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Be Kind

Duane Wilcox District Governor 11 D-1

January, 2022



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From District Governor Duane Wilcox



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Hello Lions of 11D1,

Is it going to be 2022 already? Wow!! This last year had a lot of ups and downs. So, let's make 2022 one of the best Lion's Year that this District has seen in a long time. Our Region and Zone Chairs will be contacting clubs to finish up on their club visits. Lions Jack and Bill will be contacting those clubs that they have not seen yet to set up their club visit.

We have our Winter Cabinet meeting on Jan. 9th in Freeland. All Lions are welcome to attend. If you are going to attend, please contact Lion Bill 2VDG at 989-493-3407 so he make sure we have enough food for everyone.

Coming up in late January, we are holding a MyLion training session. It will be open to any Lion that wants to attend and for all secretaries that need help with putting in Service Activities. Just a reminder that club Presidents also can do the reporting for their clubs. A club may also appoint a Club Administrator that can do the reporting for their club.

Our District Convention is 89 Days away. It starts on March 31st with early bird arrivals. It's going to be a fun time, great guest speakers and also a little bit of Business. So, get your registration in to make sure

that your club is well represented at the convention.

Anyone that will be putting their name in for 2VDG please do so by January 30th, we are still looking for a District Treasurer for next year. Lion Phyllis would like to have someone for the position before the end of the year. That way, they can work side by side with her for a couple of months. It will make a easy transfer into the next Lion year.

If someone needs a copy of our district's policy manual, go to our district web page and you can find it there and will be able to print off a copy for your club.

Twinning with another club is a fun time. Let's get out there and have some fun with a club of your choice and then report it on MyLion for service. It is really that easy. So, what is stopping you from calling another club to meet with and having some fun together and of course, some good food.

Until next month stay safe and have some fun doing what we do best - Service. If anyone needs to contact me, please do so at 810-240-7535 or email me at duanewilcox@rocketmail.com, I am here to help.

*Your friend in Lionism
Lion Duane DG*

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REGION/ZONE CHAIRS

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From 1st Vice District Governor Jack Frost



HAPPY NEW YEAR to all Lions of District 11D-1 !!! Last year was a challenging one but you came through and much was accomplished. **WE SERVE!**

Most clubs are meeting and doing service projects again. Please remember to report your service hours! Many clubs have even added new members in the face of the COVID pandemic. Bay City is well over 200 members again!

I was pleased to attend the Montrose Lions Club 75th Anniversary celebration on September 25th, and the Bay City Lions Club 100th Anniversary celebration on December 11, 2021. It is really amazing what service these clubs have provided to their communities, regardless of their size! The Bay City Club awarded four Melvin Jones Fellowships at their celebration, and I was surprised and honored to be one of them! The other three were Joe Gwizdala, Vaughn Begick, and Bob Katt. PID Jenny Ware was the featured speaker at both Montrose and Bay City, and always is an interesting, motivating, and fun speaker!

The new year 2022 promises to

be even better now that vaccines are available, and we have learned how to cope with the pandemic. Your District Governor Duane Wilcox, 2VDG Bill Bauder, and I are all ready and willing to attend any meeting and to provide any assistance which you may request. I have met with the Convention Committee for our District Convention at the Doubletree in Bay City in April, and it promises to be a fun time! It's not too early to make your reservations!

If you have not already done so, I encourage you to invite PDG Bob Sturgis to speak at one of your meetings on the LCIF Campaign 100, which only has about six months to go. There are many ways you can contribute to the drive as individuals or as a club. We can all contribute some amount!

To all Lions of District 11D-1:
May your New Year be Happy,
Healthy, and Prosperous!!!

Lion Jack Frost
1VDG

UPCOMING EVENTS

see details inside



Winter Cabinet Meeting

January 9, Freeland

KidSight Training

January 20, Auburn

GMA Team Meeting

January 18, Zoom

MyLion Training

January 25, Zoom

DAD Workshop

8 weekly sessions
Start Feb 1, Zoom

Success Building Guiding Lion Training

February 12, TBD

Lions of Michigan Forum

February 25-26, Flint

District Convention

April 1-3, Bay City



From 2nd Vice District Governor Bill Bauder

Hello to my fellow Lions,

I hope all is well with everyone, and that the holidays were great for all.

Now that the new year is here, I hope we all get back meeting in person and making plans for the up and coming year. I know I made plans to keep on helping with feeding people at Food Giveaways. That's just one small way to give back to the communities that we live in. As we all know, there's more than one way to give back.

Just a friendly reminder, the young people in the schools need

community service hours, so get them to help on the projects you have. There are always other groups that might need our help, and that just makes us look and feel better in the eyes of the community as well.

I'd like to start the year by mentioning that there are positions open in the District that need to be filled. It would be awesome if they all get filled. If you're interested, contact the Governor to find out what's open.

If I haven't called your club to visit yet, I will be soon.

Thank you

Lion Bill Bauder, 2VDG

Project KidSight & Training

by PDG Steven VanTol

The KidSight trailer is now in Auburn and available to be used for screenings. Please coordinate your needs by contacting Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com or phone 989-430-9500. New KidSight screeners are to be trained and certified prior to doing screenings by the district KidSight Chair PDG Steven VanTol.

