

*Lions Serving  
With Hardt*

*Tom Hardt*  
**District Governor 11 D-1**

*January, 2017*



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**REGION AND ZONE CHAIRS**

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**District Website**

[www.michiganlionsdistrict11d1.com](http://www.michiganlionsdistrict11d1.com)

**Governor Tom was having computer/phone problems.**

In lieu of his letter, these are a few of the things he wants you to be aware of:

- **THE WINTER CABINET MEETING** is NOT at Shields as your roster book says. It will be at the East Flint Lions Clubhouse on Sunday, January 15. Details on page 3 of this newsletter.
- **CLUB VISITATIONS:** If Governor Tom is scheduled to visit your club within the next couple of weeks, please call to confirm with him.
- Please plan to attend the **MICHIGAN FORUM** at the Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel and Conference Center on February 18. The brochure with all the information and registration form is included as a separate attachment. **THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 30.**
- **NOMINATING FORM** for DG and VDGs and instructions plus the procedure for constitutional amendments are included in this newsletter and begin on page 3 with the form on page 4.

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## From the First Vice District Governor



The January issue of the Lion magazine has an article "Seven Keys to Success" about the 2015-16 Club President Award, starting on page 42. There are some great suggestions for strengthening clubs and providing more service to your communities. Additional information about the award and the application form for the award can be found at lionsclubs.org.

Also found in this issue of the Lion is a short article about the Freeland Lions Walleye Festival. Congratulations Freeland Lions!!

Hard to believe, the first half of our Lion year is now history. How are you and your club doing on completing the goals you set before this year started? Are you working on the 4 categories of the Centennial Service Challenge?

The December/January challenge is "Relieving the Hunger". Lions

International has asked all the clubs to take part in a special event: The "Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty", January 10-16. Share photos of your project on social media so everyone can see what you're doing to help make your community better. Use the hashtag #Lions100, and LCI will also share them on their Facebook page!

If you need help coming up with ideas for the project, a quick search on the LCI website will produce a Hunger Planning Guide, 25 Hunger Project Ideas, a Club Flyer and a Club Press Release.

Can we meet the goal of helping 100 million people by the 100th Anniversary of Lions International? Together we can!!

*1st VDG Jeff*

## From the Second Vice District Governor



### Lions of 11 D-1

I hope you had a safe and happy holiday. On Christmas Day, my wife Lion Kathy, daughter Alena and I served as Lions at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen on the east side of Detroit. We helped serve 1,000 men, women and children; many were homeless. We gained a new respect for the circumstances of life.

Most of the people were gracious and kind to receive the food we served. This was our 3rd year as a family to provide service on Christmas Day. The last two years we served dinner at a church in our town of St. Charles. No matter where we serve-city or small town, the need is there. "Where there is a need there is a Lion," they say!

It is hard to believe that 2017 is just hours away. Time sure does fly. This year will be the year of celebrating the 100th year of Lions Clubs

International. The five oldest clubs in our District are Flint Downtown Host and Saginaw Downtown both chartered in 1920, Bay City 1921, Flushing and St. Charles began in 1942. At that time we had two Districts in Michigan. There were over 140,000 Lions in 8 countries. Today there is 1.35 Million Lions in 206 countries and geographic areas. In Michigan, we have 10 Districts plus one in the Upper Peninsula.

This year, Flushing Lions Club is celebrating their 75th Anniversary on January 22, 2017. If you are able, please come and help them celebrate. More information will be in this newsletter.

St. Charles will be celebrating 75 years this fall. We have Lions in our District who have served more than 50 years and a few who have served more than 60 years. My club has a Lion who

