

I want to start with a big Thank You for the all the great Lions who attended the first cabinet meeting of the 2022-2023 year. How heartwarming it was looking at all the smiling faces and enjoying Lions being happy and engaging as reports were read and ideas shared. Smiles brighten any day and they really spread amongst each person.

Thank you to all the chairpersons who stepped up and are assisting our district. I am on the lookout for two more Zone chairs and hoping to find them soon. Zone chairs are working hard on setting up their first Zone meetings, make sure to attend when you receive the information.

In last month's newsletter, I shared the first DG goal. How many of the clubs pulled up the form and are making sure it will be ready to sign and sent in at the end of July/August? For those of you scratching your chins right now, the first District Goal is: 50% of our clubs will earn the Club Excellence Award, will your club earn it? Let's hit that goal and go beyond! It is a great way for clubs to work on new goals and yes, it helps with membership. It is a great club team building experience.

Jumping to the fourth DG goal, which is Lions visiting another club; think about the fun it is sitting with other Lions as a different president oversees the meeting. What can you learn and share with Lions in your club by doing this? Will a new service project come from a visit? Take turns with your club members, send 3-4 or 5-6 Lions from your club to a different club then change the Lions who go next time. Encourage Lions. Visit a couple of clubs and share what you hear and learn. Remember all Lions in your club have a voice; do not send the same Lions. The District Governor would love to hear which clubs visited which clubs. Look at all the fun and the new Lions you will meet doing this. Go visit, exchange ideas, and keep smiling!!

The next scheduled Cabinet Meeting is October 15<sup>th</sup> at Harrison Lions Den. From 9-10 is Meet & Greet with coffee and donuts. The meeting will begin at 10:00 am. The theme for this meeting is Football–NFL, College, High School, so feel free to dress for your favorite team.

Fall Festival is October 29<sup>th</sup> at Harrison Lions Den<sup>~~</sup>see flyer in newsletter, next page<sup>~~</sup>theme is State Fair & Carnival. Fun for All!!

I have to end with this: the presentation for PDG Stan, receiving my 1<sup>st</sup> DG pin, was my highlight of the cabinet meeting. Inspiration for my pin!!



11-E1 Fall Conference & Parade of Checks

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 417 Fairlane, Harrison Lions Club

# Featuring - "Fun for all Ages"

Going to the Fair, Going to the Fair, Going to the Lions 11-E1 State Project Fair!

We will be holding a "Parade of Checks" for each of the state and district projects throughout the day. (NOTE: Your club's full donation or just a token donation per project may be given at this time)

Please mail the registration form below to:

DG Jackie Glazier 6747 S. Lake Shore Dr., Cedar, MI 49621 If you have any questions, please call 1-231-534-4932

### Proposed Schedule

2:00 PM

| 10:00 AM           | "Governors Opening Remarks" |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Lunch & Social Hour         |



All Day; 10:00 AM -Games and activities will be occurring There will be decorated containers for donations.

GREAT FOOD - FUN - 50/50 DRAWING

Dress will be casual

## Registration Form 11-E1 Fall Conference 2022 (Parade of Checks)

| Club                                  | Names of Attendees  |          |
|---------------------------------------|---|----------|
| S.                                    |   | -        |
| Cost is \$10.00 per attendee which in | ludes lunch (Will be collected at the door)                 |          |
| Total: \$                             |   | Y        |
| Contact Phone Number                  | Email   | -        |
| Mail to: DG Jackie Glazier 6          | 47 S. Lake Shore Dr., Cedar, MI 49621 by October 21st, 2022 | <u> </u> |



Lion Bill & Lion Leona



# Governor and Membership Appreciation Luncheon With IPDG Bill Bradfield

There is no Governor that can have a successful year as Governor without the Help, Support and Teamwork of all of the officers and Members of the Entire District. Let's Celebrate OUR Comeback Year! As your Governor I needed your support to raise \$10,000, more than last year for LCIF than the previous year. That was 124% increase, we did it so we should thank each other. We finished the largest grant awarded by LCIF, for (D.A.D) Defense Against Diabetes (\$250,000), Worldwide and did it with input from all the members, officers, participants, Districts and professional providers so we should Appreciate all who participated.

#### Please RSVP by 9-19-22 @ 231-889-4870. Lunch is \$15 at the door.

Come out and enjoy a fun filled luncheon and bring your clubs for 9 holes in the afternoon or 9 holes in the morning.

