



District 11-B1 Newsletter DECEMBER 2017



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 Lions of District 11-B1

Lions Regional Leadership Training (Higgins Lake)

Lions from around the state were treated to excellent food, comradery with other Lions, and excellent training by the Lions staff at Higgins Lake.



Attendees included Lions Dave Anderson, (Jackson Host); Mike Scott (Dexter) and Ron Kohmescher (Clinton), and Greg Brindamour (Tecumseh) for the Leadership Institute; with Bea Furman (Jackson Host) for the Graduate Course: Roger Spriggs for the Masters, and Barry Allen for the first class of the Doctorate Class. As Roger indicated, it wasn't 'beach' weather.



From the Governor

Hello Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

I want to wish everyone the Happiest of Holidays, the Merriest of Christmases and the Best New Year!

We are a small population district. There are counties in other districts that have a much larger population than our entire district. And with our small population, we rock. Thanks to Dave Hill and all the Lions that worked with him to build our membership. They were so successful, we had to create a third zone in region 1. Congratulations Lions. You are the best!

The new third zone in region 1 is primarily an education zone. It includes the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan, the Ypsilanti International High School Leos, the WISD Leos, Ann Arbor Evening Lions, Ann Arbor Host Lions and Huron Valley Lions. The new Zone's chair is Ann Arbor Host Lions Richard Westbury.

All the above clubs are located in Ann Arbor or Ypsilanti. Chelsea Lions, Dexter Lions, Dexter Leos, Manchester Lions and Saline Lions remain in Zone 1, Region 1. Dexter Lions 2nd VDG Mike Scott stays as their Zone chair.

More great news, Dexter Lions added several new members and three of them are women. Great work Dexter and thank you. We've also added many new members to our district. Thank you to all the clubs that have brought in new members.

My Warmest Wishes and Thanks go to everyone of you. You make me so proud with all your work and efforts to make our District the best place to live and work.

Best,

DG LuAnne Bullington



From the desk of the First Vice District Governor

I attended the Higgins Lake Institute to complete the Master Class in November and I was reminded, once again, about some of the leadership skills that we need to make the operation of our District and Clubs run smoothly. I am sure most of you have experienced stern, inconsiderate, 'I am the boss' type leaders in your business experience. They usually get things done but at the expense of those who strive to complete their tasks. They do not create a pleasant work environment.

As leaders of volunteers, we have to take a more gentle approach; after all, being a Lion is supposed to be fun and if people do not stick around nothing will be achieved. As District and Club leaders we have a tricky job, juggling between getting things done while keeping everyone happy and engaged. First, remember the truth, that there is no 'I' in TEAM.

So how do we manage to get things done? The key is consensus, yes as leaders you do have to acquire political and persuasive skills and be willing to discuss what you want to achieve with your team, these back and forth discussions will usually bring up ideas and issues that the leader may not have considered. Having established a consensus, the team can move forward with a common goal and will be more amenable to putting that goal above self-interest.

I am sure you have heard the term 'born leader' but in fact almost anyone can learn leadership skills. About now, you should be beginning to think about what you want to do next year. I am starting to build my list of potential District leaders, and if you want to serve in a District position, I would welcome the opportunity to talk to you.

If you are considering a leadership role, the easiest place to begin your leadership training is the Spring Training Forum in April 2018, These 1.1/2 hour classes are related to specific roles in your club, President, Secretary and so on. There is also an orientation class that all of your newer members should attend to learn about the organization outside your club. Do not forget you do not have to be 'in' a specific position, if you are curious about what a President or Secretary does, sign up. After the class, you may decide that 'you could do that' and the position is not as scary as you thought.

I know many of you will be spreading Christmas cheer this year in the form of baskets for the underprivileged; I thank you for all you do and wish you a joyous Christmas and a Happy and productive New Year.

You too can be a leader.....

1VDG, Lion Roger



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Developing a Social Media Strategy – Part 4 of 4

Social Media Recap

The appeal of low or no cost of social media makes it very attractive public relations method. Social networking sites can provide a method to build two-way communication and engage the public. Also, social media is a recruiting tool.

Create a social and web presence that encourages engagement

Highlight specific details (who, what, where, when, why)

Highlight organizational benefits

Be consistent and timely with your activity on social media channels

Respond to questions, comments, and inquiries within 48 hours

Be proactive and ask questions of your followers

1. Post with an image/video:

You will get more clicks with either an engaging photo or video.

2. Include a link:

Share something your followers can engage with and drive traffic to your website or other platforms.

3. Keep it simple:

Twitter 280 characters is your limit and keep both Facebook and Instagram about the same.

4. Engagement:

Tweet/Retweet/Post

5. Use the designated hashtag:

#Lions100, #LCIF50, or #DexterLions (or a hashtag specific to your club) which allows for tracking and enters your organization to in the conversation.

6. Be conversational:

Make your post casual and personal.

