

District 11-B1 Newsletter

September 2022 Edition

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A FEW WORDS FROM DG KELLY



Together we can!

Lions of District 11-B1 have come together on many occasions this summer. I am so grateful to all the Lions who came out to work the KidSight booths at Jackson County and Calhoun County Fairs. Clinton is hosting KidSight next week.

Lots of clubs have held garage sales and more are still coming up! VCL makes a great breakfast - every 3rd Sunday! I love all of our active leaders and so glad we have opportunities for new leaders to receive training!

Have you sent in your RSVP for Fall Conference(Parade of Checks), IPDG Terri's appreciate luncheon, or Witches' Night?

Do you have projects and activities coming up? I would love to participate! You can reach me at 517-745-4404 or klubbe1065@gmail.com.



District rosters and pins are available. Contact your Zone Chair or DG Kelly for details.

VALUE OUR PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS (PDGs)

"We had our annual picnic for PDGs. It was a great day. I love to listen to their stories and ideas. Always value the gifts of our seasoned Lions". (DG Kelly)

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 your club are making in your communities.

All clubs are encouraged to designate a person to perform this important role. There is a little-known role called "club administrator" that can be assigned to a member. It gives them the same role privileges in MyLCI and MyLion as the club secretary. This allows the club secretary to continue doing their usual functions while the club administrator picks up the service reporting duties.

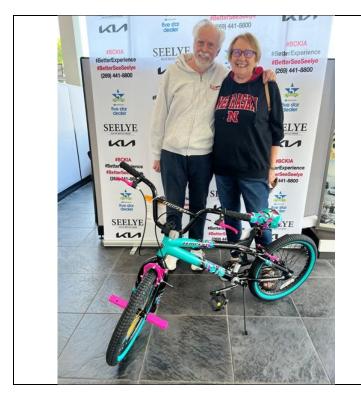
To learn more, contact Cathy Koning at 616-745-0119 or <u>cathykoning@yahoo.com</u> or Dave Hill at 517-262-8928 or <u>coldhill@gmail.com</u>. Cathy has the slides that Brent Beracy presented at Spring Training and can send then to you, upon request.

GUIDING LION TRAINING

Thanks to Vandercook Lake Lions Jim Phelan and Nancy Hill for hosting our district Guiding Lion Training on September 1. PCC Jeff Mayuiers and DG Julie presented a workshop that will enable our district leaders to better serve our new and rebuilding clubs. Lions who attended the class were Dorothy Bosse, Jim Phelan, Roger Bosse, Nancy Hill, DG Kelly Lubbe, and IPDG Terri Ann Pease-Huffman. If you are interested in becoming a certified Guiding Lion, please contact Roger Bosse or Bryan Cook to learn how to work through the process.



BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY



Seelye KIA of Battle Creek says:

Thank you to fellow Lions Club members Roger Spriggs & Harriet Spriggs for their generous donation of a bike for kids. This bike will go to help Bobby Holley's Bikes for Kids campaign.

Thank you so much for your generosity!!

Club members helped Battle Creek DPW Environmental Department with recycling styrofoam and electronics. Great project with over 250 vehicles coming through to make our world a little cleaner!

