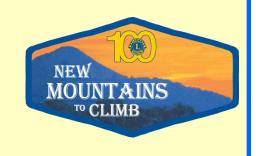


#### **District 11-B1**

### Newsletter

#### **April 2017**



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Lions of District 11-B1



#### **DISTRICT 11-B1 CONVENTION**



**Lion Dennis Berry,** President of the Dexter Lions, was selected as the LION OF THE YEAR for the District.



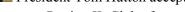
Mirabelle Peter was selected as the LEO OF THE YEAR. Her sister Zenzi was chosen as the Region 2 Lion of the Year.

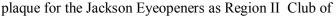


Lion Jerry Mackey is the Region III LION OF THE YEAR.

The Manchester Lions won the Karl Sorrick Award as Club of the Year for the SIXTH consecutive year.

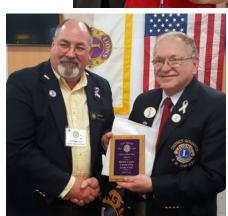
President Tom Hutton accepts the







the Year, and
President Roger
Bosse accepts on
behalf of the Battle Creek Cereal
City Lions as Region III Club of
the Year.



#### 2017 District Convention - April 1st



IP Sam Lindsey attaches the Centennial Lions Pin on new member Nicole Nessler-Stuhec of the Ann Arbor Host Lions.

Her sponsor, looking on is Lion Amy Shepherd, club secretary and Leo advisor. Amy was awarded an International President's Certificate.

Lions Christine Wag-



ner, President of the NEW University of Michigan Lions Club (and a Charter Member of TWO Campus Clubs) and Lion (Staff Sgt) Michael Nicoles cut the cake at the banquet dinner.



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DG Dave Hill presented a check for \$1435 to the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy who's cadets have provided countless hours of service to the district.



Lion Peg Griggs was presented a well deserved Melvin Jones Fellowship.

1st VDGE Roger & Harriet Spriggs



DGE LuAnne Bullington



2nd VDGE Mike Scott



#### From the Governor

#### WE NEED TO FINISH STRONG!

I want to thank everyone who made our District Convention so successful! I want to especially thank all the following members of the committee that made an extra effort to assure its success; Connie Neese, Margie Horsch, Terry Walters, Barry Allen, Nancy Hill (my beautiful bride), Jay Myers, Walt and PDG Barb Treichel, and Peg Griggs. The following are some of the highlights:

We had about 15% more Lions attend this year.

Connie is tabulating the results of the survey, but the one day format seemed to be very popular. We will publish the results of the survey next month.

All the break-out sessions were well attended and the APP's session, Gary Beck's Spring Gardening session and FUNdraising sessions were very popular.

Congressman Tim Wahlberg did an exceptional job of awarding our Veterans recognition pins. PDG Bob Block, the Chairperson of the International Convention Committee, provided a great presentation and convention materials. He also did a great job as our Costume Contest judge!

International Director Sam Lindsey and his wife Lion Jodye were gracious. ID Sam even had a great Leaderdog joke.

Lion Debbie Dayton of the Leaderdog Board of Directors and her Leaderdog Patrick provided a great lunch presentation. Patrick even visited everyone in the process.

We have two great events this Saturday, April 8! The Charter Luncheon for the University of Michigan Lions Club will be at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division St, in Ann Arbor. No reservation required, just pay \$10 for the luncheon at the door and enjoy the good company of our newest, and youngest, Lions.

The Bedford Lions are celebrating their fifty-year anniversary! They will be having a celebratory luncheon at noon in their clubhouse! Congratulations Bedford Lions!

With the new University of Michigan Club we have over an 8% gain in membership since last July, however, March was a tough month for membership in our original thirty eight clubs. We still have four more members in the thirty-eight clubs we started out with last July, but we need to do some heavy recruiting to finish up at the end of June with a gain. I will be calling the clubs in the next month to see what I can do to provide some new members with the privilege of your company and the opportunity to serve!

#### **DG** Dave





#### FROM OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT

Hello Lions,

A huge Congratulations and a major Thank you to DG Dave Hill and his entire Convention Committee for a very successful and fun packed District 11 B1 Convention. How will next year's Convention committee top Lions dressed as Flappers, the Blues Brothers and PDG Barry Allen dressed as Katie O' Leary's {CCE Peggy Allen} cow, protesting the serving of beef for dinner?

I want to thank all those who attended, the Convention and who voted to elect me as the 2017 - 2018 District 11 B1 Governor. I am looking forward to working for you and with so many talented, dedicated and outstanding Lions who work every day to make our District and their communities a better place to live. I also want to thank the Delegates for passing the two ballot initiatives that will make our District more competitive on campuses. Thank you so much!

#### My goals are to:

Support and work with DG Dave Hill, who will serve as our District Global Membership Team Coordinator {GMTC} so he can continue his work to increase the District's membership with existing clubs and to continue to develop Campus Clubs. DG Dave Hill has successfully, chartered the University of Michigan Campus Clubs, adding 69 new Lions to our District as well as working with existing clubs who have added many new members to their rosters. Great work everyone and especially to DG Dave Hill!

Include more technological innovations at our Convention, as well as adding opportunities for those who need accommodations during the Convention.

Create a Regional visitation rotation system for the DG, First VDG and Second VDG instead of having the DG visit all the District Clubs in one year. This is important if we are to recruit people who work have families or find visiting 39 clubs in one year difficult. This also gives the incoming DG's an opportunity to get to know and understand the issues with the clubs, identify potential leaders, talent and volunteers long before they become a DG.

