Lions of Michigan



District 11–E1 Newsletter

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From the Governor

New Members 29

HAPPY NEW YEAR! As this "New Year" starts out people are filled with hopes and dreams of a bigger brighter 2014 well I for one was VERY pleased with 2013 and all of you!

Of course as we all know the Calendar Year and the Lion Year aren't quite the same thing. Our Lions Year runs from July 1st to June 30th so it



Tim Anderson

has 6 months left and looking back on our first 6 months all I can say is WOW!

We've added 95 new Lions to our clubs, we also added a new club (Kingsley) to our District, we had 3 more clubs start CUB programs, we've held countless community projects, KidSight Screenings, passed out and rewarded "Good Deeds" basically want I want to say is you ALL have made a difference and by doing so made your communities better places to live in! You ALL should be proud of what you and your clubs accomplished in 2013!

New members are the life's blood the infusion of new ideas, enthusiasm and manpower a lot of clubs need to keep going but let's never forget it's the current members all of you that are the heart and soul of your clubs. It's because of what you do and have done that your club is able to take care of the needs of so many.

In this second half of our year we want to continue to work on strengthen our clubs, to keep our current members happy and active and in doing so provide "Service" to our communities for years to come! LCI has the new <u>Membership</u> <u>Satisfaction Guide</u> which can help your club find out what its membership thinks and how your current meetings and projects are working check it out!

The number at the top of this page is down to 29 we've brought in 95 new Lions so far this year. Now let's make sure they have something to do a purpose within our clubs and let's make sure we keep all our Lions happy and moving forward! The District can also help, remember we are here to Serve You!

DG Lion Tim Anderson District 11E1 *New Member Countdown:* **29** Lions of Michigan <u>dgtim11e1@charter.net</u> 231-920-9905

231-920-9905 "Follow Your Dreams" (129)



"Unsung Heroes"

A special "Thank You" goes out to the following Lions for all they do for their clubs and community!



On December 2nd while attending a **Fremont Lions Club** meeting I was welcomed and greeted as only they can. After sharing dinner and conversation the club took care of the business at hand serving their community and when completed the King Lion turned the meeting over to me.

I thanked them for having me and for all they do as a club for the people of Fremont. I spoke about growth and the importance of new members then proceeded to pass out a couple of Michigan Safari Pins to members who had brought in their 1st new Lion of

the year.

I talked about successes and Dreams and what it takes to reach that dream and I spoke about serving and how the district is here to care for and help the clubs as they care for and help their communities. I brought up the special Lions that seem to be within every club the ones that without any thought step forward and help.

I asked **Lion Bob Fenner** to come forward as he did I told the room I was happy to name him the "Unsung Hero" of the Fremont Lions Club. As applause began Lion Bob a 50 year member came right up and shook my hand thanking me for this honor. I smiled and tried to explain that I was the one who is supposed to thank him.

At this time I came around to the other side of the room and asked Lion Bob to join me as I held out his pin and explain how special and unique it is wanting him to know he should wear it with pride. Cameras came out and some of the club members started taking pictures. I shook his hand again as I held up his certificate reading it aloud for everyone in the room to hear.

Lion Bob seemed a little overwhelmed as we once again posed for a photo, and once again he shook my hand thanking me for recognizing him. I patted him on the back and told him he was the one that deserved the thanks and as the room quieted I firmly shook his hand and clearly for the room to hear said "Your Governor thanks and appreciates you for all you do" Lion Bob told me that meant a lot to him in 50 years of being a Lion he had never received such an honor from the District.

Congratulations Lion Bob Fenner on being named the Fremont Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero!"





On December 9th while attending the **Big Rapids Lions Clubs** Christmas party, we enjoyed time together, exchanged, and shared a very good meal! After which Club President Jackie Perrin welcomed everyone then asked me to come up and say a few words.

I talked about being impressed with a few new projects the club took on this year, small things but that touch lives, and I told them about my traveling around and the Lions that can be found in all our clubs that this very thing step in and up to help.

At this time I asked **Lion Mary Clark** to stand and join me, you never saw such apprehension as she slowly rose from her seat, to help things along I informed the room that I was naming Lion Mary the "Unsung Hero" of the Big Rapids Lions Club.

She came forward and stood beside me as I held out my hand and thanked her applause and pride filled the room from her fellow Lions. I held out her pin and after showing the room I explained to Lion Mary how special it was and to wear it proudly how only one person from each club will have one of these and each and every one of them just as she deserves and earned it.

