasks including cleaning, painting, gardening, repairs, and more.

Light lunch provided.

Questions?
Contact Cathy Koning (616) 745-0119 or cathykoning@yahoo.com
George Woodard (517) 206-2032

Bear Lake at info@bearlakecamp.org or (810) 837-0119

#### 60/60 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Starting April 1 until June 1, District 11-B1 is challenging all clubs to participate in a Membership Drive with the goal of recruiting 60 new members in 60 days. If each club adds 2 new members, that will increase our District to 80 new members.

Which club in our District will be the overall winner? The winning club will be treated to a pizza party with DG Terri, and everyone who adds members will be acknowledged at our Banner Exchange.

New members can be inducted at our convention on April 30 by our guest speaker, PID Anne Smarsh. Contact GMT Coordinators Dave Hill at (517) 262-8928 or coldhill@gmail.com or Cheryl Bradshaw at (517) 414-1468 or bradcj51@aol.com-to coordinate inductions!

We can do this! Let's bring more positive energy to our clubs through membership!

Yours in Lionism, First Vice District Governor Kelly Lubbe

Phone: 517-745-4404

#### **REGION 2 ZONE MEETING**

Mark your calendar for Region 2 Zone Meeting and Training Recap, May 14 (Saturday) from 10am-12pm at Vandercook Lake clubhouse. More details to come in the May newsletter.

There will be a recap for the KidSight training and service reporting that was covered at the last meeting. We'll also hear reports on what the clubs are doing for these areas. Look forward to brainstorming!



# **SPRING TRAINING**

No Bench Warmers Here - We All Serve!! Thursday, April 21, 2022 6 PM - 8 PM

Vandercook Lake High School 1000 E. Golf Ave, Jackson, MI 49203 RSVP by April 15

#### 5:30 PM - REGISTRATION OPENS / ZOOM STARTS

Door Prizes!

#### 5:45 PM LIGHT DINNER

Sub sandwiches, chips, water, dessert

6:00 PM - WELCOME - Lobby / Zoom

#### 6:15 PM SESSION 1 - Classrooms / Zoom Breakout Rooms

President - Nancy Hill Treasurer - Bryan Cook

Secretary - Dick Saxton Tail Twister and Lion Tamer - Chris Lake

#### **7:00 PM BREAK**

#### 7:15 PM SESSION 2 - Classrooms / Zoom Breakout Rooms

Orientation: Club, District, LCI, LCIF - Kelly Lubbe

MyLion: Reporting Service - Brent Beracy

Membership Growth and Retention - Charles Short

Marketing and Social Media - Terri Huffman

All classes benefit new and seasoned Lions, current and future leaders!

Leave your wallet at home! This event is free! (Donations will be accepted but are not required.)

#### **Questions?**

Contact Roger Bosse, at 269-578-3684 or rogerbosse@att.net

Please indicate which courses you plan to attend when registering.

#### **Registration Options**

1. Online registration link:

 $\underline{https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd5bwzfrBcSS2gm1dDlpWb4XoxwU\_-E6dptlsTN122UYb3IHg/viewform}$ 

- 2. Email information to Anita Hoyt at ah6219@hotmail.com
- 3. Mail form to Anita Hoyt, 131 N Sunset Dr, Coldwater, MI 49036

Name	Club	Title	Session 1	Session 2	

#### **TEKONSHA**

Lions Jason Cole and Timi Perry from Tekonsha Lions Wellness Branch Club delivered Christmas stockings filled with gifts for the residents of Whispering Meadows near Marshall and also donated 3 gift cards to the Tekonsha Angel Tree that helps local families in need. TLWBC has adopted the assisted living home for quarterly activities.





Tekonsha Lions enjoyed a festive holiday dinner at their new meeting place, First Baptist Church at 914 N Main St on the 3rd Monday of each month September through May at 6pm. Meals are \$7.50 (reservation required).





Tekonsha Lions had another successful Christmas craft show in their new location at the Fire Department on December 5th. Second photo shows organizers Jaymie Hale, Dawn Copas, and President Becky Omo.





#### TEKONSHA LIONS WELLNESS BRANCH - FEBRUARY 2022 SERVICE PROJECT

Our club has "adopted" an area adult care home and love taking them gifts on special days! These are pictures of our February 2022 Valentine's Day service project.

Club members shown are Timi Perry and Jason Cole.







#### THE EVERSIGHT VISION CLASSIC

May 26 - June 18, 2022 Golf for Good!

Golf anywhere, anytime May 26 - June 18 to raise awareness and charitable support for sight-saving transplants and vision research.

