

A Big Crowd Enjoys the 16th Annual Michigan Forum!

Lion Steve Britten, Editor

Chalk up another amazing year at the MD-11 Michigan Forum in February! The event, held at the Lansing Causeway Bay Hotel, went smoothly due to the dedication and hard work of dozens of Lions, organization representatives, and hotel staff. Of course, the 200 or so Lions attending the event did a pretty good job, too! Event Chair Kimberly Thiede and the Forum Committee all deserve a big pat on the back!

There were many positive comments about the breakout sessions – 15 instructional sessions aimed at expanding our lionistic horizons, put on by a very talented instructional staff with impressive credentials. And kudos to the Lions Maxwell – that smiling couple that handled the check-in and registration desk – they do a great job of it. Even Miss Michigan 2014, KT Maviglia, at her tender young age had much to offer the crowd with her focus on hearing disabilities. Oh, that’s Lion KT Maviglia now. Did you hear? Yes, she joined District 11-B1’s Ann Arbor Host Lions club right there at the Forum! (see more on page 4)

I can so appreciate the fine coffee service made available throughout the entire morning – along with tea and ice water – that was a nice bonus! Lunch was tasty and filling and the plates of cookies at every table another nice touch. The scholarship presentation was fascinating and hearing from the recipients at times emotional and rewarding. And last, but not least, the many vendor displays were top-notch, as always.

I said it last year...I’ll say it again. If you missed this year’s Michigan Forum – you missed out!



Event Chair Kimberly Thiede welcomes us all!



Miss Michigan 2014, KT Maviglia



Lion Nancy Maxwell checking in the guests.



The Michigan Eye Bank becomes “Eversight” this year.



A large group of attentive Lions at the “Marketing Your Club” breakout session

YOUR DISTRICT 11-B1 OFFICERS

District Governor Vicki Lautzenheiser, North Jackson
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 R2Z2 Chair Margie Horsch, Jackson Eyeopeners
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From the Governor

DG Vicki Lautzenheiser, North Jackson Lions

Chapter - Spring

How awesome was the Michigan Forum on February 28? District 11-B1 was well represented at the forum and it warmed my heart. The presentations I went to were great. It was pretty exciting that KT Maviglia became a Lion and will be joining Ann Arbor Host.

Can Spring just be around the corner? One can always have hope that the temperatures will begin to warm and grass once again be seen. February was mighty brutal on the temperature side of things. I am sure we are all anxious to see the spring flowers pop through.

Clubs should begin thinking about their officer selection for 2015-16. PU-101s are due to LCI in mid-April and our incoming governor, Peggy Allen, needs this information to complete the District Roster. Try to involve newer members in your officer positions or committee assignments. A happy Lion is someone who feels needed and can provide service.

Our district convention keeps moving closer and closer. Please be sure your club has filled out the registration materials and delegate forms. PID Dennis (our guest speaker) is wintering in California and I keep him apprized of our wonderful winter here in Michigan.

Spring Leadership training is April 23 and again, another great opportunity to learn about the offices of our clubs. If you do not care to eat with the group, just come for the break-out sessions.

Please think about volunteering at the USA/Canada Forum in Grand Rapids September 19. Hundreds of volunteers are needed in various capacities for this event. Please see your Lion Pride or this newsletter for information on how to sign up.

Again, thank you all for everything you do. Remember to strengthen the pride, touch a life and make a difference.

DG Vicki



DG Vicki's Club Visitation Schedule

Mar 3 Jonesville Lions
Mar 11 BCCC Lions
Mar 17 BC Host Lions
Mar 19 WISD Leos

Other DG Thoughts and Insights

Chamber of Commerce. Has your club contemplated joining your local Chamber of Commerce? For a fee, you will have access to the leaders in your community to share Lions programs and quite possibly meet individuals who will join us in service!

Kidsight Screenings. If your club is planning a KidSight screening this summer, you should contact PDG Bob Chrisman at 517-596-2215 or chrism39@frontier.com to reserve the sightmobile. In addition, if you have a local Mason organization in your area, contact them at least eight weeks ahead of time to schedule their members to come have an ID program, picture and DNA swab kits. It is not too early to start thinking of this process. Summer will be right around the corner!



Michigan Lions District 11-B1 Newsletter

March 2015



District and Club Dates to Remember

MARCH – NATIONAL EYE DONOR MONTH

- 7 Lions Day with the United Nations
- 7-9 Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, Calgary, Canada
- 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins – Spring Forward!
- 10 Deadline for District Convention Registration Forms
- 14 Michigan Eye Bank “Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows”, Bel-Mark Lanes, Ann Arbor, 1:30PM – 4PM
- 14 Hillsdale Lions Club Rummage Sale & Bake Sale 9AM – 1PM
- 15 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 15 Deadline for District Convention Delegate Forms
- 31 Last Day for Regular International Convention Registration Fees (Adult Registration Goes up \$20)

APRIL – LIONS MEMBERSHIP GROWTH & LEO CLUB AWARENESS MONTH

- 1 Donate Life Day (f.k.a. Buddy Day) – Secretary of State branch offices
- 4 Clarklake Lions Easter Egg Hunt
- 5 **Easter Sunday**
- 10-11 11-B1 District Convention, Comfort Inn, Chelsea**
- 10 Deadline to Sign up for the Tigers vs. Milwaukee Game
- 19 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 23 Spring Leadership Forum, VCL HS, 5:30 PM
- 24 White Cane Week thru May 2nd (Michigan)
- 24 Michigan Arbor Day – Get Out There and Plant a Tree!
- 25 Clarklake Lions Cash Bash, 6P-11P, Brooklyn Legion Post 315
- 28 Lions Worldwide Induction Day