She took the pin and thanked me turning to return to her seat but I stopped her telling her there was more, I held out her certificate showing everyone then I read it aloud to let Lion Mary know she is appreciated. Cameras came out at this point and afterwards I patted her on the back smiled at her and shook her hand once more" Thanking her" for all to hear. Applause filled the room again as Lion Mary headed back to her seat.

Congratulations Lion Mary Clark the "Unsung Hero" of the Big Rapids Lions Club!





Pete Conarty

1st Vice District Governor

Greetings Lions,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Holiday season! I enjoyed being involved in a number of Lions Christmas Parties and celebrating the joys of the season with you.

We have had a very productive six months. Our membership is growing, we have added a new Lions Club to our District in Kingsley, a new club is underway in Reed City, we have had two clubs merge to better serve their communities, and we have been involved in many special projects. Your Lions Club has made a difference in your community.

The next six months will be just as exciting. Mark these dates on your new 2014 calendars and plan to participate.

- 1. The Michigan Lions Forum in Lansing at the Ramada Inn, February 14 and 15. There will be a number of valuable break-out sessions and motivating speakers.
- 2. The District 11 E1 Convention will be held in Holland, MI at the Double Tree Hotel on March 21, 22 and 23. A boat race is included this year details to come.
- 3. The Multiple District 11 State Convention will be held in Battle Creek on May 16 and 17.
- 4. The 2014 International Lions Convention is in Toronto, Canada from July 4-8. The convention is much closer to home and provides you with an opportunity to combine a great vacation with Lions business.
- 5. We have another great six months to look forward to.

Happy New Year! Lion Pete



CALENDAR 2013-2014

District 11E1 Cabinet Meeting January 11th 2014 (Saturday) @ Big Boy 1310 S. Mitchell St, Cadillac MI

Midwest Eye-Banks/Lions of Michigan Foundation Fundraising Cruise January 26 2014 - Sailing from Fort Lauderdale, FL

Michigan Forum Saturday, February 15th, 2014 9:00 AM Ramada Inn, Lansing

Kingsley Lions Charter Night @ The ROCK in Kingsley February 18th, 2014

Advanced Lions Leadership Institute Oak Brook, Illinois March 8-10, 2014

District 11E1 Cabinet Meeting March 21st-23rd 2014 District Convention @ Double Tree Hotel, Holland MI

Lions of Michigan State Convention May 16-17 2014 @ McCamly Place Hotel Battle Creek, MI

Lions International Convention July 4-8 2014 Toronto, Canada

> IPDG Tim Anderson's Appreciation Dinner August 23rd 2014 @ McGuire's Resort 7880 Mackinaw Trail, Cadillac MI



2nd Vice District Governor



Mike Howard

Ho. Ho. Morry Christmas and Happy New Year. Hope everyone has weathered the storms in good shape.

We are now in the process of having a new club in Reed City. We have canvassed for future Lions and signed up 11 potential members. We held an informational meeting

with 5 candidates for membership. They picked a Club name, meeting place, day of meeting and time for the meeting. They will be known as The Crossroads Lions Club, the first Meeting will be December 30, at 5:30 P.M. They will be meeting at The Crossroads Reality, 780 Chestnut St Reed City Mich. The guiding Lions will be Lion Bill Simpson and Lion Dick Perrin.

The Michigan Forum is coming up. It will be February 14th & 15th, 2014 at the Ramada Inn Lansing, 7501 West Saginaw Highway, Lansing MI 48917. Phone 1-517-627-3211. You must be registered by 1/30/2014 to be guaranteed for Lunch and Forum Material.

GOD BLESS

LET the LIONS ROAR

2nd. V.D.G. Mike Howard daduck@ejourney.com

WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER AS LIONS OF OLD AND NOT OLD LIONS RESTORE THE LIONS 'ROAR'

'ROAR" 'ROAR" 'ROAR"

A Special Thank You

PDG Wayne and I want to thank those of you that sent cards or e-mail messages to us or those special two friends of ours that made the long drive to Coloma for the funeral during the loss of my father "Harold Nitz." It means so much that we have such a caring Lions family in our district, again thanks for your prayers and concerns.

Lion Debbie & PDG Wayne Kreitner & Lion Michael, Julie & Logan Kreitner

Club Aniversaries

January

EMPIRE LIONS Chartered 01/12/1953 61 YEARS

WEIDMAN LIONS

Chartered 01/17/1957 57 YEARS

VESTABURG LIONS Chartered 01/18/1977 37 YEARS



DISTRICT 11E1 ROARS

Baldwin Lions





Members of the Baldwin Lions club, including new member Debbie Veda, PDG Lynwood and Lion Jan Mast from Fremont Lions came and helped Santa hand out gifts to area children.