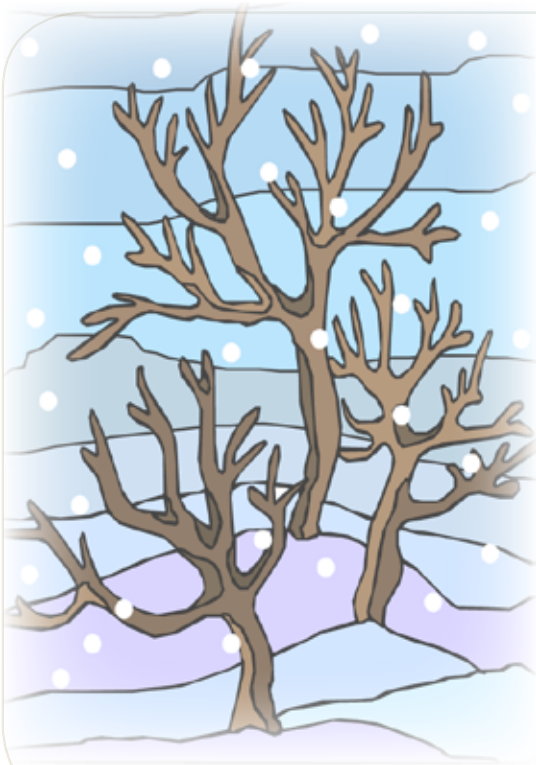
Volunteers are asked to complete the KidSight Volunteer Liability release form to be submitted online. The KidSight Volunteer Application & Background check form is also required. The forms can be found on the LMSF.NET website online. Click this link to quickly locate the forms. <https://lmsf.net/index.php/programs/project-KidSight/KidSight-forms-info>

There will be a training session

for learning registration as well as in the screening procedures. The training will be in Auburn on January 20, 2022, at 2:00 PM. The exact location will be determined based on the number of Lions interested in being a certified Project KidSight screener.

Please contact PDG Steven VanTol if you are interested in the training on or before January 15, 2022 by mobile 989-430-9500 or email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com.





Winter Cabinet Meeting

Sunday, January 9th

beginning at 2:00 p.m.

hosted by Freeland Lions Club

Memorial Park Building

150 Park St., Freeland

No cost to cabinet members;

\$10 per person for guests and non-cabinet attendees.

Please RSVP to Lion Bill Bauder 2VDG
at 989-493-3407.

MyLion Training and Service Activity reporting.

Lions Clubs International uses the information reported on MyLion to request grants from other non-profits and to review the service activities of all the clubs internationally. The District Governor uses the same information to recognize individual clubs for their accomplishments.

We have scheduled a MyLion training session for January 25, 2021, at 7:00 PM to assist clubs in reporting their activities. Please send and email to the district email (district11d1@gmail.com) to receive the zoom link.

Or you can contact GST Joe Bogar. He will visit your club or speak personally to you. If calling please leave a voicemail because if he doesn't recognize the caller he won't answer.

The following officers can report service on MyLion: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Service Chairperson and Club Administrator. If you are currently holding on of these positions or will be in the future, please join this training session.

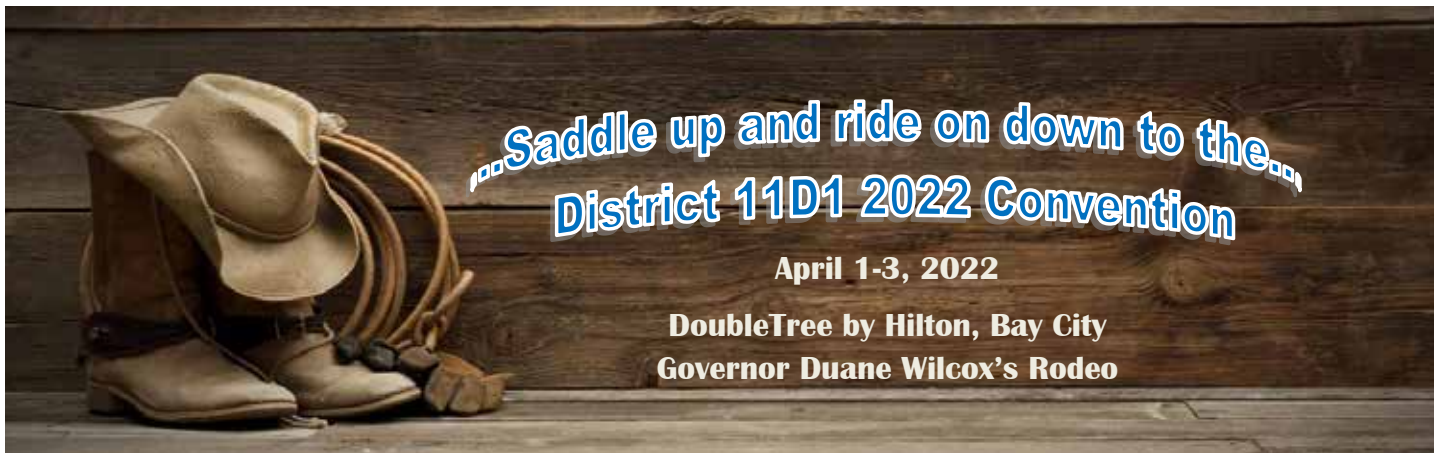
Seventeen clubs out of the 37 clubs in our District, have reported service activities in the areas of Diabetes-2, Environment-22, Childhood Cancer-5, Hunger Relief-26, Vision-22 and the Other category which includes donations, Meetings, and fundraisers-224.

