

# DISTRICT 11-E2 NEWSLETTER



*Notable Quotes: "There are three classes of people: those who see, those who see when they are shown, those who do not see." — Leonardo da Vinci*

## SEPTEMBER 2021

## District Governor's Message



District Governor  
William Gaines

Greetings, fellow Lions.

Our district is staying on the positive side of membership numbers this year with an increase of five. Thank you to the Central Lake Club which added six members and is now the largest club in the district. Most of the districts in the state are up in numbers, reporting the first membership increase during the first month of the year in many years. The clubs I have talked to are working hard to restart or increase their service activities and making good progress which should help with recruiting new members and keeping our current members.

It would be great to have service reporting to LCI increase from the current 14% of our clubs so everyone knows about our efforts, both inside and outside the district. I know about service work being accomplished across the district, but much of what is accomplished isn't reported to LCI, reported in this newsletter or covered in the MD-11 Lion Pride. Our district Information Technology chairperson, Marie Leathers, can assist with technical consultation. Our district secretary/treasurer, Barb Durflinger, now has district administrator access to LCI so can report information to Lions International for your club if you are struggling with getting that accomplished.

I'm very happy to share that the Hillman Club has committed to becoming an LCIF model club which means they will donate \$500 per member on their roster to LCIF. Congratulations to Hillman on this impressive pledge.

Finally, we still need several district positions to be filled. The Global Membership chair as well as Zone chairs for Zones 1 and 3 is high priority. Additionally, Eversight, LEO Clubs and White Cane committees still need chairperson. Serving at the District level doesn't require a huge commitment, but workers are needed to enhance our service at all levels. Thanks to those who have stepped up to serve at the district level and to those who will step up.



## 2021-2022 DISTRICT OFFICERS REFERENCE LIST

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**District 11-E2 Website:**  
[lionsdistrict11e2.org](http://lionsdistrict11e2.org)

**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 Steven Murch Alpena Lions Club <a href="mailto:stevemurch49707@gmail.com">stevemurch49707@gmail.com</a>	Alpena, Alpena Evening, Atlanta, Glennie, Hillman, Hubbard Lake, Mio
ZONE 2	CLUBS	ZONE 4	CLUBS
ZC Jim Broome Central Lake Lions Club <a href="mailto:jrbroome@charter.net">jrbroome@charter.net</a>	Central Lake, Elk Rapids, Grayling, Houghton Lake, Lewiston/ Lewiston Lioness Lions, Roscommon- Higgins Lake	ZC Don McDonell Hale Lions Club <a href="mailto:cdmcdonell@gmail.com">cdmcdonell@gmail.com</a>	Beaverton, Hale, Harrisville, Lincoln, Oscoda, Prescott-Skidway Lake, Rose City,



# Lions Clubs International



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Service from the heart with International President, Douglas X. Alexander

Dear Lion,

A great partner will always bring out the best in you. And for more than 50 years, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has been empowering Lions to serve at our best. Now, in our final year of Campaign 100, we have an incredible opportunity to give back and help ensure that Lions at home, and around the world, have the support they need for years to come.

I have personally seen the impact that LCIF makes through my club and in my community. Your donation to Campaign 100 is more than a contribution to your foundation—it is a gift from your heart to your community. It is a promise to continue to fight hunger, prevent diabetes, protect the environment and help the people around you live healthy and hope-filled lives. Because that is why we serve. And together with LCIF and Campaign 100, we can deliver that promise and a better future for all.

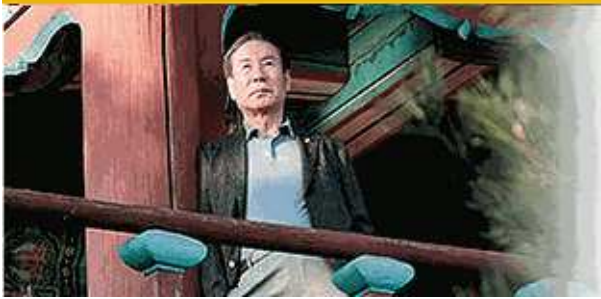
Yours in Service,

*Douglas X. Alexander*

**Douglas X. Alexander**  
**International President**



## LCIF.ORG | A Letter From Your Chairperson



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

**Fellow Lion,**

On Saturday, August 14, an **earthquake struck Haiti**, just days before a tropical storm is projected to pass near the island. The 7.2 magnitude quake has left more than 200 people dead, hundreds more injured or missing, and major devastation in several cities.

When a humanitarian crisis of this magnitude strikes, we, as Lions, **are ready to help**. Right beside us is Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), our global foundation.

LCIF quickly responded and approved US\$100,000 in Emergency grant funding to allow Lions in Haiti to respond to urgent needs of the victims.

You can help. Your generous donation to LCIF's disaster relief fund will help deliver further funds to families impacted by the devastation.

**I WANT TO GIVE**

Thank you for your kindness and for working together with LCIF to rebuild lives.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

LCIF Chairperson

Lions Clubs International Foundation







**Dear Lions Club Officer,**

Effective clubs provide meaningful service, maintain a strong and active membership and continually develop new leaders. The tools below focus on these elements to help your club function effectively while meeting the needs of your community and your members.

- **Your Club, Your Way!:** This [guide](#) will help you customize your club meetings to better suite the needs and lifestyles of your club members. It includes a simple, fun exercise to help determine which elements of your meeting to keep and what to change, as well as a process for phasing in change.
- **Build a Vision for Your Club:** Use this [planning guide](#) and [PowerPoint](#) to discover your club's strengths, ways to improve and new opportunities that will help your club grow and thrive! Planning forms help develop a vision, assess your club's needs and organize your plan for successful implementation.
- Service is a journey that is the core of being a Lion or Leo. Did you know that there is a new course in the Lions Learning Center where you can learn about the Service Journey? Through five engaging modules you can learn about the global causes, and how to serve in new ways, and about the resources to help serve your communities, region and the world!
- Log in to the [Lions Learning Center](#) and search for "The Service Journey" in the Content Library to complete the course today.

For questions, inquiries or to order your copy of the Your Club, Your Way! and Build a Vision for Your Club Guides, please contact us by phone at (630) 468-7084 or email [clubofficers@lionsclubs.org](mailto:clubofficers@lionsclubs.org).

Sincerely,

**Your District & Club Administration Division Team**



A message from:

**Jerome Thompson**

**Past International Director,  
GAT Constitutional Area 1  
Leader**



## Jerome Thompson Message:

Can you believe that one month has passed so quick? However, the Lions of Constitutional Area 1 (US and Affiliates, Bermuda, and Bahamas) rode the wave of momentum from June into a record-breaking July. While in the past we have averaged losing more than 1650 members in July, this year your hard work led us to a membership GAIN of +373. Also, 7 new clubs were added in July. Thank You!!

As a club officer, you are important to your community, as well as, Lions Clubs International. Because of your leadership, smiles are being put on the faces of those in need. We are expanding our ability to serve by inviting others to join. Additionally, because we are serving from the heart, we are finding new ways to embrace all members and enhance their membership experience.

Monthly, as your Constitutional Area GAT leader, I will share with you our success, as well as tools that you may need to expand your footprint of service, invite others to join for a greater impact, and provide an opportunity for all Lions to be engaged in personal and leadership development, as they desire.

