



## District 11-E1 Newsletter

New Members

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## From the Governor

Sunday, September 1st kicked off our Statewide PR campaign and it will continue over the next few weeks. Most everyone should have their "Wooden Nickels" by now if your club hasn't received them please let me know! This simple campaign should get the Lions name and logo out to literally 1000's of people all over the state.



Tim Anderson

September 7<sup>th</sup> is our Fall Conference in Harrison. You should find the registration form in this newsletter and I hope to see many of you there! This is a GREAT chance to hear and see what is going on around our district and state. The event is local and the cost only \$5 which includes lunch. A parade of checks will also be held to show support for our District and State projects, a token check of say \$10 can be given at this time if you choose instead of your regular donation this is only a show of support.

Starting Monday, September 9th all over Michigan we are kicking off our "New" partnership with the Library of Michigan and their "Michigan Reads" program, I have included a website link that explains everything and if you want more information either come to our Fall Conference, our main speaker is from the Library of Michigan or contact me I will be happy to go over the program with you. This program runs until the end of October and works hand in hand with our Reading Action Program, R.A.P.

If you look up to the top of this page you can see your all doing a GREAT job on bringing in new members just two months in and we have 25 new lions so far and only **99** (104 wink wink) more to go so keep up the good work WE CAN DO THIS! **Go Lions!**

DG Lion Tim Anderson  
District 11E1  
New Member Countdown: **99**  
Lions of Michigan  
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**"Follow Your Dreams"**



## “Unsung Heroes”

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



At their August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting **Lion Tammy Thorne** from the Mecosta Lions Club was asked to come up front and join the District Governor. With a smile and a slight hesitation Tammy proceeded forward to be met with a handshake and pat on her back before she was presented with her pin and certificate naming her the "Unsung Hero" of her club.

It was at this point with a huge grin on her face she also received a "Thank you" from the district governor and applause from her club for all she does for them and her

community in the name of Lions.

**Congratulations** Lion Tammy Thorne the Mecosta Lion Clubs "Unsung Hero"!



During the Cedar/Maple City's August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting the District Governor pause at one point while speaking and asked **Lion Gerry White** to come up front and help him with a presentation. Lion Gerry came forward and while standing by the Governors side DG Tim turned to Lion Gerry and said now this is the part I need your help with and to Gerry's total surprise his was presented the "Unsung Hero" award and matching pin for all he does in the name of Lionism.

After receiving a pat on the back and a hand shake DG Tim in front of his club told him "Thank You" and upon

doing so his club broke out into applause. Lion Gerry couldn't believe he was being honored as the certificate was read aloud for all in the room to hear.

Lion Gerry White I was proud and pleased to name you the "Unsung Hero" of the Cedar/Maple City Lions Club but not half as proud as your fellow club members were to see you receive it!

**Congratulations** Lion Gerry the Cedar/Maple City Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!

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On August 19th while visiting with the Sanford Lions Club about midway through telling them about what we have going on this year DG Tim asked **Lion Bob Burnison** to please come up front with him.

No one moved but all eyes went to Lion Bob, I asked once again for Lion Bob to please come up front. He slowly rose with such apprehension looked me straight in the eye and slowly began heading up towards me.

When he reached my side I placed one hand on his back and began to explain how at each club, at this club I was honoring one person for all they do, how at this club it was particularly hard to choose just one person because the club is a team that works and pulls together but 1 person stood out just a little and as I reached out my hand I said and that one person is you Lion Bob you are the Sanford Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!

At this point cell phones came out, applause and cheers filled the room as his fellow lions snapped pictures Lion Bob shared with me looking at his new pin how much this meant to him "this is my 25th year in Lions" he said and "I really appreciate this thank you!" I told him Bob no "Thank You" for all you do! **Congratulations** Lion Bob Burnison on being the Sanford Lions "Unsung Hero!"

On August 27<sup>th</sup> during the Governors visit with the Manistee Lions Club after dinner, visiting with the members, and hearing reports, DG Tim was given the floor. He presented the new Michigan Safari pin to a Lion who brought in a new member, talked about our 5000 Good Deeds starting soon then called **Lion Ted Ross** up to help him with the next thing he needed to do.



Lion Ted does for them.

Lion Ted came up smiling and totally unaware of what was about to happen. I shared what I've been doing and honoring a Lion at each club and I then patted him on the back and said I was happy to name him the "Unsung Hero" of his club. Lion Ted began grinning and extended his hand, I presented him with his pin and read the certificate aloud his club members cheered and applauded. I patted him on the back shook his hand and thanked him for all he does. The club really appreciated the recognition of one of their members and appreciates everything

**Congratulations** Lion Ted Ross the Manistee Lions Club "Unsung Hero"!

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor

It was exciting reading the August District 11 E1 Newsletter about the number of District clubs that are partnering as a Zone, with another club, and with community groups for fundraisers and special projects. Congratulations to those participating clubs! This solidarity not only enhances our District but is noticed by our communities.