## September 24th, 2022

## 2:30 pm Social 3:00 pm Luncheon

Evergreen Resort 7880 Mackingw Trail, Cadillac, MI 49601

# District 11-E1



### 1<sup>ST</sup> VDG Jim Patterson's Message



We all know that in order to recruit new members it is vital that we inform them of the benefits of service to others. I'm not just talking about the help given to those in need, but the benefits received by the giver, both mentally and spiritually. In short, we need to give them a reason to want to join.

I've come to the conclusion that we need to tell our story in a better, more thorough way. Dare I use the word "Publicity?" If we are to reach potential members younger than us, we must learn to use social media better to publicize the good things we're doing. While many of us have only just learned to deal with Facebook, most under 40s have moved on

to other platforms. Twitter, Instagram, and the like are more popular. Most regard Facebook as the "old folk's home." (Darn! I was just getting good with that.)

The thing about these other platforms is that they are designed for "off the cuff" remarks and that's something I'm just not good at. For me, the words come, as in the lines of a Jimmy Buffet song, "like molasses in the winter time." I suspect that is true for a lot of us. Not only are we not comfortable using the media, we have trouble composing the message. I can't help you with the media but I can help with creating the message. Here's my method.

OK, actually it's more like "stealing" the message. It's important to *start early*. Want to publicize a pancake supper? Fire up your favorite search engine, Google, Bing, Safari, whatever, and search for "pancake supper." You will be amazed at what pops up. Read a few of them to see how they do it. Go ahead and steal any good idea you find. Next search for suitable images or take your own photos. A good place to find royalty free downloadable images is: pixabay.com.

So now you have an idea and pictures. Open up your favorite word processor and compose your message. *I ABSOLUTELY NEVER compose in Facebook.* (That's just me *asking* for trouble!) I don't recommend you do it either. No one likes to go back and try to fix a mistake in a post. To paraphrase a famous saying, "Post in haste, repent at leisure." That's me, all over.

If the event calls for it, I will create two or three messages. In MS Word I can easily check for gramma, spellink and interest. Once I'm sure I have my messages reading how they need to be, I save everything. Once it is time to start, I open my document, copy the part I need and paste it into a Facebook post confident that it is readable and interesting.

Sounds simple doesn't it? It is simple; it's just not easy. Good publicity is not a spur-of-the-moment thing. It takes work. From planning it to composing it to posting it, the effort is great but the results are worth it. Facebook is still an important way to reach the public with your message. Give it a try!

### 2<sup>ND</sup> VDG Robert Roebuck's Message



#### Hello fellow Lions,

Writing is not one of my best abilities, especially typing or email, I am more about being involved and getting things done. I am currently working with my club, Chippewa Lake - Mecosta Lions, for our biggest fundraiser of the year. We run a Food Wagon at Wheatland Music Festival along with many others, usually including Barryton and Weidman Lions Clubs running their own. This year, it is September 9<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup> and tickets are required to attend (Sold out to the public). We could still use a few volunteers. If anyone is interested, you can

contact our Club President Randal Roebuck (randal.roebuck@gmail.com) for info and available shifts.

Once this fundraiser is over, I will be working to visit some of the other clubs in the district to meet more of our members and see what activities others are doing. If you would like me to visit your club or have any questions/concerns, please contact me at <u>bob49342@chartermi.net</u> or at 231-250-1955.

## Lions Know How to Serve

Lions have been serving in their communities for over 100 years! The Clubs in 11-E1 have been very effective at providing help and aid to the people they serve, whether it's providing scholarships, meals or food pantries, vision screenings, and the list goes on. We tailor our service to the specific needs of our community. It's what we are good at!

What we Lions are not so good at is reporting service. Kudos to the clubs who send articles to the District Newsletter or to local newspapers. The newsletter gives other clubs ideas for projects they might want to try, and the newspaper gives you recognition in your community. We need to let people know we are alive and well! It's perfectly okay to toot our own horns!

It is also important to report our service to Lions International on the MyLion site. LCI reports to all of us and to the public, how many people are being served by Lions Clubs around the world. When we don't report, our service is not counted. This can then reflect on how our district, our state, and our country are perceived.

If your club needs help reporting service, call me! I'd be glad to help!

