



# District 11-B1 Newsletter NOVEMBER 2017



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## FALL CONFERENCE/PARADE OF CHECKS

The annual event was held on October 14th at the Sandstone Church hosted by the Parma-Spring Arbor Lions. Guest speaker was Conrad Swanson, President of the Lions of Michigan Foundation, and brief presentations by each of the state and district projects. The Parade of Checks followed with each of the clubs distributing their checks to the District and State Projects. A couple of the LEO's stood in for projects who were not in attendance. Shown on the right is Michigan Center Lioness President Maggie Gilson handing out her club's donation checks.



**\$56,185.00** raised.



Club and Individual Governor's Award of Merit were presented to those present. Awardees are shown holding their club or personal patch.

# From the Governor

Hello Lions,

Did you know you can get prescriptions with audio, large print or Braille labels at no charge?

Life threatening events and dangerous interactions can happen to anyone who is not able to read labels and warnings on their prescriptions. Select pharmacies are now providing devices or accessible labels to those who need them.

Besides talking labels, you can request your pharmacist provide you with large print labels and in some circumstances Braille labels.

Here are examples of two devices that will read your prescriptions, doses, warnings, expiration dates, etc that are free from participating pharmacies.

" ScripTalk from En-vision America: ScripTalk is a device provided at no charge to the patient. Patients receive a base unit that easily scans their prescription containers after the pharmacist has placed a small RFID tag on the container. When scanned, the device will read aloud the content of the print label, including prescription name, dosage, instructions, warnings and other information. Some pharmacies with ScripTalk also offer braille or large print labels. Contact En-Vision America at 1-800-890-1180 or on their website at <http://www.envisionamerica.com/products/scripability/scriptalk/scriptalk-station-for-patients/> . "



" AccessaMed Inc.: Provides devices to pharmacies that attach to each prescription container. The device speaks the prescription label information as programmed by the pharmacist. No extra scanning device is required. Contact AccessaMed at 1-855-669-5223, or <http://www.accessamed.com/> for more information or by email: [info@accessamed.com](mailto:info@accessamed.com) "

The above information was provided by The MCBVI Accessible Prescription Labeling Committee and they urge you to contact your pharmacist to provide you with the proper labeling you need to stay independent and safe.

For more information and help in finding a participating pharmacy, please contact the Michigan Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired at toll-free 888-95-MCBVI (888-956-2284) extension four or visit their website at [www.blindmi.org](http://www.blindmi.org). You do not need to be blind to access these programs. Anyone with a reading challenge is also urged to call and request accessible labeling.

DG LuAnne Bullington



## From the desk of the First Vice District Governor

### SERVING YOUR ORGANIZATION

It is a long time until our District Convention and until then no one knows for sure who will be the next District Governor, however, much forward planning needs to be done to be ready for July 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 so there is a general understanding that the 1VDG will be elected as the DG.

Therefore, I move on with one of the most important tasks faced by a Governor, building the best cabinet that I can find.

There is an old military saying that a volunteer is worth ten pressed men. This is the reason that America gained her independence, because the patriots were dedicated and passionate about their freedom; their passion more than made up for the larger numbers of better-equipped British conscripted soldiers. This is why it is critical to have a cabinet made of enthusiastic volunteers.

The problem is that many of us see working with our communities as volunteerism and working to serve our clubs as a 'job' and while we have a sense of pride being a volunteer, many of us don't want another 'job'. Truth is that all of this work is equally important to the overall operation of the organization and you can be doubly proud of being a Lion leader.

As I visit clubs I sometimes hear whispers that suggest the club members consider us as being different from them. I assure you there is no room for EGO's in the leadership and there is no 'I' in TEAM. We wear our blazers not as a status symbol but to honor the tradition of those who served before us. We are all exactly the same, ordinary members of local lions clubs. The difference is that Lions who volunteer to serve Lions get to see and experience the big picture, meet new Lions and make new friends. They get to see the whole of Lionism, experience personal growth, and have a whole lot more fun.

So are you ready to consider a leadership role in your club, or District, maybe replace that Lion who has been your secretary for 9 years, or allow the long standing President to move on and become a Zone Chair? Newer Lions should be encouraged to serve on committees and become committee chairs. None of the positions are a 'job.' They are stepping-stones to a better Lion's experience.

I hope to be able to welcome many old friends and new leaders to my cabinet. Are you the Lion who gets to replace the 'job' with service? I thank you in anticipation of you considering serving your fellow Lions as you serve your communities.

1VDG, lion Roger



**At an Optometrist's Office:**  
"If you don't see what you're looking for,  
You've come to the right place."

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## Developing a Social Media Strategy – Part 3 of 4

### Assigning Roles and Responsibilities for Certain Content

It is key that your club posts content and engages your target audiences on a regular basis. Of course, you don't want to overwhelm them with content every hour, but you need to monitor to make sure you post content regularly and people interact on your site.

