Moving Forward

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From District Governor Steve VanTol

Lions of District 11D1,

The district is very busy; a lot is going on. Now, with October here, several Lions clubs are planning annual Lion Halloween events and other Fall events. Our district family is always "Moving Forward". Good job, Lions!

Twenty clubs were visited in the first quarter of the Lion year by the DG, 1VDG or 2VDG. Visits for the remaining 18 clubs are made or will be made before the end of December. It is fun to see the diverse membership and service projects in each club. District 11D1 rocks! This district exemplifies the theme of President Choi 's theme "Diversity in Service".

Exciting news!! A specialty club is being formed in our district. It is being sponsored by the Auburn Williams Lions Club. The focus of the new club will be on sports and youth. Look for more information next month. Way to go, Lions!

Being Governor is very exciting, but it is not me that makes it exciting; it is you. The clubs and membership make things happen. A highlight for me as Governor is the induction of new members. Thank you for asking me to induct your new members, it is an honor. This month I would like to thank the Shields and Goodrich Lions

Clubs for asking me to induct your new members. In this first quarter, we have 22 new Lion members reported from these clubs: Auburn Williams, Bay City, Essexville-Hampton, Flint Downtown, Freeland, Genesee, Goodrich, Mayville, Millington and Shields. Great job sponsoring Lions!

Did you Mark 12:30 PM, October 6th on your calendar? The Auburn-Williams Lions Club is hosting the Fall Conference. It is now too late to make reservations for the dinner, but please come hear about Lions Youth Exchange, Special Olympics and some ideas for Club Success. You can also assist with the service project for Wigs 4 Kids. Remember to bring your items for "Necessities for the Needy." It is going to be a fun time! Clubs bringing kits or checks will be credited appropriately for their donation with tickets in the drawing for three dozen of the Best Snickerdoodles you ever had.

November brings the Annual Leadership Training at Higgins Lake, November 8-10. As of this writing, I know four individuals from our district who are planning on attending. If you are interested, ask for an application from your Club President or Secretary. Space is limited, but there is still room. Your club may be able to offer

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From District Governor Steve VanTol continued

financial assistance.

Reporting Lions Club activities is important. This allows the District Governor (DG) and GST to review what is happening in the district. The 2019-2020 application for Club Excellence is now available on the LCI web site follow this link https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center?query=club%20

excellance%20award. Check out the requirements and plan for excellence. It would be great to present an award to all 38 clubs in the District.

> AS ALWAYS, WE WILL CONTINUE "MOVING FORWARD."

> > Yours in Lionism, DG Steve

From 1st Vice District Governor Harold DeMott



Happy October Lions,

I must admit, last month I spent quality time with family, visiting Lion Mary's three sisters, one in 29 Palms, Ca. And two in Oregon, one in Troutdale the other in Grants Pass. The country on the west coast is beautiful in a different sort of way. It amazes me how different the terrain is. We are glad to be back home. Keep in mind that family is first!

I am looking forward to scheduling Club visits. I will be visiting Fenton and Bay City Clubs this month. I am still waiting to hear back from many of the Clubs. Please contact me with dates you have available for me to come visit. I look forward to hearing what exciting plans you have for the coming year.

Don't forget to attend Fall Conference, Sunday, October 6th and bring your project items as well as help with the service project for Childhood Cancer.

Also, Big D Night (Leader Dog

Rochester Campus) on October 19th from 11am-2pm. I hope our district will show support by outstanding attendance this year. I was surprised by the lack of attendance last year. I know we are all busy but Leader Dog is one of our first initiatives so please, let's not forget them. Let's show Leader Dog that they are not forgotten! I know we will see many of you there.

I would like to encourage more of our district Lions to attend the Leadership Institute on November 8-10 at Higgins Lake. It's a great program that could be used in every facet of life. It's a beautiful setting, and the food and entertainment is fantastic as well as the training. Hope to see you there.

I did attend our Zone Meeting last month. I was again surprised at the lack of attendance. There is a lot of camaraderie as well as an exchange of ideas at, not only Zone, but Region Meetings. I encourage you to attend whenever possible. Share your ideas and tell what great

things your club is doing.

As DG Lion Steve says: "Moving Forward!" & Dr Jung-Yul Choi "We Serve through Diversity" Let's

continue with those themes! THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO LIONS!!!

Lion Harold DeMott 1st VDG

MAKE IT FUN AND WE WILL MAKE IT TOGETHER!!!

From 2nd Vice District Governor Duane Wilcox



Hello Fellow Lions of District 11D1,

What a summer we had, and now it is fall time. It has been a lot of fun going to clubs all over our Great District. Meeting new Lions on my journeys has been one of the most rewarding things I have done in while. We have such great clubs in our district, and they do so many great things in their own communities in supporting our district and global causes.

Our Global Causes are Diabetes, Vision, Hunger, Environment, and Childhood Cancer.

Every Journey begins with a single step. One act of Kindness, One act of Service, One encouraging Word, One gift of Generosity is all it takes to bring hope where it is needed most. That is why we are uniting our global service around these five areas of need.

