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Together We Can...

From District Governor Jeff Hunt

Our very busy April is finally here starting out with April Fools day, Easter and the continued celebration of Passover. Happy Easter and Chag Sameach!

Past International President Joe Preston and his wife Joni will be here shortly, joining us for our district convention, April 13-15. Friday night will be a festive Red, White & Blue celebration of America and our District 11D1. Harold DeMott, 2nd VDG candidate will be our host. Joni Preston will be our speaker for the Saturday lunch, hosted by 2nd VDG candidate John Wahler. And, yes, PIP Joe Preston will be our featured speaker at the Awards Banquet Saturday night. We are fortunate to have this dynamic duo as our guests for down time. The robotics team already this convention and I hope you can all make it. It is time to CELEBRATE!

Our member numbers dipped a bit earlier in March but as I write this today, March 30th, we are back up to a 20 plus for the current year. Our Leos are also growing, and I'm proud to announce that LCI has just chartered the Christa McAuliffe Middle School Leo Club in Bangor Township, Bay County. The charter celebration is scheduled for May 3rd at 6:00 p.m. and will be held at the school.

That new Leo club? Before their charter was issued days ago, they already had service projects completed and more underway for the future.

They've already joined in with the district "Covered in Love" blanket project and chose to make blankets for the Bay County Humane Society. A trip to deliver the blankets was made to the Animal Control Shelter where the Leos had a puppy/kitten shower fundraiser. Studies show that pets with blankets are more likely to be adopted. Way to Go, Leos!!

We continue to get outside groups wanting to help us with the blankets. The latest is the robotics club from All Saints High School in Bay City. It seems they have a lot of down time at meets, waiting for their spot in the action. Their advisor heard about the program and felt it would be a great project they could work on in their does a lot for the community, and this project helps them to help us and others. A win-win and perhaps the beginning of another Leo club?

Many Lions are pin traders, and I've just been notified of a Michigan Pin Traders Swap Meet coming up May 3rd – 5th in White Cloud. Tables are available or just go check them out. The details and registration form are included elsewhere in this newsletter.

White Cane and Tag Days are coming! Two names for the same idea of raising money to help our communities. Both involve street collections and this is a reminder of the changes Michigan Lions were

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From District Governor continued

successful in implementing in Michigan law last year. Now we can legally be in the streets. Street collectors must be 18+, wear hi-visability vests and not impede traffic. When the light is green, you must get out of the roadway. Best wishes for great success but please be careful out there!

My thanks to all the clubs and all the Lions of 11D1 as we head down the homestretch of this 2017-2018 year. We are soon to complete the 1st year of our second century of Lions. Can we continue to make this a better world? You bet! Together We Can!!

Jeff

From the 1st Vice District Governor

Lions of 11 D1 🝋

I hope this finds you well and enjoying life. Your club has been sent a large envelope with an informational letter about the Family and Women Symposium for our District 11 D1. Also included are a sample news release and five colorful posters with instructions on how to register. The committee has been working hard preparing, and thanks to our fellow Lions for spreading the word.

Are you a golfer? The Lions of Michigan MD11 Convention is having a Golf Outing at Metamora Golf and Country Club in Metamora. The format is a two-person scramble or a four-person scramble. (9 holes or 18 holes). Then after golf, Bear Lake Camp will be hosting a barbecue. I am looking for some Lions to form a team. Let me know if you would like to form a foursome.

To inspire growth in local clubs, I would like to share what I learned at the USA/Canada Forum.

Clubs can create a Growth Action Plan. Think about taking some time at an upcoming meeting to discuss the following:

- 1. How do you envision your club next year? In 5 years?
- 2. What are your clubs service goals?
- 3. Who can you invite to help accomplish these goals?

- 4. What type of membership events will you plan?
- 5. How will you engage young adults?
- 6. How will you increase family and women membership?
- 7. How will you diversify your membership?

The #1 reason why people don't become Lions is because they have never been asked. Just Ask!!

