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Happy New Year Fellow Lions!

I sure am sorry you haven't had a chance to see me in so long! All joking aside, I really have missed not being able to see any of you.

If you are meeting in any form please invite me. There are still clubs that I have been unable to visit. As soon as you are meeting again please contact me (248) 408-0508. I would love to see you all.

On January 10th is our Winter Cabinet Meeting via Zoom, so please remember if you are a cabinet member we need to have your reports in to CS Lion Vaughan Begick in enough time to send them out to everyone. This helps to speed up the meeting. All are welcome to come. See page 6.

It is hard to believe that my term is half over. I am praying that we will all be able to serve our communities more this year. There

are great ideas out there that utilize the internet for fundraising. Please share your ideas with other clubs and maybe do a joint fundraiser with a friendly competition? Also, if a club is having a fundraiser please try to support them monetarily, as well as by sharing it on your personal Facebook page. **WE ARE LIONS WE ARE STRONG!!!**

If your Club is able, and are donating anything, please remember to keep in mind LCIF, Campaign 100, Lions of Michigan Foundation or any of our other initiatives. All are in need of our help. Thank you so much for all you do!

As Dr Jung-Yul Choi says, "United In Kindness and Diversity" Let's continue with his theme!

WE COULDN'T DO WHAT WE DO WITHOUT YOU!!

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!!!

Lion Harold DeMott DG

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From 1st Vice District Governor Duane Wilcox



Hello Lions of District 11D1,

As we end a year that threw a lot of curve balls at us, You as Lions are doing a great job of helping out in your communities with food giveaways, Christmas baskets, and fundraising. That is real nice to see. Lions helping people in need. This is what we do best.

In the new year coming up, there are a few new changes that are on the books from International. There will be no PDGs serving as Region or Zone Chairs and anyone that has been a Zone Chair for three years or more will be asked to find a replacement for the next Lion's Year.

As we look for Zone and some new Region Chairs, I am asking anyone looking to move up and become a Region or Zone chair please give me a call and I will do my best to explain the job description. We will have training in late May or early June to get you prepared for the upcoming year. Thank you to all that are willing to take the next step in making this District the Best in the State.

We, as a cabinet, will be also

HUMBLE AND KIND

looking for a few committee chairs, as some Lions have been at it for some years now and would also like to move on and move up to make this District the best it can be. I am going to start calling some fellow Lions that I feel will be able to help out our District in the upcoming years. So please if you see my name come up on your phone or my number, please answer or call back when you get a chance, I believe that in 2021-2022 and beyond that, our District will grow and get back to the number of members that we once had, and when we do that, our way of giving back will grow and grow and make the World a better place for everyone.

Don't forget if any club wants to meet with me, give a call, We can meet in person or via zoom. If your club wants to meet via zoom, just give a call, and we can make it happen.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!! Until next month stay safe and well.

*Your friend in Lionism
Lion Duane 1VDG*



I haven't been able to do anything for Campaign 100 because of Covid but would like to remind clubs that are able to donate to do so, and when things get back to normal, I'll be happy to visit clubs.

Thank You
PDG Bob

UPCOMING EVENTS

see details inside



Winter Cabinet Meeting
January 10, Zoom

Diabetes Path
Thursdays 6-8 p.m.
March 4 - April 8
see page 9
Zoom



From 2nd Vice District Governor Jack Frost



HAPPY NEW YEAR to all Lions of District 11 D-1!!!

The year 2020 has certainly been a challenge to everyone. Congratulations and kudos to those clubs which have been able to continue meeting through ZOOM and those Lions who have continued to serve and carry out service programs, especially during the holiday season and during the latest Covid surge!

The new year brings hope but with continued challenges until enough people receive the vaccine and restaurants are allowed to re-open. According to the Bay County Health Department website, persons over 65 years of age OR with health conditions making them high risk are in category 1C, and will be eligible for the vaccine right after medical personnel and essential workers. That category probably includes the majority of most of our clubs! Once they have their vaccine and restaurants reopen, we can meet and those who

have not been vaccinated can sit in the corner with a mask on or call in via zoom!