Create and post to the internet a library of training videos and important skills for clubs, presidents, secretaries, other officers and leaders. The following training classes will be videotaped this year and posted to the web: Zone Chair, Club President and Club Orientation. We will continue to create and make available more training classes as the opportunities arise.

I want to thank all those that stepped up and volunteered to continue their valuable work and to welcome those who are joining our team. We have new members and existing Lions that have stepped forward to take a leadership role at the Zone and District level. They will bring new ideas and exciting new talents to our District. It is the team's work and efforts that has and continues to make our District so outstanding! I look forward to working with all of you.

With much Thanks and Gratitude, DGE Lion LuAnne Bullington

#### HAILS and FAREWELLS:

#### WELCOME ABOARD!

NEW MEMBERCLUBSPONSORCrystal SmithAnn Arbor HostCollin RossNicole Nessler-StuhecAnn Arbor HostAmy ShepherdJonathan TenneyMunithBob HulstromKC SykesJackson CascadesJames Van Slette

Christine Kranyz Clarklake Wayne Kranyz Clarklake

Richard Bigford Vandercook Lake Rodney Brundage

University of Michigan Campus Club - SIXTY NINE charter members

GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

None this month

No pessimist ever discovered the secrets of the stars, or sailed to an unchartered land, or opened a new heaven to the human spirit. Helen Keller

#### BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY tribute to Past Vice District Governor



TOM MORRIS, twice club president, Melvin Jones and Ken Lautzenheiser Fellow. His life was celebrated at a special meeting of the Cereal City Lions at his home and at the club meeting. Tom was a respected Lion Emeritus of the club. PDG Barry Allen presented the Certificate of Honor to Jean Morris.



Later, at the club meeting he talked about his friendship with Lion Tom and gave a short history of the "black shoe" versus "brown shoe" Navy.

#### From the desk of the First Vice District Governor (Elect)

#### ARE YOU HIDING YOUR TALENTS?



Many clubs have successfully recruited new members into their ranks this year and I want to thank the clubs, the membership committees and all those lions who have introduced guests to their clubs that have enabled us to increase our service to our communities

Ask your friends or work colleagues if they have heard of the Red Cross, then ask them what they know about Lions, both organizations do stellar international work, but one actively seeks publicity as a fundraising tool, the other almost seems to shun being recognized for the service they provide. The lack of publicity not only means that the general public has little knowledge of what Lions do, but newer lions have little

knowledge of the big picture and how our organization works. This deters lions in our clubs form moving into the exciting area of Club and District leadership, limits their experience, their sense of achievement and fun.

There is now a great opportunity to learn about the bigger World of Lionism, if you are new to lions, or you don't know a lot about our organization outside of your club experience, District 11-B1 is presenting a new class, ORIENTATION, at the Spring Training. No new lions should miss this chance to understand how Lions works outside your club and discover how they fit into the organization and the opportunities that exist outside the clubs that will provide more satisfaction, make more friends and have more fun.

Spring Training requires one evening, as well as an opportunity to learn it's a chance to meet other lions from the District and discover what other clubs are doing, meet the new District Cabinet for 2107-2018, enjoy great food and maybe win the 50/50.

See you there?

Lion Roger



#### PROFILE OF A LION - Laura Van Sickle Adrian Breakfast Lions

Lion Laura received the coveted Laura Haviland/Human Services Professional Award (the highest award offered in Adrian). Laura has worked in the human services field since 1970's, working and volunteering for programs such as Prevention First, Adventure Program, and Multi-Cultural Departments at the Lenawee Intermediate School District. She has a reputation for going above and beyond, dedicating thousands of hours to ensure the success of these programs. Currently she works for the Community Action Agency (CAA) where she is the go-to person for help with basic needs and knowledge of the community. She currently serves as the secretary of the Migrant Resource Council, Financial Stability Coalition, Utilities Task Force, and the CAA Advisory Council, and the Basic Needs Task Force, Lenawee Substance Abuse Coalition and other committees. Laura also serves in many volunteer roles, having been on the American Red Cross Board of Directors since 2009, President of the Adrian Breakfast Lions, and a avid SPOT vision screener. She also volunteers on at least 18 other community based programs and event planning committees. Volunteering is a passion of Laura's. Paula Trentman of the Lenawee Community Foundation states Laura is a "wonderful role model, walks the talk, is a tireless advocate for others, a fantastic teacher and a friend, a cheerleader for all." Laura's coworker and fellow Lion Burt Fenby states "There isn't any project or person Laura won't go out of her way to ensure their success." If a project needs anything, Laura knows where to get it and pull things together.

YOU JUST CAN'T SAY NO TO LAURA VAN SICKLE!

#### District SPARK PLUG Awards race for 2016 - 2017 The Spark Plug

Award is given to any club who has a <u>net growth of +5 %</u> or more during the Lions Year. Each club is awarded a Spark Plug Banner Patch, and the winning club keeps the traveling plaque for the following year. Current standings:

Clarklake	+ 35.48%	Vandercook Lake	+ 7.94%
Adrian Evening	+ 18.18%	Jackson Host	+ 6.25%
Jackson Cascades	+ 17.65%	<b>Battle Creek Host</b>	+ 5.88%
Ann Arbor Evening	+ 14.29%	Clinton	+ 4.35%
Ann Arbor Host	+ 12.77%	<b>Battle Creek CC</b>	+ 3.70%
Grass Lake	+ 9.52%	Pennfield	+ 2.27%

Editor's note: We now have TWELVE of our 39 clubs who have positive growth!



