

Together
We Can...

Jeff Hunt District Governor II D-I

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From District Governor Jeff Hunt



Sadly we leave October and its beautiful warm weather behind, as we continue to treasure the memories made. I've been traveling throughout the district visiting clubs in Swartz Creek, Vassar, Goodrich, and Chesaning. What I've consistently found are Lions who are making a difference in their communities. I've also found these Lions want to do more and are anxious to add new projects and the new members to help them do so. "We Serve" is our motto and, indeed, these Lions live up to it.

Our Michigan Council of Governors met the first weekend of October to hear from all the state committees, address any requests and do the business of the council. Laura and I, along with our 1st and 2nd VDGs, Joe Bogar and Steve VanTol, made the trip to St. Ignace for the meetings.

Laura updated the council on the Public Relations committee, and they enthusiastically endorsed her proposal to make yard signs for Lions available. "A PROUD LION LIVES HERE" More to come on this. Joe and Steve spent a lot of time in class, training for their upcoming positions and also participating in the council meeting. I am very proud of all three of them for their continuing efforts above and beyond.

All three regions have now held region meetings and the quarterly zone meetings will keep us informed as we go forward. Attendance has been generally pretty doggone good,

but some clubs are missing out on the information shared. Please make an effort to be sure your club is represented when these meetings are held.

We had a GREAT time at the Golden Glow Ballroom on the 22nd, celebrating the St. Charles Lions' 75th Anniversary with about 80 of our fellow Lions. International Director Jenny Ware was the keynote speaker and she presented their club's Immediate Past President Kathy Bogar with a Presidential Certificate of Appreciation for all she has done for her club and community.

"Covered in Love" continues to build as more and more clubs and community members take on the challenge to make these blankets for those in need. While not intended as such, the activity has generated public interest in joining Lions. They see this as an easy way to help their neighbors in need. "We Serve" can be their motto too!

By the time you read this our 2nd joint Fall Conference with District D2 will be in the books. I hope many of you took the time to attend the many fine forums put on by the committee. My thanks to PDG Alice Zajac, 1st VDG Joe Bogar and 2nd VDG Steve VanTol for their time and efforts helping put this together.

Michigan Lions Leadership Institute is coming up fast, the weekend of November 10-12th. While the official deadline date is past, there are still openings that can be filled

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From District Governor *continued*

and the district has some scholarship money available to help offset the \$225 cost. We want every club to have

the best trained leadership available and this Institute can make it happen. Contact me for details.

Welcome to November! Can we continue to make the world a better place? You bet!! Together we can!

From the 1st Vice District Governor



Lions of District 11-D1

I am glad that I am a life-long learner. October provided me with many opportunities to gain more knowledge-Vice Governor Training, Council of Governors, International Convention Committee, and Fall Conference.

Our VG training and Governors meeting were in St. Ignace. VG Steve and I drove up together. The VG training and Governors meeting helps me to prepare to be your Governor. There was also time to socialize and have fun.

At the International Convention Committee, we discussed hotels and what to do in Las Vegas. The dates are June 29-July 3, 2018. The MGM Grand will be the primary hotel for all activities. The Michigan delegation will be housed at the Luxor Hotel about 15 minutes walking distance from the MGM. We also discussed possible shirts for the parade.

The 11-D1 and 11-D2 Fall Conference was also a time to learn and spend time with Lions you know and to meet new Lions.

Have you applied for your clubs' tax exempt status called 990N? If your club has not made \$50,000, and you want tax exempt status, then your club should apply at www.irs.gov/990N. Our employee ID is 38-2239262. International Association of Lions clubs will appear as the name of organization. You will need

a username and password. When done, print your Electronic Notice (e-postcard) 2016. This is due by November 15.

My club would like to thank all of you who came to our 75th Anniversary.

We had good fellowship, fun and entertainment. It was a team effort by our club members. We were honored to have International Director Jenny Ware be our guest speaker. Thanks to the three clubs who donated money to our club, and one club donated money to Special Needs Clinic in our club's name.