### In the coming weeks, would you consider the following:

1. **Reinstate** - Look over the list of Lions who have left your club in the last 3-5 years and invite them to rejoin your club.
2. **Replace** – Every club has a few members it will need to drop in December. In the next few months, R2D1 (Recruit 2, drop 1). Your club will be stronger, and we won't have those Dreaded December Drops
3. **Rejuvenate** - Members will get excited when given the opportunity to work on a new service project or attend a club celebration in honor of a job well done.

Working together, we can all find success. Your Global Action Team is here to help. Please let me know what we can do to help you in your quest to serve more, invite more and lead more.

Thank you

**Jerome Thompson**

### RESOURCES: (Online LCI Website)

**Zone and Club Global Membership Approach Resources**

**Club Excellence Award**

**Global Action Team Roster**

**Reinstate – Membership Application**

**Replace – Membership Growth Event Toolbox**

**Rejuvenate – Service Launchpad**

**Lions Clubs International Press Center – Club Public Relations Tools**

*This email was sent to zone chairpersons and club officers in Constitutional Area 1. Lions International*





## A Message from Our General Chair



The Planning and Host Committees are busy with final preparations as the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is now a month away.

This year sure has presented a lot of challenges for event planning, and we know it has affected many of you as you consider attending the Forum and make your own travel plans.

After a positive outlook earlier this Summer, the Delta variant has created a lot of uncertainty, and we were disappointed by the late extension of the U.S. land border closure to Aug. 21. **Please review the updated COVID protocols and information about scheduling on-site COVID testing below.** We are trying to remain safe and flexible, as circumstances may change again prior to Sept. 9.

If you have been waiting to register, the fee goes up starting August 16. This coincides to the date we have to return unused rooms to the hotels, and two large events are likely consume any available rooms Saturday night.

Continue reading to learn more about the Strides event at #LionsForum2021 and activities for Leos and Young Lions. Also a special appreciation to our sponsor, Hillrom/School Health!

In leadership, friendship, and service,  
Wendy Cain

The Forum will follow applicable public safety guidelines for the Iowa Events Center. These have changed since our last newsletter, and are subject to change again prior to the Forum. Currently: **Per the CDC and Polk County (Iowa), face coverings should be worn indoors regardless of vaccination status to help prevent the spread of the virus and protect others.**

The Forum strongly encourages all attendees to wear face covering and practice social distancing where practical during Forum events. We also wish to embrace "kindness matters" and respect fellow Lions' personal comfort and precautions of wearing face coverings and social distancing.



Dear Lion,

Thank you for your continued support of Eversight during the 2020-2021 Lions' fiscal year. We know fundraising has been especially difficult as in-person events are slowly resuming. You have remained a loyal advocate for sight restoration through it all.

Your gift this year helped us achieve the following milestones:

Worked with more than

**5,000**

eye and cornea  
tissue donors

Gave the gift of sight to  
more than

**6,500**

individuals in need of  
sight-restoring surgeries

## 2020-2021 Lions Sight Leaders

Thank you to each of these Sight Leaders during the Lions' 2020-2021 fiscal year that donated \$3,000 or more—an amount that helps cover expenses for a patient in need of a sight-restoring transplant. We look forward to recognizing you with a Sight Leaders banner patch for your club's outstanding support.



**Bedford Township Lions Club**

**District 11 B-1 Lions International**

**Lathrup Village Lions Club**

**Wheaton Lions Club**

## 2020-2021 Lions Supporters Leaders

Eversight also thanks and recognizes the following clubs that contributed between \$500–\$2,999. They will receive a Sight Supporters pin to display on their banner for their commitment to the gift of sight.

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Algonquin Lions Club  
 Alpena Lions Club  
 Ann Arbor Host Lions Club  
 Atco Lions Club  
 Bay City Lions Club  
 Beverly Hills Lions Club  
 Big Rapids Lions Club  
 Bloomfield Lions Club  
 Camden Lions Club  
 Canton Lions Club  
 Cass City Lions Club  
 Center Line Lions Club  
 Central Lake Lions Club  
 Chesaning Lions Club  
 Chester Lions Club  
 Clawson Lions Club  
 DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club  
 Dexter Lions Club  
 District 11 E-1 Lions International  
 District 11 E-2 Lions International  
 Dundee Township Lions Club  
 Eastpointe Lions Club  
 Edmore Lions Club  
 Elburn Lions Club  
 Elk Rapids Lions Club  
 Empire Lions Club  
 Essexville-Hampton Lions Club  
 Frankenmuth Lions Club  
 Fremont Lions Club  
 Fruitport Lioness Club  
 Grand Ledge Lions Club  
 Grand Rapids Lions Club  
 Greenville Lions Club  
 Hawthorne Lions Club  
 Holt Lions Club  
 Honor Lions Club  
 Hubbard Lake Lions Club  
 Jackson Host Lions Club  
 Laingsburg Lions Club  
 Lake Orion Lions Club  
 Lakewood Area Lions Club

Les Cheneaux Lions Club  
 Lewiston Lions Club  
 Lions District 16-J Charitable Foundation  
 Lions District 16-L Charitable Foundation  
 Midland Lions Club  
 Millington Lions Club  
 Morris Lions Club  
 Mount Clemens Lions Club  
 Mount Pleasant Lions Club  
 Naperville Noon Lions Club  
 New Baltimore Lions Club  
 New Jersey Lions Charitable Foundation  
 New Jersey Lions District 16-N Charitable Foundation  
 New Providence Lions Club  
 Northville Lions Club  
 Paw Paw Lions Club  
 Plymouth Lions Club  
 Port Huron South Park Lions Club  
 Powers-Spalding Lions Club  
 Rochester Hills Lions Club  
 Rochester Lions Club  
 Rose City Lions Club  
 Royal Oak Lions Club  
 Rutherford Lions Club  
 Saddle River Valley Lions Club  
 Sayreville Lions Club  
 Shelby Township Lions Club  
 St. Joseph Lions Club  
 Sterling Heights Lioness Club  
 Sterling Heights Lions Club  
 Tinley Park Lions Club  
 Trenton Lions Club  
 USA Lions Club  
 Waldwick Lions Club  
 Warren Township Lions Club  
 Williamston Lions Club  
 Wixom-Walled Lake Lions Club  
 Wood-Ridge Lions Club  
 Zilwaukee Lions Club

**Reminder:** Clubs that achieve and remain at the Sight Leader level will be awarded a yearly chevron to complement their initial banner patch. Those that continue to achieve Sight Supporter status will receive a new banner pin each year that they give. As a Sight Leader or Sight Supporter, you will be hearing from Eversight soon so we can award your banner patch or pin.

**Congratulations and thank you again to all clubs recognized. Please spread the good news and share this recognition with your fellow Lions Club members and district leaders. Your service gets us each one step closer to achieving our mutual focus of preventing avoidable blindness and improving the quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.**

# GOVERNOR APPRECIATION PICNIC

**2020-2021 DISTRICT 11-E2  
IPDG ROD LEATHERS  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2021  
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**



**DAVIS PIN SHOOT PAVILION, 5600 WICKS WAY, CENTRAL LAKE, MI**  
 RSVP to [den7rich@gmail.com](mailto:den7rich@gmail.com) or 231-944-0587 by Aug 31, 2021  
 \$25 per person - Pay online at [lionsdistrict11e2.org](http://lionsdistrict11e2.org) (PayPal or credit card)  
 or mail check to Central Lake Lions Club, PO Box 233, Central Lake, MI 49622  
 Dress is picnic casual!

