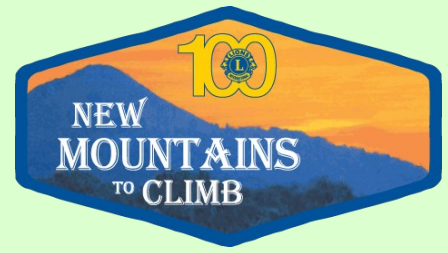




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Lions of District 11-B1



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

TIME FOR DISTRICT 11-B1

SPRING LEADERSHIP FORUM

AT VANDERCOOK LAKE

The District **SPRING LEADERSHIP FORUM** was held on April 27th at the Vandercook Lake High School. Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs, as well as Tail Twisters & Lion Tamers were trained on their roles and responsibilities and provided updated information on their multitude of tasks in that position. Additionally this year, we had an exciting and well attended presentation by Lion De Davis of the Battle Creek Cereal City Lions on Orientation. Instructors included PDG Barry Allen for Presidents, CCE Peggy Allen for Secretaries, Lion Walt Treichel for Treasurers, DG Dave Hill for Membership, and District Tail Twister Chris Lake. Additional sessions were held for the LEO's by State Leo Chairman PDG Terry Walters, and our new, used, and prospective Zone Chairs had a very informative session with DGE LuAnne Bullington and 1st VDGE Roger Spriggs.

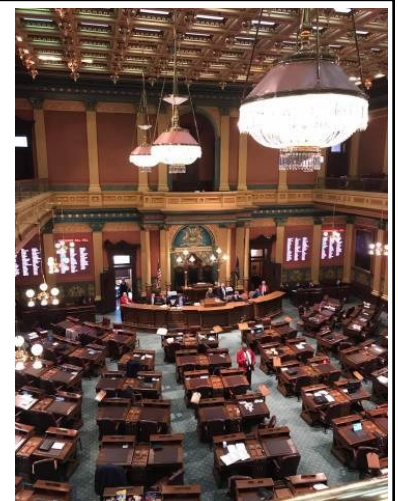
Our guest speaker for the General Session was new Lion, Dr. Donna Wicker of the Kellogg Eye Center. Dr. Wicker has been with the Center since 1987. She discussed the mission of the Center and background information about vision impairment, as well as the fantastic new technology to assist the visually impaired, including a camera which is surgically implanted in the pupil.

The 80 attendees were treated to another fine buffet dinner from the Bone Island Grill, and the 50/50 winner was Lion Connie Neese who picked up \$96.

May 2nd the Lions from all over Michigan attended the **LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION** at the Capitol Building



West Wing. DG Dave Hill, CCE Peggy Allen, and DGE LuAnne Bullington toured the capitol and visited with our state representatives to inform them of the Lions mission.



From the Governor

LET'S FINISH STRONG!

WELCOME WASHTENAW INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LEOS!

It is a pleasure to announce that we are chartering a new Leo's Club at Washtenaw International High School (WIHI) in Ypsilanti! Thirteen new Leos will have their first meeting May 15 to prepare for recruitment in the Fall. The spark plugs for the club are Nicole Stuhec and her son, Julius. Nicole was a Leo in Germany and was inducted as a new Ann Arbor Host Lion at our District Convention by ID Sam Lindsey. Ann Arbor Host is the sponsoring club and Lion Amy Shepard will be their Guiding Lion. The faculty advisor is Gertjan Vriend, who is originally from the Netherlands. WIHI Leos are our District's seventh Leo's Club and the thirty-first in the state!

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN CHARTER LUNCHEON - The charter for the U of M Club was awarded to the seventy new Lions at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor on April 8. President Jimmy Carter personally signed a congratulatory note for the club and each member was given a copy with their membership certificate. I have provided a copy of the President Carter note to be published in this newsletter issue along with a picture of the U of M Lions that attended the luncheon.

Vandercook Lake is the sponsoring club and President Brad Mercier presented the U of M President, Christine Wagner, with their new club banner. Ann Arbor Host presented the club with their new gong and Pittsford presented them with a new gavel and engraved gavel ring. Special thanks are given to St. Andrew's for providing us with the room and help. The student Lions dispersed to tables with Lions who were attending from other clubs.

We are preparing for Fall recruitment at the U of M. We plan on having a table at the event that all clubs are represented at and have a table next to the Food Court of the Union during the day. The event is scheduled for September 4 and 8. Let me know if you would like to participate, you will enjoy the opportunity.

LETS FINISH STRONG! – We have finished every month since July 1 with positive growth in the original thirty-eight clubs, but we need to add about fifteen new Lions by June 30 to have a good chance of finishing the year with positive growth. **LET ME KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP YOUR CLUB!**

It is a privilege and an honor to serve you and your club. Thank you.


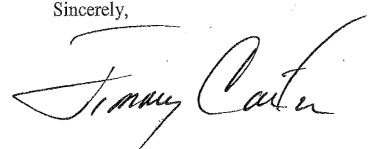

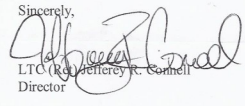
DG Dave





UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LIONS CLUB

The Campus Club held their Charter Luncheon on April 8th at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Officially they show 67 new members on the books, but rumor has it a few more were added to the list for the official charter, totaling 70.