So please when your clubs are preparing your parade of checks, just take a moment to think about

how your club can help one of these Global Causes through our district. Just a reminder - we will have the parade of checks at the Fall Conference in Auburn on October 6th. We also will be doing a Craft/Service Project "Wigs4Kids" We will be decorating mirrors with stickers, string beads for stretchy braclets and writing messages of support to fill welcome bags. I look forward to seeing many of you at the conference. Don't forget to get registered; it's better to be late than to not go at all.

I have a few more clubs to see on my list, but if there is any club that would like me to visit, please get hold of me, and I will get your club on my schedule.

Thank you all for your support.

I have a new phone and phone number 810-240-7535. Sorry for any inconvenience this has been if you have tried to get hold of me.

Your friend in Lionism Lion Duane, 2VDG

BE HUMBLE AND BE KIND

UPCOMING EVENTS

see details inside



Gaines Spaghetti Dinner
October 3, Gaines

Fall Conference October 6, Auburn

Leader Dog Big D October 19, Rochester Swartz Creek 50th Anniversary November 6, Swartz Creek

Leadership Institute
November 8-10, HIggins Lake





Guests are welcome and encouraged.

> Listen, do, see...

and eat.

Sunday, October 6 Grace Lutheran Church

> 303 Ruth St. Auburn, MI 48611

Registration at 12:30pm Lunch at 1 pm "That Guys BBQ" Pork/Chicken

conicker.

Solving others is FUN

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Learn about Lions **Global Priorities**

Help with a Service Project

See and Hear about the projects local Lions support.

\$15 pp - Register at www.lions11d1.com

Registration Deadline 9/30/19

Lions District 11-D1 Fall Conference "We Serve Through Diversity"



Grace Lutheran Church, 303 Ruth St., Auburn, MI 48611

POTENTIAL LIONS as GUESTS are WELCOME & ENCOURAGED We are going to have a fun time!

- Registration 12:30 with Lunch 1 PM
 That Guys BBQ Chicken / Pork Sliders \$15 pp Registration deadline 9/30/19.
- Full group sessions immediately following

Lions Youth Exchange Program: Understanding Cultures Through Cultural Immersion Lion Eileen Delaney, Lions LYEP State Chair

Special Olympics: The Michigan Special Olympics & Lions Connection: Past and Future Special Olympics Michigan CEO Tim Hileman

Sharing the Lions Mission of Service

Governor Steven VanTol

- "Wigs4Kids" Craft/Service Project at Fall Conference. Maggie at "Wigs4Kids" sees 6-10 new child cancer clients a week and she provides each with a custom-made wig for "Free." To welcome each child to "Wigs4Kids," she gives a "Welcome Bag." In the bag is a mirror, bangles and beads, a travel pillow, a blanket, and other trinkets she has found that makes a child cancer client happy. At the Fall Conference Lions continue to serve. We will decorate mirrors with stickers, string beads for stretchy bracelets and write messages of support.
- **District Wide Service Project**: Bring your Essentials Kits to the conference. The "less fortunate" can use your help and.....your club could win! Details about this project is on an additional information sheet.



Learn about Lions at Display Tables from State & District 11D1 Projects.

New Voices	Lions of Michigan Foundation		
All State Band	LEOs		
Lions Youth Exchange	Bear lake Camp		
Paws with a Cause	Leader Dog		
Kid Sight	And more		

- "Parade of Checks" from Lions Clubs to support Lions Projects. These include: Kid Sight, Sickle Cell, Defense Against Diabetes (DAD), Childhood Cancer, Leader Dog, Paws with a Cause, Eversight, Special Needs Vision Clinic, White Cane, All State Band, Bear Lake Camp, Leos, Youth Exchange, Lions of Michigan Foundation, Vision Services, Hearing & Speech
- A Full Cabinet Meeting with reduced reports follows the group sessions. All are welcome.

Parade of Checks

As your clubs decide how to divide your hard-earned money at Fall Conference, here are your choices. Please be generous in your contributions. These organizations all need and deserve your support.

- All State Band (LMASB)
- Bear Lake Camp
- Childhood Cancer
- D.A.D. (Defense Against Diabetes)
- Eversight (formerly Michigan Eye Bank)
- Hearing And Speech
- LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation)
- Leo Clubs
- Leader Dogs For The Blind
- KidSight (make check to Lions of Michigan Foundation and put "KidSight" on the memo line)
- Lions of Michigan Foundation
- Paws With a Cause
- Radio Reading Services
- Sickle Cell
- Special Needs Vision Clinic
- Vision Services
- YEP (Youth Exchange)

Special Needs



Please bring your old glasses and hearing aids to Fall Conference. We will have a truck there to collect them.

We don't need cases or loose lenses. They are of no value.

Thank you in advance for your support in the Parade of Checks.

Thank you from
PDG RG Barnum
and
Special Needs Vision
Clinic



"Necessities for the Needy" Fall Conference Club Service Project Competition



Food and clothing are somewhat easy to get for those people who live on limited income or assistance. Have you ever visited a thrift shop and found towels? Never!

