

District 11-B1 Newsletter MAY 2018



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Lions of District 11-B1

DISTRICT CONVENTION











From the Governor

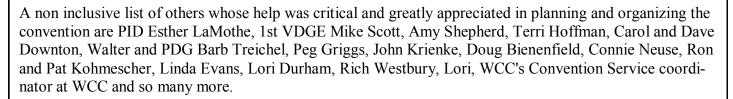
Hello Lion, Lioness, and Leos,

District 11 B1 Convention was held on April 7th at Washtenaw Community College's Morris Lawrence Building. It was a beautiful site. We had a total of 171 in attendance. Our International Dignitary was Past International Director Cindy Gregg who was accompanied by her husband Tom. Both gave wonderful speeches. PID Cindy presenting a Break Out Session called "Meet the Taters" which was a lot of fun as we got to know the family of Taters such as Dick Tater, Aggie Tater and others in the Tater family.

I have a huge list of people I want to thank for the incredible help in putting on the District's 2018 Convention. At the top of my list are Conventions Chair IPDG Dave and Lion Nancy Hill.

I owe them a huge debt of gratitude. The convention would not have happened without their leadership, encouragement energy, help, expertise and

hard work. They also made it fun. We spent nights at the Quarter Bistro creating documents, lists and making a boat load of decisions over plates of sea food appetizers and bowls of hot soup.



Thank you to the presenters, venders, the You the Academy, the YMCA, the 4H, Leader Dog and many, many more. Thank you to all the Lions Clubs, businesses and organizations that donated their time, efforts, funds and merchandise to the cause. We could not have don it without you. Thanks to District A1 for the use of their Kid Sight mobile so our District could see what is in our future because we are getting one too thanks to IPDG Dave Hill.

Thanks especially to you. You make me so happy and proud to be a Lion.

Best, DG LuAnne



From the desk of the First Vice District Governor

Comments from the District Governor flect.

My fellow lions, firstly I want to thank you for your confidence and support in electing me as your District Governor for 2018-2019. I consider this position a great honor and promise that I will do whatever it takes to live up to your expectations during the coming year.

Firstly let me quell the rumors, I will not be expecting you to drink warm beer or sip tea with milk while eating cucumber sandwiches and watching cricket, while I treasure my inheritance I fully embrace my adopted country and am grateful for the privilege of living in a country I love and serving with great people, the lions of 11-B1.



My slogan for next year is 'We are all Related' it's an extension of our International President's 'The Power of We' which refers to the fact that together we can do more than we could as individuals, this is the legacy of our founder Melvin Jones. I want to emphasize that we are part of an International organization, a team that is 1.4 million members strong and can literally do anything it wants. I noticed that some clubs, especially those who are struggling to attract new members, can easily be distracted from the big picture, all lions and clubs, even the smaller clubs need to maintain a positive attitude and scream from the roof tops that they are helping the less fortunate all over the world. Tell everyone you know about the wonderful work of LCIF and explain how they can be part of the biggest service organization in the world and tell them how proud you are to be a lion, it really is very special.

When I was first asked to go to a Lions Club meeting I had no idea what Lions were, ask your friends or work colleagues if they know anything about Lions, you may be told about a big cat or a sports team but even if they have heard of Lions their response is likely to be 'You collect glasses'. It's time to be confident and be proud of what you do because you are all awesome, so don't deny your friends or colleagues the opportunity to became Lions by not ASKING. We know that even in the age of technology 'ASK ONE' is still a powerful way to bring new lions into service.

Next year I intend to visit every club in the District and to meet all of you, however I don't want to simply stand in front of the club and outline my goals, I want to interact with the members, all the members, not just the club officers. I want to hear why you love being a lion, what ideas you have that will make being a Lion more fun, how to add more service projects, encourage new members and just as importantly make your club so exciting that no one wants to leave.

2018-2019 will be a great year if we all stay positive and spread the word. Thanks for everything you do.