MAY – HEALTHY VISION MONTH & LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT MONTH

- 7 Hanover Horton Leos YEP Presentation to students/parents, HH School Library
- 9 Bear Lake Camp Spring Clean-up
- 10 **Mother’s Day**
- 17 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 15-17 MD-11 Convention, Doubletree Hotel, Holland, MI.**
- 16-22 Lions Worldwide Week of Service
- 19 Ann Arbor Evening Lions – Tigers vs. Milwaukee – See flier for details
- 22-23 VCL Lions Annual Garage Sale FRI 9A-5P, SAT 9A-3P * NOTE: THIS IS THE CORRECT DATE! *

JUNE – CATARACT AWARENESS MONTH

- 1 Helen Keller Day (LCI)
- 18-21 Michigan Center Carp Carnival, www.carp carnival.com (Parade is on the 20th at 11AM)
- 26-30 Lions International Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 27 Helen Keller’s Birthday

Club Anniversaries

March		6	Bedford Lions	48 yrs	
6	Athens Lions	40 yrs	11	Ann Arbor Evening Lions	54 yrs
19	Michigan Center Lions	58 yrs	11	Dexter Leos	5 yrs
28	Adrian Evening Lions	65 yrs	19	Grass Lake Leos	6 yrs
29	Chelsea Lions	38 yrs	20	Albion Lions	8 yrs
29	Dexter Lions	36 yrs	24	Pittsford Area Lions	41 yrs
April			28	Battle Creek Host Lions	91 yrs
1	Clinton Lions	5 yrs	29	Ann Arbor Host Lions	86 yrs
3	Jonesville Lions	80 yrs			
3	North Adams Lions	41 yrs	May		
3	North Jackson Lions	59 yrs	7	Jackson Host Lions	94 yrs

Lion News Bytes

Hanover Horton Leos Attend the Michigan Forum by Lion Walt Treichel, CS



The Michigan Forum was held recently for all Lions within the state of Michigan. The forum training was arranged in four 45 minute “breakout sessions” and those attending had choices of fifteen different subjects. The H-H Leos attended sessions covering Conducting Effective Meetings, Mentoring, Club Orientation, Running a Successful White Cane Drive, Club Excellence Process, Project KidSight Intro & Training, Marketing Your Club and GPS Technology for the Blind.

After a nice Luncheon the Leos listened to three acceptance speech from recipients of White Cane Scholarships for Sight Impaired and one for a Scholarship from Lions Hearing Center for a Deaf/Hard of Hearing Student. The Keynote Speaker for the 2014 Michigan Lions Forum was Miss Michigan 2014, KT Maviglia of Dundee, Michigan. In the Photo: (l-r) Vice President Sydnee Gifford, Stephen Newman, Miss Michigan 2014 KT Maviglia, Mackenna Nastally and Paige Miller (Photo by Dave Miller)



Here’s One for Ripley’s!

In the ‘believe it or not’ category, we have KT Maviglia, Miss Michigan 2014, who joined the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club at the Michigan Forum in Lansing. Here’s one case where “just ask” really paid off!

When asked if she would consider becoming a Lion, she said “I’d love to!” and in a matter of minutes, a membership application, a pen and even the money for her dues were sitting in front of her. She filled out the app and was sworn into LCI on the spot!

At left. Ann Arbor Host Lion IPP Alison Wright is all smiles with new club member, Lion KT Maviglia, by her side.

Membership Report thru February DG Vicki Lautzenheiser

The following clubs have experienced a positive growth so far this year.

Albion	13.33%	Ann Arbor Host	2.50%
Blissfield	15.38%	Clarklake	2.86%
Clinton	4.76%	Dexter	4.35%
Hanover Horton	10.00%	Jackson Cascades	5.88%
Marshall	9.52%	Michigan Center	2.99%
North Jackson	4.55%	Pittsford	3.45%
Tecumseh	16.67%	Vandercook Lake	12.50%

Congratulations to all of you! Keep up the great work!

District Presents Donations to Habitat for Humanity from DG Vicki Lautzenheiser

District 11-B1 recently presented donations to each of the following: Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley, Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee County and Habitat for Humanity Jackson



County. Each of these donations will help to move families into homes that are in the process of being updated by volunteers and the "sweat equity" of the family receiving the house.

District 11-B1 has been involved with Habitat for Humanity for several years now and it was a great honor to present these monies to each of the above counties and provide a better life for

residents of our communities.

In the first photo above, ZC Chair Dick Saxton presents Robin Hinnman of Lenawee Habitat for Humanity with a check for \$1637.74.

At right, Elena Ermak from Habitat for Humanity accepts a check from the 11-B1 District Lions at the February Washtenaw Urban County meeting. Presenting Ms. Ermak with the check is Lions' District 11 B-1 Zone Chair LuAnne Bullington and Ann Arbor Host Lion, Washtenaw County



Commissioner and Vice Chair of the Washtenaw Urban County, Yousef Rabhi.



At left, DG Vicki presents her check to Shelly Kasprzycki, Director of Habitat for Humanity, Jackson.

Habitat for Humanity's Jackson offices are located in the ReStore building at 251 W. Prospect, Jackson, MI 49203. They can be reached at 517-784-6620.

Time to Start Thinking About Officer Elections!

The deadline for PU-101's is April 15th! Time to start putting your slate for 2015-16 together and getting those club elections on the agenda!

Clinton Lions "Change" Meeting Location

Mark up those roster books...the Clinton Lions are now meeting at alternating locations. On even months they are meeting at the Clinton Coney Island and on odd months at the Clinton Public Library.

Lion Bob Chrisman Reminds Us – Get Those Sightmobile

Reservations In! He'll need to know as early as possible to keep it all running smoothly!

