

District 11-B1

Newsletter

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Lions of District 11-B1

Lions of Michigan Foundation Hall of Fame (8/6/2016)

PDG Hal Geppert receives the certificate for induction in the Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame from PDG Peggy Allen while his entire family watches. A proud moment for all.







PID Esther LaMothe receives a Helen Keller Fellowship from the Lions of Michigan Foundation for her work on Human Resources for the Foundation.

Lion Nancy Anderson accepts the certificate of induction into the Hall of Fame for her late husband PDG Hop Anderson with her family and Clarklake Lion Walter Reed.



From the Governor

PLEASE ASK ME TO SEND AN INVITATION TO REWARD LION SUPPORTERS WITH AN ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

All of our Clubs have community members who support our community service projects without question. They are busy people and find it difficult to make a time commitment to attend meetings, or are just "meetinged out" from all the mandatory meetings they must attend. Yet they continually volunteer resources to your Lion's Club and are committed to serving their community. Whether they realize it or not, they already qualify as a Lion through their service and support.

HONOR THEM WITH AN AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP!

Nancy and I had the privilege of attending the Clarklake Lions Pontoon Picnic in August. Five pontoons lashed together in the middle of the Lake and enough pizza for all. After we maneuvered the pontoons to face an American Flag at a nearby dock, we said the Pledge and I had the honor of initiating five new Lions into the Clarklake Club. Clarklake plans on initiating three more Lions in September when IP Corlew and his lovely bride, Dianne, are at Baker College on September 30, from 12:45 pm to 2:00 pm.

I have prepared a District Governor's Associate Member invitation letter for two key Lions supporters in Clarklake. These are people who provide critical resources and support of the Clarklake Lions every year and ask nothing in return. Their commitment and support qualifies them as a Lion, but they are busy people with limited time to attend meetings. YOUR CLUB CAN THANK THEM WITH AN AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP which does add a new time commitment, but honors their past support with resources. The club should cover the cost of their joining and consider the thank you gift for the support that they provide.

There are several MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES for prospective members who may not be able to meet the obligations of active membership. As long as the club or member pay their District and International Dues, they are considered a full member and must be reported on the Monthly M&A. They are as follows:

Affiliate Member - An affiliate member is someone who is not able to participate as an active member of the club but desires to support the club and its community service initiatives.

Associate Member - An associate member has active membership in one Lions club and associate membership in a second club in their community of residence or employment.

Honorary Member - Honorary members are awarded by a Lions clubs for having performed outstanding service.

Life Member - A life member is a Lion who has maintained active membership for at least 20 years, or at least 15 years if the member has reached age 70. Life membership may also be granted to a Lion who is critically ill.

Member-at-Large - A member-at-large is a member of a club who is unable to regularly attend club meetings but desires to retain membership in the club.

Privileged Member - A privileged member is a Lion who has been a member 15 or more years but must relinquish active status because of illness, infirmity, advanced age or other reason.

I have included a sample invitation letter for your review. Give me the name and address of the prospective Lion, the name and contact information for the sponsoring Lion, and any modifications you want me to make to personalize the letter, and I will send a draft for your approval and will send it. Just let me know the outcome and if you want me to do the initiation ceremony.



THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR YOUR COMMUNITY AND THE LIONS!

SAMPLE LETTER.

Mr. & Mrs. John Jones 215 North Road Clarklake, MI 49234

Dear Mr. Jones, My name is Dave Hill and I am the Dislocated in the six counties of South Cen-Clark Lake, Michigan, I would like to Clarklake Lions Club fund raising and area.



trict Governor for Lions International Clubs tral Michigan. On behalf of the Lions Club of thank you for your past support of the service projects for the Columbia Township

Lions Clubs are the largest humanitarian service organization in the world composed of about 1,400,000 members in over 200 countries. We are dedicated to serving our local and world communities. In 1925 Helen Keller asked the Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness". Since then, we have helped millions of sight impaired persons throughout the world. Each club also has many other projects to improve their communities and schools. The Clark Lake Lions have silently provided eye glasses and assistance to students and citizens in need while performing valuable service projects to the community since 1965.

In thanks for your past support, the Clarklake Lions would like to honor you and your wife, Amelia, with an Associate Membership in the Clarklake Lions Club. You will not be obligated to attend monthly meetings, service projects, social opportunities or fund raising events, but are always welcome. All we ask is for your continued support and to consider to continue to be associated in the future. Both of you will be will receive membership pins to wear. There will not be any membership fees required from you to become associated with the Clarklake Lions.

Walter Reed of the Clarklake Club will contact you to see if you have any questions and to arrange a meeting with you and your wife so that they can award you your Lions pins. On September 30, 2017, the Lions International President, Judge Bob Corlew and his wife Dianne, will be touring Michigan on the Lions Centennial Celebration bus. He is scheduled to stop at Baker College of Jackson, Michigan, from 12:45 pm to 2:00 pm. If you are available, both of you could be made Lions by him. We will be providing a box lunch from Panera Bread. You can contact Walt at (517) 529-1111 or at his email reed@aol.com. You may also contact me at coldhill@gmail.com or (517) 787-3950.

Once again, thank you for your past support. We would be honored if you will accept our invitation to become an Associate Member!.

Sincerely,

Dave Hill COLONEL (RET) USA LIONS DISTRICT 11 B1 GOVERNOR





Lions Clubs International President Bob Corlew and 1st Lady Dianne to visit Michigan

Mark your calendars for a unique opportunity to visit with President Bob Corlew and his wife, Dianne, when they stop in Jackson with the LCI Centennial bus. The date is Friday, September 30, 2016 and the location is Baker College, ¹/₄ mile north of I94 off of Airport Road.

The Corlews will be greeting Lions and having lunch from 12:45 - 2 PM on the 30^{th} .

Their journey will begin in Detroit with an evening of activities with Lions in that part of our state and their trek west will begin Friday AM with a visit to Leader Dog followed by a stop in Ann Arbor for Eversight Michigan.

