

DISTRICT 11-E2 NEWSLETTER



March 2022



Notable Quotes: "Vision is the art of seeing things invisible." — Jonathan Swift

District Governor's Message

Greetings, fellow Lions,



District Governor
William Gaines

The Lion Year is speeding by rapidly with the Michigan Forum behind us while we're looking forward to our District and Multidistrict conventions. Planning is underway for these with itineraries arranged. Our guest this year's will be International Director Allen Snider from Niagara-on the-Lake, Ontario, Canada. It's time to get your hotel reservations made and your convention registrations in. Our annual conventions support our yearly elections, gives us the opportunity to spend time with our Lions colleagues, making new friendships and renewing old ones. They are also great opportunities to become more familiar with our state projects and those who benefit from them. Hearing from the recipient of a

cornea transplant who would not have vision without Eversight or from a Leader Dog recipient whose independent life is enabled by their Leader Dog gives a much more immediate appreciation of the contributions to these organizations that we see in our club budgets without genuinely appreciating the real differences our work makes in people's lives.

Our incoming District Governor is currently building teams to help Lionism continue and grow through the coming year. Please take the time to talk with our DG team and identify ways that you can help to fill the many needs that exist above the club level. Our District has the capacity and desire to enable service through working together at levels that are beyond the reach of an individual club. This service work doesn't happen without willing Lions expending their time and energy to bring it to fruition.

Here's looking forward to seeing you at Boyne Mountain Lodge for our District convention, then continuing our Lion's service throughout the upcoming year.





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Note: This information is up to date at the time of this publication, but is subject to change as adjustments are needed.

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Lions Of Michigan Multiple District 11-E2 Counties

Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac,
Charlevoix,
Cheboygan,
Crawford, Emmet,
Gladwin, Iosco,
Kalkaska,
Montmorency,
Ogemaw, Oscoda,
Otsego, Presque Isle,
Roscommon



| ZONE 1 | CLUBS | ZONE 3 | CLUBS |
|--|---|---|--|
| N/A | Boyne Valley, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, East Jordan, Indian River, Mackinaw City, Petoskey | ZC/2VDG Steven Murch Alpena Lions Club stevemurch49707@gmail.com | Alpena, Alpena Evening, Atlanta, Glennie, Hillman, Hubbard Lake, Mio |
| ZONE 2 | CLUBS | ZONE 4 | CLUBS |
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2nd Vice District Governor's Message

Greetings, fellow Lions,



The calendar tells us that it's March, and so we can look forward to spring with a bit of realist expectations now. Most of us have lived in northern Michigan long enough to know that spring can be quite fickle while also teasing and taunting us with the remnants of winter into April sometimes. Even still, we can optimistically start planning for events and warmer weather – both in our personal lives and as Lions.

Every club runs slightly different in how it approaches service, fundraising and the business aspect of being a club. Some clubs are more active in the summer, while others prefer to bookend the summer with more spring and autumn activities; some even dive in hard to the winter months. There is no template to how clubs should approach their service to community, just that they service their community the best they can.

To that end, as you plan your club's activities – service, fundraising, and social – keep in mind the importance of fun. We need to remember that Fun with a capital F should always be part of what we do as Lions.

When we are in our communities, whether it is a fundraiser or service project, it's important that we have fun as Lions and make sure it looks fun to be part of what we are doing. People are more apt to contribute to an organization that truly enjoys what it is doing and has fun doing it. They also might consider more easily joining a club that looks fun and the people involved would be enjoyable to spend time with, both in club functions and in community events.

We also need to have fun as a club when no one else is looking. If your club members aren't enjoying themselves then they are less likely to try to recruit new members to help us serve our communities. Happy members are productive members, and happy members want to share the excitement – and that is where our clubs can grow.

My message to clubs where I have spoken – and have told my club ad nauseam – is that our clubs are basically built on a tripod with the supporting legs being fundraising, service and membership. If any of the three lags then the tripod tips. We need to make sure all three work in coordination.

We need to make sure we utilize our membership as best we can. The more involved our members are the more service and fundraising we can do. When all three are in sync we can service our communities better. But it can all boil down to the enjoyment we receive from our club and as Lions.

The spring is always referred to as a time for rebirth, so let's use the spring as a time to gear up for a rebirth for our clubs. Let's get excited about serving our communities and making a difference in people's lives in a positive manner.

So get out there and make a difference in your community like we all do. But always remember – Make It Fun.

Thanks for all you do for your communities and your service as Lions.





Lions Clubs International



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Tell the World Your Story

Dear Lions,

Once upon a time...remember those magic words? They have the power to instantly transport you to another place and time. That's what stories do. They stop time and enable you to imagine other worlds.

When I was young, I loved to read stories about baseball players and listen to my grandmother tell stories about our family. Today, I love the stories I hear about you. Lion stories are the greatest stories on Earth. They are stories about kindness and effort and grace. They are stories about bringing people together and giving of ourselves because we know in our hearts that it's the right thing to do and the right way to live.

In a world where tragedies feel all too frequent, it's more important than ever to share your stories of service. Share them on social media, share them at city council meetings, and share them with fellow Lions at club and district meetings. Call up the local newspapers and tell them about the great projects you're doing. People want-and need-to hear about the good being done in the world. And we have the honor of doing a lot of good for a lot of people.

In honor of World Storytelling Day on March 20, I am planning to sit down with a cup of tea and my favorite stories-stories about Lions-for a few hours of heartwarming tales. I know I will come away inspired. Inspired by you, Lions.

Yours in service,

Douglas X. Alexander

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International President





Early pricing extended until March 31

As we look forward to our 104th Lions Clubs International Convention in Montréal, we realize that current international travel guidelines continue to change. In order to give all Lions and Leos a better opportunity to make their travel arrangements to the convention, we are extending the early discounted pricing deadline to **March 31, 2022**.