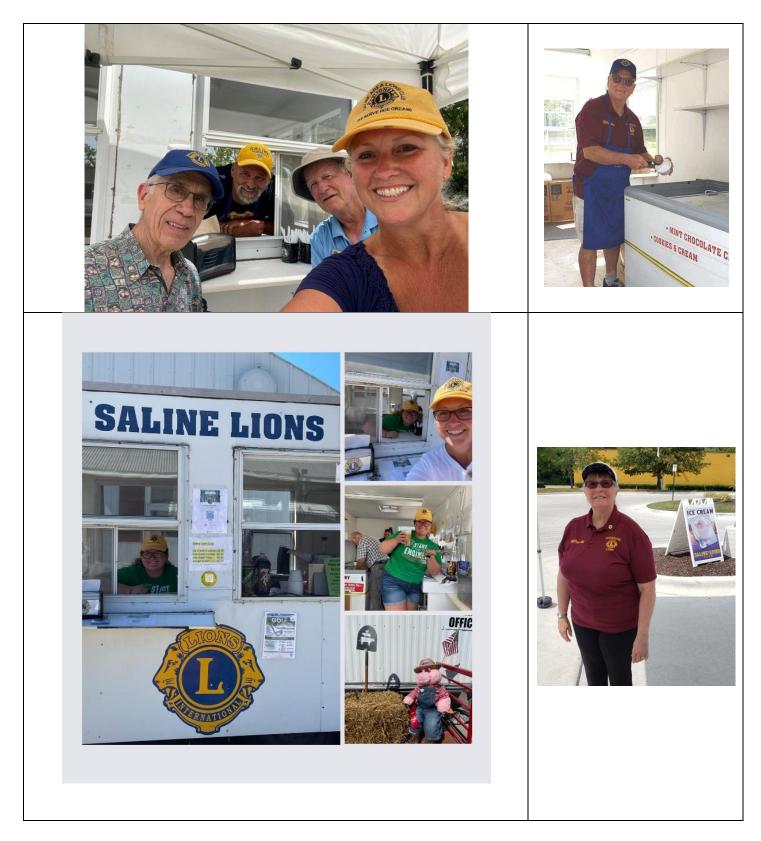
Lions Hope and Scott Swank, Mike Guzak, Bryan Cook and Dorothy Bosse, Red O'Leary.



Additional cleanup efforts will occur in October with the Krazy for Kzoo Cleanup Day.

MANCHESTER / SALINE - Together!

PCCs Barry & Peggy Allen of Manchester scooped ice cream for the Saline Lions Club! It was a perfect day for a marvelous turn out at the car wash (free every Sunday afternoon during summer). Saline Lions scooped ice cream for 6 days at the Saline Community Fair.



IN REMEMBERANCE - SIOBHAN GORMAN

Siobhan Ruth Gorman, 65, of Manchester, passed away August 11, 2022.

She was born on December 14, 1956, in Detroit, Michigan to William and Jean (Pierce) Gorman. Siobhan married Bruce Bates, on August 6, 1983, in St. Clair Shores. She will be remembered as a loving wife mother and grandmother. Siobhan graduated from South Lake High School, Class of 1975. She earned her master's degree and spent her career as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Siobhan spent time volunteering at Emanuel United Church of Christ and was a board member for Manchester Community Resource Center. In her spare time, she enjoyed quilting, spending time with her family, and serving as a Manchester Lion.

Siobhan will be missed by her husband Bruce Bates; her sons Gareth (Sunshine) Bates, Arie (Ali) Bates and Elijah Bates; granddaughters Cora, Airlia and Avira.

TEKONSHA WELLNESS

Hosted a garage sale in early September to raise funds for their projects.

JACKSON PROFESSIONAL VIRTUAL

Participated in the Winter Clothing drive sponsored by Bone Island Grill.

CABINET MEETING

September 25 - Mini Cabinet meeting (Zoom) October 22 - Full Cabinet meeting - Immediately following Fall Conference. All are welcome.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2023

Boston, MA - July 7-11, 2023

Registration is open! <u>https://www.mcisemi.com/lci2023/</u>



HILLSDALE

The Hillsdale Lions is sponsoring a craft show on October 22 at Trinity Lutheran Church. 9am-3pm Contact Stuart Risedorph, President with questions. (517) 425-1803 or risedorphstuart@ymail.com



CLINTON

Fall Festival Car & Truck Show plus KidSight eye screening! Saturday, September 24

