DISTRICT 11-E2 NEWSLETTER

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Hope everyone has seen the pictures of the KidSight trailer in November's District newsletter. This trailer was given to us because of our donations and support of the Lions of Michigan Foundation. Good job District 11-E2! Once again, this proves that where there is a need, there is a Lion.

The next district event is the District Cabinet meeting #3 Saturday, January 7, at

10:00 a.m. at BJ's Restaurant in Gaylord. Think about bringing a group from your club. This will give your club points for the Governors Challenge, as well as keeping you informed on what is happening in the District.

The District convention is approaching, and will be here before you know it. Be sure your club will have delegates and alternates there to vote in the district elections. Remember, this is your District, and you have a voice in it!

Last but not least, Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you and your families.!

DG Carol

The Lions in District 11-E2 "Have heard the call to Service."



COMMENTS FROM VDG THOM

As I write this article, it is near the end of Novem-

ber. It seems like November must have had about five days as it went by so fast!

Earlier in the month, I spent three days down at Higgins Lake to attend the Lions Leadership Institute. As it

was my first time, I was in the "beginners" class. It was a very intense three days but I did learn a great deal about different leadership styles and about myself. Even if you are not considering

moving up the chain of command as it were in Lions, this Institute is a great experience that you can apply to your work or personal life. Well worth the time and energy to attend!

Still looking for more nominations for the District Melvin Jones award. I know my committee would love to have a stack of qualified nominees to consider, for a deserving Lion. Please submit your applications to me until December 31st. My contact information is on the first page of the newsletter.

I was pleased to see all the varied activities that kept clubs active during November. Keep up the good work!

DIABETES AWARENESS



Diabetic retinopathy is a potentially blinding complication of diabetes that damages the eye's retina. It affects ¹ half of all Americans diagnosed with diabetes.

At first, you may notice no changes in your vision. But don't let diabetic retinopathy fool you. It could get worse over the years and threaten your good vision. With timely treatment, 90 percent of those with diabetic retinopathy can be saved from going blind.

The National Eye Institute (NEI) is the Federal government's lead agency for vision research. The NEI urges everyone with diabetes to have an eye examination through dilated pupils at least once a year.

RECIPE OF THE MONTHMediterranean Quinoa Salad

2/3 cup regular or red quinoa2 6-ounce cans very low-sodium chunk white tuna, drained

1 cup frozen peas and carrots mix, thawed ½ of a small red onion, halved and thinly sliced ½ cup bottled light Italian salad dressing ¾ cup halved cherry or grape tomatoes Bibb or Boston lettuce leaves

- 1. Use a fine-mesh strainer to rinse quinoa under running water; drain.
- In a small saucepan, combine 1-½ cups water and the quinoa. Bring to a boil and reduce heat. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Drain quinoa if necessary.
- Combine tuna, peas and carrots, onion and salad dressing in a medium bowl. Add hot cooked quinoa. Toss to soften vegetables. Cool to room temperature.
- 4. Stir in tomatoes just before serving. To serve, spoon salad mixture over lettuce leaves on serving plates

MEMBER UPDATE

	NOV 2016	YTD 2016
Nov 1, 2016	1,024	1,028
+ Members	+5	+47
- Members	-28	-74
Nov 30, 2016	1,001	1,001
Net Gain/Loss		

NEW MEMBERS

CHARLEVOIX

Alan Gooch—Sponsor Bill Trubilowciz Susan Joba—Sponsor Larry Levengood

ELK RAPIDS

Charles Garrison—Sponsor Shirley Hill Polly Vandenbroek—Sponsor Leah Robinson Amanda Kibby—Leah Robinson

DECEASED MEMBERS

Lynn Chidester Houghton Lake

Earl "Bud" Jones Lewiston Lions

CLUB ACTIVITIES

ALPENA—Eighteen Lions participated in the Old Newsboys sale. They worked 55 hours and the \$2000 collected was donated to the Salvation Army.

ATLANTA—Prepared a luncheon for food pantry workers.

BELLAIRE—The kick-off for our annual Koeze Nut fundraiser began early in November and culminated at our November 10 board meeting. Lion Bill Smith was the chairperson and did a great job! Proceeds help with scholarships for Bellaire and Mancelona students, as well as other charitable projects.

ELK RAPIDS—Donated funds from our activities fund to help the 'Way to Grow' preschool reading program at Elk Rapids Schools.