The kids and families were treated to Sloppy Joes, hot cocoa, punch and treats. The children all got to make several holiday crafts and enter drawings for gifts donated by local merchants.

Santa was unfortunately unable to attend, so PDG Lion Harry Johnson helped him out this night by filling in for him.





Cadillac Lions



Celebrates 70 Years of Service

The Cadillac Lions Club held a dual celebration during their December 3rd meeting. Besides it being their yearly Christmas Party they also remembered their past and those that came before them while celebrating their 70th Anniversary!

A history of the club was given complete with slides and personal stories and a look back on our community and how it's grown and changed in the last 7 decades and the role Cadillac Lions played in the community during that time.

Our King Lion Bill Taylor sprung for a very nice cake and a good time was had by all! Congratulations to Cadillac Lions on your years of Service!



Cadillac Welcomes New Member

During their December meeting the Cadillac Lions welcomed their newest member Lion Wayne Green into their club. DG Tim Anderson inducted Lion Wayne as his sponsor Lion Tom Olmsted stood by his side.

Welcome Lion Wayne!



The "Shack" is on the ice

The Cadillac Lions once again this year are selling their "Sink the Shack" tickets. One lucky person will walk away \$1000 richer for guessing the correct day and time the ice will give way and the "Shack" will hit and sink into Lake Cadillac.

The ice is firm this year and the "Shack" has been placed with cameras aimed and ready will that lucky person be you? Well you gotta buy a ticket to find out! Contact any Cadillac Lions member or check out our District 11E1 Facebook page to see how you can buy yours!



Coleman Lions



Coleman Lions were sponsors of the annual Coleman Christmas Parade on December 14th. This was the 30th year for the lighted parade. This year's theme was "Learning the Meaning of Christmas" and 60 groups participated. Coleman Lions members gathered in Lion Mary and Jerry Lewis' heated garage to decorate their float which had the feel of an old fashioned classroom. The blackboard announced, "Today's Lesson: Serve Others." The float was awarded "Best in Theme."

"Did You Know"

Here's an easy one which club within 11E1 hosts and stores our district Float?

Edmore Lions





The Edmore Lions Club funded a Feeding America West Michigan Food Bank mobile food pantry project on Dec. 7, 2013. With the invaluable assistance of the Christian Endeavor youth group in Edmore with the boxing of the food, and the Personal Ministries group with parking and the distribution of personal hygiene items, more than 200 Edmore area families received valuable assistance before the Christmas holidays! More than 10,000 pounds of food was distributed to needy families. The project was essentially funded through our Christmas ham sales project, with the sale of more than 100 hams, and from a giant Christmas card displayed at the local branch of Chemical Bank, where local residents are encouraged to sign the card and make a monetary donation to the Edmore Lions Club.

Lion's members who worked at the food distribution project, along with the workers from the other local groups, are to be highly commended for their dedication, as it was a bitterly cold day to do the project.



Empire Lions

At the Empire Lions Club annual Christmas dinner, Lion Claude Fields (center) was named the Lion of the Year for his outstanding community service as a Lion. The award was presented by the two previous award winners, Lions Larry Krawczak (L) and Richard Figura (R.)

Greenville Lions



Lion Dan Eagles & Meijer's Manager Jim Gardner



Lion Dan & Lion Bo at the shopping area



Lion Dan with E. J. Pass & Leo members



Lion Roger handing out lists for the children

The Greenville Lions have this Toy Project every year, the letters go out to our generous Greenville Community to start off the project. This year we started out with the Covertte club with their show in August, they bring a toy for their admission to the car show. That was a great start for the club with all that they collected.

This year we also had the help of area motorcyles clubs and they have competion between each club. They have a traveling trophy to see which club gets the most toys. Thay say that their part will be even bigger next year.

We also involved area business's with our "Heart of a Lion Oranament" we had the ornaments on Christmas Trees and people would pick one and buy a gift for the child of that age group. Then the parents come to the check in to see how much they are allowed per child and the process begins from there. There is no cost to these families. From the "Heart of a Lion" comes a toy for the heart of a child at Christmas Time.



Setting up at the school



Lion Roger setting up all the games



Setting up tables in the school gym



Setting up hats & mittens that were donated



Lions setting up stuffed animals for children



After set-up for all ages of children 1 year thru 12 years

Kingsley Lions



The HATS, MITTENS & SOCKS DRIVE sponsored by the Kingsley Lions Club, collected 230 hats, numerous gloves, socks, scarfs ...they have been delivered to the Kingsley Elementary & Middle Schools, Hanna Preschool and the Rock Youth Center for our area children. We would like to send out a big THANK YOU for the generous donations from so many in our community.





