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Big Crowd Packs the House at the Fall Conference 2015!

There were displays from various charitable organizations, and tables with goods for sale from district clubs, the usual 50/50 ticket sale and a very nice breakfast table with fruits, cakes, muffins and more. The head table stretched long and many, many round tables filled the large basement of the Sandstone Congregational Church – tables that were quickly filling up with Lions, Leos, Lionesses and guests. It was 8:30 in the morning and it was the District 11-B1 Fall Conference and Parade of Checks.

There were many speakers that day, some a bit long in the tooth, others perhaps too brief, but it all balanced out as the agenda rolled along and we finished hearing, learning, receiving awards, and sharing at noon on the nose. Kudos to the District Leadership and committees that made it all happen, and especially to the Parma Lions Club and helpers that provide such a perfect location for this event – not to mention a great luncheon! But there was one thing that wasn't there...and this Editor sincerely missed it...Lions songs! Apparently, Lion Jim Baum could not attend. We missed you, Lion Jim!!

Enough said, I won't bore you too much, let's roll with the pictures and get on with this newsletter! And oh, my apologies, please, for taking so long! Hope you like it! Oh, almost forgot...the Parade of Checks brought in a fabulous \$44,101 this year! Wow! That's a lot of pancakes! ☺



The Posting of the Colors – The MYCA PDG Barry & DG Peggy Allen Preppin' DG Peggy Opens It



A dazzling display by the H-H Leos The H-H Leos & Gabrielle Scheese The Parma Lions 50-50 Crew



DG Barry & the famous SPOT PDG Bob Chrisman VCL Lions Brad Mercier, Storm & Al Lairson

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From the Governor

DG Peggy Allen, Manchester Lions

In October I attended two memorial services; one for Lion Harold Nelson and then for Lion Jean Davis. Both of these Lions will be missed by loving families and friends.

PDG Barry and I attended the Adrian Breakfast Lion Club's baked potato and salad bar fundraiser. If you missed this event you missed a great meal!

The following morning we attended the Marshall pancake breakfast. I also picked up a bag of knit hats and blankets for the district project. Great job ladies! Thank you.

DG and both VDG's attended the Council of Governor's meetings in Big Rapids 8th-10th. Manchester Lions (home club) had a four day charity poker tournament 8th-11th. Both 2VDG LuAnne and I worked all shifts on Sunday. No getting out of working for us.

Manchester Lion Linda Sullivan delivered the District Raffle Quilt to me on the 13th. It is beautiful!!!! I bought many tickets for a chance to win it at the April Convention. You can help me out; Cabinet Treasurer Walt wants me to sell at least 200 of the tickets... as of this writing I have sold 60 tickets at club visitations.

Twelve members from our district attended the Penrickton Center for Blind Children – Kick-Off Banquet. IPDG Vicki Lautzenheiser was presented the clock gift for continued service and district donations. Three districts help support this project.

The Fall Conference and Parade of Checks; followed by the Cabinet Meeting were well attended. Thank you Parma Lions Club for hosting the breakfast and lunch!

PDG Barry and I attended the Vandercook Lake Lions Reverse Raffle, held at the Davis Center; and the Tecumseh Lions Fall Frolic event.

PDG Barry and I were the Grand Marshall's for the Munith Lions Parade on October 24th, followed by helping serve the kids and families as they came through the school for the after parade goodies. PDG Barry made good use of the new SPOT camera as everyone was herded down the hallway, before entering the gym for the cider and donuts etc. Seven official club visits were completed and two rescheduled by clubs for a later date.

Two Zone Meeting were attended (RIII, Z1 and RIII, Z2). Both ZC's Roger Spriggs and Claudea Templeton showed great leadership in running their meetings. They made me proud to have them in these positions.

Two evening were at clubs for the SPOT camera training being Munith and a joint meeting of the three Ann Arbor Clubs. Please schedule a club training time with PDG Barry.

PDG Bob and Lion Charlene Chrisman came to Manchester on the Halloween afternoon to help out with the Pumpkin Bowling Event. We had eight of our Lion members working, plus the Chrisman's and three 'Lion for A Day' helpers. Outside the cold, rain and wind we had a great time and turn out. Two hundred bowlers came through between 5-7:15pm.

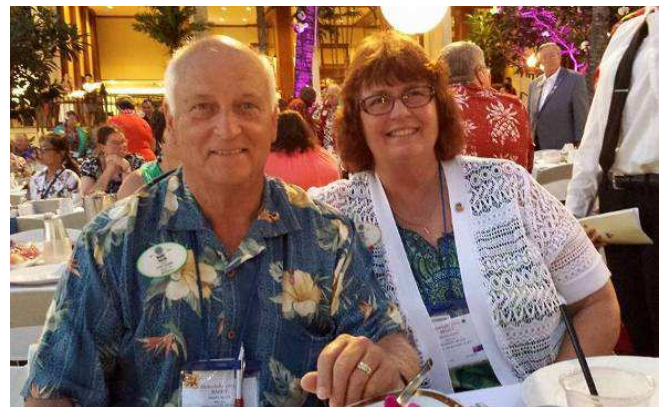
Well look here, we have all made it through the Halloween Events and made it safely into November. With four Official Club Visitations under my belt for this month, I have three yet to visit and then my time opens up considerably.

November is MEMBERSHIP month, the time International sets to bring in new members. I will accept them during any month.

Keep in mind that the Peace Posters are due to District Governor by November 15th.

The Allen Family wishes to take this time to wish everyone a hearty, healthy and safe Thanksgiving!

DG Peggy



DG Peggy's Club Visitation Schedule

Nov	13-15	Higgins Lake
	24	Clarklake Lions
Dec	1	Adrian Evening Lions
	4-6	Council of Governors
	9	Hanover-Horton Lions
Jan	4	Napoleon Lions
Feb	5-7	Winter Camp for the Blind
	26-28	Council of Governors

District and Club Dates to Remember

NOVEMBER – AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

- 13-15 Lions Leadership Institute, Higgins Lake, MI
- 14-16 Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, Chicago, IL
- 15 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 15 Peace Posters Due to Governor
- 26 [Thanksgiving Day](#)
- 28 Michigan Center Lions: MC Christmas Parade



DECEMBER – MAY THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT BE UPON YOU!

- 4-6 Council of Governor’s Meeting
- 6 Tekonsha Lions Christmas Walk/Crafts 10-3, Tekonsha HS (Parade at 1PM).
- 7 [Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day](#)
- 17 Honorary Christmas Dinner
- 20 VCL Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse
- 25 [Merry Christmas!](#)

JANUARY – HAPPY NEW YEAR 2016!