Members selected tags to buy Christmas presents for children in need for the Christmas

Giving Tree. Donated funds to help the Antrim County Baby Pantry provide for needy children in our community.

FAIRVIEW/COMINS—Our club has begun collecting greens to make and sell Christmas wreaths. Helped package and distribute food at the food bank. Helped a family with a handicapped child move into a home in our community.

GAYLORD—Sold Lions mints, Lewiston Lions raffle calendars and Lucky 13 raffle tickets. Budgeted donations were mailed to Leader Dogs of Michigan, \$500; Eversight Michigan, \$100; Lions of Michigan Foundation, \$275; Bear Lake Camp, \$75; All State Band, \$75; Penrickton Center for Blind Children, \$50; Paws with a Cause, \$50; and LCIF, \$500.

GLENNIE—Provided an eye exam and glasses to a local resident.

GRAYLING—Donated \$100 provide to Christmas gifts for an underprivileged child. Sold candy bars November 4, 5, 25 and 26 at Family Fare in Grayling. Also sold candy bars throughout the month, raising \$614. Screened 64 children at Grayling Elementary School; seven children were referred to an eye doctor for follow-up. Donated \$400 to a local family of a mother and three daughters so they will have food and gifts for Christmas. Finished selling 300 Lucky 13 raffle tickets. Sales began in early October and raised \$1935 for our activity fund. Our first drawing is December 2.

LEWISTON LS LIONS—Sold quilt raffle tickets at the Atlanta Band Boosters Bazaar. Commemorative Tree bulbs were sold in memory or honor of someone and displayed on a large pine tree in downtown Lewiston. A brief ceremony was held on December 2 to light the tree. Members provided refreshments at the township hall. Several members hosted a monthly bingo at the senior apartments.

LINCOLN—Donated \$500 to a local resident and member who lost his home and belongings in a fire. Sponsored the 8th Annual Keith Kruttlin Memorial Buck Pole with a local restaurant. Onsite raffles generated a donation of \$212 for the Philip and Keith Kruttlin Memorial Scholarship Fund.

MIO—Donated \$200 to a needy family for groceries.

OSCODA—The Lioness Club prepared the Lions/Lioness Thanksgiving meal. One dollar from each ticket sold was donated to the Loaves and Fishes Program (a free lunch every Monday and Thursday from November thru April held at the Oscoda United Methodisrt Church) from this fundraiser The Oscoda Lions monthly board meeting was held on November 3. Donated funds to the basketball team for hot

dogs and supplies for their hot dog sales at the annual Christmas parade in downtown Oscoda.

PETOSKEY—Regular business meeting at Filmore's on November 14. Items discussed include the November 4 blood drive where they received 49 units of blood, far surpassing their 34 unit goal. The annual Lions Christmas Dinner will be held on December 12 at the Perry Hotel. Yellow Lions vests were ordered and are due to arrive sometime in December. Lions Julie Haase, Dave Carlson and David Zimmer participated in a club visit to the Boyne Valley Lions on November 9. The vision screening trailer will be at the Festival on the Bay, August 18-19. Boyne Valley Lion, Dr. Nate Slezak offered to help the Petoskey Lions at this event.

PRESCOTT/SKIDWAY LAKE—Awarded a \$500 scholarship to one of the high school seniors attending U of M.

ROGERS CITY—Donated \$40 to the Optimist Club for their Christmas Tree Lighting Program held November 15. Donated \$400 to the Lions of Michigan Foundation, \$200 to Bear Lake Camp, \$350 to Eversight Michigan and \$50 to the local food pantry.

ROSE CITY—Twenty-four boxes of food were donated to families in need. The boxes included turkeys and all the fixings, plus cleaning and paper products. Collected \$288 from mint sales.



HALE President Tom Clement inducts two new members on Nov. 21. Sally Jordan (left) and Kay Zemke (right).



HILLMAN Lions Club Secretary, Jean Hill, presents Logan Timm of Hillman Elementary with a check as the winner of the local Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. Logan's poster will be forwarded to the district level for further competition. The Peace Poster Contest is an annual international competition for students aged 11-13.





GAYLORD—ZC Tom Otto presented a 45-year Mileststone Chevron Award to Lion Leonard Skonieczny. Congratulations, Lion Leonard!



LEWISTON LS LIONS District Governor Carol Athan (left) presented Julie Vetrano (middle) with the Milestone Chevron Award for 25 years as a Lion and Pat Brooks (right) with the Milestone Chevron Award for 35 years as a Lion. Congratulations!



