

**DISTRICT 11E1 CABINET MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 16, 2016, COLEMAN LIONS HALL**

Governor **Pam Schroeder**, Onekama Lions Club called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

- Cabinet Officers Attending: Governor **Pam Schroeder**, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor **Ron Gibson**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor **Peggy Walls**, Secretary **Janalee McClure**, IPDG **Pete Conarty**, R1Z1 **Jackie Glazier** (Empire), R1Z2 **Sheila Ferrel** (Mesick), R2Z1 **Al Roeseler** (Coleman) and R2Z2 **Karla Roebuck** (Chippewa Lake- Mecosta).
- Other Lions Attending: Lion **Bob Roebuck** (Chippewa Lake-Mecosta), Lion **Karla Kasten** (Kaleva), Lion **Bernie Baldwin** (Weidman), Lion **Lester McClure** (White Cloud), Lion **Dennis Belford** (Kaleva), PDG **Bill Simpson** (Big Rapids), PDG **Dan Gibbons** (Onekama), PDG **Stan Preshaw** (Sheridan), PDG **John Monahan** (Mt. Pleasant), PDG **Jim Walls** (Stanwood) and Lion **Steve Adsmund** (Fremont).
- Other Attendee: Cub **Alice Dixon** (Mesick)

Lion **Jackie Glazier**, Empire Lions Club led the Pledge.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor **Ron Gibson**, Fremont Lions Club offered the Invocation.

**Lion Al Roeseler moved approval of the agenda. Motion seconded by Lion Jackie Glazier. Motion approved.**

NOTE: By unanimous consent, Tail twister Lion **Steve Adsmund** fined \$1.00 for his cell phone ringing.

Governor Pam Schroeder's opening remarks:

- Please turn in all the District Pins or money to Governor before District Convention in Traverse City.
- Please send names of the sponsors of new members in for the District Drawing.
- Lions International at the UN in New York City is March 12<sup>th</sup>. I will not be attending this year.
- Please send in your Club \$100 donation for the Centennial Billboard & Poster Campaign Grant Project
- Please send in your Club donation of \$100 for the Council Project in Mexico. So far only 2 clubs have participated.
- I have 25 extra Roster books so help yourself before you leave today.
- Zone Chairs:
  - Please try to get your club Presidents to apply for the Club Presidents award. I need to sign them before they go to International.
  - Please fill our Period One Zone Chair Award Application for me to sign before you send to International. Period One is Due by January 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - If your clubs do not attend your first Zone meeting please mail or deliver the District Roster Books right away.
  - Also, help yourself to the purple & gold ribbons for new members & sponsors today.
  - Please take one of the Lions Clubs International Foundation disks today too.
  - If Clubs don't file their PU101 they cannot get on line & do reporting and that is very frustrating so Zone Chairs please encourage your clubs to get the PU101 filed by May 1<sup>st</sup> this year.

First Vice Governor Ron Gibson's Report:

- We will be having a new Zone configuration, as we are eliminating Region 2 Zone 3, starting next year. Tentatively Baldwin to Region 3 Zone 2, Cadillac to Region 2 Zone 2, Evert to Region 2 Zone 1, Luther to Region 1 Zone 2.
- A great deal of effort has gone into starting a new Club in Clare. Passed out surveys in the area & got 25 back. Really remarkable. Lion **Tim** did training in Farwell and signed up 3 members for Clare It only takes 5 members to start a Branch Club so that may be what will happen this year. Coleman has volunteered to incorporate the Branch with their Club.

**Second Vice Governor Peggy Walls Report:**

- We have a lot of talent in this northern district so please consider stepping ‘out of your box’ to serve District 11E1.
- Please look for, and fill out, the survey that International is sending out in January to all Lions by email.
- The January issue of the LION is filled with lots of history, lots of information and very interesting articles to read. A really outstanding issue.

IPDG **Pete Conarty** presented 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor **Peggy Walls** with her 4 paw Zone Chairperson pin and Leadership Medal from Lions International President Joe Preston.

