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MEMORIES OF MILAN

International Convention Reflections

It was a true honor to represent District 11-B1 at the International Convention last month. I have a newfound appreciation of the global scale upon which our organization operates. Seeing representation from other clubs that traveled from the far corners of the world - proudly wearing their native dress at the Parade of Nations- was fascinating. I was greeted with handshakes, smiles, and offered lapel pins as a memento of our introduction. This experience will stay with me long after my terms as District Governor has come to an end.

International President Choi is nothing short of an inspiration. His enthusiasm is contagious - his poise commands respect - and his mission is clear. I found the quote below particularly powerful and compelling. And, I feel it serves as a perfect overview of his focus for the coming year"

"I believe that each Lion possesses the unique knowledge, experience and ability to serve the needs of their community. I believe that our differences make us stronger. I believe that when we join together as one, we can reach our full potential and achieve the greatest good our world has seen. It will be my privilege to stand with you this year through diversity." -IP Dr Jung-Yul Choi

I fully support President Choi's objectives and strive to implement them on a local level within our district. I also want to reiterate that my actions for the next year will be guided by what's best for the long-term health and success of 11-B1. My door is open to you and I welcome your ideas as we move forward and grow together.

Happy New Year!

Respectfully, Lion Mike mscott@lions11b1.org

From the Desktop of 1st Vice District Governor, Lion David Anderson

Howdy Lions and Happy New Year!

For those of you that do not know me, my name is David Anderson. If you cannot remember that, it will be on my nametag. Worst-case scenario call me whatever you'd like, as I've likely been called worse. You do not need to address me 1VDG unless I'm in trouble (like when you called your children by their name) or I gain superpowers by you doing so. As long as I get dressed one leg at a time, David will be fine. I'm a member of the Jackson Host Lions. As a side note, Jackson Host will be celebrating our centennial next year and I hope to see y'all there!

I look forward to serving alongside all of y'all this year. I believe in three values, which guide everything I do—Integrity First, Service before Self, and Excellence in All We Do. My priorities are God, family, then everything else.

I recognize that we are all volunteers and we dedicate countless hours to the cause of serving. That said I do not believe that any Lion should have time for some of the extracurricular activities I've seen during my tenure as a Lion such as duplicity. I subscribe to the classic tests, if you cannot say it to their face or if you cannot say anything nice do not say anything at all. I'm not saying that you cannot disagree with someone or debate a policy. I am however saying it should be done respectfully as adults. If you cannot be kind and respectful, perhaps you are better suited for another organization seeking deplorable behavior.

DG Mike's message that kindness is key should resonate with all of us. Lions do not necessarily need to be drinking buddies or hangout outside of Lions but there is no reason we should be fighting one another when our primary focus is to serve.

In the words of AI Zehnder

- Bring a positive attitude,
- Take initiative, and
- Have FUN!

I look forward to a wonderful Lions year. Please let me know what I can do to help you and your club have your best year ever.

Respectfully submitted,

David Anderson danderson@lions11b1.org

2019/2020 11-B1 District Cabinet

District Governor 1st Vice District Governor Cabinet Secretary Cabinet Treasury Immediate Past District Governor

<u>Global Action Team</u> Global Leadership Chair Global Membership Chair Global Service Chair

Zone Chairpersons Region I/Zone I Region I/Zone II Region I/Zone III Region II/Zone I Region II/Zone II Region II/Zone III Region III/Zone I Region III/Zone I

LCIF Chairpersons

Lion Mike Scott Lion Dave Anderson Lion Amy Shepherd Lion Anita Hoyt Lion Roger Spriggs

Lion Roberta Sexton Lion Dave Hill Lion Terry Walters

Lion Rich Westbury Vacant Lion Pat Kohmescher Lion Don Rose Lion Dave Hill Vacant Lion Roger Bosse Lion Terri Huffman

Lion Barry Allen Lion Kelly Lubbe

THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S THEME FOR 2019-2020 "KINDNESS IS KEY"



Kindness has fallen outside of the norm. We live in an overstimulated society, where busy schedules lead to lack of connection, where many people go through life barely looking one another in the eye, where contact is summarized by scrolling down a Facebook newsfeed and clicking "Like" to show we care, and where vulnerability and self-expression continue to be repressed for fear of rejection. Expending energy on caring & equal relationships prioritize friendship and positivity over-popularity.