<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>JIMMY CARTER March 25, 2017</p> </div> <p>To the University of Michigan Lions Club</p> <p>Rosalynn and I are pleased to congratulate you on your charter. As members of the world's largest humanitarian service club; you have the opportunity to make great strides in bringing the gift of sight to people around the world.</p> <p>We look forward to hearing of your many successes.</p> <p>With best wishes,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sincerely,</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">University of Michigan Lions Club Ann Arbor, Michigan</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  <p>DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS MICHIGAN YOUTH CHALLENGE ACADEMY 5500 ARMSTRONG ROAD, BUILDING 13 BATTLE CREEK, MI 49037 www.MIYCP.org/mi 1-800-372-0523</p> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">April 13, 2017</p> <hr/> <p>International Assoc. of Lions Clubs District 11-B1/Activities Account 9100 Dew Road Horton, MI 49246</p> <p>Dear International Assoc. of Lions,</p> <p>Thank you for your generous donation of the \$1,435.00 check and 5 Cadet/\$10 McDonald's Gift Cards to the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy. With everyone's faithful support we will continue shaping the lives of youth in the communities throughout Michigan.</p> <p>On behalf of the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy Family, thank you again for your donation. Your partnership with the Challenge Academy is so important to our success.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sincerely,</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>LTC (Ret) Jeffrey R. Cornell Director</p> </div> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">DREAM..BELIEVE..ACHIEVE</p>
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FROM OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT

Hello Lions,

The Lions' MI Centennial Media Campaign will launch on May 15th. This campaign will be the start of a state wide media event which will include billboards, social media items about Lions, access to online ads, and the release of a new Lions video.

The MI Centennial Media Campaign committee has included something for the clubs. They have provided a link to an editable poster that lets you type in your club's (meeting place/time and/or contact information. The flyer to make your posters is an editable PDF document.

Once you have opened the flyer file, and you have entered your club's information, you will need to save it on your computer or flash drive. You will then be able to print it or have it printed onto poster or card stock.

The MI Centennial Media Campaign committee suggests you place your new posters all around town including, "everywhere you can think of; schools, churches, libraries, local businesses, restaurants, etc...". They hope your club will have them in place in time for the big State wide Lions Clubs media kick off on May 15th.

To get the editable PDF "100 Year Club Flyer" to create your club's poster go to:

<http://lionsofmi.com/lions-international-forms/md11-policy-manual-2>

Note: I know it says policy manual but it really is the PDF flyer to make your posters.

Best,
DGE LuAnne Bullington



HAILS and FAREWELLS:

WELCOME ABOARD!

NEW MEMBER

Tim Davidson
Alison Kilduff
Marge Del Greco
Brian Wensauer
Chad Loar
Levi Kimball

CLUB

Ann Arbor Host
Ann Arbor Host
Ann Arbor Host
Battle Creek CC
Blissfield
Napoleon

SPONSOR

Alex Teska
Alex Teska
Alex Teska
David Buresh
Dale Wotring
Donald Rose

GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Richard Darr

Dexter

March 24, 2017

From the desk of the 1st Vice District Governor Elect.



2017-2018

First I want to thank all the clubs and their delegates for their support in the officer elections at the District Convention. We will have a very diverse District Governors team next year and it's great to see a young Lion step-up to take on the 2nd Vice District Governor role. While our personalities are very different we work well together and are already in the planning stage for the upcoming year.

We have a new position on the team, in addition to the GLT and GMT there is now a GST, Barry Allen has kindly agreed to step into the GST position. The 'S' stands for service and suggests that while LCI will retain an emphasis on Membership and Leadership Training, equal importance will be given to Service. It will be great to get back to the roots of our organization, I also believe that if we make ourselves more visible through community projects and get our name recognized in the communities, non Lions may start asking questions and considering joining us. Wouldn't it be great to recruit new Lions through service projects and get people who really want to serve?

I am honored to be serving as your 1st Vice District Governor in 2017-2018 but I want you to remember this is your organization, I didn't take on this role to make myself feel good or because of the nice blazer. I am firstly a Lion and I serve, both the community and the clubs. My contact information is on the front page of the newsletter, I welcome any comments, questions and suggestions from individual Lions and clubs. Let's make our Centennial year special by increasing our service and visibility in our communities.

I thank you for all you do, and the extra you will do in 2017-2018.

1st VDGE,Lion Roger



AND IN CONCLUSION...

An unemployed guy got a new job at the zoo. They offered him to dress up in a gorilla's skin and pretend to be a gorilla so people will keep coming to the zoo. On his first day on the job, the guy puts on the skin and goes into the cage. The people all cheer to see him. He starts really putting on a show, jumping around, beating his chest and roaring. During one acrobatic attempt, though, he loses his balance and crashes through some safety netting, landing square in the middle of the lion cage! As he lies there stunned, the lion roars. He's terrified and starts screaming, "Help, Help!" The lion races over to him, places his paws on his chest and hisses, "Shut up or we'll both lose our jobs!"

