

District 11-A2

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It is hard to believe that 2016 is coming to a close so quickly. It seems like only yesterday we wished everyone a Happy New Year. It makes it even harder to believe that my year as District Governor is half over. It has been a wonderful six months. The Lions and Lioness I have met have enriched my life. Not only the longtime friends I have made but hearing how active our District Lions are is incredible. I have visited clubs that have so much going on I wonder how they have a personal life! All of you make your Governor proud!

The Council of Governors met earlier this month. For those of you that don't have the Lions Lingo down, the Council of Governors are the Governors from each District in Michigan. We meet several times during the year to discuss Lionism in Michigan. We had an opportunity to nominate deserving Lions for Leadership Awards, Presidential Awards and S.A. Dodge Recipients. The Council narrows it down and we wait to find out if our nominee is selected since we never know how many Leadership or Presidential Awards we will be granted. So cross your finger for our District!

The Council also formed a committee to research the rule to stop our collecting for White Cane and Candy Cane in the streets and whether there is a need to fight this issue in Lansing. There are many clubs in Michigan that do not have stores to collect in front of. We may be looking for more information from clubs.

Thank you to everyone that attended the District Christmas Party held at the Sterling Heights Lions Clubhouse. We had a great potluck, a lot of fun and a special visit from the man in red. Lioness President Nancy from the Sterling Heights Lioness Club and Cabinet Treasurer Manny from the Novi Lions Club won the female/male ugly sweater contest. Thank-you to



IPDG Jim and 2VDG Jack for being the judges and narrowing it down for the audience to make the final selection.

Mark your calendar for the third Cabinet Meeting January 17 hosted by Region Chair Wally in Fraser. Registration info will be out soon.

1st H.O.G Doc's project Coins/Cash for Corneas is going well. Look for the jar at all the Cabinet Meeting and next round of Region Meetings in February. Lion Doc has decided to deposit the money at the end of each meeting do we can't say the jar is filling up but CT Manny will get us a balance soon. Thank you to our District Lioness for adopting Doc's project for the first half of the year. We should have their money turned in soon.

Doc and I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you for all you do for 11-A2!



1VDG John Bingham, Jr



As we enter the Holiday Season I want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Since my last article I've had the honor of swearing in 5 new Lioness for Sterling Heights Lioness club and visits a few more clubs.

The District Christmas party was lite in attendance this year as another party was scheduled for the same night. Lion Frank has put together a District Calander for this year so clubs can schedule events other than the events for the District.

Pictured below is the winner of the state Peace Poster, a young lady, 13, from Muskogon. The winner was chosen by the District Governor at the last Council of Governor's.

I'll be continuing visit to clubs and getting ready for next year. I'll also be putting out the committee assignments for for 2017-2018. If you are interested please fill out the form. No request, No Assignment.

Again, Merry, Merry Christmas from me and my family to all of you and your families.

1VDG John



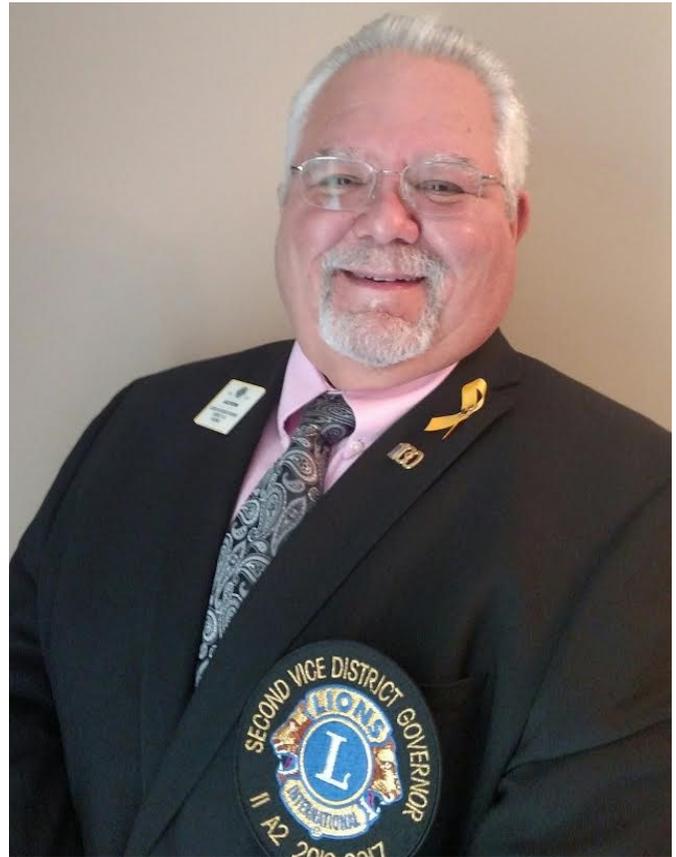
2VDG Jack Patton

Hello, Fellow Lions of District 11A2!

