

Lions of Michigan – District 11-E-1





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Governor's Notes

Michigan Eye Bank (Midwest Eye Banks) in Ann Arbor hosted the Michigan District Governors and Vice-District Governors as well as Lioness District Presidents and spouses on July 11-12 in Ann Arbor. The Eye Bank is dedicated to the restoration of sight and is part of a network including the states of New Jersey and Illinois. The Eye Bank also handles other tissue besides eye tissue. The Eye Banks campaign "I Joined" is a campaign designed to get Michigan residents to enter their names to a donor registry that is activated upon the donor's death.

This past year fifteen of the nineteen counties in District 11-E1 had recipients of tissue from the Eye Bank and sixty-two individuals in these counties received tissue from the Eye Bank. The statistics also show that tissue was taken from ninety-five individuals from sixteen District 11-E1 counties. The first successful cornea transplant was performed in Austria in 1905. The first Eye Bank was established in New York in 1944. Michigan's Ann Arbor Eye Bank was established by the Ann Arbor Lions Club and University of Michigan Opthamologist Dr. John Henderson. Dr. Henderson originated the idea of Eye Bank sub-stations and surgeons to recover and transport eye tissue across the state. Some of our veteran Lions members were part of this transportation network.

PDG Lynnwood Mast, a member of the Fremont Lions Club, is 11-E1's representative to the Lions Advisory Council for the Michigan Eye Bank and also the district chairperson to the Eye Bank. PDG Lynnwood would be happy to present a program for your Lions club to illustrate the wonderful work that the Michigan Eye Bank performs.

August 8-10	Council of Governor's, Best Western, Lansing
August 24 1:30	Merlow White Cloud Lions Den
August 26 6:00	Regtion 3 Zone 3 Homsher Home
August 27 6:30	Region 1 Officers training Honor Club
September 7 9:00	Cabinet Meeting Ferris State University Rankin Building, see map at end.
September 14-24	USA Canada Forum Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada
September 27 9:30	Fall Conference – Parade of checks

Vice District Lion Governor Wayne Kreitner



Fellow District 11E-1 Lions, here I set on Sunday night, August 10, trying to still absorb everything that was fired at us as Vice District Governors' and everything that we heard and learned in the counsel of Governors meetings. I do know one thing; every Governor and Vice District Governors including single District 10, in the state of Michigan has one thing in mind. "How do we grow????" We were honored to have PID Mike Butler from Texas, where as he advised me to call him "The Tall Texan." He along with PID Dennis Cobbler has started to work on the Global Growth membership team in Michigan of which PID Dennis is in charge. After our Saturday night and Sunday morning sessions both your District Governor Lion Larry Morlock and myself have made a commitment that we as a District will have a new club ready to start forming by September 14, 2008. We believe after discussion that with all the work that has been completed over the last year, Lake City is the area that we, as Lions of District 11-E-1 will start with the international canvassing team and form a new club. Lions PDG Lynn Mast, IPDG Bill Raymor and PDG Harry Johnson will be the Lions that know who the starter members are in this area. We have been advised that if we have the form ready and two key members, the team from Lions Clubs International will have a new club of 20 members with in four days. This is how we as a District need to grow!!!!

I will continue to work with all the clubs in the District to continue our retention goals and growth. I have mentioned in the past that we as a District need to reduce our drops by 50%. This month we have had a gain of 11 members and a loss of 21 with a total loss of 10 members for the month. We are now at 1386 members and going down. This is not the right way..................

I challenge every Lions Club in the District to have a growth of 5 members before October 15, 2008. We need to have FUN with this challenge by talking to every club in your region to see who can be the highest achiever. No matter how small or how big your club is "We all need the same Challenge for growth."

Please call your Region Chairman to set up a meeting with all Presidents and Secretaries; we have many items to discuss as a team to take back to your clubs.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to serve you.