33rd Annual



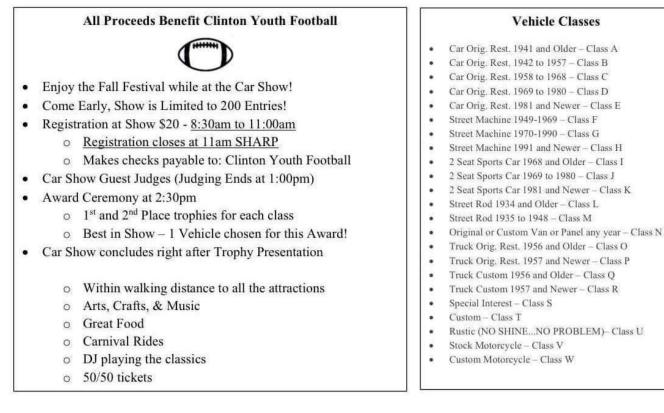
Clinton Fall Festival

Car & Truck Show



Saturday, September 24th, 2022 - Rain or Shine!

LOCATION: Eden Foods Lot, South of Shell Gas Station at the Corner of Tecumseh-Clinton Rd, and Clinton Macon Rd.



For more information, please visit the Clinton Fall Festival Facebook Page or contact Dedrea Preston at minardd@umich.edu

EYEGLASS CASES

Lion Ron K says: I have 2 1/2 paper shopping bags full of new and like new hard eyeglass cases. Free! Phone, text, or email Ron at (734) 775-9854 or rjk955@gmail.com

Vehicle Classes

MICHIGAN CENTER LIONESS LIONS

WITCHES NIGHT OUT (aka Quarter Mania aka Ladies Night Out)

October 22 (Saturday) - Doors: 5pm Raffle: 7pm

Michigan Center Eagles, 302 5th St, Michigan Center, MI

\$25 ticket includes Admission, Dinner, 1 free drink, auction paddle plus cash bar **RSVP** to Debbie Chambers (517) 937-8663 or Kim Tousley (517) 812-5478



Put on your party hats for **Fall Conference!!**

Presented by District 11-B1

Lunch: Taco Bar Catered by Crazy Cowboy



RSVP to: Annette Hemeryck 517-937-8453 annettetravis95@frontier.com

October 22, 2022 at 9AM Sandstone Community Church 224 S. Sandstone Rd, Jackson

\$15 per person

Doors open 8:30AM Come early to pack backpacks for cancer kids.

Wear your costume!









Appreciation Luncheon for Immediate Past District Governor (IPDG) Terri Huffman October 2 (Sunday) 1pm

Location: Sandstone Congregational Church, 250 S. Sandstone Rd, Jackson, MI Dress: Casual/Lions Attire. \$20/person, includes lunch.

RSVP to Nancy Hill at nancy.ann.hill@gmail.com or 517-262-3759.by Tuesday September 27

Donations to the Childhood Cancer Backpack project should be brought to the luncheon. Contact Sana White to see what still needs to be donated. (517) 812-3335 or susannawhite@ymail.com

Backpacks will be packed at Fall Conference 8:30am.



APPRECIATION LUNCHEON 11-B1 IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR TERRI HUFFMAN

Sunday, October 2, 2022 Sandstone Congregational Church 250 S. Sandstone Rd, Jackson, MI 49201 (Parking and entrance behind church)

> Time: 1:00 PM Cost: \$20.00 (Luncheon included) Casual/Lions Attire

Terri's special project is for a bench to be placed on the Spirit Trail at the Clarklake Lions baseball park. The bench will be a memorial for Terri's father, Lion Forest "Sam" Pease, a Clarklake and Vandercook Lake Lion. If anyone wants to donate to this cause, checks can be made out to the Clarklake Spirit Foundation with "Sam Pease Spirit Trail Bench" in the memo. Credit card payment can be made to Annette Hemeryck at the event. Donations are tax deductible.

> Reservations are required. Please complete the form below and return with your check made payable to "District 11-B1." RSVPs must be received by Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Return to Nancy Hill, 5877 Marengo, Jackson, MI 49201.