Goals:

Leadership, membership, and service impact each other. The 2019-2020 District 11-B1 Global Action Team brings the Global Leadership Team (GLT), Global Membership Team (GMT) and the Global Service Team (GST) together, creating a unified approach to the three key areas of Lions. The Global Action Team champions the vision of LCI and LCIF and reignites the passion for service in Lions and Leos. Each of these key areas influences the others.

This team can assist clubs in identifying resources and using best practices to improve projects and our overall impact.

An easy way to remember these areas of our association is to think of them as an acronym for shirt sizing: S/M/L. <u>Service (small)</u> <u>Membership (medium)</u> Leadership (large).

GAT FOCUS AND APPROACH FOR 2019-2020

We will all work as one and focus on empowering the district governors in achieving their goals. We will accomplish this by creating a unified approach to all key areas of Lions. With the governors' goals at the forefront, the GAT is uniquely positioned from constitutional area to club level to help foster positive membership growth in clubs, increase Lions' visibility in the community through impactful service, and build strong and innovative leaders in the districts. The GAT network of leaders directly supports district governors in inspiring action at the club level. We will achieve this by focusing on the following four areas:

- Support our districts in an effort to achieve their annual goals and monitor progress towards these goals. The district governor is the chairperson of the GAT. And the district GAT coordinators will work closely with their chairperson to ensure that these annual goals are reached.
- Reinforce club-level communications through the zone chairs. Zone chairs will
 provide initiatives, resources and suggested activities for clubs to grow in
 membership to serve more people in their communities. The zone chairs are
 our direct connections to the clubs. Time to empower them!
- Inform LCI divisions by providing information to and from Lions in the field.We
 have a real opportunity to support the development and roll out of effective
 tools and resources.
- Collect and share club and district success stories. The Global Action Team message is best shared through storytell-ing—stories that focus on a oneteam approach and highlight how each pillar of the team contributes to the others. These stories will inform and inspire Lions to engage their local Global Action Team as they plan and implement activities. As I told the district governor-elects when I addressed them in February, and will be reinforcing when I speak to them again at convention in Milan, the GAT exists when the clubs are in motion. And like gears in a machine, clubs that are active and in motion turn the gears of our districts. And active districts drive our organization.

Best Wishes,

Kajit "KJ" Habanananda, Past International President Chairperson, Global Action Team

SERVICE - The Service Journey

The Service Journey is an approach to living and serving well. To make a real difference, people can see and feel. It encompasses four simple phases: Learn, Discover, Act, and Celebrate. We love these words because they transcend organizational formulas. They have no borders. They are the essence of Lions and Leos.

If the past 100 years have taught us anything, it's that as we serve, we grow. And we were never meant to stop. Service is our journey.

Our Global Causes

- Diabetes We serve to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve the quality of life for those diagnosed.
- Vision: We serve to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.
- Hunger: We serve to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.
- Environment: We serve to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.
- Childhood Cancer: We serve to help those affected by childhood cancer survive and thrive.

Fulfilling service projects keep members coming back, and they help attract new members who are looking to get involved. Make sure club members leave the club event with a sense of satisfaction and enjoyment.

For more information, please contact Lion Terry Walters at twalters02@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP - Many Hands Make Light Work

1,250

At our District Convention in April, the 2019-2020 District team was challenged by our guest *Past International President*, William "Bill" Biggs to grow our district membership level to 1,250. Knowing this effort will take time to foster and require the efforts of many, I want to take this opportunity at the beginning of the new Lions year to pass this on invite you to participate in this challenge as well.

As you're aware, our membership consists of a potpourri of individuals at different stages of their lives. In order to look to the future, and with succession planning in mind, it's in our best interest to protect the legacy of our organization by generating interest in what we do - how we serve - and making newcomers feel valued and welcome.

For those of you who enjoy data and statistics (like myself!) - I thought it was worth sharing the snapshot below which summarizes the ebbs and flows of our membership trend over the course of the last thirteen years. Based on the insight shared with me from our previous leadership, much of the success can be attributed to establishing new clubs or recruiting for purpose though branch clubs or specialty clubs.