- 1 [New Years Day](#)
- 17 VCL Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse
- 18 [MLK Day](#)

FEBRUARY – AMERICAN HEART MONTH

- 5-7 Winter Camp for the Blind, Dowling
- 6 North Adams Lions Annual ‘Cash Party’
- 14 [Valentine’s Day](#)
- 15 [Presidents’ Day](#)
- 15 Deadline for Lion, Lioness, Leo of the Year Nominations
- 21 VCL Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30A, VCL Clubhouse
- 26-27 **Michigan Forum**, Lansing, Causeway Bay Hotel

MARCH – NATIONAL EYE DONOR MONTH

- 12 Eversight Michigan’s “Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows”, 1:30P-4P, Bel-Mark Lanes (See Flier)
- 13 [Daylight Savings Time Begins \(Spring Forward\)](#)
- 15 Deadline for Lion, Lioness, Leo of the Year Nominations

APRIL – FAMILY & FRIENDS MONTH & LEO CLUB AWARENESS MONTH

- 15-17 District Convention, Michindoh Conference Center, Hillsdale

Club Anniversaries

November

1	Jackson Cascades Lions	49 yrs
9	Manchester Lions	8 yrs
15	Hillsdale Lions	66 yrs
16	Tecumseh Lions	5 yrs
22	Concord Lions	74 yrs

December

16	Blissfield Area Lions	30 yrs
16	Munith Lions	62 yrs

January

9	WISD Leos	2 yrs
18	Tekonsha Lions	72 yrs
21	Napoleon Leos	9 yrs

February

8	Clarklake Lions	51 yrs
9	Jackson Eyeopeners Lions	39 yrs
10	Grass Lake Lions	63 yrs
20	Hanover-Horton Leos	2 yrs

Lion News Bytes

More Fall Conference 2015 Pictures! Continued from Page 1. ‘The Speakers & Awards’



Lion Barb Baggerly
Diabetes Awareness



Lion Tom Tyson
Kidsight



Dennis Tompkins
Bear Lake Camp



Jason Russell
MI All-State Band



Patty Obrzut
Penrickton Center



PDGs Clem Ruiz,
Dick Dettling – LOMF



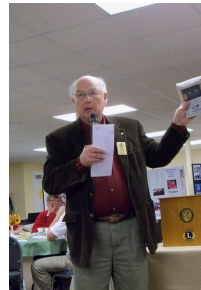
2VDG LuAnne Bullington
Children’s Services



Jim Ducey – Red Cross



Cadet Carpenter & PDG Dick
Michigan Youth Challenge Academy



Lion Craig Bishop
Winter Camp for the Blind



Lion Victoria Launiere
Michigan Eversight



DG Peggy presents 2VDG LuAnne
with an LCI Zone Chair Award



Governor’s Personal Award of Merit Recipients for 2014-15 (L-R) DG Peggy Allen, Connie Neese, Barb Ray (Tom Hutton), Chris Lake, Peg Griggs, Lorraine Lindsey, Lisa Chisnell, PDG Barry Allen, Marti Willard, Pat & Ron Kohmescher (Walt & PDG Barb Treichel standing in)



DG Club Award of Merit 2014-15 (L-R) Eyeopeners, Host, Manchester, North Jackson and Tekonsha



Marshall Lions Ed Thorpe, Lowell Maxson, Barb Baggerly & Sherrie Jones



The long, long line at the “Parade of Checks”. When you get to the front you announce your name and club to PDG Barry at the mic



That’s CS Lorraine Lindsey filling baskets with checks!



Honoring the PDGs in order of tenure

Left: The PDGs present are recognized.

L-R: (sitting) Hal Geppert, (standing): Lowell Maxson, Ron Quada, Susan Maxson, Clem Ruiz, Gary Babcock, Vicki Ruiz, Craig Bishop, Bob Chrisman, Barb Treichel, Dick Dettling, and Barry Allen

About five centuries of experience there!

Marshall Lions “Stuff the Bus” with ½ Ton of Food & More!

Submitted by Lion Sherrie Jones

Meet the hard-working crew of the Marshall Lions "Stuff the Boss" project! After a long day’s work, they had collected a grand total of 1080 lbs of food, \$105 cash and warm clothing for the Marshall Area Community Service (MACS), a non-profit organization that provides emergency aid to the less fortunate families in the Marshall area. Way to go, Marshall Lions!



North Jackson Lions Support Trunk-or-Treat!

From IPDG Vicki Lautzenheiser

Lion Kim Creger and IPDG Vicki Lautzenheiser had a great time at the annual Trunk or Treat held at the new NW Elementary School. There were hundreds and hundreds of kids who came through in a variety of costumes. Lion Vicki was glad Lion Kim was there to explain what some of the costumes represented.

Lions Kim and Vicki are already looking forward to next year’s event!

Napoleon Lions Hold 47th Annual Punt, Pass & Kick...

Thanks to Lion Rebecca Walters

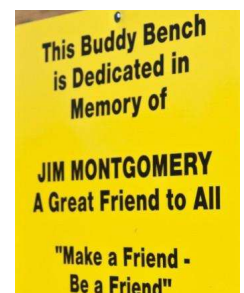
Once again, the legendary Master of Ceremonies, Lion Don Anderson, led the Napoleon Lions to a major victory on the ‘ol grid with their 47th Annual “Punt, Pass & Kick” competition. This year there were a total of 127 kids participating in the event, with 19 Lions keeping things rolling smoothly.

...and sponsor an amazing tribute to Lion Jim Montgomery – a Buddy Bench...



The Napoleon Lions, in cooperation with the Napoleon School District, donated \$1,565 to sponsor a “buddy bench” in honor of Lion Jim Montgomery. A buddy bench is a bench on the playground designated for students to sit and eliminate loneliness; to foster friendship on the playground and spread the message of inclusion and kindness. Lion Jim’s wife and family, many Lions and hundreds of students were present for the dedication of the bench.

Left: Family of Jim Montgomery pose for photos on a bench near the school playground during a dedication ceremony for the Buddy Bench in memory of Jim Montgomery at Ezra Eby Elementary School in Napoleon, Mich. Monday, Nov. 9, 2015. (Jessica Christian | MLive.com)



http://www.mlive.com/news/jackson/index.ssf/2015/11/buddy_bench_helps_memory_of_lo.html

...but there’s more, Napoleon Lions Hold Their Annual “Stuff the Bus”!

On November 7th, the Napoleon Lions held their annual Stuff the Bus food-raiser, seeking food donations from customers of the Country Market in Brooklyn, as well as local residents. Hopefully, we’ll have some photos and more news to share on that next month!



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District 11-B1 Convention Quilt Ready for Raffle! DG Peggy Allen

Here are some photos of the District 11-B1 Quilt raffle. The quilt is handmade by one of the Manchester Lions Club members. The inserts are embroidered lions. The quilt is large enough to cover a king and/or queen bed. Raffle tickets are \$5. Drawing to be held at the District Convention on April 16th, 8:00pm.

Send requests for additional tickets to CT Walt Treichel or DG Peggy Allen. Mail checks and stubs to: Walt treichel, Cabinet Treasurer or safer yet bring to Cabinet Meetings.