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

Award is given to any club who has a net growth of + 5 % 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%	Grass Lake	+ 9.52%
Ann Arbor Host	+ 21.28%	Vandercook Lake	+ 7.94%
Adrian Evening	+ 18.18%	Battle Creek CC	+ 7.41%
Jackson Cascades	+ 17.65%	Jackson Host	+ 4.17%
Ann Arbor Evening	+ 14.29%	Napoleon	+ 2.70%
		Pennfield	+ 2.27%

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



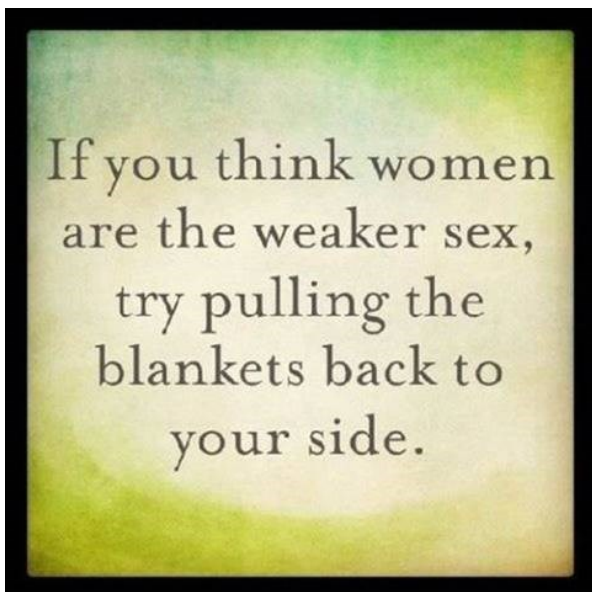
NUMBERS FOR DISTRICT 11-B1

Total Clubs	Current Member Count	YTD Added	YTD Dropped	YTD Net Growth
39	1033	134	61	+73

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

"Everything is funny, as long as it's happening to somebody else."

Will Rogers





https://youtu.be/VPYBTZSr_Ak

Lions of Michigan FOUNDATION *"Partners in Service"*

KENNETH E. LAUTZENHEISER FELLOWSHIP Donations: \$500+ Honorees receive an acrylic plaque and lapel pin. Progressive honorees receive a certificate and progressive lapel pin. Ken E. Lautzenheiser served Lions for over 45 years, and he was a charter member of the Inter-lakes Lions Club. Ken was elected to the Board of Lions Clubs International in 1985, and he has served Lions in almost every capacity. Ken was instrumental in organizing the Lions of Michigan Foundation in the early 1980's. He believed there was a definite need in Michigan for an organization that could address the medical needs of individuals that had no insurance and nowhere else to turn. Ken knew that if Lions Clubs combined resources for a mutual cause, Lions could have a greater impact on their communities and do more to help people in need.

HELEN KELLER FELLOWSHIP Donations: \$750+ - KID sight Fund Honorees receive a certificate, medal and lapel pin. Progressive honorees receive a certificate and progressive lapel pin. Born in Tuscumbia, Alabama, USA, in 1880, Helen Keller developed a fever at 18 months of age that left her blind and deaf. With the help of an exceptional teacher, Anne Sullivan of the Perkins School for the Blind, Helen Keller learned sign language and braille. A few years later, she learned to speak. As an adult she became a tireless advocate for people with disabilities. And in 1925, she attended the Lions Clubs International Convention and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." The Lions accepted her challenge, and our work, ever since, has included sight programs aimed at preventable blindness.

JOHN S. NOEL FELLOWSHIP Donations: \$1,000+ Honorees receive a hardwood plaque and lapel pin. Progressive honorees receive a certificate and progressive lapel pin. John S. Noel was a charter member of the Grand Rapids Lions Club in 1919, and he was Michigan's 1st President of Lions Clubs International in 1923-24. John helped establish much of the structure and many of the policies that we now enjoy as Lions. The John Noel Fellowship is the highest honor bestowed by the Lions of Michigan Foundation. It represents John's many accomplishments in the advancement of Lionism in Michigan and throughout the world and his tireless effort to help those in need.

Upcoming Events and Info



GRANDE GOLF COURSE
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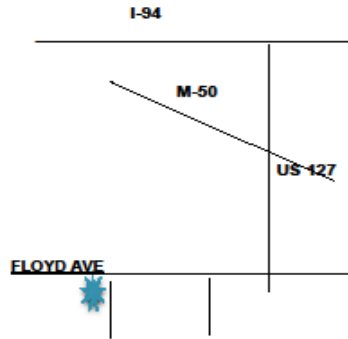
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NAPOLEON LIONS CLUB 4-PERSON GOLF SCRAMBLE TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017

\$55.00 per golfer 9 A.M. SHOTGUN START
 REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 17th, 2017



Entry Fee Includes: Coffee & Doughnuts upon arrival, Hot Dog & Soda at the turn, Pulled Pork or Chicken with awards after Golf

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

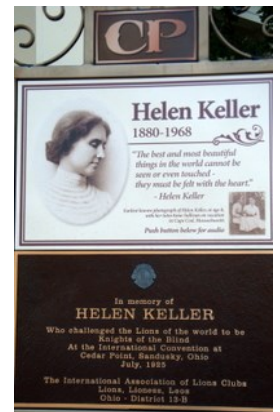
Lions Day at Cedar Point *Lions Centennial Celebration*

Saturday, May 13, 2017

A once in a lifetime event of epic proportions!!