1stVDG Roger Spriggs 269-282-0292/269-275-3124 GBRoger@aol.com

DGE Lion Roger

Excerpt from Why Our Service Organizations Are Dying (and how to fix them) - by Michael Brand

Prioritize Time Over Treasure

The speed of American life has picked up. While we are not working that much more than previous generations, we are spending vastly more time in what might be called 'structured leisure activities'. This is especially true for families with children. For them, time is more prized than talent or treasure. For two parent families, both are often working and sharing household and child rearing duties. How we can add to the quality of their lives. Their time is precious.

Build An Informal Atmosphere

Is the format of our club outdated? Are the rituals in our meeting making sense to younger Americans? That's human nature as the most powerful force in the world is the status quo.

Americans now connect on-line so don't need the time investment of a weekly meeting in order to network. Leaders must identify and remove obstacles. Is the structure of our club meetings an obstacle to involvement? One thing is abundantly clear, what emerging generations want in physical meetings is for the environment to be fundamentally social, fundamentally conversational and fundamentally less formal.

Welcome The Whole Family

These two parent, two career families have higher than average incomes and should be a priority to our recruitment strategy. They earn more and are more active than other demographics. If we want to get them, we have to offer a social environment which permits and engages their children as well, for they will not give up valuable family time for anyone. So, does your club offer a family friendly

environment?

I would love to discuss this subject matter and article in further detail please email me at ms@michaelwscottjr.com



HAILS and FAREWELLS:

WELCOME ABOARD!

NEW MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR	
Ryan Hunter	Ann Arbor Host	Robert Field	

Austin Shepherd* Ann Arbor Host Amy Shepherd *Previous LEO

Carroll Jackson Ann Arbor Host (Transfer) Jim Cox Battle Creek CC De Davis Robin Welshans Dexter Michael Scott Danielle Lee Grass Lake Rita Lee Patti Picket Munith Jon Tenney Mike Berry Napoleon Vern Updike

GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER

Bonnie A Reamer Hillsdale April 2, 2018

http://www.eaglefuneralhomes.com/Obituary/6671/Bonnie Reamer

Lauren C. Flick Jackson Eyeopeners April 1, 2018 http://www.brownvanhemert.com/obituary/Lauren-C.-Flick/Jackson-formerly-Addison-MI/1789763

Edith Holmes Tecumseh December 29, 2017 http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/edith-holmes-obituary?pid=187676985&view=guestbook

I shall pass through this world but once, any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now, let me not defer or neglect it for I shall not pass this way again.

Have you ever listened to someone for a while and wondered...

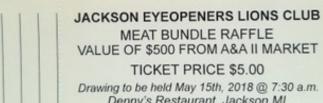
"who ties your shoelaces for you?"

The **Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club** is selling tickets for \$5.00 for a chance to win a meat bundle with a value of \$500 from A&A Market in Jackson.

You do not have to get the total of \$500 all at once. The drawing will be held on May 15.

Need not be present to win.

If interested in purchasing a ticket, please contact Lion **Jackie Hunter** at 517-784-5453 or any Eyeopener.



Drawing to be held May 15th, 2018 @ 7:30 a.m.
Denny's Restaurant, Jackson MI.
Winner need not be present to win
License #X97579

[&]quot;Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take nothing with you that you have received

Only what you have given: a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage"

St. Francis



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

NOTICE: CLUB SERVICE ACTIVITY REPORTING In May, LCI will be announcing to officers and chairpersons the discontinuation of service activity reporting and data collection through MyLCI or any other reporting system, starting July 2018. We will be transitioning service reporting to the newly expanded MyLion, which will now be available on desktop.

LEADERSHIP- What is YOUR CLUB DOING?

After seeing such a great turnout for the Spring Leadership Forum on April 26,2018, it is obvious that Lions, Lioness, and Leos really want the opportunity to be better leaders. Some of

The comments from the Forum show this- "I am really excited about being Club President this year!" and another, "What are some of the other Leadership opportunities available to us this year?"

It makes us feel great to have Lions, Lioness, and Leos in our District who are ready to learn more about Lions and provide that eager and positive leadership to their clubs! Is your club providing that leadership?