Additionally, paper and cleaning products are not able to be purchased with a Bridge Card.

Those items must come from the money for rent, utilities, transportation, and other needed items. 'But as Lions...WE SERVE. Therefore, we are serving the needy this fall by gathering either bathroom or kitchen towels for Grace's Closet. But to make this service event a little fun, it is a club competition. Your club may win!



WIN...CLUB ...WIN! 3 Dozen of Lion Deb's Famous Soft SNICKERDOODLES brought to your club meeting by Governor Steve (and Lion Deb if available.)

- Clubs are asked to bring one, both, or multiples of "KITCHEN ESSENTIALS" or "BATHROOM ESSENTIALS" kits as listed below to the Fall-Conference.
- A single complete kit gives your club either 15 or 25 tickets. Single items from a kit are
 accepted and awarded 1 ticket per item. Three tickets will be drawn, three clubs get 3
 dozen fresh baked cookies. Your club may win delicious, soft, snickerdoodle cookies at
 a club meeting.
- Cash is accepted. \$15+ / Tickets are awarded to the club based on the kit. Make a check payable to District 11D1 with "Necessities Kits" on the memo line. Bring the check to Fall Conference or mail to: Lion Deb VanTol, 4851 Raymond Rd., Midland, MI 48642

New KITCHEN ESSENTIALS Kit -	New BATHROOM ESSENTIALS Kit -
approx. \$15 / 15 tickets	approx.\$25 / 25 tickets
3 Kitchen Towels	2 Bath Towels
3 Dish Clothes	2 Hand Towels
3 Nylon Scrubbies	2 Wash Cloths
1 Bottle of Dish Scap	1-6 Pack Toilet Paper

These items will be given to "Grace Your Closet" customers as a gift. "Grace Your Closet" serves an werage of 30 families per month by giving away gently used clothing on the 3rd Saturday of the month far "FREE." Extra kits, Lions are generous, will be given to the Good Samaritan Rescue Mission or other district missions. If there is a need in your community, call Lion Deb at 989-430-1824.

Bring your items to the Fall Conference on October 6. Thank you

YOU'RE INVITED TO

come celebrate **80 years** of the partnership between Lions and Leader Dog!









IPDG Joe's Appreciation Dinner

IPDG Joe Bogar's Governor
Appreciation event was
held at the Golden Glow
on September 15th. Nearly
70 guests attended. IPDG
Joe extended his thanks to
those around the district with
recognitions and small gifts.
Joe was also appreciated with
donations to organizations



and personal treasures as well from many clubs and individuals in the district. The St. Charles club will be honoring his dedication with a Melvin Jones



Fellowship! Just over \$775 (this includes \$126 from the 50/50) was donated to **Special Needs** Vision Clinic in his name, \$145 to D.A.D. Diabetes Awareness and \$50 to Sickle Cell. We are proud of the work Joe has done for leadership in **Lions District** 11D1.

His huge commitment over these last several years as he moved from Zone Chair, Region Chair, 2nd VDG, 1st VDG, Governor and now Immediate Past Governor have touched many lives.

Thank you IPDG Joe Bogar! Lifelong Learning and Service with a Smile :)



Lions of Dist 11D-1. Have you ever given thought to donating to your Assn.(LCIF) in the same way you donate to other worthy charities such as St.Jude or DAVs.? Only

3% of the Lions in the U.S. donate to our Association. Now is the time we can change this by supporting Campaign 100. The amount isn't important. Every Dollar counts. A mere \$2.00 per week amounts to over \$100.00 per year. Let's all help to put an end to Childhood Cancer, Diabetes & Hunger. Let me know if you have questions about how you can HELP.

Campaign 100 Chairman Bob Sturgis.

Bingo for VetsDATES AVAILABLE FOR 2019

Saginaw VA Medical Center,@ 1500 Weiss St., Saginaw, MI, 48602. BINGO TIMES: WEEKDAY EVENINGS 7PM, SATURDAYS 1:30PM, SUNDAYS 1:30PM AND 7PM. To set dates and times please call Lion Bill Bauder at (989) 493-3407 or call Valerie Morley at (989) 497-2500 extention 11076.

DATES AVAILABLE

October: 1, 4, 11, 13, 20, 26, 28, 29

November: 1, 5, 6, 8, 16, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 30

December: 6, 7, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30 and 31

Roster corrections/

Page 29 Genesee Lions Pavilion is at 5240

The following on page 35:

Summer Cabinet Time 6:00

Fall Conference SUNDAY

Winter cabinet January 12

Early Bird MD convention is May 14, 2020

Update to monthly meeting place for Essexville-Hampton Lions Club will be the first Wed. of each month @ 6pm @ Ole Thyme Broadway on Broadway in Bay City.