Here are some general roles that you need to fill for any social media your club has:

Content creators (people who will be creating articles, taking photos or videos)

Content posters (people who will be posting content on your club's behalf)

Comment monitoring/responses (people who will respond to any questions or comments to your club)

While you can choose to have one or more people be responsible for all of this, it may be helpful to have multiple people involved so individuals do not get burned out. To help ensure that your club posts content on a regular basis, we suggest that you put together a calendar and note who will be responsible for the content.

### Attracting Audiences to your Site

Stepping into the social media universe can be intimidating. Clubs should build a group of club members and followers related to their activities and interests. Consider identifying goals for:

Percentage of club members on your social media site

Number of interactions by followers on your site (1 like or comment for certain posts)

Whether you're just starting out or looking to bolster your following, here are some tips to attract followers who are right for your club:

Add social media icons and links to your website.

Leverage your current membership. Send an invitation to all club members to follow your club site.

Add links to club member email signatures, business websites, LinkedIn profiles, etc.

Follow other organization's social media sites.

Use the right keywords that will bring you close to your target audience who are searching social media sites. (i.e. Lions Clubs International, Club name, service, volunteer, etc.)

### Contact information

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

Please contact me at [ms@michaelwscottjr@gmail.com](mailto:ms@michaelwscottjr@gmail.com) - 2VDG Mike Scott



## HELP LEADER DOG HELP OTHERS

Leader Dog continues to tirelessly work to improve the quality of life for the vision impaired. The following is a list of accomplishments for Leader Dog from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

- Leader Dog has placed over 15,000 Leader Dogs with people who are blind and visually impaired. From July 1-2016 to June 30, 2017 Leader Dog matched 177 individuals with Leader Dogs and served 103 people in our Accelerated Orientation and Mobility (white Cane) program. We had 21 campers in our Summer Experience program. There are currently 164 Leader Dog teams working in Michigan. Canine Development Center info - purpose/costs. See this page on our website for Frequently asked questions about the Canine Center. <http://www.leaderdog.org/canine-center/faqs>

The cost to support a puppy's "raising, provide care and training to the future Leader Dog, and provide support and instruction to the client is approximately \$40,000 per team. This number varies a bit depending on the individual needs of both the dog and client.

- LDB provides all client services **free of charge**. The Lions help us!

Costs of veterinary care provided - in-house Vet Clinic

In a typical year the Leader Dog Vet team will perform:

Spay and neuters	424
Major Surgeries	62
Entry Exams	423
Training Exams	682
Specialized Dental Procedures	148
Telephone Consultations	431
Onsite Working Dog Exams	32
Breeding/Puppy Exams	655
Procedures Under Anesthesia	1308
Puppy Visits	562
Cesarean Sections	11



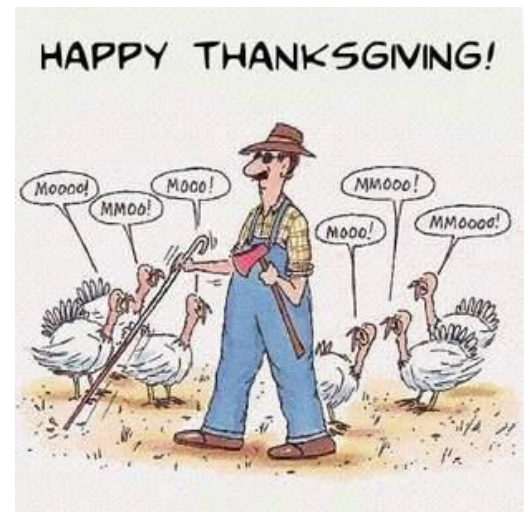
You can help Leader Dogs for the Blind continue to help the visually impaired and Deaf-Blind:

Consider being the host for a breeding dog. Breeding dogs usually have puppies for four years and then are retired. The host of the breeding dog can have her at no cost at that time.

Consider being a puppy raiser.

Leader Dog would love to host a group from your club to tour the facilities in Rochester Hills, MI. Just call Leader Dog at (248) 651-9011 to make arrangements.

**What do you say to a U of Arizona football player dressed in a three-piece suit? "Will the defendant please rise."**



## ***HAILS and FAREWELLS:***

### ***WELCOME ABOARD!***

#### ***NEW MEMBER***

Jackie Robinson  
Chrish N O'Neil  
Elizabeth Aslin  
Mariann LeBlanc  
Peter Lundy  
Fred Model  
Frank Slavik  
Wendy Chiodo  
Ross Alexander  
Amanda Clark  
Jerry Marshall  
John Sims

#### ***CLUB***

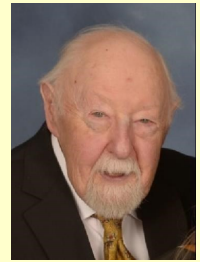
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Grass Lake  
Jackson Cascades  
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Marshall Lions  
Marshall Lions

