

# District 11-B1 Newsletter JUNE 2019



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Lions of District 11-B1

Leo LILLY DUIBLE of the WISD Leo Club was presented her Leo of the Year for the State of Michigan at the MD-11 State Convention by International Vice President Brian Sheehan and Council Chair Barry Allen. She received a standing ovation from the Lions and guests assembled. She was accompanied by her dad Scott and mom Angela and most of the WISD Leos. Congratulations Lilly!



Leo Lilly Duible MD-11/District 11-B1 Leo of the Year

Council Chair Barry Allen and District Governor Roger Spriggs present **PDG Ron Quada** with the prestigious S.A. Dodge Award at the state convention. The S.A. Dodge is the highest award offered in MD-11. Also shown are wife Lion Char and Ron Jr, and Vice President Brian Sheehan.





# From the Governor



#### From the Desk of the District Governor

Convention season is formally over with the completion of the MD11/SD10 State Convention.

Harriet and I were honored to be able to attend eight Conventions representing District 11-B1

We met so many great Lions, learned a great deal about other Districts and other Clubs, made new friends AND HAD A LOT OF FUN.



By the time you read this newsletter we will have about 30 days of the current administration and the Lions year remaining. We were told that the year would pass quickly and that has certainly been true. We are starting to think about life after Governorship and planning on spending more time working at our club and assisting with District and State projects. The danger in this is that it's easy to look too far into the future and fail to take advantage of the time remaining. This is a critical period to membership growth, and I am asking every club to continue striving to bring in those last few members and take advantage of the membership fee reimbursement program that only runs to the end of June 2019.

My year as First Vice District Governor was a great experience. Harriet and I visited 17 of our District Clubs and worked at all the District Projects. We were fortunate to spend time at all our vendor projects including a special event at Leader Dog where I had the experience of 'driving' a newly trained dog while blindfolded, a very scary experience. In addition, I filled in for a missing Zone Chair, a job I truly love. It was incredible training experience for an incoming DG and coupled with two years of great LCI Governor training, the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute plus other classes and on-line training, I knew I was ready for the big job.

Of course, I was wrong. Like every Lions leadership position, it involves a lot of on-the-job-training. The leadership positions provide a lot of personal growth, particularly in people skills, public speaking and confidence building. Therefore, I always claim that Lions has given so much to me personally, that it is I, who owe so much to Lions.

I can only tell you how wonderful this experience has been, as Gudrun promised it's not all smooth sailing, but you learn from the challenges and when they are over there is an enormous sense of achievement. Being a lion suddenly has a lot more meaning. I want everyone to experience what I have experienced. I know you cannot all be District Governors, but you can all be leaders. Only in leadership positions will you understand the greater joy of being a lion and I assure you it's not work.

During our club visitations I have seen so much talent and dedication to our organization, but most clubs are finding it difficult to get Lions to step-up and lead. I assure you that by being a leader in your Club and District you will experience so much personal growth and have more fun. Spend some time this year and complete the USA/Canada Lions University classes online, attend the State leadership class at Higgins Lake and sign up for the LCI Emerging Lion Leadership Institute. You will make new friends and have fun. By this time next year, you will have the confidence to step-up and be a leader. I thank all our future leaders and Lions for all you do.

DG Roger



# Lion Michael Scott mscott@Lions11B1.org



#### **Diabetes Information Session**

Our District Diabetes Chairperson, Terri Huffman, and members of the Diabetes Specialty Clubs will host informational sessions on diabetes programs and services that all clubs can provide to their communities. The first session will take place at 2:30 pm before the Banner Exchange on Saturday, 7/13. The following material will be covered:

**WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR YOUR COMMUNITY?** Help identify pre-diabetics and undiagnosed diabetics, provide classes to prevent diabetes, help people with diabetes, and assist under-insured/uninsured members of your community.

**WHO WILL DO THIS?** Your club, with the assistance of Terri's Team and the Diabetes Specialty Clubs, will work with contracted vendors to provide education in your areas.

**HOW?** With the contracted resources of the grant along with the help of Terri's Team, we will provide diabetes resources and programs throughout the district.