Ask someone in your club to be the photographer. Try to get in the habit of taking pictures at all of your projects and events. If you have not yet sent an article for the district newsletter, *LIONS CONNECTIONS*, start today! Email pictures and articles to Mike & Tina Hoy, <u>hoym@charter.net</u> Lion Ann Roeseler, Global Service District Coordinator

### District 11 E1 Officers and Chairs,

Two items:

Reminder- mark your calendar - Next Cabinet Meeting is Saturday, October 15, 2022 at the Harrison Lions Den in Harrison MI., 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Harrison Lions cater their meal. I will be asking for reservations a week early.

Roster Book Corrections:

Please make these corrections in your Roster Book.

1. 1st VDG Jim Patterson no longer has a landline at home. Cross out his home phone on page 3.

2. Page 12 - Diabetes Chair Evelyn Gabbert, e-mail correction - gabberteve@gmail.com

3. Page 19 - Big Rapids Lions Club now meets at "3 Girls Bakery, 106 N. Michigan Ave., Big Rapids"

4. IPDG Bill Bradfield (page 4) e-mail correction - hoxeyvillain@hotmail.com

5. Page 5 - Zone Chair Region 2 Zone 1 Penny, last name spelling <u>McGlaughlin</u>

6. Page 30 - Lions Club Manistee, Secretary Dianna Wall e-mail correction <u>diannalynnwall@gmail.com</u>

Please make these corrections in your Roster Books. Zone Chairs, please take a copy of the corrections to your Zone Meeting.

Thanks, District 11 E1 Secretary PDG Pete Conarty

## LCIF

We accomplish amazing things everyday because of what you give. And, while giving takes many forms, one of the best is your ongoing support of Lions Clubs International Foundation. That is how we ensure that our biggest projects succeed. Like all things Lions, it starts with you and your club.

The work of LCIF is so important. You can be a part of it by making a donation, by applying for a grant to take on bigger projects, and by sharing your LCIF stories and videos. The more our communities know about LCIF, the more our foundation can magnify our service at home and around the world. We're all working together to make a big difference. When we all give a little we can accomplish so much.

Parade of checks will be coming up soon so make your donations at that time. Pam Schroeder, Chair

## LMF

The foundation is getting geared up for another great year. Committees are all formed and ready to work for you. We still have cookbooks to sell, so if your club needs an easy fundraiser let me know, I will get you the books. Many clubs have books and we hope sales are going well so you can get the money sent to the foundation office. If you need any forms for hearing aids or glasses give Lion Bill Simpson or myself a call.

Dan Gibbons, Trustee

### Service Stories and submissions to "LIONS CONNECTIONS" (The Newsletter of District 11E1)

We post club service stories and/or news under the "*Club News*" section of the District 11E1 newsletter. Has your story been shared? Our District 11E1 newsletter is forwarded to Lions of Michigan for consideration in the <u>LION PRIDE</u>.

Please submit articles in <u>Word</u> [Please no PDF files] and <u>pictures in jpeg format as an attachment</u> for the October 2022 Newsletter by September 22 to Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at <u>hoym@charter.net</u> or call 989-832-8354.

<u>Any</u> District 11E1 Lion can submit articles and/or pictures for the newsletter. We encourage all clubs to participate as this is your newsletter!

"LIONS CONNECTIONS" Editors

**Upcoming Calendar Dates:** 

Labor Day - September 5

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Calgary, Alberta - September 15-17

Lions Leadership Institute, MacMullen Center, Higgins Lake - November 4-6

### District Convention - Save the Date of April 21 & 22, 2023.

We will have our convention in Clare. Getting ready to start our planning on September 8, 2022 in Clare. Our theme is "Going Camping with DG Jackie", and we will incorporate some fun things on Friday after the Cabinet meeting. Looking forward to another great convention. More information to come in future newsletters.

# CLUB NEWS

### **COLEMAN LIONS**



Coleman Lions Club's August picnic was held at the Sanford Museum, where we were led on a guided tour of several buildings. Since the 2020 flood, all of the buildings have been cleaned. repaired. and repainted. They look better than ever. The highlight was seeing the inside of the new Santa House which should be

ready for Santa Express in December! If you're interested in visiting the Museum, consider Founder's Day, September 10. We will be there with the KidSight Trailer!



←Lion Jason Perkin visits 2-seater with Granny. Lion Pam Render in Dunce cap. ↑

←Lion Chuck Dinsmore conducts tour.