#### ***SPONSOR***

David Buresh  
Kevin Miller  
Michael Scott  
Michael Scott  
James Warden  
Terry Walters  
Mike Head  
Martha Thran  
Chuck Sinclair  
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Duane Moe  
Ron Quada

#### ***GONE, BUT IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER***

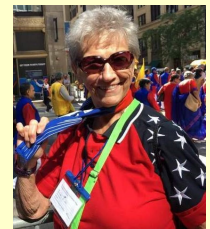
Ralph J. Hoffman, Jr                  Jackson Cascades/North Jackson                  October 4, 2017  
<http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/jackson/obituary.aspx?n=ralph-j-hoffman&pid=186877883&fhid=16824>



Nancy Koker                                  Jackson Host                                  October 6, 2017  
[http://www.lesliefuneralhome.com/memsol.cgi?user\\_id=2022409](http://www.lesliefuneralhome.com/memsol.cgi?user_id=2022409)



Claudea Templeton                  Albion/Battle Creek CC                  October 16, 2017  
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/claudea-templeton-obituary?pid=1000000186993020>



Claudea's daughter shared that November 11th is the date for the Celebration of Life. To be held at Fredonia Grange Hall (13738 C Dr S, Marshall). It will be a pot luck and casual, starting at 11 AM

## **WHEN A LION DIES**

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

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# 2018 Lions Clubs of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired

## Three \$3,000 scholarships to be awarded

Please mail completed scholarship application to:

### The Lions of Michigan State Office

Attn: Scholarship Committee  
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911  
[www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

Phone: (517) 887-6640  
Fax: (517) 887-6642  
email: [lions@lionsofmi.com](mailto:lions@lionsofmi.com)



<http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Scholarship-Application-2018-PDF.pdf>



District 11-B-1 is off and running with the **Diabetes Awareness Committee**. We have begun scheduling presentations throughout the district, have reached out to the community through participation in the Jackson business and non-profit expo and we have worked as a committee to ensure we are bringing members information about diabetes that will meet the **VISION** of the Lions Club International mission.

Prevention and the improvement of the quality of life of those in our community is the Vision. Doing this is the challenge we all face. By **educating ourselves and our community** about the causes and symptoms of diabetes, we can encourage those at risk to make **healthy changes in their life styles**. We are also educating those who are not knowledgeable about diabetes and the medical ramification of not treating the symptoms. By **increasing awareness** at our meeting and in our communities, we are also sharing information about **medical assistance and access**. Reaching out to medical facilities in our district that offer specialty diabetes diagnostic and treatment care has been a high priority. Bronson Hospital's endocrinology and diabetes center in Kalamazoo has a program called the Charity Care where they assist low income diabetics with treatment needs. Medical Supply companies are on the list for outreach to obtain testing meters and educational materials.

The LCI strategy for diabetes awareness is simple; **PREVENTION, CONTROL AND RESEARCH**. **Prevention** through healthy living which includes a well-balanced diet and age appropriate physical fitness. **Control** is about treatment, which includes regular monitoring of your glucose level, medications and again eating a well-balanced diet. **Research** for the CURE involves funding. Through activities like the STRIDES Walk and the JDRF Walk for a Cure, research money is made available to provide scientist the materials they need to do their research effectively and efficiently.

We are committed to providing our co-members with as much information as we can access on a regular basis through our NEW Facebook page, **LCI Diabetes Prevention Program**. We already have over 300 likes and have reached over 1400. Please reach out our committee and get one of us scheduled.

**Lion Terri Ann Huffman, Diabetes Committee Chair** [terri\\_huffman@hotmail.com](mailto:terri_huffman@hotmail.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](mailto:GBRoger@aol.com)

**WINTER CAMP for the BLIND THANK YOU** to all of the Lions of District 11-B1 for their enthusiastic support of Winter Camp for the Blind. We had a successful fund raising campaign this year, enough to get our fund balance to a sustainable level. The Winter Camp Team is committed to using your dollars wisely to make the camp a memorable experience for blind and visually impaired adults for years to come. We won't be resting, however, as the Winter Camp team will continue to promote the camp with our neighboring Districts, Foundations, and business organizations in Michigan. Overall, we had support from 38 clubs, 2 outside organizations (Knights of Pythias and Braille Transcription Fund), and District 11-E2. 26 Clubs raised their contribution, 10 clubs were new contributors, and 9 clubs contributed early to seed our fund balance. I want to extend my thanks to our Winter Camp team for their support, and communication of the financial need to their clubs, and especially Barry Allen for his work with the Braille Transcription grant, and doing the legwork on gaining 501-(c)3 status. Now, think SNOW!! Lion Roger



### INTER LAKES LIONS CLUB

CELEBRATING THEIR 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY.



