

### District 11-B1 Newsletter

### September 2023 Edition

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### A NOTE FROM DG ANNETTE

It has been an amazing journey so far. It was wonderful to see so many dedicated Lions in my travels and there are many more Lions to meet. How many more Lions can we add? Make a plan in your clubs on how to gain membership. Review the Global Membership Approach information at https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-formembers/resource-center/global-membership-approach. Our goal this year is to gain membership and a new club.

One great way to involve potential Lions is to bring them to a service project, involve them, and give them a role. Service is still the best way to gain members and help our communities. Our goal is 100% reporting of service in MyLion, so please make sure you are entering them.

When we grow membership, we also grow leadership potential. Any of us can be a potential leader and we have an awesome Global Leadership Team (GLT) to help set you on the right path. Don't be afraid to step up. You are never alone.

In regard to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), I encourage everyone to donate personally. These funds allow us to apply for LCIF grants. These grants help us all do extraordinary things for our communities.

I ask every club to give what they can at the upcoming Parade of Checks. This is the funding that helps our district support state, district, and local projects. I encourage every club to review the Parade of Checks Distribution Reasoning and donate as they are able.

One of the things we need to tackle in our communities is hunger. Our district goal for this year is to have every club donate, in cash or items, \$200 towards alleviating hunger. We can battle hunger locally as the food insecurity in our area is large. Please report this and all service hours in MyLion so we can track our goal.

We make a difference every day. I am proud of our district and the wonderful things we continue to do. Support each other, help each other, and most importantly, love one another. Stretch your spirit and rise to the challenges we face.

Together we are Changing the World!



### **NEWSLETTER CORRECTIONS**

In the August newsletter it was mentioned that Bea Furman, of the Jackson Host Lions Club, would be our first blind Governor. Bea is to be our second legally blind female District Governor. PDG Luanne Bullington, of the Ann Arbor Host Club, was first in 2017-18.

### ROSTER BOOK CORRECTIONS

Gregg Brindemoor - C: 517-605-5611 - brindamourphotography@yahoo.com (page 26)

Harriet Spriggs - C: 630-926-8836 (page 68)

Roger and Harriet Spriggs - remove home phone (page 68)

Louvenia Shack-Seals - address and phone: 905 S. Gorham Street, Jackson, MI 49203 - 517-914-9600 (page 4)

Teresa Gest - whitecane 3@gmail.com (page 7 and 65)

Becky Walters - bwalters01@comcast.net (page 27)

Vicki Ruiz - misvicki46@gmail.com (page 63, 64, 67)

Roberta Sexton - Michigan Center Lioness Lions (page 68)

David Burlingame - Battle Creek Host - 269-979-3324 (page 23)

Craig Bishop - no longer using email - new/only phone: (H) 269-965-7117 (Page 63 and 66)

Please let us know if you have roster book changes to share.

The district roster book is available in PDF format by sending a request to Cabinet Secretary (CS) Nancy Hill or District Editor Cathy Koning.

### WHEN A LION DIES (WALD)

The vast majority of Lions accepting membership in our organization do not join expecting to receive special recognition. They live by our motto of "We Serve." The sadness of a member's passing, however, gives us an opportunity to recognize and honor that Lion. We enact this tribute through the program, "When a Lion Dies".

When you hear of the passing of one of our District Lions or former District Lion's passing, please contact our District Governor. Notifying the District Governor will allow us to determine the best way to pay tribute to that person by:

- attending the visitation or funeral or provide other support as needed
- presenting a "When a Lion Dies" certificate to the family to thank them for the work their loved one did and the support the family gave
- sharing the Lion's passing with the District in our newsletter/email
- including the Lion in our Memorial Service at the District Convention



### LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION UPDATES

Lions Clubs in District B1 received twenty-one assistance grants in the 2022-23 Lion year and over twenty VSP Eye Exam/Eyeglass Certificates and we received about \$11,510 from the Lions of Michigan Foundation to help members of B1 communities. We want to thank the clubs of Battle Creek Cereal City, Jackson Host, Ann Arbor Host, Vandercook Lake, Marshall, and North Jackson Lions for contributing a total of \$3510 to the Michigan Foundation. We sincerely hope that each district club contributes to the Foundation. Our Trustees, Dave Hill and Terry Walters will make a presentation to any club on the benefits of the Foundation to clubs. Their contact information can be found at the end of this article

The Foundation has certainly provided support for families and Lions in our District with Emergency Assistance Grants, Hearing aids, and funding for eyeglasses this past year. There are many opportunities for our Lions and Clubs to support the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

Thank you to all the clubs who supported the Foundation on their 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes! We had 21 clubs that sold 1,230 tickets this year. That was up 2 clubs and almost 100 tickets from the prior year. The Foundation is doing a 2024 Royal Caribbean Cruise from February 2 to February 9, 2024 leaving from Los Angeles which would be a good way you could support the Foundation and also have an enjoyable time with other Lions.

The Parade of Checks is coming up in October and we hope that we can increase our giving and support to the Lions of Michigan Foundation. They really do need our financial support so that they can continue doing what they are doing. Please consider a donation to the Lions of Michigan Foundation!

If your club would like a presentation on the Lions of Michigan Foundation, please contact one of District 11-B1's trustees to the Foundation. They are PCC Dave Hill, coldhill@gmail.com, (517) 262-8928, and PDG Terry Walters, twalters02@comcast.net, (734) 474-6914.

### LIONS INTERNATIONAL

Our two historic brands, Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), are uniting under one "umbrella" brand—Lions International—so we can talk to the world about our collective service and impact. Because the world sees us as one. They see us as Lions. And the truth is, we are united in our mission of service.

To strengthen our association and foundation, we needed greater integration of the two. One of the most visible ways to do this is to unify Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) under a single "umbrella" or master brand—Lions International—and align our causes to show the world that we are united in our mission of service.

We are introducing "Lions International" as our unified "umbrella" or master brand to represent our association and foundation together, but the individual names of the association and the foundation will not change, and they will continue to be separate legal entities. We will still use "Lions Clubs International" when referring specifically to the association, and "Lions Clubs International Foundation" when referring to our foundation. Together, they will be referred to as "Lions International."

