

District 11-A2

Roaring News

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October 2021



We had a great first round of Region meetings! All of the clubs gave great reports. It is very interesting to hear about the different events and projects that we all do. I wrote several of them down and will bring them back to my own club to see if they can fit into our schedule. The three programs we had; Maggie's' Wigs for Kids, Paws with a Cause, and Elite Detection K9, were all very informative and were a nice break from our usual meetings. I think all of the Region & Zone Chairs who hosted and ran the meetings did a great job and I want to thank them for doing that.



I hear that the USA/Canada Forum in Des Moines, Iowa went well and was well attended. District 11-A2 was well represented with attendees and that is great news.

The JDRF One Walk on Wheels was held on Sunday, September 19th. District 11-A2 had a good turnout, and we are getting close to Chairman Roger Blackwell's fundraising goal. We have until the end of October to send in donations for them to count for this year. Diabetes is a terrible disease that touches the lives of so many people, including many Lions in our District. If you or your club has a donation, please send it in to Chairman Roger and let us do our part to end diabetes as we know it.



We have several events upcoming in October. Most importantly is Sunday, October 17, which is Governor Leo's Appreciation Dinner. Hopefully, you have signed up for this. Governor Leo had a great year and worked very hard for our District; he deserves a great party. Also, on Monday, October 4th is the second Cabinet meeting which will be held in Berkley and is being hosted by the Royal Oak Lions Club. Friday, October 15th is the Penrickton Kickoff dinner. There are many other events coming up this month, please look in the newsletter for more information on them. PCC Frank will also be sending them out on a regular basis.

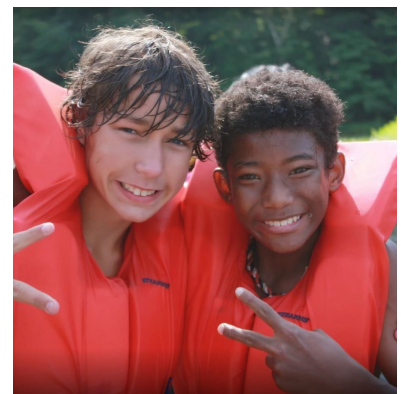
While I have a few club visits scheduled, I sure would like to get a lot more on the books. I am not going to impose myself on your club. If you want me to come out for a visit, let's talk and work something out. I know a lot of clubs just want to do their own thing and be left alone without all of the district people coming around. Okay, good with me, no problem. But, if you do want me to come for a visit, that would be great.

Cash for Camp update: The project is going great! Many of you have generously donated to First Lady Kim's special project, and the big jar is getting filled quickly. To date, there is already over \$400 in there! I know we are all working very hard to get our club accounts back up to pre-covid levels, but any amount you can donate to help the camp would be appreciated. Thank you all very much for your generosity! The jar will be at all the district meetings and ready for your donation.

Thank you for all you do and all you serve.

Talk to you next month.

Governor Jim



The Lions Bear Lake Camp builds confidence, leadership, independence while creating a lifetime of memories and friendships for the campers.

1VDG Shawn Blaszczyk

Greetings Lions of 11-A2,

It's already October. Can you believe $\frac{1}{4}$ of our Lions year is over? It has gone by quickly. As you are reading this, I will be at the second round of VDG training and the Council of Governors meeting. I'm excited for this and plan on taking in as much information to do the best job I can serving you next year.

We just wrapped up the first round of Region Meetings. It was awesome to hear all of the great things the clubs are doing. Fundraising is ramping up even more and the assistance you



are giving your communities is amazing. The Holidays are approaching and clubs are getting ready to help out those in need. Making a difference in the life of one person or an entire family is all we can ask, right?

Speaking of assisting, it's also great to see clubs and individuals getting in donations to LCIF. We have an ambitious goal to reach. I don't know if we will actually reach it, but one thing I do know is that the Lions of this District will go down swinging.

I have many club visits lined up and I can't wait to get out to the individual clubs and really see what they have going on. I have been given Region 3, but I won't discriminate against the other Regions if you would like me to visit I'd love to see as many of you as I can. Please contact me to set something up.

Lastly, it's never too early to start thinking about next year. If you are interested in stepping up to be more active in the District, then please let me know and let's talk.

Keep up your great work!