## Club Anniversaries

### November

22	Concord	1941	15	Hillsdale	1949
1	Jackson Cascades	1966	09	Manchester	2007
16	Tecumseh	2010			

### December

16	Blissfield	1985	16	Munith	1953
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### January

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



# District and Club Dates to Remember

## NOVEMBER - NATIONAL GUIDE DOG MONTH

- 4 Lions of Michigan Foundation, Board Meeting, Lansing, 10 am
- 4 Napoleon Lions, Stuff the Bus, Dollar Store parking lot, 9 - 5 pm
- 5 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS - Fall Back
- 8 SPOT - North Jackson Lions - Preschool
- 10-12 Lions Regional Training, Higgins Lake
- 13-19 Worldwide Week of Service - Diabetes [Worldwide Week of Service](#)
- 13 Jackson Eyeopeners - Garlands and Wreath Orders Due
- 14 **WORLD DIABETES DAY**
- 15 **PEACE POSTERS Due to DG**
- 16 Bedford Lions/Lioness - Soup & Salad Dinner, Bedford Clubhouse, 5 - 7 pm
- 18 VCL Holiday utility pole decorations project and tree decorations.
- 19 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- 23 **THANKSGIVING**

## DECEMBER - MAY THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT BE UPON YOU!

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

## JANUARY - HAPPY NEW YEAR!

- 13 Cabinet Meeting, VCL Clubhouse, 9 am
- 11 Battle Creek Cereal City, Spaghetti Dinner
- 18 Bedford Lions/Lioness - Soup & Salad Dinner, Bedford Clubhouse, 5 - 7 pm
- 21 VCL Lions Pancake Breakfast, 8 - 11:30 am, VCL Clubhouse
- 31 Region 1 Combined Zone Meeting, Chelsea Hospital

### FOR SALE

The State Office will have Lions Signs available for purchase. They are 18" X 24"

Cost \$3 each with wire stand.

Send CLUB order to CS Peggy no later than November 30th!



*Happy  
Thanksgiving*



## CLUBS Doing What they Do!

**Adrian Breakfast Lions** constructed a Book Box with Parkside Family Counseling for the Addison Elementary School (see article). They collected nearly 500 used eyeglasses which they delivered to the Gus Harrison facility. They donated to the Springbrook School for the Turkey Drive for the needy, and donated \$100 to LEO Maribelle Peter for her Youth Exchange Program experience.

**Adrian Evening Lions** assisted in the Fall Frolic on October 21st with the Tecumseh Lions at the VFW Hall. Big winner of the \$2500 was CC Peggy Allen.

**Albion Lions** supported the "Walk the Beat" when 48 bands came through Albion from the College to Michigan Avenue to Superior Street, spreading the message of good music and good times. The Lions helped with set up and registration.

**Ann Arbor Evening Lions** assisted the Host Lions with the SPOT camera vision screening at the Sears store at Briarwood Mall.

**Ann Arbor Host Lions** held another session of Charity Poker fundraising. They are gearing up for the "Feast for Families" Thanksgiving baskets, expecting to do 18 baskets. Once again they are selling Koeze nuts as well as fruit from Frog Hollow. December they will be donating to veterans at the Veterans' Hospital.

**Battle Creek Cereal City Lions** hosted the Region III Zone Meeting at Clara's on the River.

**Battle Creek Host Lions** conducted KidSight screening on October 30th at the Calhoun Medical Center, screening about 40+ children in less than an hour, thanks to a well oiled TEAM!

**Bedford Area Lions** October began 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. They hosted a community Open House for 'trick or treaters,' providing hot dogs, pop, and candy.

**Blissfield Lions** continue their CEP process with membership surveys and community assessments. They donated their allocation of Scholastic Books to the Adrian Breakfast Lions Library Project.

**Chelsea Lions** will do their flag installations for Veteran's Day, mint sales and collected eyeglasses. They have KidSight screenings scheduled from Nov 28 to Dec 13th, Christmas dinner and Faith in Action Christmas Shopping coming up.

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

**Dexter Lions** added FOUR new members, **Elizabeth Aslin, Mariann LeBlanc, Peter Lundy and Frank Stavik**. The club donated to the Girl Scouts, a Dexter youth's medical bills, and for Halloween goodies for the Dexter kids. They also purchased a tree in memoriam for the child of a club member.

**Inter-Lakes** celebrated the Club's 50th Anniversary on October 9th at Davis Catering in Vandercook Lake. Guest speaker was PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser.

**Jackson Cascade Lions** have established a Facebook page. They donated 20 children's books to the Salvation Army for use by the volunteer tutors. They made a contribution to the Interfaith Shelter in memory of Lion Ralph Hoffman. Members were seen shivering in the cold at SAM's Club selling nuts. They added new members **Ross Alexander** and **Amanda Clark**.

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

**Jackson Host Lions** They are now into their Fruit & Nut sales. Members assisted in the Daffodil Society, planting 3000 bulbs in 30 minutes behind the Ella Sharp Museum. Long time member Bill Nichols resigned after 42 years of service, the board recognized him with an Honorary membership which includes a free paid lunch for any meeting attended and participating in any fundraiser he chooses.