**Global Leadership Report PDG John Monahan:**

- Participated in the first Clare Club solicitation..
- Scheduled CEP presentation at Mt. Pleasant for April 11<sup>th</sup>.
- So far only Midland Club has completed the ‘How Are My Rating’s Questionnaire. All Clubs are encouraged to schedule a CEP presentation with me before this year is completed.
- Presented at R1Z1 and R2Z1 Zone meetings.
- I’ve had rotator cuff surgery 8 weeks ago so driving is somewhat limited until the end of Feb.
- The current new guiding lions are IPDG **Pete Conarty**, PDG’s **Laura & Harry Johnson**. The past guiding Lions are PDG’s **Dick Perrin & Bill Simpson** and Lion **Ron Gibson** and maybe PDG **Jim & Peggy Walls**.

**Global Membership Report PDG Jim Walls:**

- The greatest thing we can do is Membership. At the end of Dec. we had 15 club positive, 19 clubs minus and 10 clubs even.
- Zone Chairs please help your clubs that have not reported to report both membership & activities.
- I will visit zones to make short presentations when asked.
- If you sign up for the Michigan Pin Traders Pin Swap May 6-7, 2016 in Paw Paw I will give you 25 pins.

**Secretary PCC Janalee McClure presented the October 17, 2015 Cabinet Meeting Minutes:**

IPDG **Pete Conarty** moved approval of the Oct. 17, 2015 Cabinet Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion seconded by Lion **Jackie Glazier**. Motion approved.

**Treasurer Lion Kay Brandt absent; Governor Pam presented Treasurers Report dated January 17, 2016:**

• Beginning Balance	\$31,111.00	
• Total Disbursements	- 3,089.90	
• Total Deposits	<u>+ 1,164.50</u>	
• Leaving Ending Balance of	\$29,185.60	
○ Administrative Fund Balance		\$12,413.86
○ Designated Funds Balance		\$16,771.74
▪ Diabetes	2,519.67	
▪ District Convention	3,022.64	
▪ District Float	152.32	
▪ Juvenile Diabetes	450.00	
▪ Kid Sight	787.00	
▪ Miscellaneous	568.67	
▪ Sight & Hearing	8,919.85	
▪ Tail Twister	116.59	
▪ Quest	25.00	
▪ LCIF	-0-	
▪ Youth Exchange	210.00	

PDG **Bill Simpson** commented that perhaps we should consider donating money to the State Projects. PCC **Janalee McClure** stated Lions International Standard District Constitution states that the purpose of the District is to provide an 'administrative structure' to advance the Purposes of Lions Clubs International in the District. After much discussion: Consensus determined that if we have extra dollars we should increase the budget of the Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor to help lower the 'out of pocket' expenses for the elected officials. That should also make it easier to get Lions to run for those positions. The recommendation was to increase next year's budget for Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor.

**Lion Jackie Glazier** moved approval to accept the Treasurers Report dated January 17, 2016. Motion seconded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor **Peggy Walls** and Lion **Sheila Ferrel**. Motion Approved.

#### Zone Chairperson Reports:

- Region 1 Zone 1, Lion **Jackie Glazier**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Zone meeting will be held in Traverse City. Guest speakers 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG **Peggy** and PDG **Jim Walls**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Zone meeting was held in Honor. Guest speakers were DG **Pam**, PDG **Dan Gibbons** and PDG **John Monahan**. We also remembered and honored past Zone Chair Lion **Connie McMorris**. The Zone voted to send the 50/50 to District for the Governors Banquet Cost Reduction Project.
- I have visited all clubs but one and that is scheduled when their meetings restart in the spring as half of the clubs in the zone are closed until spring.
- All clubs are active and working on summer projects and even trying new projects this year, such as pancake breakfasts.
- I've asked all clubs to post their activities on the 11E1 website so everyone can see what is going on in the District.

