

# NEWSLETTER DISTRICT 11E1 MAY 2016





#### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE**

Wow! What a great convention we had. A big Thank You to our committee and to everyone that had a part in our convention. Our attendance was bigger than we have had in a long time.

Congratulations to all of our Award and Fellowship recipients. You were all very deserving. Thank You for being a Lion.

Time is flying by and it seems like we just started 2016. I still have some Clubs to visit, and have thoroughly enjoyed meeting all of the Lions of our great District. If there is anything I can help your club with, give me a call.

I would like to put a booklet of projects together for our Disrict. I need each club to send me a couple of projects that you have done. I need what the project is, what you had to do to complete the project, number of members it took, and what is needed for the project. The reason I want to do this is to give other clubs ideas for projects they could complete. I will compile and get copy to each club. Form to follow in this newsletter. I will accept projects until the end of May and have booklets to clubs at the beginning of the new Lions year.

Let's have fun as we Serve!

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#### COLEMAN LION ELECTED 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Lion Al Roeseler was elected to the position of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG at the District 11 E1 Convention. Al has been a Coleman Lion for 15 years and has served as their President several times. He is presently the Zone Chair of Region 2, Zone 1. He is extremely active in his club's activities and was the superintendent of the Coleman Schools prior to his retirement. Lion Al has also worked on trying to secure a new club for District 11 E1.

#### DISTRICT CONVENTION VOTING RESULTS

All the policy changes voted on at the convention passed:

- 1. Paws With A Cause becomes a District Service Project.
- 2. Lions belonging to a campus club will pay 50% of the District dues.
- 3. Voted to allow District 11E1 trustees to the Michigan Lions Foundation to serve 3consecutive terms of office, which complies with the Foundation By-Laws

Endorsed the project for the Michigan All State Band to become a State Project – January 16, Cabinet meeting.



#### **DISTRICT GOVERNORS ELECT**

District Governor Pam Schroeder presents the insignia coat patches to the 2016-17 District 11 E1 officers: 2nd VDG Al Roeseler, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Peggy Walls, Governor Elect Ron Gibson.



**TRAVERSE CITY CONVENTION** – NEW District 11 E1 LIONS ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR SPONSORS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING INDUCTED BY PID CINDY GREGG



Kingsley Lions register convention Lions in Traverse City. Right – Steve Adsmond, Tail Twists and Jim Patterson, entertains at Convention. Both Lions are from Fremont Lions.







**BIG RAPIDS LIONS** The Big Rapids Lions Club had District Governor Pam Schroeder join Club members for their March Meeting. Governor Schroeder thanked the Club for all they do for the community. She outlined some of the upcoming events open for Lions Club members to participate in at the District and State level. New club members Rodney Fredrick and Dennis Finney were fortunate to have her present to conduct their induction into the Club. The Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at The Gate.

#### **CEDAR/MAPLE CITY LIONS**

The Cedar/Maple City Lions held a Benefit Pancake Breakfast on April 3, for Paige Bugai who is at the U of M Hospital. Her mother Brenda Bugai is staying with her and has no income. The Lions Club raised around \$3,000.00 with the Pancake Breakfast, 50/50 drawing & a donation Jar. We had great community support. Photo right - Judy Bugai (Grandmother), Lynn Garvin (Aunt), Andrea Kerby & Lion Stacey Wilcox with son Charlie, thanking the crowd.

#### KINGSLEY LIONS - PROACTIVE

The Kingsley Lions Club has an exciting and active summer planned.

We will be out "in our blues" at three locations (Northland Grocery Store, Northland Gas Station, and Kingsley Post Office) for White Cane Week on April 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.

On Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, the KLC will be having an information booth during the Adams Fly Festival. This is a community fly fishing festival that is growing in popularity every year.

On Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, the KLC will host an "All Wheels" Car/Truck/Motorcycle Show during the Kingsley Heritage Days Festival. We have also asked a local DJ to perform during the Car Show paid for with the generous donation by the Kingsley Downtown Development Authority. We also have PDG Dan Gibbons coming to the festival with the KidSight trailer, which will also be in the parade. We will also be providing hot buttered popcorn during the Beer Tent and live band/dance.

And on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, the Kingsley Lions will host our Annual Free Community Picnic at the Civic Center South Park Pavilion between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

We will be posting updates on the Kingsley Lions Club Facebook page. Please plan on coming and joining us!!



#### LIONS MAY NEWSLETTER

**LCI VP Bob Corlew** 



1st VDG: RON GIBSON MESSAGE

My wife Barb and I are avid readers. We enjoy reading biographies and books on history. We have learned about the lives of presidents, politicians, war heroes, etc. Of interest is the legacy they leave to their families, communities, and the world. As Lions, we are being asked to leave a legacy to our communities. Lions International is encouraging clubs all over the world, as part of our 100th anniversary, to engage in a Centennial Legacy Project. Leave something to your community that it will remember your club for. It could be an ongoing scholarship, a building or pavilion, new signs, park benches, a flower garden, etc. Something that reminds your community that you are there, have been, and will be. Let me encourage you to get a committee to look at the possibilities and then make that idea a reality for your community! Lion Ron

## LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT TO VISIT MICHIGAN PIN TRADERS

1<sup>ST</sup> VP Bob Corlew has notified the Michigan Pin Traders Club that he will be attending the 8<sup>th</sup> Michigan Pin Swap on May 6 and 7, 2016, in White Cloud at the White Cloud Lions Den. He will be arriving Friday afternoon and leaving Sunday morning. Arrangements have been made for a "Meet and Greet" buffet dinner on Saturday night May 7, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Shack Bed and Breakfast, 2263 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, White Cloud, MI. (six miles west of White Cloud, MI). The meal cost is \$15.00. Everyone is invited to attend the pin swap and the Saturday night dinner for VP Corlew. Reservations are needed: PDG Jim Walls at walls7@hotmail.com or call 231-796-2861.



#### **DISTRICT BUS TRIP**

The District is planning a trip to see the new Leader Dog facilities on Saturday, June 11. The cost is \$35.00 a person and lunch at Leader Dog is \$7.00. The bus holds 56 passengers and will pick up in Traverse City, Cadillac and Mt. Pleasant. Spouses or a friend are invited. For reservations call – Governor Pam at 213-889-4870 or e-mail dgibbons4870@charter.net.

Deceased Lions Memorial Service for 2015-16 Lions. District Convention in Traverse City.



#### **BALDWIN LIONS**

Mr.Bruce Machinski from the Lake County **Historical Society** presented a program on the progress of the new historical society building project. He did a very impressive reenactment of a local "character" that has left his mark on Lake County History. In an effort to support our local community as well as the usual Lions' causes, the club donated \$200 to help complete the building project. The funds donated came from the **BALDWIN Lions most** recent fundraiser, chocolate candy sales during Thanksgiving and Christmas.



2<sup>nd</sup> VDG PEGGY WALLS MESSAGE

A Rare opportunity awaits the Lions of Michigan, especially the Lions of 11-E-1! International Vice President Bob Corlew will be visiting us on May 6-7. There is time to meet him at the Michigan Pin swap, or at the meet (4pm) and dine (5pm) at the "Shack" on May 7. I would encourage you all to try and attend. It is a time to shine and show our enthusiasm in being part of this International Association. Reservations are necessary for the meal at the bed and breakfast (\$15). Call by May 1. Any questions--- 231-796-2861 or 352 - 586-3017. It will be a good number of years before we have another American serve as International President. Do come and wish him well on his year starting in July 2016. His theme is "New Mountains to Climb". Let us show him

that the Lions of 11-E-1 are

up to the challenge.