Until we can have physical meetings again, it is important to keep in touch with our brother and sister Lions. Even for the clubs which are still meeting via zoom, there are many members who don't have internet or don't feel comfortable using zoom. I recommend that the calling committees be activated to call all members weekly. If you set up lists of seven members and assign one list to each caller, they could call one Lion per day and just chat over a cup of coffee. Then shift the lists to different callers each week, so that eventually they will have talked with every member of the club. It would not be a bad idea to continue that even after the pandemic ends!

May your New Year of 2021 be happy, prosperous, and SAFE!

Lion Jack Frost, 2VDG



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Project Kidsight

by IPDG Steven VanTol

The Lions of Michigan Foundation had a board meeting on October 31, 2020. Please see the following updated policy for Kidsight Screening.

“The Lions of Michigan Foundation Board of Trustees has agreed to restart Project KidSight for schools, home school groups and early learning agencies only on a case-by-case basis. We believe we can work with school representatives to safely conduct vision screenings, and we believe that school vision screenings are too important to delay further, especially in the preschool and early elementary age children.

All screening events must be approved by the Lions of Michigan Foundation Office before the screening event can be officially scheduled. The School, Home School and Early Learning Agency Authorization

Form and Project KidSight COVID-19 Volunteer Liability Releases Waiver for all screening event volunteers must be submitted to the LMF office prior to the screening event.

Please contact the office if you have any questions or concerns.”

For the forms you can contact either IPDG Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevENVantol@gmail.com or phone 989-430-9500, or PDG Lion Joe Bogar email jtbogar@gmail.com.

Remember, since we are at a down time with Kidsight this is a great opportunity to get members in our district trained and certified. Background checks can also be done so we are prepared in the spring to start screening children.

Lions of Michigan Foundation Report

by IPDG Steven VanTol

The Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets have been sent to your clubs. 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 per ticket for all tickets sold. Sell over 300 tickets and your club will receive \$5.50 per ticket sold. The Lions of Michigan Foundation (LMF) does the paper work, licensing and your clubs earn funds to help with your projects. With Covid it has been hard to raise funds, this is a great way to help your club and the LMF. See the sample ticket below, Contact the LMF for additional tickets at 517-887-6640.

If you have any questions or need assistance with grant applications for emergency assistance, vision or military aid you can contact either IPDG Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevENVantol@gmail.com or phone 989-430-9500, or PDG Lion Joe Bogar email jtbogar@gmail.com.

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, Inc.
SIGHT & HEARING SWEEPSTAKES

LICENSE NO. R59289

\$10.00 Per Ticket

Grand Prize – \$5,000.00

2 Prize - \$2,500	5 Prize - \$1,000	8 Prize - \$300
3 Prize - \$2,000	6 Prize - \$500	9 Prize - \$200
4 Prize - \$1,500	7 Prize - \$400	10 Prize - \$100

Drawing: May 22, 2021 – 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON
650 E. 24th St. – Holland, Michigan

TICKET NO. _____

RETURN THIS STUB ONLY

YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

Purchaser: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone/Email: _____

Ticket Seller: _____

Phone/Email: _____

TICKET NO. _____

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, Inc.
S&H SWEEPSTAKES – TICKET SELLERS

LICENSE NO. R59288

1 Prize - \$750	3 Prize - \$250
2 Prize - \$500	4 Prize - \$100

Drawing: May 1, 2021 – 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

LIONS OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE
5730 Executive Dr. - Lansing, Michigan

TICKET NO. _____

North America Membership Initiative (NAMI)

IPDG Steven VanTol

The NAMI initiative is to increase Lion membership in North America.

The NAMI team has made some progress. We have team leaders in the four areas we are focusing on. They are PDG Dennis Poirier leader for new clubs, Lion Matt Tetloff leader for membership, PCS Sandy VanTol leader for member satisfaction and ZC Toby Webber is the leader for leader support. Each of these leaders require the assistance of other lions in the district to build their action plan.