WHEN & WHERE? When the contracted agencies schedule programs, our local clubs will be asked to assist with securing meeting space.

We will also discuss the grant resources available to your club, training opportunities, certifications, and how to recruit new members. If you have any questions, you may contact Terri Huffman at (517) 227-1253 or via email at terri huffman@hotmail.com.

#### Mark Your Calendar!

The annual Banner Exchange is coming up on July 13th, 2019 at the Cascades Park, in Jackson. Fun for the whole family! This event will start at 4 pm and will be a potluck, so bring your favorite side dish to pass. The main entrée, paperware, and beverages will be provided — donations and 50/50 at the door. The evening will include the introduction and installation of the 2019 - 2020 cabinet by Past International Director Esther LaMothe. Stay tuned for further details!



#### HAILS and FAREWELLS:

#### **WELCOME ABOARD!**

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Liz Conley	Ann Arbor Host	Amy Shepherd
Mark Hymes	Ann Arbor Host	Amy Shepherd
Daniel Johnson	Ann Arbor Host	LuAnne Bullington
Brock Sprunger	Hillsdale	Ellie Langston
Bill Sweet	Jackson Cascades	David Shafer
LaWanna Brown	Jackson Host	Bert Sexton
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Chane & Nicole Myers Pittsford Area Manuel & Jacklynn Salazar

#### GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Al Neblo Jackson Host May 4, 2019 <a href="https://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?n=albert-arnold-neblo&pid=192873567">https://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?n=albert-arnold-neblo&pid=192873567</a>





## GRANDE GOLF COURSE 1293 FLOYD AVENUE JACKSON, MICHIGAN 49201

# NAPOLEON LIONS CLUB 4-PERSON GOLF SCRAMBLE TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2019

**\$55.00 per golfer** 9 A.M. SHOTGUN START

REGISTRATION AND MONEY DUE BY JUNE 14th, 2019

HOLE IN ONE SPONSORED BY

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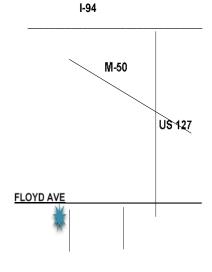
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# TEAM MEMBERS PHONE # 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Levi KIMBALL 10079 Cady Rd Jackson, MI 49201 Phone: 517-812-2794 I-k-nc@hotmail.com

SEND PAYMENT TO:



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

#### 50/50 RAFFLES

**HOLE SPONSORSHIP** 

\$60.00 FIRST YEAR WITHOUT SIGN \$50.00 WITH YOUR OWN SIGN

SUBSEQUENT YEARS \$50.00 AS WE HAVE THE HOLE SIGN

### District and Club Dates to Remember

#### JUNE- CATARACT AWARENESS MONTH

- Zone Meeting, Region III, Turkeyville, 11:30 am
- 4/5 SPOT, WIHI Leos, 11:30 1:30
- 5 Jackson Host **FINLEY**'s, 5 pm
- 9 Hillsdale, KidFest, KidSight Trailer, fairgrounds
- 15 Eversight Golf Classic, 9:30 shotgun start
- Napoleon Golf Outing, 9 am Shotgun Start
- 19 Hillsdale, KidFest, Kidsight Trailer/SPOT
- 20-23 Michigan Center, Carp Carnival
- 22 SPOT Dexter
- 22 PAWS Open House, Wayland, 11 am 2 pm
- Tekonsha, Serving Strawberry Sundays, Music in the Park
- 30 District Governor AWARDS due to CS

#### JULY - JUVENILE ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

- 5-9 International Convention Milan, Italy
- 9 Manchester Fair Parade, 6:30 pm Grand Marshalls PCC's Barry & Peggy Allen
- 13 Banner Exchange, Cascades Park
- 18 Manchester Chicken Broil, 4 8 pm



#### BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY LIONS CLUB

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

Instead of our traditional Governors Appreciation Dinner, we are going to hold an event to celebrate the work of **all** the Lions in District 11-B1 who have offered their support, time, talent and treasure during the 2018-2019 year.