#### Read more:

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-international-brand

### **INTERNET INFORMATION**

### District

**District Website:** http://www.e-district.org/sites/11b1

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

"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>

### State

**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> **Lions of Michigan** - Website for Michigan Lions (Districts 10 and 11) - Connects you to state projects, convention information, leadership training. <a href="https://www.lionsofmi.com">lionsofmi.com</a>

**Lions of Michigan Foundation** - Non-project charity for Michigan Lions. Provides grants for emergencies, projects, hearing aids, eyeglasses. Accepts tax deductible donations on club's behalf using their 501I3 status. <a href="mailto:lmsf.net">lmsf.net</a>

### International

"Global Lions Forum" - Public group for discussing topics and asking questions of Lions around the world. https://www.facebook.com/groups/lciCyberClubs

**Lions Clubs International** - Website for our international organization. Marketing resources, training, service reporting, and more! <a href="mailto:lionsclubs.org">lionsclubs.org</a>

### PEACE POSTER CONTEST

As Lions, we envision and actively seek peace in our neighborhoods, communities, and the world. We dare to dream of making a difference as we serve. With the upcoming Peace Poster Contest, individual District 11-B1 Lions Clubs are challenged to seek out local youth ages 11,12, and 13 through their schools and invite them to envision their path to world peace and create a poster of what they see in their mind's eye when they "Dare to Dream".

If you are a newer Lion like me, you might not be familiar with the Peace Poster contest. Come to find out, Lions all over the world have been inviting kids to create a poster depicting their vision of peace for over 30 years. As with many things, the pandemic made involvement difficult. Each club is asked to appoint a Peace Poster Contest Chairperson. The Chairperson would be responsible for obtaining a Poster Kit, either from Lions Club International website or from Shawne Lige, our District Peace Poster Chair.

In addition to the order form, detailed instructions are available on the Lions Clubs International website - <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster#contest">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster#contest</a>

The website includes a video that walks you through unpacking the Poster Kit and describes each item included. You will also find suggestions for contacting school staff and deadlines for each step of the process.

Lions, let's come roaring back this year and reach out to more kids than ever before through our neighborhood schools! Promote the international Peace Poster Contest while promoting our AWESOME District 11-B1 Lions Clubs.

Contact Shawne Lige, District Peace Poster Chair, for more details. 517-425-1475 or smondaylige@yahoo.com

### **Important Peace Poster Dates:**

<u>Before November 15</u>: Club votes on submitted posters and awards a winner. Cash prizes are commonly given. <u>November 15</u>: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

<u>December 1</u>: Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

<u>December 15</u>: Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Brand & Creative Department at International Headquarters.



"Lead With Compassion" Emma Andreea Paveliuc 13 years old Romania

Sponsored by IASI D Lions Club

### **IN MEMORIUM**



Debbie Lynn Link of Chelsea, Michigan, age 70, passed away Saturday, September 2, 2023, at her home. She was born September 10, 1952, in Jackson, Michigan, the daughter of Louis George and Dorothea Elaine (Nations) Marshall.

Debbie graduated from Pinckney High School in 1971. Between 1977-2001, she worked at UMI//ProQuest. Debbie decided to be a stay home Grandma in 2003. It was her joy to watch her grandchildren grow up. Debbie volunteered for the Ann Arbor Lions Club for 20 years, and the Pinckney Senior Center, where she also made cards. She loved making cards and scrapbooking with her sister-in-law, Becky. She enjoyed watching the birds that came to her feeders, watching all the flowers bloom, and making cakes. Debbie will be remembered for her smile, her infectious laugh, and kind spirit.

On October 18, 1992, Debbie married Harold Louis Link, and he survives. In addition to her husband, Debbie is survived by her two daughters, Brandy Johnson of Dexter, Robin Leach of Ypsilanti; and her grandchildren, Garrett and Avery Johnson. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, George Marshall; and sister, Lou Ann Marshall.

No public services are planned. Memorial contributions may be made to Chelsea Meals on Wheels. Arrangements were entrusted to Cole Funeral Chapel.

https://colefuneralchapel.com/index.php/obituaries/1324-blank-obituary-6



Kathy Marie Davis, age 57, of Jackson, Michigan, passed away unexpectedly on August 25, 2023. Kathy was born in Jackson, Michigan on November 5, 1965, to Dennis Pond and Betty (Colburn) Woodard. Kathy is survived by her loving children Jason (Ashley) Davis, Danielle (Zack) Zischke, and Tyler (Aleigha) Davis; cherished grandchildren Kailee, Jaxon, Mia, Colten, and Johnny; dear step-father Thomas Woodard and mother Betty Woodard; siblings Kevin (Bonnie) Pond and Jennifer (Nelson) Thornsbury; aunt to many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in passing by her beloved husband of 27 years, John Davis; her father Dennis Pond. Kathy was a 1983 graduate of Napoleon High School and proudly served 37 years at Comerica Bank. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She loved to travel, shop, and she cherished all the memories. Kathy will always be remembered for her infectious laugh and her bright smile. She will be greatly missed.

A funeral service to honor the life of Kathy Marie Davis was held at Hampton Funeral Home-Jackson, Michigan on Thursday, August 31, 2023. Interment followed the service at Oak Grove Cemetery, Napoleon, Michigan.

Please visit www.hamptonfuneralhomes.com to sign the guest book and/or send a condolence to the family.



Mae Frances Kent (Jones) age 75 of Wyoming went to be with the Lord on Sunday September 3, 2023. Mae was preceded in death by her husband Richard Kent Sr., her mother Arlene Armstrong, her father Nathanial Jones, her siblings Richard St. Arnold and Mary St. Arnold.

She will deeply missed by her children Donna J. Kent, Thomas F. Kent, Tammy M. (Taina Gordon) Webley, Richard F. (Rene'e)Kent II; her grandchildren Elizabth Bartaway, Erika (Tony) Jenks, Meagan (Jack) Russell, Manessa Kent, Benjamin (Christina) Bartaway, Jennifer (Andrius) Vilcinskas, Amelia Williams, Alivia Kent, Zana Abureedah, Brittany Kent, Dominic Russell, Jessica Kent, Nola Webley, Damion Kent, Katie Vaughan, Richard Kent III, Kristina Perez; 24 great grandchildren and two on the way; her siblings Robert St. Arnold, Roger St. Arnold, Cindy Frasier; many nieces and nephews; her best friend Peggy Elliott.