Their next stop is Jackson and from here, they will continue to head west, ending in St. Joe that evening.

Registration forms to participate in the Meet/Greet/Eat at Baker College will be sent via the district newsletter distribution emails and will also be posted on the district website. You must register so we can provide adequate space for everyone.

This could be a once- in- a- life time opportunity to have your new member(s) inducted by an International President and to have your photo taken with them.

They will be hosted by ID Jenny Ware, PID Esther LaMothe and DG Dave and Nancy Hill.

Let's show our President and Lion Dianne a warm, District 11-B1 welcome!



MEET THE 2016-2017 REGION 1, ZONE 2, ZONE CHAIR

Dick Saxton was born and raised in Adrian, the oldest of three children.

His father was a mechanical engineer for American Chain and Cable company, then returned to the family founded National Bundle Typer Company in Blissfield and finally was the first mechanical arts instructor at LISD. He lived in Adrian until going off to college. He has a BA in Business management from Columbia College in Columbia, Missouri and a degree in Energy Management from North Carolina State University. He married his, now deceased, wife Carolyn with whom he had three children. Michael graduated from Adrian College, lives in Blissfield and is employed by Ventures Packaging in Adrian as an IT Director, Kristen graduated from McMurray College in Illinois lives in Portland, Oregon and is employed by the Portland Veterans Administration as a social worker, Rebecca graduated from



Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio, lives in Alexandria, Virginia and is the Operations Manager for The Institute for Near East Policy in Washington, D.C. Dick joined the US Army in 1962 and specialized in Nike Hercules and Hawk Air Defense Missile Systems, teaching at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama, working at the Direct Support Level in Germany, Korea and Key West. Retired as a Chief Warrant Officer (CW3) from the US Army Missile Command in 1982 as Product Improvement Coordinator with duty station in Landstul, Germany. After retirement from the Army, he was employed as Adrian College as an Energy Manager for 26 years. Dick has been a member of the Blissfield Area Lions Club since 1995 serving as secretary for 17 years. This is his third stint as Region 1, Zone 2, Zone Chair.



HAILS and FAREWELLS:

WELCOME ABOARD!

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Larry Shepherd	Chelsea	Phil Radant
Danielle Bates	Clarklake	Walter Reed
Justin Bates	Clarklake	Walter Reed
Jane Froestert	Clarklake	Carol Yttri
Jeffery Reed	Clarklake	Joy Reed
Muriel Zenz	Clarklake	Mike Bullinger
Stephanie Reed	Clarklake	Joy Reed
Gerald Shaughnessy	Clarklake	Mike Bullinger
Thomas Adams	Michigan Center	Pat King
Steve Prokos	Michigan Center	Daniel Edwards

GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Howard MainTekonshaAugust 1, 2016At 95, Lion Howard was a 72-year member of Lions, our longest serving member.http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/howard-main-obituary?pid=1000000180911996

	NUMBERS FOR DISTRICT 11-B1				••••	
•	Total Clubs	Current Member Count	YTD Added	YTD Dropped	YTD Net Growth	
	38	967	15	8	7	
	l	Note: A district is 1250 Lio	ns, we need a	net gain of 283	Lions	

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of your arm ... As you grow older you will discover that you have two hands. One for helping yourself, the other for helping others. <u>Audrey Hepburn</u>

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR		
Got something to say? Send us your comments, questions. We 'may' print it.		
Barry (Editor in Chief)		

CLUBS Doing What they Do!

The Albion Lions - We will be hosting the Sight Mobile and KidSight Camera at the Festival of the Forks on September 17 in Albion (10:00-3:00). We will also be participating in the parade, and giving out novelty glasses and mints to children. People who have their eyes tested may also participate in "Pumpkin Bowling."

The Ann Arbor Lions - Club donated \$500 worth of white canes to a program at UofM Hospital to provide orientation and mobility instruction to new patients with visual impairments. CCTV Donation to a local business woman with macular degeneration to help her manage he business. They provided school supplies for the Peace Neighborhood, and helped to beautify and maintain the Sensory Garden.

The Battle Creek Cereal City Lions held their annual family picnic, an opportunity for lions and guests to share a meal and enjoy good company.

The Bedford Area Lions continued their cherry juice sales.

The Chelsea Lions The Lions had a number of volunteers to assist them with their dunk tank during the Chelsea Fair on August 23 - 27.

The Clarklake Lions held their annual Raft'O'Rama on Sunday, August 7th. YE girls Aoi & Arisa were on hand to help package BBQ chicken meals and provide taste testing. Brownie testing was reserved for PDG Barry. The club also added SEVEN new members at their Pontoon Picnic!!!

The Clinton Lions are preparing for the annual Clinton Fall Festival to be held September 23/24. They will be hosting the Sight Mobil with the SPOT camera, and Pumpkin Bowling. Come on out and help, or just stop by and say Hi! They held their annual picnic meeting in Tate Park, attended by PDG's Peggy & Barry and the YE girls from Japan.

The Dexter Lions participated in Dexter Days on Friday August 12, and Saturday August 13th. Lots of activities in the Gazebo and at Mill Creek Park, but rather a wet parade day. The Lions operated the snack trailer.

The Homer Lions hosted their bingo tent for the Homer Summer Festival Saturday August 6th from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the County National Bank drive-thru downtown Homer on Main Street.

The Inter-Lakes Lions had their club Ice Cream Social on August 22nd.

The Jackson Cascades Lions hosted their annual picnic at the John George Home for men is on August 6.

The Jackson Eyeopeners Lions We held our Annual Picnic and Awards Night on August 24. DG Dave Hill and Nancy were our guests. We awarded a Melvin Jones to Lion Carolyn Verbecken, Lautzenheiser Fellows to Lions Michele Biondolillo and Jackie Hunter, and Club Lion of the Year pins to Lions Carole Briggs and Michele Biondolillo. We donated paper products this month to the Salvation Army.

