



District 11-E1 Newsletter

New Members

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From the Governor

Greeting Fellow Lions

First of all I want to send out prayers and ask that you all read 2nd VDG Mike Howard's section in this newsletter. Please keep Mike & Suzanne in your thoughts and prayers as well!

Our 2013-2014 District Membership Goal was reached on February 17th and my personal "Dream" goal was reached a few days later so as promised both 1st Lady Christina and I will be taking pies to our faces on Saturday March 22nd at the district convention in Holland and let's not forget I'll also be shaving off my beard so make sure to attend this year's convention you definitely don't want miss this VERY special event!

Since meeting our goal the Lions of our District haven't stopped and it's recently come to my attention that we're only 38 members away from setting a 25 year high in bringing in new members. 209 will be the magic number to reach and as of today we are "Officially" at 171 with the recent addition of the Crossroads Lions Club putting us just 38 new Lions away from setting this record!

This time if you all except this challenge we'll be doing a count up and together we can do this! We have 4 months left and our monthly average so far this year has been 15.5 new members every month so with our snow birds returning shortly and clubs returning to normal schedules for their meetings we can continue to make our district grow! GROW LIONS!

The number at the top of the page is at 171 we've grown and we're continuing to grow! With a third of this year still in front of us I say LET'S ROAR! Let's make a difference and Let's get out there and do what Lions do best SERVE our communities!

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"Follow Your Dreams" (209)



Tim Anderson



CATCH YOUR DREAMS!

“Unsung Heroes”

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



On February 3rd while visiting with the **Greenville Lions Club** we enjoyed a nice meal, a joke or two and of course a song. The club was in a FUN mood so I tried to keep that going when I was asked to speak.

Being my official visit I filled the club in on how the district was doing so far this year, about membership and our growth adding 2 new clubs so far and through this being able to help more areas and people with what we do as Lions.

I passed out several chevrons marking member’s years of service and talked about my travels and honoring those as I do, I asked **Lion Mary Kozler** to come forward. I explained how it’s sometimes difficult to find just 1 person but this year that was my goal and I then named Lion Mary the "Unsung Hero" of the Greenville Lions Club.

Her fellow Lions applauded some stood as I shook Lion Mary's hand, then I brought out her pin holding high enough so all could see. I explain to them all what this pin meant, how she should wear it with pride, I then held out her certificate reading it aloud for all to hear before presenting it to her.

At this point we paused for pictures several came up to help Lion Deb with the camera, and after I once again shook Lion Mary's hand, patted her on the back for a job well done and loudly "THANKED" for all she does for her club and community. The applause started again as Lion Mary returned to her seat.

Congratulations Lion Mary Kozler on being named the Greenville Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero!"



February 13th my wife and I had a GREAT visit with the **Stanton Lions Club** during their Ladies night held at Maxfield's Restaurant. The club is growing recently adding their first women members and on this night coming together to celebrate and plan for their future!

After sharing fellowship, good conversation and the company of the Lions oh and of course Maxfield's famous buffet dinner King Lion Larry talked about the clubs successes and shared ideas on how to reach out and better serve their community.

After which I was introduced and asked to speak. I shared our districts goals and its successes, its growth in members and clubs so far this year. I gave out 4 Michigan Safari pins to members who helped their club grow by bringing in new members.

I spoke about clubs and the lions within them and how this year I'm recognizing one special lion at each club. At this point I asked **Lion Jay Tans** to stand and join me and as he approached I introduced him as the Stanton Lions "Unsung Hero"!

The room broke out into applause as I reached out and shook Lion Jays hand as he smiled back at me he thanked me and I stopped him telling him "No I'm here to Thank you"! I then held out his pin showing him first then the rest of the room and as I presented to him I told him how important how rare this pin was only 47 other will have it this year one per club and he should wear it with pride!

I then held up the matching certificate and read it aloud as I finished the applause started again, we paused for a picture or two and as things quieted down I shook his hand one last time patted him on the back and loudly "Thanked" him for all he does!

Congratulations Lion Jay Tans on being named the Stanton Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!



February 18th during the **Kingsley Lions Clubs** Charter Night I recognized one of their new members for all the work she has done for her club. This young Lady Lion headed their Christmas Party Committee and also their Charter Night Committee helping to make this night a success! I asked **Lion Nicole Hitchings** to join me up front and as she approached I named her the "Unsung Hero" of the Kingsley Lions Club.

The Lions present all began to clap and congratulate Lion Nicole, I then held out her pin showing her and telling her how special this was and how only a few would wear this pin, I then held out her certificate showing her then holding it up and reading it aloud for all present to hear.

As the applause started again and Nicole giggled uncomfortably at the attention we posed for a picture or two as cameras came out. Afterwards I patted her on her back, shook her hand and loudly and clearly for all in the room I "Thanked" her for all she does.

Congratulation Lion Nicole Hitchings on being named the Kingsley Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!