- Region 1 Zone 2 Lion **Sheila Farrell**

- Arcadia Lions not meeting at this time. Bear Lake Lions did not respond in time for this report.
- Kaleva Lions Club has lost 4 members so are not doing the pancake breakfasts right now. Still doing the weekly pastie sale, hosted the Oct. Zone Meeting with 4 of the 6 clubs attending, hosted the Zone Christmas Party and are starting to work on Kaleva Days.
- Will be visiting Manistee Lions Club Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Manistee has made donations to "Little Mary's Hospitality House" in Wellston, to Love, Inc. and donated \$250 to cover the cost of a free movie for children at the Theater in Manistee during spring break. They also held a Kidsight screening for 50 children at the Victorian Sleigh Bell Festival and gave each child a free book.
- Mesick Lions Club sponsored the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Halloween Carnival for the about 300 kids at the Mesick Elementary School. Mesick Club donated money for a healthcare trip to Haiti, sent students to Ferris Eye Center, held 2 Kidsight screenings, Mesick Elementary and Betsie Valley Preschool for 85 children, adopted a family of 6 for Christmas, have inducted 3 new members, worked a benefit night at Cadillac Cullver's and has started working on the 2016 Mesick Lions Mushroom Festival.
- Visited the Onekama Lions Club in November and viewed Lion **Jackie's** peace poster entries. Club is planning on their Valentine party for members and spouses and decided to start pancake breakfasts on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month, May through September.

- Region 2 Zone 1 Lion **Albert Roeseler**

- Finished all club visits before Christmas. Might need to do more visitations later.
- Guest speakers at zone meetings
  - DG **Pam Schroeder** stressed the importance of club member orientation.
  - PDG **Jim Walls** stressed the need to be positive in your approach to membership and inviting individuals to help with a club project is an effective approach.
  - PDG **Lynn Mast** offered to do club visits on the donor registry and stressed having really good orientation for new members and having fun at your meetings.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG **Peggy Walls** stressed the importance of being identified as a Lion in your area.

- PDG **John Monahan** explained the Club Excellence process and volunteered to make presentations on that and on orientation to any clubs that are interested.
- Club updates:
  - Coleman service included a highway cleanup and a Kidsight screening. Fundraising was our concession wagon at the Flea market, a yard sale and our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Charter night. We'll be doing a Halloween party for the kids this weekend.
  - Harrison does White Cane twice a year, had a raffle & in Nov. will host an Arts & Craft show. They will be doing holiday baskets, adopting a family and seniors in Nov. & Dec.
  - Midland worked with Kiwanis on a diaper drive, completed their white cane collections, hosted a banquet to honor cross country runners and assisted in the production of The Miracle Worker with a Leader Dog display and a Kidsight screening at the event.
  - Mt. Pleasant recognize 8<sup>th</sup> students of the month in 4 schools, helps teachers with classroom supplies and are now working with United Way. Their Chili supper is coming up and a project with the churches to help the homeless too.
  - Shepherd s is working on their Nut sale and Lucky 13 raffle, are helping the Chamber of Commerce for a Halloween celebration, is planning on adopting a family and is working with the fire department to help needy families with the holidays.
  - Vestaburg is planning their swiss steak fundraiser, they worked an auction with their food wagon, just did a KidSight screening of 95 students - gave each child a book and are planning on working with Santa at the Library.
  - Kaleva will be hosting a community Thanksgiving dinner for everyone for donations. They still do pasties every week for a fundraiser.
- Region 2 Zone 2 Lion **Karla Roebuck**
  - Barryton has bingo & business meetings. Chippewa Lake/Mecosta had a community Christmas Party providing fruit & cookie goodie bags, Big Rapids sends out a monthly newsletter & had lots of PR in the local newspaper.
  - All clubs are working very hard on their MMR and activity reports and all clubs were invited to attend the Cabinet meeting.
  - Next Zone meeting will be late Feb. or early March with 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Ron Gibson as guest speaker.
- Region 2 Zone 3 PDG **Tim Anderson**
  - Second zone meeting held on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> with one club, Cadillac, in attendance.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG **Peggy Walls** covered orientation, our DG's goals for the year & encouraged club to get our & be seen. PDG **Jim Walls** talked about growth and the importance of inviting new people out to help with projects to give them a taste of what Lions is all about.
- Region 3 Zone 1 Lion **Deb Kreitner** – Absent. No Report.
- Region 3, Zone 2 Lion **Ray Williams**
  - Second Zone meeting held Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> with four of the six clubs present. Next meeting 2-9-16.
  - Governor **Pam** & **Dan** covered District convention, tidbits, membership and leadership.
  - Lion **Bill Koch** spoke on the positive effects Kidsight has on children, families and even schools.
  - Presentation by Deb Davis from Paws with a Cause on the benefits a client receives when the dog is trained to assist them so they can live a more normal lifestyle.
  - Lion **Ray** suggested we use the talents in our District's colleges to get a PR program written up by the college kids for a school project. Could be a big help to stretch the grant money and give the kids some actual experience too.