Two District Clubs Sponsor Legs in the “Eye Care, Do You?” Walk, Run



Need we say more? Good Job!!

But only two? Hopefully we'll see that number go up next year (assuming this becomes an annual event)!



Two Jackson Cascades Lions Honored with Service Awards PDG Barry Allen

At the Jackson Cascade Lions Club, DG Peggy presented Service Awards to Lions John Hammond (right) for 25 years, and Russ Coon (center) for 35 years of service to Lions.

And Yet More “Stuffing of the Bus”! This Time Dexter Leos Catch the Bug!



The Dexter HS Leos and Lions worked the weekend at Busch’s, gathering needed items for the Faith in Action Food Pantry. Wow, it’s really a Stuff-the-Bus epidemic out there!

Great job Dexter!

And great PR. This information was published at welovedexter.com and the 11-B1 Facebook Page.

With thanks to Lion Rich Cook for the post.

Vandercook Lake Lions Hold Their Annual ‘Cash-O-Rama’, Set Record!

The VCL Lions are pleased to announce a new fundraising record of over \$8600 at their recent cash roll-down event, the “Cash-O-Rama”, held every October at the Davis Convention Center on Francis Street. Tickets for this event sell for just \$60 per couple, which get you a great buffet dinner, drinks and dessert, and a chance to win cash prizes up to the grand prize of \$2250!



Above, Lions Phil Phipps, Al Lairson, John Wheaton and Ron Kapuga just gettin’ warmed up on the numbers board. The numbers board added over \$2100 to the bottom line.

It is one of the biggest money-makers at the event, and very popular, with long lines for much of the night.



Lions Kathy Emerson and Callie Clark being all smiles for the camera.

Lion Kathy is getting ready to sell 50/50 tickets. This year the 50/50s were BIG, netting over \$1900 towards the bottom line!

You can also take a chance on the ‘money board’, three different 50-50’s, bingo, and more! (This year every 50-50 prize topped the \$600 mark!).



Dexter Lions “Apple Daze” Pie-Eating!

Check out this crazy Apple Daze 2015 pie eating contest! Lou Ceriani (center), Ray Lowery (in costume) and several other Dexter Lions at the pie eating contest, one of the highlights of Dexter Apple Daze, sponsored annually by the Dexter Lions.

Alyssa Frost (redhead in center) is claiming her prize in the pie-eating contest (where you cannot use your hands, by the way).

Clarklake Lions Host District Governor Peggy & PDG Barry Allen

Lion Walt Reed

The Governor was happy to induct two new Lions into the club! At right, Sponsor Lion John Reed, New Lion Laurel Reed, New Lion Karen Ford, Sponsor Lion Joy Reed & DG Peggy Allen share a photo at the official event. Congratulations to the new Clarklake Lions and Welcome Aboard!



North Adams Hosts Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting with Almost 40 Guests!

North Adams Lions Club Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting



State Representative Eric Leutheuser speaking to the meeting.



Guest: Village Council, Township Officials, North Adams Fireman and all the spouses. Also Pittsford Lions Club visitation.

It's nice to have a special "Thanksgiving Dinner" at your November meeting, right? It's even nicer when you pack the house with guests like the Village Council, Township officials, firemen and their spouses! What a great way to say "Thanks!" and share mutual appreciation. The world can always use more of that!

North Adams photos/info courtesy of PDG Glen Ruder.



Another picture of the guest along with the North Adams Lions Club members.

Tekonsha Lions Share Exchange Student Experience

We greatly enjoyed having 5 exchange students from Tekonsha High School speak at our October meeting. Each one spoke about their country, what it's like to be in the U.S., and what career they hope to enter. Lions members enjoyed interacting with questions and comments. We were amazed that the Vietnamese student attends school from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. six days a week. At graduation all students take a test to see if they may enter college or if they will instead serve in the Army for 3 years.

The students from Spain were in awe of the respect we give our flag and that there are flags everywhere. They all commented on the variety of products in our supermarkets.

Jackson Cascades Club President to be Advisor on Dahlem Center Project

Under new leadership, the Dahlem Nature Center in Jackson is undertaking the development of an interactive nature trail at their facility. When complete, it will offer vision-impaired, wheelchair-bound and other children and adults the opportunity to learn about and enjoy the sights, sounds, smells and feel of nature through technological guidance and feedback. Jackson Cascades Lions Club President Dave Robinson has been engaged by the project manager as an advisor on this project, and he will participate in a conference with the developers throughout the first weekend of November.



ZC Roger Spriggs (on the right).

Lions Roger Spriggs & LuAnne Bullington are now ALLI Graduates!

Posted to Facebook by PDG Barry Allen

Congratulations to Lion Roger Spriggs, ZC, (Battle Creek Cereal City) for completing the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) in Chicago this past weekend. A great learning experience. Also to 2VDG LuAnne Bullington (Ann Arbor Host).



2VDG LuAnn Bullington (at SOS, working Gift of Life)



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Chelsea Area Service Groups Support St. Louis Center with Golf Cart

When Rotarian Paul Schissler of Chelsea takes on service project, he takes it on in a big way. As a member of the Chelsea Rotary Club, he thought it would be a great idea to help fellow Rotarian Fr. Joseph Rinaldo, SdC., by obtaining a golf cart to help him get around St. Louis Center’s sprawling campus five miles west of Chelsea in Sylvan Twp. What made this project unique however, was that he thought it would be fun to involve the other service clubs in the community to combine their forces for good. That made this a shared project between the Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, Lions Club, and Kiwanis Club.

To complete the project, Schissler negotiated the price of a surplus golf cart at Reddeman Farms, and then added modifications to it. According to Schissler, these included, “a rear seat kit, heavy duty rear suspension kit, and a folding windshield kit.” He performed all of the conversion work himself, and each organization kicked in 25% of the \$1264 project. The logos for each of the clubs were added for their contributions, and the golf cart was formally presented to St. Louis Center on Thursday October 8, 2015.

St. Louis Center is a residential care home for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and has been run by the Servants of Charity congregation of the Catholic Church since 1960. For more information, visit the website at www.stlouiscenter.org, or call 734-475-8430.



(L to R): Bob Milbrodt – Kiwanis, Ann Nautes – Rotary, Paul Schissler – Rotary, Fr. Joseph Rinaldo – SLC & Rotary, Dave Jachalke – Chelsea Lions, Fr. Enzo Addari – SLC & Knights, Joe Yekulis – SLC & Knights.