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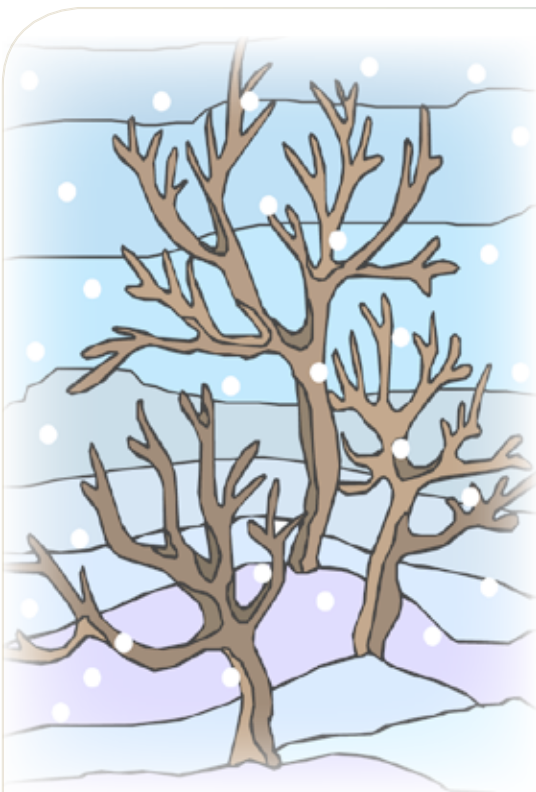
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has served for 65 years, Lion Robert Loomis. He started in 1951. At that time we had only 4 Districts in Michigan. Only 11 of the 39 clubs that exist today were around in 1951.

I would like to celebrate 😊 the following 13 Lions Clubs for completing both their Membership Reports and their Activity Reports in December: Auburn-Williams,

Bridgeport, Cass City, East Flint, Gaines Area, Grand Blanc, Kingston, Lennon, Mayville, Otisville, Saginaw Downtown, St. Charles, and Zilwaukee. Please contact me if you have any questions. Let's try and have 20 or more clubs complete both reports next month.

*Service with a smile 😊*  
*Lion Joe Bogar 2nd VDG*



## Winter Cabinet Meeting

**Sunday, January 15th**  
**beginning at Noon**

hosted by East Flint Lions Club

### East Flint Lions Clubhouse

4352 Crosby Rd., Flint

No cost to cabinet members;  
\$10 per person for guests and non-cabinet attendees.

Please RSVP to Governor Tom, 989-239-6774.  
thardt73@yahoo.com.

or CS Dick DeLong , [dick4571@charter.net](mailto:dick4571@charter.net)

### Nominating Forms for DG, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG

Prospective candidates for the offices of DG, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG must submit the forms on the next page in this newsletter. This a new requirement that is included in the District Constitution and By-laws that became effective July 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. The forms are to be filled out and returned to PDG Tommy Thompson, Chair of the Nominations Committee **no later than February 9th.**

Dick DeLong, CS, Election Committee

### Proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws

Any proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws must be received by the Cabinet Secretary no later than January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

Please submit by e-mail to [dick4571@charter.net](mailto:dick4571@charter.net) or regular mail to Richard DeLong, CS, 4571 Bittersweet Lane, Saginaw, MI 48604

**EXHIBIT D**

**Nominating Committee Checklist  
District Governor Candidate**

This checklist must be completed for each candidate and submitted to the Elections Committee.

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Candidate's Lions Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Nominating Committee Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Election: \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate has submitted sufficient evidence showing that he/she has met the following Requirements:**

- Candidate is an active member in good standing of a chartered Lions Club in Good Standing\* in his/her single or sub-district.
- Candidate endorsed by his/her Lions Club or a majority of the Lions Clubs in the District.
- Candidate is currently serving as the first vice district governor within this district.

In the event the current first vice district governor does not stand for election as district governor, or if a vacancy in the position of first vice district governor exists at the time of the district convention, the candidate fulfills the following qualifications:

- Club President: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Served \_\_\_\_\_
- Club Board of Directors \_\_\_\_\_ Two (2) Years Served \_\_\_\_\_
- District Cabinet (check one)
  - Zone or Region Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Year Served \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cabinet Secretary and/or Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Year Served \_\_\_\_\_
- One (1) additional year as a member of district cabinet  
Position held: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Served \_\_\_\_\_
- With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

*\*Please note that if the club has any outstanding dues, the candidate should be notified and provided up until fifteen (15) days prior to the election to ensure that his/her club pay outstanding dues.*

I have reviewed this checklist and certify that the candidate listed above has met the requirements for District Governor in accordance with the International By-Laws, Article IX, Section 4.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominating Committee Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominating Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_ Date



# A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE 100 Years of Lions' Pride

Fellow District 11 D1 Lions: It is the convention committee's distinct pleasure to extend a warm invitation for each of you to attend the 2017 District Convention. Plans are well under way to make this a convention to remember. Not only will we be celebrating 100 years of Lionism, but this marks the 40th district convention. Please discuss with other members of your club a trip to Mt. Pleasant to enjoy a fun, relaxing weekend with the Lions of this district.