2nd VDG Duane Wilcox has a new phone number 810-240-7535



FLUSHING LIONS CLUB TV RAFFLE

First Place

65" Samsung UHD (4K) SMART TV



SMART TV WITH

- Smart Functions
- Wi-Fi Connectivity
- 120 hertz Refresh Rate
- 3 HDMI Ports
- 4K UHD Resolution

Second Place

43" Samsung UHD (4K) SMART TV

Same Features as the 65" Above

Third Place \$100 GASOLINE CARD Drawing Dec 6, 2019
At Flushing Candle-Walk
GOGGIN'S HALL
At 8:00PM
Tickets:
\$5 Each or 5 for \$20

Tickets

Lion Larry Porn Flushing, MI 48433 810-252-3728 810-659-3465 Lion Dick Barnett Flushing, MI 48433 810-252-0924 810-659-4952

Zone Meeting Region 2, Zone 1

Thomas Township Library

October 9th, 2019
@ 6:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to Toby Webber ZC

Zone Meeting Region 1, Zone 2

October 29th at Brentwood in Caro. Dinner at 6,meeting at 7.

Please RSVP to Shari Johnson ZC

Special Needs Vision Clinic

GUN RAFFLE

by the Bay City Lions.

Four great prizes!

To purchase or help sell tickets, contact Lion Joe Gwizdala.



The Saginaw West Lions purchased and along with the Covenant Neighborhood Association installed this bench honoring PDG Tom Hardt in Bliss Park.





Lions Youth Exchange Program Scholarship to Travel Contest

Write a 500 word essay that explains:

- How does the community benefit
- How would you represent Light people in a forcion whitry?
- lar to the values Explain how;

ay and application to Debra VanTol t11dT@gmail.com by November 30, 2019. be made by December 30, 2019. The winner must be el in the summer of 2019. Winners that are 15 can defer the trip et the age requirement. Applicants do not need to be a Leo o or be affliated with a Lion but must live in Bay, Saginaw, Tuscola, or Ge

Prizes:1st - \$1500 / 2nd - \$1000

Prize money is used for LYEP Travel

will be4-6 ier cultural immersion ions approved family on fee to the country's camp Plane ticket to the country of choice

> 20+ countries cooperate as Lions in this program Foreign Language skills are not always necessary

Additional information: liondebravantol@gmail.com or Lion Deb @ 989-430-1824. Application on back



Childhood Cancer

Re: Fundraising updates

I'm currently gathering information to print meat raffle tickets as a main source of fundraising for our Childhood Cancer Committee. Once the approval for the fundraiser is given, I will submit paperwork for a state permit and have raffle tickets printed for clubs to sell by November 1st. We are also looking to promote our T-Shirts as another way to raise funds for the committee.

money to sponsor and support.

These are the programs we are raising oney to sponsor and support.

Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids – A non-profit rganization providing kids 3-18 new air, new hope, and a chance to be organization providing kids 3-18 new hair, new hope, and a chance to be themselves. We have an opportunity to sponsor a child or hold a wigs for kids cut in our area to make the wigs along with getting word out about Kroger com munity rewards by scanning your shoppers cards when you checkout.

Camp Quality – This is a special camp offering family time, crafts, for children battling cancer. Camp Quality Michigan breaks down the medical barriers keeping those needs in mind for children and families restoring the childhood experience. Surrounded by new friends that can relate, loving volunteers who care, and loads of fun experiences, Camp Quality campers find joy, courage and renewed hope for the future.

Kids Kicking Cancer - Kids Kicking Cancer provides classes and clinical interventions for children, both inpatient and outpatient, in the mind-body techniques found in the martial arts. Our martial arts. Our martial arts. Our martial arts. Our martial arts. mission is to ease the pain of very sick children while empowering them to heal physically, spiritually and emotionally.

From: Jason Marsh, Childhood Cancer Chairman for District 11 D-1





Gaines Area Lions Club 8th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

October 03, 2019 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Where? **United Methodist Church** 117 Clinton St. **Gaines, MI 48436**

50/50 **RAFFLE** Adults 13 yrs. and up \$9.00 Children 6 to 12yrs \$5.00 Kids 5yrs and under free



RSVP to Lion Sandy Corrion at (989) 721-7847 or Lion Mary DeMott at (248) 563-4490 by Sept. 27, 2019

Hello Fellow Lions!

Brian and I have been conducting some research on the successes of Lions Clubs and other organizations that have been doing well with recruitment of members, creating awareness of causes; branding of National, International, and Local causes and events; and creating engagement or action towards a cause. A lot of the success is dependent upon the club and its members along with having the skill sets, resources, and/or knowledge to implement a successful campaign.

There is plenty of good advice available from some of the clubs that continue to have success with fundraising and gaining new members, but I believe that many clubs struggle with the ability and/ or knowledge to implement strategies and/or lack the manpower or time needed to be productive

in these platforms. It is my hope that we may be able to work across the board in our district with different clubs to help implement some new strategies, create more awareness and branding along with creating some additional encouraging reasons for the community to become members of our clubs.

As we work to provide some easily available resources, I am always open to hearing from anyone that may want to share information or get some information. I couldn't attend the Region Meeting due to work obligations and still haven't had the opportunity to sit down and talk to each club but would love to where time permits. But I know that Lions have busy schedules and I am mostly easily available by phone or email if that is your best or preferred way to contact me.

We hope everyone is doing well within your clubs and wish you all the very best and a great Lion season!