For the entire year, 6 clubs reported both reports every month. In July, I wrote that I hoped we would have 10 clubs report both reports. So far we do have 10 clubs. It is time to celebrate those clubs. 🝋 Bold print means on 2nd year on perfect reports. Auburn Williams, Flushing, Gaines Area, Lennon, Hemlock, Kingston, Linden, Mayville, Otisville, St. Charles. Also reporting both reports this month are: Bay City, Caro, Cass City, Clio for the first time, Essexville-Hampton, Grand Blanc, Millington, Saginaw West, Shields, and Zilwaukee. The 22 clubs reported 115 service activities and 2,023 service hours. That is 23,097 hours of service this year. This is 3,091 more hours of service than all of 2016-2017. We Serve!🤇

> Service with a Smile 😔 1st VG Joe

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From the Second Vice District Governor



Are we ready? The District convention is less than two weeks away. The training material has been prepared for the e-clubhouse session at the District Convention in Ann Arbor. I am looking forward to helping Lions members create new e-clubhouse sites and enhance old sites. Information will be shared on how we can use the site to communicate with your Lion Club membership. As time allows during the session any questions you have will be addressed. If time runs short in the session or you choose a different session to attend, please feel free to ask for help. We can find a location to work together.

There is still time to request an e-clubhouse site. Go to this link <u>https://www.e-clubhouse.org</u> now to get your user name and password for your clubs' e-clubhouse. Bring it along, and we will get it started. The benefit to the e-clubhouse is that it is web based. This means you can update it from any computer.

Facebook, email, snail mail (USPS), and texting; these are information sharing methods that clubs in our district use to get information to the members. During visits, each club shared their method to disseminate information with me. The end conclusion after: Each club is unique in how members are notified of club activities.

Last month a PDF version of the Michigan Lion's Pride was sent to most club secretaries and presidents. About ten days later the paper version reached my mailbox. My paper version is somewhere in the house and the PDF version can be found on my computer, filed and easy to locate. Plans are to continue sending it out. Just an FYI; the PDF file was

larger than some email servers allowed and were returned as undeliverable. Ninety five percent were delivered.

Please talk to your club members receiving e-mail and ask if they would like to receive the PDF copy of Lion's Pride. I will be asking my club members their opinion on this delivery method. Which do you prefer? Share your answer with me; watch for the answer in next month's district newsletter.

Two other methods to run meetings or board meetings without all the participants in the same room are EZ Talks and Uber Conference. Both are free. EZ Talks has 100 participants and 40-minute time limit for the meeting. Uber Conference has unlimited time and a maximum of 10 people. They save on travel time and going out to eat. The downfall is not being able to network apart from the meeting time.

For the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) training Uber Conference was used to work on the group project. It was easy to use and share ideas on the project with the other team members from Arizona, Wisconsin, New York and Louisiana. Although the distance between our members is not large, either of these may be used in the future by the district officers to save on time and gas. It will take some training and encouragement to implement this idea but with persistence anything can happen.

We will continue "Moving Forward" together in our service to our community and beyond. We are "Lions". *Lion Steven VanTol, 2VDG*

Guiding Lions Training

Hello Lions.

Guiding Lions Training begins in April. The **Otisville Lions clubhouse** has been reserved for **Wednesday April 25** and the following **Wednesday, May 2**. We will meet at 6pm and begin training at 6:30.

Please pass this information on to other Lions and encourage them to attend.

Drinks and snacks will be available.

Please **RSVP** me to be sure there is enough material for all.

Thanks, Alice Z, Dist. GLT Coordinator

Together We Can...

DISTRICT 11D1 2018 CONVENTION

Welcome to District 11 D-1 Convention.

The Convention Committee has put together an entertaining program this year. There are 6 forums which we hope you will enjoy.

We wish to congratulate and thank District Governor Jeff and First Lady/Cabinet Secretary Laura for a job well done in representing our district.

Many thanks to all that have volunteered to help, especially Ken and Glenda Kiesling, Ron and Shari Johnson, Shelly Hardt, and next year's Committee Chairs PDG Leo Dolehanty and PDG Dennis Poirer.

Enjoy the weekend.

Together We Can...

PCC Dick DeLong and PDG Bob Sturgis

Covered With Love

The Covered with Love blanket project is still going strong.

Please let me know how many you make and where they went.

Also we still have money available for fabric if anyone needs it.

CS Laura



Bingo for Vets DATES AVAILABLE FOR 2018

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.