Register by March 31, 2022, and pay the discounted US\$175 registration fee.

We can't wait to see you in Montréal!

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Register now



A message from
Jerome Thompson
 Past International Director,
 GAT Constitutional Area 1 Leader



Thank you for your support of the Global Action Team. Together, we are making a difference in our association. When we all continue to share a common message, which is positive and cast a dream of a better tomorrow, Lions across Constitutional Area 1 begin to catch the spirit and share in our excitement. This excitement is propelling us toward greater success daily.

This is an exciting time to be a LION. Clubs are meeting, serving, and celebrating success. Zone chairs are promoting membership growth and retention. District Governor Teams are implementing the Global Membership Approach – Build a Team, Vision, Plan and Success.

We have found new levels of success in January. With your help, we will continue to break glass ceilings monthly through June.

- Service
 - 17,448,535 lives impacted YTD up 13%
 - 46% of Clubs Reporting Up 3%
- Membership
 - January +5 (1,063 better than last year)
 - YTD -705 (89% better)
 - February – after 5 days + 72
- Leadership
 - 316 Training events reported
 - over 7,000 Lions participated
- LCIF
 - \$4,503,843 Up 16%

35,000,000 Lives Impact Challenge

As a Club, Zone or District leader, you are encouraged to ask clubs to report their service. If 60% of our clubs will report their service since July 1, 2021 and continue until June 30, 2022, we can demonstrate to the world that we are the leaders in community service.

Let your Global Action Team know what assistance you need to be part of the movement.

New Exciting Membership and Service Idea Webinars

Your Global Action Team and Lions Clubs International Staff have been collaborating to develop a new membership/service initiative that all clubs can easily participate in. If 11,000 clubs would all work together, we can increase our service impact by 10,000,000 lives per year. You can learn more about where Membership, Service and Lions Quest intersect during a series of webinars in March. Be on the look out for your link in next month's communication with Lion Leaders.

The schedule is as follows:

- March 24 – DG Teams, Zone Chairs, GAT-MD, GAT -D
- March 31 – All Lions

Until next month, continue to change the world one smile at a time, with service from the heart.



LCIF.ORG | A Letter From Your Chairperson

**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

Fellow Lion,

Just two weeks after Madagascar was struck by Cyclone Ana, Cyclone Batsirai slammed into the southeastern coastline of the island, bringing torrential rain, flooding, and high winds that devastated entire villages. At least 120 people were killed, 124,000 people's homes were damaged or destroyed, and 30,000 people remain displaced.

You can help.

Your generous donation to the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) **disaster relief fund** will help families impacted by the devastation.

When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, are ready to help. Right beside us is LCIF, our global foundation. LCIF quickly responded and awarded disaster grant funding to allow Lions in the affected communities to respond to urgent needs of the victims.

Earlier this month, and adding to relief funding for Madagascar, LCIF awarded disaster grant funding for Cyclone Ana victims in Malawi, Mozambique and Uganda.

There's no telling when or where a disaster might strike. But you can help make sure that Lions will always be there when needed.

I WANT TO GIVE*

Thank you for your kindness and for working together with LCIF to rebuild lives. If you have any questions about LCIF's disaster relief grants, please contact us at **LCIFglobalgrants@lionsclubs.org**.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi//LCIF Chairperson

More info found at LCIF website



Lions Match Campaign



September 2021 the Pearland Silverlake Lions Club (above)

held their first "Helping Hounds, A benefit for Leader Dogs

for the Blind" at Killen's Steakhouse in Pearland, Texas.

Over 70 attendees and volunteers enjoyed a dog friendly

evening on the Killen's Steakhouse Patio dedicated to

helping raise money for this worthy cause.

The idea of a fundraiser just for Leader Dogs for the Blind

was brought to our club by Lions Charise Berry and Sandy

Cavazos. The pair decided our club could make an impact if

we could donate enough to pay for one puppy to be



IN EVERY LEADER DOG
LIES THE HEART OF A
LION



A New Podcast Launches

Leader Dogs for the Blind presents

Taking the Lead. A podcast where we will take a deep dive into the blindness community.

Our goal is to bring awareness of not only the blindness community but the free services we provide to those who are blind or visually impaired.

Meet one of your hosts of Taking the Lead. Timothy Cuneio was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa when he was 12 years old. Throughout his life

BE OF SERVICE
LeaderDog.org/Lions

FOLLOW THE LEADER   



ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
HOSTED BY
LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP



APRIL 9, 2022 BUFFALO & BOAR WILD GAME DINNER

DOORS OPEN AT 5 P.M.
DINNER AT 6 P.M.
EVENT IS FROM 6 P.M. - 10 P.M.
\$50 PER PERSON
\$360 FOR A TABLE OF 8

LOCATION:
METAMORA LIONS CLUB
3790 N. OAK STREET
METAMORA, MI. 48455

Tickets include:

Dinner
3 Drink Tickets
Entered into hourly drawings
Event Favor

Grab your tickets today at any of the following:

www.bearlakecamp.org

Hunters Den

Metamora Golf & Country Club

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Limited to the first 300 people.

GUNS & RAFFLES

\$100 Mega Ticket Raffle

\$20 WORTH OF BUCKET RAFFLE
TICKETS

CHANCE TO WIN 1 OF 3 BIG
GUNS

CZ-USA Redhead Premier
12 Gauge Over and Under
CZ-USA Redhead Premier
20 Gauge Over and Under
Diamondback DB15 300
Blackout

1 CHANCE TO WIN THE
MYSTERY GUN AND A 44 GUN
CANNON GUN SAFE
MODEL #TSS9A0
H57"XW40"XD24" - 455LBS

\$20 Mystery Gun and Gun Safe Raffle

(1 ticket per person)

Bucket Raffles

Booze Baskets
Ammo
Trail Cams
and MORE

Live Auction Items

\$500 Value or more
Fishing Charters
Pheasant Hunts
Golf Packages
Weekend Stays
and MORE!