Leo Valentines for H-H Middle School Students & Staff from Lion Walt Treichel

The entire Hanover Horton Middle school student and staff became acquainted with the Hanover Horton Leos on Friday Feb 13th. As they arrived at school and opened their lockers, they found Valentines gifts that had been left for them by the Leo club.

At a previous meeting of the Leos, member Yvonne Tribble presented the idea of doing something for their fellow students, stating there were students who probably would not receive anything for Valentine's Day. The membership quickly agreed and the planning proceeded.



ABOVE: H-H Leo members place Leo Stickers on each of 300 bags for student and staff of the Hanover Horton Middle School.

AT RIGHT: H-H Leo members Brady Walker, Dakota Foote, Zach Cochran, Zach Town and Leo Advisor Gabrielle Scheese placing Valentine's packages in student lockers.



Leo Advisor Gabrielle Scheese went shopping on their behalf. Leo Club members Zachary Cochran, Noah Flint, Dakota Foote, Alaina Ignatoski, Paige Miller, Mackenna Nastally, Stephen Newman, Zachary Town, Yvonne Tribble and Brady Walker met after school on Thursday afternoon. They made 300 packages to place in student lockers and to present to Middle School Staff on the day before Valentine's Day.

Lions Jazz it Up at the Crazy Cowboy! from DG Vicki Lautzenheiser

Lion Kim Creger, Chair of the Cultural and Community Committee, organized a Mardi Gras Party at the Crazy Cowboy. The Northwest High School Jazz Band - under the direction of Bryan Mangiavellano - performed outstanding jazz favorites. In addition, Bryan was presented with a \$1,000 check from North Jackson Lions to help with summer camp for drum majors and other camp expenses. A great time was had by all!



Michigan Homes Needed

Have fun while learning about other cultures.
Share their experience and make a new friend.



Anna Lena Reimers

Germany – 16 years old

Interested in other cultures & languages...plays the violin & participates in sports



Giulia Ferracini

Italy – 17 years old

Loves reading fantasy & adventure books ...
swimming & writing



Honoka Takayoshi

Japan – 17 years old

Volleyball, listening to music,
Watching movies. Wants to improve her English



Maya Helene Pasdika

Germany – 17 years old

Lives in a many hundred years old cloister and farm in Germany and has a pet allergy



Ayaka Yamamoto

Japan – Age 20 years old

Likes listening to music



4 Week Stay – August 1-3 to August 27-29

Contact: Peggy Allen, District YEP

PeggyA7747@aol.com

Leader Dogs for the Blind is Accepting Applications for their 2015 Summer Experience Camp!

from ZC LuAnne Bullington

Do you know any teenagers who could use a week of fun, outdoor activity and friendship this summer? Do you think they would enjoy kayaking, rock wall climbing and tandem biking? How about the challenge of developing new travel skills and stretching their independence? If so, the Leader Dogs for the Blind Summer Experience Camp was designed with them in mind.

The program combines outdoor activities with things exclusively Leader Dog—audible pedestrian GPS training and the opportunity to spend time with Leader Dogs in training and guide dog mobility instructors. The combination will help them increase the skills they need to live independently!

Summer Experience Camp is for boys and girls ages 16 and 17 who are legally blind. The program is completely free including airfare to Michigan—and everyone receives a free HumanWare Trekker audible pedestrian GPS device to keep. Summer Experience Camp is scheduled for June 26—July 3, 2015. Applications are due by April 1, 2015.

For more information and to download an application, go to www.leaderdog.org/clients/programs/summer-experience-camp or call the Leader Dogs for the Blind client services department at 888-777-5332.

Lions Bear Lake Camp Paddle Boat Fund

from PDG Chuck Belesky

The Emmett Lions Club (District 11-D2) purchased and donated an ADA Paddle Wheel Boat for the physically challenged and donated it to **Lions Bear Lake Camp**. The camp could sure use a second boat, so the Emmett Lions started a fund for the second boat. The cost of this boat is \$4,500.00. So far we have raised \$2,650.00 with donations from 21 Lions Clubs, a church and an individual.

Remember, Lions Bear Lake Camp is a Lions of Michigan State Project. Please consider making a donation of \$100.00 **or more** to this very worthwhile project. Please make your check out to the **Emmett Lions** and on the memo line please put **Paddle Boat**. Mail your check to PDG Lion Chuck Belesky, 11280 Hill Road, Riley Mich. 48041.

Next month's edition will include a list of all the donors. Make sure your club is on it! ☺

Napoleon Lions Club hosts Pinewood Derby



Two members of the Napoleon Cub Scouts get ready to race.

The Napoleon Lions Club has hosted 3 Pinewood Derbies this year with the Michigan Center Boy Scouts, the Brooklyn Girl Scouts and the Napoleon Boy Scouts. Our club provides the race track and computer management system as a community service project. Each child makes their own car from a kit and the car cannot weigh more than 5 ounces and must meet the required dimension requirements. Project Chair Lion Dale Babcock stated that “this is great way to involve the youth in our community”.

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY!

North Jackson Lions add Two New Members! from DG Vicki Lautzenheiser



Here are our newest members Lions Ron and Jenny Wilburn along with our Zone Chair Jim Montgomery. ZC Jim installed Lions Ron and Jenny along with President Duane Roepcke & PDG Dennis and DG Vicki Lautzenheiser, their sponsors. Thanks so much for joining us in service!

From L-R: President Duane Roepcke, PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser, Lion Ron Wilburn, DG Vicki Lautzenheiser, Lion Jenny Wilburn, ZC Jim Montgomery.