The Spring Forum is certainly a great start but as I said at the Forum , there is a great opportunity for more Leadership Training and that is to attend the USA/Canada

Forum on September 20-22, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio. This is close by and is one of the best programs the Lions have to offer. Please talk to Lions in our District who have attended in the past and you will be excited for what the Forum has to offer. Take time to check it out on line: https://lionsforum.org/

The Jackson Host Lions Club will again be hosting a Funds for Friends night at the Jackson Finley's on Wednesday, June 6. Please join us, and Lions from several other Jackson area clubs, for an evening of good food and good conversation. Look for the flyer in the June newsletter and bring it with you to Finley's. We will also have flyers at the restaurant."



Club Anniversaries							
May 14 22	Huron Valley Sunrise Pennfield	1981 1974	7 16	Jackson Host Saline	1921 1975		
June 27 24	Adrian Breakfast Bedford Area Lioness	1977 1974	04	Battle Creek CC	1958		
July 14	Homer	1942					

District and Club Dates to Remember

MAY - VISION MONTH & LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT

- 5 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Board Meeting, Lansing, 10 am
- 5 Cabinet Meeting
- 8 Zone Meeting, RI Combined, Classic Cup, 6:30 pm
- 12 Bear Lake Camp, Spring Cleanup
- Family and Women Symposium, Sterling Heights Club House, 8:30 1:30
- Bedford Lions/Lioness, Annual Garage Sale, 9 3 pm
- Napoleon Lions, Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast, Clubhouse, 7 11 am
- 15 Jackson Eyeopeners Raffle Drawing, 500# of meat
- Jackson Cascades, Guided Tour of the Salvation Army, 5:30-6:30pm RSVP
- 17-19 MD-11 State Convention, Grand Blanc
- 18-19 Council of Governors, Grand Blanc
- Penrickton Center, "Welcome to Spring" picnic, 4 6 pm, food, games, tours
- 20 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- Memorial Day Parade, in a town near you.
- 31 Zone Meeting, Region III Combined, Albion Hosting, 6 pm

JUNE - CATARACT AWARENESS MONTH

- Napoleon Bike Rodeo 10 12 am
- 6 Jackson Host Funds for Friends, Finleys
- 14 Flag Day
- Vandercook Lake, KidsFest, Jackson Fairgrounds
- 19 Napoleon Golf Scramble 9 am Shot Gun start, Grande GC
- 21-24 Michigan Center CARP CARNIVAL
- Eversight Golf, 9:30 am
- 29-July 3 Lions Clubs International CONVENTION Las Vegas

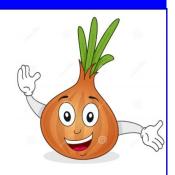
JULY - JUVENILE ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH

- 3 DGE Roger Spriggs takes over as DG
- 10 Manchester Fair Parade, 6:30 pm
- Honorary Picnic, Napoleon Clubhouse, 3 pm
- 19 Manchester Chicken Broil, Alumni Field, 4 8 pm
- Finance Committee mtg, 10 am, Napoleon Clubhouse
- 26 BANNER EXCHANGE, Napoleon Clubhouse, 5 pm
- 28 Cabinet Meeting, Vandercook Lake, 9 am

AUGUST - NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH (\$1, 1 Shot, 1 Life - Measles)

- 3-4 Council of Governors
- 4 LofMF Hall of Fame Banquet
- 5 Youth Exchange Motoki Sato & Yoshi Yea arrive from Japan, hosted by Barry & Peggy Allen
- Youth Exchange Return home







CLUBS Doing What they Do!

Ann Arbor Host Lions added three new members, including previous LEO Austin Shepherd, and donated \$500 to LCIF for disaster relief.

Albion Lions are sponsoring the Region III combined Zone Meeting to be held on May 31st at the St James Episcopal Church in Albion.

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions held their Pancake Supper on April 19th at the Lakeview High School. They did their Adopt a highway project, with some Lions doing double duty to get the job done. Early in the year, so no snakes or other critters to worry about.

Battle Creek Host Lions Diane Klecker and Elizabeth Raleigh worked the Recyclerama in Battle Creek Bailey Park and collected approximately 300 pair of used eye glasses while PDG Craig Bishop and Lions John Dammers and Betty Robins went to the District Convention.

Bedford Area Lions held their Spaghetti Dinner on April 19th at the clubhouse, their next event is on May 12th for their Annual Garage Sale, from 9 - 3 pm.

