

District 11-A2 Roaring News

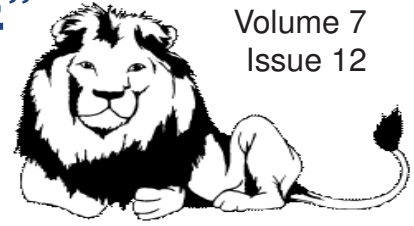


“Ablly and Honorably, WE SERVE”



THEME-VISION-DREAM

“Stop the Bleeding”



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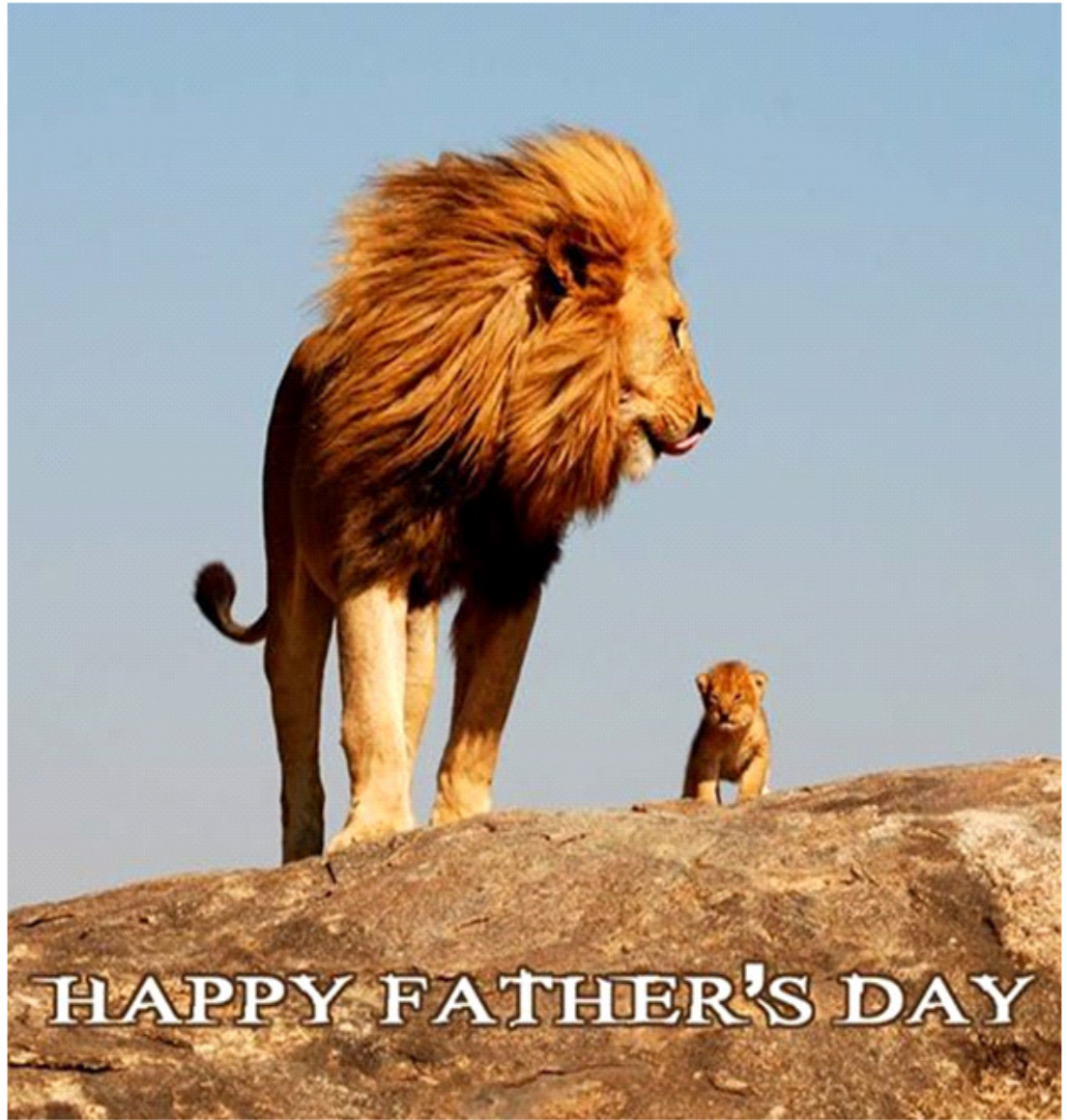
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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Blooms from: DG John Kontos

Are you thinking of "stepping up" in the leadership of your club, of accepting an appointed position by the newly elected governor, or "throwing your hat or bonnet into the ring" of the region chair, trustee, or vice-district governorship? Wonderful!