This is DG Rogers appreciation of the Lions of the best District in Michigan and thanks for a great year.



YMCA Storer Camp 6942 Stony Lake Road Jackson, MI 49201

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Date: Saturday September } 28^{\text{th}} \ 2019 \\ \text{Time: } 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm \end{array}$ 

Save the Date and Look out for more details soon.





I am a Jackson Host Lions Club Supporter!

#### **JOIN US!**

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 15 • 9:30 AM SHOTGUN START

Join Eversight and the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club at the Gift of Sight Golf Classic to raise awareness and funds in support of Eversight charitable programs and vision research! Visit our website to learn more about one of the year's best events.

Washtenaw Golf Club, 2955 Packard St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197

REGISTER







Constitutional Area 1 United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas



Number of clubs in this region: 43,582

Average no. of adults with diabetes in each club's community

714

Adult population	Adults with diabetes
239.3 million	31.2 million
Regional prevalence	Undiagnosed diabetes cases
13.0%	1.4 million
Diabetes-related deaths	Children with Type 1 diabetes
182,800	92,110

Highest adult (20-79 years) diabet	A STATE OF THE STA
United States of America	30.2 million
2 Puerto Rico	400,570
③ Jamaica	209,340
Trinidad & Tobago	117,420
G Guyana	52,380

#### Global statistics

- 1 in 11 adults has diabetes
- Over 425 million people have diabetes; by 2045 this number will reach 629 million
- ▶ 1 in 2

adults with diabetes is undiagnosed (212 million), and at a higher risk of developing harmful and costly complications

352 million

people are at risk of developing Type 2 diabetes, which is increasing in most countries

#### Over 1.1 million

children are living with Type 1 diabetes

4 million deaths were caused by diabetes in 2017

79%

of adults with diabetes are living in low- and middle-income countries

#### ▶ 1 in 7

More than 21 million live births (1 in 7) were affected by diabetes during pregnancy in 2017

#### 727 billion

In 2017, diabetes caused at least US\$727 billion dollars in health expenditure—12% of total spending on adults.

NORTH JACKSON Lions A check was presented to Quest teacher Shelby Raines of Western Middle School to be used in the fall. The class will be building personal relationships. Check presented by PDG and Quest Chair Dennis Lautzenheiser. Also pictured is one of the students who will benefit from said class



#### TEKONSHA LIONS



District Governor Roger Spriggs presented a Charles Weir Fellowship to Lion **Becky Omo** at the Tekonsha Lions Club. Becky has been instrumental in helping Tekonsha achieve a **45%** Membership growth during 2018-2019. Congratulations Becky and the Tekonsha Lions.

#### **Dexter Lions Awards and 40<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration**

The Dexter Lions will be holding their awards banquet and 40<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of service together on Sunday, June 30, 2019 at the Dexter United Methodist Church at 7643 Huron River Drive in Dexter. It will run from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Dexter Lions would love to see other Lions, Lionesses and Leos from District 11-B1 at this celebration. The cost for the dinner is \$ 25.00 . If you are interested in attending , please contact PDG Terry Walters at <a href="twalters02@comcast.net">twalters02@comcast.net</a> or call 734-426-4983 . Deadline for registration is June 24, 2019.

#### GLT WRAP UP.....

The District 11-B1 GLT would like to thank the Lions, Lionesses, and Leos for their support of the Leadership training activities held this year both at the District and MD-11 level. We hope that clubs will continue to be involved in trainings for your members that help make for a stronger club and District. We continue to increase our numbers each year for the Spring Leadership Forum and we appreciate the opportunity for Lions to share ideas and the members who take the challenge and decide to get involved in Leadership positions at the District level!

This year the GLT added a second session for the first time and it was great to see 27 Lions take part in Session2 on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at Baker College. We were able to get 7 Lions certified as Guiding Lions for the District. Thank you to Jeff Mayuiers, State Chair for GLT who did the Guiding Lion Training. Thank you to PDG Bert Sexton who did the Chairman Training and to DGE Mike Scott who did the Social Media Training.