She enjoyed volunteering in the community at UCOM of Wyoming, the Lions Club of Wyoming, and a VIPP member of the Blue Water League of the Blind (Port Huron) for over 20 years and continued her membership after moving to Wyoming, MI. Mae enjoyed many crafts; including knitting, ceramics, and crocheting. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and their families.

Mae was a member of the Wyoming Lions Club and an associate member of the Clear Lake Virtual Lions Club. She was a very sweet lady, loved Winter Camp (Battle Creek), Summer Camp (Muskegon), and the low-vision camp community.

The funeral service will be held Friday at 11:00 AM at New Community Church, 2340 Dean Lake Rd NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505. Her family will receive visitors Friday from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the church. Interment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Commission for the Blind or the Wyoming Lions Club.

https://obits.mlive.com/us/obituaries/grandrapids/name/mae-kent-obituary?id=53028281



Ralph Schmude age 90, passed away August 21, 2023 at Henry Ford Hospice Home with his family by his side. He was born August 8, 1933 in Detroit MI, the son of Ralph Schmude and Mary Horian. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Janet of 65 years and grandson-in-law, David Holcomb.

Ralph is survived by his children, Linda (Terry) Lape, Arthur (Janice) Schmude and Sandra Schmude; grandchildren, Tracey Lape, Carrie Holcomb, Matthew (Emily) Schmude and Jessica (Geoff) Huzienga; great grandchildren, Kailyn Holcomb, Taylor Laimon, Bailey Holcomb, Avery Holcomb, Corran Schmude, Mara Schmude, Hailee and Grant Huzienga; great-great grandchildren, Emma and Billy Lozon, Clayton, Willie and Harry Mohn and his companion, Doreen Shelby.

Per Ralph's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private burial will take place at Oakwood Cemetery, Grass Lake. A luncheon to celebrate Ralph's life will be held at 1 P.M. September 12, 2023 at the Family Worship Center. Memorial contributions may be made to the Family Worship Center 1901 Mt. Hope Rd, Grass Lake, MI 49240.

The family would like to thank the staff at Henry Ford Hospice and Henry Ford Hospice Home for their care and support.

https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/28763612/ralph-edward-schmude

# District 11-B1 Fall Conference



Saturday October 21, 2023, 9 am Doors open at 8 am Lunch Included

Cabinet meeting immediately following conference. Everyone welcome.



\*\*Arrive between 8 and 9 to enjoy breakfast snacks and help pack backpacks.

\*\*Bring yarn for a childhood cancer project.

Registration by October 14, 2023 - \$15.00 per person (Advance registration preferred. Will accept payment at the door)
Checks payable to <u>District 11-B1</u>, memo "Fall Conference"
Mail to: Lion Angelene Patton, 1611 Deyo St. Jackson, MI 49203

Questions: Louvenia Shack-Seals, 517-914-9600, louvenia@ameritech.net

	Fall Conference
Club Name	Amount Enclosed \$
Name	Phone
Name	Phone
Name	Phone

### PARADE OF CHECKS 2023

Please take note of the procedure for this year. This year we will have each club write ONE CHECK to cover their entire donation and Cabinet Treasurer Barry Allen will tabulate the donations and send ONE check to each of the Projects\Foundations\Funds on behalf of district clubs.

The parade of checks will proceed as normal, with each club bringing their donation check (just one check) up to the front to be announced and collected. We will not have a dozen baskets for individual project checks.

Everyone is encouraged to read the Parade of Checks distribution reasoning (below). Some categories do not need funding while others need more funding. The current balance of each is listed on the distribution form. This funding information is provided to assist clubs in making informed decisions.

Clubs who wish to participate but cannot attend in-person on October 21 should contact CT Barry to discuss options. 734-904-4695 or PDG.BarryRAllen@gmail.com

### **DISTRIBUTION REASONING**

Every year the budgets for individual projects and committees change based on their current balance, expenses, and anticipated needs. Read each category carefully to determine your donations. Further information on projects and foundations is available in the Roster Book or online.

### **FOUNDATIONS:**

**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 new SPOT camera systems and KidSight trailers, and the \$10,000 grant for emergency services for Dexter Tornado victims. Historically the US receives more funds than are donated from within the US. **Provide a sizeable donation**.

**Lions of Michigan Service Foundation** – This is where we get our Lions Mints, but more so, they provide grants for cataract surgery and 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 are limited in the number of grants presented, based on the donations received. Our District has received lots of support from their Foundation. **Provide a sizeable donation**.

### STATE/MULTIPLE DISTRICT 11/JOINT PROJECTS:

All funds donated to these projects is a pass-through so your funds will go directly to that project.

**Bear Lake Camp** – The camp aspires to provide a preeminent summer outdoor recreational/educational experience for children of special needs, visually impaired, and other conditions. **They always need funding**.

**Leader Dogs for the Blind** – The premier facility for training Leader Dogs and Mobility, providing Leader Dogs at no cost to blind/visually impaired individuals. **They always need funding**.

Michigan All-State Band – Musicians from around the state gather to participate in the Lions Clubs International Convention parade. Normally students provide their own funding, these funds are to support the staff which must accompany them. Some funding is desired.

**Michigan Braille Transcribing** – This organization is now self-funded but needs Lions support to maintain their non-profit status. Some **minimal funding is desired**.

**Radio Reading Services** – Provides special radios with scripted reading of newspapers and articles for the blind at no cost to them. They are part of the PBS station in Lansing and **require some funding.** 

**Eversight Michigan** – Originally the Michigan Eye Bank, they provide corneal transplants to patients in need. Much of their funding comes from the Lions of Michigan, a **sizable donation** is requested.