#### **NUMBERS FOR DISTRICT 11-B1**

Total Clubs Current Member Count YTD Added YTD Dropped YTD Net Growth

39 1033 127 54 **+73** 

Note: A district is 1250 Lions, we need a net gain of 217 Lions\*

#### SPRING LEADERSHIP FORUM

Don't forget to send in your registration!

APRIL 27, 2017 Vandercook Lake HS

5:30 PM Start

Presidents - PDG Barry Allen

Secretaries - CCE Peggy Allen

Treasurers - CT Walt Treichel

Membership - GMT Dave Hill

Tail Twister/Lion Tamer - Lion Chris Lake

ORIENTATION - Lion De Davis

Leo's - PDG Terry Walters



Special Presentation by Lion Dr. Donna Wicker of the Kellogg Eye Center

http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-8.php



https://youtu.be/VPYBTZSr Ak

#### **International President, Chancellor Bob Corlew**

The pages of LION Magazine during the early years of Lions in the 1920s were filled with stories such as "The Purpose of Lions," "The Meaning of Lionism" and "The Value of Lions." A businessman's club dedicated to service was still a novel concept, and it was as if Lions had to convince themselves that they were on the right track. The uncertainty led Lions to question whether Lions Clubs would even survive. "During my lifetime I have seen organizations formed with the highest ideals flourish for a time, then drop into comparative unimportance. Will that be the fate of Lionism? I hope



not," wrote District Governor A. Baker of Cheyenne, Wyoming, in January 1922.

But Lions stayed the course. They stuck with service. Fellowship was part of membership. But service was paramount. "Activities Make the Club" was the headline for a column in 1927 by International President Irving Camp of Johnstown, Pennsylvania. "Show me a club that simply meets and eats, and I will show you a club that has failed to respond to the call of service as invited in the very principles of our great, unselfish organization," he wrote.

Rapidly approaching our Centennial in 2017, we now know that our forebears were right. Service is what makes a Lion. It's what we do. It's who we are. That has never been more evident than over the past couple of years. We set a goal to serve 100 million people by June 30, 2018. The four campaigns have been Engaging Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger and Protecting the Environment.

We wondered whether we'd reach the goal because clubs typically had reported to Lions Clubs International serving 8 million people annually (but we knew the true figure was higher). I'm elated to tell vou that in early September we reached our goal of serving 100 million people. Take pride in being part of an association that lives up to its amazing ideals.

Like Lions of yesteryear, we put service first. But unlike them, we are confident we will be here for a long, long time! Thank you for all you do as a Lion, and I hope to see you at the 100th International Convention in Chicago June 30-July 4, 2017.

#### **Upcoming Events and Info**



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

TIME FOR DISTRICT 11-B1

SPRING LEADERSHIP FORUM AT VANDERCOOK LAKE

WHEN: THURSDAY APRIL 27, 2017 @ 5:30 PM

Vandercook Lake Junior/Senior High School 1000 Golf Avenue Jackson, Mi 49203

COST: WITH MEAL: \$12.00
WITHOUT MEAL \$2.00
LEOS ATTEND FREE!
RSVP DEADLINE WILL BE APRIL21, 2017

COME AND ENJOY A FUN FILLED LEARNING EXPERINCE, WITH SOME OF THE BEST INSTRUCTORS AND TRAINERS IN THE DISTRICT

#### WE WILL HAVE:

- Recognition/Introduction of the 2017 2018 Cabinet
- Formal introduction of our District Governor Elect LuAnne Bullington
- 50/50 Drawing and Much More!

Let's see if we can have every club (Lion, Lioness and Leos) present this year! Come, celebrate our current Lions year under the Leadership of DG Dave, and start the year off right for our District Governor Elect LuAnne ....

BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR THE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND REGISTRATION FORM - TO FOLLOW IN A FEW DAYS!

For Questions and other Information -Contact PDG Barry Allen, Global Leadership Chairperson Barry RAllen@aol.com 734-428-7034/734-904-4695

Registration Form & payment will be sent to PDG Barry Allen <u>Barry RAllen@aol.com</u> 19230 Sharon Valley Rd Manchester, MI 48158



#### SPOT SCHEDULE

#### April

- 13 Manchester
- 18-20 North Jackson
- 21 Manchester
- 22 Ann Arbor (St. Joe)

May

3-5 Blissfield

Your club name here...

#### INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - Chicago

#### RIDE SHARE and/or ROOM SHARE

Want to attend the International Convention, but don't want the full expense? Provide us your name and request and we will try to broker a connection with you to share a room in Chicago, or the transportation to get there. It is expected you would pay your half of the expenses involved.

Email or call PDG Barry Allen, <u>BarryRAllen@aol.com</u> or 734-428-7034

#### Lions Day at Cedar Point Lions Centennial Celebration

**Saturday, May 13, 2017** A once in a lifetime event of epic proportions!!

Iconic speeches by <u>Helen Keller</u>, <u>Melvin Jones</u> and International President <u>Bob Corlew</u>. Dinner and photo opportunities in the actual facility where the Lions became the "Knights of the Blind."

