

Lions Serving
With Hardt

Tom Hardt District Governor 11 D-1

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REGION AND ZONE CHAIRS

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District Website

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Membership to date 1173

Welcome new Lions of District 11 D-1 and to your sponsors on your commitment to "Just ASK." Statistics show that for every new member, at least 70 lives will be touched with our acts of community service. "A new Mountain to Climb, one member at a time". Always look for the new mountain to climb.

There is a lot happening within the state legislation which includes how the state will allow the Lions to

collect donations on the street. I have asked 1st VDG Jeff to keep everyone informed.

Memorial Service @ Convention. I have asked Lion CT Phyllis to attach the form needed to be filled out so that our deceased members during the fiscal year get recognized with all proper information. Please have those forms back to me by March 25th, 2017.

In February, Lion Shelly and I attended the Michigan Forum in Lansing. I was not only shocked but surprised to receive the International award and medal awarded to me by ID Jenny Ware. I am very proud and honored to receive the 2nd highest International Presidential award representing District 11D-1.



Lion Shelly and I would like to extend a special thank you to everyone who donated to our Florida vacation. We had a great time just sitting by the pool and relaxing.

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DG Tom Hardt

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From the First Vice District Governor



February is now behind us with memories of club visits, a training trip to Indianapolis with my fellow 1st VDGs, the Michigan Forum, the "Backpack Project" (weekend food for school kids), the Council of Governors meeting and, most recently, the East Flint Auxiliary "Soup and Pie" Social.

A good part of February was also

1. Attorney General issued an opinion that street collections violated Michigan law.
2. Many jurisdictions stopped allowing street collections based on that opinion.
3. Lions clubs and the projects they support were drastically affected.
4. The problem was brought to the attention of the Council of Governors.
5. The Council formed a committee to address the problem.
6. The committee researched and discussed two possible solutions. The first was to challenge the opinion on existing law in court and the second was to attempt new legislation that would allow us to legally collect in the streets.
7. After reviewing bids, the committee voted to hire a consultant firm, Michigan Legislative Consultants, to help us address the issue legislatively. This recommendation went to the Council of Governors for their consideration.
8. The Council of Governors approved the recommendation and also approved a contract for 6 months of service. This service will be paid out of administrative account dollars that are now dedicated to this project.
9. The Michigan Legislative Consultants firm has made great inroads with legislators and is recommending a "Lions Day" at the Michigan Capitol. The planning for that "Lions Day" has already begun and we should have a date shortly.

The next step is to raise awareness of the "Lions Day" and encourage participation of Lions from across the state. It will allow us to tell our story to those who will decide the fate of the proposed legislation change. Who better to tell them than their own constituents, who just happen to be Lions?

To accomplish this event, we will be renting a wing of the capitol building and providing lunch to the legislators as we tell our story. The total cost is estimated to be in the \$3500 range and we need sponsors to help pull this off. If this legislative effort will help your club's street collections continue or start again, please consider a donation. Our thanks to the 11D2 clubs that

spent working with our Council of Governor's committee that was formed to address the Michigan Attorney General's opinion on street collections. Our committee chair, CC Justin Faber, gave an update in the Jan/Feb issue of the Lions Pride Magazine and more has happened since then.

I'll give you the quick synopsis:

have already donated \$100 or more. Please make checks payable to Lions of Michigan with legislative effort in the memo line. Just a gentle reminder that the funds need to come from your administrative account. Thank you!!

Can we finish out the first 100 years of LIONS continuing to improve our communities? Can we get started on the second 100 years to make this a better world? You bet, because "together we can" do anything!

Jeff





Lions of 11 D-1,

On February 18, 2017, the Michigan Lions Forum was held in Lansing. Thanks to the Lions who helped put on the Michigan Forum. It was very informative. I went to a workshop on Laughing for your Health. 😊 It was full of laughter and great fun! The keynote speaker was John Drake who gave a very informative and eye-opening talk on starting an orphanage in the Philippines.

There was also a special presentation to our Governor Tom. He received the International Presidents' Leadership award. Congratulations, Governor Tom, you are very deserving of this prestigious recognition.