It is now time to celebrate those clubs who have done their Activity and Membership Reports! Twenty four clubs reporting are the most we have ever had. 😊😊 Yahooooo!! The following 13 clubs have completed their Activity reports and Membership reports for the last 4 months: Auburn Williams, Cass City, Flushing, Gaines Area, Goodrich, Hemlock, Kingston, Lennon, Mayville, Otisville, St. Charles, and Zilwaukee. Millington and Linden Lions have completed 4 months of activity reports. Also reporting both reports for October were the clubs of Bridgeport, Buena Vista, Essexville Hampton, Grand Blanc, Saginaw West, Shields and for the first time this year Freeland and Flint Downtown Host Lions. Caro Lions reported activities. We have completed 168 activities with 2,754 hours of service this month. 😊

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From the 1st Vice District Governor *continued*



From July 1st, 2016 to January 31st, 2017, 7 months, 13 clubs had 10,981 hours of service. From July 1st, 2017 to October 31st, 2017, 4 months, 24 clubs had a total of 456 activities and 12,105 hours of service. This is 1,124 more

hours of service in 3 less months and 11 more clubs. Great teamwork!! This is outstanding!! Great effort!! 😊

Service with a Smile 😊

1st VG Joe Bogar

From the Second Vice District Governor



What a busy month! October started with assisting the Saginaw Valley Lions serving food at the Saginaw City Rescue Mission, my Auburn-Williams club meeting, and then a trip to St. Ignace for training together with the Council of Governors meeting. That was the first week. Many more visits and meetings were attended as well as preparation for the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI).

Enough of my schedule. Let's discuss again how we, as Lion members and clubs, can share information with others. We are in the age of sharing information using technology. Snail mail, the postal service, will stay around. How else will we get all the unsolicited advertising?

If writing and postal service mailing is your choice of communication, be aware that your letter may get lost in the deluge of unsolicited mail. Please be responsible and recycle.

Email allows us to communicate faster. However, as with snail mail, there's lots of unsolicited mail. Businesses continually place their name before you, encouraging you to act and purchase from them. Good thing we can filter and block some of this information. Additionally, we are constantly being bombarded by spammers trying to get information from us. They gain our email addresses from the emails being sent by CC or direct group emails. Save your friends some grief. Blind Carbon Copy (BCC) email addresses when sending to multiple email addresses. This hides email addresses making it a little more difficult for the spammers to gain new email addresses.

Websites allow us to look for a bulk of information about a subject. However, popups trying to get our attention from the task we started with are annoying. Result: off track and lost in the world wide web of information. FYI: The Lions International website, <http://www.lionsclubs.org>, is a perfect place to look for information about our organization with no popups. The search bar on the LCI site keeps us on that site. Thanks LCI.

Facebook, another venue for communication. "Like" a person, business or organization to see recent information, and you will be connected until you or the person, business, or organization at the other end deems different. Amazing!

But it doesn't stop there, "share," "like," or "comment" on the post. Stay informed with Face Book.

Mobile phones allow us to "text" and "tweet." Communication with technology never ends. Smart phones keep the internet at the tip of our fingers. When in Lansing, I verbally asked my phone "directions to home." Within seconds a map showed up and showed me the way. Information is all around us just waiting for us to access it quickly and effortlessly.

Did you know phone or video conferencing can be done on the internet with free programs? I am currently using Uber Conference to communicate with Group 13 on a project for the ALLI conference. This is a virtual meeting for the group. You can do it too if distance is an issue and multiple people need to conference together.

Technology is communication. The method of communication we choose depends on who needs to know. Let's look forward and use technology to our advantage. It is not going away.

Lions will continue moving forward as "We Serve".

2VDG Lion Steven VanTol



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. Min. order: 50



Orders & Payment MUST be received by January 14th 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 16th and 17th 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: _____ (In increments of 50 only) x \$3 = \$ _____ enclosed

Questions? E-mail Lion Laura Hunt, CS at laurahunt1027@gmail.com or call 248-766-7268



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Fundraisers are on the 3rd Wednesday
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Nov. 11, 2017

9am-4pm

130 Main St. Otisville, Mi.

Lunch Available

FREE Admission



Leos Chair Report Fall Conference October 28, 2017

Currently in district 11D1 there are 2 Leo clubs, Handy Middle School and Western Middle School. Western had an induction of 13 members on October 24. These members were inducted by 2nd Vice District Governor Steve VanTol. Handy will be inducting their new members soon. As suggested by the additional membership, each are thriving and doing many service projects including:

Handy Middle School – Covered with Love Blanket Project, Community Thanksgiving Dinner, etc.