**10:00 AM**  
Doughnuts & Fruit  
Coffee & Tea





**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**  
Dunk Tank  
Cornhole  
Horseshoes

**Fun & Games  
Live Music  
FREE WINE, BEER  
& SOFT DRINKS**

**1:00 PM**  
Appetizers  
Live Music  
**2:00 PM**  
Luncheon  
Pulled Pork  
Potato Salad  
Baked Beans  
Cake

**Guest Speaker  
PID Jenny Ware**

**KINDNESS IS THE ONLY SERVICE THAT WILL STAND THE STORM OF LIFE AND NOT WASH OUT**

## Governor Appreciation Picnic

It's not too late to register for the Governor Appreciation Picnic. After 2 years without an in person convention, this is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with Lions from clubs throughout our district, plus having past International Director Jenny Ware as our guest speaker to top it off! This outdoor picnic is going to be a fun and festive atmosphere with corn hole, horse shoes, hole in one golf, live music and the highlight attraction - the opportunity to put IPDG Rod in the dunk tank! The forecast is looking good, and even if it's not, the party will go on under the huge pavilion.

BUT we need your help.....we need more participation if we are going to move forward as planned. Whether you plan to attend or not, please fill out the survey below so we can finalize our plans.

Picnic Attendance Survey

You can register using these links:

Online Registration Available Here

Print and Mail Registration

You can download all the details on the Central Lake Lions Website:

[https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/central\\_lake/](https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/central_lake/)

## Governor Appreciation Picnic

2020-2021 District 11-E2 — DG Rod Leathers

September 18, 2021 — 10:00 AM -- 4:00 PM

Davis Pin Shoot Pavilion , 5600 Wicks Way, Central Lake MI

**Dress is picnic casual**

RSVP to PDG Dennis Richardson by August 31, 2021 den7rich@gmail.com or 231-944-0587

\$25 per person - Pay online at lionsdistrict11e2.org

(PayPal or credit card) Or checks can be mailed to:

Central Lake Lions Club

PO Box 233

Central Lake, MI 49622

10:00 AM Doughnuts, Fruit, Coffee & Tea

10:00 AM • 2:00 PM Fun and Games

Dunk tank, corn hole, horseshoes and more!

1:00 PM Appetizers and Live Music

2:00 Luncheon and Keynote Speaker **Jenny Ware**

**FREE WINE, BEER and SOFT DRINKS**

Link: [https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/central\\_lake/](https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/central_lake/)



I am on the Hearing Aid Committee of the Lions of Michigan Foundation. We are contacting each District in MD 11 to update our records with the latest information on Clubs who participate in the Hearing Aid program and the Audiologists who participate in helping to provide hearing aids.

To assist in this project, I am requesting that each club that participates in the program provide me with the name, address and phone number of the Audiologist which their constituency uses to obtain their hearing aids.

We receive phone calls from many clients who need hearing aids, but they are not able to find a participating audiologist in their communities.

If your club does or does not participate in the Hearing Aid program, please let me know either way.

Thank you for your consideration in helping set up a District 11 E-2 record for hearing aids.

Beverly Bodem

Alpena Lions Club

MD 11 Hearing Aid Committee

121 E. White St., Alpena, MI 49707

[bodembd@charter.net](mailto:bodembd@charter.net) 989-354-4656



# 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 the their hearing loss. 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!

## Order and Recipe Submission Form - Deadline October 1, 2021

- ☐ I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ Cookbook(s) for \$20 each for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I have enclosed/attached a copy of my personal or family recipe that you may use in the cookbook.
- ☐ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

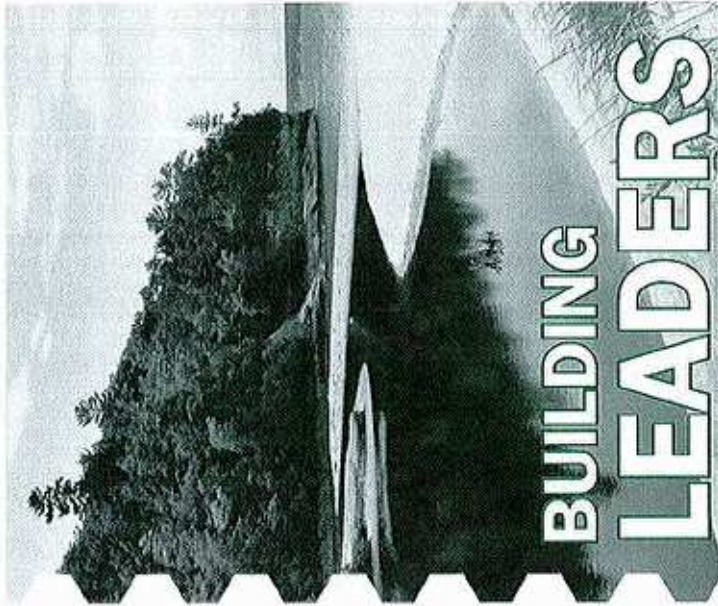
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_


5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - [info@lmsf.net](mailto:info@lmsf.net)





# BUILDING LEADERS

## ONE LION AT A TIME



### Lions Leadership Institute

R.A. MacMullan Center  
Higgins Lake, MI  
**November 5-7, 2021**



5730 Executive Drive  
Lansing, MI 48911  
(517) 887-6640 • fax: (517) 887-6642  
email [lions@lionsofmi.com](mailto:lions@lionsofmi.com)

*The Lions Leadership Institute is a unique opportunity for individuals to learn and develop lifelong leadership skills, which can be applied to their job, their Lions Club, and their life.*



### EVENT INFORMATION

**Date:** November 5-7, 2021  
Friday morning through Sunday noon

**Location:** R.A. MacMullan Center  
104 Conservation Drive  
Roscommon, MI 48653

The center features a casual atmosphere on the north shore of beautiful Higgins Lake. It is easily accessed from US-127.

**\$225/per person**

Fee includes registration, course materials, two night's lodging and six meals



## UNITING TALENT WITH OPPORTUNITY

The Leadership Institute is an opportunity for Lions to develop lifelong leadership skills.

The Institute features a variety of classes including...

- > team building
- > conflict resolution
- > personal effectiveness
- > personality styles
- > mentoring
- > four R's of leadership
- > listening & speaking skills
- > managing change

Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented.

### > WHY ATTEND A LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE FOR LIONS?

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.



Attending the Leadership Institute gives participants the tools and confidence to become more effective leaders. The skills learned can be applied to their job, their Lions Club and their everyday lives.

Participants learn key components of team building. By sharing ideas, success stories and humanitarian endeavors, Lions learn how to influence membership and become more open-minded and receptive to change.

### > > > PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS & SELECTION PROCESS

The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute focuses on building the skills of emerging Lion leaders at the club, zone, region and district levels.

All Lions in good standing who wish to develop or improve their leadership skills are eligible to apply. Club and district officers are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn life-long skills.

Applicants should demonstrate a desire to improve their leadership skills.

Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program (Friday morning through Sunday noon), followed by a life-long personal growth.

Because of space limitations and the anticipated high number of applications to be received, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. After screening the applications, the Institute Planning Committee will notify you of your acceptance.

The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.

### How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism?

The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.

### How can all of this be accomplished?

The Institute is partially funded through a grant from LCI's Leadership Division. Lions Clubs and Districts also provide a portion of the cost of the Institute. In addition, a registration fee is paid by participants.



## APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2021

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you previously attended a Michigan Lions Leadership Institute? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lion Lioness Leo (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_  
 District \_\_\_\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_

### OFFICES YOU HAVE HELD:

Club Level-  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District Level-  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Multiple District Level-  
 Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

☐ Enclosed is my check for \$225.00

### CREDIT CARD:

☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover  
 Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CID No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Lions Leadership Institute  
 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911



### Event Information

Date: November 5-7, 2021 Friday morning through noon Sunday.

Location: R.A. MacMullan Center  
104 Conservation Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653

The training center is located on the northern shore of pristine Higgins Lake. The MacMullan Conference Center provides a quiet, casual atmosphere where you can benefit from self-discovery and wander through a natural experience.

The MacMullan Center is easily accessed from I-75-127.

**\$225**  
per person

Fee includes registration, course materials, two night's lodging and six meals.

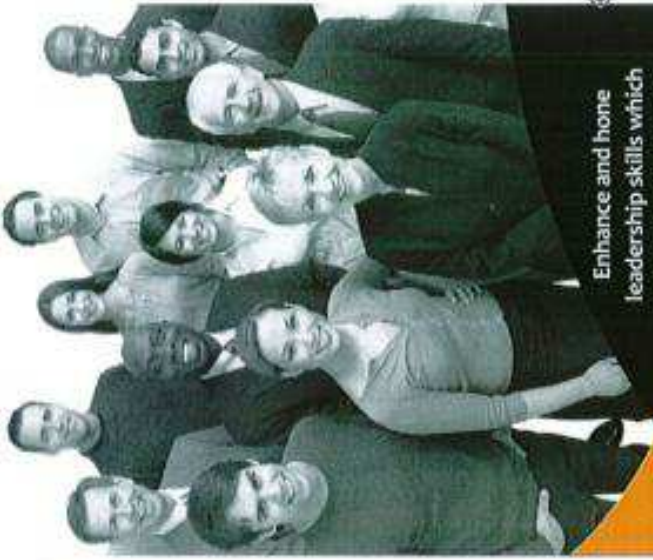
### Participant Qualifications

The purpose of the Lions Graduate Institute is to expand on skills learned at the Lions Leadership Institute. The curriculum focuses on techniques and concepts that will enhance the quality and overall effectiveness of Lion leaders. In order to attend, participants must have completed the Lions Leadership Institute.

Qualified candidates are members who want to become effective leaders through advanced leadership training, presentation skills and project management.

Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program (Friday morning-Sunday noon). Attendance at classroom sessions is mandatory.

Graduates of this Institute are expected to utilize their skills in training events at all levels of Lionism.



Enhance and hone leadership skills which can be applied to your everyday life.

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# Lions Graduate Institute



Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.

## .....

Class activity directly involves participants in the learning process. Challenging activities encourage communication and problem solving, and enable participants to experience the concepts presented.

### Presentation Skills

Training involves more than "stand up" delivery skills, but those skills are extremely important in conveying your message. Learn critical delivery skills for effective trainers including:

- Eye contact and movement
- Tone, pace, and expression
- Movement and posture
- Appropriate language usage

### Leadership Skills

Leadership is a key skill for all Lions. Being an effective leader means taking initiative, being open to diverse opinions and encouraging creativity and innovation.

### Lionistic Skills

Part of being an effective leader is knowing how to talk about the Lions organization. Learn how to communicate who Lions are, what they do and how their services enrich lives.

### Training Benefits

Training is vital to the growth, health and future of the Lions organization. Yes, "We Serve," but the quality of our service depends upon the quality of training.

Training can also influence membership. Through sharing ideas, success stories, and humanitarian endeavors, training unifies Lions and solidifies their commitment to service.

Today's volunteers view opportunities for personal and professional growth as a primary motive for volunteering. Organizations that provide training enhance the volunteer experience by meeting the needs of the community and the member simultaneously. Training is just one more way Lions Clubs can enrich the lives of members.

Through training, individual Lions can grow personally and professionally, expand their knowledge and skill base, and enhance leadership and organizational skills.

### Selection Process

Because of space limitations and the anticipated high number of applications to be received, acceptance into the Institute is not guaranteed. After screening the applications, the Institute Planning Committee will notify you of your acceptance.

The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.



## APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: OCTOBER 8, 2021

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 What year did you attend the Leadership Institute? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lion Lioness Leo (circle one)  
 District \_\_\_\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Highest Lions office held \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:**  
☐ Enclosed is my check for \$225.00  
**CREDIT CARD:**  
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover  
 Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 CID No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Send application and check to:  
 Lions Graduate Institute  
 5730 Executive Drive  
 Lansing, MI 48911



**From:** Jean Hill**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2021 01:28 PM**To:** ComDaC**Subject:** **Peace Poster Contest**

Attention fellow clubs in District 11E2:

I am Jean Manning, a Hillman Lion, and your new District Peace Poster chair. I would be happy to forward a Peace Poster kit to your club at no charge to your club! Please let me know if you're interested in receiving a Kit, and we'll see about getting it to you!

Poster Contest Guidelines: open to students (or student groups) ages 11-13, the theme this time is "We are all connected", artwork should be no smaller than 13x20 inches and no larger than 20x24". There's a lot more information available about the contest, and it's all explained within the kit.

It's a great way to introduce our youth to Lions!

Jean Manning

Jean Manning - aka Jean Hill

989-808-4476

## Lions International Peace Poster Contest

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

Lions have been serving and connecting safely through social distancing, Zoom meetings, social media and more, and we encourage you to continue being safe as you sponsor the Peace Poster Contest. The 2021-2022 Contest: **We Are All Connected.**

Consider the following tips:

- Email or call your school or youth group leaders to check in, confirm their participation in this year's contest and offer your support.
- Encourage schools conducting e-learning to participate by providing contest rules and instructions online. Students can then complete their posters at home and drop them off to the designated school contact.
- Provide your name, email address and phone number to the participating school or youth group contact, and make plans to collect the posters from them for the local judging.
- Follow local guidelines for gathering and practicing social distancing when holding your contest judging (at the club, district and multiple district levels).
- Consider holding your contest judging online. Photograph the entries and post them without the student's names (remember it is a blind judging) in an online photo gallery such as Flickr, Google Photos, etc. Share the link with your judges and include a score sheet to email back to you.
- Recognize local winners by sharing their poster images with your local news media and by posting them on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.) with #PeacePoster.

How are you adapting and innovating the way you hold your contest? We would love to hear from you. Please post your photos and stories on social media using the hashtag #PeacePoster or email [peaceposter@lionsclubs.org](mailto:peaceposter@lionsclubs.org).

Info from LCI Website

Lions of MichiganDistrict 11 E-2Cabinet Meeting Minutes, August 14, 2021, Grayling and via Zoom

**Cabinet Members in Attendance-** DG Gaines, 2VDG Murch, CST Durflinger, GST Marie Leathers, and IPDG Leathers

**Cabinet Members in Attendance via Zoom-** ZC Broome

**Cabinet Members Absent –** 1VDG Drury, GLT Zeller

**Lions in Attendance** PDG's Bob Gingerich, Gordon Harris (Zoom), Roger Houthoofd (Zoom), and Bev Bodem (Zoom), Lions Brian Chace, Eric Eide, Di LaBeau, BJ Sander, Julie Haase and Dave Zimmer

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM by DG Gaines. The invocation was offered by DG Gaines. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by 2VDG Murch.