OSCODA LIONS/LIONESS held their annual Thanksgiving Dinner. A delicious dinner was prepared by the Lioness, and nobody went home hungry! Living up to their motto "We Serve, Too," the Lioness donated \$1.00 from the sale of each ticket to the "Loaves and Fishes" fund.



OSCODA Lions President Dustin Clare presented a check to Kay Gaines representing United Methodist Church's Loaves and Fishes Café, which provides lunch for the community.



OSCODA Lions President Dustin Clare presented a check to Linda Ostrander representing the losco County Humane Society.



OSCODA Lions President Dustin Clare presented a check to Pastor Eric Hendricks to pay for the cost of a truck to transport food to Oscoda from the Eastern Michigan Food Bank. Food will be distributed to those in need.



OSCODA Lions President Dustin Clare presented a check to Terry Allison and Tammy Kellan representing Shannon's Shoebox, a Christmas gift program for needy children.





GAYLORD Lions' kitchen crew poses after preparing a delicious meatloaf loaf dinner for the Community Meal at the Congregational Church on December 2. Pictured (I-r) Dan Rickabus, Cathy Otto, Wanda Rickabus, Lynne Jauss, Penny Briley and Mary Weitzel. Not pictured are Joe and Charlene Fronczak and Vicky Otto.



PETOSKEY Lion David Zimmer donated blood at the November 4 blood drive.

MILESTONE CHEVRONS

Milestone Chevron Awards were distributed to zone chairs, who will present them at a club visit. Chevrons are given to Lions for 5, 10, 15, etc. years of service.



GAYLORD Lion Dan Rickabus (I) shows Joe Fronczak the finer points of making instant potatoes.



GAYLORD President Lynne Jauss presents a check for \$500 to (I) Jerry Coger and (r) Rick Wright from the Otsego Food Pantry.



CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting is December 14, 10 a.m. at the Grayling Ramad. Contact IPDG Bob Gingerich, 989-348-5355 or ZC Clairene Jorella, 989-390-2106 for more info.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN CLUB RECRUITMENT HELP NEEDED



On Sunday, January 8, Paul Baker, the Lions Club International specialist in Campus Clubs will have a four hour workshop on starting a campus club at the Eversight building in Ann Arbor. The U of M has a student organization day at the Michigan Union on Monday and Tuesday, January 9 and 10. The Lions will have a recruitment table outside the food courts for both days. Paul Baker will help us recruit students with the intent of starting a club. We have also received commitments for Leader Dog and Eversight to staff the table as well as Delta Gamma sorority. We will plan on having demonstrations of the SPOT Camera and Leader Dogs.

If you know of a student or staff member at the University of Michigan that can help us start a club, please email me at coldhill@gmail.com or call my home and leave a message at 517.787.3950 with their contact information. I will contact them as soon as possible. If you have resources that would help or would like to participate in the event, email or call me.

Dave Hill DG, 11-B1 Telephone - (517) 787-3950 email - coldhill@gmail.com

LIONS CAMPUS CLUBS

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

I would like to share my November message to club leaders with you. I'm introducing club leaders to our goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021 and our strategic plan for achieving it, LCI Forward. We will be talking about LCI Forward over the coming months and years, so please take the time to learn about this important plan. Help me share LCI Forward with Lions, and thank you for working with your clubs to move Lions forward into our second century of service.

Very truly yours,

Chancellor Bob Corlew



President's Message

Dear Lion,

For 100 years, Lions have served like no one else. Our Centennial is an exciting opportunity to celebrate our legacy of local and global service. And I want you to feel just as excited about our future.

We have set a goal of serving 200 million people per year by 2021—tripling our current humanitarian impact—so we can meet the emerging needs of our next century of service. It's ambitious. It's lifechanging. It's what we do as Lions.

To reach our goal, we developed a strategic plan called LCI Forward. We built this roadmap for the future based on feedback from thousands of Lions just like you. LCI Forward embraces new ways to serve, new cutting-edge technologies and new ways to engage youth in Lions. It will offer more tools for training leaders, more global marketing to raise our visibility, and more ways to experience the pride of being a Lion.

Learn more about our strategic plan by exploring the LCI Forward page. Then share the special LCI Forward video with your club. We will share new updates and resources throughout the year, and I look forward to working with your club to achieve our ambitious goals and ensure we remain the global leader in service.