The day before the Forum, Lion Jeff and I had Vice Governor training. After our training, many Lions helped to stuff 250 backpacks for children and families with non-perishable food. Many of us were able to take some backpacks back to our towns to give to needy children.

After the Forum, and the next day, the Council of Governors met. The council consists of the 10 Governors in the Lower Peninsula. The Vice Governors are asked to meet with the Governors to listen and learn. In last month's newsletter, I asked how your Legacy Project was going. I learned at the council meeting that only 6 clubs in Michigan have reported a Legacy Project. I am hoping that all of our 11-D-1 clubs have a project in mind!

I also learned something a bit alarming in regard to our District Membership. If a district falls below 1,250 total members we may lose the opportunity to have an international speaker at our convention, and our district would not be able to vote at the International Lions Club Convention. In addition, when our Governor Elect goes to the International Convention to be sworn in as our Governor, the spouse of the Governor would have to pay their own expenses to the Convention and for the Convention. We started the year (July 2016) at 1,236. We now have 1,173 members which is 77 members below 1250. Only two Districts in our state are over 1,250. Our District has the 3rd highest number of members in our state. Time to rally and gain new Lions! Please spread the word of Lionism and "Just Ask" ! 😊

I would like to celebrate 😊 the following 12 clubs for completing their Membership and Activity reports in February as of Feb. 27--Auburn-Williams*, East Flint, Flushing, Gaines Area*, Grand Blanc*, Kingston*, Millington, Otisville, Saginaw West, Shields, St. Charles*, and Zilwaukee. Five clubs that have a * after their names have completed both reports from July to February. 😊 😊

Service with a Smile!
Lion Joe 😊
2nd VDG

Bingo for Vets DATES AVAILABLE

Saginaw VA Medical Center, @ 1500 Weiss St., Saginaw, MI, 48602. If the date a club chooses is a Monday thru Saturday, Bingo will start at 7pm. Also, on Saturday and Sunday, the Bingos can start around 1pm. The Lions Club can call me, Lion Bill Bauder at (989) 493-3407 (cell), or they can call the Medical Center at (989)-497-2500, extension 11076 to set a date.

- January 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
- February 3, 4, 7, 10, 18, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28
- March 3, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 16, 18, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29
- April 1, 4, 7, 8, 9, 14, 18, 20, 24, 28, 29, 30
- May 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 18, 20, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
- June 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 15, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26
- July 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31
- August 1, 4, 5, 11, 15, 17, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30
- September 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30
- October 3, 6, 8, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
- November 1, 3, 7, 10, 11, 16, 18, 21, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29
- December 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31

PENNIES
KEEP SAVING YOUR
PENNIES FOR THE
SPECIAL NEEDS
CLINIC
1 PENNY JAR FOR EACH
REGION. HELP YOUR
REGION WIN.

A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE 100 Years of Lions' Pride



As we draw near to our district convention, I hope each of you have plans to attend this year. A number of activities are planned for the weekend, including exceptional breakout programs on Saturday morning. Lion Jodye Lindsay, wife of International Director Sam Lindsay, will be our luncheon speaker on Saturday, and we will follow with the district business meeting where election of two trustees for the Michigan Lions Foundation will take place and district convention location for 2018 and possibly 2019 will be decided. The governor's banquet in the evening will have ID Sam Lindsay, Jr. as our guest speaker, and a number of international awards will be presented along with the George E. Daly award.

Sunday morning will see the election of district officers for 2017-2018 and our district memorial service honoring those Lions we have lost in the past year.

Oh, yes, I didn't mention Friday night. Plans are in the works for a fun evening for all to relax and enjoy fun and fellowship in celebration of our association's 100th anniversary of service.

Now is the time to register and make hotel reservations. Fill in the registration form and mail it today and call the Comfort Inn and Suites in Mt. Pleasant to reserve your room. Reservation deadline is two weeks before convention so book today. Call 989-772-4000 to make reservations and let them know it's for District 11 D1 Convention.

If you had not noticed, there is no charge for breakfast, as this is included in the room rate.

Remember, Governor Tom will be presenting district awards Friday evening. The convention committee is looking forward to seeing you all at convention and having a great time.