The number of Service activities the seventeen clubs have reported, is **301** service activities

Thanks to the following clubs who have reported Service Activities since July 1st.

Auburn Williams- 35 Bay City-30 Cass City-11 Essexville-Hampton-4 Flint Downtown Host-1
Flushing-29 Frankenmuth-15 Freeland-11 Gaines Area-33
Grand Blanc-11 Kingston-9 Linden-29 Mayville-15 Millington-24
Shields-7 Swartz Creek-5 Zilwaukee-10

Lion Joe Bogar and Lion Steve Van Tol



Convention Registration....Please fill in all applicable information. Please print clearly!

Club Name: _____

Lion Name: _____ **Email:** _____

Spouse/Guest Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Registration fee: (No fee for new Lions or 1st timers!)

\$15 per person _____

MEALS

Friday Night Round-Up : Baked potato bar, soup, salad & sweet **\$22 per person** _____

Sat. Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sweets, bacon & sausage, home fries **\$17 per person** _____

Saturday Lunch: Sandwiches, chips, brownie, tea, coffee, iced tea **\$10 per person** _____

Saturday Night Dinner: Choose one for each attendee

7oz. Filet Mignon (chive portabella, cabernet demi) **\$47 per person** _____

Grilled Chicken (madeira demi, mushroom, cured tomato) **\$30 per person** _____

Cheese Ravioli (pesto cream, julienne vegetables) **\$27 per person** _____

Sun. Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sweets, bacon & sausage, home fries **\$17 per person** _____

Crafting Fun

Painting with Lion Patsy **(Sat.)\$12 per person** _____

Name(s) of Participant(s) _____

Etched Glass Cheese Tray with Lion Deb **(Fri.)\$12 per person** _____

Name(s) of Participant(s) _____

Total **Registration, meals & activity TOTAL** _____

(Checks: Lions District 11D1 Convention) Questions: Lion Steve 989-430-9500

* Registration deadline for meals, and crafting is March 15, 2022. Please make room reservations by calling the DoubleTree Hotel (989-891-6000) by March 15, 2022. Say, "I'm with the Lions 11D1 District Convention for the convention room rate."

* Send checks & registrations to: Lion Steven VanTol, 4851 Raymond Rd., Midland, MI 48642



Convention at a Glance (Subject to slight to changes)

Where: The Doubletree Hotel, Bay City. The link to get a room is: <https://bit.ly/3laalkT>.

The convention room rate is \$96 a night. Attendees can come for all or part of the convention. If you have any questions, please contact either PDG William Erickson (bclionwe@att.net) or PDG Steven VanTol (lionstevenvantol@gmail.com) the 2022 Convention Chairs.

Friday, April 1...

- Registration opens at 3pm on Friday, April 1 until 6pm.
- Full Cabinet Meeting / Dinner/ Etched Glass Activity

Saturday, April 2...

- Breakfast / Registration from 8-9am / Morning Seminars & Painting with Patsy
- Lunch/ Afternoon Seminar / District Annual Meeting
- Free time / Cocktails 6pm / Dinner @ 6:30.

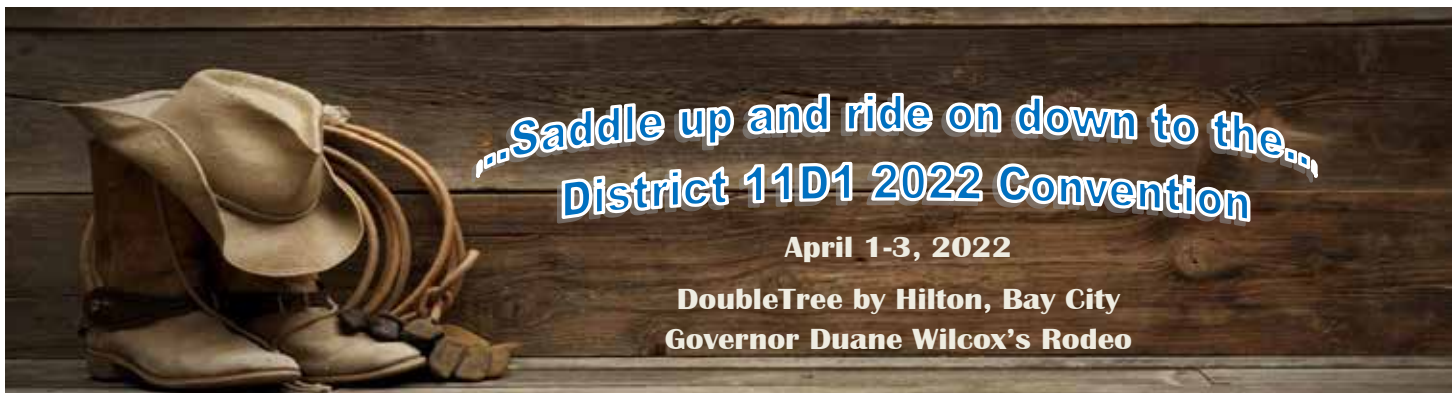
Sunday, April 3...

- Breakfast/ Memorial Service @ 9
- Voting for the 2022-23 Governor, 1st Vice District Governor and 2nd Vice District Governor
- The convention is done by noonish or before.

Crafting Fun—The proceeds are given to charity!