Blissfield Lions assisted the Food Bank collection and supported Meals on Wheels, and conducted a SPOT vision screening on April 25 & 26. They presented a child car seat to the Blissfield Police Department for when they transport small children.

Clarklake Lions held their annual Cash Bash on April 28th.

Clinton Lions continued their support 192 Ministries who prepare meals for children in the Clinton schools, donated to the local food pantry.

Dexter Lions donated \$1000 to the Middle School Leadership Camp and added new member **Robin Welshans** whose sponsor is Mike Scott.

Inter-Lakes Lions donated \$200 to the Addison food bank, and \$200 to Ethan Nye for the All-State Band. They did roadside cleanup as well as Community Cleanup Day, recycling metal.

Jackson Cascades Lions added two new members, Matthew and Kristy Williams whose sponsor is Charles Sinclair.

Jackson Eyeopeners Lions donated \$700 to LCIF, sponsored a camper to Bear Lake Camp, and donated towards a child going to Diabetes Camp. They are currently selling Meat Bundle raffle tickets for \$5 which could get you \$500 of meat.

Jackson Host Lions kicked off it's annual Vidalia Onion sales fundraiser raising \$8,240. They donated \$1000 to the Jackson Public Schools Kindergarten Roundup and supported LCIF with a \$500 donation.

Manchester Lions completed another Charity Poker event and are assisting the Community Resource Center and Chamber of Commerce with their Annual Golf Fundraiser. Lions Barry & Peggy will be hosting three Youth Exchange students, two from Japan and one from Brazil, this summer.

Marshall Lions donated to Dial A Ride for transportation for the elderly and disabled, and bought eyeglasses for individuals at the Fountain Clinic. Lion Bud Moe went to Washington DC for a Talons Up Honors Flight.

Munith Lions continue to support the Stockbridge Lion BINGO and added new member **Patti Picket**, her sponsor is Jon Tenney. The club is looking for a portable ramp for use at their meeting place.

Napoleon Lions are preparing their baseball infields for another busy season of baseball, and redid the fields with donations of dirt from Mid American Company. They will have their Annual Mother's Day breakfast at the clubhouse on May 13th.

North Adams Lions donated \$100 to Ethan Nye for the All-State Band, \$250 to the North Adams schools for lunches for kids in need, and supported the back pack kits for Bear Lake Camp.

North Jackson Lions held a SPOT vision screening on April 17 to 19, did White Cane, and have ordered their Vidalia Onions.

Parma-Spring Arbor Lions are coming out of their winter hibernation and had their first meeting in April.

Tekonsha Lions donated toward the Durham Park summer programs and the Tekonsha School's motivational program.

YOUR CLUB HERE!

Send your club doings to PDG Barry





The number of **HEARING AIDS** received by individuals in our District this fiscal year from the Lions of Michigan Foundation.



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DISTRICT 11-B1 LEOS UPDATE

The Leos in District 11-B1 are SUPER! They continue to provide service and are having fun doing it! There were 18 Leos who attended the District 11-B1 Convention at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor. They were from Hanover-Horton, WISD and WIHI. The Programs for the Leos at the District Convention were great! Thank you to Lion Amy Shepherd for putting the program together for the Leos.

On April 28, 2018, the WIHI Leos held their Charter Luncheon at their High School in Ypsilanti. It was a great time with great food. Ann Arbor Host President, Carolyn Downton, did the induction of the WIHI Leo members and District Leo Chair, Terry Walters installed the new Leo Officers.

Leo President Julius Stuhec gave a talk and then District gifts were presented to the Leo Club from other Leo and Lions Clubs. Thank you to those who attended and helped support another new Leo Club starting out.

District 11-B1 also is proud for the Branch Area Lions Club that was chartered two weeks ago which has already organized a Branch Area Leo Club with 23 members and has just applied to International for their Charter. They are also working on a second Leo club!! Way to go Branch Area Lions! Thank you for your continued support of the Leos!

We hope to continue to grow Leo Clubs with the help of the District Lions Clubs.