Iconic speeches by [Helen Keller](#), [Melvin Jones](#) and International President [Bob Corlew](#).
 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

MAY - VISION MONTH & LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT MONTH

- 3-5 SPOT - Blissfield Schools
- 6 Napoleon Leos - Spaghetti Dinner, at the Clubhouse, 5 - 8 pm, \$7 adults/\$5 students
- 13 **BEAR LAKE CAMP** - Clean up day, 9 - 3 pm Contact PDG Barry
- 13 Lions Day at Cedar Point, Grand Pavilion
- 13 Bedford Lions - Garage Sale, at the Clubhouse
- 14 Napoleon Lions, Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast, Clubhouse, 7 - 11 am
- 17/18 SPOT - Napoleon Lions
- 18/21 MD-11 State Convention, Traverse City
- 19 PENRICKTON "Welcome to Spring" Picnic, 4 - 6 pm, food, games, tours
- 20 Lions of Michigan Foundation RAFFLE drawing
- 21 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 25 Manchester Business EXPO, 4 - 7 pm
- 29 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, 5 - 10 pm
- 11 Tekonsha, Music in the Park, serving strawberries & ice cream
- 16 SPOT - Jackson Fairgrounds, American 1 Kids Fest, 12 - 5 pm
- 17 Eversight, "Gift of Sight" Golf Classic, Washtenaw Golf & Country Club, 9:30 am shotgun start
- 18 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 21 SPOT - Hillsdale
- 21 CAMP MIDICHA VIP Tour, 10 - 12
- 22/24 Michigan Center - Carp Carnival, rides, raffles, chicken, beer tent
- 28/29 Leaderdog Tours
- 30-4 Centennial International Convention - Chicago

JULY - JUVENILE ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

- 1-4 Centennial International Convention - Chicago
- 10 Honorary (PDG's) Pot Luck, Napoleon Clubhouse, 3 pm
- 11 Manchester Community Fair - PARADE, 6 pm, FAIR 11 - 15
- 16 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 27 Finance Committee Meeting, Napoleon, 4 pm
- 27 **BANNER EXCHANGE**, Napoleon Clubhouse, 5 pm
- 29 Cabinet Meeting, VCL, 9 am

AUGUST - NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH (\$1, 1 shot, 1 life - Measles)

- 4/5 Council of Governors, Grand Rapids
- 5 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Board Meeting, 2 pm
- 5 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Hall of Fame Banquet
- 6 Clarklake Lions, Raft'O'Rama
- 7 SPOT - North Jackson
- 19 Jackson Eyeopeners - Miniature Golf Fundraiser, Sharp Park, Shotgun start 9:00 am
- 19 PAWS with a Cause - Open House, Wayland, MI
- 20 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation
- 21 SPOT - Jackson Eyeopeners, Back to School, Methodist Church

CLUBS Doing What they Do!

The Adrian Breakfast Lions donated towards assembling 965 Easter baskets for distribution to Motts Children's Hospital, Associated Charities, Lenawee County Seniors and Harmony House in Hillsdale. They had their annual Radio Auction on Saturday, April 22nd at the Adrian High School.

The Adrian Evening Lions attended the District Convention and visited the Techumseh Lions on April 4th.

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

The Ann Arbor Host Lions is planning on cleaning up the Sensory Garden. Ulrich Bookstore donated boxes of clothing and school supplies which were distributed to multiple organizations throughout the Ann Arbor area.

The Battle Creek Cereal City Lions held their White Cane Fundraiser, hosted Buddy Days at the Secretary of State, and did their Adopt A Highway cleanup. David Buresh sponsored new member Brian Wensauer.

The Bedford Area Lions - On April 8th they celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a Luncheon at the Clubhouse. Guest speaker was 1st VDGE Roger Spriggs. They assisted the Bedford Elsa Lioness in providing a free community dinner for senior citizens in the area.

The Blissfield Lions - begin a school screening at the Kindergarten Roundup with the SPOT camera on May 3, 4, & 5. They added new member Chad Loar and installed next year's officers at the Main Street Stables.

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. One member helped out on Buddy Days at the Secretary of State office.

The Dexter Lions did a clean up at Forest Lawn Cemetery. They also donated to the Dexter schools for beehives and towards a disability camp.

The Inter-Lakes Lions are already preparing for their Vidalia Onion sales.

The Jackson Cascade Lions conducted their White Cane Fundraiser.

The Jackson Eyeopeners Lions volunteered at Donate Life at the Secretary of State. Members also assisted the Catholic Social Services fundraising and served lunch at the Interfaith Shelter. They are planning a Miniature Golf fundraiser for August.

The Jackson Host Lions - will again be hosting a Finley's fundraiser on Thursday, June 8 from 5:00-10:00 PM. Join the club members at Finley's, show a printed copy of this flyer or this electronic copy to your server to help the club earn ten percent of the evening's sales. Only one copy is needed per table. Hope to see you there! PS.. They have sold 7000 pounds of Vidalia onions!