Very truly yours,
Chancellor Bob Corlew
Your International President

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Glimpse the Future of Service with LCI Forward

The future is closer than you think. Get a glimpse of LCI Forward and the innovations to come. From our four areas of strategic focus to cutting-edge technologies, see how LCI is moving forward into our second century of service. Visit the LCI Forward page to watch a special video that brings the vision to life, and download an LCI Forward PowerPoint and share it at your next club meeting! Help Eliminate Hunger in Your Community

Help Eliminate Hunger in Your Community

The future of Lions will be defined by service, just like our past. Over 800 million people around the world go to bed hungry. Your club can help eliminate hunger in your community by organizing a Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger project during January 9–15. Visit the Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger event page for more information on this special Centennial Service Challenge event, then start planning your club project today!

[Lions Clubs International & LCIF | 300 W. 22nd St. | Oak Brook, IL | 60523 | USA]



"And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn."

Luke 2:7

BACKPACK PROGRAM AT THE FORUM

The DG asked me to forward this information which was presented at the Council of Governor's meeting this past weekend.

At the Forum this year (Feb 17) attendees can Centennial participate in а Service project. There is a list attached of items requested for the backpacks which will be prepared. If your club has people attending the forum, please let them know about this so they can bring items for the backpacks if you wish to participate. If there is no one from your club attending, please consider either sending items from the list to the next cabinet meeting (Jan 7 at BJ's in Gaylord), or if you wish to make a financial contribution to the project, you can either send a check to CT Tom Otto, or send it with your club representative to the cabinet meeting, and we will purchase items for the backpacks on your behalf.

The packs can either be distributed in our district, or left at the Forum to be distributed in Lansing. Please contact your local school system to see if they are doing any kind of backpack program, and we will see that they receive them. Let me know as soon as possible if your school system wants some of the backpacks so we can allocate what we pack in Lansing. But even if your school system does not participate, please consider making a contribution to assist needy children elsewhere in our district, or in Lansing. I hope to see lots of you at the Forum. This project really sounds like fun! Let me know if you have any questions.

CS Barb Durflinger
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LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM CENTENNIAL SERVICE CHALLENGE: "PROJECT BACK-PACK" FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2017

Be a part of our history-making Centennial year by participating in the large group Centennial Service Challenge: *Project Back-Pack*, on Friday night before the Forum, February 17, starting at 7:30 p.m.

All clubs participating will be able to submit service hours to LCI.

"Project Back-Pack" is an effort to supply food for needy kids on the weekend – a time when many may go hungry. You are encouraged to reach out to your local community for donations, where possible. Bring your supplies to the Michigan Forum on Friday, February 17, for packaging. Backpacks can be distributed to your local schools, or left at the Forum for donation to the Lansing area public schools.

Below is a list of items for back-packs that will be needed:

Back packs
Tuna
Peanut Butter
Macaroni & Cheese
Fruit Juice (boxed)
Pastas
Oatmeal
Fruit Bars
Soup

With the help of Michigan Lions and our business partners, we can make a difference in the lives of so many of our hungry neighborhood children!

Lions Michigan Forum Committee

Registration Form

Please complete both sides of registration form and send it along with a check or credit card information to: Michigan Lions Forum 5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911 Fax# 517-887-6642

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Club Name
District
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Names of Registrants
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Registrants at \$40.00/person* \$ *Registration fee is \$40.00 for reservations received before January 30, 2017. After 1/30/17 \$45.00 and Lunch & Forum materials cannot be guaranteed.
CREDIT CARD INFORMATION
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Card No.:
Exp. Date:
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Signature:
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Lions of Michigan
List food allergies or dietary requirements:
Check here for the forum book on CD (For visually impaired only)
REGISTER EARLY! This event will fill quickly!

THE CAUSEWAY BAY LANSING HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

Lions Room Rate is \$89.50 6820 South Cedar Street Lansing, MI 48911 Telephone: 517-694-8123 Fax: 517-268-9755

Hotel Reservation
Deadline:
January 30, 2017



Large Group Service Project

Join us Friday night, Feb. 17 as we work together on a large group service project! Club members attending may report service hours to LCI.