DISTRICT AWARDS

Leo of the Year

Leo of the Year - Julius Stuhec

Lioness of the Year

Region 2 - Sandra Allred

Region 3 - Becky Lawrence

Lions of the Year

Region 1 - Pat Kohmescher

Region 2 - Al Lairson

Region 3 - Terri Huffman

District Lion of the Year - IPDG Dave Hill

Karl Sorrick Club of the Year

Region 1 - Manchester

Region 2 - Eyeopeners

District Club of the Year – Cereal City

LofMF - Helen Keller Fellow

Lion Donna Wicker

IPDG Dave Hill

Melvin Jones Fellowship

Lion Roger Bosse

Lion Nancy Hill

International Presidential Medal

PDG Dick Dettling

International Leadership Medal

IPDG Dave Hill

Wendell Doty Award

IPDG Dave Hill

Presidential Certificates

Lion Terri Huffman

Lion Keith Bloomensaat

Lion Nancy Hill

Lion Rich Westbury

PDG Ron Quada

Eversight Michigan

William "Doc" Barr

Knight for Vision Fellowship

Lion Amy Shepherd

Lion Walt Treichel

Lion Rich Westbury

A. Charles Weir

Sight Conservation Fellowship

Lion Terri Huffman

Lion Ron Kohmescher

PID Esther LaMothe

Lion Connie Neese

Lion Lorraine Lindsey

CCE Barry Allen

Lion Al Lairson

Lion Roger Bosse

PDG Dick Dettling

PDG Terry Walters

PDG Craig Bishop

Lion Linda Evans

Lion Jerry Mackey



Eversight and the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club invite you to join us for the Gift of Sight Golf Classic to raise awareness and funds in support of Eversight charitable programs and vision research.

Visit our website for more event details.



LIONS OF MICHIGANFamily and Women Symposium

Where Do We Go From Here?
Being Prepared For The Unexpected

SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sterling Heights Lions Club House 12828 Canal Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Moderator KIM TRENT, WAYNE STATE BOARD OF GOVERNORS Proceeds to benefit Pediatric Cancer

Speakers

- ATTORNEY RODRICK GREEN
 (Rodrick K. Green & Associates)
 Different legal instruments to
 develop a plan of action.
- ETHELYN CARROLL (State Farm)
 Quality of Life benefits and policies that provide protection.
- ELLIS LIDDELL
 (CEO ELE Wealth Management)
 The power of coming
 together. Unity is
 purpose.
- PCC ROBERT JENKINS
 (Sterling Heights Lions Club)
 Our members are a
 network of individual
 clubs united in
 helping others...

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Lula Gardfrey, MD 11 GMT Coordinator 313 410 9778



Educational, Interactive & Fun

Registration

Family and Women Symposium SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018

Address ______Club Name

District ______

Registration price is \$25

Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911





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OUR FOUNDAT

LCIF: Celebrating 50 Years of Extraordinary Service

Lions serve, and for 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has been supporting that service. We launched <u>LCIF50.org</u> to celebrate LCIF's 50th Anniversary. Here you'll find videos, photos, stories and a series of online contests that focus on the Foundation's important work. Get in on the fun and enter the Together We Can Contest at<u>LCIF50.org</u>. And don't forget that your <u>LCIF donations</u> count towards the Centennial Service Challenge. If your club wants to earn a higher level patch, plan to add a donation to your activities!



The Spring Adopt a Highway Pick-up for 2018 is almost in the books. We had a great turnout, and some Super Lions, who did double duty and more to get the job done. Special thanks to Dave



Buresh, who took responsibility for 4 sections, and Ron Marlatt and Jerry Mackey who each did two sections. There may be others who doubled up, and my thanks to all of you for making this a successful pick-up. The Lions who participated were: Tom Jacob, Kay Smith, Ron Marlatt, Jerry Mackey, Jackie Robinson, Mike Guzak, Red OLeary, David Buresh, Dennis Fitzgerald, Larry Yarger, Roger Bosse and Jim Cox. Lions for a Day who participated were: Liz O'Leary, Dorothy Bosse, Cadence Hilyard, Maya Ferguson, Dawn Guzak, Christopher Burdick, and Noah Prysock.

