

# District 11-B1 Newsletter JANUARY 2018



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Lions of District 11-B1



FROM INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT LION DR. NARESH AGGARWAL & MRS. NAVITA AGGARWAL

The new year is celebrated worldwide because there is nothing better than the feeling of renewal — of starting a new journey. Much before modern calendars, this time was celebrated as Saturnalia — the time when the sun begins to gain strength every day after the winter solstice. This gave origin to the word 'Saturday' — a time when people feel refreshed.

I hope that Lions around the world feel refreshed and rejuvenated to start a new year and a new era in Lionism. This year, we need the enthusiasm of not just 52 Saturdays, but 365 such days.

My new year resolution is to help Lions reach a new level of pride this year, hence taking our entire Association and the world to new heights.





The **Jackson Host Lions** held their annual Christmas Party at the Cascades Manor House with 96 Lions and guests in attendance. The club 'Choir' sang Christmas songs accompanied by Burt and Bea Furman and led by Lion Ed Mathein. District Tail Twister Chris Lake provides some tips to the visiting Santa who had been seen other places around the district. A fun time was had by all and presents were given to children and guests by Santa.

# From the Governor

Hall of Fame Nominees and Rescheduled Cabinet Meetings

Hello Cabinet Members, Lions, Lionesses and Leos,

The January 13, 2018 and the March 10, 2018 Cabinet meetings have been rescheduled and will be held on February 24, 2018 @ 10:00am in the Baker College conference room. For Cabinet members who cannot attend in person, conference calling will be available.

Hall of Fame candidates need to be chosen during the third quarter cabinet meeting. The January 13th meeting will not give clubs enough time to turn in their nominees for the Hall of Fame. The March 10th meeting is after the Lions of Michigan Foundation deadline.

The Lions Constitution and Bylaws require Districts to hold one cabinet meeting a quarter. The February meeting meets that requirement. The fourth quarter Cabinet meeting will be held in April. The date for the April meeting will e announced in the next newsletter.



Please send all Hall of Fame nominations to luanneb@comcast.net by February 15, 2018. This will allow enough time to copy the applications and send them out to the voting members of the cabinet.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

Clubs can obtain an application to nominate a candidate for the Hall of Fame by going to http://jwwmedia.s3.amazonaws.com/lmsf/HallOfFame/NominationForm.pdf

Congratulations to the Ann Arbor Host Lions for sponsoring the newest member of our District family, the WIHI Leos! Welcome. AND Congratulations to IPDG/GMT Dave Hill. As of December 31, 2017, our District has 1060 members.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday and are all looking forward to an amazing New Year!

DG LuAnne Bullington We Serve



#### From the desk of the First Vice District Governor

It's always exciting to move into a new calendar year, there is a sense of a new beginnings, a fresh start. I know our new Lions year is still six months away but isn't it great to celebrate the start of two new year's every twelve months.



Like most people I start the New Year filled with anticipation and hope that the new year will bring better things, more projects, more members, stronger clubs and a renewed opportunity to work together in harmony and fellowship for the betterment of the organization and the ability to increase our service to our communities.

#### THEN,



February, comes along and our resolutions vanish, and it's no big deal, We don't expect them to last do we? They never do.

We talk about change being necessary, and difficult to accept, but let us imagine that this year we are going to make a change and not expect our resolutions to fail. Let us make a positive change. Carefully consider your Lions resolutions, write them down and come February 1<sup>st</sup> read them again and make a renewed commitment to make them come true.

Then renew them in July, so that next January we can look back and see a real difference in our clubs, our relationships and our service.

Harriet and I wish you all the very best for 2018 and a very positive and successful year. You have the ability to make your communities and the World a better place, you should be proud to be a Lion and especially proud to belong to a great District that is seeing many of our traditional clubs grow in numbers and service. I appreciate all that you do and look forward to a new year when we can all truly shout "WE SERVE"

1VDG, Lion Roger





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#### From the Desk of 2nd VDG Mike Scott



#### HOW TO GET CERTIFIED AS A VISION SCREENER

**Lions KidSight USA Foundation** is a nationwide program to safeguard the vision of children aged 6 months through 6 years. According to educational experts, 80% of learning is visual. So if a child can't see well, he can't learn well. Yet most young children don't get their vision screened until they have problems learning or paying attention in school. By then, it may already be too late. Unless vision problems are detected early and corrected, they risk becoming permanent by age 7.