The Jackson Host Lions held their annual Diamond-in-the-Rough golf tournament which proved to be successful, netting a profit of \$3,358. They assisted an individual with glasses, and collected an estimated 300 glasses from 26 locations. The Club will be meeting at the Sharp Park Golf Course on September 19th for lunch and a 9 hole golf scramble. Their Fruit'N'Nut sale fundraiser will kick off on September 26th with delivery on December 3rd.

The Manchester Lions - Lions Peggy & Barry hosted Aoi Maruta and Arisa Yoshiba for the month of August and attended many functions around the district. We hope you had a chance to meet these two wonderful girls. They departed for home (and back to school) on August 28th. We have returning YE student Kimi and her cousin Karin arriving on August 29. The Manchester Lions had a successful annual Kids Korner as part of the Manchester Street Fest, assisted by Lions Ron & Pat Kohmescher, Carl & Nan Curtis, and Nicole & Anna Drake. Their activities will included face painting, a blind maze, a graffiti wall, and treasure hunt with coins and toys for the kids. The club has a Charity Poker event schedule in September.

The Michigan Center Lions added two new members, Thomas Adams sponsored by Pat King, and Steve Prokos sponsored by Dan Edwards. They hosted a family picnic on August 20th, and worked the NASCAR race at MIS on August 29th.

The Munith Lions held their annual picnic meeting at the Lions Park, guests included PDG's Barry & Peggy Allen and their two Youth Exchange Students Aoi & Arisa. The girls gave a short presentation about themselves and answered questions from the members.

The Napoleon Lions conducted a vision screening with the SPOT camera at the Napoleon schools on August 22nd from 4 to 6 pm. They screened 53 kids and adults with 4 referrals. Conducting the screenings were Lions Chris West, Gary Babcock, Jean & Don Rose, Dave Jensen, and from Manchester, Barry Allen with YE students Aoi and Arisa.

The North Jackson Lions PDG's Denny & Vicki, and Leo Sierra Weller, conducted a vision screening with the SPOT camera at the Northwest schools Kindergarten Roundup on August 4th. North Jackson Members volunteered their time to work the Kid Sight community service project at the Jackson County Fair - PDG's Vicki & Dennis Lautzenheiser, Delores Jean Mohon, and Peg Griggs. The Lautzenheisers also attended the BBQ open house at Eversight Michigan, and visited the Parma-Spring Arbor Lions where they presented a membership award and held a program on the Peace Poster and the All-State Band.

The Parma-Spring Arbor Lions - Helped with Kidsight Screening at the Jackson County Fair and will be hosting their 42nd Annual HS Girls Volleyball Tournament with partner Spring Arbor University on 9/24.

The Saline Lions participated in the Saline Celtic Festival, and they will be serving ice cream during the Saline Summerfest on August 12 & 13.

The Vandercook Lake Lions FINISHED the remodel of their second floor (pictures will be posted on the Club Facebook page soon!), and conducted their usual 3rd Sunday pancake breakfast (which I recommend). They also held an Ice Cream Social in August, inviting members of the community to join them for free ice cream, treats and fellowship.

YOUR CLUB HERE! Send your club doings to PDG Barry

"The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits. " ~ Albert Einstein

CEREAL CITY LIONS CLUB



On August 24th Cereal City held their annual family picnic, an opportunity for lions and guests to share a meal and enjoy good company.



Lion Jim Baum takes time off from his official job as District song-leader to put on his apron and become a gourmet bratwurst chef.





So here I am, thinking I wonder what PDG's do in their free time after they finish their term Well now we know!!!!!!

Vandercook Lake Lions Hold Ice Cream Social with Free Ice Cream and Confections for All!

THE VCL Lions held their traditional Ice Cream Social on Sunday, February 14th, from 2PM to 5PM. The Social featured 4 different types of ice cream donated by Amanati's Frosty Boy of Jackson & VCL, plus a plethora of confectionary goodies donated by the club members and friends. The event was open to all comers. There was a good turn-out of Lions, families and community, who all went away very satisfied, indeed!





Wow! You could gain 5 lbs just looking at it!

Lions Ron Brooks, Cathy Kapuga & Karen Talbot



Club President Brad Mercier was a scoopin'!



VCL Lions serving some local residents while Lion Connie Neese & friends enjoy the treats



A couple of ice cream lovers indulging

"When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years." — <u>Mark Twain</u>



CENTENNIAL SPONSOR and CENTENNIAL MEMBER Pins

Any Lion who sponsors a new member from July 2016 to June 2017 will receive a Centennial Sponsor Pin recognizing their commitment to their club. Every new Lion will receive a special membership pin with "Centennial" on the rocker above the crest.

District and Club Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER – NATIONAL GUIDE DOG MONTH

5 Labor Dav

- 7 Ann Arbor celebrating the Sensory Garden, 3:30 - 6:30 pm, Liberty Plaza
- 7 VCL/North Jackson Annual Picnic, Rod Mills Park, 6:30 pm
- 7-10 Manchester Lions, Charity Poker at Hard Knock Grill, Jackson
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic, Bedford Lions Den, 10 3 10
- JDRF One Walk, Ella Sharp Park in Jackson, Check in 8:30, Start 9:30 am 10
- 15-17 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Omaha, Nebraska http://lionsforum.org/
- Albion Lions, Sightmobile at the "Festival of the Forks" 10 3pm 17 https://www.festivaloftheforks.org/
- VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8-11:30 AM, VCL Clubhouse, Donation 18
- Region 1, Zone 1, Zone Meeting 6:30 pm, Chelsea Community Hospital Cafeteria 21
- Region 1, Zone 2, Zone meeting 7:00 pm, Family Kitchen Restaurant in Adrian 22
- 23/24 Clinton Fall Festival, Sight Mobile/SPOT http://www.clintonfallfestival.com/
- 24 Leader Dog Open House, 12 - 4 pm RSVP
- 24 42nd Annual PSA Lions/Spring Arbor U Girls Volleyball Tournament at Spring Arbor U
- International President BOB CORLEW, Meet & Greet Baker College, 12:45 2:15 pm 30