Pete Conarty

1st Vice District Governor

Greetings Lions,

I know that you have been keeping up with DG Tim's news bulletins on 2nd VDG Mike Howard's condition. The latest news is that he is making a slow but good recovery. Our prayers are for a

complete healing in the next few months and for his wife, Suzanne, and family at this difficult time.

What an exciting time to be a Lion in District 11 E1. Our membership numbers are up, two new clubs have been added to our roster, we had a great Michigan Forum in Lansing, and our District Convention is in a few weeks. The agenda for the convention looks awesome with great breakout sessions, social interaction, and some dynamic presentations.

Don't miss out on the action.

It's time to think "Spring" and our GLT Team Coordinator Dick Perrin is busy scheduling new officer trainings through our Zone Chairs. These meetings will be held primarily in late April and May and are for new and continuing club officers. We urge officers that will repeat in office to attend as they have a lot to contribute to our trainings.

See you at the Convention.

Lion Pete Conarty 1st VDG

CALENDAR 2013-2014

Crossroads Lions Charter Night
@ Eagle Village in Hersey, MI
March 6th, 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



BARBER NEEDED



A steady hand and kind heart appreciated

Call the

District Governor!

2nd Vice District Governor



Mike Howard

Lion Friends

I want to let you all know that Mike fell down our basement steps a few weeks ago and landed head first on the cement floor below. He fractured his skull and neck, broke his nose and jaw and was airlifted to Covenant Hospital in Saginaw.

If you know Mike you know he's a fighter and after surgery that first night to relieve the pressure on his brain and stop a bleed he opened his eyes the next day. Since then Mike has recently had surgery to fuse his neck and when he's strong enough they will fix his jaw and face.

For now Mike remains in the trauma unit at Covenant Hospital where his body is healing and growing stronger preparing him for the next surgery. I'm spending as much time as I can with him even though he isn't always awake I want him to know I'm there.

I would like to thank everyone who has sent cards and prayers there's a long road ahead of us and it helps knowing we have so many people that care.

Baby Steps is the best way to describe Mike's recovery but any step forward is a step in the right direction.

GOD BLESS

And as Mike always says ~ LET the LIONS ROAR

Sue Howard
daduck@ejourney.com

Club Anniversaries *March*

HART LIONS
Chartered
03/09/1979
35 YEARS

STANTON LIONS
Chartered
03/31/1981
33 YEARS



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

'ROAR" 'ROAR" 'ROAR"

DISTRICT 11E1 ROARS

Arcadia Lions

Many of us Arcadia Lions Club members are wintering out in warmer climates, so we won't get active again until early May. At that time we'll begin getting ready for Arcadia Daze which is our town's summer celebration held on the 4th weekend in July.

Big Rapids Lions

Big Rapids Lions Club Distributes "Teen Bags" to Area Homeless Teens

The Big Rapids Lions Club recently distributed "Lions Club Teen Bags" to homeless teens in the Big Rapids area.

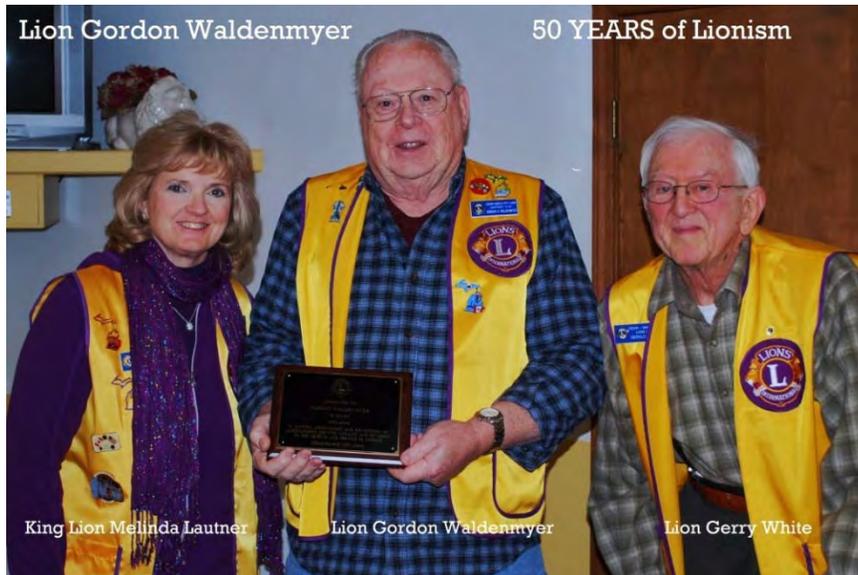
In cooperation with personnel at the high school, middle school and the Youth Attention Center, Lions Bob and Mary Clark delivered bags filled with personal hygiene items, hats, gloves, socks, snacks, and tickets for the local dial-a-ride system. The bags for guys contain items appropriate for them and, of course, the bags for girls contain items appropriate for them. "Smile" activity boxes were also distributed for homeless elementary kids along with a bag full of snacks.

