District 11-A2

Roaring News

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WOW, where has the time gone? It seems as if I was just in Chicago becoming the new District Governor and here it is now just over 60 days till I turn the district over to DGE Jack Patton. First and foremost DGE Jack Patton, 1VDGE Scott Berry and 2VDGE Leo Schaefer are the new officers for the district. Also, Congratulations to CT Kelley Unruh for stepping up in her run for the 2VDG position. I do hope she will run again. We had a great turnout at the District Convention with 237 people in attendance. Our guest speakers were International

Director Bill Phillipi and his wife Vickie. From his feedback, he and Vickie had a great time and look forward to returning.

I`m finishing up the last of my "Official" club visits and I only have 1 Lions and Lioness club left. As Governor I received invitations to visit other District Governor's conventions and I have visited 11- B2, 11 -C2, 11-D1, SD-10 and 11-E2. It has been an honor to have served with these great Governors. I wasn`t able to visit with all of them as some conflicted with the same date as another Governor's convention.

On Tuesday, April 17th. I was invited to the Center Line Lions Club Past District Governors Dinner. What an awesome event with many PDG's in attendance and over 786 years of service to the Lions Clubs. On Thursday April 26th our annual Madonna fundraiser and Parade of Checks was held and about \$18,500 was collected. If your club wasn't able to attend you should forward your checks to IPDG Patti Barr at 41614 Kenilworth Lane, Novi, MI 48377. On a lighter note, I won one of the prizes offered in a raffle; a new tuxedo! I already have a white one so I chose to go with the Classic Black!







CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DISTRICT FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE K-9 VESTS !!

On April 18th, our Cabinet meeting was hosted by DGE Jack Patton and the Lake Orion Lions Club. We were joined by the Chesterfield Township Chief of Police, 4 officers and Viper, their new K-9 officer. We also had in attendance two officers from the Waterford Township Police Department. They have two dogs but were not able to bring them as one had worked the day of the event and was home resting. The other had injured his paw and was resting in preparation for more training. Thanks to the District's generosity we were able to present each department a check for \$1,250 to be used towards the purchase of a custom vest for the dogs.

A reminder that the Multiple District Convention is coming up May 18 to 20 in Grand Blanc. I believe there are still some rooms available. We will also be at the Bear Lake Camp on Thursday the 17th for tours starting at 6:00pm. For \$10 you can also take part in a picnic that is being put on by the Lake Orion Lions Club.



A large group of distinguished Past District Governors gathered at the Center Line Lions Club recently for an honorary dinner. This photo represents 786 years of Lionism!

The Chesterfield Twp Chief of Police, two of his officers and their K9 attended the Cabinet Meeting to accept a donation from the District for the purchase of a vest for the K9.



1VDG Jack Patton

Greetings fellow Lions, Lioness and Leos!

What a great convention we had this year! Hats off to the convention committee, led by the Maxwells. Great job Lions Dick and Nancy! I think this year's hospitality suites were some of the best in a while. We also had more first-timers attend this year's convention.

This upcoming year's cabinet is ready to rock and have fun doing it. We do have a lot of new challenges coming up, and with the proper training we will do a great job. Our cabinet training will be soon, and our District installation Picnic will be July 15th; then we are off to the races!

Even before this we will have club officer training, which brings up the topic of <u>PU 101</u>, club secretaries. If you are having a problem with this, please contact your Zone– or Region Chair. That's why we have these folks!



They are there to help you and your club. So remember, <u>**PU101**</u> or your club does not get updated in the District Roster. Your <u>**PU101**</u> needs to be sent to Lion Kelly Unruh at <u>kunru48@gmail.com</u>. And with that I would like to extend congratulations to Lion Leo and Lion Kelly for giving us the first race in a long time for the position of 2nd VDG. Both put a lot of effort and time for this election. Even if Lion Kelly lost this race, she is a strong woman who will show her continual support for her club and our district. Lion Kelly is not one of the Lions who get their new roster book to see how many pages have their name on them, she actually works hard on the committees she volunteers to be on. (There, I put that out there!!) So when your name appears on a committee, please give a call to the committee chair and ask,,,,,, "When is our next meeting and what is your plan for this coming year?" Remember Lions, it's not quantity, it's quality.

It seems after the District Convention our year is on the downslide and we start thinking of a new year. But wait!! There's more!! We have three more months before the 2017-2018 year is in the history books.





We still have time to increase our membership and try to be in the positive membership column. Spring is the time to get out and promote what your club does best in your community, and to let people know what it has done this past year.

This past week we had our final cabinet meeting of the year, which I hosted along with my club, the Lake Orion Lions. Thank you Lake Orion for that! We were glad to see so many attendees. So, after this meeting I started to think (that's a challenge in itself) about what just happened, and now it's become real!! Twenty-two years ago I would never have thought that I would be in this position! Yes, I will make mistakes, but I will try to keep those to a minimum, and move on.

Have a great April and enjoy this spring weather. FINALLY !!

