

# District 11-A2

## Roaring News

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April 2021



We are having a one-day convention on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 9am until approximately 3:30 pm at the Bear Lake Camp. A continental breakfast will be served prior to the memorial service, which will begin at 10 am.

It has been an exciting month with getting everything together for the convention and with some of the clubs going back to having in-person meetings. The last cabinet meeting of the year is coming up on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Elections and all things that say summer are here. Many of the clubs will be out the next couple of weeks collecting for White Cane. This will be the first fund raiser in a year for some clubs. Good luck to all and have fun!

Membership has been over the top this year. So many of the clubs are on the plus side. All of the hard work the membership has done is paying off.

Getting all of these new members involved in the workings of the club is vital in keeping them as a member. By



getting all of your new members to sign up for the convention they would get to see the Bear Lake Camp and save \$ 15.00 on the registration fee. A Win/Win!

Now is the time when we all have to push forward a little harder in order to make things work. Being off or gone for this past year requires a little more effort on our part to start again. Not all of the goals have been lost. Some can still be made for this year.

Thank you.

DG 11A-2

Leo





**Lions District 11-A-2 Convention  
Come Party with Governor Leo Schaefer**



*"Building The Pride"*

**June 6, 2021 @ Bear Lake Camp  
3409 North Five Lakes Road, Lapeer, Michigan**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Timer \_\_\_\_\_ (1st Convention Attended & Lion less than 5 years)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Lioness: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Timer \_\_\_\_\_ (1st Convention Attended & Lion less than 5 years)

Phone: Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hotel Reservations**

**Since this is one day Convention – there will be no hotel involved**

<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Amount</u>
_____	Registration: Lions, Lioness, Guest @ \$20 each	\$ _____
_____	<b><u>AFTER May, 24th</u></b> : Lions, Lioness, Guest @ <b>\$30each</b>	\$ _____
_____	Registration: Leos & Children under 16 @ \$5 each	\$ _____
_____	Ist Timer Registration: \$5 each	\$ _____
_____	Sunday Continental Breakfast: no charge	\$ _____ 0 _____
_____	Sunday Box Lunch no charge. (must be pre-ordered)	\$ _____ 0 _____

**TOTAL DUE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Send completed registration form, with checks payable to  
**Lions International District 11-A-2**

*mail to:*

Lion Dick Maxwell  
18701 Walmer Lane  
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Questions: 248-642-9561

**DUE TO CURRENT COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS WE ARE  
LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 130 ATTENDEES.**

**PLEASE SEE AND OBSERVE ALL CONVENTION RULES ON  
THE ATTACHED PAGE.**

# 1st Vice District Governor's Notes

Spring is finally here, and I can tell just by looking at the weather forecast for snow that it must be April in Michigan! We are in the final quarter of this Lions year, so it is fitting that it is the season of renewal and growth. I hope that all clubs in the District are starting to plan for their spring and summer projects. With the warmer weather and being able to be outside, hopefully your events will be able to happen. If your club does not have any coming up and you are looking for some way to serve; Leader Dogs for the Blind



has a fundraiser going on right now called "Dollars for Dogs" which is an extremely easy way for you to help them raise money and get the word out in your community about them and everything that they do. If you are interested, contact Lion Beth Slade at Leader Dogs for more information. Looking for another way to serve? Lions Bear Lake Camp is opening back up and need help cleaning up and getting everything ready for the camping season. Clubs or individuals can sign up to do a project. If you go to their website, [bearlakecamp.org](http://bearlakecamp.org), they have a work bee tab that you can find all the necessary information. If your whole club wants to come out (Thank you Shelby Township!) arrangements can be made for larger projects as well. If your community supports it, White Cane Week is coming up at the end of the month. This is a great way to get out in your community and raise some money for your club and to raise awareness for White Canes and what they symbolize.

I am still looking for committee sign up sheets. I know that I had put a deadline of March, but I believe I have only received 13 back so the District really could use you next year. If you are interested in serving at all, please fill one out and send it to me. I have met with a few clubs but if there are other clubs out in the District that would like me to come for a visit, please contact me and let me know. I would be more than happy to attend either in person or virtually.

I will talk to you next month.

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Jim, Jr.



Dear Lions, Lioness and LEOS,

Spring is finally here! I hope that you all had a blessed easter with your families and are enjoying the nice weather that we are having.

In February, I attended the Lions of Michigan Forum, which was held virtually on Zoom for the first time. The turnout was great and the speakers were very informative. It was good to see so many of you attending the forum. I also visited the Royal Oak Lions Club virtually. They are completing service projects for their community and raising funds for the charities that we support.

In March I attended the Novi Loins Club meeting, which was also held via Zoom. I welcome your invitation to attend club meetings to find out what all of the clubs are doing in the district.