*Thank you,
The convention committee*

Convention Program Ads

We would like to extend the opportunity to advertise in the Convention program for the District 11 D-1 Lions Convention to be held at the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant April 7-9, 2017.

Ads can be anything you like: Congratulatory messages, Candidate Ads, Birthday Wishes, Memorials, Business Advertising, Project ads, Thank You messages, etc. They can contain pictures or logos (please provide highest possible resolution in jpeg format) and any copy you would like. The book will again be pocket-sized (6" high by 4" wide) for easy and frequent use!

Please contact Lion Laura Hunt at laurahunt1027@gmail.com or 248-766-7268. All payments and ad copy must be received by March 17th, 2017. Payment may be mailed to Laura at 306 Burns St., Essexville, MI 48732 and copy should be emailed to the above address. Please state "Convention Ad Copy" in the subject line.

PROGRAM AD RATES:

Black & White

1/3 Page (Business Card Size):	\$25.00
1/2 Page	\$37.50
Full Page	\$75.00

Color

1/3 Page (Business Card Size)	\$35.00
1/2 Page	\$50.00
Full Page	\$100.00

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

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@yahoo.com



Lions 100th Anniversary

LCIF would like us to do something special for the 100th. I would like to get at least 50 contributing members. I will have \$20 contributing member pins available soon. Fifty sales would raise \$1000 from our District. This would be wonderful. The Lions in our District have always supported me in any endeavor, for which I am very Proud & Thankful.

**Bob Sturgis LCIF
Coordinator**

Prizes Please!!

The convention committee is going to have a poker festival on Friday night for a couple of hours after the evening dinner. We are asking clubs if they could donate a prize to go to first and second place winners and others to go for a silent auction on Saturday evening before the dinner. This would help out greatly for convention.

If your club can, please let either Keith Cregar or Ron Johnson know so we can get things lined up.

Annual Lions Convention Store

It's that time again! Do you have something you would like to sell? Want to sell some raffle tickets in the Lions store to generate some funds for your club? Or maybe you would just like to spend a few hours helping others by selling items in the store.

Whatever your choice is, just call either Lion Shelly Hardt at (989) 293-2303 or Lion Mary DeMott at (248) 563-4490. Furthermore, we need all of you Charity board members to speak to your organizations and request items to be sold for them.

This will be the last Convention store if more people don't get involved. So if you'd like the store to continue then let's all pull together and make this the best one ever!

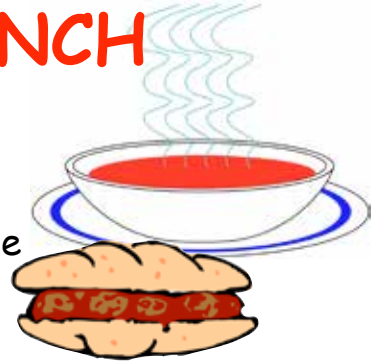
KINGSTON LIONS CRAFT SHOW

SLOPPY JOE & SOUP LUNCH

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Kingston Elementary School Cafeteria
3644 Ross St - South Parking Lot Entrance

9:00 A.M. To 3:00 P.M.



No Admission Fee for Visitors

Crafters Set Up Time: Saturday 7:30 A.M.
Friday 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. By Appointment Only
to snemeth_51@yahoo.com

No second hand or flea market items please

Inquiries: Janet Grieve 989 683-2056

APPLICATION

Name: _____

Craft: _____

Space @ \$12: _____ Space & Table @ \$20 _____ Chair(s) Needed _____

SIGN AND RETURN WITH CHECK NO LATER THAN MARCH 15

Signature _____ Date _____

Comments: _____ e-mail: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO KINGSTON LIONS CLUB

Mail to: Lion Janet Grieve
3250 Cemetery Rd., Kingston, MI 48741

District Milestone in Membership

Fellow 11 D-1 Lions. I wish I could tell you that the milestone I refer to in the heading was an illustrious one, but it is not. We currently are at a low member count of 1176. This is for a number of reasons including the loss of a club and the December purging of members by clubs.