#### Old Business

- 1<sup>st</sup> VDG **Ron Gibson** reported the paperwork has been completed, DG **Pam** is our resident agent, we've paid the \$20.00 so we are all set to have raffles. DG **Pam** encouraged clubs to attend the Michigan Forum & attend the session for raffles put on by the State of Michigan.

- The report on Criteria for the Howard Humanity Service Award is referred to the April Cabinet Meeting. DG **Pam** looks for this award being for the 'everyday' Lion that does outstanding Lion work.

### State Project District Chairperson Reports

- **All State Band** – Lion **Christina Anderson** absent. Governor **Pam** reported that All State Band would like to proceed with the requirements to become an official State Project. One of the first steps for this process is to get the endorsement from a majority of the Districts in the State. **Lion Karla Roebuck** moved District 11E1 approve endorsement for All State Band to become an official State Project. Motion seconded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Governor **Peggy Walls**. After much discussion the motion was approved unanimously. Governor **Pam** directed Secretary **Janalee** to send a letter to that effect to PDG **Dave Bennett**.
- **Bear Lake Camp** – Lion **Dennis Belford** reported Bear Lake had a wonderful summer serving 410 campers last year. District 11E1 attendance was up. The new promotion pamphlets are going out after the first of the year. Governor **Pam** reported she was the only Governor that attended Governor's Day at Bear Lake Camp this year.
- **Leader Dog** – Lions **Pam Blizzard & Ronald Sharp** absent but offered programs to clubs & reported:
  - Phase one of construction is almost 100% complete and the new puppy area & veterinary clinic are very close to being fully functional.
  - Phase two includes the renovation of the training bays in the south wing, one bay is almost complete and new masonry walls are going up in the other two bays. A garage addition, new duct work, a new air exchange system, new electrical & new plumbing are also included in phase two.
  - Campaign is just under \$600,000 remaining of the \$14.5 million dollar goal.
  - 14 District 11E1 Clubs have committed \$9,760 for the Kennel project.
  - Year 2014-15 shows 35 Clubs donated \$10,466 to Leader Dogs operating funds.
  - Last year Leader Dog graduated 198 Leader Dog Teams (Client & Guide Dog), paired 11 Deaf/Blind Clients & gave White Cane training to 77 students.
  - Note: Governor **Pam** has researched a bus trip to Leader Dog with pick-ups in Traverse City, Mt. Pleasant, and Cadillac. Bus carries 56 people, for \$1,825.00, which comes to \$33.00 per person if bus is completely sold. Maybe late May or early June.
- **Michigan Eversight** - PDG **Lynn Mast** absent, PDG **Bill Simpson** reported on Eversight and Michigan Pin Traders: Eversight has a new CEO, Diana Kern. Her background is management within charitable organizations. Michigan Pin Swap will be in Paw Paw in May with attendees from several states. I'm President and invite all you to attend and bring guests.