7. Always be testing and experimenting

Different copy

Different images

Calls to action

New target audience

Platforms



Contact information

I would be happy to help you if you have any questions regarding developing a social media strategy for your club.

Please contact me at ms@michaelwscottjr@gmail.com - 2VDG Mike Scott



The winter camp has been a tradition since 1969 providing a special camp experience for visually impaired adults. It is held the first weekend in February at the Battle Creek Outdoor Education Center on Clear Lake located near Dowling, Michigan.

WINTER CAMP 2018

Brochure <http://e-district.org/userfiles/360/file/2018%20Winter%20Camp%20Brochure.pdf>

Application <http://e-district.org/userfiles/360/file/2018%20REVISED%20APPLICATION%202.pdf>

Camper Info [http://e-district.org/userfiles/360/file/2018%20Guidance%20for%20Campers\(2\)1.pdf](http://e-district.org/userfiles/360/file/2018%20Guidance%20for%20Campers(2)1.pdf)

Contact Lion Roger Bosse if you can volunteer,
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Collage of Winter Camp designed by Lion Jerry Mackey, Battle Creek Cereal City



HAILS and FAREWELLS:

WELCOME ABOARD!

NEW MEMBER

Patricia Jo Herndon
Arnelle Drouillard
Robert Cheatum
Chris Roberts
Fran Rauth
Jenny Stowell
Steven Shannon

CLUB

Ann Arbor Host
Grass Lake
Jackson Host
Marshall
Marshall
Marshall
Pittsford Area

SPONSOR

David Bosch
Jerome Drouillard
Roberta Sexton
Char Quada
Don Weberling
Bud Moe
Denver Towne

GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Joyce Arlene Bush Vandercook Lake November 12, 2017
<http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?n=joyce-arlene-bush&pid=187222855>

Eleanor Palmer North Jackson/Rockford Lions April 17, 2017

WHEN A LION DIES

If your club has a death of a Lions member, spouse, or previous Lion, please inform the WALD Committee as soon as possible. We will ensure the district gets the news, as well as an Obit when available, and prepare the WALD certificate for presentation to the family.

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LIONS SIGNS

Our state Public Relations Chair has been busy. We now have available through the state office, Lions Yard signs. They measure 18" by 24" and sell for \$3 each, including the wire stand. Orders are due to CC Peggy Allen by the end of the first week in January.

NOTE: **EACH** Club will be getting a sign free of charge from the state office. Peggy has **YOUR sign now**, and will give them to your Zone Chair for distribution.

We don't expect another order to go out until next fall, so if your club members would like a sign, I encourage you to order them NOW. For those clubs who have already responded, your order will go in with the January total.

Contact CC Peggy Allen with questions or ORDERS, 734-428-7034, PeggyA7747@aol.com





LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION LAS VEGAS 2018

Are you looking for a roommate to share the cost of Convention accommodation in Las Vegas NV?

Send me your name and e-mail contact and I will send you information on other lions looking to save some money in 2018.

It will be up to you to make contact and agree on your financial arrangements. There is no obligation on myself or District MD11-B1

1VDG Roger Spriggs, GBRoger@aol.com

BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY Lion Bill Butler receives his **45 year** service chevron. From president Mike Conklin. Congratulations Bill



President Mike Conklin with presenter Terri Huffman, diabetes chair, with program chair Lion Bob Harvey. Lion Terri gave a presentation on Diabetes.



President Mike Conklin, Roger Bosse with Cathy Yeager and Jonathan Russell and Lion Jim Baum. Present a Centennial plaque to Grace Health to mark the donation of office equipment and display case to the eye health department as the Cereal City Lions Club Centennial Project.



Club Anniversaries

December

16	Blissfield	1985	16	Munith	1953
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January

9	Ann Arbor WISD LEOS	2013	21	Napoleon LEOS	2007
18	Tekonsha	1944			

February

8	Clarklake	1965	10	Grasslake	1953
20	Hanover Horton LEOs	2014	9	Jackson Eyeopeners	1977
7	University of Michigan	2017			

District and Club Dates to Remember

DECEMBER - MAY THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT BE UPON YOU!

- 1/2 Council of Governors, Flint/Grand Blanc
- 2 Vandercook Lake, Christmas Tree Lighting, live music, 5 - 8 pm
- 3 Tekonsha Christmas Walk and Craft Show, at the High School, 10 - 3 pm
- 4 PENRICKTON Christmas Party, 5 pm
- 7 North Jackson Lions - Raffle, drawing at Beck's Flower Shop
- 11 Honorary Christmas Dinner, Steak's Eatery, 6 pm
- 12 Michigan Center, Breakfast with Santa
- 13 Clarklake Lions, Christmas Party, Clarklake GC, 6 pm
- 17 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- 21-24 Manchester Lions - Luminaria Sales
- 25 CHRISTMAS**
- 26 Boxing Day - This is for 1st VDG Roger