Lion Jack Patton DGE

PEACE



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



The Armada Lions Club welcomes Adam Duncan, sponsored by Dan Duncan. The Lathrup Village Lions Club welcomes Paula Kube, sponsored by John Kamar. The Novi Lions Club welcomes Brenda Sauls, sponsored by Wanda Lange.

2VDG Scott Edward Berry

First Vice District Governor Elect



Congratulations to Second Vice District Governor Elect Leo Schaefer for an impressive victory in the 2018-2019 elections. You have earned the title of Second Vice District Governor. With the support of the District Governor and his cabinet, we are sure that you will fulfill your duties and responsibilities for the coming year.

As I was viewing the Lions Clubs International's website club locator feature, I noticed they also list Eyeglass Collection Locations with the local Lions Clubs. Our location that was listed on the website has recently closed their doors after many years of dedicated service to the community. If you're like our club, you might also have to update the Eyeglass Collection Locations on <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u>. Just search iad404 at <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u> or Google search "Lions Clubs iad404" for Lions Recycle for Sight Collection Location form.

A Happy Story from Work...

Most of my working day is dealing with some sort of grief and tears from one family or another. Sometimes it's anger about other family members or the situation itself. But this one day was different.

One evening, I answered the phone and learned about the death of "John Doe" (not his real name). I worked with the family before and as we talked on the phone, they started asking questions about pricing, specifically what the cheapest casket is. Red flag to a funeral director. I told them I would help them. But I figured I was not getting paid at the time of arrangements and would probably have to wait eight months or more to get paid. During the arrangements the family does not go with the cheapest casket but with a \$4,000 casket. Making the funeral over \$10,000.

One day later, I received a call from a lady describing herself as a "friend of the family". She wanted to pay for John Doe's funeral. I told her it was over \$10,000. She didn't care how much it was and the next morning she was at the funeral home and paid for the full amount.

I later learned the "friend of the family" was a mother whose son was addicted to drugs. A young gentleman that John Doe took under his wings. The mother had tried doctors, counselors, and rehabilitation centers to get her son off drugs but to no avail. But John Doe never gave up. He took this young adult and mentored him, gave him guidance and succeed where others could not. To this day, that young gentleman is still clean. This "friend of the family" knew that getting her son back was well worth a \$10,000 funeral.

As Lions, we too mentor others and make them a better Lion. But unlike John Doe, hopefully we will get to see the outcome and the impact we have on others.

Scott Edward Berry Second Vice District Governor 29315 Taylor Street Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081 (586) 944-2502 Home Phone (313) 363-0547 Mobile Phone/Text scott.edward.berry@outlook.com Spring has FINALLY arrived!!

The convention is over and it was great. The Friday night mixer was enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Lion Leo Schaefer on his being elected 2nd Vice District Governor. Our guest speaker, International Director William Phillipi was very interesting. I am looking forward to next year.

The Lake Orion Lioness Club was named the Lioness Club of the Year at the joint meeting which was held on April 23 at Leader Dog in Rochester Hills. Our hostesses were the Eastpointe and Lake Orion Lioness Clubs. I also announced our Spring Project, which is PAWS With a Cause.

It has been a real joy to be Liaison, but it will be coming to an end soon as my year is nearly over.

Lioness Liaison Lioness Fran Black





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.

Fun at the District Convention!!



From left to right; New Baltimore Lion Lorenzo Morales, VDG John Bingham, Jr and Walled Lake Lion Don Kuechle took the Friday Night Theme of Cowboys and Indians VERY seriously!!!

The Hospitality Rooms at this year's convention were top notch and full of food, fun and entertainment. Shown here is Tammi Graber's room, which was not only festive and fun but also featured hot and ready pizza for everyone!





The Parade of Banners is always a highlight during the Governor's Dinner on Saturday night.

The Lions Bear Lake Camp Buffalo and Boar Wild Game Dinner









Activities from Around the District...



The Royal Oak Lions Club Park was recently cleaned up by 12 members of the club and a group of 33 local high school students.



Lion Maureen Kennedy is shown here giving instructions to the students who volunteered to help with the clean up.



The clean up produced 86 bags of lawn refuse and took the group only 45 minutes to complete! Many hands make a job easier!!



The Royal Oak Lions also recently held a Trivia Night and raised nearly \$1800 to assist families struggling with pediatric cancer.

ANNUAL LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP



SATURDAY, MAY 12 2018 FROM 9:00 AM UNTIL ???

A DELICIOUS LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

THERE ARE MANY JOBS TO BE DONE, INCLUDING:

Drywall Work	Clearing Brush	Burning Brush
Cutting/Splitting/Stacking Wood	Cleaning the Waterfront	Clean Cabins
Plant Flowers	Staining and Painting	Mulching

Please let Dennis know what skills you possess or which job you wish to take on by either calling him at 810-245-0726 or with an email to info@bearlakecamp.org You are welcome to bring your own tools, gloves, waders etc.