Western Middle School – Covered in Love Blanket Project, Plainview Adult Care visits, Midland Shelter House, Good Samaritan Rescue Mission, visit to Leader Dog, etc.

Western Middle School is investigating into receiving new members younger than 12 but attending middle school. Currently there is interest and occasional attendance. It is hard to exclude a young population of students that are excited about Leos' service projects.

Through a generous donation from District Governor Jeff Hunt to Karrie Marchiniak's 3rd grade Mackenson Elementary classroom project, Dreaming About Math project, a connection has been made. Governor Hunt is working on making a Cubs Club. The name & theme for the 3rd grade class is "Team Paws- Changing the world with kindness." The theme fits perfectly with the Lions motto, "We Serve." Ms. Marchiniak was very enthused about creating a club within the class. Hopefully there will be a report about a Cubs Club soon.

New District 11-D1 Leo clubs in the works are Christi McAuliffe and an Omega Club led by Patsy Powell and the Bay City Club plus Central High School led by Dennis Prior & Joe Gwizdala III from the Bay City Club. JP Haas Elementary, Genesee County led by Nancy Bennett from Genesee Lions Club, is seriously investigating the possibilities.



LYEP Chair Report Fall Conference – October 28, 2017

LYEP has exciting things happening. For the second year, Michigan is offering a camp for LYEP foreign visitors and for Leos or youth excited about spending a week camping with young adults from a foreign country. The camp is a week long this year and will be from July 22-29. The venue is Covenant Camp in Otisville. This camp offers many activities including an indoor climbing wall, a zip line, a lake waterfront, archery range, volleyball courts, and game areas. It is hopeful that with club subsidies, the camp fee will remain about \$100 per person. Participants will be staying in tents. Chaperones will be staying in RVs or trailers. There is room for approximately 50 including chaperones, but this can be expanded easily. Lion Deb VanTol is part of the planning committee.

The District 11-D1 LYEP Travel Contest entry deadline is November 30th. Currently 1 essay has been submitted. Handy and Western Middle School Leos have been made aware of the contest. Valley Lutheran HS and Pinconning HS had it in their school announcements. A follow up announcement of the deadline will occur for all these contacts. FaceBook has had the announcement and there will be follow-ups to that also.

Please be aware that the deadline for young adults wishing to travel is December 15th, 2017 and for host families is March 30th, 2018. Young adults 16-21 years old do not have to be a Lion nor do they have to speak the language of the country they are visiting. Host families do not need to be a Lion nor do they need young adults living in their home. The host stay or travel stay is a cultural for 4-6 weeks with one week being camp. Please consider hosting or encourage a young adult to travel.

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



Congratulations, St. Charles Lions 75 Years and Going Strong

Greetings!

What a terrific turnout we had for our 75th Anniversary! Just over 90 Lions, friends and family members attended the event on Sunday October 22, 2017 at the Golden Glow Ballroom. Keynote Speaker was International Lions Director- Jenny Ware.



Laura Hunt receives President's Award from Leader Dogs for the Blind

The candidates for the Leader Dog President's Award must fulfill at least one of the following attributes: advocacy, volunteerism, and/or philanthropy.

This year's recipient encompasses all three attributes.

1. This year's President's award recipient demonstrates advocacy for Leader Dog by is always sharing the information on social media and attending various Leader Dog events.
2. This awardee has volunteered for Leader Dog by assisting clients with transportation to Leader Dog and other events. If the awardee can't help someone get here the awardee will find someone who can help!
3. This awardee has contributed numerous items to Leader Dog raffles and helped sell tickets.
4. This awardee is constantly thinking outside the box to help us come up with ways to share the Leader Dog story to Lions (and non-Lions) everywhere.
5. This awardee has personally led numerous fundraisers for Leader Dog for the Blind including Cycling for Leader Dogs and Motorcycling for Leader Dog events, Dinner in the Dark and an extremely successful t-shirt sales for the Canine Development Center.