**Paws with a Cause** – provides service animals which provide various services for clients with disabilities which enhances their independence and quality of life. **A sizable donation is requested.** 

**Penrickton Center for Blind Children** – provides day care and weekly live in care for children with visual impairment and another disability at NO COST to the parents. A major portion of their income is from Lions. **A sizable donation is requested.** 

### **DISTRICT PROJECTS:**

**District Projects** (**Undesignated**) – Invariably, there are times we do not receive adequate funds to fulfill the needs in every project or committee for the Lions year. This fund helps to shift funds to emerging needs, since we are limited on how we use funds designated for individual projects. This also opens the door to new district projects not originally funded and supporting the District Governor's projects. Due to a recent redistribution of funds, this fund **does NOT need further funding.** 

**Michigan Youth Academy** – The MYCA cadets have been instrumental in supporting a number of district events as the honor guard, and invaluable support at the Winter Camp for the Blind. A donation to them ensures their continued success and is money well spent on rehabilitating these at risk individuals. We use the funds to pay for their meals when they assist at Winter Camp, and various District functions like the Convention. **A moderate funding is requested**.

**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 because of their limited income. Campers come from all over southern Michigan and other districts, so expenses incurred should be picked up by the clubs on a shared basis. The continued success of the camp is directly dependent upon the donations from the district Lions Clubs. Although this year they have a healthy balance due to COVID and having a virtual camp which resulted in carryover funds, this is one of our more expensive district projects and always needs to seek financial assistance. **A moderate funding is requested.** 

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### DISTRICT COMMITTEES

**Children's Services** – This fund has seen renewed activity as it has been the basis of funding for several special projects involving children which fall outside some of the other project guidelines. The committee is expanding the service opportunities for visually impaired and autistic children and opening doors for shared commitment to supporting our needy children. **Moderate funding is requested.** 

**Diabetes** – The diabetes committee has been very active in bringing diabetes awareness to people within our district, and participated in the Defense Against Diabetes state-wide initiative. They have a balance of over \$6,000 with no expenditures last year, and no proposals on projects for this year. **Provide minimal funding at this time.** 

**Hearing & Speech** – These funds assist in obtaining hearing aids for needy persons through the Affordable Hearing Aid Program if an individual or Lions Club do not have the money to support the program. Having funds in this account will ensure eligible recipients will be able to participate without worrying if their family or Lions Club can pay the fitting fees. We've transferred funds into this account to support their cause. **Moderate funding is requested**.

**KidSight (District Expenses)** – The Lions of Michigan Foundation took over the administrative control of KidSight throughout the state to provide permissions and follow-up with those children who refer for further evaluation. Additionally they now provide insurance on the equipment, administrative supplies, and reimbursement of expenses. Only **residual funds** are needed at the District level to purchase replacement supplies, even though the Foundation will reimburse.

**Leos of the District** – Due to COVID and the lack of meetings and activities, ALL of our LEO clubs disbanded. We have reduced their funding to a \$2000 balance to assist in restarting some of the clubs, but at this time, **NO FUNDING** is required.

**Peace Poster** – The district provides awards for the top Peace Poster winners and has some administrative expenses as awards to students who place in the competition in conducting this program. This year the District has decided to buy the Peace Poster kits so every club can participate if desired. Winners are provided cash awards. This is a low cost program, but **some funding is necessary.** 

**Reading Action Program -** This program was started as a one year event but became so popular it was extended several more years by LCI. The district is on board with this program and needs funds to support the various aspects. The Reading Action Program allows Lions to provide additional assistance to individuals with visual impairments, particularly by focusing on Braille literacy and access to assistive technology as well as encouraging our youth and adults to read and promote literacy. Annually, they run out of funds, so some money was transferred to their account to support their needs. This program **needs moderate funding.** 

**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 smaller club cannot afford the expense. The account has a healthy balance so a program is being formed to reimburse the clubs for their support of eyeglasses for their participants. **Some moderate funding is required**.

Youth Exchange – Donations to this project can be used to balance the 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 specific funding, but differences in projected costs, and donations leave some students with enough money to cover their trip, and others lacking. Due to COVID, this program came to a screeching halt and has not gotten off the starting blocks yet. Until we get more students and families involved, this program does not currently need funding.

**Youth Outreach, Drug Awareness & Quest** – This program has a sizable balance which is currently not being used to the fullest. In an expansion of the intent of these programs, funds are now being considered for other youth activities which promote healthy lifestyles and decisions. The account **does not need additional funds** at this time.

# District 11-B1 Parade of Checks Distribution Form October 21, 2023

CLUB NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

		Amount	Current Balance	Need
FOU	NDATIONS:			
	Lions Clubs International Foundation		\$2135.00	\$\$\$
	Lions of Michigan Foundation		\$1000.00	\$\$\$
STAT	E/MULTIPLE DISTRICT 11/JOINT PROJECTS			
	Bear Lake Camp		Pass-thru	\$\$\$
	Leader Dogs for the Blind		Pass-thru	\$\$\$
	Michigan All-State Band (Administrative Costs)		Pass-thru	\$\$
	Michigan Braille Transcribing		Pass-thru	\$
	Eversight Michigan		Pass-thru	\$\$\$
	Paws with a Cause		Pass-thru	\$\$\$
	Penrickton Center for Blind Children		Pass-thru	\$\$\$
			Pass-thru	\$\$\$
DIST	RICT PROJECTS			
	District Projects		\$8681.80	-
	Michigan Youth Challenge Academy		\$2070.00	\$\$
	Winter Camp for the Blind (adults)		\$8621.99	\$\$
DIST	RICT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES			
	Children Services		\$1184.41	\$\$
	Childhood Cancer (District)		\$3137.47	-
	Diabetes		\$6905.41	\$
	Hearing & Speech (Deaf Picnic)		\$3612.23	\$\$
	KidSight Screening		\$1591.25	\$
	Leos of the District	NO LEOS	\$2000.00	-
	Peace Poster		\$569.64	\$
	Reading Action Program		\$2000.00	\$\$
	Sight Conservation		\$3686.84	\$\$
	Youth Exchange	No Youth Ex	\$2000.00	-
	Youth Outreach, Quest, Drug Awareness		\$8792.84	_

### SUPPORT EVERSIGHT

### Take a shot at donation!

Celebrate Eye Donation Month and support Eversight while watching the Detroit Red Wings battle the Columbus Blue Jackets at 1 p.m. ET on Saturday, Nov. 11.

Visit our table on the concourse during the game to snag some custom swag, learn more about Eversight, and enter for a chance to win a Red Wings autographed item.

Don't miss out on seeing an Eversight representative ride the Zamboni during the second intermission!