All ages and skill levels | Foursomes or on your own

Register by 5 p.m. Friday, May 6 to receive your welcome package including instructions, scorecard, golf ball sleeve, and exclusive Eversight golf gear.

**Sponsorships, including golfer registrations, are available!** Confirm your sponsorships no later than **5 p.m. ET Friday, May 6** for recognition benefits. Sponsorship at the Gift of Sight level covers Eversight's costs to recover, prepare, and place two donated corneas for sight-saving surgery and includes the course fee for your foursome at an Eversight featured course.

## Not a golfer?

Bid to win during the *Golf for Good!* Online Silent Auction June 10-18 to support Eversight charitable programs. You also have the option to contribute with a tax-deductible gift at <a href="eversightvision.org/give">eversightvision.org/give</a>.

Join Eversight for an outdoor celebration Saturday, June 18, at the Washtenaw Golf Club to celebrate the culmination of our *Golf for Good!* classic.

- Contest, open bar, and more!
- Tickets: \$50 per person.
- Washtenaw Golf Club, 2955 Packard Street, Ypsilanti, MI.

Thank you for supporting Eversight and our work to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation and research.

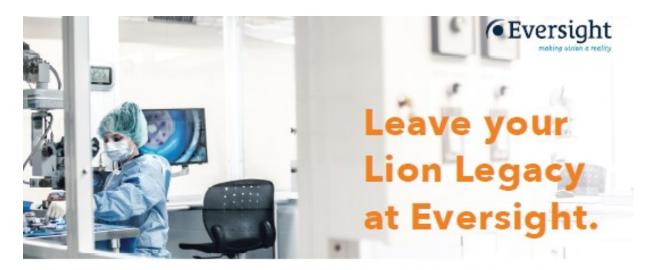
Questions? Contact Amanda Frederick at afrederick@eversightvision.org or (800) 247-7250 ext. 2616.

#### **EVERSIGHT - LEAVE YOUR LION LEGACY**

Every Lions Club in Michigan has impacted Eversight's sight-saving mission in some way. Show your club or district's support by securing naming rights to one of the rooms or departments at Eversight's Ann Arbor headquarters!

"A heartfelt thank you to District 11-B1 Lions and the Lakewood Lions Club for being the first two Lion partners to name a space at Eversight's new headquarters."

Please contact Alex Teska, Eversight Director of Philanthropy, for more information or to arrange a club presentation regarding naming opportunities: (734) 780-2675 | ateska@eversightvision.org



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More than 70 Lions Clubs banded together in 2019 to raise support for Eversight's Lions Community Board Room. Now, there are even more opportunities to solidify the legacy of your club or district at Eversight's headquarters.

Spaces available for naming rights include, but are not limited to:

- The Donation Support Center (call center) The frontline of where the donation process begins
- . Eversight's Clinical Wing Where eye tissue is evaluated and prepared for sight-saving surgeries
- Tissue Distribution Where Eversight staff work together with surgeons and researchers to place each recovered tissue on a path to help someone in need

Multi-club and multi-year gifts are welcome. Please reach out to Eversight staff to learn more.

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#### VANDERCOOK LAKE

**VCL Breakfast** - Vandercook Lake Lions offer a breakfast the third Sunday of every month from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM at our Clubhouse. There will be no breakfast, however, in April since the third Sunday is Easter Sunday. We will look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday, May 15, when we will resume our breakfasts!

White Cane - Vandercook Lake will be doing White Cane on May 6 and 7.

**Garage Sale** - Our Garage Sale is scheduled for June 9, 10, 11. If you have anything you would like to contribute to the sale, please contact one of our members or Callie Clark at 517-740-7261. If you would like to stop by and find a treasure that you can't live without, we look forward to seeing you.

**SAVE THE DATE!** The Vandercook Lake Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, July 16, so be sure to put it on your calendars. The event is expanding, so more information will be coming about the added activities that will be available.

Note - the Banner Exchange will be held separately this year on another date.

#### KIDSIGHT TRAINING UPDATE

The Lions clubs of Region 1 Zone 1 recently participated in KidSight Training via Zoom, led by 1st VDG Kelly Lubbe, with a guest from Alaska! Kelly reviewed the need for Lions to have background checks done, as per state rules for individuals working with children, and to send in their completed test form to get on the official KidSight volunteer list.

If you would like Kelly to perform a KidSight training with your club, or group of clubs, please contact her at 517-745-4404 or klubbe1065@gmail.com to order yours!

#### BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY LIONS HELP YOUNG READERS

As a "March Is Reading Month" project, the Cereal City Lions Club distributed books to many of the local preschools and daycares in Battle Creek. Acting on a grant from the Lions District 11-B-1, books were ordered from the New Story Community Book store in Marshall.

The New Story Community Book store opened, in April of 2020, at 114 W. Michigan Ave in Marshall. (<a href="www.NewStoryBooks.com">www.NewStoryBooks.com</a>) It sells new and used books, and is owned by Tom and Kimberly Batterson. Books were ordered while Tom and Kimberly donated others, so 150 books could be distributed by the Lions to children in the area. Tom says, "We believe stories have the power to shape our community and we know books are the best door into a new story."

Once the books came in, they were sorted and delivered with the help of Maria Borden. Lemon Tree Preschool at the Battle Creek YMCA, Garden of Dreams preschool at the Battle Creek First Congregational Church, and Take A Break Childcare Center in Lakeview\_were some of the 10 centers that received books. The Cereal City Lions Club was glad to help with this activity, and hope to repeat it next year.

If you are interested in learning more about Cereal City Lions, please visit them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cerealcitylions/ or email them at cerealcitylions@gmail.com.

#### CEREAL CITY LIONS CLUB HELP AT RECYCLING EVENT

On Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 5 members of the BC Cereal City Lions Club helped with a citywide Styrofoam recycling event. The event was put on by the Battle Creek Department of Public Works – Environmental Department. Several local high school students were also there, along with people from the DPW.

Styrofoam was collected and sorted according to type. Packing, coolers, cups, and take out containers were all part of the assortment that came in that were placed in large plastic bags. The event ran for 3 hours, and there were over 150 vehicles that came through to drop off bags and boxes of Styrofoam for recycling!. The filled bags were then loaded into the back of a semi-trailer which will go to the recycle plant.

Thank you to Lions Bryan Cook, Roger Bosse, Dorothy Bosse, Teresa Gest, and Mike Guzak for braving the rainy morning to help out!







Additionally, we started a great project for Camp Quality making all of the pillowcases they will need for the camp for the entire year. Based on the material donations and willing cutters and sewers, we may even have enough for two years. We continue to support Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids.

Our spaghetti dinner was a success even if we couldn't dine in. Comments from our customers were very positive and they are looking forward to next year,









#### **NORTH JACKSON**

North Jackson Lions have several KidSight dates scheduled for the month of April, covering kindergarten roundup. Volunteers must have Kidsight certificate to work Kidsight. Kidsight training has already taken place but can be taken online at https://www.lionskidsightusa.org/certifications. Please see Lion Vicki for questions or additional information.

White Cane is April 29 and 30 at Polly's. Denny will coordinate the sign-up sheet.

#### **BEDFORD**

The Bedford Lions hosted a speaker from the Share Center and donated several items at a recent meeting.



#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SPECIAL OLYMPICS - DETROIT - JULY 28, 2022**

This year Special Olympics Unified Cup is coming to DETROIT. The event starts July 28, 2022 and ends on August 6th 2022. Lions District 11 A 1 was asked to partner up. We are asking for ALL HANDS ON DECK. Detroit is expecting 450 players from all around the world. There will be 500 family members and dignitaries, 1000 volunteers, 10,000 spectators. There will be 60 matches among 24 teams. ESPN will be covering the events. It is expected that there will be 370,000+ viewers. This is an opportunity for our district to shine. These are just the preliminary figures. We will need a lot of help from all the Lions Clubs. Neighboring Lions Districts have also promised to help. Will keep the district posted as things evolve. (From the District 11-A1 newsletter)

#### INTERNET INFORMATION

**District Website:** <a href="http://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1">http://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1</a>

"Lions of District 11-B1": Public group for sharing to the world. https://www.facebook.com/groups/372012908261994

"Lions Members of District 11-B1": Closed group for support and encouragement of our district Lions - Join the discussion! Share your events! <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/164726954206924/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/164726954206924/</a>

Lion Pride - The magazine of Michigan Lions <a href="https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/downloads/lion-pride">https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/downloads/lion-pride</a>

#### **CLINTON**

Join Clinton Lions in their upcoming "Strides for Diabetes Walk-a-Thon" on May 7 at Tate Park. 9am-12pm Send registrations to: Alicia Seegert, Clinton Lions Club, 9629 Tecumseh-Clinton Hwy, Tecumseh, Mi 49286

# COME JOIN US FOR OUR 1st ANNUAL

Clinton Lions Club

# STRIDES FOR DIABETES



WALK-A-THON



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# May 7th

Registration Open- 8AM

Walk - 9AM-12PM

# Tate Park

\$25 per walker or \$50 family (2 shirts)

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Pre-register by April 15th, and you will receive a FREE T-Shirt

Registrations sent by mail must be postmarked by Friday, April 15th to receive the FREE T-Shirt.