Our Clubs have an opportunity to recognize community members and groups that play a part in our projects and get us face time in our communities. Recognize these individuals and groups with our District "Heart of a Lion" award. Printed on a heavy paper and properly framed, it makes an excellent way of saying thank you and can provide great P.R. in your newspapers and media. Download your award on our web site (<http://www.MiLions11E1.org> under new club level certificate). Every club should try to present one of these awards during the year.

The BIG WEEK, October 6-12, Lions Week in Michigan is fast approaching. Plan to be recognized as a Lion that week by wearing your Lions pin, your hat, or your club shirt. Hopefully, someone will approach you for more information. Have your club develop some calling cards to hand out to people, inviting them to attend one of your meetings. Our Lions Membership Initiative Drive is October 6 – November 30. Plan an event for your club – grow the future of Lionism in District 11 E1.

Lion Pete



**Pete Conarty**

### CALENDAR 2013-2014

**District Wide PR Campaign  
Launch**  
September 1<sup>st</sup> 2013

**Fall Conference (Saturday)**  
September 7<sup>th</sup> 2013 @ The  
Harrison Lion's Den, Harrison

**Michigan Reads**  
September 9<sup>th</sup> 2013  
all over the state

**USA/Canada Forum**  
September 19th- 21st 2013  
Overland, Kansas

**Council of Governors  
Meeting**  
October 4th-5th 2013  
West Branch, MI

**Lions Week in Michigan**  
October 6th-12th 2013

**Lions Fall Membership Drive**  
October 6th-November 30th  
2013

**District 11E1 Cabinet Meeting**  
October 12th 2013 (Saturday)  
@ Big Boy  
1310 S. Mitchell St, Cadillac MI

**All State Band Auditions  
Begin**  
October 27<sup>th</sup> 2013 12 PM –  
October 28, 12 PM

**Michigan Lions Leadership  
Institute**  
November 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> 2013,  
Higgins Lake MI



### 2013-2014 Roster Books

If you or your club would like extra copies of this year's District Roster Book we are offering them on sale for \$3 apiece while supplies last!

Please contact DG Tim to get your extra copy today!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor



Mike Howard

The Mich. Eye Bank held a seminar on August 19<sup>th</sup>, which we attended.

Some of the highlights that the EYE BANK has achieved this year are 5,529 people joined the Donor Registry in 2012. 974 Michigan Residents received a second chance for sight through corneal transplants. This figure I like because my Wife happens to be one of those people.

They have also started a Sight Conservation Fellowship in the name of A. Charles Weir. If you donate \$500.00 in one year you can receive a gold lapel pin, certificate and a congratulatory letter.

They have also added a William "Doc" Barr Knights for Vision Fellowship award. If you donate \$1,000.00 in a year you will be awarded a platinum label pin, certificate and a congratulatory letter.

I will be visiting some Zone Meetings this month. I have contacted those Zone Chairs to let them know that I will be attending.

Lion Mike Howard

If you have not registered for the Fall Conference time is running out. Please do so A.S.A.P. so we may have an early head count.

**Club  
Anniversaries  
September**

**COLEMAN  
LIONS**

Chartered  
09/06/1940  
73 YEARS

**TRAVERSE  
CITY LIONS**

Chartered  
09/29/1943  
70 YEARS



### Peace Poster Kit Deadline

For 25 years, more than eight million children across the globe have participated in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. This year's theme is "Our World, Our Future." [Purchase your Peace Poster Contest kit](#) by October 1, 2013 and encourage children in your community to express their feelings of peace through art. Each kit includes an official club contest guide and rules, participant flyers, certificates and more. Order kits through [Club Supplies](#) (item search: Peace Poster Kit) or [download the order form](#).

## DISTRICT 11E1 ROARS

### Big Rapids Lions



**DONATIONS:** Lions Club member Tony Rutledge holds in his hands a bag of used eyeglasses donated to the eyeglass recycle program sponsored by the Lions Club of Michigan. Boxes can be found around Big Rapids in local optometry businesses and other offices. (Pioneer photo/Lonnie Allen)

An expanded partnership gives Lions Club members a new perspective on their eyeglass donation project.

In January 2011, Lions Club members toured the new College of Optometry building, it was then they were offered a chance to help sort glasses they collect and donate to the college.