Lions District 11-B1

#### REGION III Joint Zone Mtg



Saturday, June 1st

Dining 11:30 am/Meeting 12:15 pm

#### CORNWELLS TURKEY FARM

18935 15 1/2 MILE RD, MARSHALL, MI 49068

SPEAKER - PATTI CORNWELL - GENERAL MANAGER
"HOW CORNWELL'S BECAME A MIDWEST DESTINATION"

SPOUSES WELCOME!



**RSVP** 

Ron Quada 269-979-7679 rguada@aol.com



It costs \$0.00 to treat someone with respect.

So if a cow doesn't produce milk, is it a Milk Dud or an Udder Failure?

#### District 11-B1 DEAF & HARD OF HEARING PICNIC September 14th, 10 AM - 3 PM

Get the word out to Volunteers and ATTENDEES, get names nlt July 31st to Peg Griggs, 517-554-1451, lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com

\_\*\*\*WE ALSO NEED YOUR HELP IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS EVENT SUCCESSFUL – CLUBS - PLEASE CONSIDER PROVIDING/DONATING DOOR PRIZES/GIFT CARDS, POSTAGE STAMPS, OR FOOD TOWARDS THIS EVENT.

WE WELCOME ALL LIONS TO COME AND EXPERIENCE/HELP WITH THE PICNIC AND SEE WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT!! \*\*\*PLEASE ENSURE TO RSVP BY AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>, IN ORDER FOR US TO HAVE AN ACCURATE COUNT FOR FOOD PURCHASING.

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The District 11 B-1 Deaf and Hard of Hearing Picnic Committee –

Pat Stiff, Sandy Determann, Jean Mohon, Bob Field, Peg Griggs, and Lorraine Lindsey - Advisor

If you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them

#### NORTH JACKSON Lions

PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser presents \$1000 check to Northwest Band Director Bryan Mangiavellno. Funds will be used to send their drum majors to camp and

purchase t-shirts for band members. North Jackson Lions has supported the band for several years now.



MANCHESTER Lion Barry Allen presents scholarships to Aubrey Wallace who is going into nursing, and River Spitler who will become a Physician Assistant. The Allen's also presented personal Vocational

scholarships for Maxwell Wagner who is going into Heavy Equipment Automotive Technology, and to Jaydin Fryt for Radiology.



### **Club Anniversaries**

June 27 24	Adrian Breakfast Bedford Lioness	1977 1985	04	Battle Creek CC	1958
July 14	Homer	1942			
Augu 20 28	st Marshall Parma-Spring Arbor	1953 1953	12	Michigan Center Lioness	1987

# **CLUBS Doing What they Do!**

**Adrian Breakfast** held their annual Radio Auction on the 24th, raising over \$11,000 for future Lions projects. They donated towards an eye exam and glasses for an individual, \$300 to the YMCA and \$500 towards Eversight.

**Albion Lions** held their White Cane days, and in July will have their annual picnic at Victory Park.

**Ann Arbor Host** - added new members Liz Conley and Mark Hymes whose sponsor is Amy Shepherd, and Daniel Johnson. The club donated towards the Eversight Golf Outing and \$1000 towards the Peace Neighborhood Scholarship fund.

**Battle Creek Cereal City** held a 90th birthday party for Charter Member Larry Shouldice. He will have 61 years of service in June.

**Bedford Area Lions/Lioness -** DG Roger Spriggs installed the new officers for 2019-2020, and presented Lioness Kristina Smith with the Lioness of the Year Award.

**Blissfield Area Lions** donated \$100 to Eversight for their new boardroom, and presented a \$1000 scholarship to a Blissfield High School student, and \$450 to the Parks and Recreation as a sponsorship.

**Dexter Lions** donated \$500 to the summer reading program, and allocated \$500 each for a LofMF Lautzenheiser Fellowship, and LCIF Melvin Jones Fellowship. They also donated \$1000 to a community member for a medical need, \$500 to Troop 477 scouts, and \$1000 to the Middle School Leader Training Program.

Hillsdale Lions added new member Brock Sprunger.