And Blissfield Area Lions add Two New Members, Too! from ZC Dick Saxton

Here are a couple of photos of the newly installed members. The 1st is of Lion Ed Petee and sponsor Lion Dick Saxton. The second is of Lion Scott Walters(sponsor), Lion Austin Wagley, ZC Dick Saxton. Congratulations to the new members and the Blissfield club!



Napoleon Lions Award Lion of the Year to: Lion Levi Kimball!



The photo at left shows Lion Chris West (L) presenting Lion Levi Kimball (R) with the Napoleon Lion of the Year Award for 2014-15. Congratulations, Lion Levi!

- Submitted by Napoleon Lion ZC Jim Montgomery

(Editor's Note: I love recognition and new member stories! Be sure to get photos of your recognition events and submit them for publication. Please include names and at least one full sentence telling me what's going on.)

Upcoming Events and Info

Clarklake Lions & Clarklake Community Church

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, 4 April 2015

2:30 PM

**In the
Clarklake Lions Park
(West End of Clarklake)**



For more information
Call Clarklake Community
Church
517-529-9359

Join us at the
Clarklake Community Church
Saturday, 28 March
At
12:00 PM
To help us color the Eggs
Kids of all ages welcome!



“Donate Life Day 2015” (fka Buddy Day) is Coming April 1st!

Many volunteers make light and enjoyable work, so be sure to get signed up to work this year’s Donate Life Day at your local Secretary of State branch office. See below for details on how you can volunteer!

To volunteer for Donate Life Day, call or email Alex Teska at (800) 247-7250, ext. 2675 or ateska@michiganeyebank.org You can also complete and return the following form to:

Attn: Alex Teska, 4889 Venture Drive, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

Volunteer Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

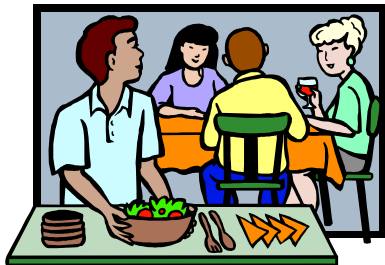
Email: _____

Lions/Lioness Club Name: _____

Secretary of State Branch Office at which you would like to volunteer:

Shift: 11-1pm 1-3pm 3-5pm 5-7pm

Clarklake Lions 36th Annual



Cash Bash

April 25, 2015 – 6 to 11 pm



1st prize - \$2000 3rd prize - \$500
2nd prize - \$1000 4th prize - \$250
5th prize - \$100

MANY MORE PRIZES + ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET

ONLY 170 TICKETS SOLD

DONATIONS \$50 PER PERSON - NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

PLACE: BROOKLYN LEGION POST 315

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TICKETS CONTACT WALT REED @ 517-529-4979

OR GARY KONARSKA @ 515-206-7233

OR YOUR FAVORITE CLARKLAKE LION

(Aren't they All?)

District 11-B1 Convention Section

Miss Michigan 2014 KT Maviglia Friday's Keynote Speaker at DistCon!



KT was crowned Miss Michigan 2014 on June 14, 2014. Her personal platform is, "LISTEN UP: Advocating for those with Hearing Disabilities." KT was diagnosed with sensorineural hearing loss at the age of nine. In 2012 she founded The KT Maviglia Fund for Hearing. KT holds events to raise money for children who need assistance paying for hearing devices and has developed a strategic plan to raise awareness on issues that impact children with hearing difficulties. While continuing The KT Maviglia Fund efforts, she has been working with our Michigan legislators to address undertreated hearing issues and improve the coverage of hearing aid equipment for children. KT is a 2014 graduate of the University of Michigan and will be pursuing a graduate degree in Communications/Broadcasting. KT has been recently appointed to the University of Michigan Wolverine Human Services Young Professionals Board. KT will continue traveling the great state of Michigan during her reign promoting her platform and working with children to focus on their ABILITIES!

Scholastic Honors: Dean's List 2010-2014; Member of Sigma Alpha Lambda Honor Society; Oakland University Outstanding Academic Scholar Award recipient 2010-2012; Member of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society

Leadership Roles: U-M Dance Department Student Representative 2012-2014; Organized a Vietnam Veterans of America packing party for active duty soldiers; Oakland University Dance Department Student Representative 2011-2012; Volunteer leader for the Fantasy of Trees Gala Fundraising Event; Student choreographer for Oakland University Dance Team

Accomplishments: Choreographer/Producer BFA Concert U-M (2014); Premiered in a U-M Commercial (2013); Round three finalist on So You Think You Can Dance Season 10 (2013); Auditioned and accepted into the U-M Dance Department 2012-2014; Selected for Radio City Rockettes' Training Intensive 2011; Lead dance ensemble member for Beauty & the Beast stage production, Crosswell Opera House; Corps dancer in Swan Lake with North American Ballet Company 2009

DISTRICT CONVENTION MENU*

APRIL 10 - FRIDAY NIGHT BUFFET @ 6:00 P.M. \$18.00

Pulled pork sandwiches, fresh fruit display, cole slaw, vegetable medley, garlic mashed potatoes, macadamia nut cookies, iced tea and lemonade, regular and decaffeinated coffee and hot tea.

APRIL 11 - SATURDAY BUFFET LUNCHEON @ 11:15 A.M. \$17.00

Classic Caesar salad, mixed green salad with chef's choice dressing, seasonal fresh fruit salad, fresh baked potatoes with assorted toppings, vegetable soup, freshly baked bread, brownies, iced tea and lemonade, regular and decaffeinated coffee and hot tea.

APRIL 11 - SATURDAY CASH BAR FROM 5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Soft drinks, house liquor, beer and wine.