“Shortly after the new College of Optometry building was built at Ferris State University, we got a tour of the new facility,” said Lions Club member Tony Rutledge. “It was during this tour, we were asked if our members would like to participate in the next step from collecting eyeglasses.”

The partnership between the Big Rapids Lions Club and the College of Optometry at FSU helps the Volunteer Optometric Service to Humanity clinics around the world. VOSH is a worldwide organization with a mission to provide vision care to individuals who cannot afford or obtain the services.

The 50 chapters around the world work with local service organizations — like Rotary International, Lions Club International and churches — to provide free eye exams and dispense glasses to those in need.

Dan Wrubel is a professor at the Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University, and has a private practice in Eaton Rapids. He also is the faculty adviser to the student VOSH chapter at MCO.

“We probably sort over 250,000 glasses per year at MCO,” Wrubel said. “Without the Lions Club recycled glasses project, VOSH Mission would not be what they are today. They also donate money each year to assist

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the student interns going on their respective mission trips.”

The opportunity for Lions Club members to sort glasses and work closer with SVOSH students brings in a whole new perspective.

“These are life-altering experiences,” Rutledge said. “Giving a person the chance to see for their first time is an emotional experience for those involved. Seeing smiles and joy from those you’ve helped is something not all us Lions Club members get to do.”

Lions Club members have helped sort glasses now for little more than a year.

“We come in on the third Monday of each month,” Rutledge said. We spend around two hours sorting glasses with the SVOSH students.”

The partnership between FSU and the Lions Club has helped VOSH continue its mission.

“We have an excellent rapport with the area Lions Clubs,” Wrubel said. “They not only collect and transport recycled glasses to us, they also donate money, help sort the glasses and contribute other support throughout the year.”

Lion’s Club member Rick Horst has only helped a few times in the sorting process but likes the chance to see what happens to all the glasses they collect.

“We are taught to grade and sort glasses on prescription, male, female and children. It is so much fun to help out,” Horst said.

When Horst first started sorting he did not believe the amount of glasses volunteers went through each month.

“We sort huge volumes of glasses,” Horst said. “It is amazing the work Wrubel and his students do with all those glasses.”

### **Cedar/Maple City Lions**



Governor Tim Anderson visited our club on August 12, photo 1. He presented his Unsung Hero Award to Lion Gerry White, center photo and passed out Wooden Nickels! Photo 1 is Governor Anderson and Lion Gordon Waldenmyer (acting MC), the other is the Governor presenting his Flag Pin to King Lion Lee Winfrey.

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## Welcome New Lions!

### ARCADIA

Lion Paul M Clark  
Lion Michael J Kwaiser  
Lion Curtis J Baker  
Lion Ronald J Porter



### EMPIRE

Lion Jacqueline L Glazier

### FREMONT

Lion Branan T Gerth  
Lion Michele M Ribant

### KALVEA

Herbert E. Dyer

### LUTHER

Lion Gary Sutfin  
Lion Lorraine Sutfin



### MIDLAND

Lion Marvin A. Church  
Lion Wayne H. Haynes

### VESTABURG

Lion Amber L. Clark  
Lion Jason H. Clark

From District 11E1 To Our Newest Members

***WELCOME!***

### *"Did You Know"*

Who was District  
11E1 Youngest  
Governor?

## Coleman Lions

Coleman Lions Club will be involved with the Community Health Fair on August 24 by holding a KidSight Vision Screening at the Railway Family Center with help from Lion Bob Thomson of the Weidman Lions Club. In addition, we will be selling Emergency 911 (green with white reflective numbers) address signs for \$15.00, custom made on the spot.

The annual club picnic was held on August 5 at the summer cabin of Lion Esther Gordon. Members and invited guests enjoyed good food and good fellowship in spite of the cool, rainy weather.

We are getting ready for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual fundraising "Charter Night" party, which will be held a month later this year on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The dinner will be catered by Central Michigan Catering and will again be \$15.00. We will have our usual silent and live auctions, drawings and old and new games! Doors open at 5:30 at the Coleman VFW Hall.

We hope to see many Lions there again this year.

Email Ann at [abroeseler@dishmail.net](mailto:abroeseler@dishmail.net) for tickets/reservations, or call 989-465-6482.

# Coleman Annual Fundraiser

Dinner & Auction

Celebrating 73 Years of Service to the Community

**Saturday, October 19, 2013**

VFW Hall, 204 Railway Street, Coleman, MI

Doors Open at 5:30 pm

\$15.00 - Dinner at 7:00 pm

Central Michigan Catering



Games



Drawings



Prizes

For tickets or more information, call Ann, 465-6482 or email

[abroeseler@dishmail.net](mailto:abroeseler@dishmail.net)

Mail checks to Coleman Lions Club

P.O. Box 163, Coleman, MI 48618

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## Empire Lions



The Empire Lions Club annual Chicken Barbeque ran out of chicken this year with over 300 meals served. Photo #1...Working hard over the pits were Lions Bill Banish, Clarence Davis, Jim Martin, Tom Rose, and Doug Slessman. Photo #2 Lion Jim Fowler serves Lion Kent Kelly.