Lions in the USA already screen over a million kids per year through state-wide and local programs often known as "KidSight." **Lions KidSight USA** is a national coalition that brings together Lions programs that screen preschool and school age kids, concentrating on children from 6 months to 6 years of age in order create a coordinated national program.

Lions KidSight USA provides a webpage that is dedicated to providing training to our volunteers. Visit <a href="http://lionskidsightusa.org/training/">http://lionskidsightusa.org/training/</a> for the training manuals and links to video presentations Send an email to dan@uitti.net to attain the testing registration information.

When you get a confirmation, you will be given instructions on how to log in and take the test. We have run the test using tablets and Smart Phones. There may be difficulties navigating with a touch screen. Note: be sure to have your LCI Membership ID# during the online test as you will be prompted for it for verification.

I have been through the testing process.

Please contact me at <a href="ms@michaelwscottjr@gmail.com">ms@michaelwscottjr@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions. 2VDG Mike Scott



#### Winter Camp is almost here! February 2 - 4, 2018

We look forward to seeing you for a visit or a weekend stay!

We can use your help in registration on Friday, activity areas, outdoor activities, and snack prep/serving in the evening, and check-out on Sunday.



As we approach this event, some things to consider:

If you plan on coming out to visit or stay the weekend, please let us know so we can have an approximate headcount for meals and bunk space.

When you arrive, please park in the upper parking lot as you first drive in, unless you have a disability and cannot walk down the steps or road.

We will have a volunteer sign in sheet at the front desk. Please check in with your name, email and club name. We want to know who came so we can send you a thank you.

If you have bingo prizes to donate, please contact the Bedford Area Lions, Elsa Lioness, and Jackson Eyeopeners, who are coordinating prizes and running the bingo activity. You can also contact the Admin team just to let us know you have things to bring, we can pass along the information to the Bingo Team.

If you know of a blind or visually impaired individual who might be considering camp, please encourage them to send in an application soon. We need them by January 13, or know it is coming for the meal count.

Most of all, we want you to come out and have fun and fellowship with our blind and visually impaired friends who are looking forward to having a great time themselves.

Thank you all for your help!

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#### WINTER CAMP 2018

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

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

Camper Info <a href="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</a>

Contact Lion Roger Bosse if you can volunteer,

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Rogerbosse@att.net

Collage of Winter Camp designed by Lion Jerry Mackey, Battle Creek Cereal City Lions



#### HAILS and FAREWELLS:

#### **WELCOME ABOARD!**

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Patty Jo Herndon	Ann Arbor Host	Russ Ellis
Thomas Jacob	Battle Creek CC	Jim Baum
Daria Brookman	Dexter	Dennis Berry
Jamey Lobdell	Dexter	Dennis Berry
Chad M. Pifer	Michigan Center	Dennis Pifer
Bert T. LaBron	Michigan Center	Dennis Pifer

Charles P. Ebbert Michigan Center George Woodward

Michael Hochstedler Michigan Center Dennis Pifer Nathanial K. Eggleston Michigan Center Dennis Pifer

Raymond D. Pawson\* Michigan Center Rick Pawson \*prior LEO

Joseph D. Edwards\* Michigan Center Dan Edwards \*prior LEO

#### GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Marie Larche-Nowak Hanover-Horton December 2, 2017

www.voranfuneralhome.com/obituary/Janet-Marie-Larche-Nowak/Jackson-Michigan/1767642

#### 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.

#### Contact:

PDG Barry Allen Chaplain/ZC Art Turner Lion Lorraine Lindsey

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#### LIONS SIGNS LAST CHANCE!

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 <u>sign free of charge</u> from the state office.

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

The Manchester Lions attended the Penrickton Center for Blind Children's Christmas Open



House on December 4th. The Allen's adopted 9 year old Trevor and provide him with clothing and appropriate toys for his disability and low vision. Attending the

event were Lions Ron & Pat Kohmescher, Lisa Chisnell and Peggy Allen.



# PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS. We are now sending to Physicians through out the United States literature and same ples of ASPIRIN The substitute for the Salicylates, agrees ble of taste, from impleasant aftereffects. HEROIN The Sedative for Coughs, HEROIN HYDROCHLORIDE Its water-soluble salt. You will have call for them. Crder a supply from your Jother,

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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. Audrey Hepburn

#### **Club Anniversaries** January 9 Ann Arbor WISD LEOS 2013 Napoleon LEOS 2007 21 18 1944 Tekonsha February Clarklake Grasslake 8 1965 10 1953 20 Hanover Horton LEOs Jackson Eyeopeners 2014 9 1977 7 University of Michigan 2017 March 28 Adrian Evening 1950 29 Chelsea 1977 29 Dexter 1979 19 Michigan Center 1957 17 **NW** Leos 2016

#### District and Club Dates to Remember

#### JANUARY - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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

#### FEBRUARY - AMERICAN HEART MONTH

- 2-4 **WINTER CAMP** for the Blind, Dowling
- 3 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Board Meeting, Lansing, 10 am
- 3 Blissfield, Reverse Raffle
- 7 North Jackson, Raffle Drawing, Beck's Flower Shop, 7 pm
- North Adams, Reverse Raffle
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 NOMINATIONS DUE
- 15 Bedford Lions/Lioness Soup & Salad Dinner, Bedford Clubhouse, 5 7 pm
- 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 Cabinet Meeting, Baker College, 9 am
- Lions of Michigan Foundation, KidSight meeting, Lansing, 10 am

#### **MARCH - NATIONAL EYE DONOR MONTH**

- 1 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Hall of Fame Nominations deadline
- 3 Manchester Lions/Kiwanis, Crazy Ca\$h Reverse Raffle, 6 pm
- 10 Cabinet Meeting, VCL, 9 am
- Adrian Evening, Potato & Salad Bar Dinner, First United Methodist Church, 4 7 pm
- 11 Daylight Savings Time Spring Forward
- 15 Bedford Lions/Lioness Soup & Salad Dinner, Bedford Clubhouse, 5 7 pm
- 18 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse









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

**Adrian Breakfast Lions** donated to the local YMCA, the Penrickton Center, and the County Sheriff, as well as buying ink pens for club advertising. They assisted Associated Charities in packing food boxes and sponsored a Santa event for over 350 people, and purchased \$200 in toys for Toys for Tots.

Ann Arbor Host Lions added new member Patty Jo Herndon, her sponsor is Russ Ellis. They partnered with the Ann Arbor VA Hospital to provide Veterans Holiday Care Packages containing socks and underwear. Members volunteered to cook and serve meals at the Moose Lodge Holiday Dinner. The Michigan Parents of Children with Visual Impairments is planning a Ski Weekend for the youngsters.

**Battle Creek Cereal City Lions** inducted new member Tom Jacob who's sponsor is Jim Baum. The club is preparing for their spaghetti dinner on January 11th (see ad) and to support the Winter Camp for the Blind the first weekend in February.

**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** are planning for their reverse raffle to be held February 3rd.

**Chelsea Lions** have performed vision screening on 183 kids this year, finding 7 referrals.

**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 did the Holiday Adopt-A-VET program.

**Dexter Lions** have added two new members, **Jamey Lobdell** and **Daria Brookman**, bringing their membership up to 53. They accumulated 1200 manhours during their Christmas Tree sales, and are currently staffing high school basketball games.

**Jackson Cascade Lions** They wrapped up their fruit and nut sales.

**Jackson Eyeopeners Lions** donated paper products and mittens to the school, and also scarves, hats, and bedding to the shelter. They sponsored a family of five for Christmas, and provided eye glasses to three adults. Ten members helped "Ring the Bell" for the Salvation Army.

**Jackson Host Lions** completed their Fruit & Nut sales. They held their annual Christmas Party at the Cascade Manor House on December 18th, with 96 attendees, including Santa Clause. The club choir sang a melody of songs and gifts were distributed to the children (and guests).