APRIL 11 - SATURDAY INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR'S BANQUET, PLATED DINNER, @ 6:00 P.M. \$26.00

Garden tossed salad, vegetable medley, Chicken Boursin or Traverse City Whitefish, freshly baked bread, pineapple upside down cake or carrot cake, iced tea and lemonade, regular and decaffeinated coffee and hot tea.

*There is no scheduled breakfast on Saturday morning, April 11. Those who stay at the Comfort Inn in Chelsea do get a breakfast at the Inn included in their room registration.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Friday, April 10

6-7 pm **Buffet Dinner** – Watertower/Silo

7:15-8 pm **Miss Michigan K.T. Maviglia**
Introduced by **Lion Stephanie Clink (Saline)**

8:45 pm **Annie Speaks – Collette Cullen**
Introduced by **DG Vicki Lautzenheiser**

9:00 pm **Leo Awards, Raffles,**
Costume Judging and Prizes

9:30 pm **Hospitalty Room**
Hospitality/Breakfast Room Hotel

Saturday, April 11

9-10 am **Memorial Service** – Clocktower/Depot
Rev. Lion Art Turner

10:10 am-11:10 am **Opening Ceremeony**
DG Vicki Lautzenheiser
Presentation of Lion Banners
MYCA Color Guard
Veteran Recognition and Honor Ceremony
Mayor of Chelsea

11:15 am-1:15 pm **Awards Luncheon**
Watertower/Silo
PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser
Master of Ceremonies
Michigan Eye Bank
Awards Presentation – **DG Vicki Lautzenheiser**
Pie Raffle – **PDG Dick Dettling**

1:30-3 pm **Guest Speakers** – Clocktower/Depot
1:30-2:00 pm **Howdy Holmes, CEO**
Chelsea Milling and Race Car Driver

2:05-2:35 pm **One-on-One with PID Tichenor**

2:40-3 pm **Everything You Wanted to Know About Lions**
PDGs Barry Allen and Dick Dettling

3:05-4 pm **Business Meeting**
Clocktower/Depot

4 pm-4:30 pm **Elections**

5:30 pm **Social**

6pm-8pm **International Director Banquet**
Watertower/Silo
Executive Director, Lion Wendy Burns
Mistress of Ceremonies
PID Dennis Tichenor – speaker
Awards, Raffle Prizes

Hospitality Room



11-B1 District Convention
April 10-11, 2015
Comfort Inn, Chelsea

District Officers
DG Vicki Lautzenheiser
(North Jackson)
VDG and Cabinet Secretary Peggy Allen
(Manchester)
IPDG and GLT Barry Allen
(Manchester)
Cabinet Treasurer Walt Treichel
(Hanover Horton)
District Newsletter Editor Steve Britten
(Vandercook Lake)
GMT PDG Dick Dettling
(Dexter)
Zone Chair LuAnne Bullington
(Ann Arbor Host)
Zone Chair Dick Saxton
(Blissfield)
Zone Chair Jim Montgomery
(Napoleon)
Zone Chair Margie Horsch
(Jackson Eyeopeners)
Zone Chair Mark Robinson
(Albion)



District 11-B1

Notification of Upcoming District Convention

What: Annual District Convention for District 11-B1

Where: Comfort Inn, Chelsea, Michigan

When: April 10th & 11th, 2015. Friday & Saturday

Registration will be required for all Lion members for accurate meal counts and to determine qualified delegates for the convention.

Friday, April 10th

Registration 3:30pm-6pm
Friday evening cabinet meeting
Buffet Dinner- 7pm
Leo Awards, Raffle Prizes
Miss Michigan 2014
Helen Keller presentation
Hospitality Room

Saturday, April 11th

Registration 7:30am-3:30pm
Saturday morning Memorial Service
Veterans Ceremony
Award Luncheon, Pie Raffle
Breakout Sessions
Business meeting 2:50pm-4pm
DG/ID Banquet 6-9pm

Prizes, Awards, 50/50 drawings, Fun,
Project Displays, Entertainment, Breakout
Sessions and Guest Speakers

Meet PID Dennis Tichenor

*****Lion member reservations are due no later than March 15, 2015

Date: May 19, 2015 **Time: 5 PM at the Bus**

Meet at Briarwood Mall, JC
Penny Store Bus leaves at 5:20

DETROIT
Tigers



\$50 Includes Ticket,
Bus, water & chips

Contact Person:

Cathy Koning

Ann Arbor Evening Lions

616-745-0119

CathyKoning@yahoo.com

Mail Checks to:

Ann Arbor Evening Lions

10887 Ella Lee Road

Saline, MI 48176

Come watch the Detroit TIGERS
battle the Milwaukee Brewers at
Comerica Park.

Game begins at 7:08 PM.

Seating on the third level, first
base side of home plate

★ (329 Upper Box Infield)

50/50's Raffle Prizes

You may bring food & beverage

Ticket Price without the bus is \$30

DEADLINE APRIL 10th

★ Come Support the Ann Arbor
Evening Lions Club

LIONS

Worldwide Week of Service in May



Join us for this special Centennial Service Challenge event to strengthen our communities and help Lions reach our Centennial goal of serving 100 million people.

Looking for a great way to serve? Consider hosting a project to help children in need in your community. No matter how you choose to serve, be sure to join us for this global event!

Join the Lions Worldwide Week of Service in May

- 1) **Plan your project** – Host a service project that benefits youth, vision, hunger or the environment during the week of **May 16–22**.
- 2) **Share your project** – Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of service.
- 3) **Report your project** – Report your service on the MyLCI Service Activity Report to earn a Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

Start Planning Your Service Project

Share this special event with your club and start planning your project today. Don't miss this opportunity to join Lions around the globe in the Worldwide Week of Service in May!