This article is a little personal, but the Lions in this District and my Club are like family; I know a lot of you feel the same about your own Club. So:

Charlotte and I just booked tickets, along with my 90 year old mother, to travel to Sacramento to visit my brother and his family New Year's weekend. (We are very blessed that we can do this)

My mother has not left the state for about 15 years; when my dad passed away 12 years ago, she did not want to leave the state. My folks used to travel with their 26 foot trailer and a group of friends all around the country. (This seems to be the norm when you lose an over 50 year mate.)



So tonight, I write this article thinking about family and this time of season; that's what we should be thinking about. All year long, we as Lions do great things for others in our community, but know it's the time to think about our own family and be with them and appreciate the time we have with them.

Ok, enough of the personal stuff:

We went to the District Christmas party and that was a moment I won't forget. I am forwarding some pictures from the party.

Thank you to the Clawson Lions for the invite to their annual Christmas dinner and auction. Had a great time! (Here is a clue: spend some money and Lion Brian will give you the auction stuff he purchased!) Thanks, Lion Brian.

That's it for this letter. Everyone have a safe and a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Safe travels to us all!!

Yours in Lionism,

2VDG Jack

(Lion Charlotte wishes you the same, and you all know I edit all of these!!!)

DISTRICT 11-A2 CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAY SEASON IN STYLE



Governor Patti, who are these two elves and why are they holding hands??

Governor Patti is shown here congratulating the winners of the District Ugly Sweater Contest.. District Treasurer Manny Barbosa and Sterling Heights Lioness President Nancy Fantene





DG Patti Barr and IPDG Jim Leach, Jr. are shown here carrying on a pair of traditions begun by PDG Tom “Too Tall” Hill. A snowman hat and Santa slippers will be the holiday garb worn by each governor at the District Christmas Party. Governor Patti wanted IPDG Leach, Jr. to wear it because he did not have an opportunity to do so last year. IPDG Leach, Jr. is also holding an Elephant Figurine that will be signed by each Governor at the District Christmas Party.

Lioness Liaison Lorie Papa

FROM ALL OF THE
LIONESSES IN THE
GREATEST DISTRICT IN
LIONISM.. MERRY
CHRISTMAS AND A
VERY HAPPY AND
BLESSED NEW YEAR!!
LIONESSE LIAISON LORIE





Reminder...

Lion Leo and Lion Dave will be at all Region Meetings to collect used eye glasses. Please bring your glasses in sealed boxes and without cases. They also will collect any used hearing aids.

MD 11 Media Campaign Unveils Preliminary Mockup Club Contributions Still Needed!



The MD 11 PR Committee has recently unveiled the preliminary mock up for the Centennial Media Campaign advertisements. We've come a long way in our fundraising efforts with over 100 clubs from around the state participating so far, and \$13,000 in total club contributions!

With a goal of \$20,000 from club support by the end of the calendar year, we have a ways to go yet. Has YOUR club contributed? We've asked each club to contribute \$100 (though all amounts are gratefully accepted). Any contribution of \$200 or more will earn an exclusive banner patch your club can display with pride! This is a once-in-our-lifetime opportunity to celebrate 100 Years of Service, and to come together with clubs from all corners of Michigan. With a relatively small contribution from each club, we can have a HUGE impact on awareness of who we are and what we do, and potentially on membership and donations as well.

This campaign will encompass digital media, radio ads, freeway & surface street billboards, and a customizable poster for each club to use in local businesses, schools, churches, etc. There is also a possibility of some TV advertising; the more resources we have to work with, the more extensive (and effective!) the campaign can be.

If your club is on the list below, we thank you for your support! If not, please consider joining this historic campaign. (Please note this list is current through 7/31/16) Checks can be made payable to "Lions of Michigan" and sent to the State Office at 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911. Please note 'Media Campaign' on the memo line.