**Manchester Lions** attended the Penrickton Center for Blind Children Christmas Party on December 4th, completed 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 it's annual Celebration for the Marshall Exchange students. Each year the students explain how the Holidays are celebrated in their country. This year there were two students from Thailand, two from Japan and one from Brazil.

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

**Munith Lions** had their annual Christmas Party at the Hankard Inn on December 12th. PDG Bob Chrisman was presented his 35 year chevron, and Lion Bob Hulstrom was presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

**Napoleon Lions** held their annual Christmas Party at Davis's Convention Center in Jackson. There were good times had by all with a good meal, fun games and an appearance by Santa Clause. Santa was able to take all the toys donated by the club back to the Napoleon Community Toy Drive. Club members also built yet another handicap ramp for a needy individual. (see article).

**North Jackson Lions** assisted a lady with new hearing aids.

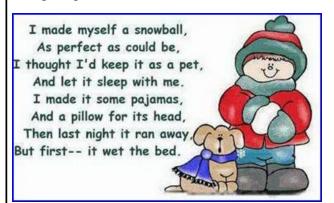
**North Adams Lions** donated two cases of Lions Mints to active and veteran military for Christmas. Remember the Lions of Michigan Foundation "Mints for the Military" Program.

**Parma-Spring Arbor Lions** held their Christmas Party and Silent Auction, completed their Community Birthday Calendar and made Christmas Baskets. They do not meet again until after March.

**Pennfield Lions** conducted their Salvation Army bell ringing, and the Christmas Basket program which is an all-hands effort. The club is gearing up to support the Winter Camp for the Blind in February.

**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 Ex-

change trip



# YOUR CLUB HERE!

Send your club doings to PDG Barry







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

By comedian Joey Adams--"May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions."

By talk show host Jay Leno--"Now there are more overweight people in America than average-weight people. So overweight people are now average. Which means you've met your New Year's resolution.

On Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> 2017 1VDG Roger Spriggs presented a congratulatory letter to the State Peace Essay competition winner **Anayah Taylor** accompanied by Lion Jerry Mackey and PDG Craig Bishop who serve on the peace poster/peace essay committee of District 11-B1.

Anayah also received a prize check for her excellent essay titled 'Finding Peace'

Anayah, attends Pennfield Middle School and also submitted an entry into the Peace Poster competition.



**Tekonsha Lions** Pictures of our Christmas Craft Show, Lions Jerry, Scott, Lorraine, Becky, and Margo served lunch from the high school kitchen with the help of Desi and Kim. Lion Jerry Long drove a small car he built in the parade with a Lions poster on the back. Lion Dawn Copas participated in the parade as Mrs.



Claus. We had another successful Christmas Walk!



**Munith Lions** President Marlene Huttenlocher presents PDG Bob Chrisman with his **35 Year** Anniversary Pin.



There isn't a person anywhere who isn't capable of doing more than he thinks he can. Henry Ford

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)





# 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

**The Albion Lions** traditionally do not have a meeting in December, but we participate in the Albion Aglow Parade (on December 1 this year). Here is a picture of Corinne Atchison's bedecked Jeep for the parade. Corinne is our Eyeglasses officer.



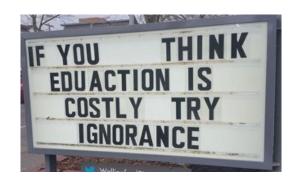
**Napoleon Lions** built yet another handicap ramp for a local resident.



Pictured are Myrl Clayton, Gary Morrill, Levi Kimball (his wife brought hot chili and chicken soup), Dick Tallman and Don Rose.







#### **Spring Leadership Forum-2018**

"Why you need to be there!"

GUIDE DOG TRAINING

ACCELERATED ORIENTATION & MOBILITY TRAINING

SUMMER EXPERIENCE CAMP

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, Secretarys, 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

#### VISION STATEMENT

Every person who is blind or visually impaired travels safely and independently.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Empowering people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel.

#### VALUES

- · Do what is right
- Respect and compassion
- · Passion for the work
- · Superior experience
- Teamwork
- Innovation
- Safety





**Every family has** one weird relative.

If you don't know who it is, then it's probably you.



(Enjoy "homemade" sauce from Grandma's "secret" recipe!!)