Our club held a Project KidSight Screening during Santa's visit to the Rock on December 7th, 34 children had their vision screened and 5 were identified with possible problems that need follow up.

The Free Sight Screening was sponsored by the Kingsley Lions Club. Our thanks to Lion Jackie Glazier for being our screener and Lion Connie McMorris for helping us learn the ropes, also to members from the Cadillac Lions Club for their assistance in obtaining the camera equipment.

Honor Lions

Happy Holidays to all the Lions in District 11-E1from the Honor Lions. We've had lots of snow here in Benzie County but it has not slowed us down with helping our community.

We had a few things we dropped off at St. Phillips Church for families to pick up to help make their Christmas a little for joyful.

We've started our first ever Lucky 13 Raffle. We have only 500 tickets to sell. You can win multiple times over a 13 week period because your ticket stays in the full 13 weeks, there will be 13 \$13.00 winners 11 weeks you could win \$130.00 June 13th you could win \$330.00, and the top prize will be drawn on July 4th \$1133.00 drawings start April 11, 2014 so contact any Honor Lion if you would like to purchase a ticket. We have sold several for stocking stuffers.

we have been contacted by the girl scouts to be a cookie station again this year this will be sometime in March we have two that were just helped with glasses so they will have a brighter outlook for the new year. !!!

This is our slow period since so many go away for the winter but we are still available to help those in need. we ended the calendar year with a new Lion Perry Macero, he is a disabled Veteran, but has some new ideas for us his Dad is also one of our Lions We have a couple other people we are trying to bring in as well.

Hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a happy safe New Year



Lake Ann Lions

Lake Ann Lions Club member Lion Joe Greer was presented the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Lion Joe was a 1997 Lion of the Year winner, 1999 Club President, 1997--2010 Annual Golf Chairperson, Pancake Flipping guru and talented Club Tail Twister!

*Lions International recognizes outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder Melvin Jones. This fellowship Award is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism.

Onekama Lions

The Onekama Lions had a busy December. We adopted a family for Christmas, and bought gifts for this family. The school gives us a family to purchase gifts for each year. It is hard to shop for someone that you do not know, but they had a great Christmas with what we had all collected, wrapped and delivered back to the school. We also do Christmas dinner food baskets for all the families that the school feels needs it.

The Onekama Lions spend an afternoon at the Medical Care in Manistee, singing Christmas Carols. We bring all kinds of cookies too! We have our very own Santa that comes and passes out gifts to all the residents. The home purchases the gifts with a check that was given to them in November by the Lions Club. What a great way to show Christmas spirit, singing, passing out cookies, giving gifts and giving others a day of enjoyment, that may have had no visitors for some time.

We want to Thank DG Tim, First Lady Christina and CUB Rachael for joining us at the Medical Care.

The Onekama Lions wish everyone a very HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!



Stanwood Lions

Lion Harold Chipman, a Charter member of the Stanwood Lions Club welcomes newest member Kay Haines and points out to her his name on the Club's charter. Looking on are District Governor Tim Anderson and Lion Kay's sponsor PDG James Walls. Sadly, we add that shortly after this event, Harold passed away.

Harold was a Lion's Lion and generous to all whom he met--a fine example for the rest of us to follow.

White Cloud Lions

The White Cloud Lions are hosting a dinner for all people that are in need of a dinner or would just like to socialize with other without families at this time of year. The Lion's den will be open for Christmas at 11:00 am Christmas Day for all those in need.

We are expecting to serve over one hundred people from our community on Christmas. Lions are volunteering in many ways. Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service. LIONS ROAR



Congratulations

The following Lions have brought in their 1st new Member for the year and have earned the new MICHIGAN SAFARI PIN

EMPIRE Lion Mike Sheridan Lion John Peppler Lion Richard Daniels HONOR Lion George Marcero

SHEPHERD Lion Roger Trudell

STANWOOD Lion Jim Walls

This pin will be awarded to all Lions once they bring in their 1st new member of the year!

WAY TO GO LIONS!

From the District Editor

THANK YOU! To the 30 clubs that have submitted stories to our District Newsletter so far this year! We are almost there! Keep them coming in because we ALL want to hear what your club is up to!

The goal this year was and is to have ALL the clubs submit at least one story to our newsletter.

Just to help you out here is a list of those 15 clubs we haven't heard from yet. Let's hear from you!