Lion Shawn Blaszczyk, 1VDG

DIMES & DOLLARS FRIDAYS

AS WE ENTER THE FINAL YEAR OF LCIF CAMPAIGN 100, WE NEED ALL OF YOUR HELP TO REACH OUR GOAL AND SUPPORT YOUR FOUNDATION.

WE ARE ASKING EACH MEMBER FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR CLUB'S. PLEASE CONSIDER DOING ONE OF THE EASY CHALLENGES BELOW EACH FRIDAY OF THE YEAR TO HELP US GIVE BACK TO THE LCIF THAT HAS HELPED OUR DISTRICT AND PROJECTS GREATLY OVER THE YEARS.

FRIDAY DOLLARS- WE ASK THAT EACH FRIDAY FOR THE YEAR THAT YOU PUT AWAY JUST \$1 (MORE IF YOU WISH) AND IN JUNE DONATE THOSE DOLLARS TO LCIF. THIS WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$50.

FRIDAY DIMES- WE ASK THAT YOU TAKE AN EMPTY WATER BOTTLE (16 OZ.) AND EACH FRIDAY PLACE YOUR SPARE DIMES IN IT THAT YOU HAVE COLLECTED OVER THE WEEK. ONCE THE BOTTLE IS FILLED THERE WILL BE ABOUT \$50 IN IT. ONCE FILLED MAKE A DONATION TO LCIF.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW AT THE UPCOMING CABINET AND REGION MEETINGS AS WELL AS HOW TO MAKE A DONATION.

THANK YOU 1VDG SHAWN BLASZCZYK, LCIF COORDINATOR



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What is your club's roadmap for success? If you do not have one, how will you know if your club has been "successful"? Are your processes and projects (i.e. settings) placed where they should be? If your answers are something other than "Yes" to any of these, here is an analogy to explain what I am referring to.

WAZE is a GPS app that I use daily for my work commute. In addition to telling me the quickest route to work, it tells me of upcoming railroad crossings, construction zones, accidents and police sightings. I have learned to trust WAZE's instructions even when my gut is telling me to "take the familiar path".

For numerous reasons, I decided to drive to Des Moines, IA to attend the USA / Canada Forum. So, WAZE was programmed to tell me how to get to my hotel. As I drove closer to the Indiana border, WAZE suggested I drive through Kankakee and not on I-80. My Nebraska residency experience was saying I should be on I-80. But since I trusted WAZE, I drove through some questionable Kankakee neighborhoods until I reached I-80, west of the tollway.

After I arrived in Iowa, I checked WAZE's settings and I had selected the "avoid tollways" option. Thus, the Kankakee side trip. The option was turned off for the return drive and I stayed on I-80 until the I-94 exit.

Don't leave your year "to chance". Each club should have a written plan (i.e. roadmap) that outlines the following (i.e. settings):

- Fundraising Projects – when they occur and profit goals
- Service Projects - what are they, when do they occur and estimated people to be served
- Estimated Donations to our District / Multiple District charities and LCIF
- Other Donations to be made
- Agendas at each meeting to keep members on topic and prevent long meetings

FUTURE TRAINING –

If anyone is interested in becoming a Certified Guiding Lion, please send me an email at kunruh48@gmail.com

For those that missed the September 18 Club Officer Training, another session will be set up in the Spring, after club elections.

Also, if there are other training opportunities that you would like to attend, please let me know.

Yours in Lionism

2VDG Kelley Unruh

2VDG / GLT Kelley Unruh

What's Going on Around the District??



The Utica Lions Club recently held their very popular All-You-Can-Eat Steak and Shrimp Dinner at the VFW hall in Utica. There was no shortage of delicious food or generous drink and there were numerous raffle prizes. A great time was had by all!!

The JDRF One Walk on Wheels Car Parade 2021

The Car Parade was held in downtown Detroit and along the Detroit waterfront on September 19. To date over \$350,000 was raised to continue the fight against Type 1 Diabetes. You can still donate by going to their website at

https://www2.jdrf.org/site/TR?fr_id=8429&pg=entry



Many thanks go to Roger Blackwell and to all of those who have volunteered to make this event such a success year after year!