Submitted by Lion Keith Bloomensaar, Chelsea Lions Club. Article written by Joseph Yekulis, PR Director, SLC

North Jackson Lions Holding Raffle to Raise Funds IPDG Vicki Lautzenheiser

Raffle Ticket Donations: \$5.00 each • 3 for \$10.00

North Jackson Lions Club Raffle

Draw Date - 2/3/16 Draw Time - 8:00 pm

1st - \$200 - Jackson Crossing	6th - \$75 - Klavon's
2nd - \$150 - Jackson Crossing	7th - \$75 - Polly's
3rd - \$125 - Rives Quality Meat	8th - \$50 - Meijer
4th - \$100 - Meijer	9th - \$50 - Rives Quality Meat
5th - \$75 - Jackson Crossing	10th - \$50 - Jackson Crossing
11th - \$50 - Becks Flower Shop & Gardens	

11 Chances to Win! \$1000 in Total Prizes

Winners need not be present to win

Drawing held at Roadhouse, 4112 Lansing Ave, Jackson, MI
Mich. License #R34470

The North Jackson Lions Club will be selling raffle tickets for a variety of venues in Jackson. This fund raiser has replaced our fruit sales as our source "dried" up. See a North Jackson Lion if you are interested. The drawing will take place just in time for Valentine's Day.

I want some!!!



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Did You Miss the Clarklake Lions Halloween Party!? You Missed All This!



The Club Officers in Formal Wear!



Our Tail Twister 'Drilled' All The Members!



Lady Lions in their Finest!



The 'drinking' will begin now!

Hope to See You Next Year!!

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions do Spaghetti in a Big Way!

Lion Jerry Mackey



Spaghetti dinners were served at the Lakeview High School cafeteria October 23rd by the Cereal City Lions as a fund raiser for the "Bringing Up a Reader" community family program. Lion Bob Ward and his committee took over the kitchen under the supervision of a LHS staff member. Other Lions and helpers had jobs as cooks, platers, beverage servers, table waiters, and cleanup crew. Everyone seemed to enjoy helping

and socializing as well as partaking in a spaghetti meal.

Special thanks to committee members Bob Ward, Sandy Determan, and Mike Conklin for their planning as well as Jim Baum, Bob Bokhart, Roger Bosse, Dave Buresh, Jan O'Brien, De Davis, Mike Guzak, Kai and Karen Lassen, Jerry Mackey, Ron Marlatt, Larry Shouldice, Carlyle Sims, Roger and Harriet Spriggs, Claudia Templeton and Muriel Walters.



International Lions Youth Exchange Program

The final tally for District 11 B1 exchanging in 2016

Miss Sydnee Gifford

Miss Sydnee Gifford has chosen to do her exchange in Italy. She is currently the Hanover-Horton Leo Club President and in the Hanover-Horton marching band (color guard), concert band (flute) and the jazz band (value trombone).

YEP Chairman's note:

Miss Sydnee Gifford attended the Fall Conference in order to introduce herself to the Clubs and spoke to the attendees about what she plans to learn through this experience.

Now is the time to show the Clubs support of this 54 year old International Lions Program by donating what you can toward Miss Sydnee Gifford's 2016 exchange.

Checks are made out to: **Lions of MI, YEP**
with **Sydnee Gifford** on the memo line.

All checks mail to: Peggy Allen, YEP District Chairperson
19230 Sharon Valley Road
Manchester, MI 48158

The Council of Governors needs each club's support!

By District Governor Peggy Allen

At the August 1st Council of Governor's meeting in Lansing, MI, it was voted on that we would take on a State Project. This project has to do with our International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada's Challenge of **Dignity-Harmony-Humanity**.

We are looking at a humanitarian service project in a less fortunate country to positively impact children. LCIF offers a Matching Grant up to \$30,000 known as the International Assistance Grant Program.

The grant criteria is:

- Address an important humanitarian need;
- Involve at least two Clubs or District from different countries;
- Provide long term benefit;
- Serves a large or particularly needy population;
- Project is identified as a Lions Project;

The grant application raises at least 50% of the funding through Lions or other sources.

This is where the clubs come into play. We need every club in the State of Michigan to donate \$100.00 in order to acquire the \$30,000.00 in order to apply for the matching grant from LCIF.

Please send your donation to: CT Walt Treichel
9100 Dew Road, Horton, MI 49246
With Council of Governor's on the memo line.

LCIF – History and Mission – How You Can Help!

Lions Clubs International Foundation has supported compassionate service of Lions since 1968, providing grants of nearly US \$1 billion to support local and global projects benefiting millions of people.

The Foundation’s effort to save sight, combat measles, provide disaster relief, train young leaders, and improve communities have steadily increased over the years to meet growing demand worldwide.

By providing grant support through 2018 and beyond, LCIF will empower Lions and their partners to undertake even larger projects in local communities, serve vulnerable populations worldwide, and respond to an increasing number of natural disasters.

By LCIF’s 50th anniversary in 2017-18, Foundation grant support will make it possible for Lions to:

- *Immunize millions of children against measles and rubella - US\$37 million
- *Prepare and respond to hundreds of devastating natural disasters – US\$20 million
- *Serve more than 240,000 Special Olympic athletes and their families – US\$6 million
- *Improve education, health care, and other social services in hundreds of local communities – US\$53 million
- *Teach critical life skills to 200,000 additional students through Lions Quest – US\$18 million
- *Identify and support thousands of people impacted by disasters – US\$7 million

As LCIF expands grant support to advance Lions services worldwide and responds to growing global needs annual donations must grow to US\$50 million by 2017-18

HELP RAISE US\$50 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR LCIF

Lion support is needed to meet and sustain LCIF grants and programs through 2018 and beyond. By gradually increasing our goals this is attainable:

Fiscal Year	Donation Goal
2014-15	US\$38.4 million
2015-16	US\$41.3 million
2016-17	US\$45.4 Million
2017-18	US\$50 million

As we all know, club contributions count towards the Melvin Jones Fellowship, but individuals may also contribute towards a MJF by donating \$1000, with a minimum amount of \$100 per payment, over a 5 year period.

Don’t have \$1000 to spare? Well you can become a contributing member through the Contributing Member program. For as little as \$20 you can get a LCIF sustaining member bronze pin. There are also silver pins for \$50 and Gold for \$100.

District Coordinators each have a supply of the bronze pins and have the applications available for the others as well. Although these do not count towards a MJF, they do count towards a clubs contribution for the year. These pins are printed with the date on them, so each year’s pins are different.



\$50



\$100



\$20

“Where there is a need, there is a LION!” Let us not let this just be a catch phrase, let the Lions of District 11 and 10 use this program to increase our support of LCIF, so the LCIF can continue to meet the needs of our worldwide community.

“There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up.”
- John Holmes



Lions Clubs International

Dear District Governors and Council Chairs,

On behalf of Lions Clubs International, I kindly ask for your help in generating grassroots support for an important bill that is being considered by the U.S. Congress. In 1997, U.S. President Bill Clinton signed into law the Volunteer Protection Act of 1997 ("Act") which provides immunity to individual volunteers of service club or volunteer organizations in the U.S. However, the Act does not provide immunity to the organization itself.