Glass Etching with Lion Deb—Friday Evening—Students will have the opportunity to choose from 4 designs, the State of MI with a heart in Mid-State MI, the U of M or MI State logo, or the Lions logo. New this year... the design will be sandblasted by Lion Deb over the evening at Village Glass Works. This makes for a clearer etch. The etched glass can be picked up Saturday at registration or from Lion Deb. Students will need to remove the resist and wash it when they pick it up, a 15 minute process that can be done in your room or together at registration Saturday AM.

Painting with Patsy— Saturday—Join Lion Patsy Powell in this fun and judgement free painting on canvas with acrylic activity. Step-by-step instructions are given. There are no lost souls. Art is interpretive and allows the painter to express himself without criticism. It is fun!



District Elections

The Elections for District Governor, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor will be held at the District Convention to be held in Bay City April 1st thru the 3rd, 2021

The deadline for submitting the candidate forms is March 1st, 2021

Forms are to be sent to PDG Bill Erickson at 3399 Sherwood Rd Bay City, MI 48706.

Candidates are reminded to fill all information requested on the form.

The candidate forms are in the District By-laws: Exhibits D, E and F.

There is also an election for the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

There is no form to fill out. According to the By-laws a candidate must follow the qualifications of Region Chairperson which is also in the By-laws.

It is suggested that any Lion wishing to run for this position that his/her name be submitted March 1st PDG Bill also.

If only one name is submitted a voice vote will taken at the business session. If more than one we will have to have a written ballot.

Any questions please contact PCC Dick DeLong @ 989-284-8298 or email: dick4571@charter.net



ARTICLE XV
LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 1. The district is a participating member of the Lions of Michigan Foundation with full voting rights and privileges.

Section 2. Election/Appointment/Terms of Office of Trustees

- a. The Board of Trustees shall consist of two (2) elected Trustees from District 11 D-1.
- b. The Trustees will be elected in alternate years.
- c. Under special circumstances, the Board of Trustees may authorize the District Cabinet of a participating district to appoint additional Trustees to the board that will serve in an ex-officio capacity without voting power.
- d. The Trustees may serve no more than three (3) consecutive two-year terms followed by a one-year break before becoming eligible for reelection.
- e. Trustees shall be elected according to the procedures for the election of district officers as provided for by the bylaws of the participating districts.
- f. Trustees shall take office immediately upon the adjournment of the later of either the Annual Meeting of Lions Clubs International or the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation annual meeting following their election.

Section 3. Candidate requirements

- a. A candidate for the office of Trustee shall be an active member of a Lions Club in good standing in his or her district.
- b. Shall have served as President or Secretary of Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof or as a member of the board of directors of a Lions Club for no less than three (3) years.

Section 4. Meeting Attendance

- a. Trustees, who for any reason cannot attend a Board of Trustees meeting, may designate the District Governor, a Vice District Governor, or an appointed Trustee (described in Section 2c of this article) from their District as their representative and shall have the same voting power as the elected Trustee.

Section 5. Compensation/Reimbursement

- a. All Trustees shall serve without compensation.
- b. Reimbursement for Foundation related travel, lodging, or other out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Trustees (including ex-officio Trustees) shall be made in accordance with the Foundations Policy Manual.

Section 6. Vacancy

- a. Any vacancy occurring in the office of Trustee shall be temporarily filled by a person appointed by the District Cabinet. A Trustee filling a vacancy shall hold office until next annual convention of the district and until his/her successor has been duly qualified and elected

Lions of Michigan Foundation Report

by Trustee PCS Sandy VanTol

The Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets have been sent to your club. Presidents watch for them; club members ask for them. This is a great fundraiser for your club. Sell over 100 tickets and your club will receive \$5.00 for all tickets sold. Sell over 300 tickets and your club will receive \$5.50 per ticket sold. The LMF does the paperwork, and licensing. Your club earns funds to help with your projects while supporting the LMF.

The LMF cookbook was to be available in December however there was a delay from the printer. They are still in process and will be shipped as soon as they are available. The order form can be found in this newsletter. Clubs that sell a minimum of 20 books get \$5 back per book.

The Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor those individuals who have had a significant impact on Lionism in Michigan. Nominations for the Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame need to be submitted to the district cabinet for approval. Nominations are

traditionally submitted before the winter cabinet meeting in January. The choice of the district then needs to be submitted to the Lions of Michigan Foundation by March 1, 2022. The nomination form with additional instructions can be found on the Lions of Michigan Foundation's website <https://www.lmsf.net/> under the Hall of Fame tab. Our district can submit two nominees one for a living Lion and one for a deceased Lion who had a significant impact on Lionism in Michigan.

If you have any questions or need assistance with grant applications for emergency assistance, vision or military aid you can contact either PDG Lion Steven VanTol via email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com, phone 989-430-9500 or PCS Lion Sandy VanTol by email slvantol23@gmail.com or phone 989-225-4583.

Why are we Lions?

Most would say we are Lions so that we can serve others in need. We all know to serve is noble; there is also the saying, "Where there is a need, there is a Lion". There are lots of thoughts to what all this means. So, how do you sort all this out? It's a journey that begins with an education and a willing heart to carry out the Lions motto "We Serve" We can depend on others in the club to orient us but, the real process of becoming a leader (We are all Leaders) is education and information. One useful tool is mylci.com.

In order to be strong Lions we must continue to evolve

with training and education. In order to walk the walk, we must take action! Sign in today to mylci.com and open an account to begin the walk of leadership. Be a Lion that roars! The world and our communities will be a better place when we do.