Join our efforts this Eye Donation Month by experiencing an afternoon filled with fun and competition, all while celebrating the gift of sight.

Reserve your tickets through Eversight by **Thursday**, **Oct. 26**. Digital tickets will be distributed by the Red Wings via email by Tuesday, Oct. 31.

A portion of each ticket purchase will go toward supporting Eversight and our work to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation, and research.

Thank you for changing lives by helping to make vision a reality for those in need. See you at the arena!

https://give.eversightvision.org/event/detroit-red-wings-game-supporting-eversight/e504066

Please email info@eversightvision.org if you have any questions about the event or purchasing tickets.



Join supporters of Eversight on Friday, October 13th to celebrate Eversight's 25th annual Gift of Sight Masquerade: Silver Spectacle.

It promises to be a luminous evening with cocktails, dining, and celebration.

Your support means the world to Eversight, and all proceeds directly support their mission to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation, and research.

https://e.givesmart.com/events/uDD/

### ANN ARBOR EVENING

Lion Donna Wicker of Ann Arbor Evening recently sewed a couple flannel blankets for the club to donate to Michigan Donor Family Council. Club members have plans to make more blankets as a continuing club project.





Help new Donor Families by offering handmade blankets.

Blankets guidelines:

Handmade blankets

Knitted, crocheted, quilted, or fleece blankets

Neutral colors

Approximately 2 yards by 2 yards

Please include your name, address, and connection to the donation community. We appreciate knowing your story.

Mail or Drop off Site:

Gift of Life Michigan, attn; Family Support Services, 3861 Research Park Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48108 Or Mail Blankets to:

The Michigan Donor Family Council, 14125 Terrace Court, Plymouth, MI 48170

Monetary donations for fleece material for our Comfort Blanket Events are accepted.

Mail donations to The Michigan Donor Family Council at 14125 Terrace Court, Plymouth, MI 48170

### **BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY**

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions have been busy again this month. From community recycling to a garage sale to visiting other clubs to Project KidSight... Any one with free time on their hands is welcome to join in on their activities! Contact Roger Bosse for more information. 269-578-3684 or rogerbosse@att.net

August 15 KidSight at Calhoun County Fair. Lions Mary Wallace, Muriel Walters, Roger Bosse, John Stiff, Kay Smith, Nancy Gallant, Tracy Kenworthy and Granddaughter (Marshall Lions).



August 25-26. Lion Darrick Dean hosted our annual garage sale. Lions Bryan Cook, Mike Guzak, Carolyn Harvey (wife of Bob Harvey), Nancy Galant, Dorothy Bosse, Darrick Dean Hope Swank, Jane Cook. Generous folks donated over \$2500 for local projects sponsored by the Cereal City Lions.





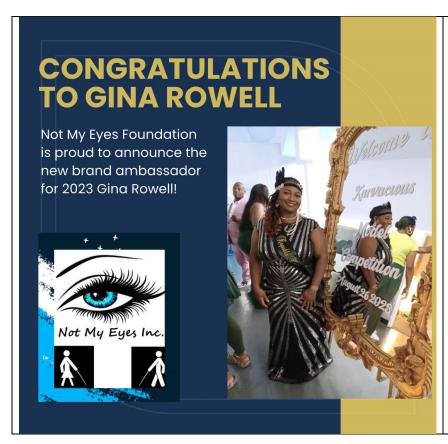
Battle Creek Cereal City Lions Roger and Dorothy Bosse, Kay Smith, Bryan and Jane Cook and Muriel Walters, Hope and Scott Swank, Teresa Gest, and Nancy Wallace attended the September 5 club meeting of the Bedford Lions where puppy raiser Anne Barea and pup-in-training Bogie gave an excellent presentation for Paws with a Cause.



Cereal City Lions participated in the City of Battle Creek recycling events. September 7 Styrofoam. Bryan Cook, Dorothy Bosse, and Roger Bosse. September 9: Tires and electronics. Bryan Cook, Darrick Dean, and Mike Guzak. Looking for a picture.



### **CLEAR LAKE VIRTUAL**



Clear Lake Virtual Lions Service Chair Lion Gina Rowell, along with 3 other visually impaired women, competed in the Kurvacious modeling competition for blind, curvy women.

Lion Gina was named Ms Kapable Kurves!

The judges awarded her 3 trophies: 1 for participating, 1 for being a rising star throughout the process, and the grand trophy (along with other prizes).

This win also gave her the title of Brand Ambassador for the Not My Eyes Foundation, which is a fashion showcase for blind men and women held every year.

Congrats Gina!!



The Clear Lake Virtual Lions have taken on a project that was originally part of the club's Marketing and Communications chair Lion Jesse Bolinger's bucket list and now it can be so much more. As a result of a personal connection Jesse made in college, the decision has been made to build a school in Nepal. The process is just getting started! Through careful research Jesse has learned that this project could be awarded a matching grant through Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). The goal is to raise \$75,000 from Lions and Lions Clubs to apply for this grant.

Through a partnership with buildOn, a nonprofit that builds schools in developing countries, a giving page specific to Lions has been set up to help track giving. If you have questions, please feel free to call/text Jesse at (641)202-6083. The buildOn fundraising page is https://act.buildon.org/fundraiser/4758339

Jesse would be happy to virtually visit your club to share more about this project. You can learn more on the Clear Lake Virtual Lions page under the Projects menu or here: https://clearlakevirtuallions.com/buildon-bucket-list-challenge/

If you are a Lion, please consider making a gift using the link and sharing with other Lions.





### **Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser Supporting Clear Lake Virtual Lions**

Prepare yourself for an enticing treat that also serves a noble cause! The eagerly awaited Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser is primed to commence at **8 AM on Friday, September 15, 2023**. This extraordinary event offers popcorn enthusiasts and avid supporters of the Clear Lake Virtual Lions a golden opportunity to relish delectable popcorn flavors while contributing to a highly commendable initiative. **The fundraiser will run until 8 AM EST on Tuesday, September 19, 2023**, granting a limited-time window to gratify those snack desires and make a positive impact in tandem.