JANUARY - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- 8-14 LCI - Feed the Hungry, Service projects
- 11 Battle Creek Cereal City, Spaghetti Dinner, Lakeview HS, 4 - 7 pm
- 12 Last day to register for the cheaper rate - Lions International Convention, Las Vegas
- 13 Melvin Jones Birthday
- 18 Bedford Lions/Lioness - Soup & Salad Dinner, Bedford Clubhouse, 5 - 7 pm
- 21 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- 25 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Finance Meeting, Lansing, 2 pm
- 31 Region 1 Combined Zone Meeting, Chelsea Hospital

FEBRUARY - AMERICAN HEART MONTH

- 2-4 WINTER CAMP for the Blind, Dowling
- 3 Blissfield, Reverse Raffle
- 7 North Jackson, Raffle Drawing, Beck's Flower Shop, 7 pm
- 14 Valentine's Day**
- 15 NOMINATIONS DUE
- 16-17 Council of Governors, Grand Rapids
- 16-17 Michigan Forum, Grand Rapids
- 18 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- 24 Lions of Michigan Foundation, KidSight meeting, Lansing, 10 am



CLUBS Doing What they Do!

Albion Lions provided an ideal Thanksgiving dinner food basket to a needy family who had just moved to Albion. Lion Corinne Atchison participated the the Albion Health Care Alliance Community Health Fair using the SPOT camera to provide vision screening.

Ann Arbor Host Lions held another session of Charity Poker fundraising. Once again they are selling Koeze nuts as well as fruit from Frog Hollow. December they will be donating hygiene and care packages to veterans at the Veterans' Hospital. They also donated a gift basket to the Penrickton Center for Blind Children, and adopted a family for Christmas.

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions presented a plaque to Grace Health to mark the donation of office equipment and display case to the eye health department as the Cereal City Lions Club Centennial Project. Members participated in the Fort Custer Honor Guard, Salvation Army bell ringing, Habitat for Humanity and the Boo Zoo, and are getting ready to support the Winter Camp in a big way (as always).

Bedford Area Lions continue their Soup & Salad Dinner fundraiser, 3rd Thursday at the Clubhouse, October, November, January, February & March, with October seeing the largest turnout they had ever had.

Blissfield Lions donated toward the Penrickton Center for Blind Children's annual Christmas Party. They are planning for their reverse raffle to be held February 3rd.

Chelsea Lions They have KidSight screenings scheduled from Nov 28 to Dec 13th, Christmas dinner and Faith in Action Christmas Shopping coming up and handing out candy canes.

Clinton Lions continued their support 192 Ministries who prepare meals for children in the Clinton schools, donated to the local food pantry, and sent two boxes of goodies to the troops overseas. They donated to the AA VA Hospital and are preparing for the Holiday Adopt-A-VET program.

Dexter Lions have begun their annual Christmas Tree sales, a major fundraiser and community service project. Their Leos collected \$2000 and 6000 pounds of food during the "Stuff the Bus" collections, and provided 200 meals for the Stuff the Seniors.

Jackson Cascade Lions New members **Ross Alexander** and **Amanda Clark** were inducted by CC Peggy and PDG Barry Allen at their last meeting in November. They are wrapping up their fruit and nut sales.

Jackson Eyeopeners Lions served lunch at the Interfaith Shelter and donated \$300 to LCIF for disaster relief.

Holiday wreath sales are complete and awaiting delivery. They donated sheets, blankets and pillows to the shelter as well as mittens to the Bennet School.

Jackson Host Lions They are now into their Fruit & Nut sales. They participated in the Hanging of the Greens in the Jackson Cascades Park (See article), and added new member **Curtis Cheatum**.

Manchester Lions attended the Penrickton Center for Blind Children Christmas Party on December 4th, and are preparing for their Luminaria Project for the Christmas Eve lighting of the walkways and streets of Manchester. They supported the Family Services "Christmas Shop" and adopted a local family for Christmas.

Marshall Lions held their 6th annual Stuff the Bus food drive on October 28th, filling 85 banana boxes in six hours, plus several coats and some cash and over 2200 pounds of food, gloves and scarves.

Michigan Center Lions hosted their Breakfast with Santa on December 2nd, and will have the Santa House open each weekend of December from 4 - 6 pm. Their Christmas Baskets will be distributed on the 14th.

Munith Lions will having their annual Christmas Party at the Hankard Inn on December 12th.

Napoleon Lions November 4th was their annual Stuff the Bus event to benefit the Brooklyn food bank. They also made Thanksgiving baskets for the needy, and did the annual Halloween vision screening in Brooklyn at the fire station.

North Jackson Lions prepared six Thanksgiving baskets for NW Elementary families. They also sponsored an Emergency Assistance Grant request through the Lions of Michigan Foundation to provide \$1500 to a family who's house burned down. They collected 48 pair of used eyeglasses and **\$599** on Lions Mints.

North Adams Lions donated two cases of Lions Mints to active and veteran military for Christmas. Remember the Lions of Michigan Foundation "Mints for the Military" Program.