It is time that we put the finger in the dike and stop the steady trickle of members away from Lions. Are there club members who haven't been at a club meeting or project in a while, or ever. Don't wait until the discussion is about "if we should drop the member". Make a phone call or a visit to that member. Don't expect someone else to do it. Each of us is the first defense against the loss of members. If we show that we are interested in these members and want them to be a part of our organization we may well turn the tide of member loss.

We all know that it is not easy to gain members, but we also know how to get new members. It is time each of us sets our sights on growing our club. Don't expect someone else in your club to take the responsibility. It is a job for every Lion. If each club in this district adds TWO new Lions and retains every member it now has, we would by the end of this Lions year, have 1250 members. From there, the sky is the limit.

Let us all work to make our district a strong and growing district and give Governor Tom the support he deserves.



Coming in
April

the Linden Lions Club's WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION

The LINDEN LIONS are hosting their annual WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION. This is an evening with everything - good food, lots of fun, a chance to pick up a rare find at a good price and to share good times and tall stories with other Lions.

Plan on joining the LINDEN LIONS on **Tuesday, April 25, 6:00 p.m.**
Hope Lutheran Church, 7355 Silver Lake Road in Linden.

For more information, directions or to make reservations,
call Lion Bill Wyckoff 810-620-6393



Gaines Area Lions Club



Fundraisers are on the 3rd 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!

Gaines Area Lions Club



BBQ & Burger Dinner



Byron Lodge #80 F & M
101 S. Saginaw St. Byron, MI 48418

April 1, 2017

Time 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$8.00 (this is no April Fools joke)

Children Twelve & Under \$4.00

Or

\$20.00 Per Family

50/50 raffle

Lots of deserts!



RSVP to Lion Mary DeMott at
(248) 563-4490

East Flint Lions Auxiliary

Would like to invite you to:

Our Annual Auction/Goodwill Dinner

East Flint Lions Clubhouse
4325 Crosby Road (off Genesee Road)
Flint, MI 48506

Tuesday, April 18, 2017
6 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. Auction

No cost for dinner but goodwill donations gratefully accepted.

For more info call Ellen @ 744-2720

Bring your family and friends!

Auction items are welcomed!



Help Wanted: Club LCIF Coordinator

The Club LCIF Coordinator is an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Foundation in your club. This person will share LCIF stories, motivate fellow Lions to support LCIF, and enable LCIF to advance its humanitarian work both locally and globally. This new position is crucial to the promotion of our foundation and we need all club presidents to actively recruit within their clubs to enable its success!

Appoint your Club LCIF Coordinator in 5 easy steps!

- 1 Announce the open position at your next club meeting
- 2 Educate members on the roles and responsibilities
- 3 Identify club members who are passionate about LCIF
- 4 Nominate and appoint a Club LCIF Coordinator for your club
- 5 **Enter required Club LCIF Coordinator information in MyLCI**

As club president, you are responsible for appointing your Club LCIF Coordinator. What an exciting way to be part of the future of LCIF!

The Club LCIF Coordinator is nominated by your club's nominating committee, elected as a member of the club's board, and serves a one-year term until reelection the following year. The Club LCIF Coordinator works closely with local leadership and communicates directly with LCIF District Coordinators to ensure alignment with district goals.

Once your nominating committee is ready to appoint to this important position, enter that information into MyLCI. We'll take it from there!

Club LCIF Coordinator Quiz

Are you interested in the Club LCIF Coordinator position?

Yes

No

Are you ready to share your passion about LCIF with your club?

But aren't you passionate about LCIF?

Yes

I'm not sure

Yes

No

What if LCIF were to give you all the support you need for the job?

Then yes!

I don't think so

Great!

That's okay!

Tell your club president that you want the job!

There are plenty of other ways you can support LCIF!

2017 Lions Club Community Golf Outing

Friday, June 16, 2017
4-person Scramble
Shotgun Start 9:00 am

www.millingtonlions.com



Willow Springs
7335 Oak Road, Vassar
(989) 871-9703

www.golftthewillow.com



CASH PRIZES
 \$500 – 1st Place
 \$300 – 2nd Place
 \$100 – 3rd Place
 \$100 – 10th Place
 \$100 – 20th Place

\$320 Team Entry Fee

If prepaid by June 6th, includes Golf, Cart Rental,
 Steak Dinner and T-Shirt.
 Late entries not guaranteed a T-shirt or proper size.