Please join me as I present the President's Award to...

Lion Laura Hunt of 11 D-1.

It was great to see so many Lions at both Big D and the Fall Conference!

*Thanks so much!
Kathleen Breen*



Sue Daniels of Leader Dog presenting the President's award to CS Lion Laura Hunt.

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.

November 1, 3, 7, 18, 25, 27, 29

December 1, 2, 6, 8, 22, 23, 26, 30, 31

Saturdays @1:30 p.m., Sundays 1:30

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District 11 D-1

Cabinet meeting minutes 10/28/2017

District Governor Jeff Hunt called the meeting to order at 12:00. The Invocation was given by DG Jeff and the Pledge was led by 2nd VDG Steve Van Tol.

CS Laura Hunt took roll call and verified we had a quorum present. The attendance is listed in the chart below.

Jeff Hunt	District Governor	Present
Leo Dolehanty	Immediate Past District Governor	Present
Joe Bogar	First Vice District Governor	Present
Steve Van Tol	Second Vice District Governor	Present
Laura Hunt	Cabinet Secretary	Present
Phyllis Pross	Cabinet Treasurer	Present
Joe Gwizdala III	Region 1 Chair	Present
Ed Reaume	Region 1, Zone 1 Chair	Present
Karen Dasho	Region 1, Zone 2 Chair	Present
Bill Bauder	Region 2 Chair	Present
TBD	Region 2, Zone 1 Chair	Absent
Frank Rivette	Region 2, Zone 2 Chair	Present
Bart Blegan	Region 2, Zone 3 Chair	Present
Doug Palmer	Region 3 Chair	Present
Glenda Kiesling	Region 3, Zone 1 Chair	Absent
Mary Hall	Region 3, Zone 2 Chair	Present

Additional attendees were Lions Frank Rivette, Leo Dolehanty, Dennis Poirier, Gerald Whitney, Melissa Michalski, Dick DeLong, Bob Sturgis, Alice Zajac, Ron Johnson, Shari Johnson, Jake Dasho, Harold DeMott, Mary DeMott, Larry Porn, Deb Van Tol, Dan Houston, Walt McLavy.

The meeting was called to order at 8:26 AM by Governor Jeff Hunt.

The Secretary's report was called for. CS Laura stated that we have a quorum and that our YTD membership is up 26 members for a total of 1176. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the August Cabinet Meeting as published in the September 2017 District Newsletter. The motion was supported and passed.

DG Hunt called for the Treasurer's report. CT Phyllis Pross passed out the current financial statements. A motion was made, supported, and passed to accept the report.

The Governor called for Region and Zone Reports as follows:

Region I

Chair Joe Gwizdala III submitted the attached written report.

Zone I Chair Lion Ed Reaume submitted the attached written report on the August Zone Meeting

Zone II: Karen Dasho held a Zone meeting with all but one of her clubs in attendance.

Region II

Chair Bill Bauder stated that 11 clubs attended the Region Meeting and that he enjoyed attending the St. Charles 75th Anniversary Celebration last week. Contact Bill to help with Bingo for Veterans, especially the December/Holiday visit.

Zone I: RC Bill is covering this position as well. He is scheduling club visits.

Zone II: Frank Rivette has visited 4 of his clubs.

Zone III: Bart Blegan has visited Chesaning, Buena Vista, and Frankenmuth.

Region III

Chair Doug Palmer is planning to visit a Camp for Kids with Epilepsy. He is working on LEO membership.

Zone I: Glenda Kiesling was absent

Zone II: Mary Hall has already met with all of her clubs. She held a Zone Meeting in Sept. which was attended by all of her clubs.

DG Jeff then called for Committee Reports as follows:

All State Band (Doug Palmer): He helped stuff envelopes for All State Band and is excited that we have at least one student from our District who has been accepted into the 2018 Las Vegas Touring Band

Centennial (Laura Hunt): There are still about a half dozen District Centennial pins available. They are \$5 each or 2 for \$8.

District Convention (Bob Sturgis): He visited the venue recently to see all the updates and changes and the place is looking fabulous! We'll be at the Wyndham Gardens in Ann Arbor and the theme will be "American Pride." There will be an early-bird activity on Thursday night and the room rate is \$79.