Questions may	be directed to Nancy Hill at	nancy.ann.hill@gmail.con	a or 517-262-3759.
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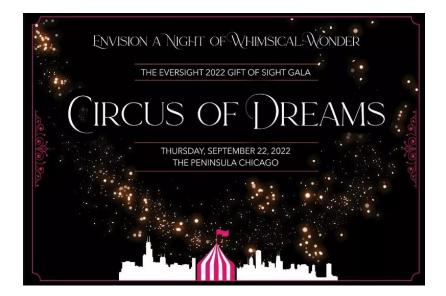
EVERSIGHT

2022 Gift of Sight Masquerade "Circus of Dreams"

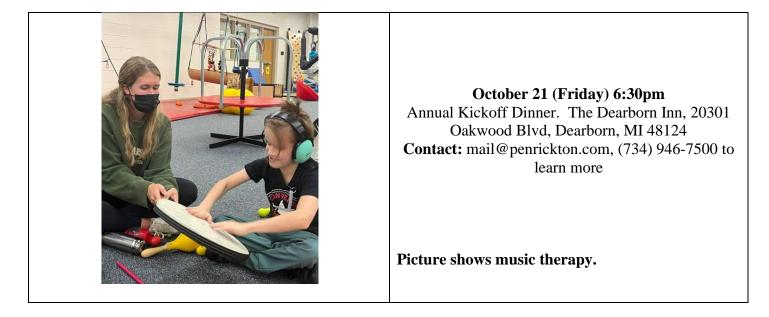
Eversight is excited to announce their annual Gift of Sight Gala will take place Thursday, September 22 at the spectacular Peninsula Chicago. All funds raised from this event go directly toward helping the thousands of individuals in need of sight-restoring cornea transplants.

The 24th annual Gift of Sight Masquerade—*Circus of Dreams*—will celebrate 2022 Woman of Vision Kathleen Piccone and 2022 Gift of Sight Honoree Ali Djalilian, MD. Sponsorship opportunities are now available for purchase. Tickets for the event will be available in the coming weeks.

Learn more - https://www.eversightvision.org/2022-gift-of-sight-masquerade/



PENRICKTON CENTER FOR BLIND CHILDREN



WINTER CAMP NEWS

Greetings from Winter Camp for the Blind and Visually Impaired - a District 11-B1 project.

Winter Camp thanks you and still needs your support! Winter Campers come from many districts in Michigan to the Battle Creek Schools Outdoor Education Center (OEC) for fun, food, fellowship and most importantly a break from being at home. Due to Covid-19, we were forced to go virtual for the second year in 2022. While the cost was less, we did have costs for postage, crafts, and gift cards. We are very grateful to several districts, clubs, and individuals that supported our 2021 and 2022 Virtual Winter Camps through the purchase of gift cards that we used as raffle prizes. Winter Camp funds covered the remaining expenses. For in-person camp, the cost per camper averages around \$150, with \$45 paid by the campers themselves.

In previous years, our budget for the weekend at the Outdoor Education Center has been around \$7500, most of it for food. **The OEC has recently contracted their food service to a third-party vendor, which will increase our food cost in the coming year by around 30%.** The impact on our budget will be in the range of \$10-\$15 per camper. We don't want to increase the cost to our campers so we will need your help to cover the cost of camp this year. If you can help our project, through paying tuition for campers, providing transportation, donating to the operation of the camp, or sponsoring an item on our "wish list" below, we would greatly appreciate it. The Lions of Michigan Foundation has a fund specifically designated for Winter Camp for the Blind and Visually Impaired for a tax-deductible donation. If you would like to contribute, simply write a check to the LoMF and write "Winter Camp Fund" in the memo line.

Supporter	\$25	Saturday Hayride	\$200	Saturday Night Dinner	\$500
		EMT Medical			
Dorm Monitor	\$50	Sponsor	\$225	Paul Helm Lunch	\$1,000
Camp Counselor	\$75	Evening Snacks (2)	\$250	Crusader for the Blind	\$1,500
				Knights Against	
Nature Walker	\$100	Bedford Bingo	\$300	Darkness	\$2,000
Bird Cabin Guide	\$125	Arts and Crafts	\$325	Sponsor a Camper	
Friday Night Entertainment	\$150	Friday Night Dinner	\$350	One Camper Sponsor	\$50
Saturday Night Talent Show	\$200	Pennfield Breakfast	\$400	Two Camper Sponsor	\$100