Over fifty bags were distributed this time and we will provide more as the need arises. Thanks again to Lion Bob and Lion Mary for all of their efforts on this project.

Project KidSight Screening

The Big Rapids Lions and the Big Rapids Masonic Lodge participated in the Eastwood Elementary School Family Night in February. The Big Rapids Lions held a KidSight screening. Lion Bob Thompson and Lion Karlis Greizis from the Weidman Lions Club helped with taking the pictures. The Big Rapids Masons held their Masonic Child I.D. program. Thanks to Lion Bob, Lion Karlis of the Weidman Lions Club and the Big Rapids Lions who helped that night.

At the recent Christmas program for Big Jackson public school, awards were given out to the contestants in the annual LCI Peace Poster contest. First place winner, Megan Coisineau was not present, but will receive a check from the Baldwin Lions Club for \$50. Pictured with PDG's Laura and Harry Johnson is the second place winner, Autumn Wilkinson, who received a check for \$25.



Cedar - Maple City Lions

On February the 24, we recognized Lion Gordon Waldenmyer for 50 years of service in Lions. Photo, left, King Lion Melinda Lautner, Lion Gordon Waldenmyer & Lion Gerry White.

Coleman Lions

High School Senior, Sam Robison, son of Lions Nancy and Leon Robison and grandson of Lion Ellen Maynard, spoke to the Coleman Lions members about his experience at the 4-H Congress Convention in Atlanta last November.

Sam was one of 12 students from Michigan to attend the National meeting. He showed slides and spoke about the places they visited and the project of cleaning up a park in a low income Atlanta neighborhood. Sam said he learned a lot about himself and gained leadership skills through this experience. He thanked Coleman Lions for their help with travel expenses for the trip.

“Did You Know”

11E1 currently has 46 clubs but what is the highest number of clubs that our district has ever had at one time?

Crossroads Lions

The Crossroads Lions move ahead towards their Charter Night with the club officers recently completing the required Officer Training and the membership being inducted and then the officers installed all at their February 27th meeting.

The club is planning for the future laying out projects and setting up a Chili Cook-off to be held at the end of March. Proceeds from this event are to be used to help cover the vision assistance requests that are already coming in from the community.

The club hopes to see and meet many of their fellow 11E1 Lions at their Charter Night on March 6th.

Kingsley Lions



The Kingsley Lions held their Charter Night on February 18th with Lions from all over our district in attendance to help welcome this new club. ID Esther LaMothe was the special guest speaker taking the club and Lions present on a picnic which she used as a metaphor on creating and planning a successful club.

A “Thank You” from the club goes out to all that attended and for your show of support!



FOLLOW YOUR DREAM



Special THANKS goes out to ID Esther LaMothe for sharing this evening with us!

Midland Lions

MIDLAND LIONS ACT TO RELIEVE HUNGER

On January 15th a dozen Midland Lions got together with other volunteers from the Midland County Emergency Food Pantry Network to provide food for needy families in Midland County at the Midland Civic Arena (Ice Rink).

The truckload of food, purchased by the Midland Lions Club served 294 (260, last year) families (895 people, 844 last year) with meat, bread, potatoes, vegetables and other staples to help supplement their food supply during these cold winter times. This is in addition to the support the Lions Club provides for the Back Pack Buddies program for elementary school students during the school year.

Welcome NEW MIDLAND LION



New Lion Dick Ivan inducted by our own 1st Vice District Governor Pete Conarty at the January 21 Lions Meeting. Sponsor is Lion Doug Ward

In Memory



LION GILBERT MAIENKNECHT
Mount Pleasant Lions Club

LION ALFRED MAIO
Remus Lions Club

LION WILLIAM SQUIRES
Traverse City Lions Club

You are missed!

(Names will be shared as they get reported to LCI)

Sheridan Lions Club

Sheridan Lions members honored Lion Dick Langin with a Melvin Jones award at their Valentines get together with on Valentine's Day at a local restaurant with PDG Lynnwood Mast presenting the award.

Lion Jan Mast was also in attendance as was PDG Wayne Kreitner & Lion Debbie Kreitner. A fun time was had by all. Congratulations to Lion Dick.



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.

We will be holding 2 Divisions Standard Sail and Catamaran

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

If you're attending the convention you're going to want to get your boat!

Stanton Lions Club

Stanton Lions Club Announces Community Service Award

The Stanton Lions Club held their annual Valentine's Day dinner at Mayfield's Restaurant on February 13, 2013 at which time they announced a new **Stanton Lions Club Community Service Award** which will be presented annually to an applicant submitted by residents of the Stanton area and selected by a committee appointed by the Lions Club.

The first award was presented to Thomas Reese of Stanton for his many years of service to the Stanton area. He has been a Lions member for over thirty years, including many as Secretary as well as organizing many community service projects.

