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District Website

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From District Governor Joe Bogar

Lions of 11-D1

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. As the New Year approaches or has arrived, I wish you a successful, safe, and Healthy 2019. As you may recall, our district has applied for a diabetes grant from Lions International. We are hopeful we can start our campaign by February to find people who don't know they have diabetes. Our goal is 500 people. More information will be coming soon.

What does 11-D1 mean?-

We know it is our District. It is on the top of this page and on the front of this newsletter. For some of you seasoned Lions, you are already aware maybe. For some of you newer Lions. Let's break it down. The number

means the order a state or government body has joined Lions International by chartering a Lions Club. I thought you

Illinois 1 California 4 Arkansas 7 Texas 2 Minnesota 5 Louisiana 8 Colorado 6 Oklahoma 3 Iowa 9 Multiple District 11.

I noted above that the order was based by state or government body. To get to the UP in 1919 you either took a ferry, (the Mackinaw Bridge was not built yet), or travelled through Wisconsin. The Marquette Lions were chartered October 10, 1919. Grand Rapids Lions were chartered in District 11 was divided into 10 November 1919. So the Lions in the UP are District 10 and Lions in Lower D-2. The Lions in our four counties of Peninsula are District 11.

From 1919-1941 the Lower Peninsula, was District A. In 1941, we had 84 clubs which were divided into Districts A and B. We were then might be interested to see who came before Michigan...

In 1946, we had 134 clubs which were divided into A, B, C, and D. District D was called Big D. It had Lions in 10 counties.

In 1976, there were 380 clubs in the Lower Peninsula. The Multiple Districts and Big D became D-1 and Saginaw, Bay, Tuscola, and Genesee are the Lions of 11-D1. As a former history teacher, I can't help but to still give a lesson now and again.

It is time to celebrate! Last two months we had 28 of 38 clubs reporting that was the most we ever had. This month we have 32 of 38

clubs reporting. This is now the most clubs we have had report in a month. Yahooooo! This is 84%. My goal for our District was to have 30

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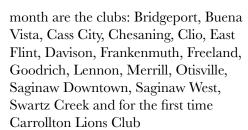


From District Governor continued

clubs report both reports in a month. We certainly surpassed my goal!

We have 14 clubs reporting for the 5th month in a row: Auburn Williams, Bay City, Essexville-Hampton, Flushing, Gaines area, Grand Blanc, Hemlock, Kingston, Linden, Mayville, Millington, Shields, St. Charles and Zilwaukee. Keep it up.

Also reporting both reports this



I looked at last years numbers of clubs reporting, number of service activities and number of service hours. This is what I found.

	Most clubs reported in a month	Total Number of activities	Total Number of service hours
July 1-Dec. 31-2017	21	570	17,946
July 1-Dec. 31-2018	32	611	21,054
Difference	+ 11	+41	+3,108

This is great information. An improvement of over 3,000 hours of service, 41 more activities and 11 more clubs reporting. This is great teamwork!!

We have five clubs who have reported both reports for 30 months in

a row: Auburn-Williams, Gaines Area, Kingston, Mayville and St. Charles.

This is outstanding!! Great effort!! We have a club who has reported for 18 months in a row besides the above Five. The Hemlock Lions



From 1st Vice District Governor



I hope your Holidays were joyful visiting with family and friends. Lion Deb and I had a great time, spending a few days with our family, away from home and the hustle and bustle of the season.

Good news! The 1VDGs selected our Past District Governor Jeff Hunt as the Council Chair for the 2019-2020 Michigan Council of Governors. You may have seen this in the Lions Pride already but congratulations PDG Jeff. Thank you PDG Jeff. The council will be moving forward with you as together "We Serve."