\$20 Card Gun Raffle

8 Decks
Combo of 8 Guns & Cross Bows
(Based on Selling 8 Decks)

\$10 CASH Square Boards

\$10 per square/100 Squares
1st Drawing - \$250
2nd Drawing - \$150
3rd Drawing - \$100

Menu for the Event

Includes

Buffalo, Boar, Venison, Turkey,
Pheasant
Salads & Desserts
Cash bar with beer, wine, coffee,
pop, water
Catered by
Metamora Golf & Country Club

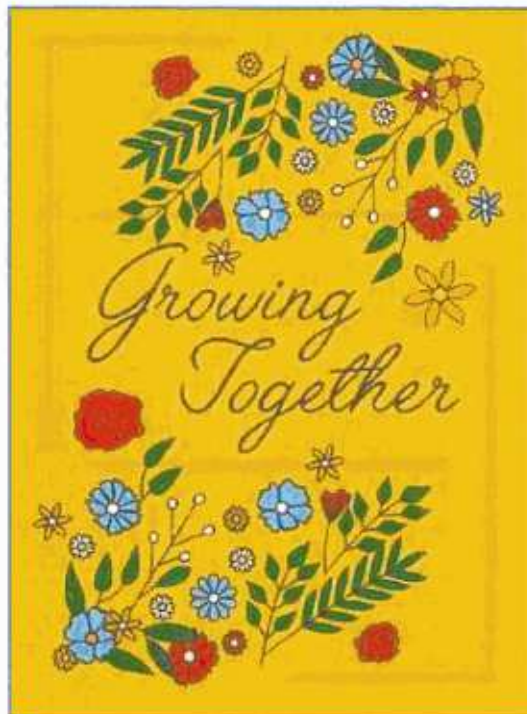
Learn more about this fundraising event at
www.bearlakecamp.org. You may also contact Lion Jack
Patton, Chair, at (248) 535-9011 or info@bearlakecamp.org

ITEMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY



GROWING TOGETHER
at the
MD 11 Lions Convention
Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac
May 19-21, 2022

Special Guest
LCI Past International President
Joe Preston



GROWING TOGETHER
MD 11 LIONS
CONVENTION
MAY 19-21

Join fellow Lions and friends
at the MD 11 Lions
Convention at the beautiful
Auburn Hills Marriott!

Growing Together is this
year's theme. Grow with us
as we explore *Growing your*
Club, *Why am I a Lion?* and
Spreading Seeds of Hope
through *LCIF Campaign 100*.
Reconnect with our roots in
Planting Seeds of Service.

Special LCI guests, PIP Joe
and Joni Preston will arrive in
time for the convention kick-
off picnic Thursday. Shelby
Township Lions Club will host
us at River Bend County Park.

Get your act together and
pre-register for the GONG
SHOW on Friday Night! Our
own Chuck Barris will be on-
hand along with a variety of
celebrity judges. BRING IT
ON!

*Come to learn,
network, celebrate
and be LIONS.
Growing Together
again!*

Call (248) 648-6016
GROUP RATE: \$89/NIGHT
(plus fees & taxes)



GROWING TOGETHER! 2022 MD 11 Lions Convention

Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac

DIRECT PHONE (248) 648-6016

GROUP RATE: \$89 PER NIGHT (*plus fees & taxes*)

REDUCED RATE AVAILABLE ONLY THRU APRIL 29, 2022

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Is this your first MD Convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No How many years a Lion member? _____

QUANTITY

AMOUNT

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| _____ Thursday Picnic @ \$12.00, May 19, 2022 | \$ _____ |
| _____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion | \$ _____ |
| _____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lioness N/C Leo | \$ _____ |
| _____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse/Guest | \$ _____ |
| _____ Friday Evening Buffet @ \$23.00 per person | \$ _____ |
| _____ Friday Night Welcome Reception Only (free) | # _____ |
| _____ Saturday Breakfast @ \$15.00 per person | \$ _____ |
| _____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$35.00 per person | \$ _____ |
| Entrée Choice: Grilled Chicken _____ | |
| Salisbury Steak w/Mushroom Demi Glaze _____ | |
| GF _____ Vegetarian _____ | Total: \$ _____ |

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.) _____

Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless registration fee is paid. (**excluding Saturday Banquet**) 2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 9, 2022. No refunds after May 10, 2022. 3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 4:00; Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance.

Mail completed form and payment to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 EXECUTIVE DRIVE - LANSING, MICHIGAN 48911

VOICE: 517 887-6640 FAX: 517 887-6642 WEB: www.lmsf.net

February 4, 2022

Barbara Durflinger
Hillman Area Lions Club
14946 Royston Road
Hillman, Michigan 49746

Dear Mrs. Durflinger:

I am pleased to inform you that your club's Emergency Individual Assistance Application for [REDACTED] was approved by our Grants and Assistance Committee in the amount of \$1,500.00. It is understood that these funds may only be utilized for the purpose stated in [REDACTED] application, and shall it be determined, at any time, that funds are no longer needed to assist Mr. [REDACTED] the remaining funds must be returned to our office.

Proceeds from our Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes, the sale of Lion Mints and donations provide the necessary funding for our charitable programs. Your club's support of our fundraising activities is appreciated.

Please note the enclosed check in that amount of \$1,500.00. We are pleased we could be of assistance to [REDACTED] and the Hillman Area Lions Club. By continuing to work together as "Partners in Service", we will be able to better address serious human needs throughout our state.