Pennfield Lions had to move their meeting to the old High School temporarily while the Pan Cake House re-did their roof. Meanwhile the are in the planning stage for their Salvation Army bell ringing, and the upcoming Christmas Basket program which is an all-hands effort.

Tekonsha Lions held their Christmas Walk and craft show, serving lunch, having a parade and an appearance by Papa and Mrs. Clause, and donated towards Leo Mirabelle Peter's Youth Exchange trip

Vandercook Lake Lions Holiday lights went up on Saturday Nov 18th, and a Christmas tree lighting ceremony will be held in the courtyard on Dec 2nd, 5 - 8 pm.

Merry Christmas!



YOUR CLUB HERE!

Send your club doings to PDG Barry



JACKSON, MI - **Chris Lake** of the **JACKSON HOST Lions Club** has been busy the past couple of days ironing 55 big red bows to make sure they were ready to be hung up around Cascade Falls Park on Wednesday. This is the seventh year the club has decorated the park with the help of Jackson County Parks. Beck's Flower Shop & Gardens provided the greenery for the occasion. The fresh cedar garland, red velvet bows and historically-correct C9 bulbs were hung on the Denton Road Bridge, as well as around the park on Nov. 29. "It's kind of a dream of mine. I've been looking at this for years and loved this bridge and thought it needed dressing up for Christmas." Lake said. The decorations are paid for by the Jackson Host Lions Club out of members' own pockets. They are not paid for by restricted charitable fundraising dollars. The club does this as a thank you to the community for the support it receives throughout the year with fundraising efforts, Lake said. "It's just been a great group to work with," Lake said. "The Lions Club is very supportive." http://www.mlive.com/news/jackson/index.ssf/2017/11/festive_decorations_bring_a_wa.html



> In this issue of Update

As part of our Chicago urban training program, Catalina Martinez v with her new Leader Dog in an environment that more closely mat surroundings at home. [Read more](#)

Why did Leader Dog start training clients in Chicago? How is it set clients stay while they're there? Guide Dog Mobility Instructor Jam answers questions about our urban guide dog training program. [R](#)

NORTH JACKSON LIONS Lion president Vicki thanked Jason Khon and Cory Parrott, from NW schools for allowing Kidder middle school to participate with the Peace Poster contest sponsored by the North Jackson Lions and Lions Club International. Club members voted for 2 winners. Pictured (from left) Mr Khon, Art Teacher; Joelyn Stone, runner up - \$25; Brooke Linnabury, 1st place - \$50 and Cory Parrott, Assistant Principal.

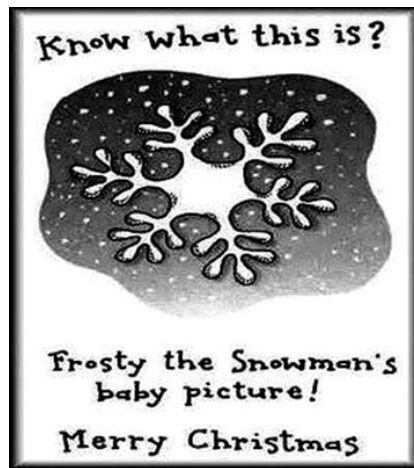


Here is the information for the **NORTH JACKSON** raffle tickets for 2018

- 1st Prize - \$200 Kohl's Gift Card
- 2nd Prize- \$150 Target Gift Card
- 3rd Prize - \$150 Polly's Gift Card
- 4th Prize - \$125 Rives Meat Market Gift Card
- 5th Prize - \$125 Northwest Meat Market Gift Card
- 6th Prize - \$100 Meijer Gift Card
- 7th Prize - \$100 Klavon's Gift Card
- 8th Prize - \$50 Klavon's Gift Card
- 9th Prize - \$50 Klavon's Gift Card
- 10th Prize - \$50 Beck's Flower Shop Gift Card

The club increased the prizes by \$100 and distributed some of the other monies differently.

The drawing will be on February 7, 2018 at Beck's Flower Shop. (2017 ticket shown)



District SPARK PLUG Awards race for 2017 - 2018

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:

Dexter	+ 13.33%	Marshall	+10.53%
Jackson Cascades	+10.00%	Battle Creek Host	+ 6.25%
Blissfield	+ 6.25%	Grass Lake	+4.55%
North Jackson	+ 4.35%	Battle Creek CC	+ 3.23%

Current District Membership	Gains	Drops	Net Growth
1001	23	-74	-51



Lions Clubs International
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OUR FOUNDATION

Dear Lions,

Happiness is seeing healthy children run and play and go to school. Unfortunately, in areas where measles is prevalent, some children have those simple pleasures taken away. Nearly 400 people die from measles every day, most of them children. Survivors can be left with life-altering complications including permanent hearing loss, blindness, and brain damage. This doesn't have to happen. Measles is a preventable disease, which is one reason why Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is supporting measles initiatives. One measles vaccination costs about US\$1. I've seen Lions pull together and accomplish great things, so I know that we can eliminate measles by donating to the cause and volunteering in local measles campaigns. Let's see what we can do to fight measles and give all children a healthy start to life! Consider donating to LCIF's measles initiative, One Shot, One Life.

Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew
Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation

[READ MORE ABOUT ONE SHOT, ONE LIFE](#)

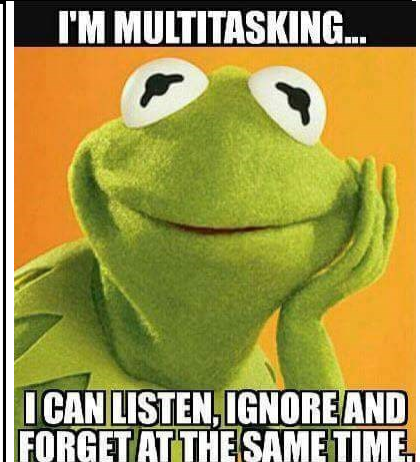
MARSHALL LIONS 1VDG Roger Spriggs inducts 3 new members into the Marshall Club. Pictured with Lion Roger are new Lion **Cris Roberts** with sponsor Lion Char Quada, sponsor Lion Don Weberling with new Lion **Fran Rauth**, new Lion **Jenny Stowell** with sponsor Lion Bud Moe.



New Lion Jenny Stowell presents check for \$100 to Michigan Youth Challenge Academy secretary Linda. It didn't take long to get Jenny busy supporting the Lions service projects!



CLINTON LIONS - For Diabetes Day, Lion Kay Miller arranged to provide 1200 apples for the Clinton school students, including the Preschool. Lion Doris Bauer donated the Lions stickers for all the apples. Community members (and the students) thought it was such a great idea, the \$800 cost was absorbed by other organizations and the club only paid about \$70.



Spring Leadership Forum-2018

“ Why you need to be there!”



The District 11-B1 Spring Leadership Forum is scheduled for April 26, 2018 at Vandercook Lake High School. It will run from 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

We would like to see 2-5 officers or members from each club in attendance. This is not only a time to train officers but a time for past officers to share what information they found useful and maybe something that every new officer should be aware of. Also there are sessions that would be great for members who are not officers to learn about.

Please let the committee have your input as to what you would like to see at the 2018 Spring Leadership Forum. What do you think should be emphasized and covered at the Forum.

Presently we will have sessions for the following positions and members: Presidents , Secretaries, Treasurers, Membership Chairs, Leos, Orientation, Tail Twister, and Zone Chairs.

Put this date on your calendar and come to learn ,to socialize, and to share!

District 11-B1 Global Leadership Team

MARSHALL LIONS “Stuff the Bus” On Oct. 28, the Marshall Lions Club held its Annual Stuff the Bus project. 15 Lions Participated, contributing 50 work hours. 2,200 lbs. of food, coats, knit hats and cash were collected. The proceeds went to M.A.C.S. for those in need in the Marshall Community.



The bus driver looks like he could use a hot meal. (Halloween)



Lions Jerry Marshall, Bruce Bidleman, F/F Asst. Mgr. Josh Wade, Lion Don Weberling, M.A.C.S. Coordinator Harriet Carroll, Lions Jerry Jones and Cris Roberts. Have a Great Holiday Lions Jerry and Sherrie

MANCHESTER LIONS attended the Annual Community Resource Center Awards Recognition Banquet held at the Chelsea Hospital. Lion Barry Allen was awarded a certificate as the Lions nomination. Also



attending was club President Lisa Chisnell and her niece Sophia who is from Germany and is an exchange student at Manchester High School. She has helped in many Manchester Lions functions and we anxiously await her 18th birthday.

YES! I WANT TO HELP NEEDY FAMILIES

The LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people in Michigan with unmet needs by helping them become more independent. Our services are aimed at helping people with sight and hearing deficiencies excel in school, secure and retain employment and remain self-sufficient. Your contribution will help us make a difference.

Please bill me for \$ _____ as my gift to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

Enclosed is my gift for \$ _____ to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

This gift is for the _____ Fund.

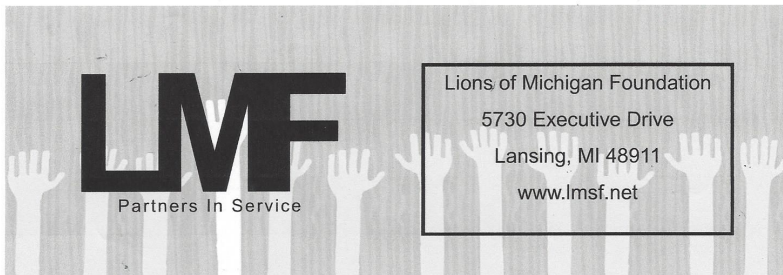
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This gift is in honor of: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____