The Empire Lions Club held its 47th annual auction and yard sale fundraiser with auctioneer Lion Dave Taghon backed up by Lion Bud Acton. (Photo #1) Huge crowds supported this annual activity. (Photo #2)



## Evart Lions

The club has been very busy at the booth—July venues included July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks, July 4<sup>th</sup> chicken barbecue, and the Dulcimer Funfest July 18-21. All venues ran very smoothly and once again our pies were a big hit. August started with the Osceola County 4H-FFA Fair and the Fur Trappers on August 15-16. Our last venue will be Spit and Whittle on September 6-8.

Evart High School All State Band member, sponsored by the club, helped the club at the booth for several times during the summer venues.

During National Night Out on August 6<sup>th</sup> we had a Project KidSight screening. Lion Bob Thompson, Weidman Lions, did the screenings and King Lion Larry Morlock and Lion Gayle Morlock helped with the paperwork. Eighteen children were screened with 3 referrals and one that couldn't be screened. We have participated in National Night Out for the past four years.



## Congratulations

The following Lions have brought in a new Member this year and have earned the new

### MICHIGAN SAFARI PIN

#### ARCADIA

Lion Al Schroeder  
Lion Keith McArthur  
Lion Susan LaBudde

#### HONOR

Lion Jim Mallison

#### MANISTEE

Lion Jim Modrzyński

#### SHERIDAN

Lion Lynn Lund

#### FREMONT

Lion Bob Fenner  
Lion Laurene Homsher

#### KALVEA

Lion Ken Kuuttila

#### MESICK

Lion Sheila Ferrel  
Lion Oliver Juengel

#### VESTABURG

Lion Todd Horrocks

#### HARRISON

Lion Mike Howard  
Lion Ken Burgess

#### LUTHER

Lion John Potts

#### MIDLAND

Lion Jim Dunlap  
Lion Doug Ward

This pin will be awarded to all Lions when they bring in their 1<sup>st</sup> new member of the year!

**GREAT JOB LIONS!**

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## Fremont Lions



The Fremont Lions Club recently participated in the City of Fremont's inaugural Adopt a Block city program. The purpose of this program is to adopt and improve homes in our community where the residents don't have the resources to accomplish these projects on their own. Each property owner on a selected block, regardless of marital status, sex, disability, age, gender, race, economic level, religion or national origin, was invited to participate in the Program. The project was funded by a grant from the Fremont Area Community Foundation.

As an employee of the city, new club member Michele Ribant was the overall Adopt a Block administrator. The Lions were one of several service and church organizations that participated. Longtime member Steve Adsmond organized the club project.

During the week of August 10, Club members Bob Fenner, Ron Pardonnet, Brenda Adsmond, Jim Powell, Russ Austin, Max Gardenour, Megan Adsmond, Jim Patterson, Laurene Homsher, Michele Ribant, Lauren Adsmond, Steve Adsmond and Dick Passage did extensive work on the lawn and repainted a front porch on a home in the city. The work took three days to accomplish. The home owners were very pleased with the results and so were the city officials.

After the work was completed the City of Fremont hosted a picnic for all the volunteers.

## Harrison Lions

Harrison Lions club had a dinner for a square dance group on July 13, 2013. At the county fair we had a Project KidSight booth that we screened children's eyes and took photos of 54 children.

We will start selling the hunter raffle tickets soon with the drawing on Nov. 8, 2013.

Harrison club has our White Cane sales Labor Day weekend and that is soon.

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## Honor Lions

The Honor Lions have had a great kick off to our Fall Rifle Raffle, in two sessions out selling tickets we have paid for the rifles and are on the plus side of the column!! We will be raffling a 243 Savage w/ scope and a Mossberg model 702 22 cal. gun third prize is 100.00. They will be drawn on Nov. 14th. Contact any Honor Lion for tickets!

We will be taking part again this year in the Coho Festival , we will have a small “float” in the Parade and will host the Pancake Breakfast at the Homestead Twp. Hall we will also share the hall with the Benzie Masons group for their Kids ID program.

Our King Lion is in the process of getting our new community sign put up to show where our Lions Club is located. We lost our old sign in the winter so this has been a work in progress this summer getting it made and painted so we are in the final stages!