The Manchester Lions - were requested to do SPOT vision screening at Klager Elementary for the Kindergarten Roundup. They screened 80 people, finding three children and one adult who were referred. Members also assisted in the Science and Technology night as a dozen elementary school students managed to raise a semi truck and trailer and put it back on it's wheels.

The world is run by those who show up!

Marshall Lions provided used eyeglasses to Denzil Bell from the Bedford Twp Lions Club. These will be going to Eyeglass Ministry "I can see" to be shipped to third world countries. With the help of Lions Clubs, they have been able to scan and distribute hundreds of thousands of pairs of glasses, all free of charge, to patients in 36 countries.

The Michigan Center Lions are making preparations for their annual Carp Carnival to be held on June 22 to 24. In addition to the carnival rides, there is a raffle, bbq, beer tent and elephant toes.

The Munith Lions helped with BINGO with the Stockbridge Lions.

Napoleon Lions are planning for their Golf Scramble on June 20th, 9 am shotgun start. See the flyer. Also, don't forget their Mother's Day pancake breakfast at the clubhouse on May 14th! 7 - 11 am, They also bought new shirts for the Napoleon Community Band.

North Jackson Lions - collected \$635 in Lions mint sales. North Jackson Lions Vicki Lautzenheiser, Jean Mohon, Jenny Wilburn, Lion for a Day Connie Fenton and 4 Northwest Leos conducted 205 KidSight screenings at the Northwest Early Elementary kindergarten roundup 4/18 - 4/20/17. The NW Leos also conducted a service project at the Meijer Branch Library.

The Parma-Spring Arbor Lions - conducted a KidSight screening at the Western School Kindergarten Roundup, led by Lion Chris Jackson. The club will also be collecting White Cane.

The Tekonsha Lions have begun their Vidalia onion sales. Dawn Copas received a 15 year chevron and Scott Long received a 20 year chevron. Lorraine Lindsey delivered the details of our "We Serve" essay contest to Tekonsha High School seniors and also delivered 30 white pine trees to Tekonsha 4th graders for Earth Day. We began work on our community birthday/event calendar. Bruce Shedd chairs and is assisted by Lorraine Lindsey, Dawn Copas, and Jerry Long.

The Vandercook Lake Lions held another successful Pan Cake breakfast, with a profit of \$356. They donated towards the VCL softball and baseball teams. Members installed smoke detectors in a community home.

YOUR CLUB HERE! Send your club doings to PDG Barry



Club Anniversaries

May					
7	Jackson Host	1921	14	Huron Valley Sunrise	1981
16	Saline	1975	22	Pennfield	1974
June					
4	Battle Creek Cereal City	1958	24	Bedford Elsa Lioness	1974
27	Adrian Breakfast	1977			
July					
14	Homer	1942			



The **BLISSFIELD LIONS** conducted three days of SPOT vision screening on incoming kindergartners. Prospective students arrived on a schedule for entrance testing. Those screened received a Lions sticker and small bag of goodies. Parents and siblings were also screened, as well as many staff members.



We must become the change we want to see. [Mahatma Gandhi](#)

BEDFORD AREA LIONS CLUB - 50th ANNIVERSARY

The banquet was held on Saturday, April 8th at the Bedford Area Clubhouse, with a delicious meal prepared and served by the Bedford Area Lioness. All Lions and Lioness, and the guests were introduced. 1stVDGE Roger Spriggs was the guest speaker and presenter. The head table Anniversary banner was hand made by Lioness Linda.



BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY assembled enmass for the quarterly road cleanup. Members of Cereal City Lions Club and friends and family of Lion Glenn Schultz gather before starting to clean their two mile section of The Penetrator. This project is continued in honor of Lion Glenn Shultz who was in the process of starting this community service project when he passed. You never know what you may find, this year one of the teams discovered a Meth Lab and had to call in the local police to dispose of it. It was beautiful weather and we all enjoyed the comradery working together in the sunshine. They also found several snakes, one of which growled at them.



The MANCHESTER LIONS were invited by Klager Elementary to bring the SPOT camera to the Kindergarten Roundup to screen prospective new students and their families. Lions Nancy Loudin (shown), Ron & Pat Kohmescher, and Peggy & Barry Allen screened 80 people during the event, finding 3 students and 1 adult who were referred to a vision specialist. The one kindergarten who comes from a needy family, after conferring with the school Principal and Superintendent was immediately scheduled for a eye exam at the club's expense.



The **CLARKLAKE LIONS** held their annual Easter Egg Hunt. Shown is Lion Justin Bates providing instructions for the eager kids.

New Club President Walt Shuberg helps his granddaughter rake in the goodies.



MARSHALL LIONS Jerry and Sherrie Jones met with Lion Denzil Bell from the Bedford Twp. Michigan Lions Club on 4/14/17 to give him glasses that we had collected.

He reported that he had collected 9,000 pair from Char Craft.

These will be going to the Eyeglass Ministry "I can see" to be shipped to third world countries. With the help of Lions Clubs, they have been able to scan, and distribute hundreds of thousands of pairs of glasses, all free of charge, to patients in 36 countries.



BATTLE CREEK HOST

The Lions Club celebrates the Lions Clubs International 100th anniversary by purchasing 100 cans of soup to be donated to local food pantries.