Coming January 25 will be a zoom training on how to use MyLion.com for service reporting. Watch for details, sign in to mylci.com and open an account ahead of time. Attend the zoom meeting and begin the journey of leadership.

Respectfully
Toby Webber
Region II Chair



Donations to Campaign 100 qualify for MJFs. Many Clubs have enough money in LCIF fund to honor one or more with a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Please let me know to see if your club qualifies.

I will begin visiting clubs after the beginning of the new year to talk about Campaign 100. Please contact me for a date to visit.

Thanks
PDG Bob Sturgis

TAKE A BEAK FROM THE WINTER DOLDRUMS LEARN MORE ABOUT LIONS.

You are invited to join with fellow Lions from throughout the district in a day of skill building, information sharing and creative thinking. This is an opportunity to meet new Lions and old friends. With emphasis on ways to make your Lions club more successful at building projects and adding members.

This event will take place on February 12, 2022 beginning at 8:30 a.m. (location to be determined)

At the same time, a Guiding Lion training will be held. To register for either event, please email to: akzmsu@gmail.com with your name, club, email address and phone number.

Please pass this information to all members of your club.

PDG Lion Alice Zajac, District GMT.

ZOOM

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The district has a Zoom account which is available for any club or committee meeting. Send a request to this email: district11d1@gmail.com to request a zoom meeting or call PDG Steven VanTol at 989-430-9500. Zoom meetings are scheduled on a first come basis.

Roster corrections/changes

Joe Gwizdala's new email address is Gwizdala1354@outlook.com

Cassie Cirisan New Address: Frankenmuth True Value,
469 N. Main Street, Frankenmuth, MI 48734 (989) 652-0021

Orville Carter - remove home phone

Page 37 Leadership Institute should read November 5-7 and on same page the MD convention is May 19-21 at Auburn Hills Marriott

Janet Grieve is the secretary of Kingston Lions Club, not Sue Nemeth

Jack Frost's new email is jefrost32@gmail.com

Jessica Gregory is the current President of the Bay City Club not Brian Michalski who is the immediate past President.

Global Membership Approach - GMA

by PDG Steven VanTol

Our District continues with the GMA (Global Membership Approach). It is all Lions job to help with this initiative by increasing membership in our District. Are you doing your part with membership? Have you talked to anyone about Lions in the past day? Week? Month? Year? If not, why not? We need to share with others why we are Lions and what we do in our community, state and internationally.

Lions is the best service organization in the world. We work hard for no payment other than the satisfaction we see in those peoples eyes we have helped and the thank you we receive.

Remember it is every Lion's job to share the service we do and ASK others to join or assist in our efforts. Eleven years ago, I heard a rumor that the Lions are

the best kept secret. Looking at the decrease in our membership in the district it seems that is still true. A few clubs have grown in membership, some are holding their own and others losing members. We need to look at why. Maybe take some time to review the Member Satisfaction Guide found on the Lions International website www.lionsclubs.org. You can find it by using the search bar on the website.

The GMA team meets again on January 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM via Zoom to continue working on the project. We can use the help of Lions throughout the District and invite to you to our meetings. Send me an email at lionstevanvntol@gmail.com if you would like to assist so you can be added to the zoom invitation.

Global Leadership Team - GLT

by PDG Steven VanTol

Lions International has learning opportunities online. If you have a MyLion account, go to the Learning Center. Look at the classes offered for your personal growth. Every Lion can sign up for a Lion account go to <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en> then click the "Member Login" tab to get the registration page. Need help? Just ask. I can assist or another Lion can help you get started with a MyLion account.

Have you ever thought about being a Guiding Lion. Being a Guiding Lion is a great opportunity to help a

new or existing club out. We have many small clubs which could use some inspiration. It is not the job of a Guiding Lion to direct a club, but to assist them and maybe throw out some new ideas. Learning about Guiding Lions is a great experience. Being certified does not mean you will be assigned to a club. The training may help with your own club. Please let me know if you are interested. Email lionstevanvntol@gmail.com or call 989-430-9500.

District Newsletter and Communication JUST DO IT

The district newsletters are only being sent to those members who have signed up to receive the newsletter via email from the district website. The signup page can be found on our website www.lions11d1.com.

Presidents and secretaries, please sign up for the newsletter. Then ask your members if they are receiving the district newsletter from the district email.

Please share this sign-up information.

We have increased the number of subscribers to 152 which is far short of the 1086 Lion members in our district. Please encourage your club members to get the information direct. JUST DO IT!!



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*Includes: Sturdy Inflatable Board,
Inflator/Deflator
Paddle & Ankle Tether*

2 Winners

Win 1 of 2 Paddle Boards



Auburn-Williams Lions Club

Paddle Board Raffle

Drawing Date: 6/5/2022 - 5pm

Auburn Farm Market, 200 Jaycee Dr

Auburn, MI 48611

\$5 per ticket / 3 for \$10

Get your ticket from an AW Lions Club Member

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, in partnership with the Lions Club of Michigan, is offering the 8-Week Defense Against Diabetes (D.A.D.) program, fully funded by L.C.I.F.

This program is designed specially to help prevent or delay the onset of Type 2 Diabetes and improve the lives of those already living with it by encouraging healthier eating habits and introducing more physical activity into your weekly routines. This program consists of 8 one-hour weekly sessions taught entirely on Zoom.