**Manchester Lions** are supporting the Community Resource Center by helping to replenish their food pantry, attending their annual Recognition Banquet, and attended the Penrickton Fall Kick-Off Banquet. They also donated to Mirabelle Peter's quest to go to Finland with the Youth Exchange Program, and the Duble Family Vision Foundation. On Halloween night they amused over 200 children with their annual Pumpkin Bowling with free treats for the kids and a huge stuffed animal for the winner.

**Marshall Lions** held their annual Pancake Breakfast on October 1st, assisted by the Michigan Youth Challenge Academy cadets. They had their 6th annual Stuff the Bus food drive on October 28th, filling 85 banana boxes in six hours, plus several coats and some cash.

**Michigan Center Lions** had a presentation by Lion Dennis Tomkins, director of Bear Lake Camp for visually impaired children, and donated **\$3500** to the camp.

**Munith Lions** held their Halloween parade and SPOT vision screening on October 28th. (Screening **86** children and adults) Residents were treated to fresh apple cider, donuts and popcorn. Float judges were CC Peggy & PDG Barry Allen.

**Napoleon Lions** completed their annual Punt, Pass and Kick contest, and built yet another Handicap Ramp, this one being near Clark Lake, so that club helped fund the project. November 4th is their annual Stuff the Bus event to benefit the Brooklyn food bank. They also did their annual SPOT vision screening on Halloween night at the Columbia Fire Station. They are also making Thanksgiving baskets for the needy.

**North Jackson Lions** assisted in the daffodil planting in Jackson, collected a record \$918 doing Candy Days, and did Truck or Treat with the Northwest Schools. PDG Dennis was the guest speaker for the Inter-Lakes Lions 50th Anniversary banquet. The club donated \$1000 to LCIF for disaster relief.

**North Adams Lions** donated \$500 towards a hearing device for a student in the Hillsdale ISD. They also donated towards the North Adams Heritage Day and the Salvation Army.

**Parma Spring-Arbor Lions** raised \$506 with their mint sales. They have received their nuts for their nut sale fundraiser. They also earned \$1300 profit from the P-SA Lions/SAU Volleyball Tournament.

**Pennfield Lions** are in the planning stage for their Salvation Army bell ringing, and the upcoming Christmas Basket program.

**Tecumseh Lions** held their annual Fall Frolic reverse raffle on October 21st, with the big winner being PCC Peggy Allen of the Manchester Lions. They also had the Sight Mobile and Pumpkin Bowling at the Tecumseh Appleumpkin Days on October 14th.



**Tekonsha Lions** The new Diabetes Chairperson Terri Huffman gave a diabetes presentation at the Fall Conference. Members assisted with KidSight at the Calhoun County Medical Care Facility on Oct 30th.

**Vandercook Lake Lions** made nearly \$10,000 on their Cash'O'Rama. Holiday lights will go up on Saturday Nov 18th, and a Christmas tree lighting ceremony in the courtyard on Dec 2nd, 5 - 8 pm.

**YOUR CLUB HERE!**

Send your club doings to PDG Barry

I'm happy to report I needed to go to a **THIRD** page for all the club activities, thank you and keep 'em coming.



**NORTH JACKSON** Hundreds and hundreds of kids were treated at this year's Trunk or Treat at Northwest Elementary on October 28. Supplying the treats from our NJ Lions club are Lion Bonnie Kraus and Lion Kim Creger. Thanks!!!



Leos are Sierra, Victoria, Rylee and Alex from Northwest Leos. We gave out candy to over 1500 kids and families.

**REGION III, Combined Zone Meeting** Zone Chair Roger Bosse addressed the assembly of Lions at the Zone Meeting. PDG Terry Walters was the guest speaker with information about training opportunities in Lions. ZC Roger presented his heartfelt thanks and a plaque to the Bedford Area Lions (and Elsa Lioness) Club for their **MANY** years of hosting the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Picnic for **35 years**, accepting the award is Bedford new Lion Andy Moser.



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)



MICHIGAN CENTER

Director Dennis Tomkins presents a special certificate of appreciation to the Michigan Center Lions, accepted by Club Secretary Johnnie Moultrie, for donating \$6000 to Bear Lake Camp



**District SPARK PLUG Awards race for 2017 - 2018**

The Spark Plug Award is given to any club who has a net growth of + 5 % or more during the Lions Year. Each club is awarded a Spark Plug Banner Patch, and the winning club keeps the traveling plaque for the following year. Current standings:

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

Current District Membership	Gains	Drops	Net Growth
<b>1001</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>-61</b>

**How is the Kansas football team like an opossum?**

**They play dead at home and get killed on the road.**

**How many Michigan State freshmen football players does it take to change a light bulb?**

**None. That's a sophomore course.**

My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary.

She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 200 in about 2 seconds."

I bought her a bathroom scale.





Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

# OUR FOUNDATION

Exciting news for LCIF - for the 6th consecutive year, the Foundation has received a 4 - Star rating from Charity Navigator, demonstrating our strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. Only 5% of the charities evaluated by Charity Navigator have received at least 6 consecutive 4 - star evaluations. <https://www.charitynavigator.org/index.cfm?bay=search.summary&orgid=4005>



**ADRIAN BREAKFAST Lions** We had the Lions International Flag flying during the whole week in front of the Lenawee County Judicial Building. County Commissioner KZ Bolton read and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the group and the we raised the flag. Present for this ceremony were the following: Marty Marshall, County Administrator, KZ Bolton, County Commissioner, Peggy Allen, Council Chair, Laura VanSickle, Adrian Breakfast Lions Club President, and club members Burt Fenby, Terry Hicks, Hazel and Richard Jacobs; Carolyn Bater, Adrian Evening Lions Club. This was a beautiful morning to fly our Lions International Flag high and proud!



**If we shouldn't eat at night why is there a light in the fridge?**

**What does the average Alabama player get on his SATs? Drool.**



## GLT UPDATE



Terry Walters ,GLT Coordinator, has made three presentations on Leadership opportunities at the combined Zone Meetings in Region 1, 2, & 3.

If any club would like information on Leadership Development opportunities for your members, contact Terry or a member of the GLT (Global Leadership Team).

The GLT will meet on November 13, 2017 at the Coney Island in Jackson to begin planning for the Spring Leadership Forum in April 2018. We are looking for Lions and Club input on making the Leadership training relevant for your officers and club members.

The GLT is also available to come to your club meeting for a short presentation on leadership opportunities available to Lions in your club.

Contact a team member or Terry at [twalters02@comcast.net](mailto:twalters02@comcast.net) or call 734-426-4983.

## GUEST ARTICLE

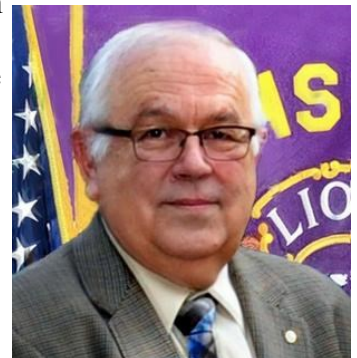
**REACH!** That is the word that comes to me after attending a couple of Lions events this past month. Both events were outside our regular meetings. The first was the Fall Conference (Parade of Checks). The second was the combined Zone meeting that took place just a few days ago.

**REACH** can have a couple of meanings depending on whether it is used as a noun or a verb. At the Parade of Checks, we had an opportunity to listen to brief presentations by people representing some of the places we send our donations to every year. Our “reach” as Lions is both broad and deep, encompassing such a wide range of needs and efforts to improve both health and opportunity that this space does not allow even a partial summary. And then at the combined Zone meeting, we heard reports from a number of local and area Lions Clubs that proved that our “reach” was not just global and statewide, but something that involved us in significant ways in the concerns and situations of people in our various communities. In listening and participating in both of these events, I found myself thinking what a gift it was to be involved in such an organization.

The other meaning of **REACH** has to do with the notion that we as both local Lions and, as a global organization, are involved in efforts to **REACH** further and further to extend our mission and calling to make the world a better and healthier place. Thank you for everything that you do to make Cereal City Lions and Lions everywhere a more effective voice and presence in our community and our world!

As a final thought, we will miss the energy, imagination, and push of Claudea Templeton who has helped us **REACH** further as a Lions Club than we might have without her. She will be missed but I trust that we as a group will step up, not to fill her shoes, but to continue to grow and develop our outreach. God’s blessing on Claudea and those who loved her.

Mike Conklin, President, Battle Creek Cereal City Lions

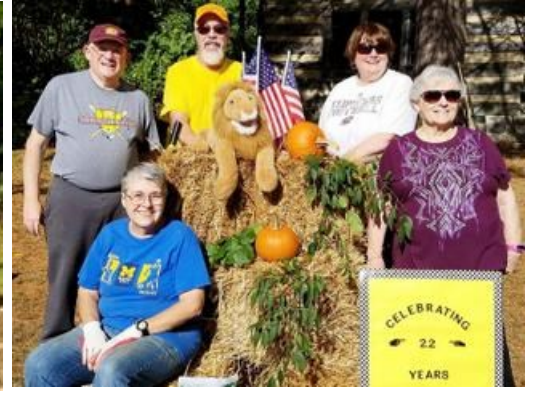


**"It isn't necessary to see a good tackle, you can hear it!" - Knute Rockne / Notre Dame**



## ARE YOU DAFFY??

DTT Chris Lake explains the procedures for the annual Daffodil planting project in Ella Sharp Park. Combined forces of the Jackson Host, North Jackson, Eyeopeners and Vandercook Lake 42 Lions made short work of the task of planting 3000 bulbs in 30 minutes.