OCTOBER – NATIONAL WORK AND FAMILY MONTH

- Deadline to order PEACE POSTER kits 1
- 1 Adrian Evening Lions 5th Annual Potato & Salad Bar Dinner, 4 - 7 pm, See Flier.
- 2 Marshall Lions Pancake Brunch, B.E. Henry Community Bldg, 7 am -1 pm.
- 7/8 Council of Governors, St. Ignace
- Lions of MI Foundation "Eye Care, Do You?" 5K/8K/Half Marathon Race/Walk 8 http://jwwmedia.s3.amazonaws.com/lmsf/2016EventBrochure.pdf
- 8/9 Tecumseh Lions, Sight Mobile, Appleumpkin Days Looking for volunteer assistance!! http://www.downtowntecumseh.com/events/october/tecumseh-s-23rd-annual-appleumpkin-

festival#.V5PdvvkrLq4

- Vandercook Lake Lions celebrate 60 years since Charter 8
- 14 Leader Dog Open House, 12 - 4 pm RSVP
- BCCC Lions Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for the Young Reader Program 14
- FALL CONFERENCE/Parade of Checks, Sandstone Church, 8:30 am/9:00 am start 15
- 15 Cabinet Meeting, Sandstone Church, Noon
- VCL Lions Cash-O-Rama, Davis Catering, 4 pm (tickets are going FAST!) 15
- VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast 8 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse, Donation 16
- 20 Bedford Lions - Soup and Salad Dinner (Fundraiser)
- 22 Tecumseh/Adrian Evening, Fall Frolic - Reverse Raffle

NOVEMBER - AMERICAN DIABETES MONTH

- 11-13 Lions Leadership Training, Higgins Lake
- 12-14 Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI), Houston
- Texas (Deadline was August 29th)

NOTE: The District 11-B1 Convention will be SATURDAY, **APRIL 1st, 2017 at Baker College** (one day only)



Upcoming Events and Info

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

- 6 CHELSEA CLUB MEETING @ 6.30PM
- 7 ANN ARBOR HOST @ 12.00PM
- 7 NORTH JACKSON AND VANDERCOOK LAKE @ 6.00PM
- 12 JACKSON CASCADES @ 6.00PM
- 13 MARSHALL @ 6.30PM
- 14 HANOVER-HORTON @ 7.00PM
- 21 ALBION @ 6.30PM
- 22 REGION 2 ZONE MEETING @ 6.30PM
- 28 BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY @ 6.30PM
- 30 IP BOB CORLEW VISIT-BAKER COLLEGE 12-.45 2.00PM

OCTOBER

- 3 GRASS LAKE @ 7.00PM
- 4 BEDFORD LIONS
- 17 TEKONSHA @ 6.00PM

I have been able to schedule DG visits with several clubs. If you have

Here's the 56th Annual Clarklake Raft-O-Rama!

Lions Youth Exchange girls from Japan assisted the Clarklake Lions with their annual BBQ and corn-on-thecob. Aoi and Arisa helped box the BBQ chicken on the assembly line, then did a quality taste test to make sure it was suitable for human consumption. Apparently it passed the test! Can't believe he ate the whole thing.







More Raft-O-Rama Pictures and Good News on Next Page.....

Clarklake Lions Club Inducts Seven New Members

Clarklake Lions relax after the annual Chicken Barbeque and Raft-O-Rama party that provides the funds needed to support the community. The Lions schedule and August dinner meeting on pontoon rafts with pizza for everyone as a reward for the hard work that makes the annual barbeque a success. This year was a special Raft party because DG Dave Hill joined the club on the rafts and inducted seven (yes 7) new members. The weather cooperated as the Clarklake Lions greeted our new District Governor and his First Lady, Nancy and the new members.



DG Dave Hill and 1st Lady Nancy



New members Muriel & Jane



DG Dave Hill inducts New Members



New members Justin, Jeff & Danielle



New member Jerry

DEXTER LIONS CLUB





Dexter Lion Karl Barscht, presents a check to Scout Lieron Moller for his Eagle Scout Project.



Rainy weather for Dexter DAZE

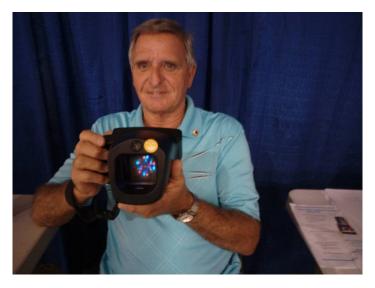
August 13th 2016, Dexter DAZE has occurred annually for 44 years. Enthusiasm & Community growth have developed an event that includes artisans, crafters, businesses, free entertainment for the whole family and of course Dexter Lions.



PDG Peggy Allen & 1VDG LuAnne Bullington visit Leader Dogs for the Blind during the special summer visitation program for Lions. All Lions are welcome to come and see the spectacular new facility and how these World Class dogs are bred and trained to make life possible for the blind.



JACKSON COUNTY FAIR.



PDG Dan Shepherd holds the new SPOT camera at the Jackson County Fair



Kathleen Shepherd & Steve Britten working for Kidsight at the Jackson County Fair.

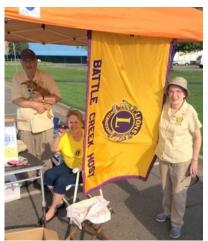
Lion News Bytes

BATTLE CREEK HOST LIONS

The Battle Creek Host Lions were pleased to have District Governor Dave Hill speak to us at our first August meeting. Governor Dave is very easy to talk to and interesting to listen to.

The Host Club presented a Melvin Jones award to Donna Hazel of the Shopper News. Donna has been instrumental for many years in getting our annual Lions newspaper out. We wanted to show her how much we appreciated all her hard work. Donna made an amusing remark at the luncheon when she said she needed a pin that says "I can hear, but not real well". That goes for a lot of us. We need to remember to face the parson we're talking to and to speak up.