Yours in Lionism,

VDG Lion Wayne

Quote from Lions Don't Need to Roar:

"Every day I wake up thinking that something wonderful is going to happen to me. Even when it doesn't......which is often...... think it will happen the next day."

Thought of the month:

"Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success."

Henry Ford

Fall Conference—Parade of Checks

The Rankin Center Dome Room at Ferris State University in Big Rapids is the site of District 11-E-1's Fall Conference beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 27th. This year's conference will feature Lions State Treasurer Lion Paul Hemeryck who will be speaking on the new IRS regulations for filing club taxes for all non-profit organizations. Assistance for filing will be available. It is recommended that all club officers be at this session. The session is tentatively scheduled for the afternoon.

The morning speakers tentatively scheduled will be representing the CEO of Michigan Eye Bank, Leader Dog, Camp Tuhsmeheta, Bear Lake Camp, Lions of Michigan Foundation, and Munson EarLab. Each of these organizations will be presenting the latest information on their status and programs. A parade of checks will follow each presentation. If you donate (I hope you will), please make the check out to the project.

Club officers be watching for an email that includes registration, cost and other information regarding the conference scheduled for September 27th.

Important Calendar of events:

August 24 MERLOW White Cloud Lions Den – 1:30 P.M.

August 27 6:30 p.m. Region 1 Officers training Honor Lions Club Den, Just off US31 behind the

Homestead Fire Department and next to the Platte River School. Club officers are encouraged to attend. Lion John Monahan and VDG Wayne Kreitner are putting on

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the training.

September 6 10:00 p.m. Officer training – North of Baldwin to Webber Township Hall –

September 7 9:30 a.m. Cabinet meeting in the Rankin Center, Ferrris State University, map to follow. September 9 7:00 p.m. Six Lakes Lions Den – Officer training, all officers are encouraged to attend.

September 27 9:00 a.m. Fall Conference Rankin Building FSU.

October 19 6:30 p.m. IPDG William Raymor's recognition dinner up in Onekama Lions Den on the East

side of Portage Lake.

November 2 Cabinet Meeting Rankin Center FSU.

November 14-15 Lions Leadership Conference, Higgins Lake, it is not too early to plan ahead for this

important training.

February 27, 2009 Cabinet Meeting Rankin Center FSU.
April 17-19, 2008 District Convention Holiday Inn Big Rapids.

Errors in the District Book 2008-2009:

Here are some updates that we know of in the new District book that is out and you should be receiving it soon., when your Zone Chairman or Region Chairman visits your Club. It is hard get everything correct.

Page 31, Baldwin Lions Club meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month

Page 46, Fremont Lions Club, Ron Pardonnet phone number is 231-924-2594 E-mail

kayandron@thinkextreme.net

Page 47, Greenville Lions Club meets 1st & 3rd Monday at Mt Calvary Lutheran Church

908 W. Oak Street.

Secretary Don Veitengruber's E-mail address is don.veitengruber@sbcglobal.net.

Page 51, Honor Lions Club, Connie McMorris E-mail is fuzzcon@chartermi.net

Page 69, Sheridan Lions Club, call Secretary to find out where they are meeting for dinner.

Please let the Editor know if there are other changes and I will be happy to publish them.

Project of the month, Camp Tuhsmeheta:



entary Camp



Culinary Camp



Canoeing



Adventure camp on Grand Traverse Bay

Camp Tuhsmeheta's summer has been both action packed and relaxing. From Elementary camp to Music camp the experiences that these young blind and visually impaired campers have had will stay with them the rest of their lives. Starting with flying airplanes to shooting bow and arrow, nothing was held back from their experience. The campers met old friends that they only see once a year at the camp. New friendships began and old ones rekindled.

The weather was perfect for a summer camp. None of us could have asked for better weather. This year's adventure trip was nothing less than spectacular. The groups first started out with airplane rides and some even had the chance to fly the plane. Then a three day sailing trip in Traverse Bay, followed up by a hiking trip on the Sleeping Bear Dunes. The trip is something that needs to continue so younger campers can experience the beauty that Michigan offers. Once the young adventurers were back from the trip everyone cleaned up and the 5th annual prom was held.