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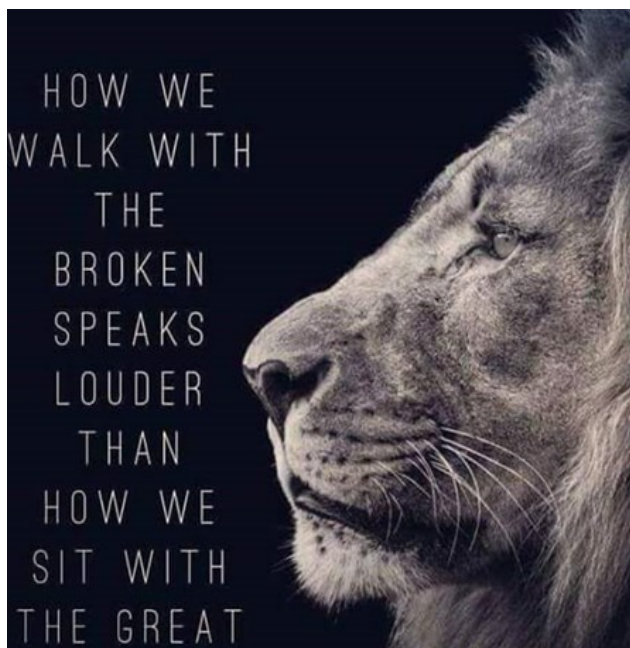
Simply go to <https://smile.amazon.com> just as you would on the regular Amazon site and select your charity. You can change charities at any time and these include most of our state projects and the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible purchases automatically and sometimes may have special promotions and products.

Participating charities include:

- Lions Clubs International Foundation
- Lions of Michigan Service Foundation
- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Eversight Michigan
- Penrickton Center for Blind Children
- Paws with a Cause
- Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund

And many more ..



ANN ARBOR HOST LIONS delivered 16 full thanksgiving meals and four extra bags of food to the Regional Alliance for Healthy Schools today. To say that the staff was elated would be an understatement. They shared with me that they had been getting many calls about the holidays and our donations would help so much! Thank you ALL for making this a possibility - I've attached a photo so you can see all your hard work! *each TJ Max bag is a full meal



Join the Centennial Service Challenge!



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!

Dear Lion,

Our members are the heart and soul of Lions. We are the world's largest service club organization because of the incredible men and women working every day to change the world. But to achieve our LCI Forward goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021, we need to increase the Power of We by welcoming new Lions so we can serve more people than ever before.

That's why I've set a goal of reaching 1.5 million members by the end of our Lion year. It may seem like an ambitious goal, but it is within our reach.

But more importantly, it will help your club do more of the incredible service that makes your community stronger and keeps your members coming back.

True **membership growth is a state of mind**, not just the result of a one-time event or membership drive. This means that every day is an opportunity to welcome new Lions into your club. And remember—Lions want to serve, but not every service project is right for every Lion. So plan a wide range of activities to get your members excited about the causes they care about.

Let's make sure that everyone who wants to make a difference in their community has an opportunity to do so as a Lion!

Sincerely,
Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, Your International President



PEACE POSTER 2017

Lion Nancy Anderson, the DG



and an Art Teacher Kelsey Keyes from Ann Arbor display the winning Peace Poster from the Dexter Lions.

“Peace is not something you wish for, it is something you make, something you are, something you do, and something you give away.”

— Robert Fulghum

JACKSON EYEOPENER Peace Poster



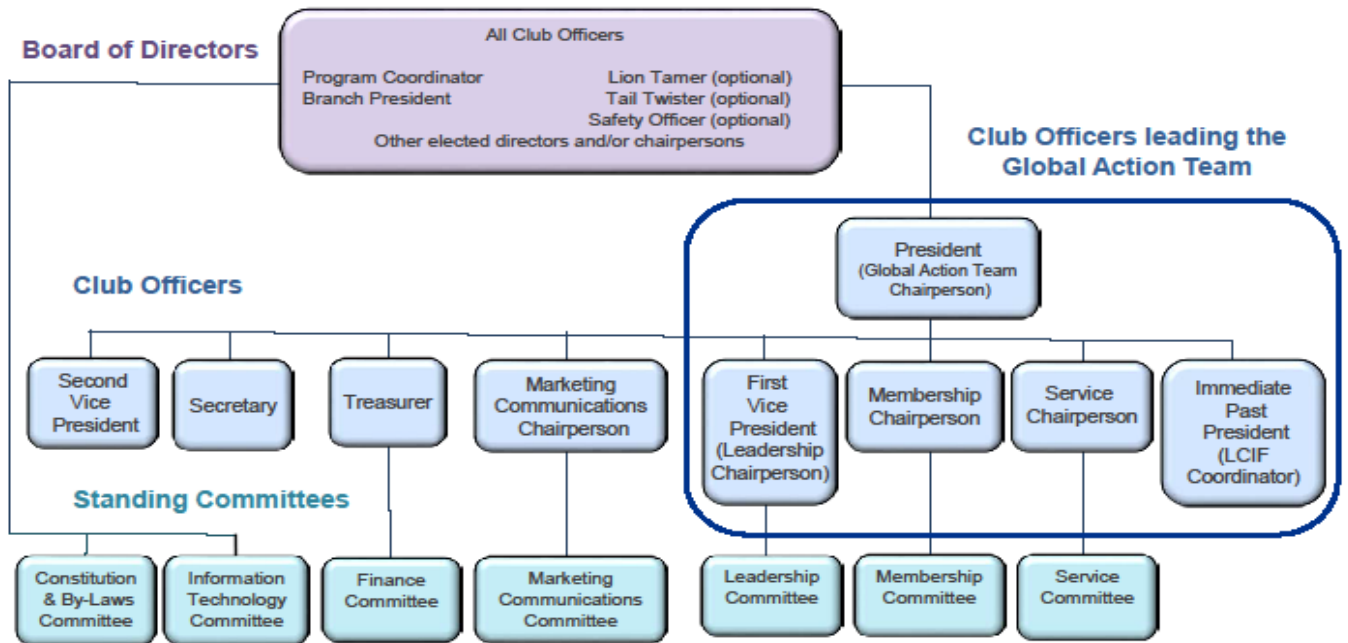
Lion Michele Biondolillo again this year worked with a teacher at Parkside to encourage the youth to participate in our international peace poster contest. A few of us gathered at Michele and Jim's home to select a winner to advance to the district.