**Inter-Lakes Lions** The Club held their White Cane drive on May 3& 4 and assisted in the township clean-up day May 18 by providing a roll off container for metal recycling. An old cemetery was mowed, cleaned up and a flag placed on the grave of a Civil War soldier May 23.

**Jackson Cascades** partnered with the staff and volunteers of the Salvation Army to prepare and serve a community meal On June 19th. On August 3rd they will have their annual barbeque picnic for the residents of the John George Home and the Jackson Friendly Home. Lion Matt Williams is the project leader.

**Jackson Eyeopeners** conducted KidSight vision screening at the Resource Fair in Jackson. Carole Briggs and Connie Neese were two volunteers, the event was sponsored by New Vision. August 17th will be their annual Mini Golf Tournament at Ella Sharp Park.

**Jackson Host Lions** completed their Vidalia Onion sales, earning about \$3000. The club participated in the district reading project at the Interfaith Shelter, providing 60 books. They conducted KidSight screening

**Manchester Lions** donated two scholarships to High School graduating seniors, and Peggy & Barry provided two more scholarships for vocational education. The club conducted another Charity Poker event at the Roundtree. The Lion couple they met in Sydney, Australia will be visiting the first week in June.

**Marshall Lions** donated \$150 to Eversight, conducted White Cane, and member **PDG Ron Quada** was presented the S.A. Dodge Award at the State Convention (the highest award offered in the state)

**Michigan Center Lions** will have their annual Carp Carnival on June 20 - 23. Come on out and have an elephant TOE from the Lioness concession.

**Napoleon Lions** hosted their annual Mother's Day Fly-in breakfast on May 12th at the clubhouse. Don't forget their annual Golf Outing at the Grande Golf Course on June 18th. Their new officers were installed by DG Spriggs on June 3rd.

**North Adams Lions** contributed \$200 towards the Eversight boardroom project, and \$100 each to the North Adams Library and Pittsford Public Library summer reading programs.

**North Jackson Lions** distributed 3,800 pounds of Vidalia Onion. They raised \$418 in Lions mint sales, and donated \$1000 to the Northwest Bands, and \$2000 in Northwest scholarships, and attended the Penrickton Center Open House.

**Parma-Spring Arbor Lions** conducted KidSight at the Western School Kindergarten Roundup, screening 103 kids. Lion Ken Datte received the Helen Keller Fellowship.

**Pennfield Lions** donated \$100 to the Pennfield Schools Hall of Fame and \$100 to the Veterans Administration on behalf of a homeless veteran.

**Tekonsha Lions** are doing orders for Vidalia Onions. On June 23rd they will be serving strawberry sundaes at Music in the Park. May 20th is their last meeting before their summer break. Lion Becky Omo was presented an Eversight Charles Weir Fellowship. The club donated \$200 towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

#### **NOTICE:**

Used eyeglasses are needed by the **Blissfield Lions** in support of a MOST Ministries eyeglass mission for the St. John's Mission Team to take to Honduras in August. They need 3000 pairs of glasses for this event. They are looking for volunteers to join them on this mission. Please give all your eyeglass collections to any Blissfield Lions or contact

President Stan Masters, 517-320-0802 <u>stanmasters14@gmail.com</u> or ZC Dick Saxton 517-486-3429 <u>jrs19821@outlook.com</u>



### Paws with a Cause

Open House To Celebrate 40 Years of Service

Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019

11.00am to 2.00pm

4646 Division Ave. S Wayland. MI 49348

Save the date and enjoy celebrating 40 years of service by visiting the Paws Open House. Explore all three buildings, see the dogs working and meet the people who make it happen.

#### INTER-LAKES Lions

Scholarship
Chair John
Dickelman, with
Paige Bernath
and Gavin
McAndrews,
Seniors from
Addison High
School, each
received a



\$1000 dollar scholarship on May 13 at the Inter-Lakes club meeting .The Club held their White Cane drive on May 3,& 4. and assisted in the township clean-up day May 18 by providing a roll off container for metal recycling. An old cemetery was mowed, cleaned up and a flag placed on the grave of a Civil War soldier May 23.