With the final section being completed April 28th by Lion Roger and crew, we have collected over 104 bags of trash, and numerous other items. The Highway Pick-up helps with environmental stewardship which is one of the Lions Clubs area of service. It's a big job, but one that makes our community more attractive as many people come through this corridor every day. Thanks to you all for your commitment to this effort.

Adopt A Highway Chair Lion Roger



Several Lions participated in Buddy Days held at the Secretary of State offices around Michigan to raise awareness and hopefully

encourage people to sign up to be organ

Lions Teresa Guest and Tom Jacob of the Battle Creek Cereal City Lions hand out some donor literature and the Secretary of State donors.





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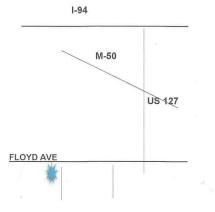
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NAPOLEON LIONS CLUB 4-PERSON GOLF SCRAMBLE TUESDAY, **JUNE 19, 2018**

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

REGISTRATION AND MONEY DUE BY JUNE 15th, 2018-



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

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\$50.00 FIRST YEAR WITHOUT \$40.00 WITH YOUR OWN SIGN

SUBSEQUENT YEARS \$40.00 AS WE HAVE THE HOLE SIGN





11-B1, Region 3, Zones 1&2

Meet, Greet, & Eat Pot Luck

Co-chaired by Roger Spriggs and Roger Bosse

Reservations by May 24 to Peg Griggs at lionpeggriggs@yahoo.com

or 517-554-1451.

The Albion Lions will supply the main course and drinks.

May 31, 2018, 6:00 p.m. St. James Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall 119 W. Erie Street, Albion MI

Program: "Bringing Back the Bohm" This is a love story by citizens of Albion to restore and reopen their Bohm Theatre (1929). It is also a story of perseverance, grit, grant-writing, and community development that resulted in a Governor's Award for Historic Preservation in 2015.







11-B1 **REGION 1 ZONE 1 & 3 MEETING MEET, GREET & EAT**





WITH SPECIAL **GUEST SPEAKER**

Terri Huffman DISTRICT 11-81

HOSTED BY ANN ARBOR EVENING LIONS CLUB



District 11-B1 Spring Leadership Forum

The District 11-B1 Leadership Forum was held at Vandercook Lake High School on Thursday, April 26, 2018 with 127 registered. This included Lions, Lioness, and Leos. The cafeteria was packed! The guest Speaker was Ellen Gillespie, RDN, CSCS, NBC-HWC who is a registered dietitian and Health Coach/educator. She spoke about Diabetes and she gave an excellent presentation. The attendees then attended breakout sessions on various offices and topics. The presenters were:



CCE Barry Allen and David Anderson- Presidents

CC Peggy Allen – Secretaries

CT Walt Treichel – Treasurers

IPDG Dave Hill & Walt Reed – Membership

Lion De Davis- Orientation

Lion Chris Lake & Lion Ed Mathein- Tail twisters

1st VDGE Mike Scott- Social Media

DGE Roger Spriggs- Zone Chairs

Thank you to all the presenters and attendees for making the 2018 Spring Leadership Forum such a success! Those attending also got to hear from DGE Roger Spriggs about his upcoming year as District Governor. Thank you also to the GLT Committee who organized and planned the Spring Forum. The members of the GLT are: PDG Terry Walters, Coordinator; Chris Lake, Marti Willard, Margie Horsch, PDG Bert Sexton, PDG Clem Ruiz, PDG Vicki Ruiz and DGE Roger Spriggs. Also, Thank you to Lions members of Vandercook Lake for doing the 50/50 raffle and to Cynthia Gorton who helped with getting the rooms ready.

Hanover Horton LEOS Lions Clubs PID Cynthia Gregg inducted Hanover Horton's newest Leo member



Sebastian McClain at the District Convention of 11-B1 on Saturday April 7, 2018. The Hanover Horton Area Lions club President Brian McClain who happens to be Sebastian's grandfather got the honor of placing the LEO Pins on his grandson.



Battle Creek Host Lion Jack Gray completed 52 years a lion and celebrated with his club, Battle Creek

Host. Jack was the lead salesman for the popular Host newspaper always out-

selling all of the other lions put together.