**New District 11-D1 Workshop starting on
Tuesday February 1, 2022
7:00-8:00 PM**

Call Ed Bohach at 734-222-9800 x 2240 or email ebohach@nkfm.org for more information.

VISIT WWW.BIT.LY/NKFM-DAD TO REGISTER



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Meet Summer Experience Camper: Brooke Coleman

Excerpts from Brook's blog on LeaderDog.org

I still remember when my orientation and mobility instructor came in and told me about Leader Dogs for the Blind and their summer experience camp. I was sixteen and looking for guide dog schools.

[Soon] I was on a plane to Michigan for the best and busiest week of my life. As soon as I got there, I knew I was going to have an amazing time. I had the opportunity to experience so many things I never would have had the opportunity to had it not been for Leader Dog. They had tandem biking, ziplining, rockwall climbing, beep kickball, scavenger hunts, game nights, driving simulators, and so much more. The best part, though, was that I got to experience all these activities with other blind and visually impaired teens. I made so many friends that week, and to this day, three years later, I consider some of those people some of my best friends.

If you ask any alumni from camp what their favorite part of the week was, there's a 9 out of 10 chance that they're going to say, "Dog Day." This is the day when we got to work with a guide dog and a guide dog mobility instructor (GDMI) to learn about what working with a guide dog is like.

Virtual Summer Experience Camp June 20–24, 2022

Application deadline: Monday, May 16, 2022, at 5 p.m. EST

Teens 14–17 years old in the U.S. and Canada can expect an awesome lineup of virtual activities. Just like our traditional camp we will be exploring mobility options like guide dog travel, building leadership skills and developing relationships with peers.

Start your application at LeaderDog.org or by calling client services at 888-777-5332. As with all Leader Dog programs, there is no fee for summer experience camp.



IN EVERY LEADER DOG
LIES THE HEART OF A LION.
A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

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Top: Brooke with her Leader Dog Sampson and, below, "test driving" a guide dog at Summer Experience.

Hear and read Brooke's journey from camp to guide dog at LeaderDog.org.



BE OF SERVICE

LeaderDog.org/Lions

FOLLOW THE LEADER   

Happy New Year, Lions! Join us in February!

FEBRUARY 25-26, 2022

LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM: SERVICE WITH THE HEART OF A LION

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre -Flint 810-232-5300

NOTE: WE WILL BE MONITORING HEALTH SAFETY CONCERNS AND WILL ADJUST ACCORDINGLY

Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to:

Michigan Lions Forum:

5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911

Telephone 511-887-6640 or Fax 517-887-6642

Name _____

Address _____

Club _____ District _____

Contact _____

Names of Registrants

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

_____ Registrants at \$40.00/person* = \$ _____

*Registration fee is \$40.00 for reservations received no later than February 7, 2022 and includes lunch, forum and proceedings booklet. **After 2/7/2022, registration is \$50.00**

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Lions of Michigan

List food allergies or dietary requirements:

CHECK HERE IF YOUR CLUB HAS A RESALE STORE OR A CLOTHING BANK: District _____

REGISTER EARLY!

To guarantee lunch and materials!

Schedule of Events next page

Michigan Forum

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION 7:00 p.m.

- ☐ Resale Fashion Show- Service Project
- ☐ Hospitality Suite - The Fillmore - 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY SESSIONS:

7:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Registration

Session 1 Breakout Session - 8:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ Public Speaking
- ☐ LCIF Grants
- ☐ Fundraising
- ☐ Global Action Team

Session 2 Breakout Session - 9:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ Lions Learning Opportunities: Alli, Elli, FDI and more
- ☐ Diabetes
- ☐ Becoming a Social Media Super-User
- ☐ Marketing your Club

Session 3 Breakout Session - 10:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ Ice Breakers
- ☐ Lions 101 What We're All About
- ☐ Childhood Cancer
- ☐ Membership - The Power of Re-Gifting

Session 4 Breakout Session - 11:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ MyLCI/MyLion De-Mystified
- ☐ Lions of Michigan Foundation
- ☐ Hunger - Gardening for Good
- ☐ Passion to Serve!

12:30 p.m. - Lunch, White Cane Scholarships

Keynote Speaker Sandy Pearson, Habitat for Humanity; Drawings, Dismissal

Exhibitor Displays Open 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate the Bay City Lions 100 Year Anniversary on Dec 11, 2021! It was a celebration in true Lion style with an excellent meal, some good laughs at the expense of our tailtwisters, recognition and awards for some tremendous Lions, a silent auction, some more good laughs, and heartfelt moments with Jenny Ware.

The impact over 100 years is immeasurable. The members who started the club on December 8, 1921 would be proud to see what's happening today... and we are so grateful for them laying the groundwork for us to be serving together still



It was a true honor to have Past International Director Jenny Ware in attendance as our keynote speaker, the many dignitaries who presented proclamations, and our fellow Lions from other clubs across the state.



Thank you to Bay City Lion Scott Mackenzie, Event Chair, and his committee for planning such a wonderful evening. Also a special thanks goes to Dr. Delores Kowalski from the Special Needs Vision Clinic for making a beautiful cake for our celebration!