> Lion Matt Tetloff Lion Brian Michalski District 11 D1 P.R., Social Media & Lions Information Chairpersons

Your Invited to join us at our...

Swartz Creek Lions Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration! (1969 - 2019)



- Prizes Raffles 50/50 Drawings
- Silent Auction for "50"-Themed Items

.50-cent Tacos! and...

Cake & Ice Cream!



TIME: 5-pm to 7:30-pm
WHEN: Wednesday, November 6th
WHERE: American Legion Post #294
(Morrish Rd., Swartz Creek, Just North of Bristol Rd.)

Chartered in 1969, the Swartz Creek Lions Club is celebrating 50-years of actively participating in Community Projects & Giving to Numerous Worthwhile Causes... for a half a Century now!

Thank You very much for your support & We Hope you'll Join Us at this Very Fun Event!!!

We are seeking "50"-Themed donations as well... Please contact: Kerry Morgan: 810-516-7774 Jason Loukka: 810-410-7497 or Visit us on Facebook!



The Marquette Lions Club Cordially Invites You and Your Guest to Join Us In celebration of our Centennial Charter Night Saturday, October 12, 2019 5:30pm-10:30pm Cost for the evening is \$30 Northern Michigan University, Northern Center, Ontario Room, Marquette, MI

The evening begins with a social hour and cash bar at 5:30 pm. Followed by dinner service at 6:30pm. Our keynote speaker is Past International President Jimmy M. Ross. The evening's entertainment includes; harpist, Nancy Zimmerman and The Derrell Syria Project, good listening and dancing!

RSVP and make your meal choice by following this link to our digital sign up list, https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044EAAA72AAAF58-marquette

Need a hotel? Go to: www.travelmarquette.com. Please note, due to a hockey tournament in town that weekend, hotel rooms are limited.

For more information or for help with your RSVP, contact: Lion Gretchen Preston at prestongretchen@gmail.com or call her at 906.249.1131

Marquette Lions Club Chartered October 14, 1919
Marquette Lions Club PO Box 55 Marquette, MI 49855

2020-2021 COUNCIL CHAIR APPLICATIONS NOW ACCECPTED!

Attention all eligible Multiple District 11 Past District Governors, Immediate PDGs, District Governors and 1st VDGs: The search is on!

In accordance with the MD 11 Constitution and By-Laws, the Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor or a seated District Governor. First VDGs are eligible to submit an application for consideration, as they will be a seated Governor 2020-2021. He/she shall serve for a one-year term and may not serve in that capacity again.

Notice to all eligible candidates is required and published in the Lion Pride at least 40 days prior to the application deadline. To be considered for the position, please submit a cover letter, the application form included in this publication and your resume to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than November 8, 2019. Late applications will not be accepted.

Interviews will be conducted by the 2019-2020 MD 11-1st Vice District Governors on Friday, December 6, at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center, Grand Blanc. Selection of the 2020-2021 Council Chair will be made at the conclusion of the interviews.

Thank you for taking the time to consider serving the Lions of Michigan, MD 11, in this very important capacity. Applicadtion form on following page.

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MD 11 Council Chairperson – 2020-2021 Application Form

Please type or print: First Name Last Name Middle Initial Spouse's Name (if applicable) Address City and State Zip/Postal Code Residence Phone (Include Area Code) Business Phone (Include Area Code) Fax (Include Area Code) Cell Phone (Include Area Code) E-Mail Address Your Lions Club District # Year Served as a DG Offices held at the club level: Offices held at the zone, region, and district level (including committee assignments): Offices held at the multiple district level (including committee assignments): Special awards, honors, and recognitions you have received: Skills or talents you bring to the position:

Lions Around the District

Essexville-Hampton

Lions Club served hot dogs, chips, soda, & water to the community @ Smith Park in Essexville for the arrival of the Tall Ships on Thursday, August 15. They also made possible procuring a safety van for the Essexville Fire & Safety Dept.





Fairgrove Lions Club has been busy this year. We were able to give back to the Parade of Checks, Fire Departments both Fairgrove and Akron, Blue Water YFC, A-F School, MI Bean Festival, A-F Scholarships, Fairgrove Lighted Sign, Boy Scout Troop Charter.

Purchased one pair of glasses for a gentleman.

Our Labor Day week end was a great success we had a lot of good help.

Flint Downtown Lions Club is still working on making an impact on the Flint community by making several types of blankets. We are looking for donations of fleece to make blankets for children going in to foster care. Our other project involves using plastic bags to create blankets for the homeless. We hope to complete several of these before it gets very cold to donate to the homeless shelter.

Please feel free to contact us to donate your plastic shopping bags, to teach crocheting to youth and elderly or to offer any other help you can give with this project.

Linden Lions Club concluded its kayak raffle. The winner, Pat Lozano, a member of the Linden club and also of the American Legion Auxiliary, donated the kayaks to the Wilwin Veterans Lodge in Custer, Michigan on the west side of the state. The 1000-acre wooded site is available for veterans, some suffering from PTSD for therapy and just to decompress in a peaceful setting. The club members are very happy that our kayaks have found such a worthwhile calling. Anyone wishing to know more about the Wilwin Lodge can go online at wilwin.org.