Honor is one of the 5 clubs that helped with the Kids Sight screening and Donor station at the North West Michigan Fair alongside Lake Ann, Empire, Traverse City, and Northport. 16 members from these clubs worked the Day screening 52 kids, referred 3 on to eye doctors, and signed up 13 for the Donor registry. We gave free water and cookies out with coloring sheets and crayons for the kid’s book markers pencils etc. out as well talked to a lot of people and spread the word what the Lions do. It was a great day for us all

## Sheridan Lions



The Sheridan Lions club is having Candy sales September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. We recently had a speaker from Montcalm County Commission came to explain county program.

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## Stanton Lions

The Stanton Lions Club completed a very active month by sponsoring a very successful third annual golf outing at the Links of Bowen Lake on July 19. They then Organized and completed their first annual 5k run held during Stanton's Old Fashion Days celebration on August 10 and had a successful chicken dinner on the same day serving over 200 dinners. These were all successful fund raisers allowing the club to continue serving the community.

## Traverse City Lions



American Legion Post Commander made a presentation to Traverse City Lions Club, President William Young honoring the Lion's support of the American Legion Baseball program.



District Governor Tim Anderson presents Club President William Young Traverse City's 70 Year Anniversary patch at recent Zone Meeting in Lake Ann.

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## Weidman Lions



The Weidman Lions Club president, Tom Maier, presented four \$750.00 scholarships to graduating seniors of Chippewa Hills, and Beal City High School students. Pictures from left to right: Students, Michaella Baker, Tyler Orlando, Juliann Handeiak, Tom Maier, President, and Olivia Rau.



At the June Meeting of the Weidman Lions Club District Governor Bill Simpson installed the new officers for 2013-2014. He also presented three Melvin Jones recipients with their award. Pictured from left to right; Lions Ralph Turnbull, Al Marshall, and Doug Middlesworth.

### *"Did You Know"*

Our Youngest District  
Governor was PDG Jim  
Chipman taking office at  
the age of 40  
(1983-84)

## White Cloud Lions



The White Cloud Lions ViDyk help get Troy of White Cloud a participant in the special Olympic as Grand Marshall for the Up North Celebration. Troy has been a long time participant and was immensely proud. Lion Jim Ward Lead the parade with Troy in his Model A Ford. Grand Marshall Troy smiled for a whole week he was so happy.

The White Cloud Lions also took the parade top honors as they used the District float in the parade. We are number one!!!

White Cloud Lions (Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services) a longtime supporter of the Special Olympics made a young man's life experience richer and fuller. **Roar Lions Roar**

### “We Serve”...??

Remember when you joined the Lions club? At that time you stood up and said “I will” to some version of the Lions pledge. “To the best of your ability will you abide by the Lions Code of ethics, attend meetings whenever possible and contribute your share to the programs of your club, your district and Lions International?”

Every member has different amounts of time to give to their Lions club, and maybe you can't make all the monthly meetings but knowing future events where a couple hours of help are all that's needed, you might be able to fit that in your busy schedule. The next time a signup sheet is passed around or one of your fellow Lions calls for your help, a simple yes I can give you a couple of hours would be great.

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## CONGRATULATIONS PDG JIM CHIPMAN



“Lions Club member receives high honors” By Lonnie Allen, Pioneer Staff Writer

**BIG RAPIDS** — Many people possess a gift of compassion and are ready to help orphans, disabled, lonely elderly people, and even stray animals, but for Lions Club members serving is about dedication.

James (Jim) Chipman is a Big Rapids Lions Club member who does not serve alone. He shares his duties with others by carrying the load together. “The Lions motto is ‘We Serve,’” Chipman said. “I have tried to live up to that motto and be an example, but it is not done without the help of the people around me.” The Lions Club in Big Rapids just celebrated its 75th year in March, and Chipman was honored in May with the S.A. Dodge award. The S.A. Dodge Award recognizes Lions who have made an outstanding contribution toward promoting Michigan Lions at the International level. It is the highest award given by Multiple District 11 (Michigan’s Lower Peninsula). Only two awards are given each year, and it is named after S.A. Dodge, who was Michigan’s third president of the Lions Club International from 1953 to 1954.

“Jim has excelled at the club level and the district level,” said Lions Club member Bill Simpson. “He served as club president, club secretary, district governor, district zone chairmen and he recruited at least four new members into the Lions club.” Simpson is the recent past district governor for the district that the Big Rapids Lions Club is part of. He said that people might not know that there is a club level and a district level for Lions members. Michigan’s Lower Peninsula has 10 Lions districts and each district has a governor, said Simpson. “Jim’s dedication to the club at the local and district levels is the reason why he was recognized,” Simpson said. “Jim also was inducted into the very prestigious Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame. When you have reached that level in Michigan you have done very well as a Lion.”