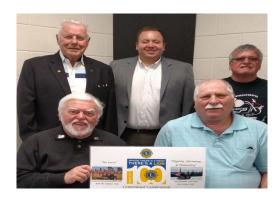
#### MAY DISTRICT 11 E1 CALENDAR

- 1 Mt. Pleasant Chicken Barbecue, 11:00-2:00
- 4 Officer training, Harrison 6:00 P.M.
- May 6 7 Pin Traders, White Cloud

  Meet with International 1st VP Bob Corlew
  - 7 Onekama 49<sup>th</sup> Charter Night
  - 8 MOTHER'S DAY
  - 9 Governor visits Onekama
  - 11 Governor visits Sand Lake
  - 12 Coleman Hot Dog Wrapping, Loon's Kids Day
  - 12 14 State Convention Sterling Heights
    - 16 Gov. visits Honor
    - 18 Club Officer Training, Onekama 6:00 P.M.
  - 20-21 Coleman Concession Stand/KidSight, Yoder's Amish Auction, Clare
    - 24 Club Officer Training, White Cloud 6:00 P.M.
    - 25 Gov. visits Northport
    - 30 Memorial Day

#### CADILLAC LIONS SPONSOR BRANCH LIONS CLUB

The Wexford Trail Blazing Lions became a branch club with five members sponsored by the Cadillac Lions. The emphasis of the club is diabetes. The Lions ride snowmobiles, motorcycles and snowmobiles on wheels long distances to raise money for Diabetes Research and Awareness. They have ridden through 34 states, 7 Canadian Provinces and in Europe to raise \$243,000.00 for diabetes causes. Welcome to our 5 new branch Lions.



#### **ARCADIA LIONS**

Arcadia Lions return from their winter hibernation with several events for the month of May. The first Pancake Breakfast of the year will be served on May 30, the Sunday of Memorial weekend featuring pancakes, eggs, & sausage. Traffic control at the Grit & Gravel off road bicycle rally and road clean up along US 22 for our annual Arbor Day spring clean-up activity round out the month.

Lions around the world are saddened by the devastating earthquakes that hit Japan and Ecuador.

LCIF has been in contact with the local Lions leadership to assess the needs of those affected. The foundation has approved a Major Catastrophe Grant for each country - US\$250,000 in Japan and US\$150,000 in Ecuador – and Lions are already on the ground. Lions are encouraged to help. Donate to LCIF!



CINDY GREGG LCI PID from Pennsylvania, keynote speaker for the District Convention

### HELEN KELLER EXHIBIT

The Braille and Talking Book Library are cohosting a traveling exhibit from the American Printing for the Blind—"Child in a Strange Country: Helen Keller and the **History of Education for People Who Are** Blind or Visually Impaired". The exhibit is fully accessible and will be using tactile reproductions and authentic artifacts revealing the keys to Helen Keller's education as well as educational tools and techniques developed for people who are blind or visually impaired and/or deaf or hard of hearing. The exhibit will be in the rotunda area of the Michigan Library and Historical Center in Lansing and is FREE.

April 6 — May 22, 2016 Monday — Friday 9am—5pm Saturday 10am—4pm & Sunday 1pm— 5pm Michigan Library and Historical Center

702 W. Kalamazoo Street Lansing MI 48915

If visiting during the week, stop in and visit the Braille and Talking Book Library located near the rotunda. Or, visit the



**CONVENTION HAWAIIAN NIGHT** 

#### MICHIGAN PIN SWAP

8th MICHIGAN PIN SWAP – MAY 6th & 7th, 2016 Lion Pin Trading Club of Michigan White Cloud Lions Den, 294 N. Charles (M37), White Cloud, MI 49349 Thursday, May 5th -Meet & greet from 6 to 9 pm - including light supper, homemade pies & 'pin bingo' at the White Cloud Lions Den. Friday, May 6th – Pin trading starting at 9:00 am at the Den. Crazy Hat Contest on Friday Breakfast available at the White Cloud Lions Den from 8 - 9 am - \$5.00 Cost Friday lunch ready at the den from 12:30 - 1:00 pm - \$5.00 Cost Dinner included for Registered Pin Traders from 6 - 7 p.m. (All others pay \$10.00) Saturday, May 7 th - Pin trading from 8 am - 2 pm = Brunch from 10-11 a.m. - \$6.00 Cost Live auction, business meeting, door prize drawings, luncheon pin, etc. Cabins or rooms may be available at: Lion Member: Millers Resort, White Cloud 231-924-2362, The Shack Bed & Breakfast, White Cloud 231-924-6683, Trailside Motel, White