VCL NEW MEMBER RICH BIGFORD INDUCTED!

On April 12th, new member Rich Bigford was inducted by DG Dave, with sponsor Lion Rod Brundage in attendance. That brings us to 69 members...just one shy of the elusive 7-0! Welcome, Lion Rich!



SPOT SCHEDULE

- May 3-5 Blissfield
- May 17/18 Napoleon
- June 16 Jackson
- America 1 Kid Fest
- August 7 North Jackson
- August 21 Jackson Eyeopeners
- Back to School
- September 16 Albion
- Festival of the Forks

Three clubs came together to provide SPOT vision screening at the Ann Arbor St. Joseph Hospital Women's Health Clinic for the "See, Test, & Treat 2017). Lions Ron Kohmescher of the **Clinton Lions**, Barry Allen of the **Manchester Lions**, and DGE LuAnne Bullington of the **Ann Arbor**

Host Lions provided vision screening to ALL the attendees. A major accomplishment was demonstrating the SPOT capabilities to all the doctors and nurses and other medical and support staff at the event.



Contests and Awards

BEDFORD AREA LIONESS

Lioness Becky Lawrence was selected as the District Lioness of the Year which was presented by 1stVDGE Roger Spriggs. Her husband, Wendell the Bedford Area Lions Club President looks on, holding the 50th Anniversary banner patch which was also awarded.



MUNITH LIONS new member Jon Tunney was inducted on April 11 by Zone Chair Vicki Ruiz. His sponsor is Lion Bob Hulstrom.

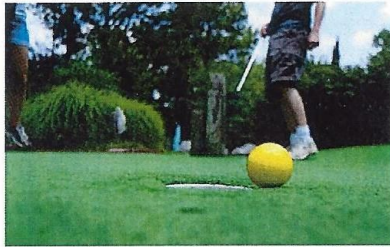


Contact:

Cyndie Gorton
4128 Francis St
Jackson, MI 49203
517-392-8766

Or

Jackie Hunter
763 West Barrington Circle
Jackson, MI 49203
517-784-5453



Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club Miniature Golf Outing Fundraiser

When: **August 19, 2017** (Shotgun Start at 10:00 a.m.)
Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.
Deadline for reservations July 31, 2017

Where: Sharp Park Miniature Golf Course
3225 4th St
Jackson, MI 49203

Cost: \$20 per Adult/ \$10 per child (10 & under) includes:

- 18 holes Miniature Golf
- Buffet Luncheon (\$10 for Luncheon only)
- Raffles
- Fun Games

Hole Sponsors \$75.00 for sign
Placemat Sponsors \$25.00
Both \$90.00

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 **service framework talking points** 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
SUBMIT your report so we can get your Club into the District ROSTER!
<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>

DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO UPDATE

The Leo Clubs in District 11-B1 have been Fantastic in serving their communities and members.

We have 42 Leos and Lions signed up to travel to The Lions International Convention- June 30-July 2,2017. There are 18 Leos and 15 of the Leos are from our District 11-B1! Thank you to everyone for their support of the trip. We are still looking for more Trading pins for the Leos to trade at the Convention. If you have any past DG pins or other trading pins that the Leos could use , please let District Leo Chair, Terry Walters know.

Thank you to the Leo Clubs who sent Leos to the District Convention. We had ten Leos who attended from Napoleon , Hanover-Horton and WISD. The Leos had a full day of activities at the Convention and they seemed to enjoy everything they attended. Baker College did a great job of presenting the “MY Career” activity and doing a tour of the campus. PDG Terry did a Leadership Activity with the Leos on Working Together and then did a session on Parliamentary Procedure. JD Hill then worked with the Leos for an hour on the computers doing an activity. The Leos then had a scavenger hunt. All the Leos did receive prizes throughout the day.

Congratulations to **Mirabelle Peter** who was recognized as District Leo of the Year and also to **Zensi Peter**, Region 2,Zone 2 Leo of the Year and **Lucy Ann Nurkka** ,Region 2,Zone 1 Leo of the Year. Mirabelle and Zenzi are from the Hanover-Horton Leos and Lucy Ann is from the Northwest Leos.

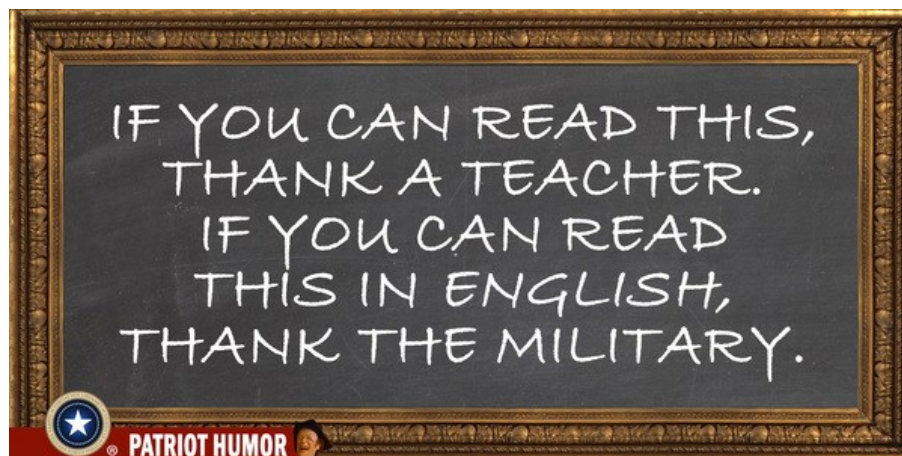
We certainly appreciate all the support from the Lions Clubs for our Leos and also appreciate the Leos and Leo Clubs who do participate in District and State Leo activities.

