

# District 11-A2

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## Roaring News

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Well, this is it, my last article as your Governor. I want to thank each and every one of you for supporting me, not only throughout this year, but also during the previous two years as I made my way up to being Governor of this great District again.

We still have a few weeks left until the year is over. Let's try and make sure to make sure it ends well. Hopefully everyone's White Cane collecting went well. I know there are a bunch of club



projects and fundraisers going on or coming up that will hopefully be successful and allow you to make sure that you can support your community.

This is the final month of this Lionistic year. It has been so great being with all of you and growing as a Lion. There have definitely been some challenges, both personally and in Lions, but I think together we got through all of it okay. I am really looking forward to next year, not just because I will be a Past District Governor, but because I think we have a fantastic Governor's team coming in. With Governor Shawn taking over and VDG's Kelley and Rhonda right behind him, we are in good hands for leadership. Also, don't forget that it's never too early thinking about a 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG candidate. There are a lot of great Lions in the District who I think are ready



to take that next step; think about it, it could be you! Governor Shawn picked a lot of great Lions to be on his Cabinet and to serve on his committees so it should really be a great year coming up.

Two “Hawaiian Rules” to live by: “Without storms, you get no rainbows” and “Speak softly and wear a Loud shirt”!

Well, I think I am going to end it here as you have had to listen to me all year... again! I think I will just keep it short this time.

Thank you for all you have done and for all you serve.

Governor Jim



After seven years serving as the Lions District Editor I have published my last edition of The Roaring News. While serving as District Editor I have been able to meet so many of you and to see how your clubs function. I am grateful for the opportunity that was given to me as it has made me a better Lion.

I am turning the reins over to Lion Ryan Covert. Ryan joined the New Baltimore Lions Club in 2018 and served as their Communications Chair until 2021. While in that position he worked to revamp the club website and to build the club’s digital presence. Ryan works as a union representative by day and serves on the New Baltimore City Council. Ryan and his wife Samantha live in their hometown of New Baltimore.

Please use [lionsnewsletter11a2@gmail.com](mailto:lionsnewsletter11a2@gmail.com) for all article submissions. The deadline for submissions remains the first of the month.

Lion James Boomer



# District Governor-Elect Shawn Blasczyk

Happy Summer!! Where did spring go or more accurately, did we even have one this year? I'm not even sure where May went, either. I do know many clubs did White Cane collections and I hope that each of you were successful! We also had the Beaumont's Silent Children's dinner for the first time in a couple of years. It was a great event as always. I hope more of you will be able to attend next year. The 2020-22 MD11 convention was held in Auburn Hills. It was good to see many of you there as well as many Lions



from around the State. It was a good time. We had our last DGE training session as we planned for our upcoming Council of Governors year. Somehow it was decided I am the best DG for their tail twister. That has yet to be determined, but I won't mind taking all of their money!

Club Officer training was held on June 11<sup>th</sup> at the Sterling Heights Lions Hall. We tried something new this time and offered it as a hybrid session; allowing people to either attend in person or virtually on Zoom. We also offered each officer training (president, secretary, treasurer) at separate times that morning, allowing people to attend one or all three.

I have many clubs inviting me to attend their officer installations. Please contact me soon if you would like me to come to yours as my schedule is filling up quickly. Speaking of installations, the Cabinet Officer Installation and District Picnic will be on July 24<sup>th</sup> at the Romeo Lions. More information will be out soon. We would love to see all of you there.

Lastly, I am preparing for the International Convention in Montreal June 22-29. I have to say I am excited for it. I have never been to one before so it should be a great experience. Plus, I am looking forward to meeting my other DGE's from my LCI training group that I have gotten to know this past year.

Lastly, I want to say thank you to DG Jim for the amazing job he has done this year. More importantly I am grateful for all of the advice and mentoring he has given to me. I have big shoes to fill and I will do my best.

Thank you and happy Father's Day to all of the dad's !

# 1VDG-Elect Kelley Unruh

Apparently not.