Culinary camp was just as important because many of the campers left with confidence in their cooking ability. Most of these camps have impacted the confidence on them in a positive way. Art camp proved that just because one cannot see doesn't mean they can't do art. Seeing some of the clay sculptures or stone carvings is evidence enough. It is absolutely amazing how much these campers achieve in one summer. The Blind community needs establishments such as Camp Tuhsmeheta for the success of blind and visually impaired youth.

IT Committee

Club Website Updates

Your District IT Committee would like to congratulate all those Lions clubs that have updated their club website. The following Clubs are completely (or almost) up to date:

Big Rapids

Cadillac

Chippewa Lake

Empire

Fremont (need to remove the 2007 District Calendar)

Greenville

Harrison (needs 2008/09 Officers

Hesperia (No meeting date, time, location info displayed)

Kaleva

Manistee

Mesick (needs 2008/09 Officers)

Midland

Mount Pleasant

Onekama

Traverse City (needs 2008/09 Officers)

Weidman

White Cloud (needs 2008/09 Officers)

The remaining clubs need to log in to http://lionwap.org/ and enter their current information, as most of them have not been updated since 2005 when Janalee was Governor. If you need help with login or password information, contact Lion Randy Roebuck at 231-972-8885 or email to randal.roebuck@gmail.com and he will be able to assist you.

Leader Dogs for the Blind

Our new initative, "Growing the Dream" will allow us to reach more of the 10 million people in the United States who are visually impaired and in need of our assistance. Together Lions and Leader Dogs for the Blind can continue to grow the dream that the Detroit Uptown Lions Club visualized so many years ago.



Regular Club Contributions

All donations to Leader Dog help provide independence to those who enter our doors. Every club no matter the size of the donation will receive a handsome certificate of appreciation suitable for framing when your donation is received at Leader Dogs for the Blind. Levels of giving by regular club contributions of \$250 and above are acknowledged with club banner patches and a personalized expression of thanks from a Leader Dog team member. The newly designed patches for fiscal year 2008-2009 indicate the contribution lever achieved from \$250 to \$25,000. Recognition patches for your club banner will be mailed at the end of each Lions year.

Special Recognition

Out of the ordinary gifts require out of the ordinary recognition. As part of our newly revised Lions recognition program, Leader Dog has several opportunities for those Clubs that elect to aprovide exceptional support.



70 for 70 In celebration of Leader Dogs for the Blind's 70th anniversary, Lions Clubs making a donation of \$70 more than your regular club contribution will receive a commenorative "70 for 70" patch for the club banner and a pin for each member. There are other special options to receive special recognition and if you have any questions, please call Eric Berger, Director of Donor Services and Lions Relations at (888) 777-5332 Ext. 1102 or E-mail at eberger@leaderdog.org, or Kathy Stanford Lions Philanthrophy Associate, at Ext 1112 or kstanford@leaderdog.org.



Baldwin Lions Club

The Baldwin Lions Club had another successful fund-raising project at the annual "Trout-a-rama". Although the crowd was down substantially, the club still managed to bring in approximately \$1,500.00 for the three day event. If all goes well, the club may even realize a new member or two from the festivities.

Cadillac Lions Club

2nd Annual "Sight for Life" Shotgun Golf Scramble Saturday August 23rd, McGuire's Spruce/Norway Gollf Course, 7880 S. Mackinaw Trail, Cadillac, Mi 49601.

The Cadillac Lions Club has been providing sight and hearing assistance to the Cadillac and surrounding area for over 65 years, funded through community activities like this. Please join us for a fun filled day of golf, lunch, prizes, contests, and fellowship. All monies raised in our community stays in and goes back out into our community. Registration

9:30-10:30 A.M. Luncheon 1:00 P.M. information contact Lion Tim



Prizes and 50/50 drawing 2:15 P.M. For more Anderson, lion tim @scantek.com or 231-775-2939.