Chipman has been a Big Rapids Lions Club member for more than 40 years. He has held numerous leadership positions in the Lions Club and throughout Michigan. The Big Rapids club was in its 35th year when Chipman joined. Chipman owned J and C Electric in town, which was part of the community for 17 years. “This is a great town to work in, and we have great people in it,” said Chipman, who has lived with his wife, Carolyn, in the Big Rapids area for 51 years. “We love this community and it has always been good to Carolyn and I over the years.” Carolyn said Jim and the other members of the club are dedicated to the community in which they live. “I’m not a Lion myself,” Carolyn said. “But I see that they have fun, and I know what Jim has done for the club and the people around him. They all care for each other and care for this community.” The Lions Club is able to help people because of the donations that come from individuals in the community. “None of the money we receive from the public goes to us,” Chipman said. “It all goes to help those who are need in our neighborhoods.”

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Jim is honored about his recent recognition, but remains humble, and says he did not accomplish this alone. "It was because of my friends, my club, family and my district," Chipman said. "It's not just what one individual does; you are part of a bigger thing as a Lion." He said it was the sacrifice, hard work and dedication to the community, club and its members as one of the reasons for recognition. "Everybody supports you and each other in the club to get where we are at," Chipman said. "I don't want anybody to think I stood out there and got these awards by myself, because it doesn't happen that way."

Current Lions Club president Jackie Perrin said Chipman deserves the recognition. "He is good-hearted man and he is very dedicated to whatever he gets involved with," Perrin said. "Jim puts all of himself into what he does; he is extremely enthusiastic and keeps all of the volunteers on task."

Chipman is one of the founding members of the Lions of Michigan Foundation, and he said the idea to create a foundation came up because there was a need to serve more people. "I was very fortunate to be serving on the board during the founding some 27 or 28 years ago," Jim said. "We are able to help a lot more people in the state of Michigan because of the foundation." The Lions of Michigan Foundation helps with cataract surgeries, hearing aids and much more for the people who can't afford such things on their own.

The Lions Club in Big Rapids has changed over the years. Gone are the light bulb sales, spaghetti dinners and chicken diner fundraisers. Today it is the partnership with Ferris State University's athletics that serves the club well. Jim has worked the concession stand at Bulldog football games for 15 years. "It is always fun to work with Jim," Simpson said. "For 10 years, I've been working with him in the concession stand during the football games and it is always fun and entertaining."

Chipman has a personal feeling of accomplishment and gratification when he is helping other people. "I was honored when I was asked to join Lions," Chipman said. "I have stayed a Lion because I know we are making our communities a better place." Carolyn said the fun they have during those games with each other is all part of the Lion way. "If you can't have fun doing this, then there is no sense doing it," Chipman said. "It is tough to be a volunteer, it takes a lot of money out of your pocket and it takes a hell of a lot of time, but in the end it's all worth it." The rewards of volunteering are numerous and priceless, Carolyn added. "It is worth it, hearing the stories from the people who are so grateful for the Lions is so rewarding," she said. "Seeing Jim help those children, or hearing him on the phone say, 'We can help you,' brings joy to your heart, and that is something money can't buy."

Chipman volunteered in Mississippi with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance after Hurricane Katrina hit the gulf coast. "I think Jim is the very description of a volunteer," Simpson said. "Where you take out your own self-interest to serve and put the interest of the community first, that is Jim, a true volunteer."

Carolyn is Jim's strongest supporter through all of his endeavors. She said when Jim came home after his first trip to the gulf the stories he shared were so emotional. "I remember when Jim returned the first time, the stories he shared about the people and their survival during the storm were heart-felt," Carolyn said. "Our local church members began donating Lowe's cards so they could buy the building materials."

In the end it all comes down to your own self-sacrifice and what you can and will do for the community you live in, Chipman said. "Have fun doing what you do for others and the reward you get is seeing smiles from those you help," Chipman said.

**We're Proud of you Jim!**

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**Make A Difference**

**Press Release** For immediate release...

*There's an old saying "Never take any Wooden Nickels" but in this case you might just want to make an exception because receiving one of these could just help make your day!*

Lions Clubs all over this great state of Michigan, serving the needs of community members from Monroe to Marquette are one the best kept secrets ever. Eyeglass and hearing exams, college scholarships, food bank donations, holiday toy giveaways and serving the needs of the elderly are just a very few examples of how Lions of Michigan Club members are serving those in need.....but too many people just simply do not know about all these wonderful acts of kindness!