DATES AVAILABLE AT 7 PM; April - 3, 6, 7, 13, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 30 May - 2, 4, 6, 11, 12, 22, 25, 29, 30 June - 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 22, 23, 25, 26, 30 July - 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 August - 1, 3, 6, 7, 10, 24, 27, 28, 29 September - 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 14, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30 October - 3, 5, 12, 14, 20, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31 November - 2, 6, 9, 17, 23, 24, 26, 27 December - 1, 4, 5, 7, 14, 19, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, 31 DATES AVAILABLE AT 1:30 PM; April - 7, 21, 22, 28 May - 6, 12 June - 2, 9, 10, 23, 30 July - 1, 7, 8, 14, 21, 22, 28, 29 September - 1, 2, 8, 9, 22, 23, 29, 30 October - 14, 20 November - 17, 24 December - 1, 22, 23, 29, 30

98th Annual MD 11 Lions Convention: Kicking-Off a New Century of Service





Keynote Speaker: Ist VP Gudrun Yngvadottir from Iceland

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, MAY 17 2018

6:00 p.m. Pre-Convention Picnic Lions Bear Lake Camp Experience first-hand the excitement of our State Project, Lions Bear Lake Camp! You must register in advance. Cost: \$10.00

Meet in hotel lobby @ 5:30 p.m. Car pool or Bus (\$5.00) to Camp

VP Gudrun Yngvadottir will attend if travel time allows

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. Council of Governors Meeting
- 10:30 11:30 a.m. NEW! Breakout Session: Nutrition for the Diabetic
- 12:00 9:00 p.m. Exhibitor Displays Open
- 1:30 p.m. District Governors-Elect Planning Meeting
- 2:00 3:00 p.m. NEW! Breakout Session: Human Trafficking
- 6:30 p.m. Welcome Reception & Dinner, Entertainment Silent Auction open through Saturday @ 6:30 p.m.
- 8:30 10:30 p.m. Entertainment by The Jay Mitzner Band
- 10:00 p.m. Lions Afterglow Hospitality

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018

- 8:00 a.m. 4:00 a.m. Exhibitor Displays Open
- 8:30 a.m. 2017 Awards Breakfast
 - Guest Speaker, PID Dr. Jon Bjarni Thorsteinsson
- 10:30 a.m. Business Session Hear reports from our State Projects, Leo Clubs and more!

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LUNCH ON YOUR OWN BREAKOUT SESSIONS

- 2:00 p.m. Recruiting Success in a New Century Round Table Discussion led by GMT Chair, Lion Lula Gardfrey
- 3:00 p.m. Awareness, Prevention, Treatment and Reasearch-Lions Barb Bagerly, Terri Huffman When International President Sten Akestam wanted to help raise awareness about diabetes, he turned to one of the most influential women in the world for help: Eppie Lederer, better known as advice columnist Ann Landers. We turn to Lions Barb Bagerly, Diabetic Nurse, and Lion Terri Huffman.
- 4:00 4:30 p.m. Travel Tips to Las Vegas- LCI International Convention led by PDG Bill Simpson
- SATURDAY AWARDS BANQUET-KEYNOTE ADDRESS –
- 6:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception Performance by Lions All State Band
- 7:00 p.m. Memorial Service
- 7:15 p.m. Awards Banquet Keynote address by: IST VP GUDRUN YNGVADOTTIR
- 9:30 p.m. Live & Silent Auction Wrap-up 10:00 p.m. Lions Afterglow Hospitality



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2018 98TH ANNUAL MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION

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KICKING-OFF A NEW CENTURY OF SERVICE