Cedar/Maple City Lions Club





We have been selling raffle tickets for our September 8th raffle. We have 64 prizes, all donated. These photos were taken August the 3rd at our Leelanau County Old Settlers Annual Picnic. The first photo is Lion Tom Triebes (ticket chairman) and Lion Bonnie Whitman. The 2nd is Lion John Lanham and his wife, Nancy. We raise about \$4,000 each year as part of our annual budget. Pat Hobbins Secretary, Cedar/Maple Lions Club.

Evart Lions Club

Members of the Evart Lions Club have been busy working at the food booth this summer. The booth has been open for the Michigan Fur Trappers, Woodcarvers, Gold Wings Motorcycle Group, July 4th Fireworks, Dulcimer Funfest, Osceola County 4H/FFA Fair and White Pines Reunion. Members met many people and renewed friendships of previous years. People come for the homemade pies made in the kitchen by our pie makers. The club also serves homemade soups, steak burgers, Polish dogs, sloppy joes, and hot dogs. The booth will be open for a couple more events and will be cleaned and closed until next May. On August 5th the club participated in the second Annual National Night Out at Riverside Park in Evart. PDG Harry Johnson brought the camera and took the pictures for Project Kidsight. DG Larry and First Lady Gayle Morlock, Immediate Past King Lion Deb Struble, and King Lion Vicki and Lion Brian Cushman helped during the event. Nineteen children between the ages of 2 months and 5 years were screened during the two hour event.

Greenville Lion Club

Family night picnic in Veterans Park in Greenville July 21 we had the biggest turn out we have had for many years. Our new King Lion has not been in the Club too many years but he is doing a super job bringing in new people and having a good time doing it.

Pictured is a possible new Lion in about 15 more years and he would be a third generation Lion as well. Vice District Governor Wayne Kreitner and Debbie and son Lion Michael brought his son Logan, age 3, to dinner and he had a teriffic time with the big group attending the dinner.



FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL

King Lion Roger Wilson and Lion Mike Blanding get ready to hit the links for the annual service club outing in Greenville. The outing this year included the Greenville



Lions Club, Greenville Rotary Club and the Greenville Optimist Club. Next year there is hope that the event, held at the Greenville Country Club will also include the local Knights of Columbus. It is felt by the clubs that we have a common goal to support our community. After golf there was a dinner for all club members to have fellowship and discuss each other's projects and goals for the year.



Members of the joint clubs enjoy dinner and fellowship. The event drew close to 40 total members from the area clubs.

Harrison Lions Club

Lions Club of Harrison fund raisers: Our glow stick chairman Lion Ron Trzeciak, plus five other Lions, sold glow sticks at the demolition derby on Saturday, Memorial weekend, which was held on the Clare County Fair Grounds. Also Lion Ron and his Lion helpers sold glow sticks on the 4th of July during the demolition derby and at the start of the fire works at the Fair Grounds. The selling of glow sticks has been a very profitable Lions project for us. Thank you Lion Ron and helpers.

Honor Lions Club

The Honor Club is gearing up for the Coho Festival, August 22-24. Our newly painted food wagon will be set up on August 23 for the festival events and parade. Thanks to Lion Kim Wattles and her husband, Ron for their hard work on painting and cleaning the wagon for the club. We have our Rifle purchased and waiting are waiting on the State for a raffle license for our annual Deer hunters Rifle raffle. We should have everything in place and be selling tickets at the Coho Festival. The raffle date is Nov 14, 2008. The Honor Club will be doing White Cane on August 16th. We had our club picnic at King Lion Jim Mallison's home on Long lake. The picnic was for the entire family. The kids could swim, fish, or take a pontoon ride. A great time was had by all. That is about all for this time from the North Lion Connie.