Spanning four delightful days, this popcorn affair invites connoisseurs of popcorn and advocates for a worthy cause to indulge in a diverse assortment of flavors designed to please every palate. From the timeless allure of buttery goodness to inventive fusions that meld sweet and savory, the Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser is all set to captivate taste buds and kindle a sense of communal involvement. Beyond the joy of savoring these exceptional popcorn varieties, the event channels its proceeds towards **supporting the Clear Lake Virtual Lions**, adding an extra layer of delight by combining the pleasure of snacking with the satisfaction of contributing to a meaningful endeavor.

With the countdown underway for the launch of the Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser, excitement reaches its pinnacle for this flavorful journey that seamlessly merges taste, purpose, and community spirit. So, remember to mark the date, set your alarms, and gear up to embark on a popcorn-filled adventure that commences at 8 AM on Friday, September 15th, 2023, and concludes at 8 AM EST on Tuesday, September 19th, 2023. It's more than just popcorn; it's a chance to amplify the goodness in both your snacking experience and the positive transformation you can affect in partnership with the Clear Lake Virtual Lions.

After ordering your delectable popcorn get your walking shoes, ready for a **virtual walk** to Winter Camp for the Blind. October 1st kicks off this virtual event that challenges Clear Lake Virtual Lions cClub members to walk as individuals pledge to support Winter Camp for the Blind. Watch our Facebook page and website, <a href="https://www.clearlakevirtuallions.com">www.clearlakevirtuallions.com</a>, for more information in the coming weeks.

Please contact Marketing and Communications Chair Lion Jesse Bolinger at marketing@clearlakevirtuallions.com or (641) 202-6083 for more information.

### **DEXTER**

The Dexter Lions had nine club members trained on the KidSight camera at the Jackson County Fair. Those trained were: Donna Piper, Becca Gould, Chuck Hughes, Patty Dobbs, Christine Marquis, Gail Girbach, Richard Range, Ralph Dresch, and Terry Walters. The Dexter Lions will now schedule dates to go into the nurseries and pre-schools in Dexter to do the free vision screening.

The Dexter Lions will now have their first meeting of the month (1<sup>st</sup> Thursday) at Riverview Café with a meal provided for \$15.00 per person. The second meeting of the month (3rd Thursday) will be at DAPCO with members providing the meal for \$10.00 per person. Volunteers will need to signup to provide the meal.

The Dexter Lions held their second Ice Cream in the Park on July 28th. We had 9 Lions helping serve the ice cream and we went through all 4 containers! Thank you to all the Lions who helped and to Lion Dave Steptoe for chairing this project.

The Dexter Lions held their Annual Family Picnic in August at the home of Chuck Hughes and Patty Dobbs. There were 38 Dexter Lions and guests in attendance. It was touch and go with the weather but the sun came out! Meal was fantastic and the sweet corn was great! Thank you to Chuck & Patty for hosting and thank you to Lions Ralph Dresch, Gary Gould, Dave Steptoe, and Jim Augustine for cooking and set up! This is always a great event to meet others and have an enjoyable evening out.





### HILLSDALE

### October 14, 2023 (Saturday) -9am-3pm

Hillsdale Craft/Vendor Event, Hillsdale County Senior Center, 320 W. Bacon St, Hillsdale Lunch, snacks, drinks, and raffle tickets will be available for purchase.



### **JACKSON CASCADES**

The Jackson Cascades Lions Club participated in KidSight screening held at the Jackson County Fair. Lions Tim Booth, Cathy Bliss, and Roger Yoder volunteered. They distributed free books and stuffed animals to the children. Lion Bliss completed the required KidSight paperwork and Lion Yoder operated the camera. Eight screenings were conducted during their three-hour shift, with two referrals.





The Jackson Cascades Lions Club held their annual picnic for residents of the John George Home at 1501 E Ganson St., Jackson, Michigan, on Saturday, 5 August 2023. Club members look forward to the annual picnic.



The John George Home residents enjoyed their Lions picnic.



John Hammond, Charles Sinclair, and Sylvia Mandody.



Lions Charles Sinclair and Roger Yoder recently completed updating the club's trifold brochure.

Great Job!!



### **JACKSON EYEOPENERS**

Jackson Eyeopeners honored Lions who have reached milestone membership anniversaries.



Margie received her 20-year membership pin.



Michele received her 10-year membership pin.



John received his 10year membership pin.



Sam received her 5-year membership pin.



Shawne was selected as the District Lion of the 2023-23 Lions Year. PID Esther and VP Margaret presented her with the plaque at the meeting in July. Congratulations Shawne!



Meat Raffle Chair Carolyn helps DG Annette pull the winning raffle ticket. Our club made a profit of \$1945.05 after expenses.

### **JACKSON COUNTY FAIR - KIDSIGHT**

Thank you to the many Lions who volunteered to work the KidSight booth at the Jackson County Fair in August. Thank you to Zone Chair (ZC) Mike Nowak for sending in these great photos!



Michigan Center Lioness Lions Debbie Chambers, Maggie Gilson, Judy Southworth, and Linda Fagin



Hanover-Horton Lion Mike Nowak



Napoleon Lion Jo Ivy and Hanover-Horton Lion Mike Nowak speak with visitors about Project KidSight.

They have books and brochures to give away.



Manchester Lions Don and Jean Rose, Quest Lion Mary Kolb, Anissa Gaskin (not pictured)



Battle Creek Cereal City Lions Teresa Gest and Mary Wallace



Hanover-Horton Lion Mike Nowak Napoleons Lion Jo Ivy and Bonnie Curry



VCL Lion Jim Phelan and Quest Lion Mary Kolb

There are likely many more volunteers that did not get captured on film. They probably ducked the photographer! Ha ha!

This editor heard that a few Dexter Lions got trained on the KidSight camera and will now use it for their area's preschools and schools. Hooray!

Rain or shine, it appears everyone had a good time while performing a great public service to our community.



Vandercook Lake Lions Jim Phelan and Bill Patterson



Quest Lions Mary Kolb and Anissa Gaskin



Vandercook Lake Lions Jim Phelan and Nancy Hill



Vandercook Lake Lions Jim Phelan, Nancy Hill, Alan and Storm Lairson

Is your club interested in holding a Project KidSight screening event? Contact Teresa Gest at C: 269-625-4378 or whitecane3@gmail.com to learn more!