But first answer this question. "Can you make a difference, and what difference do you believe you can make?" You must believe it!

We have been asked by our international leadership to Believe, Follow your Dreams, Race to your Dreams, be a Dream Chaser. So how about: Believing that your district wants to remain strong, healthy, and improving this year and each of the next three years, as we will embrace our International Organization's 100th Anniversary of service existence in 2017 in Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Believing that your district wants to have new clubs chartered in specific needed areas of your district in each of the next three years without losing any of your existing clubs during this time.

Believing that your district wants to "slow down the bleeding" of district-wide membership loss and wants to be at PLUS membership gain this year and for the next three years.

You will need specific goals and objectives and plans of action to be followed, examined, tweaked, and critiqued. You will need help from your team, those trusted, loyal, opinionated, idea sharing band of warriors to whom the effort is shared with cooperation, communication, conflict resolution, and team spirit.

My favorite Greek poet, ANONYMOUS, once wrote:

DOUBT SEES THE OBSTACLE.

FAITH SEES THE WAY.

DOUBT SEES THE DARKEST NIGHT.

FAITH SEES THE DAY.

DOUBT DREAMS TO TAKE A STEP.

FAITH SOARS ON HIGH.

DOUBT QUESTIONS, "WHO BELIEVES?"

FAITH ANSWERS, " I !!!"

"I believe in you, me, and 11-A2, MD-11, and LCI."

Unofficially SD-10 and MD-11 seated Governors will end their 2013-2014 watches by midnight June 30th. In Toronto, Ontario about July 8th, the District Governor Elects will be officially installed by our newly elected International President. "Oh, Happy Day! for our districts."

1st VDG Tom "Too Tall Tom" Hill

Well here we are already in the month of June, thank you everyone for having me as your 1st VDG. It has been great and a lot of fun. I soon will be Governor for 2014-2015, my cabinet and myself are ready to serve you.

I attended the MD 11 Convention on May 16-17. There was nothing to vote on, so there are no results to report on. Our District had a good showing and we all had a great time. Next years convention will be in Holland, MI and in 2016 the COG voted to have it in Sterling Heights at the Best Western on Van Dyke.

I had a great time when I joined Richmond & Centerline Lions for their joint meeting. We all had a wonderful evening. I thank you each & everyone for your friendship.

We have Cabinet Training on June 7 and Officer Training on June 21. Everyone that is on the cabinet, and if you are a president, secretary, treasure, etc. you should try & be there.

Enjoy the warm weather that is finally here.

2nd VDG Jim Leach JR The Wannabe's Wramblings

June is here! Weather is finally getting nice enough to be outside and more active. Although, as Lions I don't know of many times where weather has stopped us from being active! I attended the MD-11 Convention that was a couple of weeks ago in Battle Creek. Interesting how different this convention is to our own District Convention. Much more laid back and not as many hospitality rooms. Maybe I am biased a little but I believe our District Convention is better.

This year working with Governor John and Governor-Elect Lion Tom has been a great learning experience for me and I know going through this next year, I will learn even more. Governor John has had a great year so far and it looks like it will end just as great. We have accomplished a lot this year and it has been good to be part of it. I want to thank Governor John for his leadership and guidance, both have been very helpful this year. If there is anything I can do for you as a Lion or for your club, please let me know. I am here to help you and your club.

Good Luck to Governor-Elect Tom at the International Convention, you are ready for this and will come back home to start off a great year as our Governor.

I will talk to you next month.

Lions Club Of The Year

Selfridge North Macomb Lions Club was started 30 years ago and is still going strong! We were chartered on January 31, 1983, and the L'Anse Cruese Lions Club was our sponsor. We originated on Selfridge Air Base. In 2008 Selfridge and North Macomb Lions for Youth Services merged to become Selfridge North Macomb Lions. What an honor to be chosen as club of the year!

We definitely like to stay busy serving our community. We team up with other non profits to support their projects. This gives the chance for our members to serve in many ways. For example, every month, we put our cooking skills to work when we cook and serve lunch for 100 homeless/at-risk people at the Salvation Army's soup kitchen in Mt. Clemens.

We love to have a variety of projects to choose from so that all members can participate. From a barbeque and Valentine's party at a senior center, to supplying car seats for the local women's shelter, we serve. We also just provided a yummy taco bar luncheon for cancer survivors at the local Relay for Life.