The recipient of this honor is Miracle Journey who is a 6th grade student. From her sweet smile in the picture with Michele below, you can see how excited and proud she was.



Sometimes you need to look at things from a different perspective.

Model Club Structure



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Albion Lions identified a needy family (through the school) and provided them an ideal Thanksgiving dinner. The family had just moved to Albion and were very pleased with the food basket. Lion Corinne Atchison participated in the Albion Health Care Alliance community health fair by providing vision screening with the SPOT camera.

Treasurer Vivian Davis's birthday was on the Monday meeting night. She gave up dinner with her family to be at our meeting!



DEXTER LIONS have begun their annual Christmas Tree sales. This is an all hands effort for this major fundraiser to support their community.



Club members supported two Leo activities, the “Stuff the Bus” collected \$2000 and 6000 pounds of food for Faith in Action, and they provided 200 meals for Stuff the Seniors.

Hello Lions, Lionesses, and Leos.

On Wednesday, November 21, 2017, the Peace Poster Committee met at my home. Attending were Peace Poster Committee members Lion Chair Craig Bishop, Lion Jerry Mackey, and Lion Nancy Anderson. Also helping were Lion Amy Shepherd along with her son IPP Leo Austin Shepherd. Our judge this year was area artist and art teacher, Kelsey Keyes.

Our District had a winner for the Peace Essay contest. Battle Creek Host submitted Anaya Taylor essay and it came in 1st for the State. Anaya's essay will appear in the Lions Pride. Congratulations Anaya and I hope you will submit another essay next year!

This year the Committee had several outstanding work. Here are the winners:

1st Place: Isabella Hodder “Love is the future of peace. Love will mask the hatred and fighting, encourage harm. Dexter Lions Club

2nd Place: Anayah Taylor- “my poster is about kids working together. But working together, peeling off the bad part of the world, kids. Anayah also won the peace Essay Contest.

3rd Place: Elizabeth Milroy- “Where everyone tries to get along and respects the beliefs of others.” Battle Creek Cereal City

4th Place: Elizabeth Gerig-”peace which road will it lead us on how much time will it take? Doves holding flags of countries.”. Pittsford Area Lions Club.

Thanks to all who made this year's Peace Poster Contest and Peace Essay Contest a success and especially Thank You to artist and art teacher Kelsey Keyes. I can't tell you how much I appreciated everyone's help and expertise.

Best,
DG LuAnne Bullington

DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO UPDATE

WISD Leo Club Fall Service Update 2017

The WISD LEO club has been busy engaging in several literacy service projects during this 2017-18 academic year. Most recently, our LEO club joined the Alpha House, a local nonprofit serving at-risk children and their families, for an evening of games and stories with the young residents. Some of our LEO club members came dressed up as their favorite Dr. Seuss characters, providing the young residents with a fun and engaging interactive experience that fostered creativity and self-esteem. We ended the evening with a creative interactive participation story where everyone had a role to play. In addition, we presented a total of 30 books to Alpha House and distributed them to each child in attendance. Our club is also working to provide the Alpha House with audio storybooks for the children's enjoyment using the talented voices of our club members in conjunction with the Girl Scouts' Literacy



Project for Homeless Youth. At our last formal meeting, our LEOS brought tactile items that will be used by the WISD Teacher's for the Visually Impaired to create tactile Story Boxes for their preschool students who are blind and visually impaired. We also added outreach stickers to the backs of 180 Scholastic books that will be distributed by the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club. The outreach stickers contained our contact info along with the contact information for our Lions' Club counterpart, the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club. The Leo Club also partnered with the Ann Arbor Evening Lions Club and the Huron High School National Honor Society to donate 20 large print adult books for "book mobile" circulation at St. Joseph hospital.