### JACKSON DIABETES

Jackson Diabetes Lion Jessica Dailey hit a home run recently by bringing 3 new members to the monthly meeting. They bring excellent personal and professional experience to this specialty club!



### MICHIGAN CENTER LIONESS LIONS



### Michigan Center Lioness Lions Witch's Night Out (Quarter Mania)

October 21 (Saturday) Doors: 5pm Auction: 7pm

302 Fifth St, Michigan Center, MI

\$25 per person gets you dinner, admission, auction paddle, a free drink, and a chance to bid on silent auction baskets

### RSVP to

Kim Tousley (517) 812-5478 or kjtousley@gmail.com or Debbie Chambers (517) 937-8663

### **NAPOLEON**

Napoleon Lions could be found volunteering at the Jackson County Fair KidSight booth. See pictures above. And they are hosting a PARTY on September 30<sup>th</sup>!!

### Napoleon Lions 70th Anniversary Saturday, September 30, 2023 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Napoleon Lions Clubhouse, 7935 Napoleon Rd.

Dear Fellow Lions,

Napoleon Lions are celebrating our 70th Anniversary and would love to have you join us. We are having pulled pork sliders and other goodies. Adult beverages are BYOB. Lemonade and water will be provided.

Cost per person is \$5.00 and an item for the Napoleon Food Bank. Non-perishable food, baby formula and diapers, and personal hygiene Items are so needed and appreciated.

Please RSVP by **September 20, 2023** to: Jo Ivy, 1424 Locust Street, Jackson, MI 49203 Or text to 517-712-5252 or email stategal78@gmail.com (Payment will be accepted at the door.)

We hope you can join us!

Name	Club	Phone

### NORTH JACKSON

North Jackson Lions and VanderCook Lake Lions had a joint picnic.



Guest speaker: Representative Kathy Schmaltz, District 46



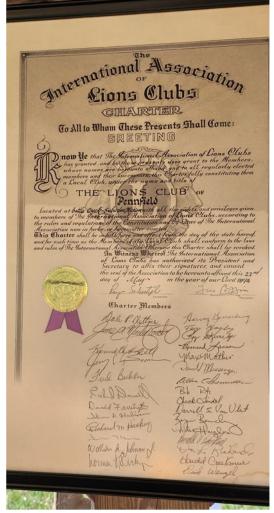


### **PENNFIELD**

District Governor (DG) Annette Hemeryck recently spoke at a Pennfield Lions club meeting. She admired the club charter (May 22, 1974) so it's been included here for everyone to admire.

Pennfield Annual Candy Sales is coming up October 6 and 7. To sign up for a shift, contact Brandon Buller at 269-268-0078.







### VANDERCOOK LAKE

The Vandercook Lake Ice Cream Social was held recently. Many enjoyed the FREE ice cream and other goodies. It is the club's gift to the community.







Vandercook Lake Lions Club's 4th Annual LD and Pat's Cruise-In and VCL Festival was rained out in July.

The new date is Saturday September 23 from 9am to 3pm at the Vandercook Lake County Park.

It should be a great day (so long as Mother Nature brings the sunshine!).

### "SWEET ENDINGS TO A NEW BEGINNING"

### IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR KELLY LUBBE APPRECIATION DINNER

District Lions attended this gathering to show their appreciation for the hard work and dedication of DG Kelly, her cabinet, and all of the district Lions who worked hard to achieve the district goals over the past year. Everyone in attendance will now understand that Kelly likes butterflies. Butterflies were everywhere. There was even a backdrop where guests could get a picture with their very own butterfly wings. Even the cake decorations were edible butterflies. Who was brave enough to eat one?

The program was called 'Sweet Endings to a New Beginning', highlighting the end of a sweet year and acknowledging the start of a new beginning as Kelly sets her sights on future service.

A last-minute addition to the program was to include a collection box for donations to LCIF Disaster Relief that were designated for Hawaii Fire Relief. The box had \$175 in checks and \$70 in cash for a total of \$245. In addition, it was decided to donate the residual from the 50/50 raffle, \$175, to the same cause making a total of \$420.00.









The Three Musketeers

IPDG Kelly presented three of our members with certificates of appreciation.



Kelly's Family



Ray Robins, photographer



Kelly gets her maroon jacket.

### LIONS OF MICHIGAN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Lions Leadership Institute and Faculty Development Institute. Two training opportunities in one location. November 3-6, 2023. Read more at https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/leadership-institute

### LIONS OF MICHIGAN

### **2023 Lions Leadership Events**

Two training opportunities, one location

### **LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute is a highly regarded leadership skills development event for Lions who are emerging leaders at the club, zone, region, and district levels.

### **FACULTY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE**

Graduates of this program will be able to plan, develop, and present training programs. FDI is directed at people who will do training and formal presentations at the district level and beyond

### **EVENT INFORMATION**

Dates November 3 – 6, 2023 Location R. A. MacMullan Center

104 Conservation Drive Roscommon, MI 48653

Questions? Email Lions@lionsofmi.com

Phone (517)887-6640 ext. 10



### More Information!

### **Lions Leadership Institute**

There is a \$250 fee. This includes registration, course materials, two nights of lodging, and six meals. Arrival Saturday, November 4, registration 10:30-11:30 with lunch following.

Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented. The skills acquired can be used not only in Lions, but also at work and in everyday life.

When participants aren't in class, they make new friends, network, and exchange ideas from across the region.

Here's a sampling of classes:

Team building Conflict resolution
Managing change Leadership
Presentation skills Effective listening

Action plans and goal setting

### **Faculty Development Institute**

There is a \$350 fee. This includes registration, course materials, three nights of lodging, and eight meals. Arrival Friday, November 3, after 4:30pm with dinner following.

Lions who desire to lead and train others at the local level will benefit from the FDI, where they will learn fundamental training delivery skills and practice facilitating in a classroom environment.

### Qualifications:

- Not attended an FDI within the last five (5) years. (International or Local)
- In-depth knowledge of Lions' culture, Lions leadership experience and comfort using PowerPoint is preferred.