Unfortunately, negligence claims filed against service club or volunteer organizations often result in judgments requiring nonprofit organizations such as Lions clubs to pay large sums of money in punitive damages. Lions Clubs International believes the Act is incomplete and exposes nonprofit organizations to increased financial risk, thereby threatening the viability of volunteerism in the U.S.

Recognizing the need to protect service club and volunteer organizations in the U.S., Lions Clubs International engaged Congressman Steve Chabot of Ohio as well as U.S. Senator Mark Kirk of Illinois and developed a bill to correct this issue and amend the '97 Act. Volunteer Organization Protection Act of 2015 ("VOPA") was subsequently introduced into Congress this year!

I'm asking you to encourage Lions from your district(s) to contact and urge their respective Member of Congress and U.S. Senator to co-sponsor H.R.2290 (U.S. House bill) and S.1684 (U.S. Senate bill).

This bill does not raise the standard of liability for organizations, but it protects organizations such as Lions clubs from being held vicariously liable when the organization was not involved with an incident causing harm. This piece of legislation will support the mission of Lions clubs by releasing financial resources previously allocated to support costly liability insurance. The result is increased viability and growth for local nonprofit organizations such as Lions clubs.

Please visit LCI's online advocacy page for additional resources concerning the VOPA, including a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document and, also, form letters that can be sent to Members of the U.S. House of Representatives in support of H.R.2290 and U.S. Senators in support of S.1684 through their respective websites (online contact forms) or fax numbers. Lions are also encouraged to call their local Congressional office and ask their legislators to sign on to the bill!

LCI's online advocacy page can be accessed via the following link: <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/how-we-serve/lions-advocacy.php>

Also, please direct comments or questions concerning the VOPA, including updates or feedback regarding your local Club and/or Districts' grassroots campaign efforts to governmentrelations@lionsclubs.org.

I hope you find this information useful and I wish you, as well as Lions in your district(s), the best in bringing this matter to the attention of our lawmakers in Washington D.C. There are presently 32 co-sponsors on the House bill (HR.2290) and one co-sponsor on the Senate bill (S.1684), and we intend to build on those numbers to ensure timely passage of the legislation in this Congress.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Ross
Past International President
Lions Clubs International

Upcoming Events and Info

New Changes & Updates for the District Roster Book

The Vandercook Lake Lions Club has changed their meeting start time from 7:00PM to 6:00PM effective immediately.

Correct phone number for Concord Lions President Robert Jones is 517-812-1046 (pg 34)

PDG Vicki Ruiz is now the zone chair for R2Z1 (replacing Lion Jerry Horsch). Her contact information is: email - misvicki46@sbcglobal.net, phone - 517-529-9689.

Claudea Templeton reported that her address should include Apt #6 or she won't get her mail. This information is on pages 7 and 74 of the Roster.

Change of Address for Dexter Club President Lion John Gochis:
127 Commons Circle, Saline, MI 48176
Cell phone only: 734-276-9042

Correct e-mail address for Lion Vern Robinson, Jackson Cascades Lions Club, is vern3377@att.net page 39



**Tekonsha Christmas
Festival & Parade**
Sunday, December 6, 2015
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tekonsha High School
(Parade at 1 p.m.)

VENDORS WELCOME: We are still looking for vendors and the cost of a booth is \$15.00 per space (6x12 or 8x8). Doors will open at 8:30 AM for vendor set-up (you will need your own tables and chairs). The show runs from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Checks should be made payable to the Tekonsha Lions Club. Please include your name, address, phone, and number of booths requested with your check to: Dawn Copas, PO Box 137, Tekonsha, MI 49092. For questions or concerns, please call Dawn at 517-767-3313.

We invite the public to join us for this event. Lunch (two delicious soups) and craft booths will be available. The parade starts at 1 p.m. featuring Papa and Mrs. Claus. The Tekonsha Lions use the proceeds to support community and individual needs such as vision, hearing, diabetes, and our youth. Please come out and support this fun event. Thank you!

**North Adams Lions Club and
North Adams/Jerome Athletic Boosters**

Annual Reverse Raffle

Saturday, February 6th, 2016
Buffet begins at 3:00 PM
Drawing starts at 4:00 PM

Location: Quality Inn & Suites
Montpelier, OH - Exit 13 (Ohio Turnpike)

Prizes:

Draw #1.....	Free Ticket
Draw #25, 50 & 75	\$100.00@
Draw # 100 & 125	\$125.00@
Draw #150.....	\$150.00
Draw #175.....	\$175.00
Draw #200.....	\$200.00
Draw #225.....	\$225.00
Draw #250.....	\$250.00
Draw #275.....	\$275.00
Draw #296.....	\$300.00
Draw #297.....	\$400.00
Draw #298.....	\$500.00
Draw #299.....	\$600.00
Draw #300	\$9,000.00

Cost: Donation of \$100.00 (Admits One)
Includes your Ticket, Food and Drinks (during drawing)

Need not be present to win.

Contact a North Adams Lions Club Member
to purchase a ticket

Submitted by North Adams Lions Club
Lion Glen Ruder, Secretary
(517) 523-2266 or gdruder@frontiernet.net

2016 White Cane Scholarship Seeking Applicants Lion Wendy Burns

The 2016 White Cane Scholarship will be awarded at the Lions Michigan Forum in February. Please help get the word out to Michigan students who would benefit from this \$3,000.00 scholarship award by forwarding the application (see Forms section) onto the appropriate contacts. Thank you.



 Sponsor a lane for \$50!

Bowling for *Brighter Tomorrows*

March 12, 2016 1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Eversight Michigan invites you to bowl with us to help support our Gift of Sight program that provides sight restoration to the uninsured.

Bel-Mark Lanes
3530 Jackson Rd.,
Ann Arbor MI 48108

A donation of \$25.00 per bowler
(provides 2 games of bowling, shoes,
2 slices of pizza & unlimited soft drinks)

For more information, please contact Victoria Launiere
at (734) 780-2673 or email vlauniere@eversightvision.org



To sign up or sponsor Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows,
mail completed form with payment by February 26, 2016, to:

Victoria Launiere, Eversight Michigan, 4889 Venture Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Name: _____

Lions/Lioness Club: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Team Members (A team consists of 2-5 bowlers): _____

Register a team/individual - \$25 each

Sponsor a Lane - \$50



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ライオンズクラブ国際協会



Hiroshima - A busy, prosperous, attractive city, Hiroshima will be remembered for that terrible instant on 6 August 1945 when it became the world's first atomic-bomb target. Hiroshima's Peace Memorial Park is a constant reminder of that tragic day and it attracts visitors from all over the world. Yet Hiroshima is a far from depressing place; on the contrary, its citizens have recovered from nuclear holocaust to build a thriving and internationally minded community (source: Lonely Planet)