"Wish List" to Support Winter Camp 2023

Winter Camp EMT volunteer position: good news! We have a local club member in Battle Creek who has volunteered to be the Camp EMT/Nurse. She is a retired nurse and is looking forward to it. We can always use back up, so if you are interested, please let us know. The main duty of the Winter Camp EMT position is to ensure that campers get proper medication when needed, respond to emergencies, and be aware of any health issues that might come up. We utilize the Johnstown Fire Department nearby as backup for any serious needs that might occur. We do pay a small stipend for this important role. If you know someone who would be interested, please contact any of us below.

Big News! Clear Lake Virtual Lions Club was chartered in June of 2022! Several of our Winter Campers are already Lions, but 25 new and former Lions felt it would be good to charter their own virtual Lions club. The club name is attributed to the location of Winter Camp – Clear Lake Camp. This is a direct result of continuing a virtual presence with our Winter Campers and provides a unique opportunity for these individuals to

contribute service in unique ways. The group is working towards their Charter Event at the 2023 Winter Camp, and you are invited to come and celebrate. It will also be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person.

Questions? Please contact Lion Roger Bosse at (269) 578-3684, Lion Bea Furman at H:(517) 789-6061 C: (517) 581-0325 or Lion Barry Allen at (734) 428-7034.

BLINDNESS AND DIABETES WEBINAR: DEXCOM VS. FREESTYLE LIBRE

During the recent Winter Camp Chat zoom call, we were talking about diabetic monitoring devices that are available to those who are visually impaired. Lion Shawn Welker made us aware of this upcoming webinar.

Friday September 23 at 12:00 PM ET

Please join Accessible Pharmacy Services for the Blind and University of Pennsylvania's Diabetes Education Center as we compare Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) devices available to our blind, Deafblind, and low vision patients living with diabetes. We will be discussing differences between Dexcom and Freestyle Libre as well as their accessibility features.

This webinar will have captioning and a live ASL interpreter.

If you are unable to attend, please register to receive the webinar audio and video via email.

For information: https://www.accessiblepharmacy.com/blindness-diabetes-webinar-dexcom-vs-freestyle-libre/

Questions? Please contact info@accessiblepharmacy.com or Shawn Welker at ShawnLWelker@gmail.com

INTERNET INFORMATION

District Website: <u>http://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1</u>

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

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

Lion Pride - The magazine of Michigan Lions https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/downloads/lion-pride

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 15-17 USA-Canada Forum, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

September 22 (Thursday) 6:30pm Eversight Masquerade, Peninsula Chicago

October 1 (Saturday) 10am-4pm Dexter Apple Daze. Pie eating, car show, kids games, hay ride.

October 2 (Sunday) 1pm

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October 21 (Friday)

Penrickton Center Kick-off Dinner. The Dearborn Inn. 20301 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn, MI 48124 **Contact:** mail@penrickton.com, (734) 946-7500 to learn more

October 22 (Saturday) 9am (Doors open 8:30am)

Fall Conference and Parade of Checks - \$15/person Sandstone Church, 710 S. Sandstone Rd, Jackson, MI RSVP to Annette Hemeryck, 9551 Harrison St, Jerome, MI 49249. Annettetravis95@frontier.com (District Cabinet meeting immediately follows (~ 1pm)

October 22 (Saturday)

Adrian Breakfast. Radio Auction

October 22 (Saturday) - Doors: 5pm Raffle: 7pm

Witches Night Out/Quarter Mania Michigan Center Eagles, 302 5th St, Michigan Center, MI \$25 ticket includes Admission, Dinner, 1 free drink, auction paddle plus cash bar RSVP to Debbie Chambers (517) 937-8663 or Kim Tousley (517) 812-5478

November 10

Peace Poster submissions due to DG Kelly

May 4, 2023 6pm-8pm Spring Leadership Forum at Vandercook Lake High School

July 7-11, 2023 Lions Clubs International Convention, Boston, MA Registration is open! <u>https://www.mcisemi.com/lci2023/</u>

District 11-B1 Parade of Checks - Understanding the Needs of our Supported Projects October 22, 2022

Every year the needs for individual projects and committees change based on their current balance, expected expenses, and anticipated needs.