Decisions, decisions, decisions. As

mentioned in the December article the incoming governor has the duty, honor and privilege to appoint the many positions on the District Cabinet for his term as governor. I am pleased to announce the following appointments for 2019-20: Lion Sandy VanTol will be the Cabinet Secretary for 2019-2020. She is the current First VP of the Auburn Williams Lions Club and has proven herself as well organized. She is related to the incoming governor. Lion Phyllis Pross has been doing a great job as Cabinet Treasurer and newsletter editor and has agreed to serve again next year. Lion Bill Bauder accepted the invitation and will serve

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as the Region Two Chair. Lion Bill is recovering from some health concerns but will be up to the task, full steam, for the remainder of this term and in 2019-2020. Lion Mary Hall also accepted the invitation and will be the Region Three Chair. Lion Mary is currently the Region Chair and Zone Chair for Zone One in Region Three. Thank you, Lion Phyllis, Lion Sandy, Lion Mary and Lion Bill, for accepting the appointment to serve our district.

Again, I ask this question. Are you ready to serve on a committee at the district level? If so, please contact me about your passion and the position you would like to fill. Job descriptions for many of the positions are available. As your Governor (if elected) I will be encouraging all the District Chairs to regularly write an article for the newsletter. The September newsletter has the listing of the District positions. If you lost your copy you can find it on

the District website http://www.e-district.org/sites/11d1.

A club visit was made in December to the Cass City Lions. On June 4, 2019 I will be returning to Cass City to induct the new officers for 2019-2020. A tradition of the Goodrich Lions is to have the incoming governor induct their officers. This is scheduled for May 23, 2019. If any other clubs have similar traditions or would like me to induct their new officers, please contact me ASAP to schedule a visit.

As a team, we will continue "Moving Forward" together in service to our community and beyond. We are Lions, "We Serve."

Lion Steven VanTol, 1VDG Cell 989-430-9500 or Email: lionstevenvantol@ gmail.com

From 2nd Vice District Governor



I hope everyone had a beautiful Christmas with family and friends! Ours was fantastic! We spent a lot of quality time with family and friends! Lion Mary and I love the spirit of giving this time of year offers us in service. There are so many opportunities to fill the needs throughout our District and world. I am proud of how our District fulfills the needs. There will be many more opportunities in 2019. Remember, **Make It Fun & We Will Make It Happen Together!**

I am hoping that with the 2019 New Year, more of District 11D-1 Lions will offer to step into some of the open positions at the District Level. If you are considering any positions available, we have DG Lion Joe, 1st VDG Lion Steve and myself 2nd VDG Lion Harold to help with any questions you may have, as well as past chairs that will help

get you started. If you have a favorite district initiative that you are passionate about, that is the one you would excel at. We are always in need of fresh ideas and new outlooks. If you have something that was tried before and didn't work, there is a possibility that it could work now. Don't be afraid. We are here to help; no ideas are bad ideas they just haven't been tried.

I have visited five clubs so far and am proud of the continued outpouring of service they have made in their communities. I will be visiting the rest of the Clubs soon.

As always, I am here to help in any way I can. My phone is 248-408-0508; email, hlmd012@charter.net.

Have a blessed New Year! Lion Harold DeMott 2VDG

MAKE IT FUN & WE WILL MAKE IT HAPPEN TOGETHER!!!

Chesaning Lions President passes...



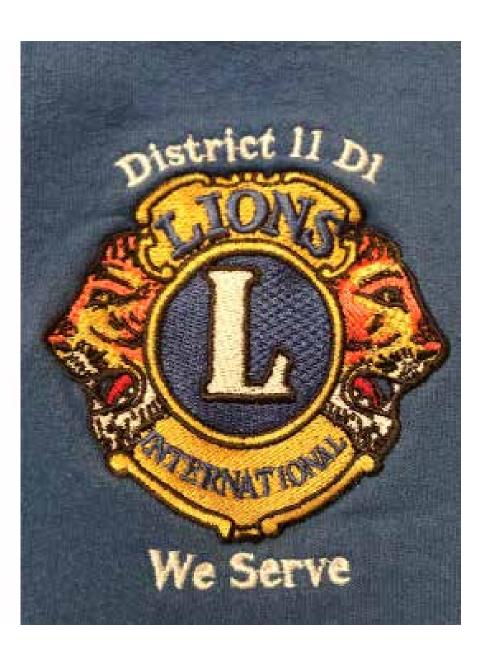
Dear Lions I am sad to say that the President of the Chesaning Lions, Jim Amman passed away on December 23rd at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

DG Joe Bogar and Carissa Toma (granddaughter)

For Hall of Fame nominations form, see December Newsletter



SAUE THE DATE 11-01 DISTRICT CONVENTION - SHANTY CREEK RESORTS, Bellaire, Mi APRIL 12-14, 2019



Due to the increase in running a convention the following proposed amendment to the By-laws will be presented at the District Convention this year.