Fukuoko host of 99th annual Lions International Convention. This youthful, user-friendly metropolis has a cosmopolitan charm, particularly after dark, peppered with the flavors of its Asian neighbors. Hakata traces its trading history back some 2000 years, which continues today with visitors from Seoul and Shanghai. Among Japanese, the city is famed for its 'Hakata bijin' (beautiful women), SoftBank Hawks baseball team and hearty Hakata rāmen (source: Lonely Planet)

The Lions of Michigan All-State Band Presents

**2016
TOUR
TO**

JAPAN

Trip highlight and inclusions:

- 3 day band camp
- 8 Day tour including all meals
- Lions International Parade
- Service Performance at veteran homes, children homes and schools in each city
- Tochoji Temple
- Fukuoko City museum
- Fukuoko Zoology Garden
- Uminonakamichi Seaside Park and Wonder World
- Fukuoko Tower visit and Awards Banquet

\$4995 all inclusive

IMPORTANT DATES:

- In Person Auditions are held on October 25, 2015 9-2 pm at Ovid Elsie High School (pre-registration required)
- Application deadline: Dec 15, 2015
- First Rehearsal: January 9th, 2016
- 2nd rehearsal: April 10, 2016
- 3rd Rehearsal and Lions of Michigan State Convention performance: May 21, 2016
- Band Camp: June 17-19, 2016
- Depart to Japan: June 20, 2016
- Return: June 28, 2016

When you join The Lions All State Band you'll:

- Get high quality musical instruction that contributes to long term growth as a musician
- Gain improved musical performance abilities
- Develop lasting friendships while experiencing new cultures
- Participate in unique activities in diverse settings
- Experience the personal satisfaction of helping others while learning first hand the Lion's motto "We Serve"

for more information visit <http://lionsofmi.com/all-state-band-2> or contact:
Becky Dhalke, CEO • 989.277.9598 • nickandwyattsmom@hotmail.com
Jason Russell, Band Director • trumpet_fan01@yahoo.com

Contests, Contests...

District 11-B1 Longest Serving Lions – We Salute You!

1944	February	Howard Main	Tekonsha
1954	August	Albert Aldrich	Concord
1957	October	Hal Geppert	Dexter
1957	October	James Tidd	Homer
1958	May	Harold Burgett	Parma
1958	September	Jim Baum	Battle Creek Cereal City
1958	September	Robert Bokhart	Battle Creek Cereal City
1958	September	Larry Shouldice	Battle Creek Cereal City
1959	January	Paul Dowd	Battle Creek Cereal City
1959	April	G. W. Tuck	Battle Creek Cereal City
1959	October	Carroll Bush	Vandercook Lake
1959	December	Patrick Pulte	Ann Arbor Host
1960	March	Curtis Beck	North Jackson
1961	October	Henry Noller	Homer
1961	October	Robert Oberst	Jackson Host
1962	October	Dick Tallman	Napoleon
1964	September	Roland Shelby	Jackson Host
1964	October	Fred Saxton	Homer
1965	March	Jack Gray	Battle Creek Host
1965	November	Craig Bishop	Battle Creek Host
1967	February	Ken Strobel	Vandercook Lake
1967	March	Robert Myers	Vandercook Lake
1967	November	William Zimmerman	North Jackson
1966	June	William Albright	Jackson Host
1966	November	John Jacobs	Jackson Cascades
1967	April	Jack Reamer	Hillsdale
1967	October	A. J. Pond	North Jackson
1968	February	Donald Drake	Bedford
1968	February	Robert Eby	Jackson Host
1968	May	Lowell Maxson	Marshall
1968	October	Ermil Jones	Chelsea
1969	March	Don Anderson	Napoleon
1969	September	Raymond Spicer	Hanover Horton
1969	November	Chris Craft	Marshall
1969	December	Curtis Evans	Homer

THE BATTLE CREEK HOST LIONS CELEBRATE LION JACK GRAY



Lion Jack Gray has been a member since 1965. Invited to join the club by Lion Dick Jung, at that time he was working for a design firm who did work for Clark Equipment Company. He readily agreed to become a member because he believes in the work the Lions do in the field of eyesight. Lion Jack has been club president twice and has served in every capacity in the club. In addition to his Lions work he has also been president of several other organizations. He works hard to bring in ads and donations for the club's annual paper sale and has raised a lot of money for the club's projects. We are very proud of our Lion Jack Gray.

THIS MONTH'S "CLUB DOINGS"

Clubs Doing What They Do!

The Albion Lions participated in a Chili Cook-Off, the Festival of the Forks Face-Painting, and provided 85 new children's books to the Reading Action Program. They attended the Fall Conference and hosted a Zone Meeting. The club helped with recycling and cleaning up streets, recycled eyeglasses and provided assistance to individuals and the elderly/disabled. They also got some phenomenal PR with a large article in the newspaper covering a visit from DG Peggy Allen and many facets of the club itself. This month they put on a "Hunters Send-Off" Pancake Breakfast.

The Ann Arbor Host Lions added two new members, worked a Charity Poker fundraiser and sent a crew to the Fall Conference. Members aided Meals on Wheels, the Veterans Affairs Hospital, the Soup Kitchen and the Ann Arbor Commission on Disability. They purchased groceries for "Feast for Families", recycled 625 pairs of eyeglasses & 24 hearing aids, and conducted Kidsight Screenings. Members attended the Penrickton Kick-Off Dinner, and – with the 'Council of Lions', helped purchase eyeglasses, hearing aids and eye exams for 36 individuals!

The Battle Creek Cereal City Lions held a fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner for the Raising a Reader project and attended the Fall Conference with a party of six, where they stuffed baskets with \$1425 worth of checks! They also helped out at the recent "Zoo Boo" event for Halloween (BC Zoo). They conducted Vision & Diabetes Testing at the Lakeview Square Community Room in early November. They are gearing up for their Christmas Basket Project, in which they will provide for 25 families in their community. They will also be helping the Salvation Army with a few days of bell ringing in December.

The Bedford Area Lions held a Soup & Salad Supper, held a Halloween Open House, presented a \$2035 donation to the Fall Convention Parade of Checks and financially helped an area resident with molds for a new hearing aid.

The Chelsea Lions attended the Fall Conference, and provided funds to help the Penrickton Center with wish list items. They installed about 140 flags throughout the Chelsea community on Veterans Day, and are donating 20 turkeys to Faith in Action for Thanksgiving.

The Clarklake Lions added 2 new members and held their Annual Halloween Dinner Meeting.

The Clinton Lions participated in the Clinton Fall Festival – in a fundraising effort –raising over \$1500. They worked on Care Packages for Troops, the Clinton Library Breakfast/Movie, and handed out candy at a community Halloween celebration. They donated funds to support the Clinton Food Pantry and help 2 individuals attend camp.

The Dexter Lions Club supported the community by staffing high school football games, distributing dictionaries to Wylie 3rd graders and helping out at the Dexter Apple Daze. They sent 6 Lions to the Fall Conference where they donated just under \$3k to the many charities and funds.