Kaleva Lions Club



Kaleva Lions are proud to be serving our Village of Kaleva. On Sat.& Sun.August 23 & 24th. Kaleva Days celebrates each year. The Kaleva Lions do a lot of work and events there. Lion Brian runs the 100 mile Motor Cycle Poker Run, Lion Carl puts on the Car Show with help from his father David, Lion John does a TrolleyTour of our historic village. Lion Audrey and JoJo run the Craft Market, Lion Ken runs our raffle tickets and helps his wife Ellen run the Silent Auction. Thanks to PDG. Dan Gibbins for his wood wolf auction donation. The Kaleva Lions also are putting on a wonderful Steak Dinner & a Sunday Buffet Breakfast. It takes all of our

Lions and help from the whole village to put this celebration together. Other featured events will be antique tractors and vintage racing snowmobiles. Live local music, beer tent, fireworks, and Grand Parade followed by water barrel fight, horse rides, face painting and kids games plus much more.

Kaleva Lions Ken and Craig helped with the relay for Life Pancake Breakfast and Lions Tom, Fred, Carl and Brian helped with Manistee Lions White Cane Drive.

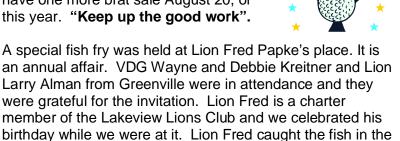
Kaleva Lions are redoing the Mesick Lion refreshment trailer. We could use a popcorn popper and cotton candy machine. If you have one not in use please call us. If you have question about Kaleva Days or want to help, call Lion Carl at 231-864-2396 or email at carl hawkins12@yahoo.com

Lakeview Lions Club

Busy days for the Lakeview Lions Club, they have had 4 brat sales since June. They have had a Chicken BBQ



and the Bill Wales Golf Outing. It has been a very busy year for them and they have one new member coming in and another just waiting to join. They have one more brat sale August 20, of this year. "Keep up the good work".





Manistee Lions Club

local lake in Lakeview and were they ever good. He has not

DISTRICT GOVERNOR NIGHT: Vice District Governor Wayne Kreitner, will make their official visitation on August 12, 2008 at our Appreciation Dinner at First Street with dinner being served at 7:00 pm. The dinner will be steak, chicken, red potatoes, salad, onions and mushrooms, rolls, dessert and beverages. Lion R. Linke is expecting between 70 and 80 Lions, families, guests and the special volunteers. He will need a lot of help. Please call and volunteer to do the things you do best.

Midland Lioness Club

lost his touch.

<u>LIONESS FUNDRAISER</u>: On Sunday June 29 and Monday June 30 the Lioness had a successful fundraiser, making nearly \$700. We parked cars at McKay Press for the Loons games. Thank you to all the Lioness members who helped and also Lions members, Mike Hoy, John Swank and Lynda Stark.

Midland Lions Club

The Lions Club Golf Outing will be on August 19 at noon at Currie. Jim Dunlap and Jim Mitchell are organizing it. After the golf outing there will be a pulled pork sandwich dinner open to all. The cost will be approximately \$5.00. The time will be 5:00pm at the Currie Pavilion.

Sand Lake Lions Club:



1. Sand Lake lion clubs members Guy Hayden, Karen Hayden, Kandy Roemer, Jim Allen, Erin Allen worked on the float. Other cheerful helpers Wesly Simcoe, Morgan Allen, Sam Allen and Tess, Karen Haydens dog. July 4th 2008 the float was lined up for the parade. Jim Allen drove the tractor to pull the float. Erin Allen, Guy Hayden, Morgan allen and Sam Allen marched with the float. The whole process was a blast, with the whole group working together!

2. Jim Allen was inducted into the Sand Lake Lions Club by VDG Wayne Kreitner with King Lion Erin Allen, Jim Allen's sponsor. The Sand Lake Lions Club also sponsors a Cub Scout troop and the club is active with the troop as well. King Lion Karen said they had a lot of fun putting the float together.