Questions: Mary-Lou 517-759-2100

Free Services at event: Blood sugar testing, Blood pressure screening, and Vision

Screening

Funds raised will be used for local Lions Club community projects

Name	Shirt Size				
Address	City	Zip			
Dhans #					

Send registrations to: Alicia Seegert % Clinton Lions Club, 9629 Tecumseh-Clinton Hwy, Tecumseh, Mi 49286

#### MICHIGAN CENTER LIONESS LIONS

Who would like to bring their Mother or Daughter to Quarter Mania Auction on Saturday May 7? Or maybe just a fun girls night out!.. We had so much fun in the Fall that we had to get a bigger venue to hold it - this time, Michigan Center Eagles, 302 5th St

Dinner, drink, and auction paddle for \$25. Bring quarters for auction. Doors open 6pm. Auction starts 7pm.

Contact DebbieChambers at dreamhousedebbie@gmail.com or (517) 937-8663 for tickets. You can pay by Paypal: dreamhousedebbie@gmail.com or Venmo: @debachambers







# SATURDAY MAY 7, 2022 DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM AUCTION STARTS AT 7:00 PM















50/50 Drawing & More

Cash Bar

**Bring Quarters for the Auction** 

For Tickets Contact:
Kim Tousley (517) 812-5478
Debbie Chambers (517) 937-8663
LOCATION:

MICHIGAN CENTER EAGLES 302 5<sup>TH</sup> ST., MICHIGAN CENTER





#### 2022 DISTRICT 11-B1 CONVENTION

District Governor Terri Huffman

April 29-30, 2022

Commonwealth Commerce Center 209 East Washington Avenue Jackson, Michigan 49201

February 8, 2022

Dear Lions.

The District of 11-B1 cordially invites you and your guest to join us at our District Convention, "Sailing Into the Future" on April 29 and 30, 2022.

You can register for the Convention through your Club's President or Secretary, or you can complete the attached Registration Form. The Convention will be held at the Commonwealth Commerce Center, 209 East Washington Avenue, Jackson, Michigan.

Meals will include Friday evening hors d'oeuvres and Saturday lunch and dinner for which you must register. We will have a light breakfast on Saturday morning at no cost.

Saturday night's dinner will have the PDGs wearing their white dinner jackets. Lions are invited to dress-up!

Submit the completed registration form with meal reservation and payment to Lion Susanna White no later than **April 8, 2022** to the address indicated on the form. All meals need to be pre-paid. No meal tickets will be sold at the convention. **(DEADLINE HAS PASSED. CONTACT DG TERRI ASAP IF YOU MISSED IT)** 

Registration will begin at 5:00pm on Friday, April 29, and at 7:30am on Saturday, April 30.

The first event Saturday morning is the Welcome and Veteran's Recognition beginning at 9:00am.

If you would like overnight accommodations, you will need to make your own reservations. There are lodging suggestions on the attached information sheet.

We look forward to seeing you at our Convention!

Sincerely,

District Governor Terri Huffman

With the District 11-B1 Convention Committee



#### **Friday**

5:00pm Registration opens5:30pm Memorial Service

7:00pm Euchre and Bingo tournaments

Cash Bar and hors d'oeuvres

#### **Saturday**

7:30am Registration opens

9:00am Welcome, Veteran's Recognition

Parade of Club Banners

10:00am Breakout Sessions

12:00pm Lunch, Speaker, Awards, Pie/Dessert Auction

2:00pm Bright Walls Experience

(walking and bus tour around Jackson)

3:30pm Business Meeting

4:40pm Elections

5:00pm Social Time, featuring French Quarter Band 6:00pm Parade of Past International Directors and Past District Governors, Dinner (formal attire), PID Anne

Smarsh presentation, Awards

Plus... Silent Auction and 50/50 raffle



\* Schedule subject to change. Overnight arrangements (ie hotel rooms) must be scheduled individually.