**Secretary's Report** - Minutes of the 4/16/21 cabinet meeting were presented by CST Durflinger. DG Gaines requested that they be accepted as published. There was no correspondence.

**Treasurer's Report-** The financials for the 2020-21 year were presented showing a beginning balance in the administrative account of \$31,972.92, income of \$16,850.70, expenses of \$13,768.88 leaving an ending balance as of 6/30/21 of \$35,054.74. This is made up of \$26,520.55 in administration and \$8,534.19 in convention funds. The projects account had a beginning balance of \$40,314.52, income of \$5,671.69 and expenses of \$9,882.14 leaving an ending balance of \$36,104.07. The 2021-22 budget was presented. We are projecting expenses exceeding income by \$2064 this Lions' year, but with reduced expenditures the last two years due to Covid restrictions, we have plenty of cash in the bank to cover the shortfall. The financials for YTD 2021-22 were presented showing a beginning balance in the administrative account of \$35,054.74, income of \$5,646.50, expenses of \$5,110.99 leaving an ending balance as of 8/13/21 of \$35,590.25. This is made up of \$26,810.56 in administration and \$8,779.69 in convention funds. The projects account had a beginning balance of \$36,104.07, income of \$100.00 and expenses of \$500.00 leaving an ending balance of \$35,704.07. It was moved by IPDG Leathers, supported by 2VDG Murch that the financials report be accepted as presented. Motion carried. The dues collection report was presented, showing there are eight clubs that have not yet paid their first half dues. CST Durflinger will be mailing out reminders next week.

**Old Business-** None

**New Business-** CST Durflinger reported that Bear Lake Camp is hosting a Wine and Beer tasting fundraiser on October 29. They have asked for event sponsorships, one of which is a \$1,000 sponsorship which includes recognition and 8 tickets to the event. We have over \$2,400 in our special needs camp fund, so after some discussion it was moved by 2VDG Murch, supported by IPDG Leathers that we do a \$1,000 sponsorship. The eight tickets will be awarded from a drawing of entries of each person attending the 8/14 and 10/9 cabinet meetings. Motion carried.

**GMT Report-** DG Gaines noted that as of today we are break-even in membership. IPDG Leathers noted that Central Lake will be adding 6 members this month. DG Gaines is working on getting at least one new club started this year.

**GLT Report-** DG Gaines reported that PDG Zeller is willing to do individual training or group training for any incoming officers that want it. Contact PDG Zeller to arrange training for anyone in your club.



**GST Report-** GST Marie Leathers reported that clubs are beginning to get active again. Too many of our clubs are not reporting their service to LCI, and she will be happy to help anyone who has any questions about how to do it. DG Gaines noted that CST Durflinger has been set up as the District Administrator, so if you are having trouble entering anything, she can do it for you.

**Zone Chair Reports** –ZC Broome reported he will be starting club visits soon. He has spoken to his clubs and they are getting active again. Central Lake has added 16 members in the last three months.

**Committee Reports** Written Reports were provided by: **Diabetes Awareness-** Lion Diane LaBeau/Lion BJ Sander, **District Editor-**Lion Zimmer, **Environmental-** PDG Bodem, **LCIF-** PDG Durflinger, **Lions of Michigan Foundation-** PDG Durflinger, **Website/IT-** GST Marie Leathers

**Oral Reports-** **Bear Lake Camp-** PDG Harris reported that there is a golf outing next week. CST Durflinger will contact them and see if they need any additional support for that event. They are beginning to hold camps this year- two in July, a hearing and a sight camp. **Honorary Committee-** IPDG Leathers reported that he is working on a PDG event, probably in October. He would like to get the PDG's together to do a service project this year. **Pediatric Cancer-** IPDG Leathers reported the state committee hasn't met. If clubs have ideas for something in their local area, please let him know. There are still pediatric cancer t-shirts available for \$15. The proceeds go into the district cancer fund. The proceeds from the dunk tank at IPDG Rod's appreciation dinner will go into the pediatric cancer fund.

**Audience Comments-** The appreciation dinner for IPDG Rod will be held 9/18. Announcements have been sent to all clubs. It is carnival style and is meant for all Lions in the district- horseshoes, cornhole, dunk tank, entertainment, etc.

**VDG Comments-** 2VDG Murch commented that he will be visiting clubs and meeting everyone. He encourages clubs to reach out to clubs around them for joint fundraisers and projects. He is chair of the District Melvin Jones Fellowship committee and reminds clubs to look around at their membership to see if there is someone who deserves this honor. He also encourages clubs to do member satisfaction surveys, and to contact members who resign to find out the reasons.

**DG Comments-** DG Gaines reported that the state convention this year will be in Muskegon from 5/19-5/22. He noted that this is the last year of Campaign 100 at LCIF and encourages every club to make a contribution. We have one model club in the district, the Hillman Lions. They are challenging other district clubs to join them. DG Gaines is challenging all cabinet members to make personal contributions to LCIF- he would like a 100% cabinet. He noted it is time for him to nominate district Lions for the State and International level awards- the Presidential and Leadership medals and the SA Dodge award. If you have suggestions for Lions who deserve these awards, please let him know. He has committee chair positions that need to be filled, and he really needs a GMT. Please talk to your club members about the available positions.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM. The next meeting date will be October 9 at the Congregational Church in Alpena.

Respectfully submitted,  
PDG Barb Durflinger, Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer



## AUGUST 2021 DISTRICT 11 E-2 DIABETES REPORT

Presently in the process of orienting Diabetes Chair, BJ Sander, to the past year's activity. One zoom meeting has been held with the previous and the new diabetes chairs to get acquainted and fill BJ in on what has been done to date. Now passing on contacts info and setting up a date for a zoom meeting with BJ, DAD Project Chair DG Bill Bradfield and DAD Grant Fund Manager PCC Barry Allen. This may occur later this month or in September, when PCC Barry has a more open calendar.

Goals of this past year 2020-2021 have been partially met. The District 11 E-2 DAD Grant funds have been earmarked for a USDA based school program for middle schoolers in the Alpena and Ogemaw schools (received word 8/10/21 that the contract is still in the negotiation stages) and a PreDiabetes education program in the Munson-Kalkaska Health Center (that contract was received 8/10/21 from DAD Project Chair, Bill Bradfield and has been forwarded on to Katie Daman, MS, RN, CDCES, at Munson Kalkaska Memorial Health Center 8/11/21 7am). Any updates to these contracts will be given verbally at the Cabinet Meeting 8/14.

PreDiabetes checklists and MSUE tip sheets and posters "Navigating the Food Pantry with Diabetes" have been printed and distributed to food pantries within our district as an educational outreach during the COVID pandemic when other avenues of providing diabetes education were restricted. Marketing of the MSUE online Diabetes Path classes sponsored by Lions was carried out. Continuous glucose monitors (cGMs) for East Jordan and Bellaire Family Health Centers were funded by a combination of donations from Central Lake and East Jordan Lions Clubs with matching funds from District 11 E-2., not part of the grant.