#### **DISTRICT 11-B1 LEOS Have Successful Year**

The Leos of District 11-B1 have been active in their communities this past year and have also participated in various Leadership activities. District 11-B1 now has 9 Leo clubs and is presently looking at adding three more clubs in the Fall. There are presently 271 Leos in the 9 Leo Clubs. The clubs vary in size from 6 members to 80 members and the Leos from each club have their specific projects they like to do. Some of the projects that the Leo Clubs have done are listed below. We are proud of our Leos and excited to see that there are more Lions Clubs ready to sponsor a new Leo Club. The Leo Clubs are:



District 11-B1 Clubs: Branch Area (CO 24 Dexter H.S. Grass Lake
Hanover-Horton Northwest HS WIHI WISD

**Projects: Community-** Stuff the Bus, Retirement home Christmas Party, Christmas presents for needy Children, Braille stickers on Children's books, Halloween treat bags for retirement homes, Salvation Army shopping, Fleece blankets, Apple Daze, Dexter-Ann Arbor Run, Stuff the Seniors, Christmas gifts for Needy families, Thanksgiving Food Pantry donations, Ronald McDonald House Collection, White Cane, Food Gathers, Vision Screenings, VA Bingo, Scholarships for High School students, set up Community expo, Served Hot Cocoa at Festival of lights.

**SCHOOL:** Scholarships, School Courtyard Designing and planting, Eye Glass Collection, packaged 12,000 bags of food, Thank you bags to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, Coin drive, Treat bags in lockers.

**Leadership Training activities**: Attended District Convention (48 Leos over the past two years); International Convention (30 Leos to Chicago); 36 Leos attended the Lions Day at the United Nations-2019; 20 Leos have attended the Spring Leadership Officer training over the past 3 years; MD-11 Convention-10 Leos for 2019.

District 11-B1 challenges all the other Districts in MD-11 to grow by 1-2 Leo Clubs in 2019-2020!

The WISD LEO CLUB has been very busy since the District Convention! We have gone to and participated in a Officer Training Session that the Lions have put on. We have also held a "Change Battle" at school to raise money for our club. We are continuing to sell car wash tickets to benefit our club (see Lion Amy if you are interested in purchasing, we still have some left!). We had a very successful VisonWalk and some of our Leos in attendance. The night of the VisionWalk, we went to the State Lions Convention where one of our very own, Lillian Diuble received the State Leo of the Year award! She is even in the running for the International Leo of the Year! We are very proud of her accomplishments and are looking forward for the results of the award soon!



The Foundation Fighting Blindness VisionWalk- WISD Leos in attendance!

# When A Lion Dies

I sit at my desk this morning having just completed three WALD certificates, it's an emotional moment when the impact of this work strikes me, each of these certificates represents a real Lion, someone who spent many years serving his or her community and I understand that they will not be serving their communities or their clubs again. Printing WALD certificates is one of the most painful tasks a District Governor is asked to do.

As far as I am aware District 11-B1 is the only MD11 District that provides Certificates of Honor to the relatives of Lions who have passed. It provides an opportunity to say goodbye and thank you for your service from the District.

Each WALD certificate also represents a hole in the organization, a hole that is not easily filled. One less friend at the meetings, one less companion working besides us in service. We honor our departed Lions by continuing to serve, to carry on the legacy and to strengthen our organization.

I also realize that each year our District loses the equivalent membership of an average sized club. Maybe because those deaths occur spread over 41 clubs, they are less noticeable, but the impact is the same. We lose friends and the ability to serve our communities.

There is no doubt that many of our clubs are aging, there are many more great Lions who are too sick to continue the physical service that they once provided and there are others that have passed on to their well-earned rest. There will be many more WALD certificates to print, it's a sad fact of life that we try to put aside.

With a new Lions Year on the horizon it is time to stop shying away from the fact that every Lion will, one day, receive a WALD certificate. I am asking everyone to stop for a moment and grasp the situation we are facing head-on. We all know that these older Lions were great workers in their day so let's honor their memory by bringing in two new members for each departed Lion. By having upcoming Lions continue the work of our friends we memorialize them in the best way possible, by continuing their service and strengthening Lions.