ARTICLE VII CONVENTION FUND

Section I. CONVENTION FUND TAX. In lieu of or in addition to a district convention registration fee, an annual district convention fund tax of \$1.00) may be levied upon each member of each club in the district and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club, except newly chartered and reorganized clubs, in two (2) semiannual payments as follows: \$.50 (fifty cents) per club member to be added to the annual July dues bill to cover the semi-annual period July I to December 31; and \$.50 (fifty cents) per club member to be added to the annual January dues billing to cover the semi-annual January I to June 30, with billings of said tax to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of July and January, respectively. Any club which is chartered or reorganized in a current fiscal year shall collect and pay said convention tax for said fiscal year on a pro-rata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of its organization, as the case may be.

George E. Daly Award

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.

PDG Jeff Hunt appointed MD 11 Council Chair.



At the December Council of Governor's meeting, the First Vice Governors met to interview six outstanding candidates for the position of Multiple District 11 Council Chair, 2019-2020.

We are pleased to announce PDG Jeff

Hunt as the newly elected Council Chair, who will begin his official service July 1, 2019. Congratulations to PDG Jeff, and a sincere thank you to all of the candidates.

I've been a member of the Bay City Lions Club since October 1979. I became a lion in December 1979 when our club had their annual Christmas party for vision challenged grade school students. The following spring I was elected to our club sight/hearing board. "We Serve" came to life as I saw how we helped local residents with their vision and hearing problems. I was definitely hooked.

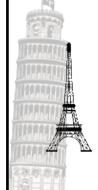
Since that time I have the pleasure of serving with many other lions, as we worked to make our communities better. I've held various positions over those years at both the club and district level including 5 years as Cabinet Secretary. I had the honor of serving in both the 11D1 District Governor and MD11 Vice Council Chair positions during 2017-2018 as our Lions Clubs International celebrated 100 years.

Also serving with me for the past 9 years is my wife, Laura Hunt, PCS and Past MD11 Publicity Chair. As many of you know, it is imperative to have buy-in from family and I would not have been able to make this commitment without her support.

I am looking forward to the upcoming Council year 2019-2020 and all the wonderful things this energetic and talented group can accomplish.

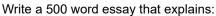
PDG Jeff Hunt

Lions Youth Exchange Program Scholarship Winners



Grace Middleton - First Place \$1500 LYEP Travel Scholarship Sponsoring Club: Mayville Lions Club

Anna Kendziorski - Second Place \$1000 LYEP Travel Scholarship Sponsoring Club: Auburn-Williams Lions Club



- · How does the community benefit from volunteers?
- How would you represent Lions and the American people in a foreign country?
- Explain how your values are similar to the values of Lionism.

Congratulations Ladies.....
From District 11-D1



Gaines Area Lions Club



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

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

Support Our Fundraisers!

When you support our Lions club you support the projects Lions do in your community and worldwide!

A special thanks to Mary Hall and her sister on behalf of the SCDAA. We appreciate all their efforts and support in making this year's shopping spree a success. We recognize that without you, your organization and generous contributions we would not be able to provide the quality of service to our clients and families that we do. Thanks again, and may you be blessed abundantly for all you do. Happy Holidays from the SCDAA to each one of you.

Sincerely,
Ben Frazier/ Sickle Cell
Services Coordinator

On Saturday, December 15th, children in Saginaw and Genesee County suffering with sickle cell disease were treated to a shopping spree at Meijer thanks to the Lions of district 11D-1 and donations from Meijer. Buena Vista Lions supervised as 25 children selected toys, clothing, and/or electronics worth at least \$50. On the same day, Grand Blanc Lions helped 15 children do the same. Two additional dates were provided for those unable to make the Saturday date and 3 more children were met at the Burton Meijer. A total of 43 children were given this wonderful opportunity! We serve!