### Multiple District Committee Representative Reports

- **International Convention** – 1<sup>st</sup> VDG **Ron Gibson** – introduced us to his 'ambassador of good will' Lion, Winston. He sings: I'm a Lion, King of the Jungle & I'm your friend. 2016 Convention in Japan June 24-28. **Ron** will be leaving June 19<sup>th</sup> and will return June 29<sup>th</sup>. Lions International 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be celebrated in Chicago 2017. Detroit bid on 2021 International Convention for Cobo Hall.
- **Michigan Forum** – PDG **Dick Perrin** absent but sent report: Forum date Feb. 26-27 in Lansing. Michigan Supreme Court Justice Richard Bernstein is keynote. Clubs can order White Cane supplies to pick up. Governor **Pam** reported 50% discount for Lions less than 5 year member. 16 good sessions this year.
- **Multiple District 11 Convention** – Lion **Bill Koch** absent but sent report:
  - Date is May 13-14 in Sterling Heights, Michigan.
  - Friday night casual with Saturday night formal for PDG's
  - Original Motown band, Spaniels, will be the entertainment.
  - Committee suggests Districts consider joining Multiple 11 for their District Conventions. Saves cost and traveling for many Lions. C-2 already is a one day convention concentrating on families and without an International Speaker.

## District Chairperson Reports

- **Lions Clubs International Centennial** – PDG **Tim Anderson** absent no report.
- **Constitution, By Laws** – PCC **Janalee McClure** reported:
  - We have 3 ballot issues to vote on at District Convention, April 8, 2016 in Traverse City
    - Voting to consider Paws for a Cause for an official District 11E1 Service Project
    - Voting to have members of Campus Clubs only pay 50% of the District dues
    - Voting to allow District 11E1 Trustees to the Lions of Michigan Foundation to serve 3 consecutive terms of office, which complies with the Foundation By-Laws.
  - Lions International requires all Districts to adopt & incorporate the Standard District Constitution starting July 1, 2016. We already comply. After the District Vote April 8<sup>th</sup> the District Constitution will be updated and put on website by July 1, 2016.
- **Convention** – PDG **Jerry Brandt** absent but sent report requesting Zone Chairpersons to contact clubs for registration forms, bio on deceased members, room reservations & to bring items to the auction.
  - Governor **Pam** said wagon floats can be sponsored by clubs or individuals.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> VDG **Ron Gibson** requested ALL clubs in Region 1 Zone 1 be asked to help with Convention.
  - Lion **Karla Roebuck** needs the bios by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Needs items for the Silent Auction and agrees that all clubs in R1Z1 should be asked to help at Convention.
- **Credentials** – Lion **Gaye Morlock** absent as meeting place is not handicap friendly enough for her amigo.
- **Diabetes/Sight Conservation** – PDG **Stan Preshaw** nothing new to report but did let us know that Sheridan Lions will be doing a diabetes screen at the County Health Day.
- **Editor, Newsletter, Communicator** – IPDG **Pete Conarty** jumped up the deadline this month to the 25<sup>th</sup> He still needs more clubs to report. Governor **Pam** announced **Pete** is doing a great job for her this year
- **Election & Nominations** - PCC **Dick Perrin** absent but reported Nomination letters have been received for District Governor; 1<sup>st</sup> VDG **Ron Gibson**, for 1<sup>st</sup> VDG; 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG **Peggy Walls**, and Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee IPDG **Pete Conarty**.
- **Float Trailer** – PDG **Laura Johnson** absent but reported will be sending out letters, at her cost, in Feb.
- **Hearing** – Lion **Debra Wall** absent but reported she has 5 requests a month for help with hearing aids, she gets 3 applications back every month and all have been approved. She has a sponsoring club document and a CMU reimbursement form to share with clubs. Just contact her [dlwall@ameritech.net](mailto:dlwall@ameritech.net)
- **Honorary** – IPDG **Pete Conarty** reported we have 20 active PDG's in the District and 14 of them are involved in District activities. The new project that involves PDG visiting 2 clubs of their choice twice this year has 5 PDG's interested. First reports from the visitations are due mid-March.
- **International Relations** – IPDG **Pete Conarty** reported he has not received any information from International on this committee. Our speaker for Multiple 11 Convention will be PID Cynthia Gregg and husband Dan from Pennsylvania.
- **Information Technology/Webmaster/Social Media** – Lion **Karla Roebuck** reported:
  - If your club needs help with MMR or Activity reporting let me know. I have a simple tutorial to help clubs. I also suggest you 'save' the activity items as you post so it isn't lost by timing out.
  - Zone Chairs please contact your secretaries or presidents and encourage them to meet with me at District Convention in Traverse City. I have the Secretary Training CD that will help them.
  - Make sure all your contact information is correct on your club website.
- **Leo** – PDG **Laura Johnson** absent but reported that the Leo Clubs in the district are not active at this time. She visited Sheridan, will be scheduling more club visits and will be doing a mailing to all clubs.
- **Liaison** – PDG **Lynn Mast** absent no report.
- **Lioness Liaison** – Lion **Kay Brandt** absent no report.
- **Lions Alert** – Lion **Bill Koch** absent but reported he passed out the Alert packets last meeting. He has not received any calls or disasters in our area so no activity.