DG Roger

The SALINE Lions presented a check to the Therapeutic Riding stable in Ann Arbor.



The word "swims" upside down is still "swims"





THE LIONS & LIONESS CLUBS Of the BATTLE CREEK AREA and DISTRICT 11-B1 Invite you and your guests to join us for the 37th Annual

# Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Picnic

Saturday September 14th, 2019

From 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At the Bedford Lion's Den 22116 Bedford Rd N (M-37), (Bedford) 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 - 12:00 am - Sign in time, games/social time, information & eye screening 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm - WELCOME 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm – LUNCH 1:30 pm – 3 pm – GAMES, DOOR PRIZES, SOCIAL TIME

#### PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

#### YOU MUST REPLY BY AUGUST 26, 2019 TO BE GUARANTEED A LUNCH!!!

Complete the bottom portion of this letter and mail to: Jean Mohon, 2223 Cascade Ridge, Jackson, MI 49203. - OR call Jean at 517-783-1351-OR email Jean at djmohon1936@comcast.net - OR email Peg Griggs at lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com

> Please let others who are deaf/hard of hearing know about this event!! Be sure to include them in your reservation if they are attending the picnic.

Your Name	Total # attending Children's ages
Address	
ould you like to hear from us b	by e-mail? If so please provide your e-mail address:
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#### District SPARK PLUG Awards race for 2018 - 2019

The PDG Paul Frederick Spark Plug Award has been given out since Paul started it in 1984. It is given to the club who has a net growth of +5%or more during the Lions fiscal year, July 1 to June 30. Each club is awarded a Spark Plug Banner Certificate and the winning club keeps the traveling plaque for the following year. The following clubs are in contention to win the award.

TEKONSHA	+ 45.45%		
Branch Area	+ 19.05%		
Munith	+ 13.33%		
Ann Arbor Evening	+ 12.50%		
Napoleon	+ 11.43%		
Saline	+ 10.00%		
Battle Creek CC	+ 9.09%		
Manchester	+ 7.69%		
<b>Battle Creek Host</b>	+ 7.14%		
Blissfield Area	+ 7.14%		
Homer	+ 4.00%		
Michigan Center	+ 1.43%		
*Based on the APRIL 2019 Club Health Assessment			

#### AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOUR FELLOW LIONS



You may be aware that the home of Lions Bea and Bert Furman suffered extensive fire damage on Friday May 24<sup>th</sup>. In addition to the fire the firemen had to break through the roof and there was considerable water damage.

The District immediately acted to provide emergency assistance and many Lions and friends stepped in to help where they could. A temporary home was offered, and Lions started to look for replacement furnishings and equipment.

Bea is Blind but is a very active member of Jackson Host Lions Club and

the District. Her braille reader and other equipment she relies on was destroyed.

On Saturday the Governor and First Lady attended the funeral of Lion Harold Burgett, a long-time member of Parma, Spring-Arbor Lions Club, he was 90 years old. His wife Edwina asked me to take Harold's vest. As you can see it includes several very special and rare pins, the vest is size medium. (You can transfer the pins to your vest)

Fate clearly placed these two events together and I decided that we should have a District wide fundraiser for the Furmans. As an incentive I will take every donation to the fundraiser in ten dollar increments and use it as a raffle entry. We will close the raffle on June 30<sup>th</sup> though donations can continue after that date and I will present the vest as a prize at the Banner Exchange.

Please do not limit your donations to \$10, our friends do so much for Lions and this is a small way of saying thank you, we love and support you. Send all donations to Barry Allen the District Treasurer and mark them Furman Donation.

I thank you in advance for all you do to support the District and anyone who finds themselves in a desperate situation. Regards DG Roger

#### JACKSON EYEOPENERS



Karen Hutton & Cyndi Gorton

Karen was named the District 11-B1 Region Lion of the Year. She is receiving her plaque from Cyndi.

I used to wonder what it'd be like to read other people's minds. Then I got a Facebook account, and now I'm over it.

#### **FREE MONEY**

LCI challenges each Club, District and State to increase membership each year. More members translate into more service, more secure Clubs and more leaders.