As of our last meeting PDG Dennis has a team of three members assisting they are CS Vaugh Begick, RC Joe Gwizdalla II. and ZC Dan Houston. ZC Toby has PCS Shelly Hardt so far on his team.

We meet again in January. We can use the help of Lions throughout the District and invite to you to our meetings. The meeting schedule is the third Tuesday of each month. Therefore, January 19 at 7:00 PM via Zoom will be the next meeting. All interested Lions are welcome to attend. Send me an email at lionstevenvantol@gmail.com if you would like to assist so you can be added to the zoom invitation.

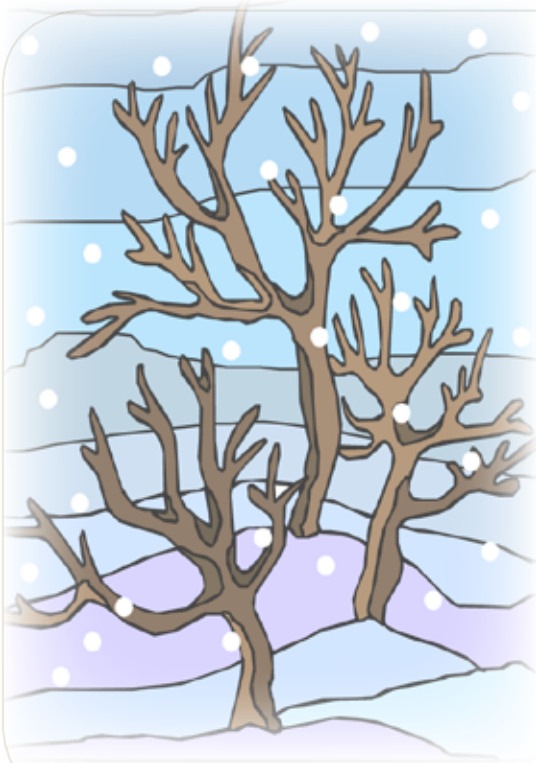


GLT / ZOOM

IPDG Steven VanTol

Have you every thought about being a Guiding Lion. Being a guiding lion is a great opportunity to help a new or existing club out. We have many small clubs which could use some inspiration. It is not the job of a guiding lion to direct a club, but to assist them and maybe throw out some new ideas. Learning about guiding lions is a great experience. Being certified does not mean you will be assigned to a club. It may help with your own club. If a few Lions are interested in becoming certified as a guiding lion or just want to learn, I will hold a training session. The training will be via Zoom to save travel time. Please let me know if you are interested. Email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com or call 989-430-9500.

The District has a Zoom account which is available for any club or committee meeting. Send a request to this email: district1ld1@gmail.com to request a zoom meeting. or call 989-430-9500. Zoom meetings are scheduled on a first come basis. Start planning, the weather is getting chilly.



Winter Cabinet Meeting

Sunday, January 10th
beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

District Governor Harold DeMott invites you to the next cabinet meeting on January 10, 2021 at 2:00PM via Zoom. He would like to remind you all meetings are open to the Lion members in our District.

This is due to the current restrictions of the Michigan Department of Health and Humans services for meetings in our state. If you would like an email link please send your request to district11d1@gmail.com. The district cabinet and chairs will receive the link by the cabinet secretary.

The meeting information follows.

Topic: District 11D1's Zoom Meeting
Time: Jan 10, 2021 02:00 PM Eastern Time
(US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82885887209?pwd=RE9seUY2aGdGS1kIRmhXSEVTd2dLdz09>
Meeting ID: 828 8588 7209

Passcode: 958807

One tap mobile

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US (Chicago)

+19292056099,,82885887209#,,,,*958807#
US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

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.