**ADRIAN BREAKFAST LIONS** helped some of the youth members of Parkside Family Counseling Center with a community project to construct 5 book boxes. The boxes are financed through sponsorships and donations. They will be placed around the county to provide free books to children. The Adrian Breakfast Lions Club purchased the box here for the students of Addison Elementary School. Lion Larry Atkin along with his grandson Andrew Huston are shown installing the box with books donated by the Lions' Reading Action Program.



## HILLSDALE LIONS

### (SMALL BUT MIGHTY)



Lions Stuart Risedorph is presented with his 20 year service chevron and letter from IP Dr. Naresh Aggarwal by 1st VDG Roger Spriggs. Congratulations and thank you for your Lions service.

After receiving real (snail) mail in their converted mail box eyeglass collection station, the Hillsdale Lions painted the boxes bright yellow and added wording saying "EYEGLASSES ONLY".



*"There's nothing that cleanses your soul like getting the hell kicked out of you."*

- Woody Hayes / Ohio State





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBM9rJQdE5g&feature=youtu.be>

*Alone we can do so little,  
together we can do so much.* Helen Keller

## GLOBAL SERVICE CHALLENGE

The following clubs are on their way to a diamond banner patch for 2017-18

- Albion
- Ann Arbor Host
- Blissfield
- Clinton
- Dexter
- Jackson Eyeopeners
- Manchester
- Napoleon
- North Jackson
- Parma-Spring Arbor

## Meet Our New Global Service Framework



On our way to serving 200 million people per year by 2021, Lions are working in their communities like never before. To help accomplish this incredible feat, we're introducing a new global service framework that focuses the efforts of Lions and Leos on five service areas: **vision, hunger, the environment, pediatric cancer** and **diabetes**. The service framework promotes new ways to meet emerging needs in our communities and around the world, but—as always—your club will decide how to best meet your community needs.

To learn more, watch our inspiring [service framework video](#) and visit the [service framework webpage](#) today!

Dear Lion,

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,  
**Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, Your International President**





**PITTSFORD LIONS** Just wanted to send along a few pictures and some info on an annual event for the Pittsford Lions Club. We again served warm donuts (600), apple cider (27 gallons), and hot coffee to trick or treaters in Pittsford. Nobody knows the exact date we have served this community event at the local fire station, but it always has a great turn out with lots of spooky and fun costumes.



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**MANCHESTER LIONS** Pumpkin Bowling

Literally HUNDREDS of kids turned out for the caramel apples and the PUMPKIN BOWLING on Halloween night in Wurster Park.

The winner of the drawing got a huge stuffed PINK dragon.



**TEKONSHA LIONS**

Lion Dawn Copas received her silver centennial pin from Secretary Lorraine Lindsey for bringing in new member Becky Omo during the LCI centennial year.



DG LuAnne Bullington visited Tekonsha Lions on October 16th accompanied by Lion John Krienke. DG LuAnne spoke about Lions service and current projects. Lion John

presented 20 year chevrons to Lions Margo Knapp and Tammy Lons. President Scott Long gave DG LuAnne our club pin and business card.



**1 in 2 people currently living with diabetes are undiagnosed. The International Diabetes Foundation has estimated that as many as 193 million people, or close to half of all adults currently living with diabetes, are unaware of their disease. Most of them are Type 2 diabetics**

**VANDERCOOK LAKE  
LIONS CLUB  
& SANTA**

Invites you to the  
**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING**  
December 2, 2017  
5:00 - 8:00 pm

At the commons between the Lions Club and Bone Island Grill

**Free**

Live Country Music  
Refreshments

Children's Eye Screening  
Caroling with

Vandercook Lake High School  
Jackson Free Methodist Church

**Personalized Ornaments Available**



## Vandercook Lake Lions 24th Annual ‘Cash-O-Rama’ a Roaring Success!

Over 300 patrons wined, dined and gambled their night away at the Vandercook Lake Lions “Cash-O-Rama”, their annual cash rolldown, held at the Davis Convention Center on Saturday, October 15th. The club followed their usual format, with the addition of two new twists: a Wine Basket drawing that offered 10 bottles of wine to the winner—and a new member recruitment effort. Both were spear-headed by IPDG Dave Hill and both were very successful. Lion Dave hopes to get all 10 signed up to an informational meeting at the clubhouse on November 8th. The wine basket - all donated—raised \$320!

Over 30 members of the Vandercook Lake Lions Club worked the event, selling 50/50 tickets for one of the 3 drawings, running the “money board”, tracking the numbers and counting the cash, among other things. The final take: just shy of \$10,000—up over \$1100 from the previous record. The crowd was definitely spending more this year. It was a great time, a great meal, and a great fundraiser!



Lions Bob Sisk, ZC Al Lairson & Storm Lairson eat up before the ‘Money Board’ madness begins.



Lions Bill Paterson & Cathy Kapuga at the Check-in table



Lions Wendy Morgan, Becky Hamlin and Dawn Kimball sell bingo game cards to eager patrons.