Limited to first 36 teams
 Only 1 person per team with an 18-hole 8 handicap
 or less
 Minimum team handicap of 45 – Verification of
 handicap upon request



Steak Dinner
 CASH Prizes
 Player's Pool
 Closet to Pin (3)
 Skins

Questions? Comments? Contact Al Harvey: anharvey@live.com or (517) 605-6256

Proceeds to benefit the Millington Community Center and many other local needs



Pre-register by mailing this **TEAM ENTRY FORM** and check or money order made payable to
 Millington Lions Club to Al Harvey, P.O. Box 428, Millington, MI 48746

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Handicap: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #2: _____

Email: _____ Handicap: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #3: _____

Email: _____ Handicap: _____ Shirt Size: _____

Player #4: _____

Email: _____ Handicap: _____ Shirt Size: _____



REGISTER FOR **DONATE LIFE DAY 2017**

Mark your calendars and line up your buddies for **Donate Life Day—Wednesday, April 12, 2017!**

Eversight Michigan, Gift of Life Michigan, and Lions and Lioness Club volunteers will join Secretary of State branch managers at local branch offices to promote donation and encourage Secretary of State customers to join the Donor Registry. Volunteer “buddies” will provide information to customers about signing up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry. Join us for this great cause!

Because of Lions and Lioness like you, 1,476 people joined the Donor Registry on Donate Life Day 2016. Let’s make 2017 another memorable year—become a volunteer and encourage others to give the gifts of life, sight and mobility!

After submitting the registration form, more detailed information regarding your local branch office’s participation in the Secretary of State Donate Life “Buddy” Day will be mailed to you in March.

If you have any questions, please contact Alex Teska:
 Phone: (800) 247-7250, ext. 2675 • E-mail: ateska@eversightvision.org • Fax: (734) 887-2310

Detach this registration form and mail in to:
 Alex Teska, Eversight Michigan, 4889 Venture Dr. Ann Arbor, MI 48108

If contacted by the media before Donate Life Day or while at the Secretary of State branch office, please assist them in sharing our message about promoting the Michigan Organ Donor Registry.



MAIL REGISTRATION FORM:

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____
 Name of Lions/Lioness Club (if applicable): _____
 Please enter your preferred Secretary of State branch office:
 City: _____ Street: _____
 My personal connection to donation/transplantation (if any) is:

 (e.g. Donor family member, transplant recipient, waiting recipient, living related donor, etc.)
 Preferred time: 11 a.m.–1 p.m. 1–3 p.m. 3–5 p.m. 5–7 p.m.

**THANKS TO MORE THAN
 200 VOLUNTEERS
 ON DONATE LIFE DAY
 LAST YEAR
 WE REGISTERED
 1,476 NEW
 DONORS!**



New
sponsorship &
team
opportunities!
See back for
details

Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows

**Sunday March 19, 2017
Noon-3:30 p.m.**

Eversight Michigan invites you to bowl with us to help support our Gift of Sight program that provides sight restoration to the uninsured.

Bel-Mark Lanes
3530 Jackson Rd.,
Ann Arbor MI 48103

A donation of \$25.00 per bowler provides 2 games of bowling, shoes, 2 slices of pizza & unlimited soft drinks

For more information, please contact Victoria Launiere at (734) 780-2673 or email vlauniere@eversightvision.org



Leo Club Chair Report

by Lion Steven VanTol

Interested in starting a Leo Club? Stop by the Leo table at the District Convention in Mt. Pleasant. I will be there to answer any questions you may have. We can set a time to visit with your club. This would be informative for anyone interested in helping start a Leo Club. Can not make the convention? Call 989-430-9500 or email me at lionstevenvantol@gmail.com.

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. Working as a team, we can get these clubs started. The Leos are our future Lions.

The Western Leo Club shared a Presidents Day celebration at the Plainview Senior Care in Auburn. The gave facts about the presidents and first ladies and asked the residents who they were talking about. Fun was had by all.