> Mary Hall, Grand Blanc Lions Club



December 18, 2018

To Buena Vista Lions Club:

On behalf of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Michigan Chapter Inc., and its Board of Directors, we wish to personally thank you for your generous contribution to the sickle cell families in the Saginaw and Flint area. Your contribution will surely impact the lives of these families.

Our organization began its work as a non-profit in 1971. Our goals were to improve awareness of sickle cell disease through testing, counseling and other support services for those living with sickle cell conditions in the metropolitan Detroit area. Now we have expanded our community services to include youth tutoring, mentoring, pain management and stress coping strategies along with a strong advocacy component to recruit more physicians to treat our patients. Through the efforts of volunteers, devoted staff, and a community of caring individuals, such as you, we have been able to serve targeted areas throughout Michigan for over 45 years and will continue to enhance our services to increase our impact for many more years to come.

Again, we humbly appreciate your support and look forward to continuously working together to meet the needs of our community. By helping us, you assist us with successfully meeting the needs of our underserved patient population and our most vulnerable families working to increase their quality of life. Thank you again for standing by our side in this very important fight and helping us to promote a higher standard of care.

Sincerely,

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CEO & Medical Director

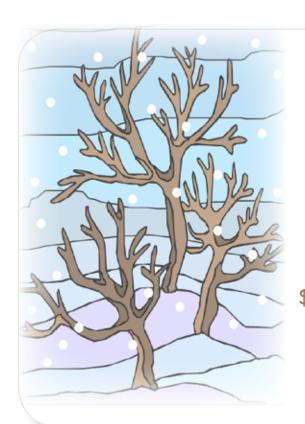
Tracie L. Conic, M.A., B.S.W.

Director of Client Services

The SCDAX, Michigan Chapter, but it a non-profit (501cF) organization and your direction will be tax distincted.







Winter Cabinet Meeting

Sunday, January 13th beginning at Noon

hosted by Millington Lions Club

Millington Community Center

8705 State Rd., Millington, Michigan 48746

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

Please RSVP to Governor Joe, 989-274-4110. jtbogar@gmail.com.



SPECIAL NEEDS VISION CLINIC CONCERNS AND INFORMATION

The Special Needs Vision Clinic Board of Directors met in December to address the growing financial needs of the agency. Rising clinic costs, combined with decreases in fundraising income are causing concern for the long-term viability of the clinic.

While many of the Lions Clubs in the district have generously increased their contributions, the decline in overall number of clubs continues to impact our ability to meet operational expenses. As the large majority of our clientele are Medicaid enrollees, program service fees do not cover the costs incurred by the agency despite these same clients requiring care above and beyond that of the average eyecare consumer.

In an effort to decrease/ eliminate the deficit experienced over the past several years, the following areas/ measures are being pursued by the Board of Directors:

- ** As of December 2018, the clinic is now an established provider with all known private and public third party payers (insurers) providing coverage in our area. Previous issues with certain carriers left us in a position of either denying care or 'eating' the cost of caring for those persons enrolled with non-covered carriers; our policy erred on the side of providing the care without compensation. As of this month, we are now able to bill for all services provided. As the State of Michigan renegotiates their Medicaid carriers yearly, it has been an ongoing effort to maintain providership with all parties involved. Being a non-profit entity can sometimes make this a difficult process as many insurers prefer "owners" who can 'share in potential liability' with some even requiring personal social security numbers of every board member. Thankfully, we have maneuvered these obstacle are well positioned at this time to provide care to enrollees of all local plans.
- **Lion Shelly Hardt has kindly offered to repeat the Little Caesar Pizza Kit fundraiser this spring. This district wide fundraiser was quite successful in 2018 and we are hopeful that we can build upon that success. See flyer next page
- **Lions Joe Gwizdala, Joel Gougeon and Jim Barcia have proposed approaching state legislators in an

attempt to secure grant support for the clinic. Such funding was received in the past but succumbed to budget cuts within the Department of Community Health. We are looking at dates in January to host incoming legislators at the clinic to highlight what we do and for whom, and why we are beneficial to the community.