Please feel free to contact MD 11 PR Chair Lion Laura Hunt at 248-766-7268 or laurahunt1027@gmail.com with any questions.

Many thanks to
Lion Larry Cole,
Membership
Statistician, for
providing this
information..



I WANT YOU

The Hazel Park Lions Club welcomes Danny Gjelij, sponsored by Dorothy Bell

The Hazel Park Lions Club welcomes Margaret Lasofsky, sponsored by Peggy Burleson.

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Margaret Bell, sponsored by Iva Jenkins.

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Nancy Lemma, sponsored by Iva Jenkins

The Rochester Lions Club welcomes Rod Haneline, sponsored by Celia Domalewski

The Rochester Hills Lions Club welcomes Tia Falzarano, sponsored by Chris Murray



Lions District 11-A2
100th Anniversary Celebration
Dinner Dance

It is time to celebrate as our Association hits the century mark.

Our celebration will be a dinner dance to be held June 3, 2017 at DE Carlo's Banquet Center in Warren, Michigan. Doors open at 6:00 PM with dinner at 7:00.

The cost for the event is \$70.00 per couple or \$40.00 for individual tickets.

What you get is a fantastic dinner to include salad, dinner roll, roast beef, Italian sausage and cabbage rolls plus red skin potatoes, pasta with meat sauce and cake for desert.

There is an open bar with premium items from 6:00 to 11:00 and music will be provided by PZC Lion Mike Dalecke including dancing after the dinner and short program.

You will also receive a 100th anniversary pin.

Tickets will be available soon and our budget is based on 160 Lions attending the event.

All clubs are asked to provide a short story (12 to 15 lines) about the club to be included in the program and the program will be an 8-1/2 by 11 format.

We also want to recognize Lions who have served for 50 years or more.

We are offering clubs, Lions and our supporters an opportunity to have an ad in the program and the cost would be \$25.00 for a quarter page ad, \$50 for a half page ad and \$75.00 for a full page ad.

For tickets please mail your check payable to "Lions District 11-A2" to Lion Jim Pettinato 3400 Ashley Dr. Orion, MI 48359 and they will be mailed to you. Please put 100th anniversary in the memo section.

Our 100th anniversary celebration committee include:

DG Patti and her HOG

1st VDG John Bingham Jr.

PDG Jack Becher and Jean

Lioness Lynn Voicich

PZC Lion Nancy Maxwell

Lioness / Lion Lauraine Pettinato

District 100 Anniversary Chairperson PCC Jim Pettinato

Help celebrate with a great meal, a few liquid libations, fellowship and dancing June 3, 2017.



ATTENTION ALL PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

THE 2016-2017 WHO'S WHO IN MICHIGAN LIONISM

WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE.

**TO OBTAIN YOUR COPY PLEASE SEND A \$10.00 CHECK
PAYALBE TO THE PDG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN**

TO

**PCC BOB JENKINS, PRESIDENT
PDG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN
14282 VENICE DRIVE
STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48313-4341
RWJ045@GMAIL.COM
QUESTIONS 586-532-7385**

YOUR \$10 PAYS YOUR 2016-2017 PDG ASSOC. OF MI DUES

AND PROVIDES YOU A COPY OF THE WHO'S WHO.

THE WHO'S WHO WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT EITHER THE

CABINET, REGION, ZONE MEETINGS OR MAILED.

**PDG's
(Providing Direction & Guidance)**



PDG Bob Wylin of Armada has been diagnosed with End-Stage Kidney Disease. He is looking for a type O Positive kidney donor. He has been approved as a candidate for kidney replacement through Beaumont Hospital. However, the wait for a kidney can be from 3 to 5 years.

Bob has had a 70# weight loss during the last 3 years, and his failing 71 year-old body cannot afford the wait. We are asking for prayers in our search for a donor. Bob has a long and active history in Lionism, with nearly 40 years of service. Please keep Bob in your thoughts and prayers and do what you can to spread the word about his search for a kidney donor.

Social media has proven to be a very effective way to reach thousands of people. Please be sure to mention Bob in a post to your friends and family. Recently in northern Michigan, a donor and a recipient were united through Facebook and a successful transplant took place at U of M hospital in Ann Arbor.