MD 11 Convention (Bob Sturgis): Grand Blanc Holiday Inn 5/18 – 19. Please book a room and attend the meals; we need participation to uphold our room night commitment! Our International Speaker will be incoming LCI President Gudren!

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GMT (Dennis Poirier): Working on several new clubs and retention ideas. They are still working on the rebuild of the Downtown Host Lions Club & are looking at a northern Bay County club.

GST: (Joe Gwizdala) See the attached written report. Remember to REPORT your service projects.

IT (Larry Porn): Encouraged club Presidents and Secretaries to report recurring activities to LCI, including Club meetings. Larry is available to help with "My LCI" – just call him! He can also help your club start a free website via LCI.

At this point, DG Jeff noted that we were running out of time due to a conflict in the use of the room and called for any other Committee Reports necessary and especially those requiring requests for funds.

LEOs (Deb Van Tol): See attached written report

MI Forum (Joe Gwizdala III): Lion Joe requested each club donate a door prize with a value of approximately \$20 to the MI Forum in Grand Rapids in February.

Vision & Hearing: (Walt McLavy) Keep sending in used hearing aids; they help substantially subsidize the purchase of 'new' units. Requested \$2000 from Vision & Hearing fund be allocated for working funds. A motion was made, supported, and passed to do so.

Sickle Cell (Dan Houston): There are approximately 40 juvenile patients in the area. He requested working funds of \$1000 from the Sickle Cell budget to purchase holiday gifts for each child. Motion was made, supported, and passed.

ZC Bart brought up a \$1000 donation to Great Lakes Bay Health Centers for a new Eye Refractor. The funds would be matched. The request was referred to the Vision and Hearing Services Committee.

Youth Exchange (Deb Van Tol): See attached written report

Old Business

Governor Jeff then called for Old Business:

CS Laura requested that Clubs and Members making blankets for the "Covered with Love" project please let her know how many blankets were distributed and where they went. Feel free to distribute in your area as you see fit or give to Laura for distribution if you prefer. This project has generated 105 blankets so far & also

at least 4 potential new members!

DG Jeff then called for **New Business:**

PCC Justin Faber is running for International Director. A motion was made, supported, and passed to state the 11 D1 Cabinet has supported Lion Justin and to request the endorsement of PCC Justin for ID be placed on the April ballot for Convention.

Lions of MI Hall of Fame Nominations must be received by the Cabinet Secretary no later than January 16, 2018. Of the submitted applications, the Cabinet may endorse one living and one deceased Lion. If candidates are selected by the Cabinet, they will be forwarded to the LMF for voting.

Winter Camp for the Blind: DG Jeff noted that the camp, located in 11 A1, has been supporting campers from 11 D1. The fee per camper is \$40 and we have had 3 people from our District attend recently. 2nd VDG Steve moved that 11 D1 cover \$40 for each camper from our District for 2018. RC Joe suggested that the request go thru the Vision and Hearing Committee first. VDG Steve amended the motion to include a maximum cost of \$120 for 2018. After discussion, several Lions offered to chip in to fund this expense. VDG Steve withdrew the motion and the \$120 was collected from Lions in the room and given to CT Phyllis to distribute.

VDG Comments:

2nd VDG Steve stated that we should watch the DG's Newsletter for anything that had to be skipped during this meeting.

PDG Ron Johnson noted that he will be taking all the used eyeglasses collected here today as RG is not in attendance.

DG Remarks: DG Jeff thanked everyone for coming together to make this meeting work in spite of the logistical challenges. He also asked us to maintain our membership recruitment and retention efforts and noted that 11 D1 is the ONLY District in MI at this time with a plus in membership! We are up 26 members for the year so far!

Lion Dan noted that he welcomes help with the Sickle Cell holiday project!

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lion Laura Hunt, CS

GST (Global Service Team)

Committee report: Have attended both Region 1 and Region 2 meetings. Talked about international President's goal of getting back to our roots which is "We Serve". Stressed the need, not only for new service projects but also legacy projects. Projects need not be elaborate. Do a KidSight screening if you have not done one. A legacy project can be as simple as putting a new bench in a town park and put your name on it. Also stressed the need to report all service projects to LCI.