On another note, I have rescinded my acceptance of the nomination made by the Novi Lions Club for my candidacy for the office of 1st Vice District Governor for District 11-A2 for the year 2021-2022. I will be making my residence in Western Pennsylvania. I want to thank all of you for your friendship and support over the past six years. I will continue on as a member of our great organization and I look forward to keeping in touch with all of the great Lions, Lioness and LEOS in District 11-A2.

I wish you all continued success and fellowship in the pursuit of our motto, "We Serve".

Yours in Lionism,

Elliott Hilton—2VDG



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



**I WANT YOU**

The Beverly Hills Lions Club welcomes Christian Thiele, sponsored by Gordon McMullen

The Beverly Hills Lions Club welcomes Lisa Thiele, sponsored by Gordon McMullen

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Carl Weinreich, sponsored by Tammi Graber

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Carrie Weinreich, sponsored by Tammi Graber

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Catherine Biland, sponsored by Tangela Bonnay

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Glen Zampaglione, sponsored by Kimberly Irvine

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Heather Williams, sponsored by Kellie Dooge

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Kim Harrold, sponsored by Sue Cipriano

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Kimberly Ostrowski, sponsored by Laura Szymanski

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Maureen Vitale-Wartian, sponsored by Laura Szymanski

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Rebecca Messerli, sponsored by Kimberly Irvine

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Rich Harrold, sponsored by Sue Cipriano

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Susan Smoger, sponsored by Laura Szymanski





# What's Going On Around the District??



The Mount Clemens Lions Club recently awarded their annual scholarship to a deserving student, Lucas Graber. Despite the COVID Pandemic, the club was able to raise funds and provide Lucas with a much-needed \$2500 scholarship! Nice work!!!



Volunteers gathered at the Bear Lake Camp recently to install brick pavers. Many of the pavers have the names of Lions who have given generously of their time and resources to the camp and to their respective districts. The campers will very much appreciate this capital improvement as sessions resume. Where there is a need, there is a Lion!!







The Richmond Lions Club recently received a generous memorial donation from the family of long-time Lion Ron Rybar who passed away on October 24 of last year. The gift of \$1000 has been given to the Bear Lake Camp. Shown here (from L to R) are PDG and bear Lake Camp Board Member Rich Pfeiffer , District Governor Leo Schaefer, Club Vice-Chair Bob Szalka and President Keith Rengert.

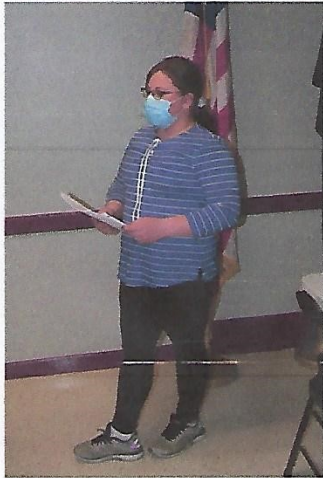


The Richmond Lions Club is busy collecting for White Cane. Shown here are co-chairs Bob Szalka and John Malburg.

# PENRICKTON CENTER FOR BLIND

Fundraising Project by Taylor Capozzo

Global Impact Project—Benefits go to Penrickton



Project runs until  
May 1, 2021

## Can/Bottle Drive

Benefits go to Penrickton Center for Blind Children  
Sunday April 11th-Saturday May 1st 2021



Drop off Address: 29191 32 Mile Road  
Richmond Mi or call 810-650-6131 for pick-up

Bottle & Can Drive - Penrickton

Armada High School Student project

Drop off location

29191 32 Mile Road, Richmond

Call for pick-up 810 650-6131

Or mail a check to Richmond Lions (noting Penrick-

ton Center) to: PO Box 221,

Richmond, MI 48062





# DISTRICT 11-A2 CABINET MEETING



## “Building the Pride”

Wednesday April 21, 2021  
Hosted by 1VDG Jim Leach, Jr.  
and the Lake Orion Lions Club

7pm – Call to Order	1VDG Jim Leach, Jr.
Invocation	PDG Ron Papa
Pledge	ZC Mike Pikelis
Introductions	1VDG Jim Leach, Jr.

**New Business:** District Governor Leo Schaefer



Cabinet Meeting Minutes January 13, 2021	CS Rhonda Furby
Cabinet Special Meeting Minutes March 3, 2021	
Treasurer’s Report	CT Rich Pfeiffer

**Committee Reports:**

Childhood Cancer & LCIF	PDG Connie Shelton
NAMI	PDG Jack Patton
Bear Lake Camp	PZC Jim Lykins
District Convention	PCT Dick Maxwell
District Hearing Aid Program	PDG Rich Pfeiffer
DAD & JDRF	PRC Roger Blackwell
White Cane & Beaumont Silent Children	PDG Ron Papa
Project Kidsight and PU 101s	CS Rhonda Furby
Leader Dogs for the Blind	PCC Frank Cunningham or ?