Jack has decided that it is time to retire from the Lions organization, he will be missed by his club members and the 11-B1 District for his cheerful personality and great tales of his wartime exploits. On a bombing raid over Germany one of the bombs jammed in the aircraft, it befell Jack to climb down into the bomb bay and kick the bomb free. It exploded under the aircraft but they were able to bring the damaged craft home.

Jack & Donna, thanks for everything you have done and all your wonderful tales, you will be truly missed. Good luck for your second retirement.

DGE Lion Roger

Three Generations of Becks now belong to the North Jackson Lions Club

The patriarch of the family, Lion Curt, joined the North Jackson Lions Club in 1960, four years after its chartering. Lion Gary Beck, followed in his father's footsteps in 1973 joining at the tender age of 21. In 2018, Lion Ellen, granddaughter and daughter of Lions Curt and Gary joined North Jackson in March 2018. Lion Ellen's husband, Clive (left), had previously joined in 2016. The fourth generation, Little Clive (5) is



already gearing up to be a Lion. We as a club are honored to have the threegeneration Becks in our Club.

WISD Leo's participated in the Ozone House Graduation Gift Project. The Leos worked in collaboration with the AA Host Lions. Shown is a WISD Leo purchasing gift cards.



Blissfield Lions Lion Stan Masters of the Blissfield Area Lions Club presents a \$500 check to Nate Hamblin,



Executive Director of the Lenawee Cradle to Career Partnership. The funds will be used to develop an interactive experience for community stakeholders to learn how students travel through pathways leading to prosperity or hardship based upon key educational mileposts-ready for school at kindergarten, reading and writing by third grade, graduating from high school with a plan for success, and completing a post-secondary experience with valued credential.

Responding to a request from Chief of Blissfield police, the Blissfield Area Lions Club presented a child safety seat for use in the village police cars to safely transport young children.

Napoleon Lions club secretary Becky Walters is presented a



plaque for Lion of the Year by President Don Rose and CCE Barry Allen.



Ann Arbor Evening Lions have a club project of making blankets. They have made two and expect to make many more.



Shown are Carolyn Wolf, Dr. Donna Wicker, Kay DeWhitt, Kathy Harper, and Cathy Koning.

Join us for a one-hour guided tour of
The Salvation Army's Corps Community
Center where our leadership team will share
our vision for change in Jackson County!
The tour will stop at key areas of our
programming where you'll see firsthand
The Salvation Army mission at work impacting
lives for the good. We'll also share inspiring
stories of change and reveal exciting new
opportunities that build community and create
change in Jackson, MI!

Date: Thursday, May 17

Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Host: Chuck Sinclair, Salvation Army Advisory Board Member

806 E. Pearl St. Jackson, MI 49201 Light food and drink provided.

For more info and to RSVP: 517-782-7185

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WHERE THE RED KETTLE MEETS THE GREATEST NEED

BRANCH AREA LIONS CLUB Close to 100 Lions from District 11-b1 and others joined the members of the Branch Area Lions Club at their Charter celebration April 15, 2018 at the St. Mark's Episcople Church in Coldwater. PDG Dave Hill and Lion Nancy Hill helped Club President Terri Huffman organize the event. Vandercook Lake Lions sponsored the Branch Area Club. The Branch Area Lions Club chartered with 29 mem-

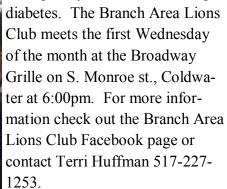


bers. The club is the first in the State of Michigan to



be a specialty club for Diabetes. The club has partnered with the Branch County Community Foundation, MSU Extension, Branch Area Food Pantry and Promedica Health Systems to bring diabetes awareness, prevention, treatment and research to Branch County. Steven Remsing is the Clubs official Lion Mascot. Lion Wade Adams and Father Rick Schark started the celebration off with wonderful music. Battle Creek Cereal City Lion Jim Baum brought the crowd to their feet with Lions cheer. District Gov. Louanne Bullington praised the group for