# REGISTRATION DEADLINE HAS PASSED. CONTACT DG TERRI ASAP IF YOU WANT IN!

# 2022 DISTRICT 11-B1 CONVENTION

District Governor Terri Huffman



April 29-30, 2022

Commonwealth Commerce Center 209 East Washington Avenue Jackson, Michigan 49201

# **Special Guest**

Past International Director Anne Smarsh



Past International Director Anne Smarsh and Lion Tom (shown with family)

**Tour of Jackson** 



https://www.brightwallsjackson.com/

#### DISTRICT CONVENTION MEMORIAL SERVICE

#### Friday, April 29 at 5:30pm

The Memorial Service for the District 11-B1 Convention will be held Friday, April 29, at 5:30 p.m. We would appreciate your help in preparing for this important and meaningful event.

Due to Covid restrictions, we have not been able to have a **Memorial Service** the last two years. We want to make sure that we are able to celebrate the lives of all Lions who have passed during that time in addition to those we have lost this year. Therefore, we are asking for your help to give us the names of **any Lion who has passed away since July 1, 2019**.

We would appreciate it if a representative from each club could provide the following information:

- Full name of Lion (or Lioness)
- Lions Club
- Picture of the Lion (electronic version is preferable)
- Date of birth/Date of death

- If the Lion/Lioness was a charter member
- Length of service as a Lion
- A short paragraph the club or family would like to share regarding the individual
- An obituary may also be included

Please send this information to Lion Nancy Hill at <a href="mancy.ann.hill@gmail.com">nancy.ann.hill@gmail.com</a> or 5877 Marengo, Jackson, MI 49201 by **April 8, 2022**. (Of course, if someone should pass after that date, we will include him/her as well.) Any questions can also be directed to Lion Nancy at 517-262-3759.

We encourage members of your club to join us at the Memorial Service to honor these valuable Lions. **Family members are welcome** as well, whether they are Lions or not.

Names will be read by club, in alphabetical order. A Lion from the club or a family member is welcome to come up to light a candle.

Thank you for your help in our effort to properly honor the important service these Lions provided throughout their communities, supporting our motto - "We Serve".

#### **CONVENTION T-SHIRTS**



#### "SAILING INTO THE FUTURE"

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## LIONS OF MD-11 CONVENTION May 19-21 (Thursday- Saturday)

Registration is due by May 9, 2022

## GROWING TOGETHER! 2022 MD 11 Lions Convention

Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac
DIRECT PHONE (248) 648-6016
GROUP RATE: \$89 PER NIGHT (plus fees & taxes)
REDUCED RATE AVAILABLE ONLY THRU APRIL 29, 2022

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Club Name_	District	
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Is this your f	irst MD Convention? □Yes □No How many years a Li	on member?
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PI	ease Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, foo	l allergies, etc.)

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

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

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### April 21(Thursday) at 6pm

District Leadership Training at Vandercook Lake High School and Zoom Contact GLT Roger Bosse at rogerbosse@att.net or 269-578-3684 to RSVP

#### April 24 (Sunday) 10am-4pm

Jackson Professional Virtual Lions Fundraiser "Yardsalepalooza" in Commonwealth Center parking lot

#### **April 29-30 (Friday-Saturday)**

District 11-B1 Convention at Commonwealth Center. Contact DG Terri if you missed the RSVP deadline.

#### May 7 (Saturday) 9am-6pm

Lions Work Bee at Bear Lake Camp

Contact Cathy Koning to carpool from Ann Arbor. 616-745-0119 or cathykoning@yahoo.com

#### May 7 (Saturday) 6pm Doors / 7pm Auction

Michigan Center Lioness Lions Quarter Mania Auction at Michigan Center Eagles (302 5th St) Contact Debbie Chambers at dreamhousedebbie@gmail.com or (517) 937-8663 for tickets.

#### May 14 (Saturday) 10am-12pm

Region 2 Zone Meeting and Training Recap, Vandercook Lake clubhouse

#### May 15 (3rd Sunday of month) 8am-11:30am

Vandercook Lake hosts monthly breakfast. **8am to 11:30am** for biscuits and gravy, eggs, sausage, pancakes, toast, and coffee/milk. Donations are accepted or carry out orders are available for \$5.

#### May 15 (Sunday)

Cabinet Meeting at the Vandercook Lake clubhouse. Show up for breakfast at 10:30am (or earlier) and stay for the meeting! The meeting will begin at 11:30am.

#### May 21 (Saturday)

Lions of MD-11 Convention (See registration form above)

#### **May 26 - June 18**

Eversight Golf Classic (Virtual) (See event info above)

#### June 2 (Thursday) 6pm

Zone Chair training at Christoff's Community Room (400 N. Mechanic Street, Jackson)

#### June 24-28

Lions Clubs International Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

#### September 15-17

USA-Canada Forum, Calgary, Alberta, Canada