This is an official Lions Centennial Event open to all Lions, Lioness, Leos, Family and Special Guests.



#### District and Club Dates to Remember

#### APRIL - FAMILY & FRIENDS MONTH & LEO CLUB AWARENESS MONTH

- 1 DISTRICT 11-B1 CONVENTION Baker College
- 8 Bedford Area Lions, 50th Anniversary Luncheon, at the Clubhouse, noon
- 8 SPOT Battle Creek Cereal City, Springfield Fire Department, 10 2 pm
- 12 Eversight "Donate Life" Day at the Secretary of State Offices
- 13 SPOT Manchester, Klager Elementary, Kindergarten Roundup, 4 7 pm
- 15 Club Elections reported to MyLCI
- 15 Clarklake Lions, Easter Egg Hunt, Lions Park, bring your kids!
- 15 EASTER
- 18-20 SPOT North Jackson, Kindergarten Roundup
- 20 SPOT Manchester Lions
- SPOT St. Joe's Hospital (Ann Arbor), "See, Test & Treat 2017," 10 3 pm
- 22 Chelsea EXPO
- Adrian Breakfast Lions Radio Auction WQTE 95.3 FM 8:30 to 4 pm
- VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, moved due to Easter
- 27 SPRING LEADERSHIP TRAINING Vandercook Lake HS, 5:30 pm
- 28 May 7 WHITE CANE WEEK
- 29 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Board Meeting, Lansing, 10:00 am
- 29 Clarklake Lions, Annual Cash Bash, Brooklyn American Legion

#### MAY - VISION MONTH & LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT MONTH

- 3-5 Vidalia Onions??
- 13 BEAR LAKE CAMP Clean up day, 9 3 pm Contact PDG Barry
- 13 Lions Day at Cedar Point, Grand Pavilion
- 19/20 MD-11 State Convention,
- 20 Lions of Michigan Foundation RAFFLE drawing
- VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 25 Manchester Business EXPO, 4 7 pm
- Memorial Day Parade, in a town near you.

#### JUNE - CATARACT AWARENESS MONTH

- 2-3 Vandercook Lake Garage Sale, at the Clubhouse
- 8 Jackson Host fundraiser at Finley's Restaurant
- 17 Eversight, "Gift of Sight" Golf Classic, Washtenaw Golf & Country Club, 9:30 am shotgun start
- 21 SPOT Hillsdale
- 30-4 Centennial International Convention Chicago

#### JULY - JUVENILE ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

- 1-4 Centennial International Convention Chicago
- 11 Manchester Community Fair PARADE, 6 pm, FAIR 11 15



#### **CLUBS Doing What they Do!**

**The Adrian Evening Lions** held their annual Potato & Salad Dinner on March 11th. They had a good turn out and provided a healthy and tasty dinner. They helped the Tecumseh Lions with the SPOT camera at their Kindergarten Roundup.

**The Albion Lions** - In April the Albion Lions will be redoing three walking bridges in Victory Park as their Legacy Project.

**The Ann Arbor Host Lions** - (and Leo's) participated in the Eversight Bowling for Better Tomorrows, and installed a new member, Crystal Smith who's sponsor is Collin Ross. The Lions collaborated with the Leos, the Ann Arbor YMCA and the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living to purchase and make 24 school supply bags to be donated to the Ozone House WISD Education Project.

**The Battle Creek Cereal City Lions** held their Dinner in the Dark at the Cornwall in Turkeyville, raising \$1700. A memorial gathering was held at the VDG Tom Morris home and he was further eulogized at the Club's meeting that evening.

**The Bedford Area Lions** held their Soup & Salad Dinner on March 16th at the Clubhouse. On April 8th they will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary with a Luncheon at the Clubhouse, from noon to 2 pm. They donated \$1000 to the Food Bank of South Central Michigan.

**The Blissfield Lions -** Members briefed the schools on the SPOT camera on February 3rd. The staff was pleasantly amazed! A school screening is scheduled for May 3,4, & 5. They are having a Spouse night at Eversight on April 5th.

The Clinton Lions continued their monthly donation to the 192 Ministries who prepare meal packs for children on the low/free lunch program at the school, designed to feed the children over the weekends. They also supported the Food Pantry, and donated towards a service dog for a 6th grader who has diabetes.

**The Dexter Lions** staffed the high school basketball games and sponsored 15 LEOS to attend the Eversight Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows. They also donated to the Dexter Scouts, Dexter sports teams, and the new University of Michigan Lions Club.

**The Inter-Lakes Lions** The club goes inactive until April, but are already preparing for their Vidalia Onion sales.

**The Jackson Eyeopeners Lions** volunteered at the Jackson County Medical Center and donated tissue and paper products to McCullough School and the Salvation Army. Members also assisted the Catholic Social Services fundraising and served lunch at the Interfaith Shelter.

**The Jackson Host Lions** - Completed their nut sales and made \$1045 on the Younkers Community Days ticket sales, and are now focusing on the upcoming Vidalia Onion Sales. They continue their support of the Jackson blind club and the Interfaith Shelter.

**The Manchester Lions** - partnered with the Kiwanis club for their annual Crazy Cash reverse raffle on March 4th, which they have supported for a number of years, receiving a \$2000 grant. Lion Bill Kaufman from the North Charleston Lions assisted, as did more than a dozen Lions. They also worked a Charity Poker event at the Roundtree in Ypsilanti in March and have two more scheduled at Hot Rod's in Jackson.