Lions Masks—Royal Blue with Gold Emblem

\$15 each

Send check made payable to the
Lathrup Village Lions Club,
and your shipping information,
to:

PDG William Lupher

29776 Sierra Point Circle

Farmington Hills, MI 48331

Phone Inquiries can be made at

248-432-7023



Individual event flyers are not published
in the newsletter and should instead be
sent for distribution to PCC Frank at
frank.cunningham723@gmail.com

Once your event has concluded then send
photos and an article for publication in
the newsletter to

jboomer1965@gmail.com

If you would like for your photos and
article to be submitted to Lion Pride then
be sure that you identify everyone who
appears in the foreground of your photo
by both first and last name.

**Submission deadline is the first of
the month.**



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

I WANT YOU

The Center Line Lions Club welcomes Joseph Haynes, sponsored by Karen Pietrzyk.

The Center Line Lions Club welcomes Shelly Harenski, sponsored by Robert Binson.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Carol Rzepka, sponsored by Tammi Graber.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Richard Rzepka, sponsored by Tammi Graber.

The Richmond Lions Club welcomes John Cmarik, sponsored by Jill Konwinski.

The Richmond Lions Club welcomes Kelly Cmarik, sponsored by Jill Konwinski.



Membership



DISTRICT 11-A2 CABINET MEETING



Together We Can, Together We Will

Monday October 4, 2021

At the Berkley Knights of Columbus 2299 12 Mile Road in Berkley

Hosted by RC Maureen Kennedy and the Royal Oak Lions Club

Doors Open at 6:00 pm

6:45 Call to order

Invocation

Pledge

Introductions

RC Maureen Kennedy

Lion Lieutenant Kory Strand

The Salvation Army, Royal Oak Citadel

Lion Bob Westbury, Vietnam Veteran

RC Maureen Kennedy

Break for Dinner

Meeting back to order

RC Maureen Kennedy

Business:

District Governor Jim Leach, Jr.

Cabinet Meeting Minutes August 18, 2021

CS Jim Boomer

Treasurer's Report

CT Angie Boomer

New Business

Old Business

Eversight Legacy

PCC Pettinato

Committee Reports:

Nominations

Leader Dogs/ Constitution & By-laws

Bear Lake

LCIF

Service Foundation

Penrickton/District Convention

Project Kidsight/Reading Action/Leadership Institute

DAD/JDRF

PDG Scott Berry

PCC Frank Cunningham

PZC Jim Lykins

1st VDG Shawn Blaszczyk

CS Jim Boomer

PCT Dick Maxwell

RC Rhonda Furby

PRC Roger Blackwell

Comments:

1st Lady's Project

2nd Vice District Governor

1st Vice District Governor

District Governor

Kim Leach

Kelley Unruh

Shawn Blaszczyk

Jim Leach, Jr

Tail Twister // Door Prize Raffle and 50/50 Raffle

**RC Maureen Kennedy and the Royal Oak
Lions Club**

Adjournment

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



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Lansing, MI 48911

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(517) 887-6640

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(517) 887-6642

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lions@lionsofmi.com



ATTENTION:

Your help is needed. Please
share this information with
club members and officers!

August 2021

Dear Club Presidents and Secretaries:

We are pleased to announce that the annual Michigan Lions Leadership Institute will be held on November 5-7, 2021 at the MacMullan Training Center on beautiful Higgins Lake.

Experienced presenters will conduct group sessions in a relaxed, informal setting. Offerings include Personality Styles, Personal Effectiveness, The Essence of Leadership, Listening and Speaking Skills, Managing Change, Setting Goals, Team Building, and Conflict Resolution.

In addition to the traditional Leadership Institute, a Graduate Institute is offered for those who have already attended the Leadership Institute and want to enhance and better utilize their Lionistic skills, presentation skills and leadership skills.

Both the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute begin with lunch on Friday at 11:30 a.m., with the first instructional sessions starting at 12:20 p.m. Registration precedes lunch, between 10:00 and 11:15 a.m.

The MacMullan Center is a recognized training center set in a natural, wooded environment. Housing is in lodges with semi-private rooms, and shared bathrooms. The food is great!

All of this – informational sessions, two night's lodging, and six meals – for only \$225.00 per person. We ask you to share information on the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute with your club officers and members.

The deadline for applications is October 8, 2021. Two informational brochures (which include application forms) are enclosed for your convenience and may be duplicated. Please make checks payable to "Michigan Lions Leadership Institute."