Governor	Frederick	Chrisman	Sexton	Walters	Treichel	Shepherd	Dettling
Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Ending							
Total	1152	1124	1143	1170	1132	1083	1087
Members							
Variance	N/A	-28	+19	+27	-38	-49	+4

Governor	Allen	Lautzenheiser	Allen	Hill	Bullington	Spriggs
Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Ending						
Total	1056	992	960	1052	1069	1043
Members						
Variance	-31	-64	-32	92	17	-26

Service is at our core. It's a fundamental cornerstone of Lionism. However, we need members to put that service into action and help others. I welcome your thoughts, ideas and suggestions as to how we can grow and build momentum. With your help, I know our District will be able to achieve this goal and be stronger than ever.

Lion Mike

For more information, please contact: Lion Dave Hill at coldhill@gmail.com

LEADERSHIP - Educating the Next Generation of Leaders

GLT Team Goals for 2019-2020:

- Promote club level training at zone meetings and club visits.
- Conduct a training needs assessment survey by sending a review to new club officers asking for input on desired training topics.
- Assist and monitor clubs who have problems reporting required reports to MyLCI & MyLion.
- Guiding Lions Train one or two Lions from each club to be certified Guiding Lions.
- Promote Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute to encourage members to attend the institute.
- Encourage clubs to select and fund at least two members from their club to attend Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute.
- We will be implementing a mentoring program operating much like a "buddy system," which will pair new members with existing members, explaining the organizational structure and offering input to upcoming events. The goal of this effort is quicker and more productive assimilation into the Lions organization.

Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute:

The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute will be held at the R.A. MacMullan Center Training Center on Higgins Lake from November 8-2010, 2019. All clubs are encouraged to send someone to the Institute. The deadline for submitting applications is September 29th but submit them as soon as possible because the Institute tends to fill up rather quickly. The registration fee is \$225.00 which should be sent with the application. The fee covers registration, course materials, two nights lodging and six meals. There will also be a Graduate Institute for those Lions who have attended the basic Institute. All club presidents and zone chairs have received copies of the registration forms Again, please send someone from your club to the Institute. They and your club will benefit greatly.

For more information, please contact: Lion Roberta Sexton at robertasexton@comcast.net

Our DISTRICT is holding the annual **DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PICNIC** on **September 14, 2019,** and we are looking for deaf and hard of hearing participants from CLUBS all over our District.

WHAT: THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PICNIC - games, lunch, social time

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 - FROM 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M. WHERE: BEDFORD LIONS CLUBHOUSE, 22116 BEDFORD RD N (M-37), BATTLE CREEK MI 49017 (AREA KNOWN AS BEDFORD)

WHY: Because WE SERVE. Lions everywhere help provide hearing aids. This group is one of our target audiences and also the only District-Sponsored event to benefit the deaf.

***WE NEED YOUR HELP IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS EVENT SUCCESSFUL – CLUBS - PLEASE CONSIDER PROVIDING/DONATING DOOR PRIZES/GIFT CARDS, POSTAGE STAMPS, OR FOOD TOWARDS THIS EVENT.

PEG GRIGGS WILL BE COLLECTING THESE DONATIONS - SO PLEASE CONTACT HER AT 517-554-1451, OR AT

lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com.

***WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR COMMITTEE? WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW

LIONS LIONESS MEMBERS WHO ARE WILLING TO SERVE ON THIS ANNUAL EVENT CALL -517-554-1451- OR EMAIL <u>– lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com</u> - LION PEG AND SHE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION AS TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS DUTIES.

WE WELCOME ALL LIONS TO COME AND EXPERIENCE THE PICNIC AND SEE WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT!!

***<u>BUT PLEASE ENSURE TO RSVP BY AUGUST 26TH, IN ORDER FOR US TO</u> <u>HAVE AN ACCURATE COUNT FOR FOOD PURCHASES</u>.

WE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The District 11 B-1 Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic Committee -

Pat Stiff, Sandy Determann, Jean Mohon, Bob Field, Nancy Chantrenne, Peg Griggs, and Lorraine Lindsey – Advisor





THE LIONS & LIONESS CLUBS Of the **BATTLE CREEK AREA and DISTRICT 11-B1** Invite you and your guests to join us for the 37th Annual

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Picnic

Saturday September 14th, 2019

From 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At the Bedford Lion's Den 22116 Bedford Rd N (M-37), (Bedford) Battle Creek MI 49017 (The Bedford Lion's Den is located on the east side of Bedford Road south of the Bedford Park - same place as past years)

> 10 am – 12:00 am -- Sign in time, games/social time, information & eye screening 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm -- WELCOME 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm -- LUNCH 1:30 pm – 3 pm -- GAMES, DOOR PRIZES, SOCIAL TIME

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

YOU MUST REPLY BY AUGUST 26, 2019 TO BE GUARANTEED A LUNCH !!!