Also attending the meeting was Lions District 11-E1 District Governor Tim Anderson and his wife Christina. He presented long time member and Stanton Lions Club treasure Jay Tans with the "Unsung Hero" award. This award is presented by the District Governor to a member of the Club for his or her services. Jay has been active in the club for over twenty years and has been active in most of the projects.

Also announced at the meeting was the inclusion of an article in the Lions Magazine (International) on a project completed in coordination with six other local clubs to purchase a Zip Zap chair for Zade Koistra (see previous article by Mike Taylor in the Daily News). The family has been contacted by



parties from as far away as Florida. The family also presented a plaque with Zade's picture on it to the seven clubs who participate.

Silent Auction



Calling all clubs don't forget we need Silent Auction items for our District Convention, if you're coming please bring something and if your unable to attend but still have an item you would like to donate contact your Zone Chair and they will see that it gets where it needs to go!

THANK YOU!

Vestaburg Lions



Pictures of our kids Christmas party, we had over 80 kids and over 190 total at our local library for the party. We also have a new member.



White Cloud Lions

White Cloud Lions Club did Project KidSight at Tri-County School plus Head Start and White Cloud School in February, a total of 354 children with 25 referrals. We can only imagine the positive impact we have made with the 25 referral children. President Bill Koch would like to send special thanks to PDG Dan Gibbons and Lion Bob Thompson for their expert help with the cameras and Lions Jackie Koch, Jackie Spotts, Wayne Gustman, Vern Brandt and niece Dawn Geigle for their help in organizing the children at the schools that made all 3 projects go very smooth.

White Cloud is in the midst of planning for an outstanding Global Luncheon on April 4th. We are Spotlighting Organizations that are Offering Needed Services that Make the World a Brighter Place. We are including all the surrounding Lion Clubs, Knights of Columbus and Rotary Clubs plus Lions of Michigan Foundation, and 7 other organizations. Every person that attends will receive the special Certificate of Attendance and pin for this International Global Event. Join us if you can.

You're Invited!



Crossroads Lions Club Charter Night



When: Thursday March 6, 2014

Where: Eagle Village
4507 170th Ave, Hersey, MI 49639
(Just East of Reed City off US10)

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

Cost: \$11.00 per person

Key Note Speaker: Past International Director Dennis Cobler

50/50 Drawing

Sponsoring Club: Big Rapids Lions

Make check payable to: Crossroads Lions Club

Mail to: Chad Saxton (Treasurer)
23600 4 Mile Rd
Reed City, MI 49677
231-742-1294

RSVP: Please have reservations to Lion Chad by Thursday,
February 27th, 2014

COME JOIN US
FOR OUR VERY
SPECIAL CELEBRATION!



* If you're wondering if there's anything our club might need feel free to contact our
Guiding Lions Bill Simpson (231) 796-5133 or Richard Perrin (231) 796-5675



Congratulations

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

MICHIGAN SAFARI PIN

EMPIRE
Lion Joan Kilgore

GREENVILLE
Lion John Moy

KALEVA
Lion Dennis Belford

NORTHPORT
Lion Tyruss Wessell

WEIDMAN
Lion Bob Thompson

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

WAY TO GROW LIONS!

District Governor Recognized

District Governor Tim was caught by surprise when he was honored during Kingsley's Charter Night, ID Esther LaMothe presented him with an International President's Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of the work he has accomplished so far this year as our Governor and the Growth our District has shown. Congratulations Governor Tim on receiving this well-deserved honor!





Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind (OUB) is busy planning our summer season.

We recently, January 17-19 had a weekend adventure at our new camping location, Indian Trails Camp. Snow Much fun was a big success, it was the event and there was plenty to do inside and out. It made for a very fun weekend for the kids.

Indian Trails Camp is a camp for Handicapped children 8 miles west of down town Grand Rapids on Lake Michigan Drive. They have been there serving Handicapped children and adults for many years. They have had no experience working with Blind children and Adults and here is where OUB comes in. We are bringing our people to them and we are promoting our programs and we are trying to raise moneys to run our programs at Indian Trails Camp.

Many Clubs have donated this year but many clubs have not and we hope they can find it in their hearts to donate what they can in the future. We will have a table at the District Convention and we hope you will come up and see what we have to offer.

I have not had one invite to put on a program in our District and I am ready and willing to meet you at your Club and put on a nice presentation. My E-mail address is w8wr@arrl.net or you can call me at (616) 754-9213. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Please note in the future any donations should be made out to OUB - Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind and **NOT** to Camp Tuhsmeheeta. Checks made out to Camp T cannot be cashed!

Lion Larry Alman – District Chairman
Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind

From the District Editor

Please submit any and all stories or updates to Lion Deb Kreitner, our editor and let's try our best to help reach Lion Deb's goal of have **EVERY** club in our district submit at least one story this year Please do not send them to her cell phone, please use her e-mail; debkreitner@charter.net

So let's hear about your club and what it's been up to! Let's hear about your members your raffles or fundraisers or upcoming events. Lions Lets **ROAR!** Send stories and pictures.