During the 2021-2022 year, the above mentioned contracts will be monitored and progress updates will be requested from the grant recipients.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Diane LaBeau, 2020-21 past Diabetes Chair

### District 11-E2 Newsletter Editor Report: August 14, 2021 Cabinet Meeting

Lion Barb:

The number of club newsletter submissions May through August:

MAY:	7 Clubs	25.0%	JUNE	5 Clubs	17.9%
JULY:	6 Clubs	21.4%	AUGUST	8 Clubs	28.6%
Name	Months Participated		Name	Months Participated	
• Alpena	3		• Harrisville /Lincoln	1 (Joint venture)	
• Boyne Valley	4		• Hillman	1	
• Central Lake	4		• Oscoda	4	
• East Jordan	4		• Petoskey	2	

As COVID continues but restrictions are loosened, it is apparent that clubs are increasing their levels of activity. Hopefully, this will continue as the year progresses, and more clubs will participate.

Still open to any District Lions Leaders who want to share something inspiring or informing to submit letters/columns/notes. Any suggestions for enhancement are also welcome.

Thanks to all for your support. Stay Safe.

Lion David J. Zimmer  
District 11-E2 Newsletter Editor  
dlzim47@gmail.com



**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE – Dist. 11 E-2 August 14, 2021**

There have been several articles in the in newspapers and other publications within the last few months concerning invasive plant species in northern Michigan. Many of the invasive flowers we enjoy seeing along our highways. One of these invasive species is Purple Loosestrife which is abundant in the summer. The Purple Loosestrife has lovely pink and purple flowers on their stems, but it is an invasive plant that was brought to the United States through ballast water of ships and commercial sale as ornamental shrubs. This plant pushes out the native vegetation such as the joe-pye weed and cardinal flowers which support hummingbirds and other pollinator insects.

Huron Pines out of Gaylord is very much involved (along with many volunteers) in removing many types of invasive species including Purple Loosestrife. Other invasive species include narrow leaf cattails and garlic mustard. I am sure that Huron Pines would welcome more volunteers to assist in the control of invasive plant species.

Beverly Bodem

Dist. 11 E-2 Environmental Committee

989-354-4656 [bodembd@charter.net](mailto:bodembd@charter.net)

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**District 11-E2 IT report**

In order to continue offering Zoom as an option for Lions that can't or prefer not to travel, I would like to request a budget of \$500 for the 2021-22 year. This will allow us to renew the website and the zoom account, and purchase any additional equipment that might be needed to have quality hybrid meetings, with in person and online attendees.

Assistance is available for anyone who needs help using zoom, creating club websites or Facebook pages and using any of the Lion apps (MyLCI, MyLion, Learn, Insights, etc).

\*Marie Leathers

District 11-E2 IT chair



District 11-E2 Cabinet meeting  
April 16, 2021

### LCIF Report

We are entering the fourth year of the third major funding campaign since LCIF was founded 50 years ago, Campaign 100. Campaign 100 was originally a three year campaign, but has been extended for another year due to the Covid crisis. Through 6/30, the end of the third year, the campaign has raised \$215,891,550 of the \$300,000,000 goal.

The goal for every club is to donate an average of \$250/member over three years (only \$80/member/year), with club, individual member and local community donations all included toward this goal. Right now only 6% of Lions donate individually to OUR foundation and International would like to increase this percentage. Our district's percentage is currently 8.65%, led by the Hillman Club at 100%. Individual contributions can be made on a recurring basis via credit card on the LCIF website to make it easier. The Hillman club reached 100% by passing around a can at each meeting for members to put in a dollar or two, or just their pocket change with the proceeds being credited in alphabetical order to each member. This is an easy way that every club could participate. I am also proud to announce that the Hillman Lions have decided to become a model club (giving of an average of \$500/member) and we challenge other clubs in the district to join us in this support of OUR Foundation.

We started the campaign off well in the district. In the first year we raised \$13,363, we raised \$11,844 in 19-20 and \$12,547 in 20-21. This total makes us eligible for another community grant like the one received by the Hillman Club last year which we are using on our Community Walkable Trail project. 18 of our 28 clubs made contributions in 20-21, so we reached 64% giving, a decrease from 19-20 where 21 clubs participated. It would be great if every club could make at least a token contribution this year so that DG Bill could have a 100% district. We still need people or clubs to buy squares on the district Melvin Jones Fellowship raffle board so that we can do the drawing. The squares are \$20 each, with \$10 being credited as an individual contribution to LCIF, and the balance used to pay for the Fellowship. Let me know if you would like to help. The original plan was to complete the squares at the district convention so we could do the drawing then, but Covid disrupted that plan, so we have some more time now to fill up the board.

Now that most (or maybe all?) of us are back doing in person meetings, I am available to make a presentation to your club on Campaign 100, so give me a call! If you have any questions, please contact me.

PDG Barb Durflinger



## Lions of Michigan Foundation report- 8/14/21

The Sight and Hearing sweepstakes finished with 10,841 tickets sold, an increase of 1,073 from last year, better than expected given the Covid restrictions. Our district led the state with 2,478. Seventeen district clubs participated in the sale, so we will be aiming for more club participation in this fundraiser next year. Six clubs sold over 100 tickets, led by Oscoda and Alpena. This is such a great fundraiser for us- rebates from \$3.50-\$5.50/per ticket sold depending on how many you sell, that I don't understand why all of our district clubs don't participate. The rebate for the Oscoda Lions this year was over \$4,200, so a great fundraiser!

Last weekend was the LMF Hall of Fame banquet. I had the pleasure of being the presenter for our own PDG Dave Zeller for his induction. Congratulations to Lion Dave, and to all of our 11-E2 Lions who have been selected for this great honor in the past.

A new fundraising project this year is a cookbook. You can turn recipes in through 10/1, and the cookbooks will be ready probably in November- just in time for Christmas gifts. The cookbooks are \$20 each, and when your club sells 20 or more you will receive a rebate of \$5/cookbook sold.

The Kidsight program is active again, with special Covid protocols to protect both the children and the volunteers. Contact Lion Nate Slezak or Lion Linda Harris to schedule your event. The trailer is available for your community parades or festivals, so let me know if you would like to use it.

Clubs are reminded that the Foundation has funds available to assist needy veterans or military families, and the funds are NOT restricted to medical needs. In the past funds have been given for vehicle repairs, utility bill assistance, etc, so if you know of a needy veteran in your area, talk to one of the trustees about getting an aid application. Our district just received a grant for a veteran who needed vehicle repairs, and one to assist with medical expenses, so contact your local veteran's assistance office and let them know that we can help.

The board approved adding a third tier to the co-pays for hearing aids. They will now be 0-125% of the poverty level, at which the co-pays will be \$25 at the low end, \$100 at the high end. The other two ranges are 125-225% of poverty level and 226-325% of poverty level, with the co-pays increasing with income. New application forms are available.

Our district contributions to the Foundation for the 2020-21 year totaled \$6,610, a significant decrease from last year, but hopefully with conditions improving, we can increase our support this year. All of our state projects need support!

PDG Barb Durflinger  
Assistant Treasurer, Lions of Michigan Foundation

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## SEPTEMBER 2021:

**Governor Appreciation Picnic** — September 18, 2021 — 10 am to 4 pm — \$25  
5600 Wicks Way, Central Lake, MI

Featuring IPDG Rod in the dunk tank along with more fun and games. Guest speaker PID Jenny Ware. See flyer for event details and RSVP.

**Autumnal Equinox** — September 22, 2021 — Summer Ends, Autumn Begins

## OCTOBER 2021:

**Cabinet meeting** — October 09, 2021 — 10:00 a.m.—Congregational Church, Alpena  
Cabinet meeting for all district cabinet members, district committee chairs, zone chairs, club presidents and secretaries.