Bay City Lions 100 Year Anniversary Awardees/ Honorees

Past President's Distinguished Service



Lion Darlene Trigg, trailblazer for lady leadership in the Bay City Lions Club was honored with this prestigious award for her most excellent service to the club over the last almost 36 years. Among the highlights of Darlene's Lionism are

her efforts as the Peace Poster Chair for several years, Cookie Walk chair, involvement in the Kids Christmas Party, and record-breaking Tag Days fundraising. Lion Darlene is known for her hospitality at the ladies table during luncheons and her never ending willingness to serve (even during summer cookouts where she never sits down.)

She served as the FIRST female President of the Bay City Lions from 2005-2006, leading the way for the future Lady Presidents.



Lion Dennis Poirier, Past President of the Bay City Club and Past District Governor has been involved in almost

every project of the club and serves as a leader with our Board of Directors and a longtime attendance committee chair. Dennis is noted as our most memorable Birthday Song leader- he's always primed up for a rousing Bay City Lions rendition of "Happy Birthday!"

In addition to being a fun Lion to be around, he also lives the motto "We Serve." Among his many service projects, he heads up a college scholarship committee that awards local high school graduates financial support to realize their goals. Also, more recently Lion Dennis has been a dedicated organizer of food giveaways at the Salvation Army to help fight hunger.

Melvin Jones Fellowship

The Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) is presented to those who donate \$1,000 to LCIF or to people for whom a donation was made by others, a tremendous contribution to humanity and to the legacy of our founder, Melvin Jones.



Lion Vaughn Begick: In addition to his leadership through the Board of Directors, he's our club historian, our secretary, our communicator of all

things Lion, and a dependable friend in service. Lion Vaughn is a relentless Tag Day collector, and the first one to sign up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing.



Lion Joe Gwizdala:

In addition to his board leadership, and consistent dedication to the 50-50 Lion Joe has a fondness of programs impacting children like Project Kidsight. He also

is heavily involved, and often spearheads efforts to help fund the Special Needs Vision Clinic and Leader Dogs for the Blind.



Lion Bob Katt:

Lion Bob has long served as one of our club Chaplains, consistently sharing messages of hope and gratitude. He has chaired coin box collections for several

years, finds unique opportunities to support local non-profits, is often quick to sign up for the Cookie Walk and Christmas Caroling, and chairs the calling committee.



Lion Jack Frost

Jack is a Tag Days extraordinaire, always dedicated to a corner on the East Side out town. He enjoys hands on projects that support our neighbors, like the

Salvation Army food giveaways where you can find him packing boxes and loading trunks. First District Governor Jack represents us well within District 11D-1!

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!

Cookbook Order and Donation Form

☐ I would like to purchase _____ cookbook(s) for \$20 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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George Daly Award

The explanation of how a Lion is chosen to receive the George E. Daly Award

A George E. Daly Award has been established which is administered by a committee consisting of two (2) Past District Governors who are in their second and third years out of office District Governor and three (3) non-Lion members of the community selected by the two Lion members and approved by the District Cabinet each year on or before the midwinter cabinet meeting. The Past District Governors on this committee will act in an advisory capacity only and will have no vote in the selection of the candidate to receive the award. The non-Lion members shall have one vote each for the selection of the candidate. The Past District Governor serving the one-year term shall act as Chairman of this committee. In the event a Past District Governor of the second or third year out of office cannot serve they shall be replaced by a Past District Governor the next higher year out of office.

The committee will select a candidate for this award who must have:

- a. Been a Lion at least three years
- b. Had perfect attendance for the past three years
- c. Been a member in good standing of a Club in good standing in this District
- d. A Lion of high moral character.

Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- a. Offices and / or chairmanships in the Club
- b. Lions' projects participated in
- c. Accomplishments of this Lion in service to the community
- d. Accomplishments of this Lion in service to Lionism

Any Club that wishes to nominate a candidate for this award shall do so by submitting a form signed by the Club Secretary or President to the chairman of this committee listing the candidates' qualifications by deed and year occurred. The form for this award will be provided by the District.

The Chairman of this committee will receive the nomination forms and remove the nominee's name, town and Club. He will then assign a number to the form. The voting members of this committee will vote on their choices. First, second and third choice with three (3) points for first choice, two (2) points for second choice and one (1) point for third choice. Nominees receiving zero points along with the nominee receiving the least number of points in each round dropped from consideration until only one nominee remains.

The District Governor and the voting members of his cabinet shall not be eligible for this award during their terms of office. No Past District Governor shall be eligible for this Award.

This Award will not be given if, in the estimation of the Committee, no one is worthy of the award that year.

No other award will be established in the District with any direct or indirect link to this award. The prestige of this award will be continually protected.

APPLICATION FOR GEORGE E. DALY AWARD

CANDIDATE NAME: _____

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR LAST THREE YEARS: _____

TOTAL YEARS PERFECT ATTENDANCE: _____

A. OFFICES AND/OR CHAIRMANSIPS HELD IN THE LIONS CLUB:

Offices Held:

Committee Chairmanships:

B. LIONS PROJECTS PARTICIPATED IN:

C. ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS LION IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

D. ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS LION IN SERVICE TO LIONISM:

CLUB PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY _____

The submission deadline is February 28, 2021.

The applications should be submitted to by mail or email to:

PDG Joe Bogar, 6385 Prairie Dunes, Grand Blanc, MI 48439, jtbogar@gmail.com

Lions Around the District

Bay City Lions: This was a busy quarter for the Bay City Lions. During meetings in October and November, we inducted 6 new members. Also in October, Lion Nicole Arsenault and the Handy Middle School Leos inducted over 40 new members!