Also, please remember all State "Lions Pride" newsletter stories **MUST** be submitted through our district Editor, **NOTHING** sent directly to the state will be make it into their newsletter it must be submitted to our editor first.

Welcome New Lions!

EDMORE

Lion Tony Maxfield (Reinstate)

EMPIRE

Lion Robert McWatt
Lion James Sorbie

GREENVILLE

Lion Kevin Moy

HARRISON

Lion Betsy Ulicki (Reinstate)

KALEVA

Lion Bill Kasten
Lion Carla Kasten

KINGSLEY

Lion Stephen Griffith

NORTHPORT

Lion Nina Collins
Lion William Collins

WEIDMAN

Lion Tomas Pohl

CROSSROADS

Lion Jenny Armstrong
Lion Gail Bailey
Lion Gary Bailey Sr.
Lion Nathan Bailey
Lion Gary Bailey II
Lion Dana Borst
Lion Dorothy Bregg
Lion Susan Brown
Lion Jennifer Hoffman
Lion Judy Hoffman
Lion Lori Holmes
Lion Richard Karns
Lion Dan Lee
Lion Juanita Ripley
Lion Chad Saxton
Lion Rich Sheldon
Lion Brad Taylor
Lion Katie Vincent
Lion Beth Waldo
Lion Suzie Williams

STANWOOD

Lion Daniel Grezeszak
Lion Marie Grezeszak



From District 11E1 To Our **33** Newest Members



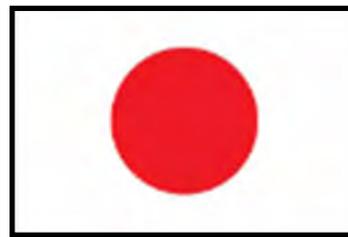
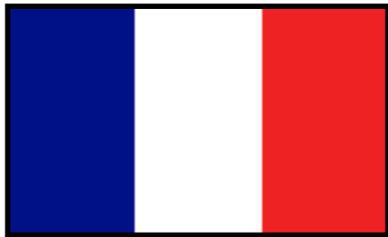
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LYEP Unites Young People...

Promoting an Understanding of Other Cultures



Lions Youth Exchange needs Host Families Homes for International Ambassador Home Stays

(It is not necessary to be a Lion)

- French Male- Oliver Delemazure

16 years old – likes theater, movies, internet, tennis, swimming

Staying in USA, August 1-4 – August 28, 2014 (4 weeks)

- Japanese Male – Yuta Nameki

16 yrs. - Likes astronomy, collecting fossils, baseball, swimming, watching sports

Staying in the USA, August 4 – August 28, 2014 (4 weeks)

Italy and Finland have also asked for homes. Call if you prefer a country.

Contact your LYEP State Chair or Lion Debra VanTol, 989-430-1824

liondebravantol@gmail.com for more information. Please call ASAP.

Here's your chance to meet Sid L. Scruggs III Past International President

Sid L. Scruggs III, of Vass, North Carolina, USA, was elected president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 93rd International Convention, held in Sydney, Australia, June 28-July 2, 2010. Past President Scruggs is a retired military and commercial airline pilot and a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy.



Using as his presidential theme A Beacon of Hope, Past President Scruggs made service to others – the core principle of Lions clubs around the world – the focal point of his presidency.

A member of the Vass Lions Club, he has held many offices in the association. In addition he has presented at the USA/Canada and Europa Leadership forums and served as an instructor for the Lions Clubs International Leadership Institute and the District Governors-elect School.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past President Scruggs served many years as chairperson of the board of directors of the North Carolina Governor Morehead School for the Blind. He is also a life member of the American Airlines Grey Eagles Association & the Naval Academy Alumni Association.

He has been presented with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest award given by the State of North Carolina, by the Governor of North Carolina. He is a member of the North Carolina Lions Hall of Fame and in 2010 he was elected to the United States Blind Golf Association Hall of Fame. He has received an honorary doctorate of humanities from World University.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past President Scruggs has received numerous awards including the Key of Nations Award for sponsoring more than 100 Lions members, and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association gives to its members. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Past President Scruggs and his wife, Judy, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have four children and 16 grandchildren.



From District Governor Tim Anderson

Alright I will sweeten the pot a little...when we reach or surpass the new 209 goal I will at my appreciation dinner SHAVE my head or better yet let a representative of the club that brings in the most new members between March 1st and June 30th shave my head.