A progressive Melvin Jones award was also presented to John Anderson for his work at the Winter Camp For The Blind and for chairing the annual newspaper sale for two years. Lion John will be leaving our club the end of August as he is moving



out of town. He will be sorely missed. On August 20th members of the club participated in the annual Recyclerama at Baily Park. PDG Craig Bishop; Club President Diane Klecker; and Lion Betty Robins worked the station and collected 220 pair of eye glasses to be recycled. Quite a haul ! The MARSHALL LIONS welcomed Miaki Ohtsuki, the visiting Youth Exchange student from Japan. She's being hosted by Denise in Marshall (a non-Lion) who is also now a Puppy Raiser for Leader Dog. She is shown with Marshall President Duane Moe.

Lilly





President Duane is shown with Fountain Clinic Director Mary Jo Byrne accepting a donation





l'm always disappointed when a liar's pants don't actually catch on fire.

VIDEO of the Month

2016 Lions Quarterly Video Magazine

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/videos/lq.php

The Blissfield Area Lions BACKPACK SCHOOL SUPPLIES PROJECT

The Blissfield Area Lions Club held our annual school supplies backpack project on August 16. With support from Meijer and Blissfield State Bank, we were able to sponsor the annual project providing school supplies, hygiene packets and new jackets for more than 50 at need Blissfield School District students.



News Flash

Hanover Horton Leo

Selected as International Leo of the Year!

Sydnee Gifford of the Hanover Horton Leos was one of only a handful worldwide selected as Leo of the Year. Sydnee was the club President, and recently returned from a Lions Youth Exchange trip to Italy.

She was presented the award at IPDG Peggy Allen's Appreciation Dinner with Cabinet Treasurer and Leo Advisor Walt Treichel



MANCHESTER LIONS Peggy & Barry Allen hosted Lions Youth Exchange students Aoi and Arisa from Japan during the month of August. Aoi Maruta is in her final year of high school and lives just outside of Osaka. Arisa Yoshiba has two years of high school remaining and lives near Tokyo.

Sorting used eyeglasses



drive a car.

A Michigan Coney dog

Always a trip to the Henry Ford Not too many riding lawnmowers in Japan and you must be 18 to



2017 MD-11 LEO TRIP INTERNATIONAL LIONS CLUB CONVENTION Chicago, Illinois – June 30, July 1st & 2nd, 2017

Purpose of trip- To provide an opportunity for all Leos in Michigan to attend the International Convention in Chicago for three days where they will attend the Leo Summit, march in the International Lions Parade, meet other Leos from all over the world and spend some time seeing the sights of Chicago.

Transportation: All Leos, Leo Advisors, Parents, Lions and Lionesses who sign up for this three day trip will board a bus which will make four or five stops along I-94 on the way to Chicago. Probable stops are: Ann Arbor, Jackson, Battle Creek, Paw Paw and St. Joe. Housing will be available for those who have over 100 miles to travel to I-94 for the Thursday night before the trip.

COST: \$ 395.00 for Leos (based on Quad occupancy)

\$ 595.00 for adults (based on double Occupancy) *

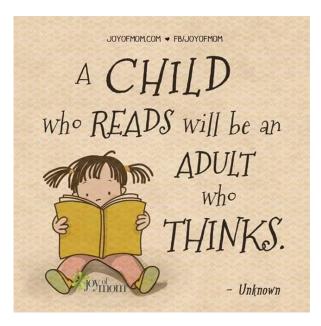
*Adults must also pay the International Lions Registration charge which is included in this price. The costs include all meals except Friday Lunch, bus transportation, Hotel for two nights, all entrance fees to all sightseeing stops: (Museum of Science & Industry, Shedds Aquarium, and Skydome).

DEADLINES: A \$ 50.00 deposit for each person is due by **September 15, 2016**. A second payment of \$ 200.00 is due on **February 25, 2017** with the remaining balance due on **April 15, 2017**.

Financial Support for those attending: The MD-11 Leo Committee will be able to cover \$ 100.00 of the cost for those attending. It may be possible that you could receive other funding from your District or sponsoring Lions Club.

WE must have a minimum total of 30 participants in order for this trip to be a go! The 30 would be a combination of Leos and adults.

ANY Questions ? – Contact PDG Terry Walters, MD-11 Leo Chair at 734-426-4983 or <u>twal-ters02@comcast.net</u>



Ann Arbor Evening Lions Club

Lion Kathy Koning, ZC (and 1VDG) LuAnne, Lion Kay, Lion Kathy, DG Dave and lions in training Alana and Gibson.





School is starting and children need supplies. Ann Arbor is donating to Washtenaw Intermediate Schools (WISD) again this year. **ALBION LIONS** started it's year with a program by District 11-B1 Chair of Diabetes Awareness, Barb Baggerly. Lion Barb. Told about a young man from Albion who attended diabetes camp for the first time and came to understand that there is nothing wrong in having a pump. He found enthusiastic new friends with the same condition. Barb encouraged all lions to encourage and support children who will benefit from diabetes camp and to refer them as potential campers.

Barb Baggerly (Marshall), President Maurice Barnes (Albion), ZC Claudea Templeton

President Maurice Barnes announced his goals for the year as getting better recognition for lions and to grow his membership. Plans



were made to participate in the Festival of the Forks Parade, the club will give out novelty glasses to children and the sightmobile will be in downtown Albion with the SPOT camera. The Festival of the Forks Parade is on Saturday September 17th.

JACKSON EYEOPENERS



Owen Talmage

Owen was our August 3 speaker and he is working on his Eagle Project. He is supplying laundry detergent to the Interfaith Shelter.

The Eyeopeners made a contribution to his project and wish him much success in its completion.

Factoid. Lions have been partnered with the Boy Scouts since 1918!