Cloud 231-679-2188. Send copy of filled out form below with check for your

Michigan Pin Swap table registration. Please make check payable to the Lions Pin Traders Club of Michigan (LPTCMI). Mail Check and form to: Director of Operations, James R Walls, PDG 13500 215th Big Rapids, MI 49307 Phone 231 796-2861 E-Mail: walls7@hotmail.com NAME

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Immediate Past Michigan Pin Traders Club President Peggy Walls and PP/ Director of Operations for Michigan Pin Traders Club PDG Jim Walls received an email from Lions International Two Year Director Robert M. Libin, Pin Trader from Rego Park, N.Y. that Lions International First Vice President Chancellor Bob Corlew will be attending the Michigan Pin Swap arriving Friday afternoon and departing Sunday morning. We have made arrangements for a 'meet and greet' buffet dinner on Saturday night from 6 - 7 pm at The SHACK Bed & Breakfast, 2263 W. 14th St., White Cloud, MI 49349, six miles west of White Cloud. (Meal cost \$15.00) Everyone is invited to attend the Michigan Pin Swap, the Friday night dinner and/or Sat. night dinner with First Vice President Corlew BUT you must make reservations with PDG Jim Walls by May 1 st either by phone or email walls7@hotmail.com Questions? PDG Bill Simpson, President Michigan Pin Traders Club 706 River St., Big Rapids, MI 49307 dgbill2012@charter.net

## Kingsley Lions Club Car, Truck, & Motorcyle Show



## Kingsley Heritage Days

Downtown Kingsley, MI 49649

July 16th, 2016

Parade at 11:00 am (rain or shine)

Car Show at 11:30 to 2:30 pm.

Steven D & the Keys will be DJ during the Car Show

(made possible with a donation from the Kingsley Downtown Development Authority)

All classics, custom, and rod cars, truck, and motorcycles.

1st, 2nd, & 3rd place Peoples Choice Awards will be presented at 2:30 p.m.

Contact Dawn Willman (231) 313-1837 to register or for more information.

All preceeds go to the Engelsy Lines Clab to serve the seeds of our community through night programs, aid to our youth, humanitaries needs, community activities and educational programs.

#### "Wexford Trail Blazing Lions"

Cadillac Lion Bill Bradfield is organizing a two phase adventure to raise funds for Diabetes Research and Awareness in honor of the Lions Centennial Celebration. The first adventure will be a motorcycle ride in late July 2016, traveling from Cadillac Michigan to Sault Ste. Marie. The ride will continue in the Upper Peninsula for a couple of days and then return back to Cadillac, exact dates TBA. The second ride will start in late January leaving from Sault Ste. Marie riding for 6 to 8 days on snowmobiles. This ride will continue in the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Ontario and back to Michigan and last 15 more days.

In the last 7 years, Bill has organized 8 extreme rides that have traveled 558,000 miles collectively with 140 riders through 12 time zones in 33 States, 7 Provinces and 6 different countries raising an incredible \$243,000.00 for Diabetes Research and Awareness Promotion while partnering with the American Diabetes Association.

You can donate on line at <a href="www.diabetes.org/lionscentennialcelebration">www.diabetes.org/lionscentennialcelebration</a> or mail checks to: American Diabetes Association, 1550 E. Beltline Ave. SE, Suite 250, Grand Rapids Mi., 49506. If you are interested in going on either ride or have questions please contact Bill Bradfield at <a href="https://hoxpyvillain@hotmail.com">hotmail.com</a>



2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Peggy Walls and PDG Jim Walls at the District Convention with Keynote Speaker PID Cindy Gregg and her husband PDG Tom.