**The Marshall Lions** are getting ready for their spring Vidalia Onion sales. President Bud Moe presented a \$500 check to the Grand Street Park renovation project.

**The Michigan Center Lions** provided a set of hearing aids to a resident. They also have their annual Draw Down on March 4th. They will be hosting Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on April 8th.

**The Munith Lions** continued their support of the Stockbridge Lions BINGO, collected used eyeglasses, hearing aids and phones. They added a new member, JonathanTenney. His sponsor is Lion Bob Hulstrom.

**Napoleon Lions** conducted KidSight SPOT screening at the school carnival and also conducted a Pine Wood Derby. They also decided to buy new shirts for the Lions Community Band.

**North Jackson Lions -** collected \$800 in Lions mint sales. Members are selling Vidalia onions, volunteer at the schools, run 4H meetings, Leo Club meetings and language enrichment workshops. They also worked at Red Cross blood drives, donated to food banks and recycled household items.

**The Parma-Spring Arbor Lions -** continue to work on their community birthday calendar. Their next meeting is in April.

**The Tekonsha Lions** have begun their Vidalia onion sales. They will be serving ice cream and strawberries in the park for the June Music in the Park event. They will also be planting trees with the 4th graders on Earth Day April 22nd with trees from the conservation district.

**The Vandercook Lake Lions** held another successful Pan Cake breakfast. Peggy & I were the last to be served as they were shutting down. NO - I can't eat 25 pancakes! They brought in a new member, Richard Bigford who's sponsor is Rodney Brundage. They also contributed \$500 to LCIF.

YOUR CLUB HERE!

Send your club doings to PDG Barry



Club Anniversaries							
April							
1	Clinton	2010	3	Jonesville	1935		
3	North Jackson	1956	3	North Adams	1974		
6	Bedford Area	1967	11	Ann Arbor Evening	1961		
11	Dexter Leos	2010	19	Grass Lake Leo's	2009		
20	Albion	2007	24	Pittsford Area	1974		
28	Battle Creek Host	1924	29	Ann Arbor Host	1929		
May							
7	Jackson Host	1921	14	Huron Valley Sunrise	1981		
16	Saline	1975	22	Pennfield	1974		

#### **Contests and Awards**

#### 2017 11-B1 DISTRICT CONVENTION

#### RECIPIENTS OF AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS

#### Leos of the Year

Region 2, Zone 1 Leo of the Year - Lucy Ann Nurkka, Northwest Leos

Region 2, Zone 2 Leo of the Year - Zenzi Peter, Hanover Horton Leos

Leo of the Year, Mirabelle Peter, Hanover Horton Leos

#### Lioness of the Year

Region 2 Lioness of the Year - Susanna White, Michigan Center Lioness

Lioness of the Year - Becky Lawrence, Bedford Lioness

#### Lions of the Year

Region 2 Lion of the Year - Dr. Ed Mathein, Jackson Host

Region 3 Lion of the Year - Jerry Mackey, Battle Creek Cereal City

Lion of the Year - Dennis Berry, Dexter Lions

#### Clubs of the Year

Region 2 Karl Sorrick Club of the Year - Jackson Eyeopeners

Region 3 Karl Sorrick Club of the Year - Battle Creek Cereal City

Karl Sorrick Club of the Year - Manchester Lions

#### District Governor Medals

PDG Gary Babcock, Napoleon

Lion Linda Babcock, Napoleon

Lion John Koener, Pennfield - Winter Camp for the Blind

Lion Debbie Dayton, Leader Dogs for the Blind

Lion Roger Bosse, Battle Creek Cereal City - Winter Camp for the Blind

Lion Margie Horsch, Jackson Eyeopeners

Jackson Eyeopeners and Vandercook Lake Lions Clubs

#### Lions of Michigan Foundation - Helen Keller Fellow

Lion Al Lairson, Vandercook Lake

Lion Steve Britten, Vandercook Lake

Cabinet Secretary Lorraine Lindsey, Tekonsha

#### International Presidential Medal

PDG Barry Allen, Manchester

#### International Leadership Medal

Lion Walter Reed, Clark Lake

#### **Presidential Certificates**

Lion Nancy Hill, Vandercook Lake

Lion Christine Wagner, U of M

ZC Mike Scott, Dexter

1st VDGE Roger Spriggs, Battle Creek Cereal City

Lion Amy Shepherd, Ann Arbor Host



PDG Barry Allen receiving the International Presidential Medal. ID Sam Lindsey admitted though being from Texas, he had never pinned a cow before.

#### **Contests and Awards**

#### 2017 11-B1 DISTRICT CONVENTION

#### RECIPIENTS OF AWARDS / FELLOWSHIPS

#### Melvin Jones Fellow

Lion Peg Griggs, North Jackson DG Dave Hill, Vandercook Lake

#### Eversight Michigan:

William "Doc" Barr Knight for Vision Fellowship

DGE Luanne Bullington, Ann Arbor Host
Lion Claudea Templeton, Albion

#### A. Charles Weir Sight Conservation Fellowship

Zone Chair Dick Saxton, Blissfield
Cabinet Treasurer Walt Treichel, Hanover Horton
Zone Chair Bud Sager, Pennfield
Zone Chair Vicki Ruiz, Napoleon
Lion Barb Baggerly, Marshall
Lion Pat Stiff, Battle Creek Cereal City

#### Wendell Doty Award

Lion Connie Neese, Jackson Eyeopeners



The **HANOVER HORTON LEOS** with International President Sam Lindsey. Including Lions of the Year, Mirabelle and Zenzi Peter.