Lions Clubs International Foundation – This is where funds come from for emergency grants, and for specific grants to fund local projects beyond the scope of the District, such as the \$10,000 grant for emergency services for Dexter Tornado victims. Historically the US receives more funds than are donated from within the US.

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation – This is where we get our Lions Mints, but more so, they provide grants for cataract surgery, hearing aids, and eye surgery beyond the scope of the club level. They also provide emergency grants for home fires and flooding. Every year they provide many grants, only limited by the donations received.

District Projects (Undesignated) – Funds designated to specific projects can only be used for that project. A project that does not receive adequate donations or has unexpected costs arise can request support from this undesignated fund.

Michigan Youth Challenge Academy – The MYCA cadets have been instrumental in supporting several district events as the honor guard and invaluable support at the Winter Camp for the Blind. A donation to them ensures the continued educational and vocational success for these at-risk individuals.

Winter Camp – Every year camp costs continue to increase and although the adult participants pay a registration fee, we try to keep the fee reasonable. Campers come from all over southern and mid-Michigan. Travel expenses, housing, and food comprise the bulk of the expenses. With COVID risks in recent years, camp has been virtual (on Zoom) but not without expenses (ie. mailings, craft supplies). We are gearing up for in-person camp this year so generous donations are appreciated!

Children's Services – This fund is the basis of funding for several special projects involving children. The committee is expanding the service opportunities for visually impaired and autistic children and opening doors for shared commitment to supporting our needy children.

Diabetes – The diabetes committee has been very active in bringing diabetes awareness to people within our district and is involved in sending young adults to Camp Midichi for diabetic youth, which for some is a life changing experience.

Hearing & Speech (Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic) – The Lions of Michigan Foundation offers an Affordable Hearing Aid program through which we as a district assist in obtaining hearing aids for very low income applicants. If an applicant cannot afford the cost of both the aids and the fitting fee costs, or a Lions Club is not able to sponsor (pay for) one of those fees/costs, a request for payment is made for funds from the Hearing & Speech account.

The picnic is held the second Saturday in September of each fiscal year. The picnic provides an opportunity for district club members to volunteer their time and talent during this picnic which is provided free to our deaf and hard of hearing friends and their families.

While food is donated by area stores and prizes are normally donated by Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic committee members and several clubs in the district, the cost of the deaf interpreters, invitations and paper goods are paid with monies from the **Hearing & Speech** account.

KidSight (District Expenses) – The Lions of Michigan Foundation provides central management for the administration of KidSight throughout the state. They provide permissions and follow-up with those children who are referred for further evaluation. They provide insurance on the equipment, administrative supplies, and reimbursement of expenses. Accumulated funds will be used to upgrade and maintain equipment or supplies in the future.

Leos of the District – This supports the Leos so they can participate in district activities and Leo functions beyond their own clubs' limited resources. We encourage their attendance at the Banner Exchange, Fall Conference, and District Convention. Funds can also be used to start new clubs and support existing clubs within our district.

Peace Poster – The district provides awards for the top Peace Poster winners and has some administrative expenses. It is a great way for clubs to connect with local schools and encourage artful representations of peace.

Reading Action Program - The Reading Action Program is celebrated in March each year and allows Lions to provide additional funds to schools, day care centers, and individuals to put books into the hands of young readers. It is a great way to promote literacy and benefits from your financial support.

Sight Conservation – The Sight Conservation committee promotes the preservation of sight and prevention of blindness. Funds are kept in reserve to augment purchasing glasses for the needy when and if a club cannot afford the expense. In recent years, funds have helped provide white canes and white cane repairs at Winter Camp for the Blind. The account has a healthy balance and doesn't require additional funds.