On Saturday April 16, the Cedar/Maple City Lions Club did their Highway Trash pick-up, 3 miles on highway M-72. Lions Dan Hobbins, Roy Romanowski, Val Eimers, Todd Guernsey Carrlin Niess, Anne-Marie Dunklow, Bryan Niess, Marry-Anne Dunklow & Pat Hobbins.





#### **COLEMAN LIONS - LEOS**

April 21, was a busy day for Coleman Lions members - we held a KidSight vision screening at Coleman Elementary School for incoming kindergarteners as they toured their new school and we started our two day Bake Sale at the Library! Both events were a success. Our Adopt-A-Highway clean-up on US 10 with our STAR Leo Club is scheduled for April 30.





Convention red wagon floats and White Cloud Lions busily assembling their float for the convention parade.

#### **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

## Presented by District Governor Pam Schroeder At the Traverse City Convention

Presidential Medal - PCC Richard Perrin, - Big Rapids Presidential Certificates - PDG Jim and Peggy Walls -Stanwood

Lion Sheila Ferrel - Mesick
Lion Ray Williams, White Cloud
Leadership Medal - IPDG Pete Conarty, Midland
John S Noel Fellowship - PCC Janalee McClure - White
Cloud

Helen Keller Fellowship PDG Tim Anderson, Cadillac
Lion Jackie Glazier, Empire
Lion Bill Koch, White Cloud
2nd VDG Peggy Walls, Stanwood
Ken Lautzenheiser Fellowship
Lion Al Roesler, Coleman

Lion Al Mueller, Coleman

Doc Barr Fellowship

PDG Bill Simpson - Big Rapids

Charles Weir Fellowship

PDG Jerry Brandt, Harrison

1st VDG Ron Gibson, Fremont

Braille Medal

PDG John Monahan, Mt. Pleasant

District Lion of the Year

Lion Doug Ward, Midland

Lion Bob Roebuck, Chippewa Lake- Mecosta

### **Club Officer Training Sites 2016**

Harrison Lions Den: Wednesday, May 4
Baldwin, Barryton, Cadillac, Coleman, Evart, Harrison,
Midland, Mt. Pleasant, Shepherd, Vestaburg, Weidman
- 11 clubs

Onekama Lions Den: Wednesday, May 18
Arcadia, Bear Lake, Cedar-Maple City, Empire, Frankfort,
Hart, Honor, Kaleva, Kingsley, Lake Ann, Luther,
Manistee, Mesick, Northport, Onekama, Traverse City
- 16 clubs

White Cloud Lions Den: Tuesday, May 24
Big Rapids, Carson City, Chippewa Lake-Mecosta, Crystal,
Edmore, Fremont, Greenville, Howard City, Lakeview,
Newaygo, Remus, Sand Lake, Sheridan, Stanton,
Stanwood, White Cloud - 16 clubs
TRAINING FOR: CLUB PRESIDENT, SECRETARY,
TREASURER, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR – ALL WELCOME!



MIDLAND LIONS – KIDSIGHT St. John's Episcopal Church invited the Midland Lions to screen their preschool class. Mike Hays joined Sandy House that day and he enjoyed the process so much, he decided he would like to become a certified screener. Mike has had his first of three training days. Fifteen children were screened and they all passed. The teachers were welcoming and helpful.

#### ONEKAMA CHARTER NIGHT

The Onekama Lions will be celebrating their 49<sup>th</sup> Charter Night on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Onekama Lions Den at the Manistee County Fairgrounds. Everyone is invited. A Swiss Steak Dinner will be served. Call Barb – 231-723-9783 for reservations and questions.

#### ALERT:

The format for Club officer training has changed this year. Officer training will occur in three locations. Check the date and location for your club officers training in the box to the left. A meal will be served at a nominal cost. Training starting times are 6:00 p.m.