## DECEMBER 2021:

**Cabinet meeting** — December 11, 2021 — 10:00 a.m. — **Zoom** — Cabinet meeting for all district cabinet members, district committee chairs, zone chairs, club presidents and secretaries.



## PASSINGS



**NONE REPORTED**

## NEW MEMBERS

**No New Members Information Reported In August**

*On the Mend*

**NONE REPORTED IN AUGUST**



## Alpena Lions

### AUGUST 2021

The Alpena Lions Club conducted its annual Mint Sale Aug. 26-27 with members working at three locations and raising \$2,400. The club's next fundraiser will be its annual Old Newsboys sale for the Salvation Army in October.



## Boyne Valley Lions

### AUGUST 2021

White Cane drive last Friday (August 20) collected \$200!

a) Thanks to Lions Lisa, Mike, and Julie for braving the warm and humid day

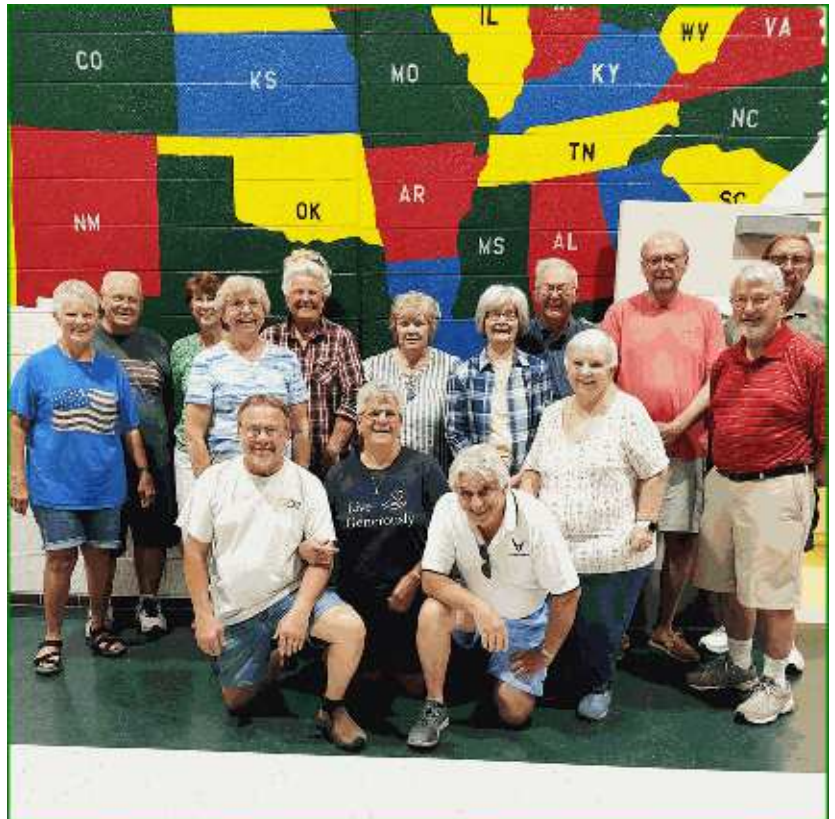
## Hubbard Lake Lions

### AUGUST 2021

The Hubbard Lake Lions and families on several occasions packed over 1000 lunches for the Feeding Kids Ministry.



The Melvin Jones Fellowship was presented to Hubbard Lake Lion Ed Degen by District Governor William Gaines.



The Hubbard Lake Lions received \$810.00 in donations from the annual White Cane Sale.



## Oscoda Lions AUGUST 2021

### First Ramp:

Lion ramp builders, Tony Priebe, Gov. Bill Gaines, John Novak, Ann Bovan and Chuck Andrina built a ramp for a home owner on Indian Trail. The ramp consisted of a 4x4 platform, 12' of ramp, a 4x8 platform and then another 28' ramp. Materials were paid for by the Homeowners family. The lady is currently using a walker but anticipates needing a wheelchair in near future. She is very pleased with the new access the ramp provides. WE SERVE



Gov. Bill Gaines, Ann Bovan,  
Tony Priebe



Back: DG. Bill Gaines,  
Lion John Novak.  
Front: Lions Tony Priebe,  
Chuck Andrina



Lion Tony Priebe,  
Homeowner,  
D.G. Bill Gaines

### Second Ramps (Aug. 29):

Oscoda Lions Tony, Bill, John, and Chuck built two ramps at a mobile home in Tawas today. The exterior ramp was 16' long with a 4'x5' platform. This ramp gives access to an enclosed porch.

A 7' ramp with a 4'x4' platform on the porch gives access to the living area. The platform on the interior ramp was built with removable rails allowing others to bypass this ramp when desired.

The male resident is confined to a wheelchair and the ramps will enable him to get to doctor appointments that are scheduled in near future. The residents were very happy with the ramps and the access they provide.

The material for the ramp was paid for by Iosco County veterans assistance. We worked from 800-330 on this project in very warm weather. Lunch was provided by Lion Kay Gaines.

Reported by Lion Chuck  
WE SERVE!!



— Left Top &  
Bottom, Exterior  
Ramp: DG Bill  
Gaines, homeowner,  
Lions Tony Priebe,  
John Novak



Right Top &  
Bottom, Interior  
Ramp: Lion John  
Novak —



## **Petoskey Lions**

### **AUGUST 2021**

The Petoskey Lions Club held a White Cane 2.0 fundraiser, our second White Cane of the summer. Volunteer Lions Ray Johnson and David Zimmer worked a 3-hour 9 to noon shift at the Petoskey Post Office, netting exactly \$200 in donations. Combined with the first White Cane event at the Oleson's Food Store, which brought in just over \$655, our fundraiser events have accumulated \$855 and change. It's a good start for activity after COVID left us without fundraisers for over a year.

## **Boyne Valley Lions Scholarship Receivers Chosen**

The Boyne Valley Lions received a letter dated August 12 from **Mishelle Shooks**, Grants and Youth Advancement director for Charlevoix Community County Foundation, concerning recent scholarship recipients. Excerpts below:

I am pleased to share that Michael Deming and Alexia McKenzie received the Boyne Valley Lions Club - Clive & Ruby Vollick Scholarships.

Michael graduated from Boyne City High School and plans to attend Aquinas College to study Business. When accepting this award, Michael shared the following: **"This Scholarship means more than one thing to me. Not only will it help me make the cost of college more reasonable, it also shows me that my hard work and determination over the last 4 years is paying off!"**

Alexia graduated from Boyne City High School and plans to attend Michigan State University to study Exploratory Preference. When accepting this award, Alexia shared the following: **"Receiving scholarship support means a lot to me. College is very expensive and it can be very overwhelming and stressful to think about the cost and fees that come with it. To have scholarship support is extremely appreciated and helpful no matter the amount. I am very thankful and grateful that I earned a scholarship towards college and I am very proud of myself for working so hard to gain that."**

Aubrie Sparks received the Boyne Valley Lions Club - Ed Bobowski Memorial Scholarship. Aubrie graduated from Boyne Falls High School and plans to attend University of Notre Dame to study Pre Med. When accepting this award, Aubrie shared the following: **"I am eternally grateful for this scholarship. Without the help of these local scholarships, I would not be able to attend the college of my dreams. I so appreciate the generosity of investing in my future and will continue to volunteer and work for the betterment of my community in the years to come."**

Thank you so much for your support of our communities' students through scholarship awards and your consideration for our next generation. Pursuing education is an exciting opportunity for our young people and we thank you for making this award possible.