Lions of Michigan Trustee Report

By Lion Steven VanTol

Lions of Michigan Sweepstakes ticket reminder. If your club sells 100 tickets or more your club will receive five dollars for each ticket sold. What an easy way to raise funds for your club while supporting the foundation. If you need more tickets, please call the foundation at 517-887-6640 Ext. 13.

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

Region I, Zone 2 Meeting

I will be having a Zone meeting on March 30th at Brentwood Bowling Alley in Caro.

We will be discussing the sight screening program of Tuscola County along with the regular Zone meeting agenda.

Any questions contact Zone Chair Jake at 989 683 2557 or email me at lionjakedg@gmail.com.



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

Flushing Lions president Kristin Shively's first name is misspelled. Her correct email: kristinlabs1@yahoo.com

Email address change for John Senyko: from jrseyko@juno.com to jrseyko@gmail.com

Lions Around the District

Gaines Lions: Lion PDG Charlie Frederick received a 30-year chevron from IPDG Leo. Lion Andy Butts accepted it on his behalf.

Kingston Lions will be selling chocolate bunnies and hanging flower baskets. Our annual craft show and soup lunch is April 1. Still time to send your application as a vendor.

Lennon Lions Club has continued to give support to our fellow Lions. We went to the Valentines Day Party in Otisville and enjoyed ourselves with fellow Lions.

Following that Gaines extended an invitation to join them again at Fuddrucker's. We, of course, accepted.

We participated at the Michigan Forum both Friday and Saturday and delivered some Backpacks to Dedek Elementary School in Swartz Creek. The teacher I spoke with was very grateful and extended a heartfelt thank you.

We also served five veteran families with food and helped two get their benefits.

Raffle Tickets have gone on sale for this summer's fund raiser to be held during Lennon Homecoming, July 15 & 16. We again are selling tickets for \$10 each for the Zero turn lawn mower or 5 for \$50.

We also have a contractor who has volunteered his time, equipment and possibly material for the walk track we plan to install in our park.

Linden Lions Club will be selling chocolate Easter Bunnies this year again. We are purchasing them from the Cass City Lions.

To take advantage of the amount of cardboard left in our newspaper trailer, the club decided to purchase a baler.



Pictured left to right: PRC Jim Ates, Dan Embury, club president Bill Wycoff, Jeremiah Sloan (owns business where baler will be stored) and RC Duane Wilcox.

We are prepping for our annual White Elephant Auction in April. See the ad in this newsletter.

We had our twinning meeting with Fenton in January. Nine members from Linden and 14 from Fenton met at Fuddrucker's to support the Gaines club's fundraiser.

Saginaw West Lions had 'A Madd Hatter Night' " members wore all sorts of HATS, and a prize was awarded, by a drawing to a Lucky Lion. The real winners were the Lions at the meeting. A fun time was had by all.

West donated \$100.00 for Fill-A-Back-Pack with Food at a local school.

Also donated \$100.00 to Camp Witucki for a Camp Drive.

See You at The Convention.

Saginaw Downtown Lions: Lion Rodney Wakeman delivered over 100 pair of eyeglasses to the Special Needs Vision Clinic in Bridgeport and gave them our club info as the source of the glasses.

Also, if any club members have or come across used eyeglasses throughout the year, feel free to deliver them to my office at Wakeman Funeral Home, 1218 N. Michigan Ave. I will take them in and deliver them to SNVC. All I ask is members call ahead to confirm I or someone else is available to receive them.

Swartz Creek Lions: The first Bill and Monty Morgan memorial opportunity grant has been awarded to the Swartz Creek schools transition class. This is a special training class given to students with special needs to learn woodworking and other specialty skills to assist with finding jobs in the skilled trades among others. This award was given from funds raised during our 2015 Bill and Monty Morgan Memorial Spaghetti Dinner. A second grant will be given later this school year to an individual within the Swartz Creek area. A student with special needs and details on that award will be given once that person has been chosen. Our meeting schedule will continue on the first and third Wednesday of each month at Dave's pizza, downtown Swartz Creek, unless otherwise announced. In March, those dates are the first and 15th. Meetings begin at 6:30 PM.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

District Convention
April 7-9, Mt. Pleasant

MD 11 Convention
May 18-21, Traverse City

International Convention
June 30-July 4, Chicago



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"