We will be at the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant the weekend of April 7-9, 2017. Reservations can be made by calling 989-772-4000 and let them know it is for the Lions 11 D1 Convention. The room rate is \$89.00 per night plus tax. For those individuals

or clubs wishing to book suites for hospitality rooms, more information will be coming soon.

This year, there will be no charge for breakfast, as it is included in the room rate and will include waffles, eggs, hard cooked or scrambled, biscuits and sausage gravy, sausage, juice, coffee and rolls. Friday night buffet dinner will feature fresh baked tilapia w/parsley butter sauce and pot roast. Saturday night governor's banquet will be a choice of champagne chicken or roast pork loin.

Please take time now to fill out the registration form and make plans now to be in Mt. Pleasant in April.

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## 2016-17 Memorial Service

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We sadly report that the following Lions or Lioness from our club have passed away during the last year, and request that they be honored at the Memorial Service on April 9, 2017.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Club President or Secretary

NOTE: Please return even if there were no deaths within your club. In addition, please enclose a brief outline of your Honorees' contributions to Lionism and your club. For example, length of service in Lionism, offices held, committees or just a great story.

Please return this form along with all others by March 25, 2017

RETURN TO : Lion Tom Hardt • 620 Eleanor • Saginaw 48602 • 989-239-6774 • thardt@yahool.com

# 2017 District Convention Registration

Welcome to the start of the 2017 District 11D1 convention. "A Celebration of Service- 100 years of Lions pride. The convention committee is busy building a great convention for you to attend.

To help the committee be ready for you, please fill in your registration and mail early to: Lion Alice Zajac, 6545 Legg Rd, Kingston, MI 48741 and email any questions or comments to:

akzmsu@gmail.com.

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Please fill in all applicable information:

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion Name: \_\_\_\_\_, email address \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee (no fee for new Lions or first time attendees) \$14.00 per attendee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Night Dinner \$25.00 per attendee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Lunch \$15.00 per attendee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Night Banquet \$26.00 per attendee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Saturday dinner choices: Roast Pork loin \_\_\_\_\_, Champagne Chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember that breakfast both Saturday and Sunday are included in the room rate.

If you have any special meal requirements please indicate here what they are and we will, to the best of our ability, to accommodate your needs.

Club secretaries please duplicate this form and return one for each member or couple planning to attend the convention.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR MEAL WILL BE MARCH 27, 2017

# Michigan Forum

February 18

Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel and  
Conference Center in Lansing

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER JANUARY 30**

If you've never attended, this year is the one to see.

*See brochure as separate attachment.*

## Lions of Michigan Trustee Report

by Steven VanTol

Presidents and Secretaries: the LMF sweepstakes tickets have been sent. Club members ask about them. They are a great way to support the LMSF and remember, if your club sells 100 tickets or more, your club will receive five dollars from the foundation for your clubs use. What an easy way to raise funds.

If you would like to nominate someone for the LMF Hall of Fame, contact Cabinet Secretary Dick DeLong soon. Our district nominations must be approved by the voting cabinet and submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> to the LMF. *See separate attachment for nominating forms.*

The LMF is here to help us serve. Grants are available for sight and hearing when the local clubs and district needs funding. There is an emergency grant fund available for disasters such as home fires and flooding. Please contact a trustee for assistance.

If you are interested in serving on the board, please request this information from the current Trustees. The current trustees of the LMSF are Lion Steven VanTol and PDG Lion Laura Hunt.

### Gaines Area Lions Club



Fundraisers are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday each month  
From 6:00pm to 8:00pm  
**Fuddruckers of Flint**  
2373 Austin Pkwy  
Flint MI 48507

Present this flier to the cashier and a portion of ALL sales will be donated to the GAINES AREA LIONS CLUB

**Support Our Fundraisers!**  
**When you support our Lions club**  
**you support the projects Lions do in**  
**your community and worldwide!**







## Leo Club Chair Report

by Lion Steven VanTol

We now have two Leo Clubs in our district. The Western Leo Club inducted 23 new members on December 13, chartered November 20 and is sponsored by the Auburn Williams Lions Club. The Handy Middle School Club is going strong, also.