Here's a sampling of classes:

Visual Aids
Training preparation
Adult learners
Interactive learning

Training environment Session management Delivery skills

# Application form Lions Leadership Institute and Faculty Development Institute

Deadline: October 13, 2023

Send completed form and payment to:
Lions Leadership Institute
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Applicant information						
First name						
Last name						
Address						
City						
State	Zip					
Phone						
E-mail						
Club name						
District	# years in Lions					
Highest Lions	office held					
Have you previously attended a Michigan Lions Leadership Institute? yes no  Which Institute do you plan to attend (check one)?  Leadership Institute Faculty Development Institute						
Payment Information  Pay by check, payable to Michigan Lions  Leadership Institute  Enclosed is my check for \$250 for  Leadership Institute						
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Signature _						
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 13, 2023						

A CANCELLATION FEE OF \$150.00 WILL APPLY AFTER OCTOBER 3, 2023

### MAGGIE'S WIGS 4 KIDS 20th ANNIVERSARY GALA

September 15, 2023

In addition to the main event on Friday, September 15, 2023, the Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids Gala includes a Pre-Gala Raffle.

Event: Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper Ave, St. Clair Shores at 6pm

Learn more at <a href="https://www.wigs4kids.org/events/wigs4-kids-events/20th-Anniversary-">https://www.wigs4kids.org/events/wigs4-kids-events/20th-Anniversary-</a> Gala\_ET579.html?fbclid=IwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKKtgpvTfCtwAmdAiB4-hXTw



### LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION GROUP CRUISE

February 2024

Please distribute this information to your District, family members and friends. Note, we have reserved 35 staterooms (20 balcony, 10 interior and 5 ocean view), and they will be assigned on a first-come first-serve basis. Staterooms can be reserved with a \$500 per stateroom deposit (\$250 per person), and final payment for the Room/Taxes/Fees will be due by November 20, 2023. Gratuity of \$112 per person can be paid prior to sailing, or it will be added to your onboard account.

### LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION-2024 GROUP CRUISE

ROYAL CARIBBEAN - NAVIGATOR OF THE SEAS
7-Night Cruise: February 2 - February 9, 2024
ROUNDTRIP FROM LOS ANGELES, CA
Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

PRICING: 2 PEOPLE - \$50 ONBOARD CREDIT PER ROOM

4V - Interior Stateroom: \$1,240.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity

Stateroom Size: 150 square fee - occupancy up to 4 guests

4N - Ocean View Stateroom: \$1,690.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity

Size Stateroom: 160 square feet - occupancy up to 4 guests

2D - Balcony Stateroom: \$2,418.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity Stateroom size: 185 square feet + 50 square feet balcony - occupancy up to 4 guests



☐ I would like an Interior Stateroom for	Adults and	_ Children (	Age 12 or under).
☐ I would like an Oceanview Stateroom for	Adults and _	Childr	ren (Age 12 or under).
☐ I would like a Balcony Stateroom for	_ Adults and	_ Children (/	Age 12 or Under).
Stateroom Deposit - \$250 Per Person:	Check Credit/D	ebit Card _	Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)
Credit/Debit Card Number:			
Expiration Date: CVV Code: _	Zip Cod	e:	
Signature:			
Legal Names:	Birth D	late:	
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Mailing Address:			
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5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - info@lmsf.net

View event information online

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### September 15, 2023 (Friday) 6pm

Maggies Wigs 4 Kids Gala, Barrister Gardens, 24225 Harper Ave, St. Clair Shores

 $Learn\ more\ at\ {\it https://www.wigs4kids.org/events/wigs4-kids-events/20th-Anniversary-Gala\_ET579.html?fbclid=IwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKKtgpvTfCtwAmdAiB4-hXTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKtgpvTfCtwAmdAiB4-hXTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKtgpvTfCtwAmdAiB4-hXTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C\_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6IA0C_XMKTwAR2EyNX7ipHw9LZshkp5UrACkwuY6I$ 

September 21-23, 2023 - USA/Canada Forum, Reno, Nevada

### September 23, 2023 (Saturday) 1pm-4pm

Vandercook Lake Lions Club's 4th Annual LD and Pat's Cruise-In and VCL Festival was rained out in July. New date is September 23 from 9am to 3pm at the Vandercook Lake County Park.

### September 30, 2023 (Saturday) 1pm-4pm

Napoleon Lions Club 70th Anniversary Celebration

Lunch of pulled pork sliders and goodies, BYOB, 50/50s and club competitions. Contact Jo Ivy 517-712-5252 or stategirl78@gmail.com for more information and to RSVP (by September 20).

### October 6 and 7, 2023 (Friday, Saturday)

Pennfield Annual Candy Sales. To sign up for a shift, contact Brandon Buller at 269-268-0078.

### October 13, 2023 (Friday) 5:30pm

Penrickton Center Kickoff Dinner, The Henry Hotel, Dearborn. Michigan \$40.00 per person includes cash bar, raffle tickets for prizes, silent auction, full sit-down meal, entertainment. Get your tickets by calling Penrickton Center at 734-946-7500 or at https://penrickton.org/events/

October 14, 2023 (Saturday) - Vandercook Lake Drawdown

### October 14, 2023 (Saturday) -9am-3pm

Hillsdale Craft/Vendor Event, Hillsdale County Senior Center, 320 W. Bacon St, Hillsdale Lunch, snacks, drinks, and raffle tickets available for purchase.

### October 21 (Saturday) 9am-1pm

Fall Conference, Sandstone Church, 710 S Sandstone Rd, Jackson, MI Register by October 14, 2023 - \$15.00 per person. (See details above)

### October 21 (Saturday) Doors: 5pm Auction: 7pm

Michigan Center Lioness Lions Witch's Night Out (Quarter Mania), 302 Fifth St, Michigan Center, MI \$25 per person gets you dinner, admission, auction paddle, a free drink, chance to bid on silent auction baskets RSVP to Kim Tousley (517) 812-5478 or Debbie Chambers (517) 937-8663

### February 23-24, 2024 (Friday evening) (Saturday 8:30am-3pm)

Lions of Michigan Forum, Marriott Grand Rapids. Details at lionsofmi.com (as available)

April 6, 2024 (Saturday) -District 11-B1 Convention, Gene Davis Banquet Hall, 3575 Francis St, Jackson, MI

June 21-25, 2024- Lions International Convention, Melbourne, Australia