MICHIGAN LIONS FORUM

FEBRUARY 18, 2017

Mail registration form to: Lions of Michigan State Office 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911 Telephone: 517-887-6640 Fax: 517-887-6642

Enjoy Statewide fellowship with Lions, Lioness and Leo Club members

Every Registrant Receives:

- Official proceeding booklet containing information on breakout sessions and speakers
- Commemorative Pin
- Luncheon
- Program

Must be registered by 1/30/17 to Guarantee Lunch & Forum Materials







New Mountains to Climb...New Ways to Serve

Schedule of Events

Friday, February 17, 2017
Registration 7:00 p.m
Large Group Service Project7:30 -9:00 p.m
Hospitality Suite - Presidential Parlor 9:30 p.m
Saturday, February 18, 2017
Registration 7:00 a.m
White Cane Supplies, Exhibit Tables 8:00 a.m
Opening Remarks/Welcome 8:00 a.m
Session 1 Breakout Sessions 8:30 a.m (choose one of four)
Session 2 Breakout Session 9:30 a.m (choose one of four)
Session 3 Breakout Session 10:30 a.m. (choose one of four)
Session 4 Breakout Session 11:30 a.m (choose one of four)
Lunch, White Cane Scholarships, Keynote Presentation, Closing Remarks & Door Prize
Prize Drawings 2:45 p.m





FRIDAY February 17, 2017 7:30-9:00 p.m. (optional session for early arrivals)

- Large Group Service Project
- Hospitality Suite -Presidential Parlor open to all 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY February 18, 2017

Session 1 Selections: 8:30 a.m.-9:20 a.m.

- Laugh for your Health Lion Cheryl Schneider
- Lions Orientation PDGs Bill VanWinkle and Fred Simpson
- Influence of Women in Lionism PDG Karen Routson
- . Keep it Clean, Keep it Legal Lion Margaret Shultz

SATURDAY February 18, 2017 Session 2 Selections: 9:30 a.m.-10:20 a.m.

- Effective Presentations: The Steps to Being a Successful Communicator PID Esther LaMothe
- · Eversight Michigan Lion Diana Kern, Executive Director, Eversight
- . White Cane Week: Conforming to New Rules and Getting the Most Out of Volunteering PCC's Paul Hemeryck and Bob Jenkins
- Getting out of the Club Box PDG Norm Stutesman

Michigan Forum Breakout Sessions!

Fifteen informative sessions to choose from!

Keynote Speaker

John Drake and his wife, Judy, founders of the Lingap Center, an orphanage in Toledo City, Cebu, Philippines. As the Keynote



Speaker, John will share the story of how a dilapidated building that housed 26 abused, abandoned or orphaned children was the motivation to try and make a difference in the lives of children who seemed to have no hope. Considered a catalyst for change, then Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo named John an 'Outstanding

Toledano', and adopted son of Toledo City.

John's purpose in life is to help the abandoned. abused

Lionism!

SATURDAY February 18, 2017

of others

Session 4 Selections: 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

and neglected children of

the Philippines. Listen to his

inspirational story Saturday,

February 18, and hear how we all

can make a difference in the lives

Join us as we continue tradition

of service and leadership through

- How to Organize a Club Service Project PCC Don Brown
- Recruiting in the 21st Century: New Ideas for **Bringing in Members and Chartering Clubs** CC Justin Faber and DG Dave Wineman
- . Diversity in Lionism PDG Evelyn Cooper
- Focus on Leo Clubs: 2 of 2-Part Workshop ID Jenny Ware and Lion Kayley Langland

SATURDAY February 18, 2017 Lunch 12:30 p.m.

White Cane Scholarship Presentations Key Note Speaker - John Drake Door Prize Drawings

Prize Drawing - 2:45 p.m.

SATURDAY February 18, 2017

Session 3 Selections: 10:30 a.m.-11:20 a.m.

- LCI 100th Celebration: Celebration 101 (The Tools to Make your Celebration Great!) PDG Diane Wehby
- Eyeglass Mission Trip Dr. Jeff Chapman
- Lions Centennial PR/Media Campaign Lion Laura Hunt
- Focus on Leo Clubs: 1 of 2-Part Workshop ID Jenny Ware and Lion Kayley Langland

Registration Form Continued Mark the sessions you plan to attend

Friday Night Session 7:30 p.m.

☐ Large Group Service Project
☐ Hospitality Suite - Presidential Parlor 9:30 p.m.
Saturday Sessions:
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Pick up White Cane supplies at the Forum!

Place your order in advance so it's ready when you arrive There will be NO ON-SITE sales. Order Early & Save on Shipping!