President Jessica held the Sweet Dreams Pajama Drive through November, delivering over 80 pair



of brand-new jammies to the Foster Closet along with a check.

We kicked off December with a Steak Fry, led by Kitchen Crew Chief Kurt Legner, with 86 attendees, and inducted another 4 new members! Lion Sandy Sting chaired an awesome cookie walk on Dec 6, raising around \$1400!

Lion 3rd Vice President and Christmas Party Chair Patti Reaume along with her Co-Chair Lion Annie Eckenrod and lots of special Lion elves

decked the halls of the LFA Hall on Dec 8 to put on the Annual Children's Christmas party. About 30 families, referred by local agencies, were in attendance and enjoyed a delicious taco dinner, reindeer games, and a special visit from Santa and the Mrs. complete with gifts! A great time was had by all.



Lion Vaughn Begick coordinated another season of Salvation Army



Bay City Continued

Bell Ringers through December. On December 17 Lion Elizabeth Berner and the Christa McAullife Leos delivered 1094 cans of food to the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission from their food drive! On Dec 18th, Lions provided over 50 families in need with hearty food boxes to help get them through the holidays, aided by food box packagers from the Handy Leo Club!



Buena Vista Lions:



This is the BV's annual Christmas shopping spree for 40 children in the Saginaw Public Schools

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Lions Around the District

Fenton Lions Club received winter hats from an enormous donor from Fenton. When our Treasurer Dave Dipka



went to this persons home to pick up their donation. They asked if he knew of anyone that could use kids winter hats. Dave said he know of several, so he contacted Fenton Lions Club Secretary Marilyn Reibel and between the two came up with Children's World, Fenton - West Shore, North Road, and Tomek-Eastern Elementary. Lake Fenton Elementary and the rest went to City of Hope along with blankets.

Flint Downtown Lions: Happy Holidays to all from the Downtown Flint Lions Club.

We are happy to say that with the help of the UAW, we were able to give away seven holiday food boxes just before Christmas this year. We gave four of these boxes, some coats and a box of toys to the Annual All Children Are Equal Toy Drive. They give out toys but also assist with other needs of children with incarcerated parents.



Since we now have a connection to the Genesee County Sheriff Department, our intent is for our next project to be that of making teddy bears and blankets for the police

Flint Downtown Continued

to give out to traumatized children. All clubs are welcome to help or donate fabric, thread, stuffing, etc. to make these simple bears.

Thank you, Dan Houston for allowing our club to help children with sickle cell anemia shop for items at Meijer.

A special thank you to Jeff Hunt for being so supportive of our club again this year. As always, we appreciate your generous assistance.

Flushing Lions have had a busy fall. After having the Flushing Area hit with a microburst (tornado) in August, we have been attempting to help the community recover with a grant from LCIF. The process requires that the District Governor apply. The work required for the application of up to



\$20,000 required a complete plan of everything that was planned to be completed. One of the difficult problems as we chose to help with tree removal that was dangerous to the community was finding available local contractors that could do the work in the allotted time frame. We ended up

Lions Around the District

Flushing Continued

with quotes from five contractors. One was from the Owosso area. We settled on two as some of the quotes were way too high and others wanted to do all nine of the jobs we had found. For insurance reasons, one of the jobs had to be dropped. We then added four additional jobs of which the last one was completed just after Thanksgiving. The last job is shown in three pictures. One shows the two stumps that had to be removed. The root pile stood about 7 foot tall and 12 wide. The second picture shows the grinding of a stump. The third is the cleaned up area.

Beside the grant work, the club was busy working on the annual Candle Walk. We had our concession stand in the downtown area and Gift Card raffle sales in several locations. Gross sales for both were over \$2,000. This was one of our better sales for the Candle Walk. We have, for years, been cutting the approximately 5000 luminaries used from milk jugs. This year had interesting challenges due to the pandemic.

Frankenmuth Lions celebrated Christmas with a special dinner at the Bavarian Inn Restaurant Alpine Room. They were entertained by musical selections and Christmas carols. A highlight of the evening was the annual "bottle raffle", which was fun for all. More than \$500 was raised from the raffle and donations were presented to the Special Needs Vision Clinic and the Emmaus House of Saginaw to support their important work in the community.



In addition, the Lions served as bell-ringers for the Salvation Army during December and collected almost \$4000 in six days.

Kingston Lions joined the Mayville Lions for dinner and gift exchange in December. The club also provided food for 5 families in the area.

Linden Lions Club has another successful Christmas Tree Sale thanks to our Christmas Tree chair PRC Jim Ates and, of course, all who helped at the tree lot.

Merrill Lions Club: Duane Wilcox District Governor swore in 5 new members on November 2nd, 2021 to the Merrill Lions Club. (Left - right) Delynn Wenzel, (Sponsored by Larry Tibbits); Lori and William Anders (Sponsored by Anne Bales) Dave Reiber and up front Crystal Allen, (Sponsored by Hope Seegobin accepted by Theresa Devault). Welcome to Merrill Lions Club. (absent from the swearing in was Steven Gunther).



Montrose Lions Club: Dec. 18, Montrose Lions had

The Santa Toy Store held at the Montrose Orchard. THIS event was the 15th year for the Santa Store to hand out toys to kids in the



Montrose area. We were able to take care of 75 kids. The youngest were 1 year old, the oldest were 17 years old.

Happy New Year!