The Lions of Michigan are embarking on a unique new campaign to "get the word out" about all the good deeds done by its members. 5000 wooden nickels have been created with the Lions Logo on one side and the words "One Good Deed" and a Facebook page address on the back. These two things are perfect examples of what the Lions emblem represents; the wooden nickel looking to our past and social media looking toward our future.

Starting September 1, 2013, Lions members from all over the state will be completing 5000 "good deeds" and when so doing they will be passing out these wooden nickels. Whoever receives a wooden nickel will, in turn, be asked to also "Pay it forward" do a good deed and pass along the wooden nickel when doing so.

The Facebook page is created so all can check in and track good deeds. Sharing will hopefully inspire someone else, with or without a wooden nickel, to go out and do the same and in doing so help to make our communities a better place.

The Lions of Michigan are seeking to reach 5000 Facebook posts during this campaign....so if you get a wooden nickel...make sure to not only complete a good deed and pass the wooden nickel along...but also post your good deed on the Facebook page!

One simple good deed, one simple wooden nickel.....could just lead to thousands of good deeds across our state....please help Lions of Michigan Club members make this world a better place for all...one old wooden nickel at a time.

**FACEBOOK SITE:** <https://www.facebook.com/sassycamel> or simply type in 5000 Good Deeds to pull up the Facebook page

**Agenda for 11-E1 Fall Conference in Harrison**

Do to our limited time today each Speaker will be asked to keep their presentation to 6-8 minutes followed by a parade of checks after each presentation. Meeting will start promptly at 10:00 A. M.

- 1- Opening Governor Tim Anderson-----10:00 to 10:10
- 2- PCC Dick Perrin GLT (Leadership)-----10:10 to 10:20
- 3- Roger Weyersberg All State Band-----10:20 to 10:30
- 4- PDG John Monahan – Bear Lake--10:30 to 10:40
- 5- GMT PDG Jim Walls (Membership)-----10:40 to 10:50
- 6- Lion Larry Alman – Camp Tuhsmeheeta...10:50 to 11:00
- 7- PDG Lynn Mast- Mich. Eye Bank---11:00 to 11:10
- 8- Deb Kreitner News Letter -----11:10 to 11:20
- 9- Tail Twister Ron Gibson-----11:20 to 11:30
- 10- KAREN REISH “ Michigan Reads”-----11:30 to 12:00
- 11- LUNCH-----12:00 to 12:40
- 12- Pam Blizzard or Ron Sharp Leader Dog-----12:40 to 12:50
- 13- PDG Jerry Brandt L C I F -----12:50 to 1:00
- 14- PDG Harry Johnson Quest -----1:00 to 1:10
- 15- Ron Gibson LMF & Bob Thompson PKS -----1:10 to 1:30
- 16- 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Pete Conarty-----1:30 to 1:40
- 17- 50/50 Ron Gibson-----1:40 to 1:50
- 18- Closing Governor Tim Anderson-----1:50 to 2:00

**CAUTION:** I have heard rumors that anyone NOT wearing one of our new district pins during the conference just might receive a \$2 fine from the tail twister but hey I'll tell you what if that does happen to you DG Tim will give you one of our pins for FREE! Pins WILL be on sale for \$2 at the check-in table on the morning of the Conference.



**Michigan Lions Pin Trading Club**  
*are hosting a*  
**Lions Pin Traders Seminar**

*Buy/sell*  
*And trade pins*

When: **September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 8am-5pm**

Where: **White Cloud Lions Club House**  
**29 N. Charles (M37)**  
**White Cloud, MI**

Cost: **\$10 for lunch, table and bag of 10 pins**

**Mail Check (MILPTC) and name to:**

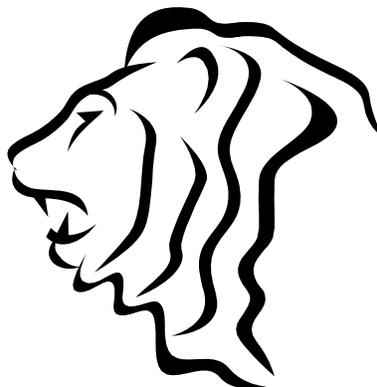
**President Peggy Walls**

**13500 215<sup>th</sup> Ave Big Rapids, MI 49307**

**For information, call Peggy**

**231 796-2861 or Mail Check (MILPTC) and name to:**

**Congratulations to PDG Jim Walls for being elected**  
**Director of LITPC**







# Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser For District 11-E1



**WHERE:** WHITE CLOUD LIONS DEN  
294 N. Charles, White Cloud, 49349

**WHEN:** Saturday, SEPTEMBER 28, 2013  
Dinner served from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**COST:** Adults \$8.00 Child under 10 \$3.00

**ALL YOU CAN EAT** but only **one** dessert!

Why not come to the Mini Pin Swap at the White Cloud Lion's Den during the day then stay over for the District 11E1 Fundraiser for dinner!

