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# Jeff Hunt District Governor 11 D-1

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Tom Hardt

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## District Website

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

## From District Governor Jeff Hunt



Last month December's newsletter gave me the chance to brag about all the good our Lions did during November and the Thanksgiving holiday making the world brighter for so many people. I'm very proud to announce that you've outdone yourselves doing so much more during the recent holidays.

Christmas parties for kids and adults in addition to all those Christmas baskets or boxes of food, serving over 2000 people whose lives and holidays were made brighter because you served! And something new was added for the first time. Our Sickle Cell committee and Lions combined with neighborhood groups serving those with sickle cell disease and provided 41 kids in Saginaw and Flint with the opportunity to buy gifts for their families. They were helped with some additional donations made by union members and the Grand Blanc Lions Club. Each of the children also received a blanket provided by our district "Covered in Love" project. Outstanding job by all.

December is traditionally the time that many clubs drop members that haven't yet paid their dues so the club doesn't get billed a second time by International. That means the district usually has a negative growth in membership going into the new calendar year. I'm proud to report that as of today, December 30th, we are still up by 20 members, year-to-date. I expect that many of those members dropped will be reinstated once they

catch up on their dues payments and add to the growth we experienced so far! We still have 6 months to add to the total and may even add another branch club or two. Way to go!

Our district cabinet meeting on January 14th is coming up fast. We've had some brainstorming over ways to speed the meetings up and make them more interesting. We'll have a chance to try some of those ideas out this month.

We're asking that all cabinet members with reports for that meeting provide them in written format. This is similar to what is done by many other districts and the Council of Governors. It would be very helpful to have the reports emailed to Cabinet Secretary Laura at [laurahunt1027@gmail.com](mailto:laurahunt1027@gmail.com) at least 3 days prior to the meeting. With the anticipated time saved we hope to add some open discussion on timely topics to help move our district forward.

We also welcome new ideas on how we can provide additional service to our communities, so please start thinking of ways to do so.

Can we make the world a better place? Of course! "Together we can!"

*DG Jeff*

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## From the 1st Vice District Governor



Lions of District 11 D1:

I hope you had a very good Christmas with family and friends. 2018 is upon us. There are new activities to do and (Just Ask) to get new members to help serve your community. There are (A Proud Michigan Lion lives here) signs to order. All clubs should get their

Youth	31,952 clubs served	60,219,852 people
Environment	25,807 clubs served	59,585,795 people
Vision	26,212 clubs served	29,774,950 people
Hunger	25,911 clubs served	42,154,696 people
Diabetes	4,332 clubs served	1,408,675 people

Which one of these will change next July? What would happen if 80% of clubs participated in service worldwide? What would happen if 80% of the clubs in our District (30) participated in service? This month we had 55% of our clubs reporting service activities.

It is now time to celebrate those clubs who have done both their Activity and Membership Reports. We have 21 clubs reporting. The following 11 clubs have done both reports--Auburn-Williams, Flushing, Gaines Area, Hemlock, Kingston, Lennon, Linden, Mayville, Millington, Otisville and St. Charles. Also reporting both reports were Bay City, Buena Vista, Cass City, East Flint, Essexville Hampton, Goodrich, Saginaw West, and Shields. Clubs who

Here is a Key to understand the plan...

**Bold-** moved to a Zone in same Region---3 clubs

**Bold and Underline-** moved to a new Region---5 clubs

### Region 1

Zone 1-Bay City, Essexville-Hampton, **Carrollton, Zilwaukee, Saginaw West, Saginaw Downtown**

Zone 2- Caro, Cass City, Kingston, **Fairgrove**, Mayville, Millington, Vassar

### Region 2

Zone 1-Freeland, **Auburn Williams**, Hemlock, Merrill, St. Charles, Shields

Zone 2-**Bridgeport**, Buena Vista, Chesaning, Clio, Frankenmuth, Montrose

### Region 3

Zone 1-Davison, East Flint, Flint Dtnw Host, Genesee, Goodrich, Otisville,

**Grand Blanc**

Zone 2-Fenton, Flushing, Gaines Area, Lennon, Linden, Swartz Creek  
Carrollton, Zilwaukee, Saginaw West, Saginaw Downtown, Bridgeport were in Region 2 Zone 2.

If you have any thoughts or questions about this reorganization plan for our district, let me know.

orders in by January 14th

The Centennial goal is to serve 100 Million people by July 1, 2018.