# CORONAVIRUS UPDATES – September 1

This is a snapshot of the World, Nation, and State of Michigan statistics on **September 1, 2021**. Numbers may be significantly higher by the time you read this as the COVID-19 Delta Variant continues to infect more.

(Info from Worldometers, CDC & michigan.gov.)

## World Statistics

**Cases: 219,224,784** ♦ **Deaths: 4,543,572**

## U. S. Statistics

**Cases: 40,327,493** ❖ **Deaths: 659,876**

## Michigan Statistics

**Cases: 1,000,241** ❖ **Deaths: 21,013**

## Vaccinations (1 or more doses) Summary:

**World: 40%** – **United States: 55.3%** – **Michigan: 69.8%**

## DISTRICT 11-E2 STATISTICS

  = Highest No.   = Lowest No.

11-E2 Counties	Cases Reported	Deaths	% Vaccinated
Alcona:	831	36	58.01%
Alpena:	2,505	66	58.10%
Antrim:	1,771	33	61.17%
Arenac:	1,299	31	54.22%
Charlevoix:	1,925	26	66.26%
Cheboygan:	2,085	52	57.30%
<b>Crawford:</b>	1,059	<b>14</b>	55.94%
<b>Emmet:</b>	<b>2,603</b>	45	<b>69.75%</b>
Gladwin:	2,451	62	51.35%
<b>Iosco:</b>	2,182	<b>78</b>	58.65%
Kalkaska:	1,249	30	50.61%
<b>Montmorency:</b>	<b>695</b>	20	56.54%
Ogemaw:	1,915	45	47.17%
<b>Oscoda:</b>	728	31	<b>46.36%</b>
Otsego:	2,548	41	57.57%
Presque Isle:	1,114	34	62.59%
Roscommon:	1,982	55	56.43%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>28,942</b>	<b>699</b>	

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

Info from CDC, WHO, NPR & other  
health & news websites

## Delta Variant Continues to Surge

"The Delta variant is more than twice as contagious as previous variants, and there's data that suggests it might cause more severe illness." Aug 13, 2021

"The COVID-19 death toll has started soaring again as the delta variant tears through the nation's unvaccinated population and fills up hospitals with patients, many of whom are younger than during earlier phases of the pandemic." August 15 2021

"At this time, as we build the level of vaccination nationwide, we must also use all the prevention strategies available, including masking indoors in public places, to stop transmission and stop the pandemic. Everyone who is able, including fully vaccinated people, should wear masks in public indoor places in areas of substantial or high transmission". Aug 26, 2021

These statements sound familiar, and could have been voiced last summer, or last winter, when the COVID curve began to go upward after falling in the previous weeks and months. The only difference is the presence of the Delta variant, which is currently surging throughout the U.S., and the vaccines that are now available. Just when we think this is finally going to be over, super-spreader events and widespread lack of masking and distancing allow the COVID/Delta viruses more opportunities to jump to new hosts. We've heard it all before; we know what to do — and chances are we again won't do it. The COVID roller coaster Pandemic, like the Energizer Bunny, just keeps on going.

*A prime example of how we can keep prolong this Pandemic:* Health officials had been seeing some of the lowest numbers this summer in South Dakota since the pandemic began. Then COVID cases once again surged when more than 525,000 visitors attended the 81st Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in early August. There were few measures to suppress any COVID-19 spread; few if any in the crowds wore a mask. South Dakota witnessed a 686.8 percent increase in daily COVID-19 case counts over the past three weeks, currently 10+ times the nationwide rate. Sturgis Rally attendees from all over the nation are now known to have spread the virus to locations in at least 25 other states. More are expected.

Deaths are now increasing in 43 states — the worst numbers since December 2020. Deaths from the Delta variant are increasingly centered among white non-Hispanic people, and the share of deaths among young people is also increasing. Preliminary data from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows those in their 30s and people 18 to 29 have roughly tripled their share of deaths in July and August. People in their 50s and early 60s have represented fewer than 1 of every 6 victims in the Pandemic, but in July and August they make up more than 1 of every 4 deaths.

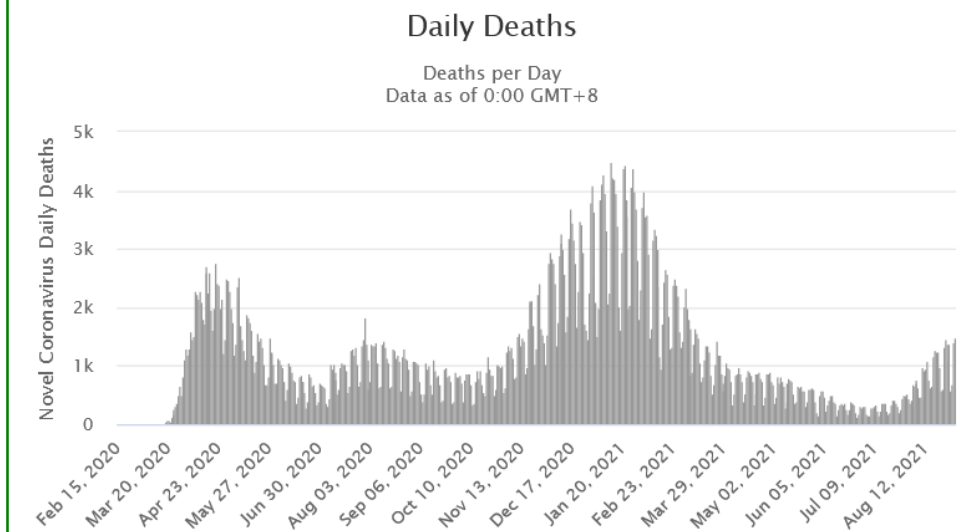
While research suggests that COVID-19 vaccines are slightly less effective against the variants, the vaccines still appear to provide protection against severe COVID-19. Nearly all COVID-19 deaths in the U.S. now are in people who weren't vaccinated, a staggering demonstration of how effective the shots have been.

It should be noted that in this volatile Pandemic these statistics a few days ago — & ALL COVID/Delta statistics — may change drastically tomorrow as the Delta variant works its way through unvaccinated people of all ages.

As Lions, we need to be aware and do what we can to help everyone stay safe until this virus is vanquished.

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

### Daily New Deaths in the United States





# Pictures of the Month: September 2021



While in Traverse City recently I looked up at the sky and saw unusual cloud patterns high winds had created. As I looked closer, I saw a large cloud pattern that looked the letter "H". But what really got my attention was a couple of cloud patterns beneath the "H" that were shaped by the winds to resemble the letters **T** & **C**.



It was an eery but fascinating moment — I'm looking at clouds formed as the letters "T" & "C" over Traverse City, a.k.a. "T.C." What are the odds of such an implausible coincidence?

Was it just the result of a random wind event? Or, was it a message from ... somewhere? Aliens? Angels? Military scientific skywriting experiment? I don't know, but it was very unusual.

*Below:* The objects in the picture below are not UFOs. They are kites of different shapes, colors and sizes flying over the Petoskey waterfront.

Watch the skies — you never know what you might see.



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- Club Milestones: Awards, Club Officers, New Memberships, Passings – What Is Happening With Your 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.**

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