4:00-7:00pm Dinner includes spaghetti with meat or meatless sauce, tossed salad with

dressings, garlic bread, desert and beverages

COST: Adults - \$8.00 Children:

> Preschool Free K-8th Grade \$4.00 High School \$5.00

Tickets available from Cereal City Lions Club members or can be purchased at the door. For any questions please email: sandy.determann@yahoo.com



# Practice the pause.

Pause before judging. Pause before assuming. Pause before accusing. Pause whenever you're about to react harshly and you'll avoid doing and saying things you'll later regret. Lori Deschene

NOTE TO SELF:

If you find you're having to silence yourself in order to maintain the comfort of those around you, it's time to move on. You're a human being with valid experiences and feelings. Not a decorative plant.

Nance Hoffman



Your Foundation at work, in the last two months TWO families have had devastating house fires, losing everything. They Foundation came through with a \$1500 grant to help them. One family was sponsored by the **North Jackson Lions**, the other by the **Inter-Lakes Lions**.



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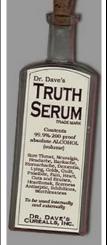
Simply go to <a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a> just as you would on the regular Amazon site and select your charity. You can change charities at any time and these include most of our state projects and the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

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 ..



#### BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY

On Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> Cereal City Lions Club, and friends, gathered to pack the traditional Christmas baskets for needy families in the Battle Creek area.



This year we were unable to use Lion Bob Ward's garage

and instead had to head into BC First Congregational Church to pack our boxes, there was lots of space and most importantly HEAT. Nice job everyone.

Shown above are Lions Jerry Mackey and David Buresh.



# 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 <u>service framework video</u> and visit the <u>service framework</u> <u>webpage</u> today!

**Munith Lions** President Marlene Huttonlocher looks on as PDG Bob Chrisman reads the letter from LCIF as they present a *MELVIN JONES FEL-LOWSHIP* to Lion **Bob Hulstrom**.



An early Christmas present as the **Manchester Lions** present a *MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP* to Lion



Ron Kohmescher of the Clinton Lions at the club Christmas party in conjunction with their Christmas Eve Luminaria sales. Under the guise of gift swapping, he was the only one who opened a present. Lion Ron is a very active Associate member of the Manchester Lions.

On December 6th the **Jonesville** and **Hillsdale** Clubs met for their 4th Annual Christmas Party. Both clubs have enjoyed getting together for fellowship, laughter, a great meal and the "white elephant gift" exchanges. During the year both clubs often work on and contributed towards joint local projects.



The **Clarklake Lions** held their annual Christmas Party at the Clarklake Golf Course with prime rib, chicken and fish served. Past President Mike Bullinger was presented his FIVE year chevron by President Walter Shuberg, with Zone Chair Art Turner assisting.



The Jackson Eyeopeners held their annual Christmas Party in conjunction with their 40 year Anniversary at



Knight's Steakhouse. PID Esther LaMothe presented President Cyndie Gorton with the International President's friendship banner, a letter congratulating the club on 40 years of service, and his personal lapel pin.

PID Esther continued by inducting new member Jim with his sponsor and spouse Michele Biondolillo looking on.



Attached is a pic from the combined clubs Christmas Party hosted by the Ann Arbor Evening Lions Club

and Lion Carrie Wolfe. We had a fabulous time, with great food and wonderful Lions. We skyped the Mosses (down in Tennessee now) and presented them with awards (after playing a "Can you remember this?" Lions game---they got all the answers right so they DO remember their Lions days in Ann Arbor!)

Thank you for all your hard work to make this evening such a fun time, Ann Arbor Evening Club and Lion Rich Westbury! Lion Pres Carol





#### Santa at Stubnitz

Attached is a picture of December 9, 2017 Santa at Stubnitz which the **Adrian Breakfast Lions Club** sponsored. I also asked if the Adrian Evening Lions Club if they would like to volunteer with us.

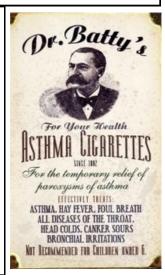
Shown are Santa (Larry Atkin with wife Linda), Laura VanSickle, Burt Fenby, Terry Hicks, Hazel Jacobs, Bob Guy, Maxine Gritzmaker, Geraldine Boykin, Bill Suydam, Wanda Suydam, and Taylor Suydam.