This was reached almost a year ago. Now 1.4 million Lions with 69% of clubs participating worldwide have served 193,143,655 people. Here is a breakdown world wide:

completed only their activity report were Freeland and Zilwaukee. We have completed 94 activities and 2,830 service hours. We have completed 674 activities and 17,631 Service hours in Six months. J

As your upcoming District Governor, I have been researching and discussing with other district leaders about restructuring our district zones beginning July 2018. This reorganization plan is to go from 7 Zones to 6 Zones which eliminates Region 2 Zone 2. I considered miles between clubs and the number of clubs in each Zone. Each Zone would have 6 clubs except for two zones that would have 7 clubs.

Service with a smile ☺

1stVG Joe Bogar

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The first half of the Lion 2017-18 year has passed and there is still much to be done. There was only one club visit this month where I had the opportunity to see my second cousin, Sarah Knochel. She presented information on volunteering at Covenant Health Care to the Shields Lions Club.

Planning sessions with the District Governor and the 1VDG have been made while the club visitation was slowed for the holidays. One of the meetings included planning for the next District convention in April. If it does not get bumped for another forum, there will be a session on the e-clubhouse. Setup, maintenance and information entry among other topics will be discussed.

December plans were to review the status of the club's websites and make a personal contact with each club. Didn't happen.....that will have to be next month. The Shields Lions were proud to say they are revising their e-clubhouse on a regular basis. Great job, Shields Lions!

At a follow up meeting for the Fall conference with the GLT, GST and Governors from 11D2, members from our district were invited to the LCI training session on New Club Development in 11D2. The current schedule is February 4 at the Franklin Inn in Bad Axe. The workshop leader, Art Drouin, has scheduled the session from 2pm to 6pm on Sunday afternoon. The cost for the dinner following the training is not set.

The New Club Development training session by 11D2 is a great opportunity to gain training on new club development. Some of our Lion leaders are being personally asked to attend this training. It is open to all Lions so if you are interested please call me at 989-430-9500 or send an email to [lionstevenvantol@gmail.com](mailto:lionstevenvantol@gmail.com). The training is at no cost only a day of your time.

In the past few years our district has been working to get a club started in northern Bay County. Maybe with some training it will happen sooner rather than later. When a new club is started we will need Guiding Lions to assist the club in the first two years. The LCI website has a workbook for the Certified Guiding Lion Program. Each new club needs two guiding Lions.

DG Jeff, 1st VDG Joe, and I brainstorm often. I have found this to be helpful and inspirational. Sharing and working as a team will only make our district stronger. One of our pursuits is to make the cabinet meetings shorter and productive, hopefully with training or presentations.

Lions will continue moving forward in the second half of the 2017-18 year as "We Serve".

*Lion Steven VanTol*  
**2VDG**

## **Bingo for Vets**

### **DATES AVAILABLE FOR FIRST QUARTER 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.

January @ 7pm Dates: 1,2,3,5,7,12,14,22,23,26,27,29,30,31.

January @ 1:30pm: 6,7,14,20,27,28

February @ 7pm: 2,6,7,9,23,25,26,27

February @ 1:30pm: 3,10,25

March @ 7pm: 2,4,6,7,9,11,15,23,25,26,27

March @ 1:30pm: 3,4,10,11,24,25,31

Saturdays @1:30 p.m., Sundays 1:30. Weekdays @7 p.m. or 6:30 p.m.

## Lions of Michigan Trustee Report

If you would like to nominate someone for the LMF Hall of Fame, please get the nomination to the Cabinet Secretary Lion Laura Hunt. Our district can nominate one living and one deceased person. Our district nominations must be approved by the Voting Cabinet and submitted by March 1st to the LMF.

Secretaries you should have the LMF sweepstakes tickets. They are a great way to support the LMF. It is a great fundraiser also for your club. If your club sells 100 tickets or more, you will receive five dollars for each ticket sold. The amount increases to \$5.50 when over 250 tickets are sold by your club.

The LMF is here to help us serve. Grants are available for sight and hearing when the local clubs and District needs funding. There are emergency grant funds available for disasters such as home fires and flooding. Please contact a trustee for assistance. The current trustees of the LMF are Lion Steven VanTol and PDG Lion Jake Dasho.

### Otisville Lions

## Valentine's Day Dance.

Date: Saturday February 10

Time: 7 pm - 11pm

Where: Forest Township Hall  
130 Main Street

Cost: 2/\$25. or \$15 single

Light lunch being served

Pop and snacks  
also provided

For more  
information  
please call  
Claudia Scott  
810 730 3477



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## DISTRICT 11D1 2018 CONVENTION

The 2018 District 11D1 Convention will be held at the Wyndham Garden in Ann Arbor on April 13, 14 and 15.