BARRYTON	BEAR LAKE	CRYSTAL	FRANKFORT	HART	<u></u> ТО
HOWARD CITY	KALEVA	LAKEVIEW	LUTHER	MANISTEE	age 1
NEWAYGO	SAND LAKE	SANFORD	SHEPHERD	SIX LAKES	Pag

Welcome New Lions!

EMPIRE

Lion Kristi Brubaker Lion Erik Foged Lion Dianna Sheridan

SHEPHERD Lion Michael Rohn

WHITE CLOUD Lion Dave Jibson (Transfer) Lion Jane Jibson (Transfer) HONOR Lion Perry Marcero

MIDLAND Lion Richard Ivan

STANWOOD Lion Judy Dowell Lion Kathleen Haines Lion Joseph Walls





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From District 11E1To Our 11 Newest Members

WELCOME!

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FOLLOW YOUR DREAM!

Membership



"Just ASK" we've all heard it and hopefully done it when trying to bring in new members. Yes it does work when approaching someone you know but sometimes it needs just a little more when you're approaching someone you don't really know!

Try adding these 2 simple steps

Engage: Strike up a conversation; interact with the person in someway

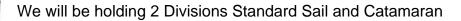
Connect: Find out what common interests you and this person may share or how Lions /what we do as Lions may touch or affect their lives

Lastly: Once this is done then Just ASK! Not necessarily to join but to help out and see where things go from there!

A GREAT time to do this is when you're out working a project, or fundraiser try it next time and you may just be added 3 new members Like the Baldwin Lions Club just did!

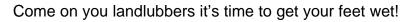
Raingutter Regatta

Join us for some High Seas Adventures and good old convention FUN! Saturday afternoon at our District Convention hoist your sail and represent your club.



Boat Kits are \$5.00 each and available from our Harbor Master:

Commodore Harry Johnson 1298 E. Fifteen Mile Rd. Bitely, MI 49309 C: 231-250-5257 - lionharry1947@gmail.com





LCI Membership Consultant

During the week of December 6th LCI Membership Consultant PDG Dick Silveira from Indiana spent the week with Lions from our District in Reed City to update us on the latest methods of recruiting members and starting up new clubs.

During that week he held additional training on "How to Expand your Club" and "Certified Guiding Lions refresher/training". We took advantage of Lion Dicks advice and canvased the community in the hopes of starting a Lions Club in this area.

We were able to sign up 11 new Lions towards the 20 needed to Charter a new Club and since then we have signed 2 more bringing us just 7 members shy of launching the new Crossroads Lions Club.

The group is meeting and plans are underway to hold a Spaghetti Dinner/KidSight Screening in the hopes of bringing in those last 7 needed. The community welcomed the Lions return and was VERY receptive and positive to a new club forming.

New clubs don't happen overnight but we are off to a GREAT start! If you know of anyone in the Reed City area and think they might like to become a part of this new club please contact them and us with the information, we would be glad to have them!

The Club meets again:

Monday January 13th 5:00 PM @ Crossroads Realty 780 S Chestnut St, Reed City, MI 49677





	District 11-C1 & 11-E1 Convention Registratior	n Form
	March 21st, 22nd & 23rd, 2014 Doubletree by Hilton	For hotel reservations, call hotel direct at 616-394-0111
	650 East 24th Street, Holland, MI 49423	Room Rate: \$75.00
Club Name: _		District:
Contact Name	e:	Contact Phone:
Address:		City: Zip

If you have special Needs (meals or hearing or sight impairment) please contact Lion Jerry Brandt, 989-578-7599 by March 6th, 2014.

Lion	Lioness	Leo	Campus Club	Guest	1st Timer	Registration (s) Please Print Clearly please enter information for each person attending	Registration Fee \$7.00 per Person (after March10 2014 \$10.00)	\$13.00 Friday Party	\$14.00 Saturday Breakfast	\$13.00 Saturday Lunch	\$28 Satu Ban Din	rday quet ner Atlantic	\$14.00 Sunday Memorial Brunch	Total Per Person
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Please Make Checks Payable to: District 11-E1 Convention

Payment must be included with Registration Form

Send registration forms to: PDG Jerry Brandt, 7133 E. Cranberry Lake Rd., Harrison, MI 48625

Registration Deadline: March 8th, 2013-- Must pay late registration fee (\$10.00 / Person) after deadline.

The World's Longest Lunch Relay

Fellow Lions,

ID Esther LaMothe has sent exciting news regarding an international event to take place on 4-4-14. I am sending to you preliminary information to get the word out so our clubs can start planning.