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Name		Lion	Lioness	Spouse	🖵 Guest	
Lions/Lioness Club of			District			
Name		🛛 Lion	Lioness	Spouse	🗖 Guest	
Lions/Lioness Club of		istrict				
Address		City/State/Zi	р			
Home: ()	Office: ()		Email:			
Is this your first MD Convention? 🛛 Yes 🖓 No 🛛 How many years a Lion member						
QUANTITY				AMOUNT		
Thursday Picnic @ \$10.00, May 17, 2018				\$		
Round trip bus to Lions Bear Lake Camp @ \$5.00, May 17, 2018 \$						
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion				\$		
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lioness or Leo				\$		
Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse or Guest				\$		
Friday Evening Buffet @ \$20.00 per person				\$		
Friday Night Welcome Reception @ No Charge				\$ 0.00		
Saturday Breakfast@ \$15.00 per person				\$		
Saturday Night Banquet @ \$26.00 per person				\$		
(Choice) of:	London Broil #	Norwegian Sa	lmon #			
	Eggplant Parmesan #_	-				
GLUTEN FREE# TOTAL AMOUNT				т \$		
	Pay online	: www.lionsofr	ni.com			

or please make checks payable to: Lions of Michigan

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

1. Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless (excluding Saturday Banquet) registration fee is paid.

2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 8, 2018. No refunds after May 9, 2018.

3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Grand Blanc. They will not be mailed to you.

The registration desk will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18 and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

REGISTER ONLINE OR COMPLETE FORM & MAIL WITH CHECK TO:

LIONS OF MICHIGAN • 5730 EXECUTIVE DR., LANSING, MI 48911

REGISTRATION FORM

10th MICHIGAN PIN SWAP - Lions Pin Trading Club of Michigan - May 2018

White Cloud Lions Den, 294 N. Charles (M-37), White Cloud, MI 49349

Thursday, May 3rd - Meet & greet from 6 to 9 pm - included in registration: light supper, homemade pies and Pin Bingo. (Can set up for Friday if you wish)

Friday, May 4th - Pin Trading starts at 9 am at the Den. Crazy hat contest at lunch, & wine tasting contest in the evening before Dinner (meals included in registration)

Saturday, May 5th - Pin Trading 9 am till 2 pm, brunch 10 - 11 am (\$6 at the door) Silent auction, raffles and door prizes. The business meeting will also be held.

Please make check payable to Lions Pin Traders Club of Michigan (LPTCMI) Mail check & form to: PDG Pam Schroeder, 4829 Crescent Beach, Onekama, MI 49675 email: <u>dgibbons4870@charter.net</u> phone: 231-889-4870

Name	Guest
Address	CityStateZip
Email	Phone
How many for Thursday night You	r Lions Club
Registrations: x \$35.00 =	Extra Tables:x \$5.00 =
Total Amount Due \$	Check #
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# Not a Pin Trader yet? Come to the Pin Swap anyway and look us over. We love guests!

Contact any Michigan Pin Traders Club Officer for more information:

PRESIDENT: David Grimes, <u>dagrimes1968@gmail.com</u>, 517-515-1219, Bretton Woods Lions Club SECRETARY: PDG Pam Schroeder, <u>dgibbons4870@charter.net</u>, 231-889-4870, Onekama Lions Club TREASURER: PCC Janalee McClure, <u>janalee@riverview.net</u>, 231-689-1321, White Cloud Lions Club IPPRESIDENT: PDG Bill Simpson, <u>dgbill2012@charter.net</u>, 231-796-5133, Big Rapids Lions Club DIRECTORS: PDG Jim or Peggy Walls, <u>walls7@hotmail.com</u>, 231-796-2861, Stanwood Lions Club LION John Hunt, johnhunt1@earthlink.net, 231-276-9618. Traverse City Lions Club OR TRADER: PDG Tim Anderson, <u>vdgtim11e1@charter.net</u>, 231-775-2939, Cadillac Lions Club

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# From the Women and Family Symposium...

Club Secretaries should have received a packet from the Family and Women Symposium Committee this past week.

Please be sure to share this information with your club at your next meeting.

# Coming III 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 24, 6:00 p.m**. Hope Lutheran Church, 7355 Silver Lake Road in Lin<u>de</u>n.

For more information, directions or to make reservations, call Lion Duane Wilcox **810-560-5963** 





Auburn Williams Lions

# 7th Annual Golf Scramble

Saturday - July 14, 2018

Sandy Ridge Golf Course 2750 W. Lauria Rd. Midland, MI 48642

Shotgun Start @ 9AM \$55 per person/ \$220 per team



Hot Dogs at the Turn Prizes & Light Lunch to Follow

Please send REGISTRATION / CHECKS to LION CLYDE DANN 4706 MYRA LEE, AUBURN, MI 48611

Contact for Questions: CLYDE DANN - CBDANN@aol.com or 989-430-2077 STEVEN VANTOL -lionstevenvantol@gmail.com 989-430-9500

Application online at: www.awlions.com

# Roster Changes

Chesaning Lions now only meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month @ 7pm.