Coleman Lions are preparing for the annual **Charter Night Dinner and Auctions** fundraiser on Friday, October 14 celebrating 82 years of service in Coleman. Tickets are now available and remain \$15 each. We hope many Lions will be able to join in the fun this year at our new location, Unforgettable Events, 5202 W. Schaffer Rd in Coleman. We are currently looking for donations for prizes. An item valued at \$50 or more will get you 2 free tickets!!! Help us help our community! Call or email Lion Ann Roeseler, <u>989-465-6482/ann.roeseler@gmail.com</u> for tickets or to donate!

Another successful **KidSight screening** at the Coleman Family Center where Lions Pam Render, Ann





Roeseler, Mary Jo Fachting and Sheryl Schafer worked during the backpack giveaway to



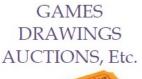
screen vision and hand out books. 22 children were screened, with 4 referrals. We ended a few minutes early due to the rain!

# Coleman Lions Club CHARTER NIGHT PARTY

Dinner & Auction Friday, October 14, 2022 "Unforgettable Events" 5205 W. Shaffer Rd, Coleman, MI Doors open and games begin at 5:30pm Dinner at 7:00pm Tickets: \$15.00

### WIN:

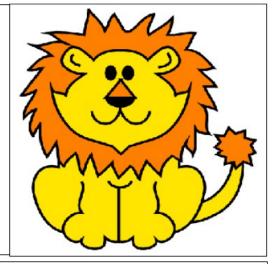
- King-size Amish Quilt
- Fish Scene Carving By Dan Gibbons
- True Hepa Air Purifier
- Soaring Eagle 1 Night & \$50 Restaurant
- Hunting Rifle & Case





Dinner by Jenny's Catering Baked Chicken & Meatballs in Gravy





Tickets may be purchased at CW Gordon Sales & Service or from any Coleman Lions Club member.

Reservations must made by October 7, 2022 Call or email Ann Roeseler at 465-6482 <u>ann.roeseler@gmail.com</u> Checks can be mailed to: Coleman Lions Club, PO Box 163, Coleman, MI 48618

### STANWOOD LIONS



Lion Dave Hamlund of Big Rapids Lions Club attended the Stanwood Lions Annual Picnic on August 15<sup>th</sup> helping Stanwood President Peggy Walls present the Citizen of the Year Award to Joie Cole, an honorary member of Stanwood Lions who volunteers so much of her time to club activities, her church, and the community.

Lion Dave Hamlund assisted Stanwood Lion Steve Cole in presenting the Stanwood Lion of the Year to Lion Jim Walls.



Lion Dave Hamlund also inducted 2 new members to Stanwood Lions Club at the picnic, Keith and Kim Warzak.







Lion Harry Johnson of Baldwin Lions was presented a Stanwood banner for being the cook of a delicious Hobo dinner for the picnic. PDG Lion Laura Johnson and their grandson, Gavin, who did a great job as the server, were also present.

### STANWOOD LIONS CLUB HOSTING VOLUNTEER OF THE DECADE DINNER

The dinner was a huge success, with over 100 attendees being recognized for their volunteer work in Mecosta County. Thirteen were recognized for their efforts with family and friends there for support. Joie won a great raffle prize basket with a vegetable theme, made by our friends: reversible apron, coasters, hot pads, table runner (handmade, she sews) books with vegetable theme, art work cards (she makes), several veggies, topped off with a melon! Joie stuffed the raffle box, hoping to win!



## **CENTRAL MONTCALM LIONS**



August was a busy month for the Central Montcalm Lions. We were able to purchase and donate many book bags and school Upper and

supplies to the Central Montcalm Upper and Lower Elementary schools.





We also sponsored/hosted the Stanton Old Fashion Days 5K Run and Kids Fun Run. The Lions helped with set up & registration and also provided water, bananas, and granola bars for race participants.

# The Kaleva Lions Club

### Is having a

# **Quarter Paddle Auction**

# Lots of great items up for Auction

# & Food Available

# Saturday, October 15, 2022

# Doors Open at 3:00 p.m.

# Auction Starts at 4:00 p.m.

# Kaleva VFW

# 13300 9 Mile Road, Kaleva, Michigan

All proceed to benefit the Kaleva Lions Roof Fund

## MIDLAND LIONS

White Cane Fundraiser, Part II, will be on September 15 & 16.