St. Charles Lions Club Extending 97th Birthday Wishes to Lion Donald Schlager!! He will turn 97 on Oct. 8th and has



served, and is still serving our Lions Club and Community for 65 years! Here he is counting money from the St. Charles Lions Pencil Give Away on Sept. 20th and 27th and he is going to be attending the Fall Conference too! What an inspiration you are, Lion Don.

Lion Bill Anderson trained our Lions at the meeting on the 18th for Adopt a Highway



procedures with brochures and a video and set Lion Pat Sowle and Lion Kathy Bogar up for some time on the road on the Sept. 26th. They had fun chatting as they encountered quite an array of trash! Three full bags plus tire pieces and lumber along a stretch from Rich to Marian Roads.

Swartz Creek Lions Club cordially invites all Lions to a fun evening on Wed., Nov. 6th (5 to 7:30 pm) to celebrate our 50th Anniversary @ the American Legion Post #294 in Swartz Creek - Thank you & may God bless! Questions? Contact Lion Kerry Morgan: 810.516.7774 / kwmorgan44@ gmail.com

District 11 D-1 Cabinet Meeting Minutes August 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order by DG Steven VanTol at 7:03 pm. The Invocation was given by DG Steven VanTol. Lion members recited the Pledge of Allegiance. DG Steven VanTol asked the members present to stand, introduce themselves, and state which Club they belong to.

Three new members of the Genesee Club were inducted by DG Steven VanTol and presented with their Lions' pin. The new members are Lions Russell Minge and Leonard Swinehart sponsored by Lion Jonathan Yettaw and Lion Robert Smith sponsored by Lion Phyllis Henry.

CS Sandy VanTol called roll of the Cabinet members per the request of DG Steven VanTol. The Cabinet members are shown in the chart below:

District Governor	Steven VanTol	Present
Immediate Past District Governor	Joe Bogar	Present
First Vice District Governor	Harold DeMott	Present
Second Vice District Governor	Duane Wilcox	Present
Cabinet Secretary	Sandy VanTol	Present
Cabinet Treasurer	Phyllis Pross	Present
Region 1 Chair	Vacant	n/a
Region 1, Zone 1 Chair	Vaughn Begick	Present
Region 1, Zone 2 Chair	Shari Johnson	Absent
Region 2 Chair	Bill Bauder	Present
Region 2, Zone 1 Chair	Tobias (Toby) Webber	Present
Region 2, Zone 2 Chair	Dan Houston	Present
Region 3 Chair	Mary Hall	Present
Region 3, Zone 1 Chair	Filiberto (Fil) Velasquez	Present
Region 3, Zone 2 Chair	Dan Embury	Present

The following Lions were also present: PDG Karen Ates, PRC Jim Ates, PDG R. G. Barnum, PZC Kathy Bogar, Becky Borka, PDG Keith Cregar, Linda Cregar, PDG Jake Dasho, PZC Mary DeMott, PDG Leo Dolehanty, Pat Elliott, Julia Embury, PDG Bill Erickson, Diana Fairgrieve, Ben Frazier, PRC Joe Gwizdala III, Phyllis Henry, Tim Inglot, PRC Ken & PZC Glenda Kiesling, Ken Krause, Jason Lucca, Dave Mannor, Brian Michalski, Russell Minge, Kerry Morgan, PRC Doug & Sally Palmer, PDG Larry Porn, Robert Smith, Mary Stagray, PDG Bob Sturgis, Leonard Swinehart, Matt Tetloff, Debra VanTol, Jonathan Yettaw, PDG Alice Zajac.

DG Steven VanTol thanked the planning and set-up crew for this Cabinet picnic: PZC Mary DeMott for watermelon and pop, RC Mary Hall for Cowboy beans, Lion Tim Inglot for help setting up tables and chairs, ZC Fil Velasquez for cooking the brats and burgers, and helping with set-up, and CS Sandy VanTol for providing pop and helping with set-up. Also, a special thank you to First Lady Debra VanTol for planning the menu, purchasing all the remaining food and prepping all the coleslaw, melon, tomatoes, and baking the cookies.

Since we had many non-cabinet members in attendance, DG Steven VanTol explained to the members present that only Cabinet members could make motions and vote at this meeting. Because the minutes from the 7-29-19 mini-cabinet meeting were handed out by DG Steven VanTol as Cabinet members arrived, he requested a motion to approve the minutes. IPDG Joe Bogar made the motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by RC Bill Bauder.

There was no discussion. The motion was approved with no one opposed. Motion carried. CT Phyllis Pross had distributed the Treasurer's report to the Cabinet members so DG Steven VanTol requested a motion to approve the report. 2VDG Duane Wilcox made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report which was seconded by RC Bill Bauder. ZC Dan Houston asked about the miscellaneous entry on the report. DG Steve VanTol explained that miscellaneous is used when it is uncertain where else to place the number. This response was satisfactory to ZC Dan Houston. There was no further discussion on the Treasurer's report. The motion was approved with no one opposed. Motion carried.