**CLARKLAKE LIONS** Halloween meeting hosted 1st VDG “Tex” Spriggs, the English cowboy, and his sidekick Harriet. Additional guests included Lions from Manchester and Napoleon. Lion Levi Kimball took



the opportunity to present Lion Kevin Miller with the 1st place trophy for the Napoleon Golf Tournament which was held this summer. Unidentified individual on the left is in the Witness Protection Program (or America’s Most Wanted.) and didn’t want to be identified.



**MUNITH LIONS** held their annual Halloween Parade and refreshments. PDG Bob Chrisman has been a Lion for over 35 years and the event started well before he joined. They did SPOT Vision Screening on 86 attendees. Lion Johncie Turner gave informational materials on Donate Life. Trick or treaters were treated to donuts, popcorn and apple cider.





## VCL Lions Support Local Church “Trunk-or-Treat” with 1400 Dogs Grilled!



Grilling and serving up 1400 hot dogs and buns in less than two hours. Now that’s a trick...and a treat for a large group of hungry folks attending the event. The event was the annual Trunk-or-Treat put on by the Jackson Free Methodist Church on Park Drive.—and it was huge. The church had moved the event to a Saturday afternoon (the 28th) from 3p-5p, and was expecting a pretty good turn-out. They got it. Estimates are 2000 participants filtered through the line of trunks and activities and enjoyed dogs and donuts and cocoa and more!

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## University of Michigan Campus Club

The U of M Lions met to paint pumpkins



that will be donated to the hospital. Monday they are doing Trick or Treat for eyeglasses. Today they are doing a Cider for Sight event for the students with cider and games as a fundraiser. November 11 they will help at Food Gatherers. Their next meeting is November 13 at 7 in the Henderson room of the League building.

## JACKSON EYEOPENERS Michele with our Banner, getting ready to sew on more patches. Yeah, Michele



Lions Ed & Diane received their 20 year and 5 year membership pins from President Cyndie. Diane was sponsored by Lion Roger LaMothe 20 years ago and she, then, sponsored, Ed 5 years ago.





# DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO UPDATE

designed by Zenzi Peter for the Hanover-Horton Leos



When? - First and third Tuesday of every month.  
Where? - Mrs. Scheese's room in the Middle School.  
What We Do...  
The Leos are a volunteer organization connected with the LIONS Club. Our main projects are cleaning up Youth Haven, visiting nursing homes, providing help at LION events, and whatever other ideas members come up with! There are many opportunities to get into leadership positions, travel, and be recognized for outstanding work!  
Want to Find out More?  
Talk to a member or come sit in on a meeting everyone is welcome.  
Want to Join?  
Ask for an application from Mrs. Scheese, any Leo member or the office.

## YOUTH EXCHANGE - AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AN OUTSTANDING LEO.



Dear Lions and Lioness:-

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mirabelle Peter



## DISTRICT 11-B1 LEO UPDATE



The Leos in District 11-B1 continue to give service to their community. There have been two clubs that did a Stuff the Bus project where they collected food for the needy and the local food pantry. The Dexter Leos assisted the Dexter Lions with their Apple Daze project.

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

There will be a new Leo Club in our District by the end of December. The International School in Ypsilanti will become our newest Leo club with a Charter night in November or early December.

We do need more Leo Clubs in our District and we hope that clubs will step forward to forming a Leo Club in their community. Contact District Leo Chair, Terry Walters, if you would like a presentation or need more information.

**NORTHWEST LEOS** Thirteen LEOs participated in a service project for the “Friends of the Library” by moving boxes of books and setting them up for display for their semi-annual book sale.



**HANOVER HORTON LEOS** 1VDG Roger Spriggs presents a Leo shirt to the newest member of Hanover-Horton LEO’s club, **Audry Powell** and a certificate to her sponsor LEO Momna Zafar.



**DEXTER LIONS** *Apple Daze* Lions Jim Carson and Mark Jennings blow up balloons during the Apple Daze festivities. Not the Club’s achievements board in the background which is great advertising. The club also provided hayrides and hosted a car show (organized by



Lion Dennis Berry) with over 50 cars. Kids and adults enjoyed the company of the club Lion who remains anonymous.





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

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

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

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

**September/October 2017 Lion Pride** [http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Small\\_September-October-2017\\_PDF.pdf](http://lionsofmi.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Small_September-October-2017_PDF.pdf)

**September LION Magazine** [http://digital.lionmagazine.org/publication/?i=430248#{"issue\\_id":430248,"view":"contentsBrowser"}](http://digital.lionmagazine.org/publication/?i=430248#{)

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

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

Centennial Service Challenge 2017 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBM9rJQdE5g&feature=youtu.be>

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

**DEADLINE is the 1st of the Month.**

**Planned publish date of the 5th.**

Be sure to send your M&A Reports and articles w/ photos to the District Newsletter Editor, PDG Barry Allen at [BarryRAllen@aol.com](mailto: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.