**Comments:**

IPDG	Scott Edward Berry
2VDG	Elliott Hilton
1VDG	Jim Leach, Jr.
District Governor	Leo Schaefer

**Tail Twister**

**Adjournment**



**NO CELL PHONES!! IF IT DISRUPTS THE MEETING, \$5 TO THE TAIL  
TWISTER!**



Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

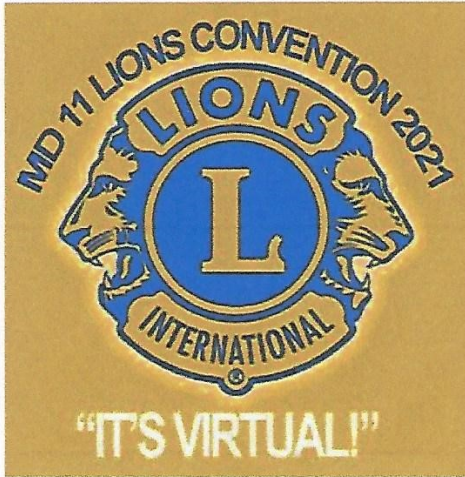
Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- **Everyone's invited** – Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- **Registration fees** – The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.
- **Current registrants** – Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.
- **Elections** – Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.
- **Convention updates** – Check our convention website [LClCon](#) for convention updates and details as they become available.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.





## **101 YEARS: HOW OUR PAST HAS SHAPED OUR FUTURE**

Join us for a Virtual MD 11 Lions Convention as we highlight Service, Hunger, Environment and History with a special message from LCI President Choi.

Conventions may look a little different this year, but the need to celebrate our success has not changed. Journey with us as we tour the Hunger for Christ Foodbank freezer, purchased with the assistance of a \$45,000.00 LCIF Grant totaled over \$100,000.00. In honor of President Choi, a tree planting ceremony will take place at Paws With a Cause, recognizing his leadership and passion for the environment.

Registrations details will be sent soon and can be found on the Lions of Michigan website, as well. Reserve your spot for **June 12, 2021!** Once you have registered, you will be able to have full access to the Convention Webinar after it airs on the Lions YouTube Channel.





## Invite Leader Dog to Your Meeting!

Introduce your club, region, zone or district to the legacy Lions started. Give us 15-20 minutes at your virtual meeting and we can present:

- Leader Dog's Programs
- Meet a Client
- A Puppy Raiser
- How We Train Guide Dogs
- How Does the White Cane Work?
- And more!

Contact Lion Kathleen Breen at [KBreen@leaderdog.org](mailto:KBreen@leaderdog.org) or 248.218.6407 for more information and to schedule.

Not sure about running a virtual meeting? We can help!  
We can also connect in to your face-to-face meeting!



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Rochester Hills, Michigan | 888.777.5332







Celebrate 40 Years of Service with the  
Sterling Heights Lioness Club

Friday: June 4, 2021

\$40.00 = per person                      Beer & Wine included

Villa Penna

43985 Hayes Rd.

Sterling Heights

Social: 6:00 PM    Welcome: 6:30 PM    Dinner: 7:00 PM

If required by law - Please wear your mask.

Reservations Due by May 21, 2021

Lioness Nina Rath: 586-977-1589

Lioness Sandra Varto: [s\\_10961@yahoo.com](mailto:s_10961@yahoo.com)

586-992-9423

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Registration Form: Sterling Heights Lioness Club Anniversary Celebration

CONTACT PERSON & PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

LIST THE NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING: (Please Print)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

No.: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO STERLING HEIGHTS LIONESS CLUB

Mail to Lioness Sandra Varto 8491 Stanford S. , #A, Washington Mi. 48094



Sterling Heights Lioness Club is Celebrating their  
40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
June 4, 2021

This is an opportunity for you to join us as we celebrate this special occasion with a congratulatory Business or Personal ad in our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary program book

Listed below is the price list for a BLACK & WHITE  
Congratulatory ad for this special event.

Business Card	\$25.00
Quarter Page	\$35.00
Half Page	\$70.00
Full Page	\$125.00

Please email a Print Ready Ad to Lioness Sandra Varto [s\\_10961@yahoo.com](mailto:s_10961@yahoo.com). Make your check payable to the Sterling Heights Lioness Club and mail your Business Card or personal ad with a check to  
Sandra Varto

8491 Stanford S., #A,  
Washington MI. 48094

Questions please contact Lioness Sandra Varto [S\\_10961@yahoo.com](mailto:S_10961@yahoo.com)  
Deadline to place your Ad is May 14, 2021

To obtain further information  
Please contact  
Lioness Sandra Varto  
586-992-9423



# Lions Bear Lake Camp Golf Classic

**NEW DATE:** Sunday, August 22, 2021

At

**Metamora Golf & Country Club**



**\*\* REGISTER YOUR TEAM BEFORE MAY 1<sup>st</sup> AND BE ENTERED TO WIN A FREE ROUND OF GOLF FOR A FOURSOME AT METAMORA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB! \*\***

## Please join us for the 16th Annual Lions Bear Lake Camp Golf Classic

Metamora CC offers 18 holes of championship golf. The course's scenic layout features rolling terrain, tree lined fairways, and strategically placed bunkers that will make for a fun and challenging event.