Watch for updates!

The World's Longest Lunch Relay - ID Esther LaMothe

At our Board Meeting in Australia, President Palmer announced a special worldwide lunch that will take place during the April Family and Friend Month. He is asking each of our districts to plan a special event for one day in April. The tentative date is Friday, April 4, 2014.

Lions Longest Lunch Relay

The lunch will take place worldwide, a 24-hour, international event that brings families and friends of Lions together in their local communities with families and friends of Lions around the world. It is a great opportunity to share a meal and celebrate Lion successes, service stories and the rewards of being a Lion.

Here's how the Lions Longest Lunch Relay will work:

Participating clubs will schedule a lunch for their family and friends on April 4th. As clubs around the world host lunches in different international time zones, the Lunch Relay will move from time zone to time zone and steadily make its way around the globe, forming the Lions Longest Lunch Relay.

Here's how Lions can join the Lions Longest Lunch Relay:

- 1. Plan a lunch event—choose a time, location and menu
- 2. Register the lunch event Share the time and location for the lunch (there will be a registration page on LCI's website)
- 3. Celebrate the event—take photos and share the fun through social media.

This lunch provides a great opportunity for Lions and community members to feel they are a part of something big, and can discuss and learn about what Lions do. This can be a women's event, a family and women's event, or simply involve both Lion and non-Lions who want to participate. This will be up to you to determine locally.

The Lions Longest Lunch Relay is a day of food, fun and fellowship. It's our chance to be part of something big---*really big....*so start thinking about the event today!

Esther LaMothe, ID

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/lions-world-lunch-relay.php

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/lions-world-lunch-relay-registration.php

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/me51.pdf

District 11-E1 Certification Form

<u>Club Secretary</u>—Remember to send your list of delegates, alternates and Past District Governors who will be attending the district convention in Holland to Lion Gayle Morlock before February 28, 2014.

Past District Governors get a vote independent of the club delegates. List them at the end of your list of delegates/alternates.

The number of club delegates is based on your membership as of February 1, 2014. You get one (1) delegate for every ten (10) members or major fraction thereof.

All delegates must be certified before 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Saturday, March 22, 2014 or they will not be allowed to vote.

Send to: Lion Gayle Morlock

9357 95th Ave.

Evart, MI 49631

231-734-5200 (H)

Email—landg@netonecom.net

Thank you,

Lion Gayle Morlock, Chairperson

Certification Committee

"Did You Know"

If you answered the Luther Lions Club you would be correct!

Besides all their Pancake Breakfasts, Soup suppers and everything else they do for their area they are the home base and care takers of our district float.

DISTRICT 11-E1 DELEGATE CERTIFICATION FORM

CLUB NAME ____

NUMBER OF MEMBERS

ARTICLE XI SECTION 7 of the District 11-E1 Constitution and By-Laws so states that: Each chartered Club in good standing in Lions International and the District shall be represented by one or more delegates at the District Convention and shall be entitled in each such Convention to one (1) voting delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, of said Club as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding the month during which the Convention is held (February 1, 2014). The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Further, full delegate Status shall be accorded each Past District Governor who is a member of a Club in this District, independent of the Club delegate quotas herein above specified. Each certified delegate present in person may cast one (1) vote for each office to be filled and one (1) vote only on each issue to be voted on by the members of said Convention. Unless otherwise specified herein, the affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates voting on any question shall be the act of the Convention.

NAME	DELEGATE (D), ALTERNATE (A)	SIGN AT CONVENTION
Delegate or Alternate		
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I hereby certify that the delegates and alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and The Lions of Michigan.

__Club President/Secretary/ or District Governor at Convention

Remember: All delegates must be registered and certified before 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Saturday, March 22, 2014 or they will not be allowed to vote.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

LION GAYLE MORLOCK 9357 95TH AVE. EVART, MI 49631

ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 2014

District Officer Nominations

Any Lion who wishes to run for a district office (Governor, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG or Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee) is reminded to send in his or her intent letter by Monday, January 20, 2014. The letter should come from the club's secretary, signed by the club president indicating the club's support and sent to the Nominations Committee Chair and the District Cabinet Secretary. If you have any questions, please contact the Nominations Chair who is listed below.

Nomination Procedures

Any qualified member of a club in the district seeking the office of District Governor, 1st Vice-District or 2nd Vice-District Governor shall file his/her intention to so run in writing with the Nominating Committee at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening session (March 21, 2014) of the District Convention, with copies to the Cabinet Secretary and furnish evidence of his/her compliance with the qualifications for said office set out in the International Constitution and Bylaws. The Nominating Committee shall place in nomination at the district convention the name(s) of all candidate(s) so qualified. If none are so received and/or so qualified, then, but then only, nominations for the office may be made from the floor. A candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration.