Share event photos using the hashtag **#Lions100**, and we'll share them on the LCI Facebook page!

lions100.org

Ask One in April and Be Recognized



Ask One is a small step that can make a big difference in your membership efforts. And when you Ask One friend, family member or neighbor to join your club in April, you can earn special recognition. Invite a member to join your club in April and you'll receive a [Membership Growth Award Pin](#)! Plus, if you invited a member in October, you'll receive a gold pin and a banner patch for your club.

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation selling limited edition coins to



honor veterans. Clubs or Lion members can purchase these for \$5.00 each and can be used as a fundraiser for your club. The coins retail for \$10.00 each for non-Lion members. Please contact Lion Clem Ruiz or Lion Vicki Ruiz @517-529-9689. These coins will go fast, so if you are interested, your club needs to take action. Some clubs want to purchase 25 coins at a price of \$125

and could potentially make another \$125 by selling to non-members. from Lion Jim Montgomery, ZC.

Information on the Grand Rapids US/Canada Forum... IPDG Barry Allen

The US/Canada Forum which will be held on September 17 - 19, 2015 in Grand Rapids, MI. We need to get our Lions thinking about attending since this will be in our own backyard. It's a fantastic opportunity for two days of seminars, but even better to see all of our Lions leaders in one place and to talk to them, including our current and past International Presidents, Directors and many of the LCI staff.

If you register before June 1st, you get a discounted price of \$277. From June 1st to July 20th the rate goes to \$288, and after that up to \$310.

For more information, follow this link: <http://lionsforum.org/>

Contests, Contests and More Contests...

Peace Poster Kits On Sale Now!

Clubs can now order their kits at LCI. For more info, click on this link:

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/youth/peace-poster/index.php>

Presidents and Secretaries:

Remember to have someone from your club pick up your Club's entry at the District Convention on Saturday afternoon. If it is not picked up, I will, of course, mail them to you, but picking them up saves the district mailing expenses.

Again, thanks to everyone who participated last year and I look forward to our entries of "Share Peace" next November.

Yours in Lionism
DG Vicki



I think there should be a contest for...

What kind of contests do you think would be fun and interesting for the District to do? How about an MD-11 LOMF Sweepstakes prize for the club that sells the most tickets? Let me know what you think! Send your ideas to steve@protechcomputers.biz

THIS MONTH'S "CLUB DOINGS" *Clubs Doing What They Do!*

The Adrian Breakfast Lions collected another 100 eyeglasses this month and donated to the Adrian After Prom program and the CCA Walk for Warmth – a project that helps with heating bills. They'll be doing vision screening for pre-K students this month.

The Bedford Area Lions continue their weekly cherry juice sale and held their soup and salad dinner. They hosted the Zone Meeting, participated in the Winter Camp for the Blind, and made a generous donation to the SC Michigan Food Bank.

The Clinton Lions reported mint sales and eyeglass collections in January. They also attended their Zone Meeting. They'll be starting their vidalia onion sales in April.

The Hanover Horton Area Lions attended a Joint Zone Meeting and the Michigan Forum. They made donations to the Penrickton Center, the Hanover Horton Little League and Bear Lake Camp. They enjoyed PR coverage in the County Press, as well as the District Newsletter.

The Hanover Horton Leos continued their membership drive, adding 3 new members this month. They were also busy gathering recipes for their cookbook project, and making and sending valentines to all the Middle School students. They also had 4 members attend the MD-11 Michigan Forum and got PR coverage in the County Press, District Newsletter and State Newsletter!

The Inter-Lake Lions donated to the local food pantry.

The Jackson Eyeopeners Lions served lunch at the Interfaith Shelter, donated tissues to McCullough School, donated bingo prizes to the Winter Camp for the Blind and attended their Zone Meeting and the Michigan Forum. They financed a hearing aid fitting for a Jackson resident, donated to the Friendly Home washer/dryer effort, and supported a local food pantry. They are selling the LMF Sweepstakes tickets and contributed recipes to the H-H Leos Cookbook Project.

The Jackson Host Lions participated in the Younkers Community Days on Feb 27-28, are helping a resident get a new hearing aid, attended the Michigan Forum and financed vision assistance and the Fitness Council. Their onion sale has kicked off and they are currently participating in a CEP.

The Manchester Lions conducted a Charity Poker, helped collect admissions for the Girls HS Basketball, shoveled snow for senior citizens (what a GREAT idea!), and helped out at the Winter Camp for the Blind. They attended the Michigan Forum and made several donations to local organizations and individuals including the Manchester Community Resource Center Food Drive, and vision care needs for a local senior and a middle school student. They wrapped up by collecting 300 pairs of eyeglasses from their drop boxes!

The Munith Lions are working on getting a reader for a local resident. They attended the Michigan Forum and continue to support the Munith/Stockbridge "Pay it Forward" program with regular donations.

The North Adams Lions held their "Reverse Raffle Cash Party" in February, and cleared close to \$7k on the event! Nice fundraiser!

The North Jackson Lions attended the Michigan Forum, helped at the Winter Camp for the Blind, donated to the Northwest Band Program and the Jackson Friendly Home washer/dryer effort.

The Saline Area Lions will be holding Kidsight screenings in March for Saline pre-schools and daycares. Last month they made two donations to the Leaderdog School: one for a memorial for K. Guenther and a second to the kennel renovation project.



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The Tecumseh Lions will be working on “Easter Baskets” for the needy, but these baskets will bear a wonderful Easter dinner! They’ll be doing this in conjunction with their local food pantry.

The Tekonsha Lions enjoyed their annual birthday (71) celebration and fun night with a potluck dinner. They selected Lion Dawn Copas as their Lion of the Year and announced it in their local paper. Congratulations, Lion Dawn!