The Hanover Horton Lions are into their holiday cheese sale, and also selling Terry Lynn candy. They participated in the Hanover Horton Area HS Pancake Breakfast and Trunk or Treat, and sent a crew of 3 to the Fall Conference.

The Hillsdale Lions participated in a blood drive, and provided eyeglasses to a local resident. They are selling Pecans for a club fundraiser and will be helping the Salvation Army by volunteering for bell ringing duty. They donated a box of mints for the Troops Holiday Care Packages. They are also adopting a needy family for the holidays.

The Inter-Lake Lions sent 3 Lions to the Fall Conference, made a donation to the Somerset Fire Dept. for a Bingo fundraiser, purchased hats & gloves for the John George Home and participated in the Somerset Twp Fire Dept "Trunk or Treat"!

The Jackson Cascades Lions attended the Fall Conference with a their stack of checks and made additional donations to the Jackson Food Pantry and Birthline of Jackson, a pregnancy & parenting center.

The Jackson Eyeopeners Lions held a joint Charity Poker fundraiser with the Manchester Lions, participated in the Daffodil Planting project, collected 50 pairs of eyeglasses for recycling and donated clothing to a school clothes closet. They helped a local resident get a hearing aid fitting, supported the COG Humanitarian project and chose a peace poster contest winner from 200 entries! They launched their annual wreath and garlands sale, participated in the



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Jackson Host Finley's "Funds for Friends" dinner and served lunch at the Interfaith Shelter. The Eyeopeners also attended the Fall Conference, wielding over \$1000 worth of checks for the parade.

The Jackson Host Lions will be selling nuts & candy thru December 20th. They participated in an "Elder-Beerman Community Days" fundraiser and did the Finley's "Funds for Friends" fundraiser, as well. They treated the Jackson Interfaith Shelter with music while they served a meal (first Monday of each month), and participated in the Daffodil Planting project. JHL members attended the Fall Convention and hosted a booth at JAXPO (Chamber of Commerce), where they sold nuts and promoted Lionism and membership in their club.

The Manchester Lions did a Charity Poker fundraiser and completed the District Quilt being raffled off to raise money for the District Convention. They collected 100 pairs of eyeglasses and sent several Lions to the Fall Conference with many, many checks! They pitched in for the COG Humanitarian Project, sponsored a mile in the "Eye Care, Do You?" Walk-Run, and pitched in to the Ladies Society for baby baskets.

The Marshall Lions sent a big crew of 9 Lions to the Fall Conference and held their annual Stuff the Bus project.

The Napoleon Lions conducted a Kidsight Screening and attended the USA/Canada Forum in September (with 5 of the Napoleon Leo Club members). They also held their 47th Annual Punt, Pass & Kick competition that month. In October, they sent a crew of 6 to the Fall Conference and 4 more to the Penrickton Center Kick-Off Dinner. The club donated to the Napoleon Schools to help with school supply needs, helped out the American Cancer Society and financed a very nice "Buddy Bench" for the elementary school. They just held their annual "Stuff the Bus" event on 11/7 at the Country Market in Brooklyn to support the Brooklyn Food Bank.

The North Adams Lions helped the Salvation Army with their Christmas Baskets by providing a \$500 donation.

The North Jackson Lions joined in the Daffodil project, collected eyeglasses & hearing aids, participated in the Northwest Trunk or Treat and attended the Fall Conference. Members also attended the Penrickton Kick-Off Dinner in Dearborn, and the club donated to the COG Humanitarian Project.

The Parma Lions raised funds through various sales including nuts & fruit, recycled eyeglasses, and hosted the Fall Conference and Parade of Checks. They also donated funds to help a resident get eyeglasses.

The Pennfield Lions participated in Candy Days with a big effort, getting 30 of their 44 Lions involved! They supported the Leaderdog Kennel Project with a generous \$500 donation.

The Saline Lions raised funds by scooping ice cream at Rentschler Farm and selling cider with SADD students. They helped a resident get eyeglasses & an exam, and will be selling raffle tickets for the Chamber of Commerce raffle throughout the month of November.

The Tecumseh Lions held their annual Fall Frolic 'reverse raffle' and pumpkin bowling fundraisers. At their annual Appleumpkin Festival several area club members helped with the Kidsight screening using the new SPOT cameras and over 400 people were screened!

The Tekonsha Lions are helping Penrickton with some money for winter needs, and they hosted 5 exchange students at their October meeting.

The Vandercook Lake Lions held their monthly pancake breakfast and once again topped the 200+ mark in meals served! They also sent 6 members to the Fall Conference with a \$2650 bundle of checks for that Parade and participated in their local HS Homecoming Parade with 7 members manning the float. They collected 400 pairs of eyeglasses, and helped out with the Daffodil project, providing 5 members to assist. One member helped with the Clinton Lions Appleumpkin Festival Kidsight screening, and the club grilled up close to 1400 hotdogs for the VCL "Trunk or Treat". Their big show, the annual Cash-O-Rama, held at Davis Convention Center, netted over \$8600 for the one-night extravaganza. The Board approved donations of \$3200 to various organizations including the Salvation Army, Jackson Interfaith and the Michigan COGs humanitarian project.

"The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope."

- Barack Obama



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WELCOME ABOARD!

Welcome to Our New Members in the District!

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Verdena "Jean" Moull	Napoleon Lions	Lion Donald Rose
Steve Prokos	Michigan Center Lions	Lion Dan Edwards
Russell Quinton	Blissfield Area Lions	Lion Dick Saxton, ZC
Fruma Taub	Ann Arbor Host Lions	Lion LuAnne Bullington, 2VDG/ZC
Carl Swanson	Ann Arbor Host Lions	Lion Howard Conlon
Karen Ford	Clarklake Lions	Lion Joy Reed
Laurel Reed	Clarklake Lions	Lion John Reed

Gone, but Always in Our Hearts...God Bless Them!

Lion Chuck Neese http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?n=Charles-Michael-Neese&pid=176480166	Jackson Eyeopener Lions	November 11, 2015 Joined Lions in 2001
Lion Jerry Polashak http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?pid=175957241	Michigan Center Lions	September 27, 2015 Joined Lions in 1997
Lion Jerry Herman http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?pid=176524214	Vandercook Lake Lions	November 14, 2015 Joined Lions in 1999

* LION LINKS *

COOL LIONS STUFF ONLINE

Youtube Video on the Winter Camp for the Blind <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZSIDlkGE1hw>

Video on the new SPOT Camera for Screening <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m2TfRnfNfWE>

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

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

Get up-to-date contact info and previous District Newsletters!

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

EDITOR'S CORNER

Cell Phone Pics vs. Digital Camera Pics...and the Winner Is...!

Many times I get a contributing Lion sending me pictures for the newsletter that they took on their cell phone (or tablet). Please keep in mind that – upon closer inspection – these pictures are often out of focus or fuzzy, grainy, etc., from lack of sufficient lighting. If you have no choice but to take a photo with your phone, please try to shoot no less than 3 (I recommend 5) exposures of each pose or subject – because at least 2 of the 3 will probably not measure up.