The only thing worse than being blind is having sight but no vision. *Helen Keller*



THE LIONS & LIONESS CLUBS of the **BATTLE CREEK AREA and DISTRICT 11-B1** Invite you and your guests to join us for the 34th Annual

Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Picnic

Saturday, September 10, 2016

From 10:00 am to 3:00 pm At the Bedford Lion's Den 22116 Bedford Rd N (M-37) Battle Creek MI 49017

(The Bedford Lion's Den is located on the east side of Bedford Road south of the Bedford Park - same place as past years)

10 am - 11:30 am -- Sign in time, games/social time, information & diabetic testing 11:30 am – 12 pm -- Speaker 12 pm – 1 pm -- Lunch

1 pm – 3 pm -- Prizes and Social Time





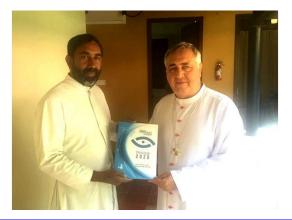
Weldon Bradshaw an English teacher and track coach, 68, was told by his doctors four years ago that he only had a short time to live, then he received a liver transplant.

If you believe that being a more mature person disqualifies you from being a donor, it doesn't

Don't throw away your organ donor card after reaching 65

Older donors are desirable for older recipients who represent a growing proportion of transplant patients

A Claretian priest, Father George Kannanthanam is appealing to Pope Francis to encourage cornea donation by asking him to pledge his corneas.



REGION 1 / ZONE 1

ZONE MEETING

GUEST SPEAKERS:

GMT PEGGY ALLEN / GLT BARRY ALLEN

DON'T MISS IT!

SEPTEMBER 21ST - CHELSEA HOSPITAL CAFETERIA Meal Cost: \$10 per Person Pay at the door 6.30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH MERCY CHELSEA 775 S. Main St. - Main Entrance RSVP: MS@Michaelwscottjr.com by September 14, 2016

MARSHALL LIONS CLUB

PANCAKE BRUNCH



B.E. HENRY COMMUNITY BUILDING S. MARSHALL AVE. (Adjacent to Calhoun County Fairgrounds)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016 (7 AM-1 PM)

Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Applesauce, Coffee, Juice, Milk

Adults \$7-Children \$3 (Age 5-10) Children under 5 Free

Join Ann Arbor Host and Ann Arbor's Commission on Disability Issues in Celebrating the Renaissance of The Sensory Garden Wednesday, September 7, 2016

(rain date - Thursday, September 8, 2016)

3:30pm – 6:30 pm at Liberty Plaza

corner of E Liberty and S Division

Downtown Ann Arbor

Co-hosted by the Ann Arbor Commission on Disability Issues and

the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club

Everyone is welcome to help celebrate the renaissance of *The Sensory Garden*. Come enjoy some refreshments and experience new textures, fragrances and bright colors in the garden. A few pictures are attached to entice you. You will also have an opportunity to find out about various organizations whose services and programs help people and their families deal with disabilities. Take some time to talk with them and learn what they can do for you or a loved one. This is not a fundraiser so you will not be asked for donations. Information can be gathered for that purpose if you choose.

For more information about *The Sensory Garden* and "Summer Tea in *The Sensory Garden*," see the attached flyer or contact:

Linda Evans linnie231@hotmail.com 734-276-2767 or a2disabilities@gmail.com



District 11-B1 LEO CLUBS READY TO START UP FOR THE FALL

The Leos enjoyed the training and activities at the District Convention last Spring and are really excited for the opportunities they have in their communities and the District coming up this year!

First of all, we welcome the new Northwest Leo Club that was chartered last Spring and wish them a great year. Also, Congratulations to Leo Sydnee Gifford of The Hanover-Horton Leo Club on receiving the International Lions Leo of the year Award in August! District 11-B1 is one of two Districts that has the most Leo Clubs and we are really proud of that! We hope to continue to grow more Leo Clubs this year and we could use the support of Lions Clubs to volunteer to Charter a Leo Club in their Community. It looks like we could get a Leo Club in Vandercook Lake very soon! We would really like to see 1 or 2 started in Region 3!

One of the greatest opportunities being offered to our Leos and their advisors is a chance to attend the Leo Summit and Lions International Parade in Chicago in 2017. It will be a great trip but they will need the help and support of all Lions Clubs in the District. One way, the Lions Clubs in the District can help support the Leo Clubs is to donate to the Leos through the Parade of Checks at the Fall Conference. The District Leo Committee supports the Leos through District events throughout the year and that drains the account each year. Please consider a donation to the Leos. Those clubs that donate \$100.00 or more through the Parade of Checks will receive a nice Leo Appreciation Banner Patch for their Club Banner.

If you would like to learn more about Leos and starting a Leo Club, contact PDG Terry Walters, the Leo District Chair at 734-426-4983 or <u>twal-</u> <u>ters0123@comcast.net</u>

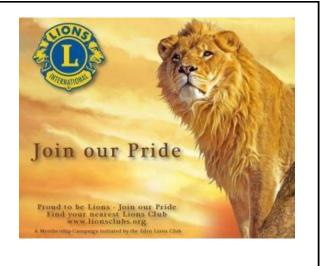
Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

Helen Keller

Club Anniversaries

September

20	Michigan Center Leos	11 yrs
Octo	ber	
2	Inter-Lakes Lions	49 yrs
8	Vandercook Lake Lions	60 yrs
12	Hanover-Horton Lions	52 yrs
27	Napoleon Lions	63 yrs
Nove	ember	
1	Jackson Cascades Lions	50 yrs
9	Manchester Lions	9 yrs
15	Hillsdale Lions	67 yrs





District SPARK PLUG Awards for 2015 - 2016 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.

Adrian Evening	+ 37.50 %	*Clinton	+ 4.55 %
Albion	+ 25.00 %	*Homer	+ 3.70 %
Concord	+ 22.22 %		
Ann Arbor Host	+ 17.50 %		
Hanover Horton	+ 9.09 %	* Honorable Me	ention
Blissfield	+ 6.67 %		

CONGRATULATIONS The Adrian Evening Lions !!!