The Vandercook Lake Lions held their monthly pancake breakfast, attended their Zone Meeting and the Michigan Forum. They are selling LMF Sweepstakes tickets and also donated to the Jackson Friendly Home washer/dryer effort.

WELCOME ABOARD!

Recent New Members in the District:

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Austin Wagley	Blissfield & Area Lions	Scott Walters
Jake Miller	Battle Creek Cereal City Lions	David Buresh
Douglas Burland	Pennfield Lions Club	Michael Cole
Duane Chad	Pennfield Lions Club	Charles Griffin
Noah Flint	Hanover Horton Leos	N/A
Zachary Town	Hanover Horton Leos	N/A
Brady Walker	Hanover Horton Leos	N/A

GONE BUT ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS

Arthur Gehrman http://www.henryfuneralhome.org/obits/obituary.php?id=531601	Bedford Area Lions	February 14, 2015 Served in Lions for over 18 Years
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Harold “Hop” Anderson http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?pid=174211064 A Charter Member, Melvin Jones Fellow, Past District Governor & Past Council Chair	Clarklake Lions	February 20, 2015 Served in Lions for over 50 Years
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Condolences to Lion Bob McCreery, whose beloved wife, Beverly Jo, passed away March 5th
http://www.shellyodell.com/fh/obituaries/obituary.cfm?o_id=2996154&fh_id=11985

* LION LINKS *

Cool Lions Stuff Online

Cool article on Mlive about “Brad’s Lunch Bunch” approaching 7-year, \$500k milestone
http://www.mlive.com/opinion/jackson/index.ssf/2014/11/brad_flory_column_a_call_to_ac.html

Good info about the LCI 100th Anniversary <http://lions100.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php>

The Founding of Lions Clubs International https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SQ_fr6ZZD4

Leading for Life -- Lions Clubs Video about Leos <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0esT85S5LKQ>

The District 11-B1 eClubhouse Website: <http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/>

The District 11-B1 Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/118930264790057/>

Be Sure to Get Your Club's Info into the Newsletter!

Be sure to send your M&A Reports and articles w/photos to steve@protechcomputers.biz! Be sure to expand on those one-liners in the M&A in the text section at the end! Tell us more about your events there. **NOTE ON PHOTOS:** If you send photos, be sure to provide names of those in the photo using the L-R (by row if nec) convention. A little back-story on the photo is great, too. Thank you!

REMEMBER: What you are going to do (upcoming events) are just as important as what you did! The Newsletter is a great way to get your events publicized! Be sure to put them on page 2 of your M&A! (toss in the who, what, when and where – ok?)

Please note: If you have a computerized version of your article, please e-mail it to me! Do not print it and snail-mail me the hardcopy (unless you really feel evil and malicious!). Don't always have time to re-type the article back into the computer. Thank you!

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Steve Britten, District 11B1 Newsletter Editor

Imagine...

If every hour spent watching TV we exercised for 5 minutes...
If every hour of surfin' the web or reading we stopped and talked to friend for a few minutes...
If every day of every week we stopped and wrote down one thought in a notebook...
If once each week we thought of someone we haven't talked to in ages – and called them!

Don't forget to take time – to make time – for the really important things!

And now...

Two Norwegians

Two Norwegians are drinking in a bar.

One says, "Did you know that Elks have sex 10 to 15 times a day?"

"Damn it..." says his friend, "...and I just joined the Knights of Columbus!"

Hee, hee...ho, ho...hardee, har, har!

Have a Marvelous March!

FORMS , INFORMATION AND PUBS SECTION

1. 2015 USA/Canada Lions Forum (GR, MI) Volunteers Sign-up
2. White Cane Supplies Order Form
3. IntCon Info for Michigan Lions
4. Leaderdog CDC Contribution Form (2 Pages)



2015 USA/CANADA LIONS FORUM Volunteers Sign-up Form



Yes, I (we) would like to work at the 2015 Forum. *(Same form may be used for both spouses.)*

Check all areas where you would be interested in working.

Me Spouse

Grand Rapids-2015 USA/Canada Forum

- * () () Will be available to help Sept. 15-19, 2015 in Grand Rapids, MI
() Tues () Wed. () Thurs. () Fri. () Sat.
- () () Host Committee office at DeVos Place Convention Center (Wed. - Sat.)
- * () () Hotel registration booths (at hotels Wed. & Thurs.)
- * () () Convention Center Registration (Wed. - Sat.)
- () () Run VIP airport Shuttles (personal vehicles needed, Tues.-Sun.)
- () () Airport Welcome and Information booth (at Grand Rapids Ford Airport: Wed.-Sat.)
- () () Welcome Centers on highways into Michigan- (club project if possible: Tues-Thurs.)
- () () Registration and promotion booths at the State Conventions in adjacent States; () Wis.,
() Ohio, () Kentucky, () Indiana, () Illinois, () Ontario () Hawaii - Intl. Conv.
- () () Data entry in Host Committee office (Thurs. - Sat.)
- () () Convention Center greeter and/or information provider (Thurs. - Sat.)
- * () () Seminar Sergeant-at-Arms (Fri. - Sat.)
- * () () Seminar Observer (Assist presenters and moderators if needed Fri. - Sat.)
- * () () Sergeant-at-Arms: banquets (Thurs. p.m. - Sat. p.m.)
- () () Assist with seating at banquets (Thurs. p.m. - Sat. p.m.)
- () () Forum Store set up (Wed.)
- * () () Work at Forum Store (Thurs. - Sat. 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)
- () () Assist in setting up/ tear down Peace Poster display on Wed. & Sat.
- () () I/we will work where ever needed except _____