- **Lion Clubs International Foundation (L.C.I.F.)** – PDG **Jerry Brandt** absent no report.
- **Lions of Michigan Foundation** – Lion **Ron Gibson** & PDG **Bill Simpson** reported:
  - Deadline is coming up March 1<sup>st</sup> for nominating Hall of Fame candidates. Applications are out to PCC **Janalee McClure**, PCC **Richard Perrin**, PDG **Jim Walls** and Lion **Deb Kreitner**. Banquet will be August 6, 2016 in Lansing.
  - Since the Obama Insurance plans pay for cataracts the Foundation is now concentrating on hearing aid services.
  - Consider running for Foundation Trustee. It's a great opportunity.
- **Lions Quest** – PDG **Harry Johnson** absent but reported he'll have a table at Michigan Forum
- **Past District Governors Association** – PDG **Jim Chipman** absent no report
- **Peace Poster** – Lion **Jackie Glazier** – reported
  - 7 clubs participated in the Peace Poster contest. Coleman poster won 1<sup>st</sup> in our District contest
  - Theme for next year is "A Celebration of Peace". Kits are available now for \$11.95 plus tax & shipping.
  - Written essay contest has the same theme "A Celebration of Peace"
- **Project Kidsight** – PDG **Tim Anderson** absent but reported:
  - Kidsight is doing great with all 3 cameras screening kids all over our District.
  - A special note out to Lion **Bill Koch** who has done several screenings in multiple school systems in his area.
  - Hart's camera has been updated, upgraded and has a new printer. Hart has worked with Lion **Bill Koch** and he will be doing a training session for Hart in the near future.
  - All scheduled screenings should be reported to PDG **Tim** or PDG **Dan** to get it on the calendar
- **Public Relations/Publications Advisory** – Lion **Karla Roebuck** requested each Club consider donating the \$100.00 to the Centennial State-Wide Billboard Campaign.
- **Strategic Planning** – Lion **Bernie Baldwin** reported no change in the approved plan at this time.
- **White Cane** – PDG **Larry Morlock** absent since meeting place was not handicap friendly enough for Lion **Gayle's** amigo.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Governor **Ron Gibson** Centennial Community Legacy Projects presentation:

- Connect with your Community and build your Lion Legacy by completing a Centennial Community Legacy Project by June 30, 2018
  - Level 1 – Raise Your Community Visibility
  - Level 2 – Provide a Community Gift
  - Level 3 – Make a Community Impact
- Earn a Special Banner Patch

Cub Alice Dixon was recognized by Lion **Sheila Ferrel** (Mesick) for her outstanding project providing personal care kits for men, women and kids even with a toy, in November 2015.

Governor **Pam Schroeder's** Closing Remarks:

- Make your reservation as soon as possible for the Leader Dog bus trip.
- Only written Chairperson reports at the Convention District Meeting in Traverse City except
  - District Convention and Multiple 11 Convention Reports
  - Maybe Credentials Report
- We want a big attendance at our District Convention this year. If you can stay for the banquet but do not intend to rent a room for Sat. night, we will make arrangements so you will have a place to freshen up. We need everyone to be part of this very special convention.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, PCC **Janalee McClure**, District 11E1 Secretary