Sincerely yours,

Chad A. McCann
Executive Director

Enclosure

cc: [REDACTED]



Lions give to veterans

Courtesy Photo
Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustees Dave Zeller (Alpena Lions Club) and Barb Durflinger (Hillman Lions Club) present a \$2,000 check to Veterans Service Officer Mike Burzynski for individual veteran's assistance. The funds came from a grant from the Lions of Michigan Foundation and the Lions of District 11-E2. For more information on grants available to veterans, contact the Alpena or Hillman Lions Clubs, or the Veteran's Service Office.

The district also matched the grant with an additional \$500 for this needy individual.
— Barb Durflinger



Lions of Michigan Foundation Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook Fundraiser



Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be "Knights of the Blind," and she declared that "the problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus — the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man."

Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents.

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of their hearing loss. Lions Clubs or other nonprofit organizations who sell 20 or more cookbooks collectively will receive a \$5 rebate for each book sold to be used for their local projects.

As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

Cookbook Order and Donation Form

☐ I would like to purchase _____ cookbook(s) for \$15 each for a total of \$_____.

☐ I would like to make a donation to the Lions Hearing Centers in the amount of \$_____.

Payment Method: ___ Check ___ Credit Card ___ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____

Signature: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Lions Club or Business Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

36th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Your Lions Club can earn easy money for your local projects and help the Lions of Michigan Foundation by selling tickets for the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes. The more tickets you sell, the more money your club earns - up to more than 1/2 of your total ticket sales. The Oscoda and Alpena Lions Clubs earn more than \$2,500 annually from their participation in the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes. **YOUR CLUB CAN DO THE SAME!**

Each year, our foundation partners with Lions Clubs throughout Michigan to help people with sight and hearing disorders, and the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes provides the bulk of the necessary funding for that help. There are no risks for your club to participate in the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes – only benefits. And, **REMEMBER**, you might also win one of the many cash prizes available, including the \$5,000 Grand Prize!

30 - 99 TICKETS SOLD = \$3.50 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB
100 - 249 TICKETS SOLD = \$5.00 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB
250+ TICKETS SOLD = \$5.50 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB

Try these marketing ideas, and you will be surprised at how easy it is to sell tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes. **YOUR CLUB CAN'T LOSE.**

1. Ask all of your members to buy and sell one ticket each. This will double ticket sales statewide, and it would provide tens of thousands of dollars for eye care and hearing aids in Michigan.
2. Obtain Board approval to buy Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes tickets in the club's name, or encourage each club member to donate \$10 to buy tickets in the club's name. Every year, some of the top prizes are won by Lions and Lioness Clubs.
3. Encourage your club members to buy tickets for their friends and family members. The tickets make great gifts for Christmas (stocking stuffers), birthdays, anniversaries or any special occasion, especially for that person who seems to have everything. Wouldn't it be great if a family member won the \$5,000 Grand Prize? Send the tickets to friends and family members with a letter that explains what Lions are doing to help people in need and why we are doing it.
4. Invite community groups (band boosters, scout troops, etcetera) that your club supports to help sell tickets. Give the group their share of the proceeds.
5. Plan to sell Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes tickets for a weekend or two at a local super market or other high volume location or event. Set up a table to display Lions information and your Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets. Make up posters and signs, and pass out pamphlets that explain what Lions do and how the money collected helps people in your community.
6. Nearly all Lions and Lioness Clubs hold 50/50 raffles for our administrative fund. Try changing the format during the months of the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes, December-April. Give the 50/50 raffle winner a \$10 Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for each \$10 of 50/50 raffle winnings.
7. Consider organizing a spaghetti dinner, auction or another special fundraiser to raise money to purchase tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes in your club's name - that is a winning idea for your club and our foundation.

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36th ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT PRIZES

1st-\$5,000 - 2nd-\$2,500 - 3rd-\$2,000
4th-\$1,500 - 5th-\$1,000 - 6th-\$500
7th-\$400 - 8th-\$300 - 9th-\$200 - 10th-\$100

SELLER INCENTIVES

1st-\$750 - 2nd-\$500 - 3rd-\$250 - 4th-\$100

EASY MONEY

30-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club
100 - 249 Tickets Sold = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club
250+ Tickets = \$5.50 Per Ticket For Club

DRAWINGS

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 7, 2022
Lions of Michigan State Office
Lansing, Michigan

FINAL DRAWING

May 21, 2022
MD 11 Convention - Auburn Hills, MI

The PRICE is RIGHT
\$10.00 Per Ticket

Attention-Attention-Attention

Do you have a friend or relative who has everything?

What better gift could you give than one that helps those in need? For a gift of \$10, you can buy a Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for a friend or family member, providing them with a chance to win several cash prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Upon receipt of your gift, we will mail a sweepstakes ticket stub and sweepstakes information to your honoree with a card acknowledging your gift.



lmsf.net - lhcmi.org

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Gift
36th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Donor's Name(s): _____

Donor's Email Address: _____

Donor's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Honoree's Name: _____

Honoree's Email Address: _____

Honoree's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____



Lions Of Michigan Foundation

"Bridging The Gap To Service"

At the Lions of Michigan Foundation board meeting last weekend, Chad asked us to remind clubs that are selling S&H tickets (and if you aren't, why not?!?), that due to the delays in the mail, you need to mail your stubs and money in a little earlier this year. The drawing for the seller's prizes is on 5/7, so if you want to be sure you are entered into that, I would suggest mailing your tickets in no later than 4/20. Remember if your club sells at least 100 tickets, you receive \$5 back from each ticket- a great fundraiser!

In addition the Lions cookbooks are now in. You may order them from the Foundation (or contact one of the district trustees- me or PDG Dave Zeller) and we will see that you get them. The price has been reduced to \$15, but the club still gets \$5 back from each book sold when you buy at least 20. Mother's Day is coming up and they would make a great gift! Or why not keep a couple and use them as gifts for speakers at your club meetings?

Let me know if you have any questions.

