

**11-C1 & 11-E1 DISTRICT CONVENTION
APRIL 17-19, 2009
HOLIDAY INN CONVENTION CENTER
BIG RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 17, 2009

Mix and Meet was held; the theme was the “Knights of the Round Table”. Many Lions dressed in period costumes and a good time was held by all.

SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 18, 2009

7:30 AM LIONESSE and LEO BREAKFAST.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 am by Lion Pam Schroeder

Blessing by VDG Wayne Kreitner

Breakfast

Lion Jan Mast poured coffee.

Immediately after breakfast Anja Wing and Carlene Rose from the Mecosta County Area Chamber of Commerce gave a welcome to the attendees of the convention and passed out coupon booklets to everyone.

Lion PDG Jack Burchard, Lioness chair for the District, asked Lion Laura Johnson to come forth, and she presented Ilea Johnson of the Baldwin Lioness Club with a Lioness of the year award.

District Governor Larry Morlock presented Certificates of Appreciations to the Baldwin and Harrison Lioness Clubs. He also has Certificates for Bear Lake, Hesperia, Luther and Midland.

Lion Laurene Homsher, LEO Chair, asked Kendra Alt, president of the Fremont Packer LEO Club, to come forth and give a presentation about the club. Ms Alt gave an excellent talk about her club and the projects they do.

Jan Mast poured coffee again.

On behalf of the Fremont Packer LEO Club president Kendra presented certificates of appreciation to **District Governor Larry and First Lady Gayle.**

District Governor Larry also presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the Fremont Packer Leo Club.

VDG Wayne and Deb were fooling around.

Lion Laurene asked 6th grader Anjelica Vasquez to tell why she joined the club. Two other members of the club were present; Kara Alt, and Melissa Sommer and all were a joy to be around and to see their enthusiasm for their club.

Due to the fact Lion Pam was losing her voice, co-chair Brian Werschem from C-1 closed the meeting.

Forums held from 9:15 to 12:15

LUNCH: 12:30 P.M.

Parade of Flags; The following Clubs presented flags, Ewart, Sheridan. Greenville, Baldwin Lioness, Weidman, Hart, Fremont, Mesick LEO, Fremont Packer LEO, Cadillac, Kaleva, Big Rapids, Empire, White Cloud, Lakeview, Baldwin, Onekama, Harrison Lioness, and Harrison.

District Governor **Larry Morlock** called meeting to order:

Blessing by IPDG Bill Raymor

Lunch

Pledge

Introduction of head table by DG **Morlock**

VDG C-1 Robert Schalow and Ann
DG C-1 Michael Johnson
PID Steven Sherer and wife, Mary Ellen
First Lady **Gayle Morlock**
VDG Wayne Kreitner and wife, Debbie

PDG Jim Walls, Multiple 11 State Chair, presented special Membership Awards to Grand Haven, Rockford and Greenville. White Cloud received recognition for their efforts this year in membership growth.

PID Sherer installed 16 new Lion members and 3 Leo's. One of the new Lions installed was Debbie Kreitner, our First Lady elect.

PDG Stan Preshaw announced this years District 11-E1's Peace Poster winner. He was sponsored by the Kaleva Lions Club and was from Brethren Middle School. His name is Brandon Wabindato.

PID Sherer presented International Presidents Certificates of Appreciation to Lion Carl Hawkins, of the Kaleva Club and Lion John Monahan of the Mt. Pleasant Lions Club.

Dale Wiersma, of the Michigan Eye Bank, presented Certificates of Appreciation to Lions Lynnwood Mast, Wayne Kreitner and Larry Morlock. He also recognized the following clubs for 100% participation in the state eye and organ donor program; Baldwin Lioness, Edmore, Cedar-Maple City, Baldwin Lions, Fremont, Frankfort, Vestaburg, Evart, and Honor.

District Governor **Larry Morlock** presented Certificates of Appreciation to representatives of Mesick Leo and Coleman Leo Clubs.

11C-1 Convention chair, Brian Werschem, read letters of resolutions to the PID Sherer, District Governor Mike Johnson and District Governor **Larry Morlock**.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:15 PM

2:45 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

Meeting called to order by District Governor **Larry Morlock**.

Lion Larry made a special announcement that Lion PDG Chipman would replace PDG Perrin as Elections Chair because Lion Perrin had to leave the Convention due to illness in his family.