Financial request: not at this time

No verbal report

Respectfully submitted by
Committee Chairperson Joseph Gwizdala, 11 D-1 GST
October 28, 2017

Region 1, Zone 1 Meeting August 21, 2017

Chair: Lion Ed Reaume

Call: 6:07 pm

Pledge: Lion Joe Gwizdala III

Invocation: Lion Steve Van Tol

Attendance: Lions Walt and Linda Skroki, Lion Ed Reaume, Lions Jeff and Laura Hunt, Lion Joe Gwizdala III, Lions Deb, Steve and Johathan VanTol, Lion Bill Erickson, Lion Rick Nelsen

Dinner Break

Club Report: See agenda for Auburn-Williams, Bay City, Essexville-Hampton club reports

Fairgrove: Brats and hot dog sales in September, 4 \$500 scholarships, Boy Scouts are helping

Lion Steve for SVSU: Down to 2 members; card party coming up; hoping to recruit there

Governor's Message: handouts reviewed

New project from 1 of the 5 would be great for clubs to start

Region 1 chair: Lion Joe Gwizdala III also reporting for GST Chair

Club and secretaries reporting is very important

Each club is asked to have a GST rep on their board of directors

Leos doing well

- Potential for 2 new clubs that they are working on
- Kids need community service to graduate
- Patsy Powell working on a new 3rd club and an Omega Club with the Disabilities Resource Center
- LCI approved members over 30 years old in the Omega Club

Lion Joe is working with Past Governor Lion Dennis Poirier regarding the Northern Bay County Club, a potential club to take the place of Standish and/or Pinconning.

Cabinet Secretary Lion Laura Hunt

Lion Laura is working on the blanket project, Covered With Love

Lion Ed's suggestion - Maple Tower's residents could make some blankets

Lion Deb VanTol - Auburn Williams Club

YE Essay Contest: money towards trip to overseas Lions Club in country of choice. First place up to \$3000, 2nd place - \$2000, 3rd place - \$1000. Deadline for essay is November 30, 2017 for trip in 2018. Contestants must be 16-21 years old at time of travel. Dec 30 the winner will be announced.

Lion Bill Erickson: LCI wants IPP from each club as LCIF coordinator

50th Anniversary of LCIF in 2018. One billion donated/used so far. Pins can be sold by coordinator. Count for MJF, available for programs. MJF is a fellowship, not an award. Pins: Bronze \$20, Silver \$50, Gold \$100. LMSF Booklet of available awards and fellowships reviewed

Respectfully submitted:

Region 1, Zone 1 Chairperson Lion Ed Reaume

Michigan Forum

The MI Forum Committee has had two meetings so far. Breakout sessions were discussed. The forum will be held February 15-16, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza in Grand Rapids. More details will be forthcoming.

Financial request: the State MI Forum Committee has requested that all districts donate a prize with a value of about \$20 to be used as a door prize at this year's forum.

No verbal reports at this time.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Gwizdala, 11 D-1 GST

District 11 D-1 Region I Chair Report

Region Meeting Date and Location: September 12, 2017, Fritz's Family Restaurant. Clubs in attendance: Bay City, Auburn, Essexville Hampton, Caro, Kingston, Mayville, Millington, Fairgrove, SVSU

In process of visiting clubs. Projected date of completion of visits January, 2018

Club visits seem to be doing well. Talked about new service projects, Leadership Institute, Fall Conference, District Convention, and MI Forum. Had reports given by all clubs present along with the District GLT, Lions of MI Foundation, Youth Exchange, Leo and LCI.

No Verbal reports at this time

Respectfully submitted

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Lions Around the District



Bay City Lions met at the Wirt Library on October 27th for the judging of Lions' Club Peace Poster Contest. Our club has been participating in this contest since the late 90s. We started with just one middle school and currently have 9 local middle schools turning in their posters with the theme of "Future of Peace". Every year the Lions' have a "Peace" related theme, and we vote on a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place poster from each school. This year, like all the others we are proud of our contestants aged from 11- 13 years old. This year's poster contest winners, all 27 of them, are on display for the next 2 weeks at the Wirt Library. The club will be presenting the winners with an award and a gift card for their participation. Pictured here is our overall winner for 2017, chosen from all the 1st place winners of each school.