Childhood Cancer – The Childhood Cancer committee depends on District 11-B1 Clubs to help with items or monetary donations to provide lap blankets, encouraging cards, backpacks full of goodies, and other supplies for children dealing with cancer.

Youth Exchange – Donations to this project can be used to provide supplemental funding for the students to ensure they are able to participate in the Youth Exchange. Individual YE participants will send letters to all the Lions Clubs requesting funding for their specific exchange trip, but differences in projected costs and variations in donations can leave some students in need of additional funding. This fund has a healthy balance, so a minimal donation is requested.

Youth Outreach, Drug Awareness & Quest – Lions Quest is a comprehensive and universal, evidencebased social and emotional learning program. SEL is a process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish positive relationships, and make responsible decisions. LCIF supports the research and development of quality social and emotional learning tools and resources as part of its global humanitarian effort to promote a safe, healthy approach to life, free from the harm of tobacco, alcohol and other drug use. Clubs of District 11-B1 have been fortunate to receive LCIF grants in recent years to further the program.

Administrative

When a Lion Dies – This is an ADMINISTRATIVE program, so funds should come out of that account. This program provides remembrances and ceremony to honor the deceased and at the district convention. There are administrative costs to provide this service but the account has a healthy balance.

District 11-B1 Parade of Checks October 22, 2022

SIDE 1:	CLUB NAME		
NAME		ACTUAL	CONTEST
FOUNDA	TIONS		
	Lions Club International Foundation* Lions of Michigan Foundation*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award \$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
DISTRICT	r projects		
Ν	District Projects (Undesignated) Michigan Youth Challenge Academy* Winter Camp for the Blind*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award \$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
DISTRICT	COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES		
C H K F S C Y	Children Services Diabetes* Hearing & Speech* (Deaf Picnic) KidSight Screening Leos of District Peace Poster Reading Action Program Sight Conservation District Childhood Cancer Youth Exchange Youth Outreach, Quest, Drug Awareness		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award \$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
	TOTAL ABOVE SECTION	ON:	Write a check payable to " <u>District</u> <u>11-B1</u> " from Activities account.
٧	When a Lion Dies (ADMIN Acct)		
	TOTAL THIS PA	GE:	Write a check payable to " <u>District</u> <u>11-B1</u> " from Admin account.

Funds the club has designated for each project listed above will be earmarked in the accounting. **Remember:** The ADMIN donation must be a separate check from that account.

*Contributions to these projects are required if your club participates in the Governor's Club Award of Merit Contest (details on contest can be found in roster).

DISTRICT 11-B1 Parade of Checks October 22, 2022

SIDE 2: CLUB NAME

STATE/MULTIPLE DISTRICT 11/JOINT DISTRICT PROJECTS – Description of each is in District Roster.

NAME	ACTUAL	CONTEST
Bear Lake Camp*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Leader Dogs for the Blind*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Michigan All-State Band (Administrative Costs)*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Michigan Braille Transcribing*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Eversight (Eye Bank) *		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Paws with a Cause		
Penrickton Center for Blind Children*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award
Radio Reading Services*		\$10 minimum for Governor Merit Award

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*Contributions to these projects are required if your club participates in the Governor's Club Award of Merit Contest (details on contest can be found in roster).

WRITE AN INDIVIDUAL CHECK MADE OUT to EACH project listed above.

The District Treasurer will collect all of the checks at the Parade of Checks and forward them to the individual projects. In some cases, a representative will be available at the Parade of Checks to receive them directly.

It is understood that many clubs have their favorite projects and activities, and it is appreciated that your generous contributions go well beyond the minimum amounts for the contest.

* REMEMBER TO PROVIDE THE CABINET TREASURER A COPY OF THESE FORMS *

This will ensure you get credit for your contributions. Forms can be sent to the Treasurer BEFORE the Fall Conference which will assist in collecting the necessary data.

The Cabinet Treasurer is Annette Hemeryck, 9551 Harrison St, Jerome, MI 49249. Annettetravis95@frontier.com

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