Nominations for the office of Trustee of the Foundation shall be written and shall be certified by the President or Secretary of the Nominee's Lions Club as being the act of a majority of the members of the Club, and shall be filed with the District Nominations Committee Chairperson not less than (60) days prior to the convening date of the District Convention (March 21, 2014). The procedure and rules for nominating and electing a trustee of the foundation shall be the same as for District officers, which are indicated in Article 1 of these By-Laws.

Lion Dick Perrin, PDG Nominations Chair 13948 Jet Drive Big Rapids, MI 49307 Phone: 231-796-5675 Email: perrinr@hotmail.com

Update Information

New cell phone number for PDG Jerry Brandt 989-578-7599 New Phone # for Lion Sheila Ferrel Mesick Lions President 231-884-4451 Contact Information for: PDG Stan and Dorothy Preshaw

c/o Susan Sickelka 3846 3rd St. Des Moines, IA 50313

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Memorial Service Information for

District Convention 2014

For 11-C1 & 11-E1

Dear Club Secretary,

As you know, each year, at the District Convention, we remember and honor those Lions who have gone to serve in the Kingdom beyond. The District Convention in 2014 will be a joint convention of District 11-C1 and 11-E1. It will be held at the Double Tree Hotel, 650 E. 24th St., Holland, MI 49423 on March 21, 22, & 23, 2014.

To prepare for the Sunday Morning Memorial Service takes a lot of time and the cooperation of all Lions Clubs in the Districts.

If your club has lost a member since the 2013 District Convention, I would like to receive the information now so that we can begin to put the memorial together. You will find attached to this letter an information sheet. Please fill out the form and send it to me, along with a picture of the deceased member.

As the convention nears, we will contact you with final arrangements. We would suggest that your club pay the registration for a family member to be present at the Memorial Service to place a rose on the altar table in memory of their loved one. They will then be presented with the rose to take home with them.

If your club loses any members to death prior to March 1, 2014, please forward the same information for that member at the earliest convenience. This will make the final preparations for the Memorial Service go much smoother.

Please note that if any Lions member passes after March 1, 2014, they will be in the Memorial Service at the District Convention in 2015. We do not have time to add Lions members at the District Convention with everything else that is going on.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Debbie Kreitner 514 W. High St. Greenville, MI 48838 616-754-8409 debkreitner@charter.net

MEMORIAL INFORMATION

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Please remember to have this information to Lion Debbie Kreitner by March 1, 2014 is the deadline.



The cost for Leader Dog to produce a working guide dog paired with a blind client is between \$40,000 and \$50,000. Leader Dog is able to do this free of charge thanks in part to the generous donations from local Lions Clubs.

This may seem like a lot of money but it includes a variety of services and operational expenses. Leader Dog has a state of the art veterinary clinic with two veterinarians on staff to handle the dog's needs from puppy to adulthood. These needs include breeding and puppy physical exams before they are issued to puppy raisers and also when they are returned to Leader Dogs for guide dog training as well as follow up care for the life of the dog.

When a puppy is returned to Leader Dog, it spends the next four months in a modern kennel with radiant heat and fresh running water and of course they have to eat. Leader Dogs require about 122,000 lbs. of dog food annually.

The dogs are under the care of paid kennel staff and volunteers and this is where they will start the four month guide dog training with a certified guide dog instructors. Dogs in training are fitted with a harness and are taught to understand the commands and behaviors of guide work.

The dog is paired with a student after the four months of training. They will both stay at the residence and training center which is a facility that will house up to 24 clients in individual rooms with a private bath, TV and internet access. The residence center is staffed 24/7 to assist clients as needed. The client is also given free transportation to and from the campus.

All of these services add up to a lot of money but to the Leader Dog handler, it is priceless.

For more information about Leader Dogs for the Blind contact:

Pam Blizzard pamblizzard@cmsinter.net

Ron Sharp rasharp@sbcglobal.net





You Are Invited! Kingsley Lions Club Charter Night



- When: Tuesday February 18, 2014
- Where:The Rock Youth Center115 East Blair Street, Kingsley, MI 49649

What time: Banquet begins at 6:30 pm (so arrive a little before)

Cost: \$20 per person

Key Note Speaker: International Director Esther LaMothe

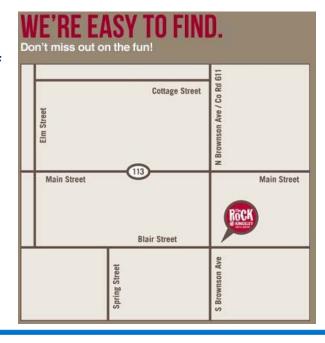
Silent Auction: Please bring an item for our silent auction to help us on our way!