1PDG Barb Durflinger
11-E2 Trustee, Lions of Michigan Foundation
989-742-2790
lionbarb@comdac.com

Service Project Challenge

The Alpena and Hillman Lions Clubs would like to challenge the rest of you out there to do what we did for the district service project. We decided that the KidSight bags that we are packing Friday night at the convention could use another little snack (in addition to the Lions mints donated by the Lions of Michigan Foundation), so we got together and ordered 500 mini-bags of gummy bears to go in the bags. We shopped around and found a great deal on Amazon that only cost each club \$45.50, so whatever you might do as a zone project, or a joint project with another club doesn't need to be very expensive!

Currently we have small KidSight coloring books, stickers, tattoos and mints that were provided by the Foundation, bookmarks that were provided by Leader Dog, crayons and cute paw print plastic bags provided by the district clubs for the project. (If you haven't sent in the \$20 we requested from each club yet, please consider doing so!). And now gummy bears! So use your creative juices (pencils, another mini-coloring book, a little trinket of some kind) and meet the Alpena/Hillman challenge.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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Hillman Area Lions Club
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MICHIGAN LIONS CAMPAIGN 100 RAFFLE

DRAWN AT STATE CONVENTION ON SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT CENTERPOINTE



Club Wyndham Smoky Mountains in TN
Donated by ID Justin Faber Value: PRICELESS
 3 night stay 1 bdrm Deluxe – date is dependent upon availability ---
MUST be used by Sept. 30, 2022 - Here is the link with pictures
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AN ORIGINAL ACRYLIC PAINTING “ WINTER LANDSCAPE” SIGNED BY PIP JOE PRESTON,
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VALUE: \$650.00

SPORTS PACKAGE – TICKETS TO MULTIPLE COLLEGE SPORTING EVENTS

(Must contact ticket holder to make arrangements for mutually agreed upon game) –

College Sporting Events include: (2) tickets for U of M football game (by PDG Dave & Lori Zeller); (2) tickets for MSU basketball game (by Ryan Thies); (4) tickets on 50 yd. line for Grand Valley State football game (by PID Gary & Lion Cheryl Anderson);

VALUE: PRICELESS

**GROUP OF “10” ASSORTED GIFT CARDS
 OF \$25.00 EACH VALUE: \$250.00**

**DONATED BY LCIF DISTRICT
 COORDINATORS & DISTRICT GOVERNORS**

**ONE OVERNIGHT STAY AT BOYNE MT.
 RESORT & (2) \$50 DINNER GIFT CARDS**

**DONATED BY: Boyne Mt. Resorts;
 Magnum Hospitality; and Boyne City
 Taproom VALUE: \$200.00**



District Service Project

Lions of 11-E2:

The district honorary committee (the PDG's), chaired by IPDG Rod Leathers, and working with our district GST Marie Leathers will be spearheading a district-wide service project at our District convention. What we decided on was packing goodie bags to pass out to children at KidSight screenings. Our goal is to pack 500 bags. They will contain crayons, coloring books, Lion mints, tattoos and stickers. The Lions of Michigan Foundation is providing the mints, small KidSight coloring books, stickers and tattoos. Leader Dog, Eversight and Lions Bear Lake Camp are also being contacted to see if they can donate small items to go into the bags. We will be providing decorative bags (animal paw prints) and the crayons. The cost of these items for 500 bags will be approximately \$300, so we are asking each club in the district if they can donate \$20 to help pay for them. If you wish to participate in this part of the project, please send your check, made out to Lions District 11-E2, to me at 14946 Royston Road, Hillman, MI 49746

If your club is interested in doing more to help with this project, there are other items we can add to the bags, pencils, other snacks, etc. To make sure the bags are consistent, we will need 500 of each of the items. I have below a link to a multi-pack of Gummy Bears that could be added to the bags.

https://smile.amazon.com/Haribo-Goldbears-Original-Flavor-containing/dp/B075LK74YD/ref=sr_1_9?crd=1OXCFS8KAWALT&keywords=gummy+bears+multipack&qid=1642701126&srefix=gummy+bears+multipack%2Caps%2C893&sr=8-9

I am sure the creative Lions of our district can come up with other ideas. Perhaps your local Chamber of Commerce has some small trinket that could go into the bags. Since we need 500 of each item donated, this is a great opportunity for district clubs to work with their neighboring clubs to provide an item- maybe make it a zone project.

But the most important part of this project is to get as many Lions as possible to come to the convention on Friday night to help pack the bags. This is a great opportunity for us all to get together and do something fun! Please pass this on to your members and encourage as many as possible to join us in Boyne Falls on the evening of Friday, April 29th to help, and to enjoy the district mixer. We hope to see you all there!

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11-E2 District Convention

**April 29-May 1
2022**

The Boyne Valley and East Jordan Lions Clubs are proud to be able to host the 2022 District Convention. We hope you will join us to celebrate the ending of the year for District Governor Bill and enjoy time spent with International Director Allen Snider and his wife Susan.

By coming to this Convention, you will enjoy being with your Fellow Lions, learn more about Lionism and some of the Projects we serve.

Very important training will be available for Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Membership Chairs. As always, we will hold the District Business Meeting, Raffle, Memorial Service and Elections.

Please note that on Friday evening we'll have the District Social Hour which will feature music, light appetizers, and a cash bar. In an adjacent room, the Honorary Committee will be working on a service project and you're invited, and encourage, to join them for a bit in service to our District.

The Charlevoix County Area has a host of attractions for you to visit while you enjoy this convention and we have left time Saturday afternoon for you to do just that. In your registration material at the conference you'll receive information for local businesses and attractions. A short list of restaurants and attractions are included in this packet! The convention and resort is family friendly and you're encouraged to bring your children and grandchildren. Some resort activities are weather dependent, but Avalanche Bay is always warm and wet and guests who are lodged in the Mountain Grand Lodge have unlimited access to the spa's indoor/outdoor pool, hot tub and exercise area!