#### PICKLES | Brian Crane









#### PRESIDENT CORLEW'S MESSAGE

We launched LCI Forward to provide a blueprint for our second century of service and to help achieve our goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021. One of the keys to achieving this goal is our new global service framework.

The global service framework is designed to meet the emerging needs of a changing world. It reflects the result of a comprehensive global assessment and input from Lions and Leos around the world. It builds upon our tradition of service and commitment to saving sight, while focusing our efforts into five program areas.

Here is an overview of our new global service framework:

- The service framework includes vision, hunger, the environment, pediatric cancer and diabetes.
- Lions will continue to support **youth** by engaging young people as volunteers and service leaders in the five areas of service.
- We will announce **diabetes as a new global service focus** at our 2017 Centennial convention in Chicago, and we'll be asking Lions and Leos to rally around this global health emergency that results in 5 million deaths a year.
- Lions and Leos will continue to serve local communities needs just as they always have. Lions Clubs International Foundation will support the service framework by aligning the work of our charitable arm with the efforts of Lions to create large-scale, lasting change where it's needed most.

Your leadership will be essential as we introduce the service framework to our 1.4 million members in the coming weeks. Please download the <u>service framework talking points</u> to help share it with your clubs.

Thank you for making Lions Clubs International the greatest service organization in the world!

**Chancellor Bob Corlew** 

#### **DEADLINES**

**April 15th** - CLUB ELECTIONS - reported to MyLCI

http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/lg22.pdf

June 30th - Governor's Club Award of Merit to CS Lorraine Lindsey\*

**June 30th -** Governor's Personal Award of Merit to CS Lorraine Lindsey\*

\*All District Awards/Contests may be found on the District Website http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/page-10.php **BEDFORD AREA & PENNFIELD LIONS** On March 7<sup>th</sup> 2017, a meeting was convened between representatives of Bedford Area Lions. Cereal City Lions and Pennfield Lions to consider the formation of a new Lions Club in Region 3 Zone 1. The club would seek to recruit alumni and supporters of U&M to form a link between the club and the new campus club. It is hoped that the new club would attract a younger age range than existing clubs in the area. R3,Z1 is under-represented in the District, the new club may also support the Bedford Lions Den.

L-R Kris Smith, Roger Bosse, Nancy Hill, Bud Sager, Wendall Laurence, DG Dave Hill Roger Spriggs, Mike Conklin



#### **DISTRICT 11-B1 LEOS**





#### **Hanover Horton**

**Leo** Officers for 2017-18, Advisor Gabrielle Scheese, President Yvonne Tribble, Treasurer Zenzi Peter, Vice President Mirabelle Peter, Secretary Marlana Peek, Tail Twister Bailey Allison and Lion Advisor Walter Treichel

**Northwest Leo's Project** What a great way to celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Northwest Leos than by completing a service project in Reading Month. The Leos read to the Northwest Early Elementary students, and everyone had a great time.





**Manchester Lions** donated to the High School "After Prom" with a matching grant from District 11-B1.

This event has been held after the prom has ended and is a "lock-in" inside of the school. 95% of the students that attend the prom stay at for event (2016 attendance was 175 students). During the event the after prom committee hosts events such as putt-putt golf, henna tattoos, jump houses, and laser tag to entice such a large number of participants. Their biggest draw could be for prizes that are given out throughout the night however. These items are mainly driven towards students upcoming transition into college (mini-fridges or gift cards for gas and other businesses). Their goal is to provide a \$20 minimum gift for each student.



Pictured are Lions Peggy & Barry Allen

Additional food is also provided ranging from Buffalo Wild Wings and also such local spots as Manchester Market Chicken. The event is held from 11:30 PM (when the prom ends) and stops at 4:00 AM. Manchester Lodge has always viewed this is a worthwhile endeavor to support within our community. This is an event that not only keeps students but others in the community safe and out of potentially dangerous situations that could be detrimental to lives. Students have come back to tell us how great of an experience it was sharing it among friends and classmates as a chapter of their lives close and another begins!

The Adrian Evening Lions held their annual Potato & Salad Dinner on March 11th at the First United

Met well arou Mar

Methodist Church in Adrian. The dinner was very well received with a great showing of Lions from around the area, including Adrian Breakfast, Manchester, and the Tecumseh Lions.

Do you ever wake up, kiss the person sleeping beside you, and feel glad that you are alive?
I just did and apparently will not be allowed on this airline again....

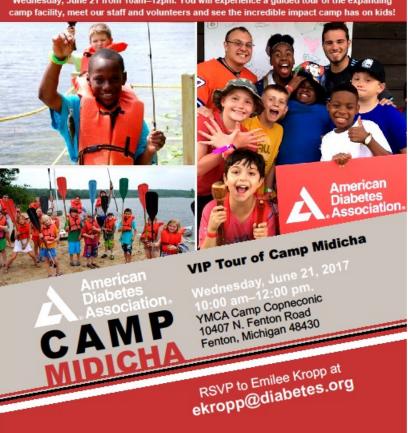
Story of my life:

I knew better but I did it anyway.