State/District Leo Chair, PDG Terry Walters

NAPOLEON LEO'S SPAGHETTI DINNER

WHEN: Saturday, May 6th
TIME : 5 pm – 8 pm
WHERE: 7935 Napoleon Rd.
Napoleon Clubhouse
COST: Students - \$5.00
Adults - \$7.00
Children under 5 – Free

For more information
call Brody Burch –
517-395-9761





Lions of Michigan Foundation



Project KidSight

The SELLER\$ drawing was held on April 29th at the Lions of Michigan Foundation board meeting. The second place winner for \$500 was

JACKSON CASCADE LIONS !!

Have you donated to the Lions of Michigan Foundation lately? Since the beginning of the Lions year, individuals in our district have received a total of **\$12,253** in grants from the foundation. We have only donated **\$4495**, with \$2405 of this from the Parade of Checks. You or your club can donate individually and earn a John S. Noel (\$1000), Helen Keller (\$750) or Ken Lautzenheiser (\$500) Fellowship.





31st ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

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IT'S RISK FREE !
No Promotional Costs & No Sales Commitments

***** DRAWINGS *****

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING April 29, 2017 Lions of Michigan State Office - Lansing	FINAL DRAWING May 20, 2017 MD 11 Convention - Traverse City
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RAFFLE TICKET ORDER FORM**

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www.lmf.net

Please send _____ tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes to:

Club: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

"It's good sportsmanship to not pick up lost golf balls while they are still rolling."

Mark Twain



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 1st or Aug anytime 4 to 6 weeks.

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

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

Join the Centennial Service Challenge!

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



Meet Our New Global Service Framework



On our way to serving 200 million people per year by 2021, Lions are working in their communities like never before. To help accomplish this incredible feat, we're introducing a new global service framework that focuses the efforts of Lions and Leos on five service areas: **vision, hunger, the environment, pediatric cancer** and **diabetes**. The service framework promotes new ways to meet emerging needs in our communities and around the world, but—as always—your club will decide how to best meet your community needs.

To learn more, watch our inspiring [service framework video](#) and visit the [service framework webpage](#) today!

It is my pleasure to inform you that the International Board of Directors voted to approve a new Global Volunteer Structure called the Global Action Team during their March meeting. Beginning July 1, we will add a Global Service Team (GST) alongside the Global Membership Team (GMT) and the Global Leadership Team (GLT) structures, to help us to reach our goal of serving 200 million people annually. The Global Action Team highlights the “power of action” needed to achieve our goals.

Service is the reason we exist. It is why members join and continue to remain engaged. Adding the GST renews our organization’s commitment to service. We are excited about this addition and the opportunities it provides us as the world’s leading service organization.

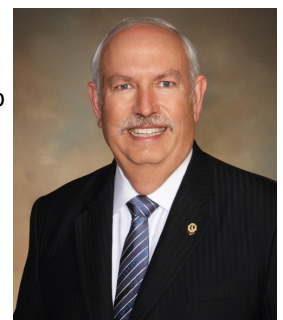
GMT, GLT and GST will be connected and coordinated at the international level by a Global Action Team chairperson and two Global Action Team vice-chairpersons. On behalf of my fellow executive officers, I am proud to announce that PIP Wing- Kun Tam will be the chairperson of this important structure.

Let’s finish our Lion year strong by continuing to grow and position Lions Clubs International for a successful Centennial year. Look for more information regarding position appointments, job descriptions, tools and resources in the future.

Very truly yours,

Chancellor Bob Corlew

Your International President



MD-11 Lions State Convention

Thursday May 18 - Saturday May 20th.





MD 11 State Convention

MAY 19-20, 2017

Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City

Welcome to the 97th Annual MD 11 State Convention

Meet us in beautiful Traverse City May 18-21! The convention begins with the 5th Annual Picnic on Thursday evening. Invited to join us from Dalton, Georgia, Lions International candidate for 3rd Vice President, Past International Director Judge Haynes and Lion Donna Townsend. PID Haynes and Lion Donna will be our International guests at this years' convention.



100th Celebration? Tips on what to expect at the convention will assist you in getting the most out of this celebration.

Attend the Business Session to hear all the latest in our legislative efforts to address the roadway fundraising issue which has negatively impacted many clubs in our state, get updates on the launch of our Centennial PR/ Media Campaign, and listen to our State Projects and the great things they are accomplishing in our state. So many exciting events and happenings are taking place at the convention – you won't want to miss an exciting moment. Register today.

none! A live & silent auction will be included in this years' convention, and an off-site tour is in the works for Friday.