Please join us April 29th – May 1st in Boyne Falls for the return of an in-person District Convention. We look forward to seeing you!

VDG Jill Drury
Convention Chair





11-E2 District Convention

**April 29-May 1
2022**

Convention Itinerary

| Day & Time(EDT) | Description | Location |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| Friday April 29th | | |
| 2 - 6 P M | Registration & Certification | Lobby -Mountain Grand Lodge (MGL) |
| 4 - 5 P M | Lions District Cabinet Meeting | Graz A/B |
| 5:00-7:30 PM | Dinner - on own | See list of local restaurants |
| 5:45 PM | V.I.P. Dinner (by Invitation) | TBD |
| 7:30- 10:00 PM | District Mixer Service Project Live Music | Vienna A/B |
| | | |
| Saturday April 30th | | |
| | Breakfast - on own | |
| 8:30 -11:30 AM | Registration & Certification | |
| 8:30 - 8:55 AM | ID and Cabinet Meet & Greet | Geneva |
| 9 - 10 AM | Lions District Business Meeting | Vienna A/B |
| 10:15 -11:15 AM | Training Sessions - President Secretary Treasurer Membership Chair | Exact Location of each session TBD; rooms to be used: Graz A/B Geneva |
| 10:15 -12:15 PM | State Project Presentations Time for up to 4 projects to present | Vienna A |
| 12:30 - 4:00PM | Lunch & Activities on own | |
| 1:30 - 4:00 PM | Registration continues | MGL Lobby |

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11-E2 District Convention

**April 29-May 1
2022**

| DAY & Time (EDT) | Description | Location |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Saturday Afternoon April 30th | | |
| 2:00-4:00 PM | Fly Tying Class Learn the art of Fly Tying | Location TBD Small cost to cover materials |
| 4:00- 5:00 PM | District Raffle / Auction | TBD |
| | | |
| Saturday April 30th Evening | | |
| 6:00-7:00 PM | Social Hour | |
| 7:00 - 9:00 PM | District Banquet | |
| 9:15 PM | Hospitality Room | Location TBD |
| | | |
| Sunday May 1st | | |
| 7:30 - 8:30 AM | Breakfast Buffet | Vienna A/B |
| 8:45-9:30 AM | Memorial Service | TBD |
| 9:45 - 10:45 AM | Registration & Certification | Mountain Grand Lodge Lobby |
| 9:45-10:45 | State Project Presentations - One project presentation in each location | Graz Geneva |
| 11AM | Lions District Election | Vienna A/B |
| 12 Noon | Convention Wrap UP and Adjournment | |



11-E2 District Convention

**April 29-May 1
2022**

CLUB DELEGATE FORM

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LIONS ON YOUR FEBRUARY 2021 MEMBERSHIP REPORT IS _____.

NAME OF DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE:

EMAIL OF DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE:

I hereby certify that the delegates/alternates listed above are members in good stand of the

_____ Lions Club, District 11-E2, Multiple District 11, and
Lions Clubs International.

Presidents Name

or

Secretary's Name



11-E2 District Convention

**April 29-May 1
2022**

2021-2022 Lions District 11-E2 Elections

CERTIFICATION OF DELEGATES

According to the Multiple District 11 Constitution and By-Laws, all Lions Clubs in good standing the Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 11 and District 11-E2 are entitled to One (1) vote for each Ten (10) members or major fraction thereof, as reported on their February 2021 membership report. The major fraction referred to is Five (5) or more.

PLEASE NOTE: Your delegates are determined by your February 2021 Membership Report and not the February 2022 Membership Report. Lions Clubs International policy requires that voting delegates be based on the number of Lions that have been members for at least One (1) year and One (1) day.

Select your delegates. You may also include alternates in case a delegate is not able to participate in the voting. Make a copy of the attached Delegate Form and place their names and email addresses in the table. Be sure to include the total number of Lions on your February 2020 Membership report in the space allotted. Also enter your President's or Secretary's name in the space provided.

Then mail your completed Club Delegate Form to:

Lion Bob Nelden
District 11-E2 Credentials Chair
102 Elm Street
Charlevoix, MI 49720

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



ADVERTISING ORDER FOR PROGRAM

Lions Club District 11 E-2 Convention



Individual or Club

Contact
Person

Addr

SIZE OF AD BEING

Width x Height

5 x 8 (Full Page) \$119.00

5 x 4 (Half Page) \$ 65.00

Customer Signature

ATTACH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER (made payable to District 11-E2

Convention Fund) along with printer ready copy.

Please note that this year we are offering 100% full color.

Ad artwork can be emailed to edw@allegraalpena.com

FINAL DEADLINE TO GET AN AD IS April 11, 2022

MAIL TO:

Alpena Lions Club

*Life is short, so forgive quickly.
Believe slowly. Love truly.
Laugh uncontrollably. Never regret
anything that makes you happy.
And have a wonderful journey!!*

Our Motto:



We Serve

**If you have any questions,
please contact**

Lion Ed Klimczak:

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989-464-4904

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 2022

Cabinet Meeting — March 05, 2022 — 10:00 a.m. — Boyne - location TBD — Cabinet meeting for all district cabinet members, district committee chairs, zone chairs, club presidents and secretaries.