YOUTH EXCHANGE - AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AN OUTSTANDING LEO.

Dear Lions and Lioness:-



I am Mirabelle Peter, I am 16 years old and a junior at Hanover-Horton High School, I have been a member of the Hanover-Horton LEO Club for three years, last year I was club Treasurer and I now serve as Vice President. At the Multiple District Convention in Traverse City I was recognized as an International LEO of the Year and had an amazing experience attending the Centennial International Convention in Chicago. I am on track to becoming the Valedictorian of the 2019 class and my aspirations include attending Vanderbilt or Haverford before attending medical school to train as an Oncologist.

I wish to travel to Finland next summer through the Lions International Youth Exchange Program. This will expose me to new cultures, help to understand new languages and prepare me for college by becoming more independent. Exposure to different cultures will also better help me understand and respect people and my future patients.

I have a goal to raise \$2,500 towards the cost of my trip and I am asking my fellow LEO's, Lioness and Lion Clubs for their assistance in raising this money. I will greatly appreciate any donations your club can provide.

Please send donations in the form of a check only addressed to **Lions of Michigan Y.E.P.** with 'Mirabelle Peter' on the memo line. Mail to

Peggy Allen, District 11-B1 YEP Chair
19230 Sharon Valley Road
Manchester, MI 48158

**The donation deadline is Feb. 28th 2018.
but please don't wait or you may be late.**

Mirabelle Peter

More DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO Stuff

NORTHWEST LEO's pictured are the newest Leo's, 39 of them!



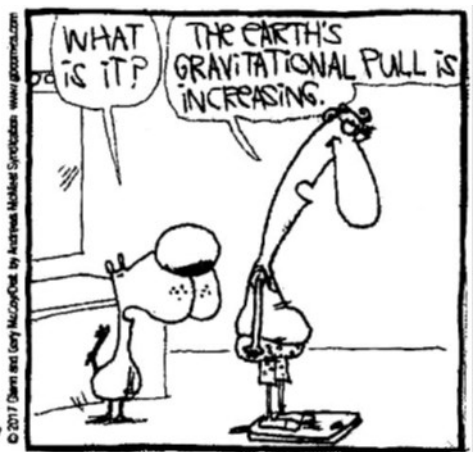
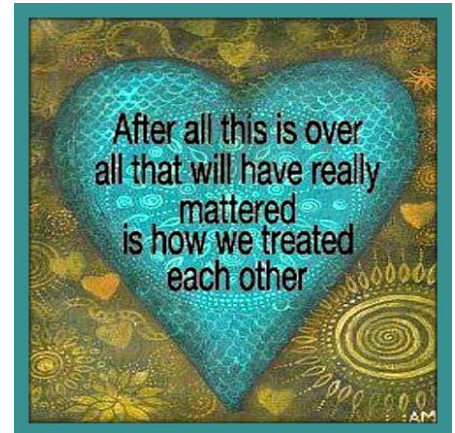
The Leos in District 11-B1 continue to give service to their community. There have

been two clubs that did a Stuff the Bus project where they collected food for the needy and the local food pantry. The Dexter Leos assisted the Dexter Lions with their Apple Daze project.

The Leo clubs have been growing in members. The Northwest Leos are now at 81 members and the Dexter Leos are at 42 members. The Hanover-Horton Leos are at 30 members and just added an exchange student from Pakistan.

There will be a new Leo Club in our District by the end of December. The International School in Ypsilanti will become our newest Leo club with a Charter night in November or early December. We do need more Leo Clubs in our District and we hope that clubs will step forward to forming a Leo Club in their community.

Contact District Leo Chair, Terry Walters, if you would like a presentation or need more information.



* 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 100 th Anniversary:	http://lions100.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php
The District 11-B1 e-District Website: Get up-to-date contact info and previous District Newsletters/Constitution & Bylaws/Policy Manual!	http://e-district.org/sites/11b1/
The District 11-B1 Facebook Page:	https://www.facebook.com/groups/118930264790057/
November 2017 Lion Pride SMALL2_November-PDF.pdf	http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/
December LION Magazine {"issue_id":451927,"view":"contentsBrowser"}	http://digital.lionmagazine.org/publication/?i=451927#
LCIF	http://www.lcif.org/EN/
Michigan Lions at Work	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWu-Ps6TViY
Centennial Service Challenge 2017 v=IBM9rJQdE5g&feature=youtu.be	https://www.youtube.com/watch?

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

DEADLINE is the 1st of the Month.
Planned publish date of the 5th.

Be sure to send your M&A Reports and articles w/ photos to the District Newsletter Editor, PDG Barry Allen at BarryRAllen@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.

Maturity is learning to walk away from people and situations that threaten your peace of mind, self-respect, values, morals or self-worth.