I again encourage all Lions clubs to look for the person in their club to work with a Leo club. Then contact the middle schools and high school. I am available to present information on starting a club to the students and advisors at their school.

Interested in starting a Leo club? I can come to your club and meet with your area schools to explain the program. This would be informative for anyone interested in helping start a Leo Club. Call 989-430-9500 or email me at lionstevanvantol@gmail.com.



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# Chocolate Easter Bunny Sale

Easter is April 16th this year.

Price structure for this year.

Milk Chocolate Bunnies	\$65.50./case/24	6.2 Oz./each
White Chocolate Bunnies	\$63.50/case/24	3.5 Oz./each
Dark Chocolate Bunnies	\$68.50/case/24	6.2 Oz./each
Sugar Free Bunnies	\$63.50/case/24	3.5Oz./each

Minimum order Qty: 5 cases

Payment: Full payment upon your pick-up at our site.

Ordering Deadline: Feb. 15, 2017 at 12 NOON !!

Thank You in advance for your consideration of this Fund Raiser

Contact: Gary Jones- 989-872-2639, gdjones3957@gmail.com

K. Martin: 989-670-1115

J. Mathie: 989-912-2119

Minimum Order Quantity: 5 Cases

Pick-Up: Our site unless other arrangements made in advance.



## Roster Changes

Essexville Hampton Lions meet @ VNO on 510 E. Midland St., Bay City @ 6 pm on the 1st Wed. of the month from Sept. to May. Board meeting @6 pm on the 3rd Wed. of the month @ Bay Landscaping on SE Boutell. Summer meetings are 6pm on the 3rd Wed. from June-August @ The Lions Pavilion in Essexville.

Walt McLavy's phone number is 810-730-1522.

Secretary for Fenton Lions is now PDG Doug Storrs, P.O. Box 488, Fenton, MI 48430  
Weserve2gether@aol.com

James Gaddis, secretary of Buena Vista has a new phone number: 989-798-5780.

Curt Henderson, secretary of Mayville has a new email: curtchriswill@charter.net

New President of East Flint Auxiliary: Ellen Anderson, 4025 Vassar Road, Davison 48423.

Dave Dipka's home phone number has changed from 248-603-1654 to 810-603-1654.

Kingston Lions will be meeting at the Elementary Café for our program meetings in January, February and March (the 4th Tuesdays).

Lennon Lions: will hold meetings, from Nov. 1 to May 1, at the Lennon Village Hall.

Millington Lions meeting dates will now be the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The new location will be the Millington Community Center, 8705 South State (M-15). The meetings will continue to begin at 6:30 p.m

# Lions Around the District

**Buena Vista Lions** sadly announce the death of Stanley Gordon. Funeral service was held at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Saginaw on Wednesday, December 28, 2016.

**The Fairgrove Lions Club** wishes Good tidings for the year, Health, prosperity, joy, and cheer. **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**The Fenton Lions'** Christmas celebration at Coyote Preserve Golf Club included a performance by the Fenton High School Ambassadors choral group, and the collection of gifts for foster children cared for by the Ennis Center for Children in Flint, Michigan.



**Gaines Area Lions** President Lion James Savage received the 100% pin from International for growing the club. He was presented the pin from IPDG Leo Dolehanty.

**Kingston Lions Club** provided groceries, toiletries, and supplies for four households in the area for Christmas. The ham raffle was held on the 13th with 15 hams being given away. Thanks to all who supported our project. Governor Lion Tom Hardt and First Lady Shelly were at our meeting on the 27th. Governor Tom inducted new member Ella Cancel into the club and also welcomed Lion Gordon Ostrander who transferred from the Applegate club. We will be meeting at the Elementary Café for our program meetings in January, February and March (the 4th Tuesdays).

**Lennon Lions** hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and was able to be with family and friends and that all will have a Happy New Year. This has been one of the more prosperous years for the club.

All of the Christmas trees were sold, thanks to the members who helped, each of them giving countless hours.

We also helped with Santa Claus (Lion Scott from our club) at the Lennon Café, furnishing cider and donuts.

Eight members helped the children have a fun evening with Santa.