* denotes areas where many volunteers will be needed

All shifts will be no more than 4 hours in length. Many will be much less

Name (s) _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____

District _____ Club _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Return form to Forum Host Manpower Co-Chair: PCC Brian Shepard,
6235 Pollard,
East Lansing, MI 49127
(517) 256-9184 cell
shepard@financialtec.com

Lions of Michigan White Cane Order Form



Club Name:	Order Date:
District:	Address:
Your Name:	Phone:

White Cane Merchandise/Quantity	Quantity	Price	Total
Miniature Plastic White Canes 500/Bag		\$70.00	\$ 0.00
Punched Cards 500/Bundle		\$15.00	\$ 0.00
String Tags 1000/bag		\$57.00	\$ 0.00
White Cane Butter Mints 1000/box (Currently not available)		\$0.00	
White Cane Stickers 1000/roll		\$25.00	\$ 0.00
White Cane Appliques 500/bundle		\$65.00	\$ 0.00
Bib Apron (small) (1)		\$12.00	\$ 0.00
Bib Apron (large) (1)		\$14.00	\$ 0.00
Waist Apron (1)		\$8.00	\$ 0.00
42" Wood Cane (1)		\$15.00	\$ 0.00
White Cane Placemats 500/bundle		\$21.00	\$ 0.00
Eyeglass Collection Box large (1)		\$7.50	\$ 0.00
Eyeglass Collection Box small (1)		\$5.50	\$ 0.00
Extra Eyeglass Box Stickers set of 3		\$3.00	\$ 0.00
White Cane Law Pamphlets 250/bundle		\$20.00	\$ 0.00
Certificate of Appreciation		\$0.60	\$ 0.00
White Cane Bookmarks 100/bundle		\$10.00	\$ 0.00
Leader Patch (1)		\$3.00	\$ 0.00
Individually Wrapped Lions Mints (Peppermint) (750/box)		\$15.00	\$ 0.00
Individually Wrapped Lions Mints (Wintergreen) (750/box)		\$15.00	\$ 0.00
		Order Total:	\$ 0.00

Notes:

Submit Order

**International Convention Committee
Report to Council of Governors
Saturday, November 22, 2014**

Parade Attire: Navy pants, capris or skirt (no hot pants); Michigan Parade Shirt; black footwear.

Parade Give-Away – will again be Michigan Flags and of YOUR excess trading pins.

Michigan Pin – has already been manufactured and may be purchased at the State Office.

Michigan Patch – the design has been selected and will be available at the Council of Governors Meeting.

Flights to Honolulu – you are on your own to purchase. Flights are currently running approximately \$1200 from Detroit. DGE travel will be arranged by LCI.

Michigan Headquarters Hotel – is the Waikiki Beach Marriott, \$265 per night (tax included plus an additional \$30 resort fee per day to use their amenities). Some of hotel information will be updated as the date draws nearer. The Michigan hotel is 2.2 miles from the Convention Center. The phone number is 808-922-6611.

DGE hotel - is the Hilton Hawaiian Village and LCI will take care of your expense for the room cost while you are in school and attending the convention. Any add-on time will be at your expense. The phone number is 808-949-4321.

Michigan Night – is scheduled for Sunday, June 28, 2015. It will be held Germaine's on the west side of the island. A bus will pick up from our two hotels (Waikiki Beach Marriott and Hilton Hawaiian Village) at approximately 5:30 pm. The cost will be approximately \$80 pp. which includes luau buffet dinner, transportation, tax, tip, show and three adult beverages. Prices will be confirmed after the beginning of the year.

RESERVATION DEADLINE – for the lowest cost of \$110 pp is January 9, 2015. Rates go up to \$150 through March 31 and after April 1 they become \$170 pp.

International Parade – Saturday, June 27.

International Show – Saturday, June 27 at 7 pm.



Lions Canine Development Center—Contribution Form

CLUB INFORMATION

Club Name: _____ District #: _____ Club Membership: _____

Title: President/Secretary/Treasurer Club Contact Name: _____

Club Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Home / Cell / Work (please circle)

Name as it should appear in recognition: _____

We would like to be anonymous

THIS IS A ONE-TIME GIFT (not a pledge or a pledge payment)

Check # _____

Multiple checks—please complete page 2

THIS IS OUR CLUB'S PLEDGE

Our total Club's pledge is \$ _____

To be paid in installments of \$ _____ over _____ years beginning on _____ date.

Payments to be made:

Yearly on the following date _____

Other schedule (please attach details of schedule)

If your Club wishes to make your first installment, please complete the following:

First installment attached: \$ _____

Cash

Check (# _____)

Other _____

If multiple people are contributing to the pledge payment, please complete page 2

Please make checks out to: Leader Dogs for the Blind- Canine Development Center.

Please forward the completed form to: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Attn: Philanthropy, 1039 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, MI, 48307. For additional information or questions, please call 248/651.5812.

Please sign and date below.

Club Contact Signature

Date

Thank you for your support!



Lions Canine Development Center—Contribution Form

Club Name: _____

If your Club is sending in multiple checks, please complete the following table.

- For **one-time gifts** (in addition to the pledge or pledge payment) please complete the donor and gift information below. Please note that all of these gifts will still be soft credited to the Club.
- For personal gifts that will be **counted as part of a Club's pledge payment**, please check the first column next to each gift that should be counted towards the Club's pledge.

Part of the Club's Pledge Payment (check if yes)	Donor Information Name, Address, City, State, Postal Code	Total Pledge amount	Total Pledge Payment or One-time gift amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be anonymous		
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Total Amount One-Time Gifts: _____

Total Amount Gifts towards Club's Pledge Payment: _____

Total Amount Included: _____