This fresh slate on the new members gives ALL clubs a chance at winning. Come on now just which club is it going to be! F.Y.I. I have been informed I need to make it clear me wife is NOT included in this part of the deal. LOL



Districts 11C1 & 11E1 Joint Convention

Double Tree Hotel, 650 E. 24th St., Holland Michigan

March 21st - 23rd 2014

Our Special Guest & Speaker - PIP Sid and Judy Scruggs



The weekend **Kicks Off** with a **Sports FANatic Friday** themed night of games, food, and activities. There will be mini sports theme games where skill talent and dumb luck will be rewarded with prizes. Enjoy the cash bar, 50/50 drawing, Tailgater food and fun. **Let the Games Begin!**
(Dress representing your favorite sports team)

The **Main Events** of the night will be a costume judging to see if we can find who's showing the most "Team Spirit" and a "**Minute to Win it**" competition hosted by our own **PID Gary "Guy" Anderson!**

Saturday starts out @ **8:00 am** with the **Family & Women's** Breakfast Buffet with Special Speaker **Judy Scruggs** and this leads into a day of Forums, Fun and Fellowship!



9:00 am Diabetes Prevention / Preventing Type 2 Diabetes – **Lion Cheryl Schneider**
"Leadership - The Challenge of Change" - **PIP Sid Scruggs**

9:30 am Computer Training – **Lion Karla Roebuck & Team**

10:15 am Holland Tulip Festival & Wooden Shoe Business
PID Gary's Guide - "How **NOT** to run a meeting"



Lunch activities includes Induction of new members by PIP Sid, Parade of Banners, Peace Poster & White Cane Essay Contest winners a 50/50 drawing and a few words from our Special key note Speaker **Past International President Sid Scruggs!**

The FUN continues after lunch with our brief Business Meeting & Elections followed by the end to our day long Photo Safari Contest (winner receives a **\$25 Gas card**) and the infamous High Seas **RainGutter Regatta!** (Make sure to bring your boat and represent your club!)

4:30 pm Meet the President! C1/E1 Club Level & District Officers - GMT/GLT are invited to a 1 on 1 with **PIP Sid Scruggs!**

The Silent Auction closes at **5:00 pm** which gives everyone ample time to head to their rooms to change before the PIP Receiving Line & Reception **Tips Off** at **6:00 pm** followed by our Banquet & Awards at **6:30 pm**. Dinner leads into Awards / Election Results / Auction winners and of course another 50/50 drawing.

Make sure to end Friday and Saturday Nights with a trip to both Districts Hospitality Rooms to catch up with old friends and maybe make new ones!

The Convention closes on **Sunday** Morning after our **9:00 am** Memorial Service/Breakfast where we remember and pay tribute to those fellow Lions that have passed away since last year's Convention.

Join us for a Fun Filled Weekend and Bring your Game Face!

Raffles, Games, Forums, Fun, and more!



The World's Longest Lunch Relay

THERES STILL TIME TO GET RESGISTERED! The Lions World Lunch Relay kicks off on April 4th at noon, and we'd like you to be a part of this special Family & Friends Month event! The Lions World Lunch Relay is 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's a great opportunity to share a meal and celebrate your club's success, the value of service, and the rewards of being a Lion.

Here's how the Lions World Lunch Relay works:

Participating clubs will schedule a lunch for their family and friends on April 4th. The Lunch Relay will begin in New Zealand at noon. As clubs around the world host lunches in different international time zones, the Lunch Relay will move from time zone to time zone as Lions steadily pass the event around the world, forming the Lions World Lunch Relay!

Here's how your club can join the Lions World Lunch Relay:

1. Plan your lunch event – Choose a location and menu that's good for you.
2. Register your lunch event – Share the time and location for your lunch.
3. Celebrate your event – Take photos and share the fun through social media.

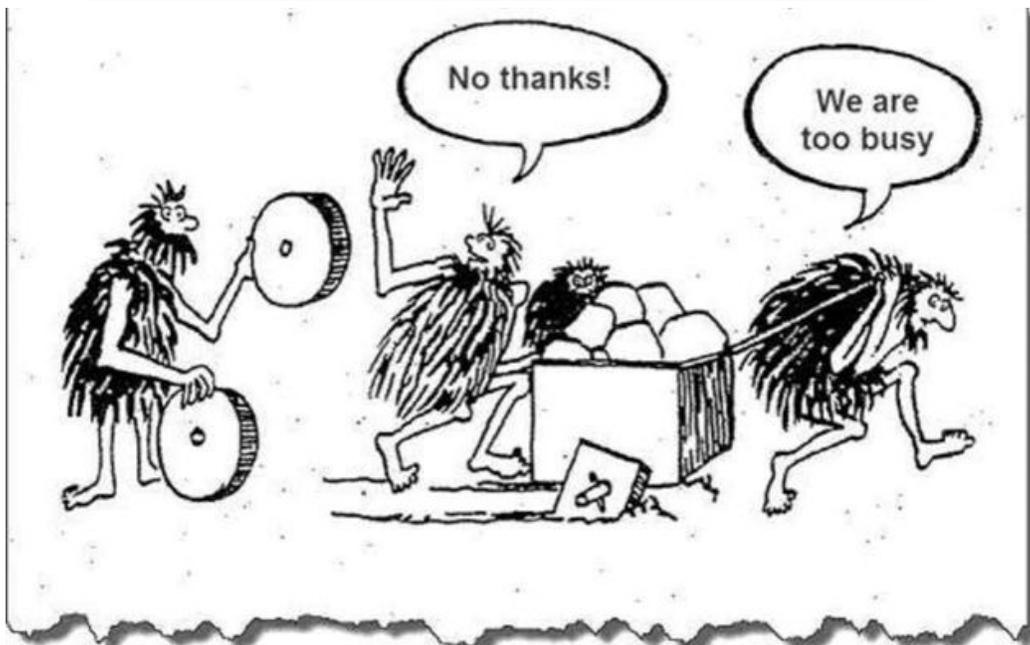
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From: PDG Richard Perrin



Don't keep your Lions club stuck doing things the "way we've always done them." Dare to dream.
Dare to try. Spread your wings and fly!