+ 37.50% WOW!

From the Desk of the 2nd VDG

GET YOUR MESSAGE OUT

Typically we get information for the newsletter from club secretaries and P.R. chairs, from club newsletters and social media, we research the stories and look for background information and edit the information to make it easy to read and informative. Hopefully it will let our readers see what other clubs are doing and maybe spark some ideas for additional projects in your club. It also provides lions a view of lionism outside their club.

Yet, relatively few clubs are featured each month, because these are the only clubs that provide content for your District newsletter. I know all of the clubs are proud of what they do so I ask you all to celebrate your service by sharing it with your fellow clubs. It's easy to take a couple of pictures on a smart phone and add a few lines of text. Neither the text or pictures need to be professional we will make it the best it can be, but we need a starting point.

Your lions, especially the newer ones will be excited to see their contribution included in a newsletter feature and see their projects in print. This is a great form of recognition for their service to the club and community. Increasing a sense of belonging and pride in our clubs has a positive impact on RETENTION, by including your club projects and sharing your newsletter with non-lions you could help your club GROWTH as well.

We want ALL clubs to feel they an integral part of the District so get your program chairs, secretaries, PR chairs and lions to show us what you do. Please send your 'stuff' to:-

Barry	Editor in Chief	BarryRAllen@aol.com
Steve	Associate Editor	steve@protechcomputers.biz
Roger	Associate Editor	GBRoger@aol.com

Thank you for all you do..... Now share it with fellow lions

2nd Vice District Governor.....Lion Roger



A police officer called the station on his radio. "I have an interesting case here. An old lady shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped." "Have you arrested the woman?"

"Not yet. The floor's still wet."

LCIF Awards US\$44 Million in Grants

More than US\$44 million was awarded in <u>LCIF grants</u> during the 2015-16 fiscal year. These grants are providing clean water in Haiti, measles vaccinations in Zimbabwe, children's cancer research in Australia, flood relief in India and Pakistan, and so much more. Lions will help millions of people worldwide through these grants, which were made possible through your generous support. Some of the grants included:

Texas \$14,000 for vision screening equipment

Minnesota \$75,000 for a handicap playground

South Dakota \$75,500 for vision screening equipment

Louisiana \$97,835 for vision screening equipment

Michigan \$48,688 for vision screening equipment

Michigan \$75,000 for renovation of the Leader Dog facilities

Click on the above link to see all the grants around the US and the world.

* 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

Advanced Lions Leadership Institute <u>http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/development-programs/advanced-leadership-institutes/index.php</u>

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

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

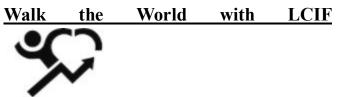
 Get up-to-date contact info and previous District Newsletters/Constitution & Bylaws/Policy Manual!

The District 11-B1 Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/118930264790057/

Got Cool Links? Send Them In! (Especially Lions Links!)





CHARITY MILES LCIF is proud to partner with Johnson & Johnson Vision Care Companies to provide <u>Sight for Kids</u>. Now, you can walk or run to raise money for Sight for Kids wherever you are in the world. Simply download the <u>Charity</u> <u>Miles</u> app on your smartphone, select "Sight for Kids," and take a walk! LCIF will receive a donation for every mile logged. Supporting this vital initiative has never been easier! Watch for updates over the next year to see how far Lions and our friends have walked to save sight.



2016 USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum Omaha, Nebraska Sept. 15-17, 2016 Leadership ? Service ? It's what Lions do !

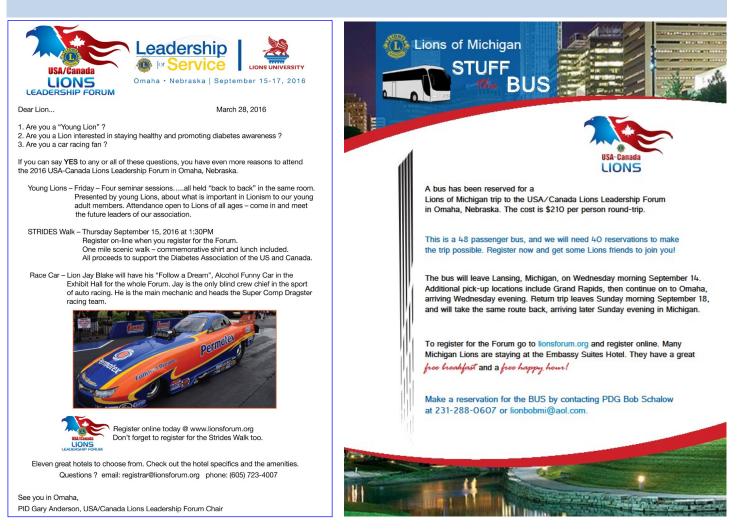
"Leadership for Service", the theme for the 2016 Forum, reflects our goal of equipping our Lions to meet the Centennial Service challenge in performing 100 million acts of service.

Saturday afternoon will have three large service projects that every attendee will be able to participate in. Corresponding seminars have been added, teaching the skills and organization needed to better prepare service projects at the Club and District level.

Opening night, Thursday brings master illusionist and motivational entertainer, Billy Riggs. On Friday, Lion Jay Blake brings his drag race car "Follow a Dream" to the Forum, along with his amazing story of overcoming a blinding accident to follow his racing dream.

Saturday we look forward to the inspiring words of our then International President, Chancellor Bob Corlew. We finish the evening with Retired General Dick Abel, who after a long career of military, private sector and public leadership will be talking about the leader within each of us.

Register for this outstanding opportunity at http://www.lionsforum.org/



Contests and Awards

Peace Poster Kits for 2016-17 Available Now! (Deadline October 1st)

"A Celebration of Peace"



Get your kit or find out more about the contest at this link: <u>http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/serve/contests/e-poster-contest/index.php</u>

The Marshall Lions presented a Melvin Jones

Fellowship to Lion Charles Parker. He's been a Lion for 27 years since 1989. Shown is PDG Ron Quada presenting the plaque and MJF pin.