The room rates are \$79.00 per night. For reservations call 844-423-1845 and mention District 11D1 Lions to get the special room rate.

The committee will be arriving at the hotel on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> to assemble the convention packets. Those wishing to attend are welcome to do so. The room rate is \$79.00 for Thursday \$79.00 for Thursday also. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

We will be going out to eat Thursday evening at a local restaurant. More information to follow.

Bay City has reserved a hospitality room – there are two left at the rate of \$79.00. Please contact PCC Dick DeLong for reservation at [dick4571@charter.net](mailto:dick4571@charter.net) or 989-753-9821.

Any questions or concerns contact Dick DeLong or Bob Sturgis – Bob's phone number is: Home: 810-621-3485 or cell: 810-223-3775 and email is: [pdgsturgis@aol.com](mailto:pdgsturgis@aol.com).

Committee Co-Chairs: PCC Dick DeLong and PDG Bob Sturgis

## 2018 District Convention Registration

Welcome to the 2018 District 11D1 convention. The convention committee is busy building a great convention for you to attend. To help the committee to be ready for you please fill in your registration and mail early to Lion Dick DeLong 4571 Bittersweet Lane Saginaw, MI 48604. And email any questions or comments to [dick4571@charter.net](mailto:dick4571@charter.net)

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 Meal	\$19.00 per attendee	\$ _____
Saturday Lunch	\$14.00 per attendee	\$ _____
Saturday Night Banquet	\$25.00 per attendee	\$ _____
	TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$ _____

Saturday Dinner Choices: Chicken Marsala \_\_\_\_\_ Grilled Sirloin \_\_\_\_\_

Breakfast is 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, 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 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2018



# LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS - JAN 2018

## TRAVELING IN AN URBAN ENVIRONMENT



In 2013, Leader Dog conducted our first urban travel guide dog class in Chicago. Designed for people who live, work or travel in large city environments, this specially focused training helps clients and their Leader Dogs learn how to safely navigate crowded streets, subways, elevated trains and other elements unique to large cities.

Catalina Martinez lives in downtown Minneapolis which is quite busy, so training in Chicago was very helpful for her and her Leader Dog Elroy. Especially learning how to safely navigate street construction. "Minneapolis is just finishing remodeling the downtown for the Super Bowl in February. Elroy's an expert at moving through the construction—orange cones, broken cement, temporary sidewalks and having to go into the street.

Like all Leader Dog's programs, Urban Environment training is provided free of charge to clients thanks in part to the continued support of Lions.



Catalina Martinez and Leader Dog Elroy train in Chicago under the supervision of Guide Dog Mobility Instructor Jamie Togal.



IN EVERY LEADER DOG LIES THE HEART OF A LION.

A Leader Dog partner since 1939.

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## CLUB HIGHLIGHT

### Our First Ever Leo's Top Dog Club

The Walkersville Leo Club (District 22-W) set a goal to raise \$2,000 for Leader Dog through their first Dinner in the Dark fundraiser. With the support of the Glade Valley Lions Club and their local town government, both financially and through attendance at the event, the Leos ended up making a \$9,527.13 donation to Leader Dog's annual fund!

Lion Jennifer Smith, who is also a LDB puppy raiser, stated, "[This] wonderful group of kids were so excited they oozed energy everywhere they went." Obviously, that energy was contagious.

We congratulate them for becoming our first Leo's Top Dog Club!

## LIONS IMPACT ON LEADER DOG

### CLIENTS REFERRED BY LIONS in 2017

- 55 Guide Dog clients
- 6 O&M clients
- 1 Summer Experience camper

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about our programs, please contact our client services department at 888.777.5332

## RECOGNITION

Celebrate a Lion with something special—a LIMITED EDITION Centennial Founders Tribute Plaque. **Centennial offer ends June 30!**

- Bronze - \$ 500
- Silver - 1,000
- Gold - 2,500

For more information contact Kathy Gilchrist, Lions relations specialist, at 248.659.5012.



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LeaderDog.org/Lions

FOLLOW THE LEADER

**Last Chance to get orders in**

# LIONS PRIDE YARD SIGNS!

A Project of the MD11 PR committee! Endorsed by the 2017-18 CoG  
*Celebrate 100 years and show off your Lion Pride!*

**Who:** All MI Lions Clubs

**What:** One-sided, weatherproof plastic yard sign with aluminum stake included

**Cost:** \$3 each. Make checks payable to: Lions 11 D1 Yard Signs. Orders can be any size, one order per club or group of clubs.