APPLICATION FOR GEORGE E. DALY AWARD

CANDIDATE NAME: _____

CLUB: _____

PERFECT ATTENDANCE LAST 3 YEARS? _____

TOTAL YEARS PERFECT ATTENDANCE? _____

OFFICES AND/OR CHAIRMANSIPS HELD IN THE LIONS CLUB:

Offices Held:

Committee Chairmanships:

LIONS PROJECTS PARTICIPATED IN:

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS LION IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY:

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS LION IN SERVICE TO LIONISM:

CLUB PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY _____

**** Need people to sign up or classes will have to be postponed ****

2021



DIABETES PATH

**Helping you take charge of
your diabetes!**

Where:

Zoom Video Conference
(requires a computer or
device with internet access)
Meeting link will be sent to
registered participants

When:

Thursdays from 6:00-8:00pm

Info Session:

February 25 from 6-6:30pm

Sessions 1-6:

March 4, 11, 18, 25
April 1, 8

To register contact:

PATHPrograms@nkfm.org
or call 800-482-1455

Lions Club Contact:

Lion Julia Embury
jkisch01@yahoo.com
810-624-7090

Limited spots, register soon

Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) is designed to provide skills and tools to help people living with type 2 diabetes and their support system live a healthier life. It is a fun, interactive, six week workshop led by certified leaders.

Learn how to:

- Manage everyday activities by making an action plan
- Avoid complications
- Learn to balance your blood sugar
- Improve your communication skills with your family and your health care provider
- Understand the importance of monitoring your blood sugar
- Manage symptoms and decrease stress
- Improve your overall health and increase your energy



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**



"The American Diabetes Association identifies this program as meeting the Diabetes Support Initiative criteria for support programming."



During registration, please indicate if you need special accommodations in order to participate. Since this is a full six-week workshop, new participants are unable to join after week 2.

National Kidney Foundation of Michigan | 800-482-1455 | www.nkfm.org
For other wellness programs in Michigan, visit www.mihealthyprograms.org.

This workshop was supported, in part by grant number 90CSSG0019, from the Administration for Community Living, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C. 20201. Grantees undertaking projects under government sponsorship are encouraged to express freely their findings and conclusions. Points of view or opinions do not, therefore, necessarily represent official Administration for Community Living policy.

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Lions Around the District

Bay City Lions Christmas Party Committee spread some cheer this year, even without being able to hold our Annual Kids Christmas Party. With encouragement from the big man himself (our very own Santa) these special elves took on several projects that would impact hundreds of local families! The elves did a little shopping and provided Christmas for 2 families from the Bay Area Women's Center through their holiday adoption program, donated to the Jayden Lamb Foundation to make sure local kids hospitalized with cancer have a special gift on Christmas, and delivered several toys to the CAN Council for abused and neglected children.



Of course, the committee of spirited elves couldn't stop there, knowing that Christmas morning was going to be a little different this year for a lot of folks, including those households that have been affected by the service industry pause. Our own Lion Earl Bovia who owns the local restaurant Bay City Bill's reached out and identified over 50 families who had unexpected needs this holiday season. Most of these folks



were servers, bartenders, and dishwashers who didn't expect to be out of work for their busiest season. The Bay City Lions Club elves quickly formed a collaborative effort to sprinkle some holiday magic to those deserving families! Bay City Bills and the Elks Club, along with some community raised funds are providing food baskets, groceries like

ground beef and chicken and household products. The Lions Club Committee went on a shopping spree, making sure to buy items from the children's wishlists. Popular on this year's lists were LOL dolls, Marvel Action figures, Barbie, Legos, craft kits and games. While this committee was busy securing the best toys to thwart the COVID Grinch, another Bay City Lions committee packaged and delivered holiday food baskets to even more families in need.



Additionally, several Lions volunteered with our local Salvation Army, ringing bells through the season to help raise funds for year round programs. All things considered, it has been a GREAT year to be a Lion. We have been resilient in the face of adversity, because we are Lions and WE SERVE... no matter what!

Kingston Lions gave Christmas baskets to 4 families on the list-one has a 10 yr old boy and the Mayville Share Shop is providing a toy package for him to be included with our food basket. January project will be making fleece lap robes.