Sheridan Lions Club

Sheridan Lions Club had a meeting at Fifth Third Ball Park to watch the West Michigan Whitecaps baseball game. (see picture). Family picnic August 18 at Pearl Lake Park.

New King Lion is Laurence Abbey, 730 W. Evergreen Rd., Sidney, Mi. 48885, phone 989-328-2034.

Women Fellowship is no longer providing meals for the Club. If you are planning a visitation, please call ahead of time.

White Cloud Lions Club



1. June was membership month for the White Cloud Lions. Governor Raymor inducted five new members to our club on June 30th. We have a club guideline that requires each President to sponsor a new Lion in their year. So we have our President Audrey Williams at her very last meeting of her term of office

sponsoring Terry & Becky Strong, completing her year as a 100% President. We also had mom Helen Strong sponsoring daughter Karen, Janalee McClure sponsoring Jim Ward and Jean Brant sponsoring Jean Ward. An outstanding celebration for our last fiscal year meeting!

2. White Cloud Lions also had an exciting July. LaVern Brandt is a Life Member of our Club. He sponsored his wife Jean 4 years ago. Jean sponsored her Granddaughter Katie Brant in February this year. Katie is a photographer and we wanted to enter one of her photo's in the Lions International Enviornmental Photo Contest so she needed to be a Lion. Well, her sister April said 'why can't I be a Lion too?' That started 'The Brandt Thing'. Governor Raymor has inducted into White Cloud Membership four more Brandt's in June. We have a total of 8 Brandt's now. LaVern & Jean, son Scott & Angel, grandson John & Mandy and of course Katie & April. But here is the exciting part; Angel & Mandy have already volunteered to work the back pack project of Newaygo County Community Service with the Fremont Lions Club. April & her friend worked our fish fry fundraiser with Grandpa Vern this month and we have the new photo's to present from Katie Brandt. John Brant volunteered to work our Texas Hold 'Em too. We have found a mother lode and it all started with the Enviornmental Photo Contest in December. Find a project, find an interest and you'll find a new Lion!

Please Pay your District dues

Send in your M report's before the end of the month so your Club gets credit for that month. Suggestion, do it after your second meeting of the month so you don't forget. It is that easy.

Editor's Note

Region & Zone persons, as you are traveling to various Clubs, please invite them to send in pictures and articles to the District Newsletter. I welcome digital pictures, articles about special guests or special events the Club participates in. We are here for them. If someone would like to receive the Newsletter via Email, please forward there address to me. Thank you, Lion Larry Alman

Peace Poster

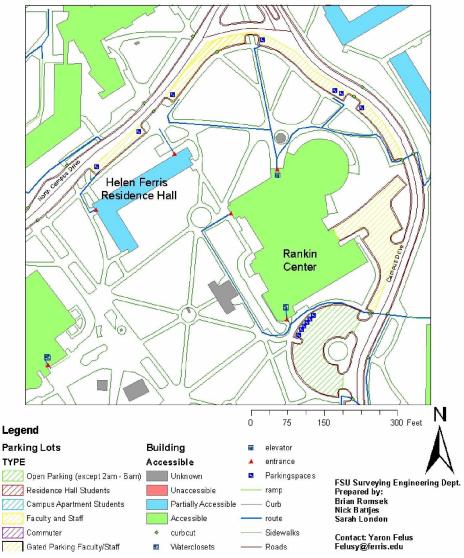
School will be starting soon, so get your kits now and plan a contest. Contact your school Art Teacher as soon as possible. Kits are available until October 1, 2008. You can visit www.lionsclubs.org for more details.

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Peace poster contest kit PPK-1				

Fall Conference location

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Handicap Accessibility at Ferris State University



http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/ferrisfaq/maps/ It is building 17 on there maps.Maps