We also worked with Swartz Creek Lions Club for our annual food & gift project. We received over 4000 cans and boxes of food collected from Swartz Creek Schools. We purchased turkeys, chickens, bread, donuts, & potatoes. We also purchased a gift for each child. We received donations of fruit from VanEerdan Foods & Kohns Orchards and were given a cash donation of \$500 from Waste Management. We received help from many members on these projects but some went the extra mile. Lion Don picking up food, Lion Lonny sorting food, Lion Doug, Pres. ZC, Lion Rick, Lion Kelly, & Lion Bob PDG, purchasing and Lion Sharon purchasing & wrapping gifts. We thank everyone who helped in any way. We received \$1,862.51 from Lennon Food Pantry when they dissolved.

**The Linden Lions Club** participated in Linden's Holiday Happening with a parade entry and serving hot cocoa and cookies after.

Also held its annual and very successful Christmas tree sale and are happy to announce all trees sold, thanks to club members who put in a lot of time at the "tree trailer", and especially to PRC Jim Ates, who is the chairman and put in many hours making this project a success.

The club also supports the local food pantry, the Food Bank, Christmas Express, who donates boxes of food to the needy, the Ministerial Ass'n who has a program in place to help with rent and heat for needy families. Also purchased a case of mints to be sent to the military.

**The Millington Lions** have changed meeting days and location beginning in January of 2017. The transitions of dates and location were necessary due to the sale and change of use of the former meeting site. See details in Roster Changes next page.

**Saginaw West Lions Club** for December, donated \$200.00 to the "Adopt A Family" at the Under Ground Railroad Woman's Shelter.

The club also joined with the Carrolton Lions for a Christmas Dinner buffet complete with 5 Baskets, some even contained "cheer".

**Shields Lions Club**

“Members posed with our lion after setting up the club’s display for the Thomas Township Christmas Train. Pictured left to right: Toby Webber, Terry Ross, Lion, Al Vroman, and Ed Brosowski. Not pictured: Dan Kuhn.



assistance with crafts for the children. The photos include a community family proudly displaying their painted faces by the mascot Lion as well as Lion Autumn Wicke and her children Braden and Jenna who are often helper cubs at the meetings!



**St. Charles Lions Club:**

On December 7th, the St. Charles club held its annual Christmas party at the Methodist Church. Our guests were District Governor Tom Hardt and his wife Lion Shelly. Governor Tom awarded years of service pins to Lion Bob Loomis (65 years), Rob Loomis (40 years), Joe Bogar (10 years), Mike Robishaw (10



**Swartz Creek Lions** send you Merry Christmas and Happy New Year wishes and want to remind you the club meetings will resume January, 2017, and will continue on the first and third Wednesday of each month thereafter through June. Starting in January, we will be making arrangements for our third annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser, which, this year, is scheduled for July 12. Anyone around the district who wishes to attend any of our upcoming meetings and offer assistance, is invited and encouraged to attend.



years) and Kathy Bogar (10 years). Many thanks go to Lion Matt Wicke and Lion Scott Housey for providing a wonderful music quartet. Kaitlyn Housey and Jenna

Fuller rounded off the quartet which played some bright Christmas songs! The fantastic cooks– Pam, Nancy, Dolores and Judy, spoiled us again with appetizers and a tasty baked chicken dinner. We ended our evening with a White Elephant gift ex-change. Lion Joe had us passing gifts left and right on an imaginary trip to Chicago for the 100th Anniversary International Convention! Everyone walked away with a gift and a smile on their face!



Also in December the club sponsored face painting for the Pre-school/ Daycare fundraiser: Breakfast with Santa. Club members also volunteered for setup and

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*KEEP SAVING YOUR*  
**PENNIES FOR THE**  
**SPECIAL NEEDS**  
**CLINIC**



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Winter Cabinet Meeting

January 15, East Flint

### Michigan Forum

February 18, Lansing

### District Convention

April 7-9, Mt. Pleasant

### MD 11 Convention

May 18-21, Traverse City



## District Convention 2017 is coming April 7-9 2017

at:

Comfort Inn and Suites Hotel and  
Conference Center  
2424 S. Mission, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858

Room rate is \$ 89.00 a night plus tax

Theme for Friday night is  
"Birthday Celebration"