Daylight Savings Time — Begins on Sunday, March 13. Remember to "Spring Ahead" your clocks

Vernal Equinox — On March 20 Day & Night are equal, heralding the beginning of Spring

APRIL 2022

District Convention and Cabinet Meeting — April 29, 2022-May 1, 2022 — Boyne Mountain Lodge. More details to follow

May 2022

Lions of Michigan MD 11 Convention 2022 — May 20-2016, 2022 — Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac



PASSINGS



None Reported

*We honor those who have passed, for their devotion and service to others;
With sympathies & condolences to family & friends*

NEW MEMBERS — JANUARY

Alpena Lions added members DAVID BAUKOL & MARILYNN BAUKO (Sponsor: Betty Joe Sander) — DAVID P DEFOUR (Sponsor: Bernard Lamp lii) — JEFFREY A NIEMETTA (Sponsor: David Zeller) — DWIGHT OLEWINE (Sponsor: Jon Emerson) — PATRICIA RONDEAU (Sponsor: Betty Joe Sander)

Harrisville Lions inducted members JUDITH A. BLOWER (Sponsor: David Blower) — JEANNE M. MESKUS (Sponsor: EDward Foster) — MARCY REDLAWSK (Sponsor: George Redlawsk) — HELEN VOLRATH (Sponsor: JOHN Rizzardì)

Oscoda Lions acquired member BECKY C PENTZ (Sponsor: Jane Meyer)

On the Mend

— None Reported —



Alpena Lions FEBRUARY 2022

Inductions: (Left to Right): Lions Al Best, Bernie Lamp III, Inductees Dan DeFour, Dwight Olewine, David Baukol, Marilynn Baukol, Lion Jon Emerson, Inductee Pat Rondeau, Vice District Governor Steve Murch



Alpena Lions Induct Jeff Niemetta 2/15/22. —L-R: Dave Zeller, Jeff Niemetta and Steve Murch

Beaverton Lions FEBRUARY 2022

Leo Club update. Club members met again last week and were given their Leo Club lapel pins. They were also given the Leo Club banner to be hung in the school and are working with school personnel on an exact location. We will do a press release once we have it up hung in the school. Club members recently signed up for several community related projects. Middle School Lunch Buddies, Food Distribution site at Christ the King Church and Beaverton School. Spring event to clean up and mulch one of Vets buildings and working with school youth by volunteering at their annual lock in.

We also have a member assigned to work on the youth web site. Over 20 members are regularly attending meetings and we plan to install Leo leadership at our regular Lions Club meeting of March 7th.

Beaverton High School Leo Club members assisted the local school district in a recent food distribution effort. Several Club members took part in the event as shown in the attached photos (*below*).



Boyne Valley Lions FEBRUARY 2022

Boyne Valley Lion volunteers sold their delicious pasties, for \$8.00 each, at Smeltania on Saturday, February 26, 2022 from 1PM - 5PM. (Details to come later)





Central Lake Lions

FEBRUARY 2022

IPDG Rod Leathers presents the 2020-2021 Club Excellence Award patch and pin to current President Marie Leathers and Immediate Past President Randy Miller for earning this award during Randy's year as president.



Hybrid meetings have become the new standard during winter months. Club members near and far were able to interact before and during the meeting, and also be able to hear PDG Dennis Richardson's inspirational talk on Eversight.



Cheboygan Lions

FEBRUARY 2022

Lion Mark Tamlyn (Secretary) hands Hank Roman, business manager, for the Salvation Army, a check for \$250.00 to help support the Cheboygan community



East Jordan Lions

FEBRUARY 2022

East Jordan Lions Club awarded the milestone Chevron Award to members (*left*) Linda and (*right*) Denny Gocha for their 10 years of service. They were recognized for their dedication to the Lions Club and the motto We Serve. The award was given by past District Governor Rod Leathers (*center*).



Oscoda Lions FEBRUARY 2022

Oscoda Lions 10th Annual Souper Supper and Bowl sale was held on Friday. The Lion members provided homemade soups (23 of them.) and Art teacher Jamie Merdzinske students created bowls to sell. Everyone had a good time they must of love the soup because there was no leftovers. The students bowls sold well, they made over \$1000. The students will be giving that money to a Charity of their choice.





CORONAVIRUS UPDATES – FEB. 28 - MAR. 01, 2022

This is a snapshot of the World, Nation, and State of Michigan statistics on **February 28 2022 - March 1, 2022**. Numbers may be significantly higher by the time you read this as the COVID-19 Delta & Omicron Variants continue to infect more.
(Info from WHO, CDC & michigan.gov. & other health websites)

World Statistics

Cases: 438,480,395 ♦ **Deaths: 5,981,179**

U. S. Statistics

Cases: 78,759,083 ❖ **Deaths: 945,688**

Michigan Statistics

Cases: 2,360,399 ♦ **Deaths: 34,505**

Vaccinations (1 or more doses) Summary: Age: 5+: 1 or + Dose

World: 64.4% – **United States: 81.2%** – **Michigan: 66.1%**

(Statistics may vary monthly as new information and corrections are applied)

DISTRICT 11-E2 STATISTICS

 = Highest No.

 = Lowest No.

| 11-E2 Counties | Cases Reported | Deaths | % Vaccinated |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Alcona: | 1,705 | 67 | 62.05% |
| Alpena: | 5,518 | 133 | 61.02% |
| Antrim: | 4,256 | 58 | 65.06% |
| Arenac: | 3,173 | 62 | 57.69% |
| Charlevoix: | 4,857 | 58 | 69.99% |
| Cheboygan: | 4,547 | 100 | 61.65% |
| Crawford: | 2,524 | 29 | 58.81% |
| Emmet: | 6,302 | 80 | 74.33% |
| Gladwin: | 5,540 | 107 | 54.69% |
| Iosco: | 4,757 | 167 | 63.38% |
| Kalkaska: | 3,481 | 53 | 53.71% |
| Montmorency: | 1,693 | 46 | 60.57% |
| Ogemaw: | 4,289 | 99 | 59.60% |
| Oscoda: | 1,423 | 53 | 49.01% |
| Otsego: | 5,540 | 96 | 61.21% |
| Presque Isle: | 2,056 | 55 | 66.82% |
| Roscommon: | 4,564 | 110 | 61.66% |
| Totals | 66,225 | 1,373 | Total Avg: 61.25% |

Confirmed cases include individuals with a positive NAAT/RT-PCR test for COVID-19. Probable cases include individuals with either a positive rapid antigen detection test OR COVID-19 symptoms and an epidemiologic link to a confirmed COVID-19 case, but no diagnostic test.