Yours in Lionism,

**Bill Hansen, PID, Chairman
Leadership Institute Committee**

Enclosure

Cost: \$36.00 Per Person

6:30 Social Hour (cash bar)

7:30 Dinner

To Order Tickets:
(734) 946-7500
or email:
mail@penrickton.com

*Seating is limited to the
first 550 people!
(Tables of 10)*

Penrickton Center for Blind Children
26530 Eureka Road
Taylor, MI 48180

Phone: 734-946-7500
Fax: 734-946-6707
E-mail: mail@penrickton.com



Penrickton Center for Blind Children is a private, non-profit five day residential and day care agency serving blind, multi-disabled children ages one through twelve.

Annual Kick-Off Dinner

Friday, October 15, 2021

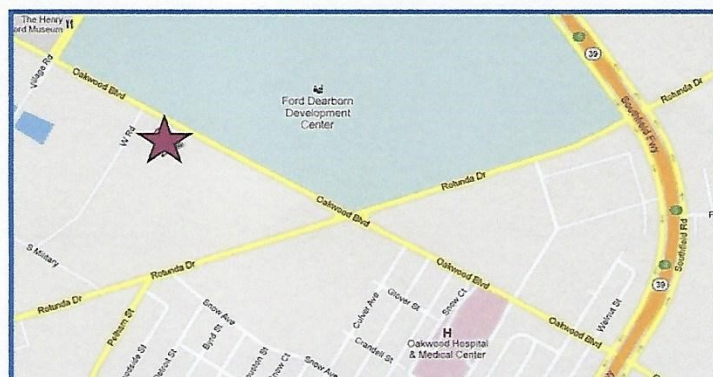
The Annual Kick-Off Dinner is a gathering of friends and supporters of Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Program features an annual update on the work of Penrickton Center, a musical/visual presentation, a personal story told by one of our parents and the "Parade Of Checks" at the end of the evening. There will also be guest entertainment, silent auction, raffles, and door prizes.

The Dearborn Inn (A Marriott Hotel)

20301 Oakwood Boulevard

Dearborn, MI 48124

Please Note: The Dearborn Inn requires patrons who are not fully vaccinated to wear masks.



DISTRICT 11A2 APPRECIATION DINNER FOR GOVERNOR LEO AND FIRST LADY SHARON

'Building the pride'

WHEN: SUNDAY OCTOBER 17, 2021

WHERE: TINA'S COUNTRY HOUSE

50828 NORTH AVE

MACOMB, MI

SOCIAL HOUR 2:00 P.M.

COST: \$35.00 PER PERSON / CASH BAR

All reservations must be paid in advance to

PCT RICH PFEIFFER

Sorry NO Phone Reservations Please!

Deadline for reservations October 6th.

Send Reservations to

PCT RICH PFEIFFER

70350 Henry Ross Drive

Romeo, MI 48065

Please make checks payable to: LIONS District 11A2

Name (s) _____

Club: _____

Reservations: \$35.00 x _____ Total Amount Paid: \$ _____



DISTRICT 11-A2 CABINET MEETING



Together We Can, Together We Will

November 11, 2021
Hosted by ZC3 Mark Scicluna
& the Beverly Hills Lions Club

Location: Shields Pizza
1476 W. Maple Rd.
Troy, Mi 48084

Doors open at 6:00 PM
Meeting starts at 6:45 PM

Meal Cost: \$15 per person with cash bar.
Please R.S.V.P. by Oct. 28, 2021

Send reservations to: Mark Scicluna
30040 Westbrook Pkwy
Southfield, Mi. 48076

Please Make Checks Payable to the: Beverly Hills Lions Club

Person Name(s):

Club Name:

Number attending at \$15.00 per person:

Total Amount Due:

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal.
Sorry, no phone reservations.



DISTRICT 11-A2 REGION II MEETING



“Together We Can, Together We Will”

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Hosted by Zone Chair Jim Diez & the
Shelby Township Lions Club

**Location:
VFW Hall**

8311 Wilson Drive, Shelby Township 48315

Doors open at 6:00 pm
Meeting starts at 6:45 pm

**Meal Cost: \$15 per person.
Please R.S.V.P by November 2, 2021**

Guest Speaker: TBD

Send reservations to: *ZC Jim Diez*
13526 Towering Oaks
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Please Make Checks Payable to Shelby Township Lions Club

Person Name(s):
Club Name:
Number attending at \$15 per person:
Total Amount Due:

**All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal.
Sorry. No phone reservations.**

2022-2023 COUNCIL CHAIR APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPCTED!