Leader Dogs for the Blind | 1039 S Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, Michigan 48307-3115 | 888/777.5332

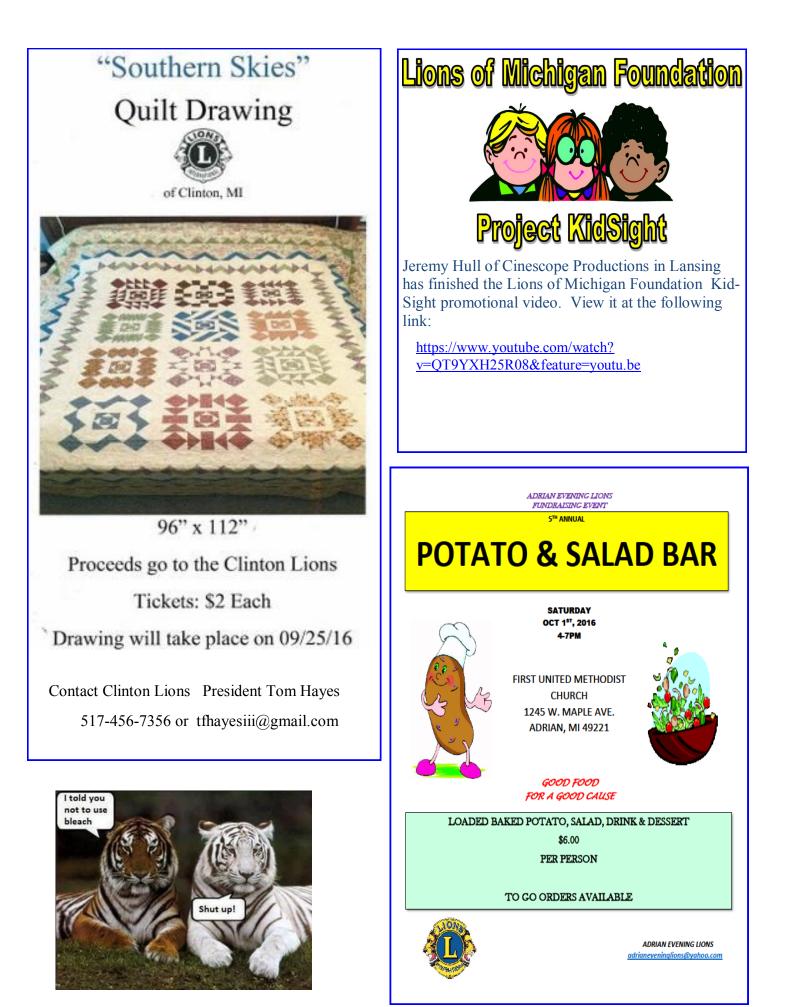
The Jackson Eyeopeners held our Annual Picnic and Awards Night on August 24. DG Dave Hill and Nancy were our guests. We awarded a Melvin Jones to Lion Carolyn Verbecken, Lautzenheiser Fellows to Lions Michele Biondolillo and Jackie Hunter, and Club Lion of the Year pins to Lions Carole Briggs and Michele Biondolillo.



Some days it's hard to find motivation...



...some days motivation finds you!



MD 11 Media Campaign Unveils Preliminary Mockup - Club Contributions Still Needed!

The MD 11 PR Committee has recently unveiled the preliminary mock up for the Centennial Media Campaign advertisements. We've come a long way in our fundraising efforts with over 100 clubs from around the state participating so far, and \$13,000 in total club contributions!

With a goal of \$20,000 from endar year, we have a ways to ed? We've asked each club to amounts are gratefully acceptmore will earn an exclusive with pride! This is a once-inbrate 100 Years of Service, from all corners of Michigan. from each club, we can have a



club support by the end of the calgo yet. Has YOUR club contributcontribute \$100 (though all ed). Any contribution of \$200 or banner patch your club can display our-lifetime opportunity to celeand to come together with clubs With a relatively small contribution HUGE impact on awareness of who

we are and what we do, and potentially on membership and donations as well.

This campaign will encompass digital media, radio ads, freeway & surface street billboards, and a customizable poster for each club to use in local businesses, schools, churches, etc. There is also a possibility of some TV advertising; the more resources we have to work with, the more extensive (and effective!) the campaign can be.

Please consider joining this historic campaign. Checks can be made payable to "Lions of Michigan" and sent to the State Office at 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911. Please note 'Media Campaign' on the memo line.

Please feel free to contact MD 11 PR Chair Lion Laura Hunt at 248-766-7268 or <u>laurahunt1027@gmail.com</u> or Lion Lorraine Lindsey at 269-251-0537 or <u>Lal3222@yahoo.com</u> with any questions.



Reach the Summit of Service

Centennial Service Challenge – Lead through service by joining the challenge to help 100+ million people for our Centennial.

Engage and impact youth through hands-on projects withLions Children First, promote literacy through the Reading Action Pro-

gram, and bring hope to vulnerable children through the Leo Spotlight on Children.

Build our Team by Inviting for Impact

Centennial Celebration Membership Awards – Increase your service impact and earn once-in-a-lifetime recognition by inviting new members and chartering new clubs.

Connect with Communities

Centennial Legacy Projects – Raise the visibility of your club and help commemorate our Centennial by making a lasting gift to your community.

PR Guide – Learn the best ways to share your story with your community to promote your club and service activities.

Lead Us over the Next Mountain

Lions Learning Center and the Leadership Resource Center give you the resources to take your leadership to the next level.Global Leadership Team – Learn how Lions are working together to support present and future Lions leaders.

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 <u>BarryRAllen@aol.com</u>. OR to Contributing Editors Lions Steve Britten, <u>steve@protechcomputers.biz</u>

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 if possible.

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

PDG Barry Allen, Manchester Lions Club, District 11B1 Newsletter Editor