For group photos: if your phone lets you pick the spot to focus in on (I love that feature), pick a different spot each time, like a different person's face or different center of mass. Phone cameras can have a mind of their own sometimes and what you focused on isn't what ends up being in focus!

I recommend using a standard digital camera with at least 3.3 Megapixels (MP) but 10MP-12MP will usually get you better results. Even so, it is always best to review the photo you just took (and zoom in when reviewing!) to ensure you got a good, clear shot before letting your subjects wander off.

When submitting your photos, please send them to me full size. Don't let your e-mail software or camera/phone compress them if you can avoid it. I can handle BIG downloads!

Thanks for all the great (and not-so-great) photos you send in! If there's one thing I've learned from this job is a photo isn't always worth a thousand words...sometimes it's only worth 7: "You need to get a better camera!"



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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?)

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

Forms & Publications Section:

1. Leaderdog CDC Contribution Form (2 Pages)
2. New Member Survey
3. District Roster Book Corrections to Date
4. Lions of Michigan Foundation Scholarship Application Form (2 Pages)

Why is it...

You can never think of a good joke when you need one...!

THIS SPACE FOR RENT!

(FUNDS GO TO THE EDITOR'S COFFEE EXPENSES)

SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

"The best antidote I know for worry is work. The best cure for weariness is the challenge of helping someone who is even more tired. One of the great ironies of life is this: He or she who serves almost always benefits more than he or she who is served."

- Gordon B. Hinckley



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		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be anonymous		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be anonymous		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be anonymous		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be anonymous		

Total Amount One-Time Gifts: _____

Total Amount Gifts towards Club's Pledge Payment: _____

Total Amount Included: _____

This is a simple "New" Member survey that should be given to ALL new members asking why they joined, what interests they have, what type of projects would they like to see the club work towards, basically how would they like to help and serve their community.

By using such a survey we hope it gives the clubs insight into the expectations of their new members, maybe give the club a few new ideas and show the new member the club cares about what they think and just maybe give us enough of an edge to keep that member so they don't get disillusioned in 6 months because their interests are not being met.

Remember bringing in a new member is only half the battle, keeping them and the ones we already have is our only sure way to grow!

Welcome New Lion!

Please take a moment to answer the following 5 questions below and by doing so allowing us the chance to get to know you better.

1. Why did you join Lions?

2. What are your interests?

3. What are your expectations as a member of this club?

4. How would you like to see this Lions Club help our community?

5. Do you have any ideas or suggestions that might help us expand our Service, our Membership or do you have any fun or interesting Fundraiser ideas?

LIONS are the largest community based service organization in the world and together we can make a difference and help fill a need within our community "We Serve" is the Lions motto and how we give back to those in need. Welcome!



A Reminder About Roster Corrections/Updates

In case you missed it in the August issue: here is the list up updates, errors, omissions and changes for you to pen into your copy of the District Roster.

Cabinet Dates in Roster book, Pg 11:

August 22, 9 a.m. VCL

December 12, 2015, 9 a.m. VCL

January 4th special meeting for PDG's, PID's, and present cabinet at Napoleon Clubhouse, 5 pm
(for appointment of 1st and 2nd VDG's to the position from "acting," for the purpose of recognition by LCI)

March 19, 9 a.m. at VCL

April 17th (Sunday, 9 a.m. at Convention center Michindoh, Hillsdale, E Bacon and Pleasant Lake Road,
After the District Convention)

Club meeting days/times change:

Jackson Cascades, 2nd & 4th Monday, 6:30PM (change in meeting time)

Update of information for

Chelsea: President, David Jachalke, 734-478-2782; djachalke@gmail.com

Dexter: Rich Cook, Secretary (correction of first name)

Blissfield: update president Stan Master's phone number to: 517-320-0802

PDG Craig Bishop's e-mail address: bishopartist@outlook.com

Two Leo Clubs are missing from the roster:

Hanover Horton Leos and WISD.

Hanover Horton Leos

(R2, Z2) 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 2:30 pm

Hanover Horton Middle School

10000 Moscow Rd.

Horton, Michigan 49246

Advisor Gabrielle Scheese

gabrielle.scheese@hanoverhorton.org

Advisor Walter Treichel

9100 Dew Rd.

Horton, Michigan 49246

517-524-6429

wtreiche@frontiernet.net

The Omega with Rita Lee ceased to exist in December 2014.

Eversight Michigan - Lisa Langley is no longer the Director

Marshall Lion Susan Maxson reports an e-mail address change: new address is lrsmaxson@gmail.com

Blissfield Area Lions: Correction to Club President Stan Masters phone: 517-320-0802

North Adams Lions Club Correction: President Gerrit Brunelle email is hiddenlake49266@yahoo.com & meeting is
January – October, 2nd Wednesday 6:30 pm. November & December is 2nd Monday 6:30 PM



2016 Lions Clubs of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired

Three \$3,000 scholarships to be awarded

Please mail completed scholarship application to:

The Lions of Michigan State Office
 Attn: Scholarship Committee
 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911
www.lionsofmi.com

Phone: (517) 887-6640
 Fax: (517) 887-6642
 email: lions@lionsofmi.com



Scholarship Criteria:

1. Must be legally blind and provide verification (letter from optometrist or ophthalmologist or letter from vocational counselor).
2. Applicants must be a resident of the State of Michigan and a United States Citizen and either attending or accepted by an accredited trade or business school, college or university.
3. Applicants must complete the official scholarship application (both sides).
4. Must submit two letters of recommendation.
5. Must submit an essay outlining why you need the scholarship.
6. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (transcript required).
7. Completed scholarship applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31st annually.
8. Must attend the Lions of Michigan Forum to accept scholarship during a ceremonial presentation.
(Actual check(s) will be issued to the school/university/equipment manufacturer upon submission of documentation. Two weeks notice required).

Scholarship Selection Process:

1. Lions of Michigan Scholarship Committee will review all applications during January.
2. This scholarship will be awarded in February annually at the Michigan Forum.

Name		Phone	()	
Address				
City		State		Zip
Date of Birth		* Degree of visual acuity		
* Legally blind is defined as best corrected vision in both eyes of 20/200 or less and/or visual fields of less than 20 degrees.				
How did you hear about the scholarship?				

Education Information

High School you attended		
What college or other institution are you attending/planning to attend?		
Have you been accepted?		
What do you plan to study?		
What are your personal and educational goals?		
How will the scholarship funds be used? <i>(Check all that apply)</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuition	<input type="checkbox"/> Books	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing
<input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Equipment (please specify) _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____		

Organizations, Activities and Awards

Describe briefly your most significant public service, community, or campus activities associated with your education and/or future career goals.	
Special honors and awards	
Special talents and training	

Applicant's Signature		Date	
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