2VDG Kelley



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

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

[lionsnewsletter11a2@gmail.com](mailto:lionsnewsletter11a2@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.**



# What's Going On Around the District??



The Royal Oak Lions Club marched in their city's annual Memorial Day Parade . Shown here from L to R are Lions Maureen Kennedy and Cindi Wells carrying the club banner with President Bob Westbury, a Viet Nam veteran, carrying the American Flag. Behind them are Lions Laura Mastracci in the lion suit and Lion Karen Burke with service dog Minkey.

## New District 11-A2 Scholarship for the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute

The scholarship is for a Lion in good standing in District 11-A2 who wishes to go to the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute for the **first** time. Applicants may start applying after July 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2022. Applicants apply via email only to [japlapelp@gmail.com](mailto:japlapelp@gmail.com) . All you have to do is give your name and the club you belong to.

The winning names will be drawn at your region meeting.

Region 1 meeting will be September 29, 2022

Region 2 meeting will be September 12, 2022

Region 3 meeting will be September 15, 2022

Once the winner's name is drawn you will be notified by your Region Chairperson. A second name will be drawn for backup in case the original winner changes their mind or can't make it. The winners have to apply to the institute themselves and pay for it. The District will reimburse you after you attend the institute. This is just another way our District supports our members and clubs. So, good luck and thank you for being a Lion in District 11-A2!!

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Lion Jack Patton via email at [japlapelp@gmail.com](mailto:japlapelp@gmail.com) or cell 248.535.9011.

Lion Jack Patton, PDG



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

# I WANT YOU

The Armada Lions Club welcomes Brian Powers, sponsored by Larry Ball.

The Clawson Lions Club welcomes Katie Sullivan, sponsored by John Sullivan.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Chris Hildebrand, sponsored by Ron Hines.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Keith Weiss, sponsored by Lauraine Pettinato.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Peter Sharpe, sponsored by Pat Lauer.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Suzanne Pabisz, sponsored by Mike Pikelas.

The Milford/Huron Valley Lions Club welcomes Tom Prosak, sponsored by David Prosak.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Brian Baker, sponsored by Renee Baker.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Brian Trinity, sponsored by Renee Baker.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes William Aurand, sponsored by Wayne Dula.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Adrian Rawls , sponsored by Laurie Bishop.

The Pontiac Lions welcome Charlotte Jones, sponsored by Laurie Bishop.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Cicely Kaiser, sponsored by Laurie Bishop.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes George Mulqueen, sponsored by Mike West.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Kenayda Bowman, sponsored by Laurie Bishop.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Phillip Brown, sponsored by Laurie Bishop.

The Rochester Hills Lions Club welcomes Jen Hatchett, sponsored by Eric Hatchett.

The Romeo Lions Club welcomes Derek Kage, sponsored by Travis Todd.

The Romeo Lions Club welcomes Jeff Kowalke, sponsored by Scott Luther.

The Romeo Lions Club welcomes Michael Montgomery, sponsored by Thomas Martin.

The Sterling heights Lions Club welcomes Karleen Sinelli, sponsored by Joseph Croke.



Just a short blast here to say THANK YOU for all your efforts during our 60 new members in 60 days challenge! We did not hit our goal but are so much further ahead because of our efforts! We added 38 new members to help serve our communities! 38 new members to help on our club projects! 38 new members that are excited to be a part of the world's largest service organization! That's more than we sponsored the last 3 years combined in the same period! BE PROUD and LOUD about Lions.....let's end the year strong!!

| District | YTD Adds 4/1                 | YTD Adds 6/1 | 60 x 60 total |
|----------|------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| A1       | 97                           | 138          | 41            |
| A2       | 108                          | 146          | 38            |
| B1       | 87                           | 122          | 35            |
| B2       | 71                           | 90           | 19            |
| C1       | 79                           | 98           | 19            |
| C2       | 57                           | 66           | 9             |
| D1       | 104                          | 147          | 43            |
| D2       | 114                          | 136          | 22            |
| E1       | 135                          | 158          | 23            |
| E2       | 76                           | 84           | 8             |
| D10      | 132                          | 167          | 35            |
|          |                              |              |               |
|          | MI 60 x 60<br>Campaign total |              | 292           |