Region and Zone Chairs presented the following reports and most of them provided / will provide CS Sandy VanTol with a copy of their report.

Region One Zone One: ZC Vaughn Begick reported that their

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Zone meeting will follow their 6 p.m. dinner on September 19, 2019 at Lumber Barons in Bay City. RSVP's are needed. Also he has contacted two of his six clubs to schedule his visits and will be contacting the remaining clubs soon.

Region Two Chair: RC Bill Bauder reported that their Zone meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. on September 16, 2019, at the Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn. It will be preceded by a cash bar at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. RSVP's are needed. He has not yet scheduled his club visits, however, he has meet with ZC Toby Webber. Region Two Zone One: ZC Toby Webber reported that his Zone meeting will be at 6 p.m. on October 9 at the Thomas Township Library. He has begun to schedule his club visits and will be at the Freeland meeting on October 17. Region Two Zone Two: ZC Dan Houston stated that he recently had a corneal transplant, he has diabetes, his Club recently had two members decease, and many of their members are older and no longer driving at night. He stated he has visited all of his Clubs except one.

Region Three Chair: RC Mary Hall reported that she has not scheduled her Zone meeting yet. **Region Three Zone One**: ZC Fil Velasquez stated he will be scheduling his meetings after their September 8 barbecue. They currently need volunteers for the eye sight trailer between 12-5 p.m. **Region Three Zone Two**: ZC Dan Embury stated he has his meeting scheduled.

Committee Reports

Global Leadership Team: PDG Alice Zajac reported the Leadership Institute will be held one week early this year. The price to attend is \$225 and there are funds in the District budget to help with the cost of attending. There will be a Masters Institute for Lions that have attended the prerequisite trainings. PDG Alice Zajac mentioned that there is a Tail Twister group on Facebook for exchanging ideas. PDG's Zajac and Dennis Poirier will have a membership meeting in each region later in the year. They would like to gather Club Presidents and Secretaries to brainstorm ideas for increasing membership.

Family and Women / New Voices: PZCs Kathy Bogar and Mary DeMott reported that although they held a Symposium in 2018, they felt the event was too large. They are encouraging Clubs to partner with each other to attract new members. The New Voices initiative is being promoted by Lions International. Women in our district make up approximately 30% of our membership. PZCs Bogar and DeMott will have guidebooks at the Fall Conference.

Global Steering Team: IPDG Joe Bogar was asked by DG Steve VanTol to oversee the Club Service activities records. If you need help with the program or have any questions, contact IPDG Joe Bogar.

Fall Conference: First Lady Debra VanTol reminded everyone that the conference will be on October 6, 2019, at Grace Lutheran in Auburn. Registration will be @ 12:30 p.m. and the cost will be \$15. Pork and beef barbecue and side dishes will be served. The program will begin at 1:45 p.m. Special Olympians and LEOs will be present. Guest speakers will be the CEO of the Special Olympics, LYEP chair Lion Eileen Delaney, DG Steven VanTol will talk on club orientation and success. There will be two service projects

for clubs to contribute toward: 1. Necessities for the Needy (see flyer / District Newsletter for specifics) – collecting items to assemble bathroom or kitchen sets or cash to purchase the items 2. Grace's Closet – donations of used clothing. Also, at the conference we will decorate hand mirrors and make stretchy bands for the Wigs for Kids program.

Multi-district Convention: will be held on May 14-17, 2020 in Holland at the Doubletree. The room rate will be \$89. They do not have a guest speaker yet.

Michigan Forum: per PRC Joe Gwizdala will be held on February 22, 2020 at the Gateway in Flint

USA / Canada Forum: PDG Bill Erickson stated he submitted his written report

Defense against Diabetes: Lion Julia Embury spoke while IPDG Joe Bogar distributed the information packet. There is a new flyer. She also has the packet available in color electronically and will e-mail it to DG Steven VanTol per his request. Lion Julia and IPDG Joe advise that we focus on speaking about Diabetes to people we know i.e. friends, family, co-workers. Many people have undetected Diabetes.

Kidsight: PDG Keith Cregar is receiving calls from schools to schedule the trailer. Unfortunately, the trailer has been returned with scratches and broken chairs recently. PRC Joe Gwizdala stated the committee has been contacted by The Tuscola County Health Department about a \$3,000 grant to purchase a Titmus machine for school vision screenings. Our district has two Titmus machines that have not been used for the last 2.5 years. A motion was made by 2VDG Duane Wilcox to donate one machine to the Health Department which was seconded by 1VDG Harold DeMott. They can purchase the second machine for a donation to the Special Needs Vision Clinic per PRC Joe Gwizdala. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Sickle Cell: Lion Ben Frazier and ZC Dan Houston reported they are hoping to establish a Leo Club once school begins. They have support from the principal at Saginaw High and the School Superintendent. They held a walk on August 10. Although they had a lot of sponsors, they did not have many walkers. The event was held at Kettering. On September 14, Saginaw County will have a Walkathon at the Old Farmer's Market on Washington. They have a flyer and pledge sheets. With sickle cell, the body deteriorates with age. Affected individuals need blood transfusions constantly. Affected pregnant women need a blood transfusion before delivery. They need blood donors to give 1-2 times per year. Clubs are encouraged to promote blood donations. Lion Ben has a presentation that he can share with the Clubs.