#### CAMP MIDICHA

The American Diabetes Association is the largest provider of diabetes camps around the country. We would like to invite you to Michigan's Camp Midicha for a VIP Tour on Wednesday, June 21 from 10am–12pm. You will experience a guided tour of the expanding camp facility, meet our staff and volunteers and see the incredible impact camp has on kids!



There will be a total of **SEVEN** children attending Camp Midicha this year, three of them sponsored by the **Battle Creek Cereal City** Lions due to their fundraiser, "Dinner in the Dark"



Attendees:

Connor and Clare from Dexter
Blake from Blissfield
Logan from Marshall
Connor from Springfield
Zoey from Harper Creek
Felicity from Beadle Lake

Thanks to all who donated!!

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, **Battle Creek Cereal City Lions Club** hosted an ambitious fundraiser at Turkeyville. The event offered a full turkey dinner and a stage show. During the meal the lights went out to provide the diners with an idea of what it is like to eat with limited sight. Two live auctions for wine and chocolate and a silent auction together with partial ticket reimbursement from Turkeyville raised a total of \$2,300. These funds will send three children to Diabetes Camp.



Thanks to Lion Claudea Templeton and her committee for challenging Lions with this complex project and to all the Lions in the District who supported this great fundraiser. Look out for it again next year.



#### **CONTINUE TO GROW!**

Zone Chair Vickie Ruiz inducted two new Lions into the **Clarklake Lions Club** at the March dinner meeting Tuesday, 28 March. New Lions Christine and Wayne Kranyz picked the right meeting night to join the Clarklake Lions. Their dinner was the annual Saint Paddy's Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner prepared by President Mike Bullinger and 2nd VP Todd Kennedy.



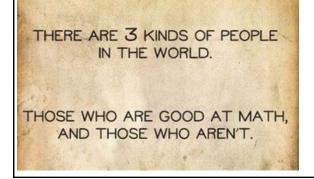
#### **Marshall Lions**



#### Lions Club donates to Grand St. Park campaign

MARSHALL – On March 20, Marshall Lions Club President Bud Moe presented a \$500 check to Elizabeth Renaud for the Grand Street Park crowdfunding campaign. Mayor Jack Reed and Project Coordinator Elizabeth Renaud visited the Marshall Lions Club on Feb. 28, where they spoke to the members on this unique opportunity for the Marshall community along with the importance of the continuing effort to revitalize its downtown. As of press time Wednesday, the project had raised \$38,600 of the \$50,000 goal. The deadline for donations is March 31 by 2 p.m.

**Tekonsha Lions.** Our February speaker was Hardial Singh, owner of the downtown Sunoco station in Tekonsha. He spoke with us about the life he came from in India and how/why he came to the U.S. in 1986 as a young man. He shared that India is a crowded and poor nation, and communities are separated by dialects that change every 25-30 miles and their 22 written languages. This keeps people from being mobile throughout their country, however land stays in the same family always. He first worked in the fields in California and immediately started paying taxes from his income, which made him legal in this country. Having learned the building trade from his father, his next job in California was construction. He started a family and moved to Michigan in 1993 to have his own business. His three children graduated from Galesburg High School. His daughter is a teacher, a son works for MLive, and his other won works at U of M (the son's wife is a dentist and finalizing her degree at Indiana University). He practices the Sikh religion, one of the largest religions in the world. They stress doing good, not just practicing religious rituals. Their goal is to live honestly, work hard, be generous to others, and pray always; to overcome lust, greed, anger, pride, etc. They believe in the cycle of life - rebirth - and to become liberated through the grace of God. Members had questions and enjoyed hearing Hardial's message.





#### 4-H and Lions Clubs Volunteering Opportunity



The volunteer opportunity is at the 4-H Rural Education Days. This event involves around 2,000 third graders from across Washtenaw County. They visit the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds on Tues-



day, Wednesday, and Thursday April 25-27. Volunteers are needed to serve as tour guides, hand out food samples, assist participants in handwashing, and in wrapping tree seedlings in wet newspaper so that there is some hope they may make it home alive. Volunteers are needed during the following times:

Monday, April 24- Set-up and Tree Wrapping, 4 p.m.- 7 p.m.

**Tuesday-Thursday**, April 25-27- 9:30-2:30- Each volunteer position will be provided with instructions upon arrival.

Thursday, April 27- 2:00-4:00 Clean Up

I think this may be a good fit for our Leos or Lions clubs, please send volunteer names, dates they are available, and preferred assignment (if they have one) my way by April 7th. Thank you!

-2VDGE Mike Scott (ms@michaelwscottjr.com or 734-426-7770)



#### **Facts and Figures**

University of Michigan Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences

Part of Michigan Medicine and the University of Michigan Medical School

Established in 1872

Clinical faculty - 79

Research faculty - 23

Endowed professorships - 10

Ranked #1 in Michigan, and #9 nationally in US News & World Report hospital ranking

174,509 patients last year

8,482 surgical procedures

Kellogg Clinical Research Center

Mardh 2010, 8 story Brehm Tower, 230,000 sq. ft., 9 eye clinics, 6 operating rooms, suites for refractive surgery and cosmetic surgery.

#### EATING IN THE FIFTIES

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti.

Curry was a surname.

A take-away was a mathematical problem.

Pizza? Sounds like a leaning tower some-where.

Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time. All chips were plain.

Oil was for lubricating; fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Chickens didn't have fingers in those days.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognized food.