Deb VanTol add cell phone 989-430-1824 and delete home phone.

Lindsay Maynard change email from lmaynard@lssu.edu to ltmaynard09@yahoo.com

Claudia Scott change in phone and email: scottclaudia158@gmail.com. Phone 810 730 3477

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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!

# FAIRGROVE LIONS CLUB



# "SPRING PICNIC"

Brats, Hotdogs, French Fries, Beans, Beverage and Desserts

11 am 2 pm SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

AKRON-FAIRGROVE HIGH SCHOOL 2800 N. THOMAS RD. FAIRGROVE

Prices - 11 and over \$8.00, Ages 5 to 10 \$5.00, Under 5 Free

SILENT AUCTION 11 TO 1:30 CLOSING .... 50/50 DRAWING

PROCEEDS TO A-F SCHOLARSHIP FUND and to COMMUNITY PROJECTS

TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE

# East Flint Lions Auxiliary

would like to invite you to our Annual Goodwill-Offering Dinner/Auction

East Flint Lions Clubhouse 4325 Crosby Rd. (off Genesee Rd.) in Flint

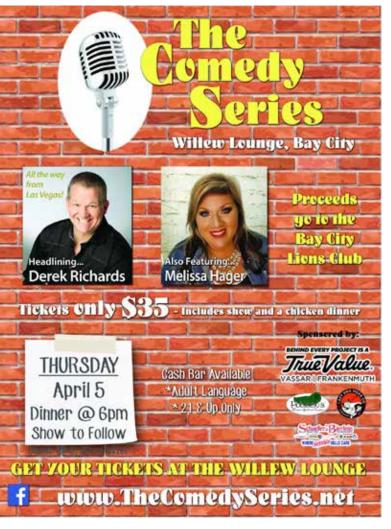
Tuesday, April 17, 20186 p.m. Dinner7 p.m Auction

For more info, call Ellen at 744-2720

Bring your family and friends

Auction items are welcomed!!





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# Gather a foursome and join us for the Millington Lions Club Community Golf Outing

June 15 at Willow Springs Country Club Details and a printable application form can be found on the News Page at www.millingtonlions.com.



ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

SUNDAY MAY 6, 2018 8:30-12:30

FOREST TWP HALL 130 Main St. Otisville

Adults \$6.00 Children 3-10 \$4.00 2 and under free

Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Ham, Sausage, Apple Sauce, Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice, Milk.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING US



# **Bear Lake Project:**

At this year's Multiple District Convention, the GST Committee is doing a service project. They are going to go to Bear Lake Camp and fill packs for the campers. Each district has been asked to bring supplies for the packs.

Our district has been asked to supply 600 mini-flashlights. As the District GST CHAIR, I am asking each member from our District that attends our district convention in April to either bring 6 mini-flashlights or a donation towards the purchase of the lights.

If a club would like to make a donation they can send it to either me or you made out to District 11-D1 with Bear Lake Project in the comment section.

Every club that participates can get Service Credits from LCI. This way it would cut down the cost if we had to purchase the lights.

> Thanks Joseph Gwizdala11D-

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# Leo News...

The Christa McAuliffe Leo Club was charted on March 28, 2018. Charter Night is May 3 from 6-8pm. thank you Lion Patsy, Dennis, Joe G., and Governor Jeff. More Leos mean more Potential Lions. But better yet, students are fun to work with!

# More Leo News...

Leo Marisa Carroll from the Western Leo Club was awarded "Leo of the Year" by our district governors. Marisa is the president of Western Leo Club. Besides keeping the Leos motivated and organized, she volunteers outside of her Leo responsibilities. Marisa was awarded CAN Youth Volunteer of the Year for 2017. Marisa walks the Lions "We Serve" talk.

The Western Leo Club inducted 4 new members on 3/27/18. Good going Western.!