how quickly the club was brought together and for their mission for







DIABETES

As the Chair of the Diabetes Committee for District 11-b1 it has been an ongoing pleasure to meet the wonderful Lions throughout our District. I have presented to the Jackson Cascade Lions, Hillsdale Lions, Jackson Eyeopeners and at the District Convention. I look forward to continuing this reach out through the Multi-District Convention where I will speak about the Lions mission with Diabetes along with Bill Bradfield and PDG Ron Gibson. Reaching out and spreading the word about the Statewide grant that will be available in July is my current mission. Getting districts, zones or clubs to start thinking about how they can individualize the use of the grant money in your areas is the fun part. Who are your health care providers now? What other diabetes resources do you already have in your area that you can partner with? Do you have members in your club whose life has



been impacted by diabetes and they will be excellent resources? There is so much that can be done through AWARENESS that lends to PREVENTION. With the JDRF Walk for a Cure in Ann Arbor and Jackson it is a wonderful opportunity to reach out to our family and friends and raise money for research. I hope we can REPRESENT the Lions pride at both events. For more information or to get involved please call me or send me a note, Terri Huffman, 517-227-1253, terri huffman@hotmail.com.

Springfield Fire Department Health Fair



On April 21st at the Springfield fire department, Cereal City Lions were invited back to the health fair to do KidSight vision screening and give books to children. Lions Sandy Determann and Pat Stiff screened 21 children with two referrals. There was a young man who had been screened last year and was referred for a complete eye doctor visit. He stopped in to say hello and to show us his glasses that he said he wears all the time. We offered to let him select another book since he is now reading so much better. He cheerfully accepted the offer and left with a big smile and a new book. Just one of the many rewarding times with Project KidSight. We had the pleasure of sharing our screening area with Lion Terri Huffman, District Diabetes Chair. Lion Terri performed 18 blood tests during our stay there. She had a lot of educational handouts for eating correctly and other facts about diagnosing, treating, and preventing diabetes.

Tekonsha Lions Becky Omo was presented a certificate as our Lion of the Year,



and **Dawn Copas** was presented her membership key from LCI by Lorraine Lindsey



Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day. Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.

District SPARK PLUG Awards race for 2017 - 2018

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 <u>net growth of + 5</u> % or more during the Lions fiscal year, July 1 to June 30. Each club is awarded a Spark Plug Banner Patch, and the winning club keeps the traveling plaque for the following year. The following ten clubs are in contention to win the award.

MARSHALL	+ 31.58%	Vandercook Lake	+	15.49%**
Dexter	+ 26.67%	Jackson Cascades	+	15.00%
Michigan Center	+ 9.68%	North Jackson	+	8.70%
Ann Arbor Host	+ 5.66%	Grass Lake	+	4.55%
Homer	+ 4.00%	Battle Creek CC	+	3.23%
Pennfield	+ 2.13%	** EMU students		

NUMBERS FOR DISTRICT 11-B1

Total Clubs Current Member Count YTD Added YTD Dropped YTD Net Growth

40 1056 164 160 **+4**

Note: A district is 1250 Lions and 35 clubs

As per the Club Health Assessment through April 2018

Bedford Lions/Lioness DGE Lion Roger Spriggs installed the new officers of the Elsa Lioness Club and

Bedford Area Lions Club on May 1st.

Elsa Lioness President Kristine Smith, Vice President Becky Laurence, Treasurer Nancy Chantrenne, Secretary Margaret Keagle, Tail Twister Linda Mellen, Trustees 1yr Laura Yates 2 yr Sue Gehrman 3yr Kay Gray

Bedford Area Lions President Wendall Lawrence, Vice President

Ron Pluymers, Secretary Jack Wykoff, Treasurer Ronald Keagle, IPP Wendall Lawrence, Trustees 1yr Ross Elliot, 2 yr Gordy Milsap, Mike Struwin.

The International Board of Directors have agreed to discontinue the practice of issuing credit for membership drops following the release of the semi-annual billing. Therefore, starting at the close of day June 30, 2018, membership dues **credits will no longer be issued.** Please update your membership rosters in MyLCI before June 30 to make sure your membership is accurate.

* 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

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

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

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

April/May 2018 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 http://www.lcif.org/EN/

Lions Videos http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/videos/

centennial.php?utm campaign=5603 CentennialCelebrationApr EN Email 2018%

Why is the man who invests all your money called a Broker?

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.