**Orders & Payment MUST be received by January 14<sup>th</sup> 2018 by PR Chair Laura Hunt (306 Burns St., Essexville, MI 48732)**

*Signs will be available for pick-up at the Michigan Forum in Grand Rapids, February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 2018. If your club will not be in attendance, we will bring them back to the District for you. Your club will then be responsible for making arrangements to pick them up from the person bringing them back. We will make every effort to get them as close to you as possible based on who is in GR to drive them home!*

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

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Signs: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$3 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

Questions? E-mail Lion Laura Hunt, CS at [laurahunt1027@gmail.com](mailto:laurahunt1027@gmail.com) or call 248-766-7268

Fellow Lions January, 2018

Below is the criteria for the George E. Daly Award and the application form. If you have a club member that you would like to nominate for this award, please complete the form.

Please return the form to me by March 1, 2018.

Thank You

PDG Jake Dasho, 2611 English Rd., Kingston, MI 48741 lionjakedg@gmail.com 989-683-2557

**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 of 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 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 the 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 (3) years.
- (b) Had perfect attendance for the past three (3) 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 held 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 candidate's 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 on the first ballot will be dropped from consideration. Balloting will continue 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: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR LAST THREE YEARS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL YEARS PERFECT ATTENDANCE: \_\_\_\_\_

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**A. OFFICES AND/OR CHAIRMANSHIPS 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

CLUB SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

## District Leos

Leos are on the move everywhere. A teacher has been found at Christi McCauliffe so that means, a NEW 11-D1 Leo Club is forming. Yay! Good job Patsy, Joe, and Dennis. Being persistent pays off.

Handy Leos happenings can be found in the Lion Pride. They are just like the energizer bunny. Volunteerism is infectious when surrounded by friends with the same goal. Keep it up Handy!

Western Leos is on the move too! Monthly they volunteer at Plainview Adult Care and Ready Set Grow Day Care. Their dedication spans the ages from young to old. They have also increased by 2 members to a total of 36.

Western Leo president, Marisa Carroll walks the talk. She was honored as Youth Volunteer of the Year by the CANN Council. The event took place at a Spirits hockey game. She was even asked to throw out the first puck. Way to go Marisa!

## District LYEP

The LYEP Essay contest has ended. Grace Kendziorski, a senior from Auburn won the contest. She received a \$3000 stipend to travel with LYEP and has chosen Italy. Her excitement is overwhelming. A formal presentation of the award will occur at the 11D1 District Convention in April. She is also visiting her host club, Auburn Williams Lions Club, January 4. Although she was the only contestant, her essay that focused on volunteerism and Lionism was worthy of the grand prize. The second and third prize of \$2000 and \$1000 respectively will be kept in LYEP fund for another future contest.

The summer camp at Covenant Hills, Otisville is happening! It seems with announcement that Michigan has a camp, the state is getting more requests to host. Michigan Chair Eileen Delaney is determined to host as many students as possible. Host family deadline is March 30th. Our district has 1 definite host family, Grace's family has opened their home to accept a foreign LYEP ambassador this summer.

## 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



### 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!**

# Lions Around the District

**Bay City Lion's Club** has been busy serving our Children and Families in need this year!



Thank you to the many Lions and friends who braved the blizzard to come out and spread a little cheer to over 200 local people at our Annual Children's Christmas Party. A special thank you to Santa Claus for inspiring over 200 smiling faces tonight. Dinner was served, and Santa talked to each child, reminding them to be helpful and listen to their parents as he gave them each a present.



The Bay City Lions Club hosted our annual cookie walk fundraiser. We sold all kinds of cookies. It was a perfect time to pick up some delicious homemade cookies to give away as presents or use at your holiday parties. Thank you for helping us help Bay Area People in



Need. We also support Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Our "Covered In Love" project is still going strong!