# LYEP Camp

Michigan's 2nd LYEP Camp at Covenant Hills in Otisville is just arounbd the corner. July 22-29 will be here faster than expected. Leos from the district, ages 15-21, are invited to attend. Fun is the name

of the game. Eleven Young foreign young amabassadors will be attending along with Michigan Leos. Call Lion Deb VanTol , 989-430-1824 to get more information. Applications are available for our Michigan youth. Cost is minimal.

# Family F.A.C.E.S.: A New Way to Increase Club Membership!

Some new ideas have been brewing in Lions District 11-D-1 in the last couple of months. Would you like your Lion Club Membership to increase? Would you like the message of the great work that Lions do to reach more people?

There has been a committee formed with a team of individuals from 13 of our clubs in the district to take on the challenge of hosting a Family and Women Symposium. "Family F.A.C.E.S." is the Theme - Fun, Activities, Community, Education and Services, (see the poster/flyer in this District Newsletter). These Here are key points you want to know: dedicated Lion members have been working hard to develop a new way to reach out into our communities! This team of Lions has met twice since early January and on March 2, 2018 will be meeting again at DaVinci's Restaurant in Frankenmuth at 10:00am to further the plans. Mary DeMott of the Gaines Lions Club is our Family and Women District Chair on the Global Membership team. Mary took on the challenge to hold a symposium with the help of a well written guidebook from LCI, and the commitment of many excited Lions in our district.

- 1. Sunday May 20, 2018 from 1:00-4:00 pm (Same weekend and place as the Multi-District Convention)
- 2. Holiday Inn Gateway Conference Centre- Flint
- 3. Possibly (still pending) a welcome by Gudrun Yngvadottir- First Vice President of Lions Clubs International from Gardabaer, Iceland
- 4. Guest Speakers from Genesys Health Systems on Women's Health Issues and LIONS Clubs
- 5. Displays and resources from various Lion supported state projects
- 6. Family Fun Activities- Cardio Drumming, Yoga for All, Leader Dog Puppies, Chair Massages
- 7. KidSight Vision, Blood Pressure, and Diabetes screenings
- 8. "Covered with Love" Blanket tying service project
- 9. Food and PRIZES!

In order to pull off an event of this magnitude the committee has submitted a grant proposal to Lions Clubs International; however the chances of receiving money from International may be slim at this time of the fiscal year. The committee will be asking clubs to donate funds to help our district grow! Club Presidents and Secretaries will be receiving an email

> Sandra Cawood (Swartz Creek) Renee Markva (Swartz Creek) Julia Embury (Linden) Pat Elliott (Gaines) Doris Amman (Chesaning) Kathy and Eugene Esckelson (Caro) Diana Fairgreve (Linden) Arlene Furden (Otisville)

with the information on how your club can offer support for this ambitious endeavor, both through finding families in your area to attend the event and providing a monetary donation to cover the costs. The committee is made up of these dedicated Lion members:

> Dawn Garcia (Clio) Carol Poirier (Bay City) Sandy Sting (Bay City) Deb VanTol (Auburn Williams) Teresa DuValt (Merrill) Mary and Harold DeMott (Gaines) Kathy and Joe Bogar (St. Charles)

Remember our goal in Lions is to increase membership to continue to serve our communities! If we work together as a district to promote Lions, if we invest money for this event, if we focus on the needs of women and families in our communities... we can tap into a powerful resource of new members!

If anyone in the district is interested in joining in to help with the planning please contact Lion Mary DeMott at 989-563-4490 or Lion Kathy Bogar at 989-274-3399.

see flyer next page

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**Example 2 Sun 1-4 pm Grand** 

# Sunday, May 20

1-4 pm FREE to the Public

**Grand Blanc Holiday Inn Gateway** 5353 Gateway Center, Flint, 48507 Exit @ Hill Rd. then east.

Community Education Services

Activites

Diabetes Education Cardio Health Education

Mental Health Education

FOOD

Register before May 15 Win a \$20 Gift Card

> Registration is Appreciated



FB "Family FACES Event"

Follow the FB link under "GET TICKETS" to register at website lions11d1.com or go directly to website lions11d1.com

Call Mary , 248-563-4490 for more information or to register.