First order of business is the report of the Rules Committee by PDG Janalee McClure. The rules of the Convention have been handed out to all delegates of the Convention and can be read if the members so request. Motion by Lion Carl Hawkins to accept the rules as published and handed out. Motion supported by PDG Harry Johnson and the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lion Kerry McGinley handed out a copy of the report to all attendees of the Convention. He again mentioned the Ear Lab and asked for donations so we can meet our obligations to Munson Hospital. Lion Kerry made motion to accept report as given. Supported by Lion Bill Simpson. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

CONVENTION REPORT: Lion Pam Schroeder read off the locations of the Region meeting rooms and the room where we will vote. The voting room will be open for 1 hour after the Region meetings close. The Convention has 183 registered for 11-E1 and 83 for 11C-1, for a total of 266 attendees.

POINT OF ORDER: A point of order was brought forth as the Pledge was not done at the beginning of the meeting; it was corrected, and Lion Wendt led us in the Pledge.

CREDENTIALS REPORT: Lion Gayle Morlock reported of the 47 clubs in our District, 27 have delegations present. The District is allocated a total of 154 delegates from the 47 clubs, and we have 76 delegates here. A majority vote will be 50% plus 1 or 39 votes.

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS: Lion PDG Janalee McClure read the resolution that the District 11-E1 Cabinet supported the adoption of the International Standard District Constitution.

NOMINATIONS: Lion PDG Irwin Beck read off the names of the candidates for District office.

Trustee for the Lions Service Foundation, Lion Kerry McGinley.

Nominated by Lion PDG Harry Johnson and supported by Lion PDG Jerry Brandt.

2nd VDG Lion John Monahan

Nominated by Lion PDG Janalee McClure and supported by Lion Larry Alman

1st VDG Lion Laura Johnson

Nominated by Lion PDG Jerry Brandt and supported by Lion PDG Bill Raymor

1st VDG Lion Laurene Homsher

Nominated by Lion PDG Dan Gibbons and supported by Lion PDG Janalee McClure

District Governor Lion Wayne Kreitner

Nominated by Lion Michael Kreitner and supported by Lion Roger Wilson

Nominations were closed by Lion Beck and turned to Lion Chipman for voting instructions.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR LARRY MORLOCK adjourned the meeting to the Region Meetings and the voting.

Time of adjournment: 3:35PM

Note from Secretary; During the day many things were happening at the Convention that are not mentioned in these minutes including the information technology work shop that was put on by Lion Karla Roebuck. This is an excellent way to resolve your problems that you may have with sending in reports to Lions International. Please make plans to attend next years Convention or call Lion Karla Roebuck.

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET APRIL 18, 2009

During the evening District Governor **Larry Morlock** announced the results of the election for 2009-2010.

Region I: Lion Connie McMorris for Region Chair

Region II: Lion Tony Rutledge for Region Chair

Region III: Lion PDG Janalee McClure for Region Chair

2nd VDG Lion John Monahan

1st VDG Lion Laura Johnson

DG Wayne Kreitner

Trustee Lions of Michigan Foundation: Lion Kerry McGinley

Vote on changing our Constitution to International's Standard District Constitution and By-Laws including those items unique to District 11-E1. Passed.

Saturday evening, PID Sherer presented a Presidential Award from Lions International to Lion Laurene Homsher. This was given for her outstanding dedication to Lionism.

SUNDAY MORNING APRIL 19, 2009

9:00 AM: Memorial Service

11 E-1 had 22 deceased Lions whom we will all miss.

After the Memorial service, we had breakfast.

After breakfast, District Governor **Larry Morlock** presented Certificates of Appreciation to his Cabinet members. A special personal gift was presented to his Region Chairs, Zone Chairs, VDG, the Cabinet Treasurer and the Cabinet Secretary.

Certificates were also presented to Clubs that have brought women into their clubs.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR LARRY GAVE A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO HIS WIFE LION GAYLE.

DG **Larry** presented Ken Lautzenheiser awards to Carl and Laurene Homsher for their service to District 11-E1.

Lion Kerry McGinley came forward, on behalf of Lion Gayle's parents, and presented to District Governor **Larry and First Lady Gayle**, a Ken Lautzenheiser Award for each of them.

Lion Kerry then asked to present another Ken Lautzenheiser award and this went to Lion Kerry's wife, Karen.

District Governor **Larry** thanked everyone for coming and closed the 2009 Convention.
11:25 am. Jim Chipman, Cabinet Secretary