- **A gun raffle has been proposed and accepted by the Board but will need a years run time to execute. We anticipate ticket sales through the upcoming year and are hopeful that district clubs will assist us in ticket sales. Lion Joe has kindly offered to oversee this fundraiser contingent on committed help selling tickets at the gun shows.
- ** Lion Alice Zajac has proposed an annual fundraising event that would generate a regular income for the clinic, year to year. Several event themes were discussed and a committee was established to start developing this project.
- ** Lion RG Barnum will be approaching local business owners/ acquaintances regarding charitable donations. He encourages everyone to consider similar discussions with any business owners who might consider same.

It is always difficult to address increasing financial needs with those who have always been so very generous, but without doing so, we risk the distinct possibility that this clinic which has provided care to thousands of Michigan's handicapped population over the past three decades could cease to exist. We have operated at a deficit for the past 5 years due to rapidly rising operating expenses. Despite our best efforts to contain costs, more income is required to stay solvent. We are pursuing all available avenues to that end and we welcome any of our supporters to join us in this effort. If you would like to serve on any of the fundraising committees or would like to host a fundraiser on the clinic's behalf, please feel free to contact any board member. We have overcome many obstacles over the years and face this current challenge with the same faith that good people do good things for a good cause; We look forward to a prosperous 2019 and we wish the same to you and yours.

Thanks to all of the Lions Clubs and members for your continuing support

On behalf of the Clinic, Dick DeLong, Secretary



WE NEED YOUR HELP! District 11D1



Little Caesars^o Pizza Kit Fundraiser!

It's simple...our Special Needs Vision Clinic needs to raise \$30,000. If every Lions Club member sold just 5 Pizza Kits, we would reach our goal. We are counting on you!

Pizza is easy to sell...almost everyone eats it at least once a week! So, talk to your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers about buying Little Caesars® Pizza Kits! Let them know they're great for quick dinners, parties and get togethers! Remind folks to buy several Kits and stock up their freezers! Any time is Pizza!® time!

***WIN A \$100 VISA GIFT CARD---

For every 5 Pizza Kits you sell get 1 entry into our raffle prize drawing!

START DATE: Monday, January 21, 2019

ORDER FORM DUE: Monday, March 11, 2019

Order form and payment due to Shelly Hardt.

Late orders NOT accepted.

Be sure your order form is correctly tallied!

Please double check your math in the rows and columns!

PICKUP LOCATION: East Flint Lions Club, 4352 Crosby Rd, Flint, 48506

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM

PICKUP LOCATION: Willew Lounge, 3005 E Midland Rd, Bay City, 48706

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

PICKUP LOCATION: Saginaw CAC, 2824 Perkins St. Saginaw, 48601

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Pick up your Pizza Kits as soon as possible.

Kits should be refrigerated, refrozen or delivered to your buyers within 6

hours of pickup. If the Kits thaw, they can be refrozen.

QUESTIONS: Please feel free to contact Shelly Hardt

Phone: 989-293-2303

Email: shardt@saginawcac.org

Help us reach our goal...put a Caesar in your freezer!

KidSight Screenings:

Any club planning a screening with the KidSight trailer this summer will have to have members trained on how to operate the camera and do paper work to do screening.

Will also need a member with truck to move trailer. I will not be hauling it around this summer as I did last year. If your club has plans for using trailer, please get hold of me, and I will train members of your club on how to do this. I will complete forms needed before I mail to the foundation.

It's not hard or difficult to do this. I am willing to work with any club and will assist in any way, but I would like some time this summer for family vacation. Get in touch with me.

Lion Keith Cregar

Guiding Lion training...

will be held Saturday, January 19 at the Otisville Lions clubhouse.

We will begin at 11 a.m. This will be the entire training including the test. This is a great opportunity to become certified whether you use this training to help other clubs or your own. As a note, LCI no longer requires you to have been a club President to be a Guiding Lion.

For anyone who needs to complete the training you will be able to do so as well.

There will be lunch served.

Please RSVP by the 18th to either PDG Alice Zajac or 2nd VDG Harold DeMott.

Lions of Michigan Foundation Report

The Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets have been sent to your club. Club members, ask your Secretary or President 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 your clubs earn funds to help with your projects.