Vaccination % = number of county residents vaccinated (1 or 2 doses) divided by the total county resident population 5+



COVID Update / Behind the Mask

Over a year into the biggest vaccination campaign in history, more than 10.8 billion doses have been administered across 184 countries, according to data collected by Bloomberg. The latest rate was roughly 28.9 million doses a day – 137 shots for every 100 people worldwide.

In the U.S., 553 million doses have been given so far. During the last week, shots were administered at an average rate of 165,453 doses a day. Despite these efforts, the U.S. may soon reach 1 million deaths.

Facts about most dangerous COVID Variants:

- **Alpha:** The first highly publicized variant. Alpha appeared in Britain in November 2020 – infections surged in December.
 - ❑ Spike protein was thought to make it more infectious – B.1.1.7 lineage believed to be 30 to 50% more contagious than the original coronavirus – in mid-April 2021 Alpha comprised 66% of cases – more likely infected people hospitalized; was deadlier than the original virus.
- **Beta:** Identified in South Africa at the end of 2020, spread to other countries – Beta was not common in the U.S.
 - ❑ More likely than other variants to lead to hospitalization and death, until Delta.
- **Delta:** Estimates that Delta caused more than twice as many infections as previous variants.
 - ❑ Caused more severe disease than other variants in people who weren't vaccinated – twice as likely in some areas – more likely to result in hospitalization of the unvaccinated.
- **Delta AY.4.2:** Technically an offshoot of Delta and not itself a coronavirus variant – thought to be 10 to 20% more transmissible than Delta.
 - ❑ Did not appear to pose a greater chance of hospitalization or death.
- **Omicron:** Identified in Botswana and South Africa in late November 2021. – More transmissible than Delta – In mid-December, Omicron became the predominant strain in the U.S. – caused daily case numbers to skyrocket to over a million.
 - ❑ Though Omicron caused record numbers of cases, it appears to be less severe than previous variants – preliminary laboratory data shows that antibodies generated from vaccines are less effective at neutralizing Omicron, but booster shots help to restore some of that loss.

Why I wear a Mask: From the beginning of the Pandemic the practice of wearing masks has been a controversial subject. Masks were encouraged, and mandated in some areas, as a way to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Health experts never claimed, to my knowledge, that masks were 100% effective in keeping viral-carrying exhaled droplets from getting into someone's nose or mouth, infecting people. Only a hazmat suit can make that claim. Effective mask protection may be 90%, or more, or 50%, or less, depending on the quality and the proper wearing of the mask. High quality KN95, KF94, and N95 masks have the tightest fit and the best filtration. Surgical masks are also effective at filtering out small viral particles. But if not worn tight or the nose isn't covered, it isn't going to protect the wearer no matter what the quality of the mask may be.

COVID only exists by contact — somebody infected, a host, has to exhale droplets or have physical contact to spread the disease. The reasoning for wearing masks is two-fold — to help protect the wearer from inhaling virus-carrying exhaled droplets from people in close proximity, and to help protect people in close proximity from inhaling the wearer's exhaled droplets if they have COVID and don't yet know it. None of this is new, you've heard it all before. But, sadly, some people just don't get it, and even more sadly, some just don't want to get it. We are still in this Pandemic because a substantial number people have ignored health protocols and unknowingly, or knowingly, keep spreading the virus. This total lack of compassion and concern for our fellow humans is shocking, and dangerous. On this planet we have a choice, cooperate and help one another, or get your own stuff and to heck with anyone else. I choose the first option; some live number 2. I'm a Lion because I want to give back to my community, and beyond, by helping others. Kindness matters.

The last thing I would ever want to do is to accidentally spread a disease that causes someone's death. I knew the first COVID victim to die in Emmet County, an NCMC professor. I was told a local woman in her 30's, supposedly healthy, caught COVID and ended up in the hospital over 80-some days, 60-some days on a respirator — described to me by a relative as the worst thing she had ever seen. A high school classmate of my wife lost her father and a sister to COVID last year — a family suddenly smaller. COVID is real for those who lost someone. So yes, I will wear a mask in stores with "Masks Encouraged" signs, and avoid crowded venues, until the Pandemic is officially OVER!

BE KIND. MASK UP + SOCIAL DISTANCE + WASH HANDS + VACCINATION = STAY SAFE!



Pictures of the Month - March 2022

The Eben Ice Caves in Michigan's Upper Peninsula



Near the tiny town of Eben Junction The "Rock River Canyon Ice Caves," better known as the Eben Ice Caves, form when melting snow runs over the edge of a small cliff and freezes, forming "ice caves."

In the summer there is little to no water running over the edge. It's the perfect combination of a slow snow melt and frigid temperatures that causes these "caves" of ice to form.



Photos from March 7, 2020



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Didn't find any mention of YOUR Lions Club in this issue?

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NOTE: Submissions received after the 4th of the month will be printed in the next month issue

- Activities: Service Projects, Fundraising Events, Club Events & What You See
- Club Milestones: Awards, Club Officers, New Memberships, Passings & What Is Happening With Our Members
- Photos of Service Activities, Fundraising Events, Awards, etc.

*** Photos:** Should be 300 pixels for good quality.

Include names of individuals in photos, and/or describe what the photo is showing.

Text: Include dates and names (if applicable) for all events submitted.

Text will be edited as needed for space, spelling, corrections, etc.

Don't be left out!!



Racism has no place in our world.

Our organization depends on the incredible diversity of our members around the world because great things can only be achieved when are united.

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