District 11-E1 Certification Form

Club Secretary—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](mailto:landg@netonecom.net)

Thank you,

Lion Gayle Morlock, Chairperson

Certification Committee

“Did You Know”

The answer is **53 Clubs**

For 7 years 1980 - 1986 District E1 was made up of 53 clubs now for bonus points and anyone name them?

District 11-E1

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 or Alternate	DELEGATE (D), ALTERNATE (A)	SIGN AT CONVENTION
1.		
2.		
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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

**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 light a candle on the altar table in memory of their loved one.

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

Lions Club of _____

Deceased Lions Name _____ Age _____

Date of Death _____ Inducted into Lions Club / /

OFFICES HELD BY THIS LION IN THE:

<u>CLUB:</u>	<u>DISTRICT:</u>	<u>INTERNATIONAL:</u>
_____	_____	_____
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HONORS AND AWARDS RECEIVED BY THIS LION FROM THE:

<u>CLUB:</u>	<u>DISTRICT:</u>	<u>INTERNATIONAL:</u>
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MILITARY SERVICE Branch _____ From _____ To _____

Medals/Commendations earned _____

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND/OR COMMUNITY SERVICES & INTERESTS:

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OF INTEREST AND/OR IMPORTANCE:

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

Lions of Michigan All State Band



Hello fellow Lions!

I wanted to bring to your attention that we have several students in our 11 E-1 District that were chosen to be a part of the Michigan All State Band.

This year the International Convention will be in Toronto Canada and the students themselves have to pay the \$1179.00 Tour Cost which covers; meals, 2 band uniforms, transportation, hotel and admissions costs.

Students Are:

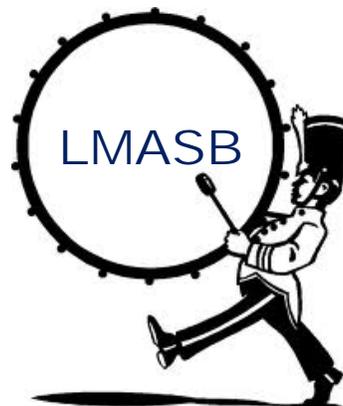
McBain--Joel Vredenburg
Caleb Vredenburg
Joshua Low
Zachary Utecht
Evert--Reanna Averill
Carson City--Taylor Benaudez

I cannot express how important it is to support our youth in such a wonderful way, I am hoping your club will consider donating to the students themselves (send check with their name on Memo) or just a donation (however if you send just a donation please take note that goes to administrative fees which cover various things but not the students).

Send Donations to:

Lions of Michigan All State Band
5730 Executive Drive
Lansing, MI 48911

Thank you
Lion Trish Lewis
Michigan All State Band 11 E-1 District Chairperson





The pilot class of Leader Dog’s Orientation & Mobility (O&M) Training program took place in January 2002. Each of the six clients was paired with an O&M student from Western Michigan University (WMU) and training was supervised by Rod Haneline. Rod had 22 years of experience with Leader Dog as a guide dog mobility instructor and received his master’s degree in Orientation & Mobility from WMU. Of the six clients, four eventually returned to train with a Leader Dog and two chose to continue utilizing a white cane.

The first official O&M class consisted of three clients who trained at LDB in September of 2002. They were all instructed by LDB employees. Since this class, Leader Dog’s O&M program has continued to grow and now has the capacity to train up to 100 people per year. About 50% of Leader Dog’s O&M clients return to train with a Leader Dog.