On June 28, 2018, Governor Rick Snyder approved Public Act 255, creating a Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund within the Michigan Department of Treasury for the purpose of collecting funds donated to the Lions of Michigan Foundation through annual Michigan income tax return filings. Any Michigan Tax Payer may now support the Lions of Michigan Foundation by simply checking the appropriate donation box and indicating the amount of their donation on Form 4642: Michigan Voluntary Contribution Schedule when they file their Michigan Income Tax Return - Form MI-1040.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is now 1 of 8 Michigan charities with this very distinct honor, which requires the approval of the Michigan House of Representatives, Senate and Governor. It was made possible through the dedication and support of Representative Wendell Byrd who introduced the legislation and Speaker of the House Tom Leonard who advocated for the legislation and strong bipartisan support throughout the Michigan Legislature.

Please consider donating with your tax return. The State monitors the donations given. If the charity does not receive enough funds to warrant being one of the charities it will be replaced. That is how the LMF was chosen to be on the form.

If you have any questions or need assistance with grant applications for emergency assistance, vision or military aid you can contact either 1VDG Lion Steven VanTol, or PDG Lion Leo Dolehanty.



Registration FORM

Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to Michigan Lions Forum, 5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911, Telephone 517-887-6640 or Fax 517-887-6642

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Name
Address
Club Name
District
Contact Phone
Email
Names of Registrants
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Registrants at \$40.00/person* \$ *Registration fee is \$40.00 and includes lunch, forum and proceeding booklet. \$40.00 price is for reservations received before February 8, 2019. After 2/8/19 \$45.00.
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Lions of Michigan
List food allergies or dietary requirements:
Check here for the forum book on CD (For visually impaired only)

This event will fill quickly!

HOLIDAY INN GATEWAY CENTRE

Flint

Lions Room Rate is \$85 5353 Gateway Centre, Flint, MI 48507

810-232-5300

HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE: February 8, 2019



Large Group **SERVICE PROJECT**

Join us Friday night, **February 22** as we work together on a large group service project! Club members attending may report service hours to LCI.



See entire brochure as separate attachment.



LCIF – Lions Clubs International Foundation

LOOK WHAT \$100 CAN DO



Lions Around the District

Bay City Lion's Club This is our favorite time of year, and the busiest for charity work.

*On November 30 – December 2nd we held our 7th Annual Toy Drive at Millars.

*December 5th, Annual Steak Fry and induction of new members.

*December 7th, annual Cookie Walk.

* December 12th the annual Children's Christmas Party on Wednesday at the LFA Hall. There were around 300 children and parents present. Food and drinks were provided along with coloring books and crayons. Also, a DJ was present for some Christmas music and dancing. Santa made his appearance and with help from his elves had many children sit on his knee and asked them what they wanted for Christmas. Toys were distributed then. Both Leo clubs, Bay City Handy and Christa McAuliffe, helped in the kitchen, with food prep and serving.

* December 13th, the Christa McAuliffe Leos put on a concert, singing and musical instruments for the residents of Bay Shores.

*December 18th, caroling to fellow Lion's was done by over 30 Lions. There were stops at New Hope in Essexville, Carriage House, Colonnades and private homes of Lions. A good time was had by all and there is a strong possibility for a repeat next year. Thanks to Steve Mitchell of Mitchell Motorcoach for providing the transportation.

*Handy Leo club helps fill Gift boxes for delivery by the Lion Club December 22nd.

*Many Lions volunteered to be Bell ringers for the Salvation Army.

We hope everyone found their giving spirit this year and that you are making lots of plans to Serve others next year!

Cass City Lions participated in the annual Cass City
Christmas in the Village Chili Cook-off on December
1st. Pictured from left are Club President Terry Hendrick and Board Member Tommy Craig. The Lions
also held their 50/50 raffle during the Christmas in the
Village Parade to raise money for projects we sponsor.
Another December activity we hold is our annual Car
On The Ice raffle.