'Kebab' was not even a word, never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal.

Surprisingly, muesli was readily available. It was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks in a tin; we had only ever seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than gasoline for it, they would have become a laughing stock.

The three things that we never ever had on/at our table in the fifties...was elbows, hats and cell phones!

# Lions of Michigan Foundation "Bridging The Gap To Service"

#### **Lions of Michigan Foundation**



Project KidSight





# ON THE XCHANGA

#### **Lions of Michigan Youth Exchange 2017**

Seeking summer homes for three female youth:

**Bernedetta** from Italy: 18 year old, likes music, traveling and signing; July 1<sup>st</sup> or Aug anytime 4 to 6 weeks.

**Alice** from Italy: 17 years old, likes volleyball and photography; July 15<sup>th</sup>- Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Birthe** from Germany: 18 year old, likes the gym and sports; July 1st or Aug anytime 4 to 6 weeks.

If you can open you home to one or more of these youth, please contact me as soon as possible:

Peggy Allen, District B1 Youth Exchange Chair PeggyA7747@aol.com 734-428-7034





Centennial

143,932,526



66 %



29,451



22,428



23,696





23,464

Be sure to report your **Centennial Service Challenge events on MyLCI!** 

#### JOIN THE **Centennial Service Challenge** AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



We're celebrating our 100 years of service by serving more than 100 million people! Between and June 30th, 2018, your club can make a difference in your community by participating in the four Centennial Service Challenge Campaigns. You decide when to serve and which projects are right for you club and community!

#### Earn Special Centennial Recognition for Your Club and District

Receive special Centennial Banner Patches when you report your Centennial Service Challenge projects through MyLCI Service Activity Report.

- Every club that reports Centennial Service Challenge activities will receive one patch for each year that they participate. Your club can earn up to four Centennial Banner Patches by participating in
- each year of the Centennial Service Challenge.

  In addition to direct service provision, one unrestricted donation to LCIF each fiscal year also counts toward your Centennial Banner Patch.
- Districts can also earn a Centennial Banner Patch based on the participation of their clubs.



#### START PLANNING YOUR CENTENNIAL SERVICE PROJECT TODAY!

Visit Lions100.org for Centennial Service Challe and videos to inspire your club to action! sources, reporting tips,

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#### **Convention Memorial Service**

#### PICKLES | Brian Crane









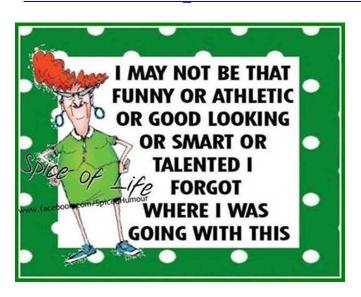
#### **MD-11 Lions State Convention**

Thursday May 18 - Saturday May 20th.





http://lionsofmi.com/calendar-of-eventshttpscalendar-google-comcalendarrendermain 7/2014-md11-state-convention/





#### Vandercook Lake Lions Take Top Spot at Eversight Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows

VCL Lions Steve Britten & Bill Paterson, along with a few friends and family members, took the top spot for game #1 of the Eversight Michigan 'Bowling for a Brighter Tomorrows' fundraiser in Ann Arbor. Their team average of 147 put them 10 up on the nearest competitor. They each received an Eversight Michigan carry bag for their efforts. This is the first year that

the VCL Lions participated in the event. Prior to this, they've been regular spon-

sors, but couldn't get enough interest to get a team together. The event drew so many teams that the entire Bel-

Mark Lanes bowling alley was utilized—all 40 lanes!

Other teams entered included the Clinton Lions, Dexter Leo's, Ann Arbor Host and the WISD Leo's.











#### The Future of Peace

It's the 30th anniversary of our Peace Poster Contest! To celebrate, we



redesigned our Peace Poster kits. Invite young artists in your communities to submit a poster design that expresses our theme, "The Future of Peace."

The contest is a great way to connect with your community and encourage youth to express their

vision of peace.

Children aged 11–13 are eligible to participate. All you need to do to unlock a child's creativity is purchase a Peace Poster kit from club supplies. Purchase your <u>Peace Poster kit</u> today!

2016-17 Grand Prize Winner
"A Celebration Of Peace"
Lakkana Meepara
13 years old
Thailand
Sponsored by
Bangkok Pinklao Lions Club

http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/serve/other-ways-to-serve/contests/peace-poster-contest/ppc-grand-prize-winners.php



#### \* LION LINKS \* AND OTHER COOL LIONS STUFF ONLINE

History of Lions: Growth & Expansion: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cUeRP3QiW4A">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cUeRP3QiW4A</a>

Lions Quarterly Video <a href="http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/videos/lq.php">http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/videos/lq.php</a>

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

The District 11-B1 e-District Website: <a href="http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/">http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/</a>

Get up-to-date contact info and previous District Newsletters/Constitution & Bylaws/Policy Manual!

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

MARCH Lions Pride <a href="http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/March-2017">http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/March-2017</a> WEB-PDF.pdf

MD-11 Convention <a href="http://lionsofmi.com/calendar-of-eventshttpscalendar-google-comcalendar-endermain\_7/2014-md11-state-convention/">http://lionsofmi.com/calendar-of-eventshttpscalendar-google-comcalendar-endermain\_7/2014-md11-state-convention/</a>

Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars and to change the world.

HARRIET TUBMAN



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