Requests have been made to supply gloves for the Homeless Coalition, for parking attendants for a Historical Homes Soiree', for support to our local library, and to sponsor a Youth Baseball team. Our Lions club enthusiastically helped every time.

Each year, we distribute Easter and Thanksgiving food baskets. In addition, for Christmas, we "adopted" a military family and the residents of a group home. We sponsored Wreaths Across America, and laid a wreath on the grave of every deceased veteran in our community.

We even adopted a road and the Huey helicopter at our local air base. Our Huey gets a thorough cleaning and lots of TLC every June.

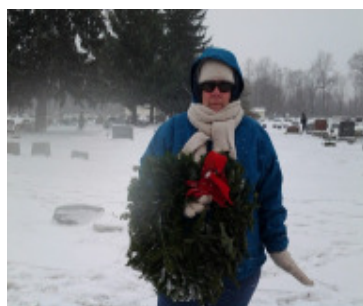
And of course, we supply eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need. This year we helped 25 children and homeless men with the gift of sight. We are the go-to club for used eyeglass collection. Eyeglasses are collected from the clubs in the district, and then taken to recycling center in Grand Rapids. We love to have a variety of projects to choose from, something for everyone.

New members keep the club fresh! People want to be a part of a club that is active in their community. We just held our membership drive meeting. District Governor elect Tom Hill attended, and offered to install the 9 new members at our installation dinner. What an honor!

For fundraising we hold a golf outing, a euchre party, a bowling tournament, and an Oktoberfest. However, a majority of our funds are raised through White cane week, mint sales and Candy Cane collection.

It's not all work and no play! We love to schedule social events for us to get together, get to know each other better and just have fun. We recently met as a club to tour the Leader Dogs Center in Rochester.

And lastly, please visit us on Facebook: [Selfridge North Macomb Lions](#).





UPCOMING EVENTS

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Sunday, June 1, 2014
Macomb Township Lioness
Euchre Tournament
Macomb Township Lions Hall
For More Information Contact:
Lioness Joyce Kraatz @ 781-3668

Friday, June 13, 2014
New Haven Lioness Presents
An Affair To Remember
Dinner & Fashion Show At Concorde Inn
For More Information or tickets Contact:
President Sylvia Steward @ 586-749-3685

Saturday, June 21, 2014
New Haven Lions
Euchre Party
New Haven Lions Hall
For More Information Contact:
Andy Williams @ 586-430-1390

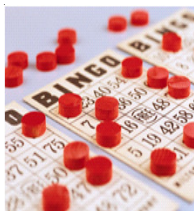
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Friday, July 11, 2014
It's an Italian Feast
Come and enjoy the food.
Romeo Lions Club is having an awareness
party for the hearing impaired.
Capital Banquet Center
Ticket Donation \$15.00
For More Information or Tickets Contact:
Lion Jim Johnston 586-697-5956
Lion Paul Ostby 586-243-1486

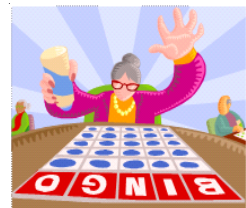
Monday, July 14, 2014
25th Annual Shelby Township Lions
Golf Classic
Greystone Golf Club
10:00 am Shotgun Start
For More Information Contact:
Scott Lutz @ 586-291-0860 or
scott.lutz@kukanao.com

Saturday, July 26, 2014
11th Annual Bowling Fundraiser
Hosted by: Clinton Valley Lions Club
Held at: Fern Hill Country Club
For More Information or Tickets Contact:
ZC Lion Cindy LoGrasso @ 586-242-2279

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**Bingo is Back at Rosemack, and Tuesday is
Clinton Valley Lions Day!**
Doors Open at 4 PM Bingo at 6:30 PM
\$2500 Up For Grabs Every Tuesday
Join The Clinton Valley Lions For Fun and Freindship
Spread the Word to All Bingo Players!
Rosemack Hall is Newly Remodeled - Bright and Beautiful!
Large Snack Bar With Reasonable Prices
Located on 13 Mile Rd. Just East of Little Mack





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District Governor's Travels

Welcome New Members Club ~ New Lions Member ~ Sponsor

Troy Community ~ Carol Hoin-Koch ~ Dick Belloli
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Royal Oak ~ Laura Mastracci ~ Maureen Kennedy
Beverly Hills ~ Roy Waters ~ William Martin
Shelby Township ~ Charles Bailey ~ Michael Digiovanni
Warren ~ Suzanne Faunce ~ Kathy Vogt

Deceased Members

PDG Bob Stevens
Lion Jerome Buckman - Eastpointe Lions Club