Complete the bottom portion of this letter and mail to: Jean Mohon, 2223 Cascade Ridge, Jackson, MI 49203, - OR call Jean at 517-783-1351-OR email Jean at djmohon1936@comcast.net - OR email Peg Griggs at lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com

<u>Please let others who are deaf/hard of hearing know about this event!</u> Be sure to include them in your reservation if they are attending the picnic.

**Return this portion to Jean Mohon, 2223 Cascade Ridge, Jackson, MI 49203 **

Your Name

Total # attending _____ Children's ages _____

Address

Would you like to hear from us by e-mail? If so please provide your e-mail address:

____I/we cannot attend but keep me on your mailing list

_____I/we no longer wish to be contacted about the Deaf Picnic

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL UPDATE



JUSTIN K. FABER - INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Justin K. Faber, from Deckerville, Michigan, USA was elected to serve as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9, 2019.

He became a Lion in 2001 after joining the Ubly Lions Club. Director Faber was instrumental in changing his club from an all-male club to a diverse club that is the pillar of the district today.

He has held a number of offices within the association including MD GST Chairperson, MD Governmental Liaison Committee Chairperson and Council Chairperson. As the council Chairperson he navigated the political scene in the state of Michigan to revise an age-old law that abruptly disallowed Lions from collecting monies in the streets. This small act allows Lions to raise over one million dollars annually in the state. Director Faber was a presenter at the USA/Canada Leadership Forum as well as the Michigan Forum.

SIGHTING IN ON VISION - Eversight Fundraiser



9th annual

• Eversight FREELAND CONSERVATION CLUB

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CHARITY SPORTING CLAY SHOOT FREELAND CONSERVATION CLUB SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2019 10:30AM-3:30 PM

Hosted in partnership by Saginaw Field and Stream and **Freeland Conservation Club** to benefit Eversight. Reserve your tickets today at eversightvision.org/siov.

Enjoy an unforgettable day of sporting clay shooting, awards, 50/50 and .450 Bushmaster raffle at the Freeland Conservation Club, MI. Sign up as an individual or join as a team, and don't forget to take advantage of the many sponsorship opportunities - Space is limited!

Contact David Anderson with Saginaw Field & Stream, danderson@hilliard.com or call (989) 928 - 9821 with any questions.



EVENT SPONSOR \$1,500

- Registration for 4 shooters
- 3'x6' sponsor banner in lunch area

AMMUNITION SPONSOR \$500 (Limit 2)

• Registration for 2 shooters

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- Company logo on each box of ammunition
- 1' x 3' sponsor banner in pavilion

STATION SPONSOR \$200 (Limit 13)

- Registration for 1 shooter
- 18"x 24" sign at one station with your company name and phone number

TABLE SPONSOR \$50 (Limit 10)

Table sponsor sign at luncheon table

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REGISTRATION

○ \$65 INDIVIDUAL TICKET

- 🔵 \$20 LUNCH ONLY
- GUN RENTAL (LIMITED QUANTITY)

TEAM REGISTRATION (UP TO FIVE)

Name:			
E-mail:			
Phone:			
Address:			
City:	State:		
Zip:			
Team member name(s), if applicable:			

INDIVIDUAL SHOOTER

- \$65 (Register before Aug. 15)
- \$75 (Register after Aug. 15)

Includes individual shooter registration, lunch ticket, ammunition, and hearing and eye protection.

LUNCH TICKET \$20

For guests who want to attend the event, but not shoot.

GUN LOAN

Guns are available upon request at no additional charge. Loaner guns are limited, so please indicate your loan request on the registration form.

SPONSORSHIPS

- **EVENT SPONSOR \$1,500**
- **AMMUNITION SPONSOR \$500 (LIMIT 2)**
- STATION SPONSOR \$200 (LIMIT 13)

TABLE SPONSOR \$50 (LIMIT 10)

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Visit eversightvision.org/siov for easy online registration and sponsorship or complete this form and mail to: Eversight, 3985 Research Park Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

Check Enclosed \$_____ Please make check payable to Eversight.

LCI CODE OF ETHICS

To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

To Seek success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

To Hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

Always to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

To Aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.