Learn about *Freedom Builders Ministry of Traverse City* and how they are helping to "re-build lives" in their community, during the first of 3 breakout sessions. *Building a Leo Club in your District* is a session to guide you in starting and working with a Leo Club – the future of Lions. Heading to Chicago for the

This years' theme, "A Century of Service: 1917-2017" will be carried out at the Welcome Reception and Dinner on Friday evening and all are encouraged to dress in costume that depicts the past century. You'll be amazed by the sounds of "The Moxie Strings" on Friday night – a group compared to

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opportunity to experience some of the world's best-known instruments through a young, progressive lens. Playing a contemporary 5-string violin, a newly-invented electric cello, and a mix of world percussionist instruments and drum kit,



the band brings 19th century parlor music into the sound of today.

You are cordially invited to attend the

97th Annual Lions MD 11 State Convention



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MAY 18-19
2017





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LCI GUEST SPEAKER
PID HAYNES TOWNSEND

Welcome Reception
Awards Breakfast
Awards Dinner

RSVP WE LOOK FORWARD TO CELEBRATING WITH YOU

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GREAT AWAITS...

2017 Lions of Michigan MD11 State Convention

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IN 1917, THE MICHIGAN STATE CONSTABULARY
BEGAN WITH A CAVALRY OF

300 men

ON MOUNTED, DISMOUNTED, AND MOTORIZED UNITS

IN 2017, THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE CONSISTS OF
2,900 members,
IN BOTH ENFORCEMENT AND CIVILIAN ROLES

HISTORY FACT: The first Troop was comprised entirely of military and National Guard veterans who required little training to assume their new role in the Michigan State Constabulary.

TWO-MAN MOUNTED DETACHMENTS : 15-35 : TROOPERS DRIVE AN AVERAGE OF
RODE DAILY PATROLS OF **miles** : **125+ miles** DURING DAILY PATROL

HISTORY FACT: In 1917, Col. Roy C. Vandercook purchased a consignment of wild mustang horses from Wyoming to provide additional mounts for troopers.

1917 FLEET: PATROL HORSES, AS WELL AS
4 STAFF CARS - 2 SUPPLY TRUCKS - 1 ARMORED TRUCK

2017 FLEET: 2,220+ VEHICLES, AS WELL AS
HELICOPTERS - DIVE BOATS - MOTORCYCLES

HISTORY FACT: Mounted troopers would raise their hands to signal passing motorists to stop to be checked for compliance with Michigan's automobile regulation laws.

5 HARLEY-DAVIDSON
MOTORCYCLES IN 1919



26 BMW & HARLEY-DAVIDSON
MOTORCYCLES IN 2017

HISTORY FACT: In 1917, lacking any other means of communication, troopers had to check for telegram messages at the post office of each town they visited.

IN 1918, TROOPERS RENDERED AID IN
6 automobile wrecks

IN 2016, TROOPERS RENDERED AID IN
43,488 traffic crashes

HISTORY FACT: In 1917, the maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph and the average cost of gasoline was \$8.22 per gallon.

6 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES IN 1919



1,000+ CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES IN 2017

HISTORY FACT: While traveling, troopers often camped in the open and cooked over campfires, or asked to sleep in a farmer's barn.



IN 1918, TROOPERS MADE
2,937 arrests

IN 2016, TROOPERS MADE
72,695 arrests



HISTORY FACT: In 1919, a mounted detachment from Troop 4 acted as cowboy stuntmen during filming of *The Big Show*, which was the first commercial movie produced in Michigan.



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 Peace Poster kit 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: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cUeRP3QiW4A>

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

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

The District 11-B1 e-District Website: <http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/>
Get up-to-date contact info and previous District Newsletters/Constitution & Bylaws/Policy Manual!

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

APRIL/MAY Lions Pride http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/April-May-2017_WEB-2-PDF.pdf

MD-11 Convention http://lionsofmi.com/calendar-of-eventshttpscalendar-google-comcalendarrendermain_7/2014-md11-state-convention/

“Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared.”

Buddha

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

Be sure to send your M&A Reports and articles w/ photos to the District Newsletter Editor, PDG Barry Allen at BarryRAllen@aol.com. OR to Contributing Editors Lions Steve Britten, steve@protechcomputers.biz or Roger Spriggs at gbroger@aol.com

Please try to expand on those one-liners in the M&A using the text section at the end! Tell us more about your events there.

NOTE ON PHOTOS: If you send photos, please provide names of those in the photo using the L-R (by row if necessary) convention. A little background story on the photo is great, too. Think about 4-5 sentences is perfect but more is merrier. We prefer you send them by e-mail so we can cut & paste. Please use **Times New Roman 12** with no spacing if possible.

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7-Day Glacier Discovery cruise

Date	Date	Destination / Port
Wed	June 7 2017	Fairbanks
Thu	June 8 2017	Denali National Park
Fri	June 9 2017	Denali National Park
Sat	June 10 2017	Anchorage
Sun	June 11 2017	Seward - Board Noordam
Mon	June 12 2017	At Sea (Gulf of Alaska)
Tue	June 13 2017	Glacier Bay
Wed	June 14 2017	Haines (Skagway)
Thu	June 15 2017	Juneau
Fri	June 16 2017	Ketchikan
Sat	June 17 2017	At Sea
Sun	June 18 2017	Vancouver

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