Fenton Lions, at their Christmas dinner, collected hoodies for kids at the Ennis Center for Children. The Ennis Center in Flint works with abused and/or neglected

children, annually reaching over 3,500 Michigan children and families in crisis. They help over 300 children daily in their foster care program alone, and serve all counties in Southeast Michigan. They find adoptive families for children, including those with special needs, and also work with



delinquent teens, helping them stay safe, in school, and on a path toward productive adulthood.

Flushing Lions Club presented Lion Peggy Yats the Lion of the Year award. Lion Peggy has been a member for 11 years. She was invited into the Club

by her father
who passed
away a few
years later.
She has been
President twice,
is our mint
chairman,
and is now
membership



chairman. Peggy has been blind from birth and has had three Leader Dogs. She takes her notes in Braille and misses nothing.

The presentation was made by Lion Nick Daddario who was last year's Lion of the Year.

Gaines Area Lions Club: Four Lions finished the first session of the GASP (Gaines After School Program) in November. It will be starting again in January.

Donated \$200 to the Gaines Community Council Christmas food baskets

Three Lions picked up food from Gaines Elementary School and took to the St. Joseph Hall. Four Lions helped pack and deliver Christmas gifts and food for the Gaines Community Council.

With the help of three Lions, we cooked the Annual Breakfast with Santa at Gaines Elementary School serving about 110 people. As well as had a KidSight Screening with three of our Lions and the help of Lion Keith Cregar serving 44 children with two referrals.

Hosted two days at the craft table at the Gaines Elementary School Christmas Craft Bazaar with three of our Lions on Friday, two on Saturday, as well as Diana Fairgrieve of the Linden Lions both days. Grand Blanc Lions provided gifts and food for a
Grand Blanc family-in-need at Christmas. This is the
third year that the club has worked with the FISH
organization to help residents in our school district.
The club also helped with the 11D-1 sickle cell project
to get Christmas gifts for children affected by sickle cell
disease. We met 18 families on three different dates
at the Meijer store in Burton, so they could choose
\$50 worth of toys, clothes or electronics. The club is
currently working on getting warm clothing, blankets,
etc. together for My Brother's Keeper, a shelter that
serves homeless men and veterans in Flint.

Linden Lions held another successful Christmas tree sale.



The Lions took part in the Linden Holiday Happenings parade and served cocoa and cookies later.

Mayville Lions had their annual "Light Up the Tree" festivities early in December. Pictured is Lion Bob Moss

with children getting their picture with St. Nick. During the event the "We Can Read" program also handed out



books to promote literacy. The evening concluded with the Kingston club joining Mayville for a holiday dinner.

Montrose Lions Club does a Santa Store every year,

this being the 10th year. Our President, Jerry Whitney, started and coordinates it. We were successful in providing Christmas presents for 150



children this year. Montrose Lions Club sponsors the Santa Store.

Swartz Creek Lions Club, on Wednesday, December 19th, presented the SCHS Special Education Department with a Heat Transfer Machine (&



Vinyl) in order to start a new program, which is setting up their own business, creating, designing & making clothing, license plates, window stickers, etc. "This will enable special needs students to gain life skills, job experience, social skills and overall work experience in their own School Store" according to Ashley Green, Teacher Consultant for Special Education. Mike Pepin, Special Education Teacher and Rodney Hetherton, Assistant Superintendent at Swartz Creek Schools also attended the Presentation which occurred at "The Draft" in Swartz Creek where S. C. Lions Club held their Christmas Party and last meeting of the year. This represents 1/3 of the monies raised annually (\$2,700 in 2018) at our Bill & Monte Morgan Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. which is our on-going commitment to the SCHS Special Needs Dept. District Governor Joe and wife, Kathy Bogar attended and both gave wonderful & informative year-end presentations to our club. Thank-you Joe and Kathy, we appreciate all that you do and are very proud of your leadership! Kerry W. Morgan, Pres. SC Lions Club kwmorgan44@gmail.com 810-516-7774



Grand Blanc Lions new meeting place is at Grand Blanc Fire department hall at 117 High St., Grand Blanc. Same time - 1st & 3rd Monday @ 6:30pm.







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UPCOMING EVENTS

see details inside

Winter Cabinet Meeting
January 13, Millington

Michigan Lions ForumFebruary 8, Flint

District ConventionApril 12-14, Shanty Creek