We have an auctioneer. **Bring something to auction off for the District!**  
Lions and Families only please!

We have several sheets of different District's Pins for the auction.

Our goal is to help the District to help offset the need of any possible near future dues increase. If everyone attends a Region District Fundraiser this year, not only will we have a **lot of fun**, we can help build up our District again.

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QUESTIONS? Call Lions Mary Allen 231-689-0944, Bill Koch 231-652-1164, or Janalee McClure 231-689-1321 from the White Cloud Lions Club 231-689-6410, or Lions Jim & Peggy Walls 231-796-2861 from the Stanwood Lions Club.

Approved by Governor Tim Anderson.

**Region 3 - District - Fundraiser**

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PDG Bill Simpson Appreciation Dinner Photos



# APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you previously attended a Michigan  
Lions Leadership Institute?  Yes  No

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion Lioness Leo (circle one)

District \_\_\_\_\_ #yrs. a member \_\_\_\_\_

## OFFICES YOU HAVE HELD:

Club Level-

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

District Level-

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple District Level-

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT OPTIONS

Enclosed is my check for \$175.00

CREDIT CARD:

Visa  Master Card  Discover

Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_

CID No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Lions Leadership Institute  
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911



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email lions@lionsofmi.com

*The Lions Leadership Institute is a unique opportunity for individuals to learn and develop lifelong leadership skills, which can be applied to their job, their Lions Club, and their life.*

# BUILDING LEADERS

## EVENT INFORMATION

### ONE LION AT A TIME

**Date: November 8-10, 2013**  
Friday morning through Sunday noon

**Location: R.A. MacMullan Center**  
**104 Conservation Drive**  
**Roscommon, MI 48653**

The center features a casual atmosphere on the north shore of beautiful Higgins Lake. It is easily accessed from US-127.

**\$175** /per person

Fee Includes registration,  
course materials,  
two night's lodging and six meals



## Lions Leadership Institute

R.A. MacMullan Center  
Higgins Lake, MI

**November 8-10, 2013**

# UNITING TALENT WITH OPPORTUNITY

*The Leadership Institute is an opportunity for Lions to develop lifelong leadership skills.*

*Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented.*

*The Institute features a variety of classes including...*

- > team building
- > mentoring
- > conflict resolution
- > four R's of leadership
- > personal effectiveness
- > listening & speaking skills
- > personality styles
- > managing change

## > WHY ATTEND A LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE FOR LIONS?



*Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective.*



Attending the Leadership Institute gives participants the tools and confidence to become more effective leaders. The skills learned can be applied to their job, their Lions Club and their everyday lives.



Participants learn key components of team building. By sharing ideas, success stories and humanitarian endeavors, Lions learn how to influence membership and become more open-minded and receptive to change.

## *How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism?*

The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.



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## OUR TRAINING. YOUR POTENTIAL.

“Participants spent the weekend learning about speaking and listening skills, personality styles, leadership and much more. Leaders don’t act the same all the time. They inspire people around them.” ~ **Jerome Miller**

“There is a lot of fellowship with other Lions from around the state. The instructors give us much-needed information, and each one of them presents their knowledge with enthusiasm.” ~ **Walt Treichel**

## *How can all of this be accomplished?*

The Institute is partially funded through a grant from LCI’s Leadership Division. Lions Clubs and Districts also provide a portion of the cost of the Institute. In addition, a registration fee is paid by participants.

## PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

1. The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute focuses on building the skills of emerging Lion leaders at the club, zone, region and district levels.
2. All Lions in good standing who wish to develop or improve their leadership skills are eligible to apply. Club and district officers are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn life-long skills.
3. Applicants should demonstrate a desire to improve their leadership skills.
4. Applicants must be willing to commit to the entire program (Friday morning through Sunday noon), followed by life-long personal growth.



## SELECTION PROCESS

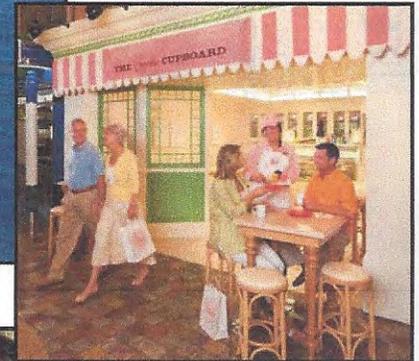
Because of space limitations and the anticipated high number of applications to be received, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. After screening the applications, the Institute Planning Committee will notify you of your acceptance.

The Michigan Lions Institute Planning Committee maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty, and the selection of participants.

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