Lion Tammi Graber

Global Membership Team Chair

586-883-4643





**LIONS CLUBS OF MICHIGAN  
District 11-A2  
DEFENSE AGAINST DIABETES (D.A.D.) PROGRAM**

*This life changing & lifesaving program was developed to help people with prediabetes. Everyone is welcome to sign up even if you are not pre-diabetic or if you have Type 2 Diabetes. Learn how to live healthier, longer lives with the information and tools provided by this program.*

**This DAD workshop will be on Zoom**

**Starting Wednesday June 15, 2022 at 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

- **Lions of Michigan & Lions Club International Foundation is funding this program with your Defense Against Diabetes grant.**
- **There is absolutely no cost for participants.**
  - **You do not have to be a Lion's Club member to register.**
- **Each 1-hour session will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30-7:30 p.m.**
  - **This D.A.D. workshop will be led by Lion Carolyn Jennings.**

Click [here](#) to register for the district 11-A2 D.A.D. class.

You can also type [WWW.BIT.LY/NKFM-DAD](http://WWW.BIT.LY/NKFM-DAD) into your browser to register. ***Must use all CAPS.***

Questions or Help with the registration process, please contact Ed Bohach [ebohach@nkfm.org](mailto:ebohach@nkfm.org) or 734-222-9800 x 2240

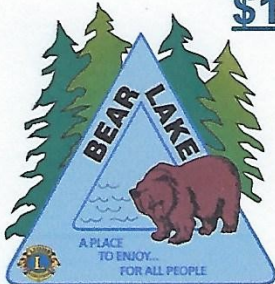


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## LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP FUNDRAISER!

**\$10 per ticket donated back to Lions Bear Lake Camp!**



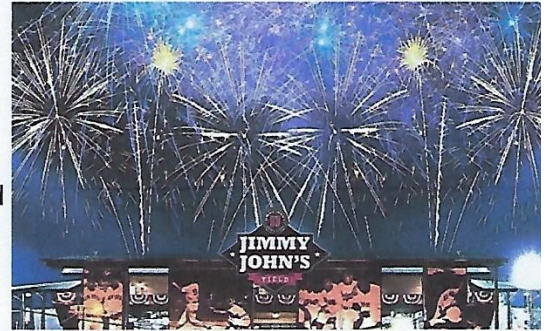
### Enjoy an All American BBQ!

- All American BBQ - Premium Hot Dogs, Slow Roasted BBQ Pulled Chicken, Fresh Pasta Salad, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, and a Fruit Salad. *Food is served starting when the gates open for 90 minutes.*
- Each guest will receive two (2) beverage tickets for Bud, Bud Light, wine, and unlimited soft drinks, lemonade, ice tea, and water.



### GROUP PERKS INCLUDE:

- Reserved Patio
- Candid photos in your picnic space
- Group photo on the field
- Welcome Message on the scoreboard
- Kids Run the Bases after the game
- Meet & Greet with a team mascot
- FREE Parking!



Enjoy Jimmy John's Field Spectacular  
Fireworks Show!

**CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE  
YOUR TICKETS HERE**

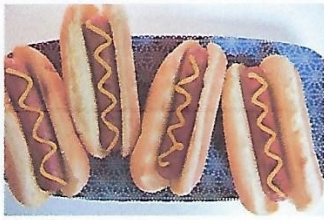
**FRIDAY, JULY 15 @ 7:05 PM  
GATES OPEN AT 6 PM**



"I cannot say enough good things about how much we absolutely love Jimmy John's Field! Everything about going to a game is top-notch. Thank you for making it the best in town!" - Linda



# District 11-A2 Picnic & Cabinet Installation



July 24, 2022

Romeo Lions Den  
269 E Washington St  
Romeo, Mi 48065

Beer, Wine & Soda  
Compliments of  
DG Shawn  
~ Cash Bar ~

1:00 pm- Social Time  
1:45 pm- Lunch Served  
2:30 pm- Installation of  
2022-23 Cabinet Officers

## CASUAL BBQ ATTIRE PLEASE!

POTLUCK, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS

Last name beginning with:

A thru H - Salads / Vegetables

I thru P - Snacks / Appetizers

Q thru Z - Desserts

Meat provided by Selfridge-Chesterfield Lions.

Please let us know if you are planning on attending.  
Please contact Cabinet Secretary David VanBeek at  
[dbeeker58@gmail.com](mailto:dbeeker58@gmail.com)