**Proceeds from this event will support Bear Lake Camp. Together, we can make this a great event for such a wonderful cause.**

Our Mission: to provide outdoor recreational and educational experiences year-round to all persons regardless of ability. Our summer camps include sessions for children who are blind/visually impaired, deaf/hard of hearing, or have juvenile arthritis.

### ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Use of Driving Range  
18 Holes of Golf with Cart  
Course Contests  
Buffet-Style Awards Dinner  
Door Prizes & Raffles

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Registration 12:00 pm  
Shotgun Start 1:30 pm  
Awards Dinner 6:30 pm

### EVENT FEES

Registration- \$100 per golfer/  
\$400 per foursome  
Dinner-Only Guest- \$30

If you'd like to learn more about Bear Lake Camp, visit [www.bearlakecamp.org](http://www.bearlakecamp.org)  
To learn more about Metamora Golf & Country Club, visit [www.metamoragolf.com](http://www.metamoragolf.com)

For additional information, please contact:

Rick Fleming, G.M./Director of Golf 248.342.1702

Heather Osip, Bear Lake Camp Board Member/Outing Chair 248.875.9705 [hospip@outlook.com](mailto:hospip@outlook.com)

### Event Sponsorship Opportunities

A great way for your group or business to do a bit more!

#### Event Sponsorship \$2,000

Sponsor's name will be part of the official title of the golf event and all aspects of the event's activities, such as course signage and recognition on event materials.

Includes golf for eight players and awards dinner.

#### Dinner Sponsorship \$1,500

Sponsor's name will be featured at the awards dinner, on course signage, and on event materials. Includes golf for four players and awards dinner.

#### Platinum Sponsorship \$1,000

Sponsor's name will be featured on event materials and hole signage. Includes golf for four players and awards dinner.

#### Beverage Cart or Special Event Sponsorship \$500

Sponsor's name will be featured on multiple beverage carts or special event hole signage throughout the day.

#### Hole Sponsorship \$100

Sponsor's name will be featured on signage at one hole.

Donations Welcome!!!

Donated raffle and prize items are appreciated.

### Registration Information

Captain \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment:

Cash    Check    Credit Card

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Bear Lake Camp

Mail registrations and payments to:

Metamora Golf & Country Club

C/O Rick Fleming

1600 Club Drive Metamora, MI 48455

Lions Bear Lake Camp is a licensed 501(c)(3)



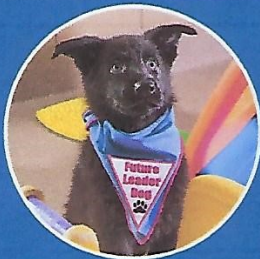
# PUPPY SPONSORSHIP

A \$500 donation allows you to choose from a select group of puppies to symbolically sponsor and receive:

- ▶ A portrait of your sponsored Future Leader Dog suitable for framing
- ▶ Four wallet-size photos to share
- ▶ A profile of your Future Leader Dog with fun information such as personality traits, favorite toys and more
- ▶ An official sponsorship certificate
- ▶ **Each sponsorship comes with a matching plush puppy!**



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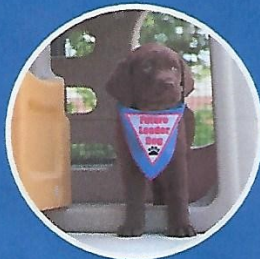
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Michigan



**Benton**  
Tennessee



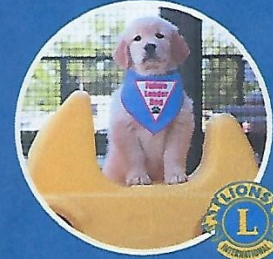
**Thea**  
Wisconsin



**Sequoia**  
Michigan



**Papi**  
Michigan



**Harper**  
Maryland

**YES!** I would like to sponsor a puppy!

Name (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring (please circle ONE puppy) Sakari Benton Thea Sequoia Papi Harper

Please make check payable to "Leader Dogs for the Blind" with "Puppy Sponsorship" in the memo.

Mail to: Leader Dogs for the Blind, 1039 S. Rochester Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115

You can also sponsor a puppy online at [LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/sponsor-a-puppy)



- Raised by volunteer Lion puppy raisers