Many thanks to the Handy Middle School LEO Club (sponsored by the Bay City Lions Club) and to the 3rd and 5th graders who worked together to make tie blankets for other



kids and for shelter animals! Blankets were delivered today to the Bay Area Women's Center, the Emergency room and children's treatment wing of McLaren Bay Region, the Bay County Animal Control, and the Humane Society of Bay County, Michigan. Pictured left are Bella, a sweet Pit Bull mix, and Jordan, a Kennel Assistant at the Animal Shelter. Also pictured



above are some young folks helping with the Annual Bay City Lion's Club gift box distribution. December 23rd, many families in our community received a surprise

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# Lions Around the District

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## Flushing Lions Club Community Legacy Centennial Project Level 3

The Flushing Lions finished painting and repairing the Shop in the Old High School which now houses the Latchkey program and the School District's Administrative offices. The Shop is in the lower level and had been exposed to a lot of water damage, and the paint was peeling from many of the structures. It had been enlarged from the original structure by knocking the wall down from the boys' locker room. A dust removal system had also been added over the 90 years the building had been open.



President Peggy Yats and Lions Rick Bigelow, Fred Kellett and Nick Daddario working on Repair of the North Wall



Lions Fred Kellett and Nick Daddario taping the wood that is not to be painted.



Becky Borka paints a column while her Leader Dog relaxes.



This is a little Idea of the Physical size of the project. To the left are the North Windows and to the right and left are the wood working benches. Some of the power equipment can be seen in the background.

**Hemlock Lions:** Hello! Here are the happenings from the Hemlock Lions. Held a Christmas Bingo for the local senior citizens. Had about 25 people attend the fun event. Had our annual Christmas Party with over 35 people attending the dinner, drawings, and fun activities for the evening. Finally, Salvation Army collection with over \$500 being donated from our club. Lots of things on the agenda as we go into the new year. Happy Holidays!  
Bryan Cook - President Hemlock Lions Club

**Kingston Lions:** Four families were remembered at Christmas with food baskets. Kingston Lions cash raffle drawing will be Jan. 9. Jan. 23 will be a work bee for "Covered in Love" blankets at the Elementary Cafeteria following a pot luck meal.

**The Linden Lions Club** entered a float in the Linden Holiday Happenings on December 1st, 2017. The sixteen-foot float was adorned with lots of lights, lit up Christmas trees and perfectly displayed the Linden Lions Club Tree Sales Sign. The "100 Years of Service" banner was also proudly displayed across the back. The Linden Lions Club Mascot, "Rory the Lion", was a crowd favorite again this year! He roared, waved and danced his way through the parade. Also, as a big 'Thank You' to our Linden community, we served hot cocoa and cookies at the Linden VFW post. We appreciate the support we get from the community and other clubs serving the Linden area also. Happy New Year & looking forward to another great year - Roar!



# Lions Around the District

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## Swartz Creek and Gaines Lions...

shared in a special Christmas Meeting December 20, 2017 at Fuddrucker's, and shared in the donations by the restaurant of proceeds. It was a very nice time for all. Also thanks to Patrisia Vinyard who brought Keyon, a six month old lab mix Leader Dog-in-training, to visit us. The leader puppy was a real hit and we very much loved socializing with Patrisia and Keyon.

On December 23, Swartz Creek Lions assisted the Lennon Lions with the annual holiday food basket program. Once again, it was a successful event, and all of the families that were fed were greatly appreciative of the assistance.

Our meetings at Dave's will resume January 17, 2018 in observance of the new year, so anyone wishing to visit us should email or call us as soon as possible as dates normally fill up quickly. Here's wishing all a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year!

From Jason Luokka, Swartz Creek Lions President.

Hello Lions!

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday! I just wanted to update you on the project we did last Saturday with the help of the Buena Vista Lions and District 11 D-1.

\* 16 children ages 5-18 selected their own gift(s) for \$50 each.

\* 2 infants (1 six weeks old, 1 ten months old) were unable to make it to Meijer, so we made contact with the mothers and purchased \$50 of formula, diapers, wipes and socks as they requested. One family picked up the items later from Meijer and Dan Houston & Gail Winbush of Buena Vista Lions delivered to the other family.

\* Each of these children were also given a blanket from the District's 'Covered With Love' blanket project. An additional small baby blanket was given to one of the 17 year old boys who also has an infant daughter.

\* 1 adult who suffers with Sickle Cell was given a new winter coat, hat, gloves and scarf as well as a blanket.

All in all it was a very satisfying afternoon and I want to thank Dave Aurand, Nancy Radcliffe, Dan Houston, and Gail Winbush for their work on Saturday.



For your information, the following message was sent on 12/28/2017 to:

GLT-MD Coordinator  
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

*see details inside*

**Winter Cabinet Meeting**  
January 14, East Flint

**Otisville Lions Valentine Dance**  
February 10, Otisville

**Michigan Forum**  
February 15-16, Grand Rapids

**District Convention**  
April 13-15, Ann Arbor