The Marshall Lions Club held it's annual Celebration for the Marshall Exchange stu-

dents. Each year the students explain how the Holidays are celebrated in their country. This year there were two students from Thailand, two from Japan and one from Brazil. A good time was had by all.





**Battle Creek Cereal City** The festivities of the annual Christmas party were put aside as we took on the serious task of inducting our latest new club member, Lion **Thomas Jacob.** Tom will be a valuable addition to our club and help increase community service. Welcome Tom.





Battle Creek cereal City Lions, line up for judging in the Christmas/Ugly sweater competition.

Besides the service projects to our community this is another benefit of being a Lion, comradery and having fun together. Despite a heavy snow storm almost all of our members attended. Love the sweater, it's GREAT!

#### **DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO UPDATE**

The Leo Clubs in District 11-B1 continue to grow and are all very active clubs!

Welcome to the **WIHI Leo Club from Ypsilanti!** They were chartered on 12/21/2017. They have 47 members and are already quite active in their community and the International High school. Congratulations to their sponsor, the Ann Arbor Host Lions. This was a team effort and there was a lot of support given to get this club started. A student, Julius Stuhec and his mother, Lion Nicole were the primary ones to get the club started. There was support from DG Luanne, Ann Arbor Host President, Carolyn Downton, and Ann Arbor Host member, Amy Shepherd. We are glad to welcome the WIHI Leos and their advisors. The WIHI Leos will have their Charter Night sometime in February.

It looks like a very good possibility that District 11-B1 will have another new Leo Club in Coldwater! Thank you to everyone and all the Lions Clubs who continue to support the Leos! Let Terry Walters know if your Club wants to sponsor a Leo Club or get information about the Leos.

There will be a session at the Michigan Forum on Saturday, February 17,2018 for Leos to attend. The Michigan Forum will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids.

PDG Terry Walters, Leo Chairperson, 734-426-4983, twalters02@comcast.net

#### **DIABETES**

Lions Clubs International is committed to helping communities become aware of diabetes and its serious complications. Many people do not realize that they have the disease and they may not understand the serious threats that it poses to their health. Type 2 diabetes accounts for the vast majority of cases of the disease. More than 250 million people suffer from diabetes globally. The international health community expects that diabetes will affect 380 million by 2025. Studies have shown that lifestyle changes including regular physical activity and a healthy body weight can reduce the risks of diabetic retinopathy and foot amputations. These potential health benefits are just some of the important reasons to begin planning a **STRIDES** walk in your district or club. Through **STRIDES**, Lions increase diabetes awareness in their communities. (Lions Club International.com)



The 11-B1 Diabetes Awareness Committee has been working towards getting the work out to our communities that PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS can be taken. We are actively posting information on the LCI Diabetes Prevention Program face book page and scheduling presentation to our district clubs for 2018. We have literature available for individual clubs to share with their members, family and co-workers. We are also looking for medical professionals in our clubs and communities that can assist with Blood Sugar Testing at events. Packets of instructional information are being developed to share with the district so we can branch out in our efforts.

2018 is going to bring many projects, grant funding and information to our district and our local communities. **Awareness** through our visibility throughout our district and statewide events, **prevention** through sharing resource information, **treatment** through gaining access to diabetic survival packets and glucometers and **research** through supporting walk such as the STRIDES walk and the Juvenile Diabetes Walk For A cure events which fund research is our mission.

Terri A. Huffman, District 11-b1 Diabetes Committee Chair



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

December 2017 Lion Pride http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/

Small December-PDF.pdf

**December LION** Magazine <a href="http://digital.lionmagazine.org/publication/?i=451927#">http://digital.lionmagazine.org/publication/?i=451927#</a>

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LCIF http://www.lcif.org/EN/

Michigan Lions at Work <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWu-Ps6TViY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWu-Ps6TViY</a>

Centennial Service Challenge 2017 v=IBM9rJOdE5g&feature=voutu.be

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

DEADLINE is the <u>1st of the Month</u>. 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.