Sponsoring Club: Lake Ann Lions

Make check payable to: Kingsley Lions Club

- Mail to: Dawn Willman, Secretary P.O. Box 545 Kingsley, MI 49649 231-313-1837
- **RSVP:** Please have reservations to Lion Dawn by Monday, February 10th, 2014

* If you're wondering if there's anything our club might need feel free to contact our Guiding Lion Connie McMorris (231) 871-4407



COME JOIN US FOR THIS VERY SPECIAL CELEBRATION!

Donations bring iPads to patients

Greenville Lions Club, Hunt For A Cure donate combined \$8,000 to Spectrum Health United Cancer Center



From left, Janine Cornell, Victoria Klumpp, Hunt for a Cure Chairwoman Trisha Haist, Matthew Mingori, Director of Respiratory and Oncology Spectrum Health United Hospital Jeremy Bainbridge, E.J. Paas, Foundation Director Shelly Westbrook, Wayne W. Kreitner, Deborah Kreitner, Andrew Hurst and John Moy, stand together celebrating two donations totaling \$8,000 from the Greenville Lions Club and Hunt for a Cure organization.

By Cory Smith

Daily News staff writer

GREENVILLE — Chemotherapy is a long, grueling and dreaded process for countless patients who give every ounce of strength in their body to stay on the road to recovery while battling against the deadly disease of cancer.

But thanks to two local organizations, who came together with donations for the Spectrum Health United Cancer Center, a little bit of comfort will be available in the form of iPads that will now be available for patients during their chemotherapy sessions.

The Greenville Lions Club and Hunt For A Cure organization each presented the Spectrum United Health Cancer Center with \$4,000 in donations, totaling \$8,000.

The money from those donations has been used to purchase eight iPads, along with a TV, to create a more relaxed and comfortable environment for cancer patients.

"We want to personally thank each and every one of you for making the iPads and TV possible for our patients and families here at the cancer center," said Spectrum Health United and Kelsey Hospital Foundation Director Shelly Westbrook on Wednesday morning. "They will make a huge difference."

Westbrook said patients at the cancer center range in age from 18 to people in their mid-eighties, with many coming from outside of the Greenville area.

"This is a very busy place that offers wonderful hope and healing," she said. "During chemotherapy sessions it can take upward of seven hours to receive chemotherapy. As you can imagine, sitting here for seven hours isn't always a walk in the park."

According to Westbrook, the iPads will allow patients to watch movies and television shows on Netflix, play various games, use social media and browse the internet during chemotherapy sessions.

"It will provide so much distraction, comfort and entertainment for our patients." she said.

Jeremy Bainbridge, the director of respiratory and oncology services at Spectrum Health United and Kelsey hospitals, said the cancer center has a goal to make treatment sessions "as relaxing and easy" on the patients as possible, adding that putting an iPad in the hands of patients will hopefully provide some comfort during the lengthy treatment sessions.

"I think it's wonderful to see the community coming together to support such a great cause," he said. "Everyone in our community knows someone who has been affected by this disease and unfortunately it's not going away. Chemotherapy is not a fun time, treatment is tough, so to be able to give our patients something to take their mind off of the situation, give them some comfort, it's just a great thing."

Cancer patient John Edmonds of Sheridan, who was at the hospital for his treatment of chronic myeloid leukemia over a period of five years, was very grateful to see the addition of the iPads to the cancer center.

"My treatments won't stop, I have to take them until the day I die, about every six weeks," he said. "But this place is just a miracle."

Hunt For A Cure Chairwoman Trish Haist said the organization was given a wish list from the hospital and was able to raise enough funds to cover everything on the list.

"Anything that we could afford, we would do," Haist said. "It's really exciting that we've been able to help give patients here something to do to occupy their time."

Along with donating the iPads, the Hunt For A Cure organization paid for the Netflix subscriptions as well as security on the iPads. "We're hoping to continue to grow in the future, get the community more involved and donate even more," Haist said.

Wayne Kreitner of the Greenville Lions Club said it was a unanimous decision by the club to provide funds to the hospital for the iPads.

"We heard what the patients needed over here and that's what it's about, giving them what they need," Kreitner said. "This club is just gung-ho, everybody was on board."