Patsy Powell

Buena Vista Lions are partnering with the Arthur Eddy Academy and have allocated money to buy candy, donuts and cider for the children to augment the festivities which will be held at the school. A number of BV Lions have volunteered to support this activity.

Kingston Lions Club will be serving donut holes, cider and coffee to those who are out trick or treating. We had a program on diabetes education and were joined by Lion R.G. Barnum, PDG and Lion Gloria.

Fenton Lions Club had their regular twice a month dinner meetings on Oct 11th and 25th. Lion Carole Smith applied for funds from Lions International to give to the Brown family that had a house fire and lost everything. We received 1,500 and presented it to them at our meeting.



Our annual Money Raffle was on October 26, 2017 at the VFW in Fenton.

We sold all of our 175 tickets and had a very good turn out. Our big winner received

\$5,000, second prize 2,000 and third \$1,000.



On October 28th Mary Ann Brostek, Marilyn Reibel, Dave Dipka and Doug Storrs attended the Fall Conference in Marlette.

Mayville Lions

had another successful made in the Thumb show. The Fostoria Bread Co. has been a vendor for all three



years, and newcomer Precision Plasma Cutting had an awesome display.

Ellen Pretzer and her dog, Ingle, representing Paws With a Cause, were our October dinner meeting guests. Their program was most entertaining and enjoyed by visiting guests PDG R.G. Barnum and PDG Jake Dasho.



Lions Around the District

Millington Lions presented a check in the amount of \$2,100.00 to the Millington Community Center to



assist with its continued operation. The money was raised at this past summer's Lions Club Golf outing. The Millington Community Center is a non-profit organization that provides a meeting place and special services to our local community.

This past month, several members of our club joined forces to construct a handicap access ramp at the home of a local disabled citizen. This ramp will assist the individual with improved and safe access to her home.

Shields Lions Club held their semiannual fund raising

White Cane Mint Sale on October 20th and 21st at the 7-11s in their area. Pictured (L-R) Lions Terry Ross, Bob Murphy, and Mike Cousins. Shields Lions would like to thank everyone who participated in this event.



Lions of Michigan Foundation Report

Soon the Sight and Hearing Sweepstake tickets will be sent to your club. Secretaries watch for them; club members ask for them. This is a great fundraiser for your club. Sell over 100 tickets and your club will receive \$5.00 for all tickets sold. Sell over 300 tickets and your club will receive \$5.50 per ticket sold. The LMF does the paper work, licensing and you clubs earn funds to help with your projects.

Has your club thought of honoring one of your members or a member of your community? The LMF has three fellowships of \$500.00, \$750.00 or \$1000.00 donation. The Kenneth Lautzenheiser, Helen Keller or John S. Noel. The nomination forms are on the LMF website under the donate tab.

Another reminder for the LMF Hall of Fame nominations. The nomination forms can be found on the Lions of Michigan Foundation website, www.lmsf.net under the Hall of Fame tab. Complete the application then submit the nomination to the District Governor by midnight January 16, 2018. The District Cabinet will choose our nominee prior to the LMF March 1st application deadline. Our district can submit nominations for one living and one deceased Lion.

The Fall Parade of checks was October 28 in Marlette at the Fall Conference. The total donated to the LMF was \$2815. The LMF thanks your club for supporting the LMF as a club or personally. The LMF has funded two families in the Fenton area for house fires with grants totaling \$3,000.00

If you have any questions or need assistance with grant applications for emergency assistance, vision or military aid you can contact either 2VDE Lion Steven VanTol , or PDG Lion Jake Dasho.

Attention Clubs
Your 990s are due this month by the 15th.

Together We Can...



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UPCOMING EVENTS



see details inside

Leadership Institute

November 10-12, Higgins Lake

Otisville Lioness Craft Show

November 11, Otisville

Chesaning Lions Roasted Chestnuts

November 24-25, Chesaning

Winter Cabinet Meeting

January 14, East Flint