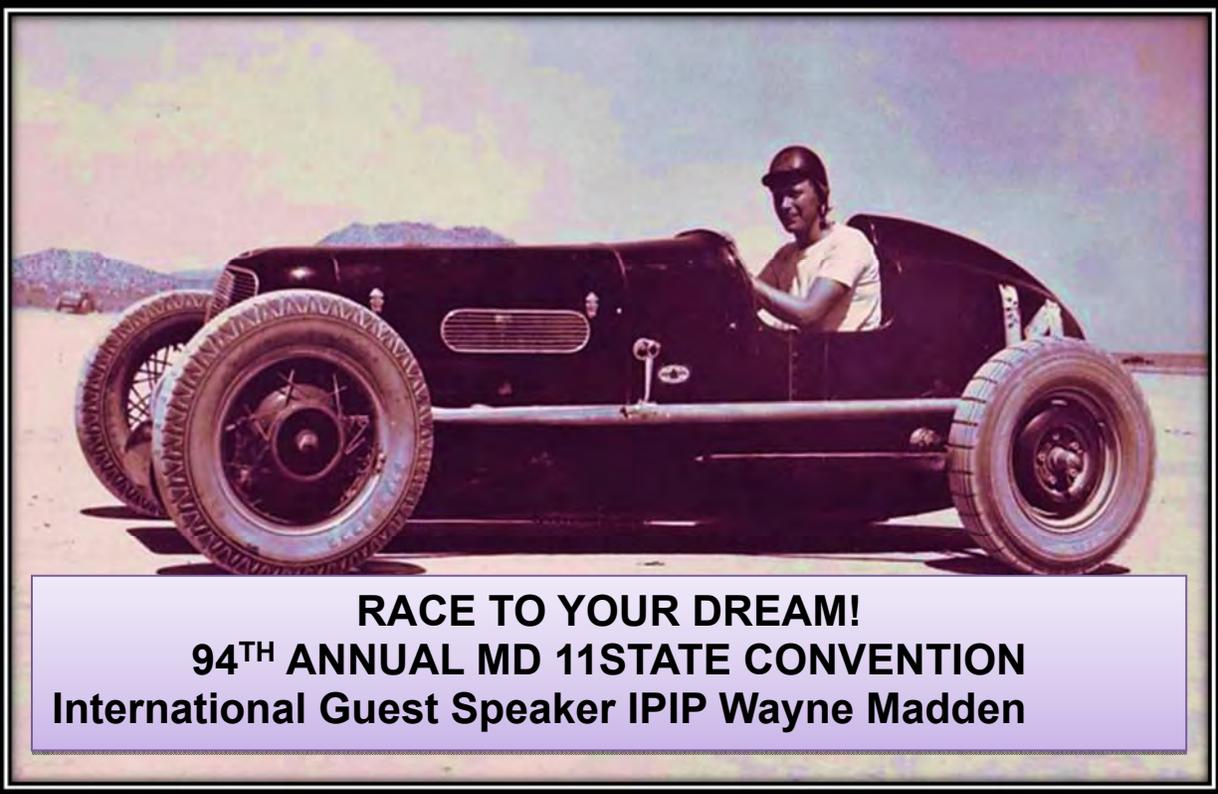
Initially called the Accelerated Mobility Program or AMP, the program’s name was changed to Accelerated O&M Training to better reflect the two components of the program: orientation—knowing where you are in your environment and knowing how to get to where you want to go; and mobility—traveling safely through the environment using a white cane.



After a rigorous application and four-day assessment process, Leader Dogs for the Blind was unanimously voted in as a member of the International Guide Dog Federation (IGDF) in February 1999.

The purpose of the IGDF is to serve people who are blind around the world with guide dogs. The 82 member organizations come from 27 countries on six continents.

The Federation provides a way for members to share knowledge, experience and methodologies so everyone can improve the quality of their instruction and operations.



**RACE TO YOUR DREAM!
94TH ANNUAL MD 11 STATE CONVENTION
International Guest Speaker IPIP Wayne Madden**

LIONS – START YOUR ENGINES AND GET READY FOR THE LIONS OF MICHIGAN MD 11 STATE CONVENTION!

The excitement begins on Thursday, May 15, with a pre-convention picnic to be held at Cornwell's Turkeyville. Spend time with fellow Lions in a relaxed, country atmosphere just minutes from Battle Creek. LCI IPIP Wayne Madden has been invited to attend.

Cornwell's is best known for their famous turkey dinners, going back to the 1960's. The Country Gift Shop, Bakery, Homemade Ice Cream and Antiques Coop will be reminiscent of our days spent in Shipshewana! Meet in hotel lobby @ 5:30 p.m. Event start time: 6:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception and "Pit Stop" Buffet Dinner and Entertainment Friday, May 16. Let's fire-up this Convention by starting with "Happy Hour"-which in race car terms is slang for the official practice before a race! Social Hour begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Entertainment immediately following dinner, with the Hospitality Room opening at 9:00 p.m. and After-Glow in hotel bar.

Saturday "Breakfast of Champions" Awards Banquet, May 17, 8:30 a.m. Enjoy a delicious breakfast as we recognize fellow Lions of their accomplishments throughout the year. The Lions of Michigan MD 11 Business Session begins at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday Evening "Winner's Circle" Awards Banquet & Memorial Service will begin with a Social Hour at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Hospitality Room open and After-Glow in Hotel bar, immediately following Awards Banquet & Memorial Service.

Saturday Breakout Sessions: Tools to Becoming an Extraordinary Lion! *and*
LCI Convention Elections: What's It All About? Also, special "Toronto Convention" travel information with LCI Convention Committee Representative!

Registration materials online at www.lionsofmi.com