## Lions Annual 'Potluck' Picnic

Our last outdoor hurrah before the leaves turn colors and we pack away our summer clothes. This year's potluck is a little later because we moved the steak fry to a later date so that everyone would have a chance to participate. The Potluck will be Tuesday, September 20, at the Lions pavilion in the park. We will begin to gather at 5:30 p.m. and begin eating at 6:15 p.m. Bring your spouse, friend or significant other!





The Midland Lions Club is thankful for being able to resume our Hole-in-One fundraising event after

a two-year absence. This year's top three winners were: Madison Bowen - 1st place; Marc Derrick - 2nd place and Larry Snyder - 3rd place.

Many thanks to the community and local businesses who helped make this event our largest fundraiser of the year. Our volunteers are also to be commended for the many hours expended over the five day period. Our net profit was \$10,712.





### Midland Lions 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser

### Chicken BBQ Prep Day, August 5











**Chicken BBQ Fundraiser, August 6, is a wrap for 2022**. All went well and we made some money for Lions! Profit was \$7,061.72. Costs were generally up from 2021 - as expected. Approximately 824 chicken dinners were sold - 467 dinners picked up at the off site. Leftover food was sold to Lions and some was donated to the Open Door.

Annual Steak Cookout, August 16



#### August 2 Regular meeting



Winners of the Lion Mike Hoy Tail Twister Invitational were Lions Dick Bukowski and Dick Ivan. Lion Bukowski won the coveted yellow golf towel.



# District Projects



I would like to come and visit your club for a presentation. Please contact me through Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at hoym@charter.net or 989-

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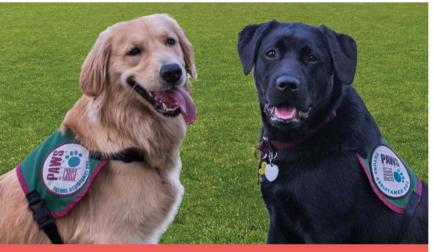
Cowboy Hoy, Hearing/Assistance Dog

Join Us For <u>Retriever Fever</u>! The second year of Retriever Fever will be held at Picnic Acre Park (outside of John Ball Zoo) on Saturday, September 10.

Join us for a friendly competition between Labrador and Golden Retriever owners to see who can raise the most support.

Bring your golden or lab to help attempt the largest gathering of retrievers in Michigan.

Vendors, demonstrations, door prizes, food trucks and more!



# RETRIEVER FEVER SEPT. 10 11:00A.M. - 2:00P.M. ACRE PARK OUTSIDE OF JOHN BALL ZOO www.pawswithacause.org

## USED HEARING AID DONATIONS

Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps., your Zone Chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.

### **EYEGLASS MISSION TRIP 2022**

The eyeglass mission team is working hard to get our next trip ready. We still have room for eye doctors and team members. Our trip is scheduled for October 2022 *(destination Puerto Penasco, Mexico).* If you are interested in participating, you can contact PDG Harry Johnson at 231-745-4524 or <u>lionharry1947@gmail.com</u> for all the details.



## DISTRICT FLOAT

The District Float will be at its new home beginning August 2021. The address is 8543 E 7 mile RD, Big Rapids, 49307. Reservations still need to go through myself, using the form on the District website. The float is available. Whichever Club picks it up is responsible to return it promptly! Any questions, contact Lion Laura Johnson at 231-250-0537.

## WE ALL EAT!

We all eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner or supper, unless we are dieting and skip a meal. Are you eating the same menu and need innovative ideas of what to prepare for these meals? The Michigan Lions Service Foundation has come to your rescue. They have a new cookbook with recipes from Lions across the state of Michigan. Staying at home during COVID has encouraged more of us to try our hand at gourmet cooking and change our usual menu. Cookbooks sell for \$15.00 and can be purchased from your Foundation trustees Pam Schroeder or Pete Conarty. If a club would like to sell them as a fundraiser, the Foundation will reimburse you \$5.00 per cookbook for twenty plus cookbooks sold. Flyer below.

# Lions of Michigan Foundation Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers





Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be "Knights of the Blind," and she declared that "the problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus — the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man."

Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents.

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of the their hearing loss. Lions Clubs or other nonprofit organizations who sell 20 or more cookbooks collectively will receive a \$5 rebate for each book sold to be used for their local projects.

As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

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#### Cookbook Order and Donation Form

| <ul> <li>I would like to purchase cookbook(</li> <li>I would like to make a donation to the Lior</li> </ul> | (s) for \$15 each for a total of \$<br>ns Hearing Centers in the amount of \$ |
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