Eyeglass and Hearing Aid Recycling Center



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Shannon Columb at Summer Experience Camp

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At two years of age, Shannon was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa. The resulting night blindness and narrow field of vision may have temporarily slowed her down. But a week of Summer Experience Camp strengthened her resolve to go to college where she's now taking on life at full speed.

Summer Experience Camp is a life-changing learning program for teens ages 16-17 who are legally blind or visually impaired. It combines summer activities with independent travel skill and leadership training. With your help, we combine the summer of a lifetime with skills that last a lifetime.

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# Together We Can...

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# Lions Around the District

- **Fenton Lions Club**: On her way to Kentucky to visit family, President Mary Ann Brostek deposited 485 empty pill bottles collected by Lions Carole Smith and Kim Verhelle with the Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati, OH. A brailler was purchased for Kim Verhelle, a visually impaired member of the club. The club had two days of KidSight vision screening at the Fenton Community Expo on March 3 and 4th. This year the Fenton Lions screened 126 children and referred 9 for further examination by an eye doctor. Thanks to Joe Bogar for operating the computerized camera all day on both Saturday and Sunday, as well as to chair Jessica Bearer and the other Lions who set up, worked at, and took down our booth.
- **Kingston Lions Club** hosted its Annual Craft Show and Soup Lunch.

Sold pizza kits for Special Needs Vision Clinic fund raiser and will be selling hanging flower baskets for Mother's Day/spring. Currently selling chocolate Easter bunnies.

April program is a tour of the robotics lab at the High School with a demonstration by the class.

#### Mayville Lions,

youngsters and the Easter Bunny tolerated the cold weather on March 24 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. Reading books and 4 bicycles were given away.

Earlier in the month, D.G. Hunt visited the club and inducted two new members.



**Linden Lions Club** will be giving away White Pine seedlings again this year celebrating Earth Day.

Guests at our Tuesday dinner meeting were Flushing Lions Becky Borka, Yetiva Allen and Becky's Leader Dog, Malee, Becky spoke on her experiences with her previous two leader dogs and is now with her third. **Swartz Creek Lions** held it's first Coney Fries and Beverage fundraisor at Jan's Bar, March 21 and raised \$267 by selling 58 combos and receiving additional donations. We had a very nice time and appreciate the support from all who came and look forward to making this a future regular event.

Mark your calendar for June 6, as our 4th annual Bill and Monty Morgan Memorial Spaghetti dinner is set from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at American Legion Post 294 in Swartz Creek. Tickets this year are \$8. As in past years, funds will be split 3 ways, going toward our activities fund, an opportunity grant for a special needs Swartz Creek area student and a chosen project or activity in the Swartz Creek area. Also we're still planning to have KidSight screenings during this year's event. Final details on that will appear in future newsletters.

Anyone who is able to help us, contact me at ljayjbl@aol.com, or (810) 410-7497. OR you can reach Kerry Morgan at kwmorgan44@gmail.com or (810) 516-7774. Finally, if you wish to make a club visit, please get in touch with us as soon as possible, because we only have 4 meetings left between now and June, and will have only one other meeting before summer break in June.

From Jason Luokka, Club President.

# Zone meeting-Region 3, Zone 2 Monday, April 9th at 6:30pm

Sam's Italian Restaurant 4105 W. Grand Blanc Rd. Swartz Creek

The focus for this meeting will be on Membership, and we will share strategies and resources for increasing membership. I invite any Lion interested to attend.

Please RSVP to me so I can let the restaurant know how many to plan for.

Pizza buffet (\$9.99/person) Let's grow together! Together We Can! Lion Mary Hall 810-625-7358

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**Comedy Series** April 5, Bay City

**11D-1 District Convention** April 13-15, Ann Arbor

**Goodwill Offering Dinner/Auction** April 17, East Flint

**Linden Lions White Elephant Auction** April 24, Linden

> Fairgrove Spring Picnic April 29, Fairgrove

**Guiding Lions Training** April 25 and May 2, Otisville **Christa McAuliff Leo Club Charter Night** May 3, Bangor Township

> **Michigan Pin Swap** May 5, White Cloud, MI

**Otisville Lioness Breakfast** May 6, Otisville

**MD 11 Convention** May 18, 19, Grand Blanc

**Family Faces** May 20, Grand Blanc

**Millington Lions Golf Outing** June 15, Millington