For the first time in vary many years our State membership has increased and the District membership is behind by only eight members, we are within striking distance of increasing membership, we just need to make that final push.

As an incentive to every club I am offering to pay the \$35 application fee and the LCI dues to the end of the year. Now is the time to encourage any prospective members to step up.

The offer is good until the end of June, but I encourage you to act quickly while the fund is available.

#### Your new member will become a Lion at no cost to themselves or the Club.

Now the good part, LCI is offering a \$35 grant for every new member added until the end of June.

A new member at no cost plus a \$35 bonus to the Club

This is a deal no one should miss.

**BEDFORD LIONS** DG Roger Spriggs installed the 2019-2020 officers for the Lions and Lioness's.



#### Bedford Area Lions:

2<sup>nd</sup> Year Directors, Mike Struwin, Gordy Milsap 1<sup>st</sup> Year Directors, Ross Elliot, Keith Johncock Treasurer, Ron Keagle Secretary, Jack Wykoff Vice President, Ron Pluymers President, **Wendall Laurence** 

#### Bedford Area Lioness

Treasurer, Nancy Chantrene Secretary, Margaret Keagle Vice President, Donna McGuire President, **Kristina Smith** 



DG Roger presented the Lioness of the Year award to **Kristina Smith**.

#### BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY

Helped Lion Larry Shouldice celebrate his 90th birthday.



Charter Member Larry Shouldice will celebrate 61 years of being a Lion in June 2019. For many years he was accompaniment to Song Leader Jim Baum.



Left to Right Charter member, Larry Shouldice, Charter Member Jim Baum, Lion De Davis, 1<sup>st</sup> Lady Harriet Spriggs, DG Roger Spriggs. Daughter Dottie (with hat), Al Bolitho, and Lion Bob Ward.

I remember the words MOM always said to me "What the heck is wrong with you?"

#### **EVERSIGHT MOVING INTO NEW FACILITY**

Eversight one of the State projects that many of our clubs support is moving into a new facility. As they continue to grow, they needed a facility with an improved space for their lab and a building that could house all the staff in one building. They have found a new building that is less than a mile from their present location. It is presently being renovated and they hope to be in the new facility by the first of June.

They are going to create a new Board room for Lions to use and are presently promoting a campaign to raise \$ 50,000.00 for this new Boardroom. The campaign is focused on support from all the Lions Clubs in Michigan. Clubs are asked to pledge their support for this new Boardroom by making a pledge to Eversight by June, 2019.

I am encouraging all our clubs from District 11-B1 to make some kind of donation in support of Eversight. It does not matter if it is \$50.00 or \$1000.00 in that all clubs that donate will be recognized in some fashion on the wall of the new Boardroom. All donations can also be used for a Doc Barr or Charles Weir Fellowship. Please consider a donation to Eversight where the gift of sight was given to 1446 people in Michigan this past year. District 11-B1 Lions have always met the challenge when asked.

PDG Terry Walters, Eversight Board member

#### **JACKSON HOST Lions**

Lions and non-Lions who would like to join the Jackson Host Lions at Finley's on June 5 should show this flyer on their phones or print a copy and bring it to the restaurant. It 's always a great time when Lions get together for a meal, and lots of good conversation and fun! Hope to see you there.





#### **OUR FOUNDATION**



# Responding to the Needs of the World

We're setting our sights on campaign goals that enable Lions' service today and well into the future. To accomplish this, we'll need the full support of every Lion. We know we can do it, because achieving great things together is what we do best.



# \* 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>

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/

LION PRIDE http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Smal-pdf.pdf

LION Magazine (Latest issue) http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/lion-magazine/

index.php

LCIF <a href="http://www.lcif.org/EN/">http://www.lcif.org/EN/</a>

Michigan Lions at Work https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWu-Ps6TViY

International President's Theme <a href="http://wpc.2735e.taucdn.net/002735E/lionsclub/download/">http://wpc.2735e.taucdn.net/002735E/lionsclub/download/</a>

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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: Send photos as a JPEG, 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 as a WORD document so we can cut & paste. Please use Times New Roman 12 with no spacing if possible.