Information Technology (IT): PDG Larry Porn reported that the IT Committee held a meeting on July 20 using the Zoom video conference call system. They viewed a presentation on how Zoom is being / can be used. The Lions state office needs better speakers and microphones for meetings with larger groups. A budget of \$1,500 was approved by the Council of Governors. They set the following goals for 2019-2020:

Review and improve District and Club websites

Educate Michigan Lions on Zoom service

Assist with setup and media operation at Lions events

Promote better understanding of MyLion

Public Relations / Social Media: Lions Matt Tetloff and Brian Michalski will send their district plan via e-mail

Leader Dogs for the Blind: Per PDG Jake Dasho, the Big D open house will be on Saturday, October 19 from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Desserts are needed for the raffle.

Leader Dog Puppy Program: PRC Joe Gwizdala passed his turn on this subject.

Eversight: PDG Karen Ates would like all Clubs to help Eversight. Have 1-2 of your members attend the 2020 clay shoot. It was held at a new location in Freeland.

Hearing and Speech: Per Lion Becky Borka, the district budget allows them to help Level 1 applicants. She is asking for \$5,000 from the district to fund additional services in the future and have extra money in the account. Lion Becky is asking members to step up and donate by increasing their donations to the foundation by 5%. Clubs do not determine if someone qualifies for services. Please submit the requests. Since there is only \$1,100 in the budget for this category, RC Bill Bauder made a motion to approve \$1,100 to be used for hearing aids. The motion was seconded by ZC Vaughn Begick. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Special Needs Vision Clinic (SNVC): PDG R.G. Barnum reported that the clinic has been around for 35 years. They are down \$10,000-\$20,000 in income per year and their reserve is very low. Last year they saw over 1,000 patients. A new intern started on August 26. They have a gun raffle with four nice guns to be raffled off on April 28, 2020. Tickets are selling well at \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. All the prizes are paid for and they have \$1,600 in profits so far. Although they are still collecting glasses, they do not need the cases for glasses.

Vision Services: Per PDG Alice Zajac there will be a Bikes for Sight event on May 3, 2020 with sponsors and underwriters. They are planning a money raffle with finger foods from nearby restaurants. This is a fundraiser specifically for SNVC.

White Cane: Per PRC Doug Palmer, remember you can ask for funds and hand out white cane tags at any Lions event you host anytime during the year.

LEO Clubs: Per Lion Debra VanTol, District 11D1 has LEOs in three schools (Handy, Christa McAuliffe / John Glenn, and Western). There will be club activity after school starts.

Quest: Per PRC Doug Palmer, they would like to get back into the Respectfully Submitted, schools.

Lions Youth Exchange Program (LYEP): Per Lion Debra Van Tol, there were 20 foreign exchange students and eight American students at LYEP Camp in Otisville this summer. We had two students from our district that experienced foreign travel as winners of the essay contest. Grace Middleton visited Spain and Anna Kendziorski visited Italy. As in the past, LYEP would like to offer travel scholarships to three winners. First place winner \$1,500, second place winner \$1,000, and third place winner \$500. For a total of \$3,000 requested for LYEP. The entry deadline is December 1 and winners would be announced on December 21. IPDG Joe Bogar made a motion that we approve \$3,000 for the LYEP contest which was seconded by ZC Dan Embury. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF): Per PDG Bob Sturgis, Campaign 100 is the focus right now. He has visited several clubs to explain the program and is available for future visits. His goal is to have 100% of the clubs give a donation. Our district has been generous in the past. The focus is on childhood cancer, diabetes, and hunger. Individuals are also asked to contribute and all their donations qualify for the Melvin Jones award. The worldwide goal is \$3,000,000.

Lions of Michigan Foundation (LMF): PDG Leo Dolehanty reminded the group that we can check the LMF box on our State of MI income tax form. Jeff Meyers is the Foundation President. International District Governor (IDG) Justin Faber was on the Foundation board. These trustees can help clubs obtain grants. PDG Leo still has 2019 calendars available for sale as the drawings continue.

Closing Remarks:

2VDG Duane Wilcox thanked everyone for coming and wished everyone a safe trip home

1VDG Harold DeMott thanked everyone for coming

DG Steven VanTol reminded everyone to get their tickets for the Governor Appreciation Dinner honoring IPDG Joe Bogar by September 6. The dinner is September 15. He reminded Club members to consider sending representatives from their Clubs to the Michigan Leadership Institute November 8-10, 2019.

PZC Kathy Bogar thanked Freeland Lion Matt Tetloff for helping the St. Charles Lions Club promote their golf outing. She encouraged Lions to support each other's fundraisers and events.

PDG Jake Dasho thanked Dan Houston and the Buena Vista Lions Club members for taking on the sickle cell cause.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lion Sandy Van Tol, Cabinet Secretary