Attention all eligible Multiple District 11 Past District Governors, Immediate PDG's, District Governors and 1st VDG's: The search is on!

In accordance with the MD 11 Constitution and By-Laws, the Council Chairperson shall be a Past District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor or a seated District Governors. 1st VDGs are eligible to submit an application for consideration, as they will be a seated Governor 2022-2023. He/she shall serve for a one-year term and may not serve in that capacity again.

Notice to all eligible candidates is required and published in the Lion Pride at least 40 days prior to the application deadline. To be considered for the position, please submit a cover letter, the application form included in this publication and your resume to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than November 23, 2021. Late applications will not be accepted.

Interviews will be conducted by the 2021-2022 MD 11- 1st Vice District Governors on Friday, **December 3, at the Holiday Inn Express, Mt. Pleasant, MI.** Selection of the 2022-2023 Council Chair will be made at the conclusion of the interviews.

Thank you for taking the time to consider serving the Lions of Michigan, MD 11, in this very important capacity. Contact Lion Wendy Burns with questions at 517-887-6640 ext 11. Mail your resume to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911



**MD 11 Council Chairperson – 2022-2023
Application Form**

Please type or print:

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
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Spouse's Name (if applicable)

Address	City and State	Zip/Postal Code
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Residence Phone (Include Area Code)	Business Phone (Include Area Code)
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Fax (Include Area Code)	Cell Phone (Include Area Code)
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E-Mail Address

Your Lions Club	District #	Year Served as a DG
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Include on separate letter head the following:

Offices held at the club level:

Offices held at the zone, region, and district level (including committee assignments):

Offices held at the multiple district level (including committee assignments):

Special awards, honors, and recognitions you have received:

Skills or talents you bring to the position:

Mail to: Lions of Michigan
Attn: Wendy Burns, Executive Director
5730 Executive Dr.
Lansing, Michigan 48911



2022 Lions Clubs of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired

Three \$3,000 scholarships to be awarded

Please mail completed scholarship application to:

The Lions of Michigan State Office
Attn: Scholarship Committee
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911
www.lionsofmi.com

Phone: (517) 887-6640
Fax: (517) 887-6642
email: lions@lionsofmi.com



Scholarship Criteria:

1. Must be legally blind and provide verification (letter from optometrist or ophthalmologist or letter from vocational counselor).
2. Applicants must be a resident of the State of Michigan and a United States Citizen (International students must provide proof of citizenship) and either attending or accepted by an accredited trade or business school, college or university.
3. Applicants must complete the official scholarship application (both sides).
4. Must submit two letters of recommendation.
5. Must submit an essay outlining why you need the scholarship.
6. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (transcript required).
7. Completed scholarship applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 30th annually.
8. Must attend the Lions of Michigan Forum to accept scholarship during a ceremonial presentation. *(Actual check(s) will be issued to the school/university/equipment manufacturer upon submission of documentation. Two weeks notice required).*

Scholarship Selection Process:

1. Lions of Michigan Scholarship Committee will review all applications during January.
2. This scholarship will be awarded in February annually at the Michigan Forum.

Name		Phone	()
Address			
City		State	Zip
Email Address			
Date of Birth		* Degree of visual acuity	
<i>* Legally blind is defined as best corrected vision in both eyes of 20/200 or less and/or visual fields of less than 20 degrees.</i>			
How did you hear about the scholarship?			

Education Information

High School you attended		
What college or other institution are you attending/planning to attend?		
Have you been accepted?		
What do you plan to study?		
What are your personal and educational goals?		
How will the scholarship funds be used? <i>(Check all that apply)</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuition	<input type="checkbox"/> Books	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing
<input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Equipment (please specify) _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____		

Organizations, Activities and Awards

Describe briefly your most significant public service, community, or campus activities associated with your education and/or future career goals.			
Special honors and awards			
Special talents and training			
Applicant's Signature		Date	



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 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