If you wish to participate in a planning session on Friday night with an overnight stay at The Camp then please contact Jim Pettinato at 248-568-3461





Lions Bear Lake Camp Spring Clean-up Work Bee May 12, 2018

You are invited to join us for the annual Lions Bear Lake Camp Spring
Clean-up Work Bee
When: Saturday, May 12, 2018
Time: Sign in 8:30-9:00 Clean-up 9 – 3 Lunch is provided
RSVP: By May 1

If you have special skills you would like to provide in helping us please let us know when signing up.

Your hands-on-help will go a long way in helping get camp ready for the kids this summer.

Please list all persons who will be attending the event below

Please return this form to Lions Bear Lake Camp, 3409 N. Five Lake Rd., Lapeer, MI 48446 by May 1, 2018.

Group

Number of participant's _____

Participant	Skill
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LIONS OF MICHIGAN Family and Women Symposium

Where Do We Go From Here? Being Prepared For The Unexpected

SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sterling Heights Lions Club House 12828 Canal Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48313 Proceeds to benefit Pediatric Cancer

Moderator

KIM TRENT, WAYNE STATE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Speakers

• ATTORNEY RODRICK GREEN (Rodrick K. Green & Associates) Different legal instruments to develop a plan of action.

ETHELYN CARROLL (State Farm) Quality of Life benefits and policies that provide protection.

Educational, Interactive & Fun

Registration

Family and Women Symposium SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018

Name	
Address	
Club Name	
District	
Contact Phone	
Email	

Registration price is \$25

Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911

ELLIS LIDDELL

(CEO ELE Wealth Management) The power of coming together. Unity is purpose.

PCC ROBERT JENKINS (Sterling Heights Lions Club) Our members are a network of individual clubs united in helping others...

> ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT: Lula Gardfrey, MD 11 GMT Coordinator 313.410.9778



Join us in celebrating

Our 39th Annual "Very Special Evening"

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 • Social 5:45 p.m., Dinner 7:15 p.m.

The San Marino Club, 1685 East Big Beaver, Troy, Michigan

Tickets are \$25 per person with a cash bar. Reserved seating is available for full tables of 10.

HIGHLIGHTS

- special Silent Children's presentation
- presentation of Ralph Lynam Award
- parade of checks
- door prizes and money raffle

TICKETS

For more information and tickets call:

Kellie Bouren (Beaumont Children's): 248-655-5975 Harold Stephens, PDG (District 11 A-1): 248-661-0480 Dick Belloli, PRC (District 11 A-2): 586-944-7663

Club:	City:
Name:	Zip code:
Address:	Quantity: @ \$25 = Total \$
	Phone:

Make checks payable to Beaumont Silent Children's Speech Fund and mail to:

Terri Donahue Children's Speech Pathology department 4949 Coolidge Hwy., Royal Oak, MI 48073 248-655-5975

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98TH ANNUA REGISTR HOLIDA GRAND HC RESERVA	2018 <i>Ew CENTURY OF SERVICE</i> MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION ATION & TICKET FORM INN GATEWAY CENTRE BLANC, MI- MAY 17-19 TEL PHONE 810-232-5300 TION CODE: LOF, \$79 PER NIGHT (plus fees & taxes)
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Lions/Lioness Club of	District
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Address	City/State/Zip
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Please Note any special need 1. Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal 2. Deadline for pre-registration a 3. Tickets and registration p Holiday Inn Gateway	(i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.) ckets may be purchased unless (excluding Saturday Banquet) registration fee is paid. d purchase of tickets is May 8, 2018. No refunds after May 9, 2018. ckets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Centre in Grand Blanc. They will not be mailed to you. 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18 and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018

MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION KICK-OFF PICNIC Thursday, May 17 6:00 pm

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP 3409 N. 5 Lakes Rd Lapeer, MI 810.245.0726



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP to Host ANNUAL PICNIC!

JOIN US THIS YEAR AT LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP, A PROJECT OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 11. CAMP TOURS, GAMES, FOOD AND A GROUP SERVICE PROJECT TO BENEFIT SUMMER CAMPERS IST VP Gudrun Yngvadottir has been invited to join us as we showcase LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Thursday, May 17, 2018

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COST: \$10.00/PERSON-REGISTER TODAY

Name_

#Attendees

RSVP your attendance today or include with registration form to: Lions of Michigan 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

LIONS OF MICHIGAN **MD || LIONS CONVENTION**



THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018

METAMORA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB METAMORA, MI

If you are interested in a fun morning of golf

please complete the below information

Contact Person _____

Golfer's Name_____ Phone Address Lions/Lioness Club Golfer's Name

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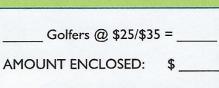
LOCATION: Metamora Golf and Country Club 1600 Club Dr. • Metamora, MI 48455

PRICE:

\$25 per person – 9 Holes \$35 per person – 18 Holes

FORMAT:

Scramble Format 2 Person Scramble (Golf Cart) 4 person Scamble Individual 9-Hole or 18-Hole Event 9:00 a.m - Rain or Shine (Registration Begins @ 8:00 a.m.)



(Make checks payable to Lions of Michigan)

MAIL RESERVATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO: PCC Jim Pettinato 3400 Ashley Dr. • Orion, MI 48359 Email: jamespettinato@att.net