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Outgoing DG Reflects On Year Of Service

30, 29, 28 1 days left of my term as District Governor. I must start by saying THANK YOU to each and every one of you! You have truly made this the best year of my Lions journey. I need to thank you for your hospitality, your kindness, your friendship, your compassion, all of your efforts this year to serve your communities, our charities, and our mission as Lions. All of you stepped up this year in a big way and I sincerely appreciate it but more importantly, those lives that you touched appreciate it. I need to thank those of you who stepped forward this year into new positions. I know you had some reservations about it, but I hope you realized how fun it was and you will now consider moving up the ladder on your journey as well.

As our International President Brian Sheehan would say, "You are Awesome!". IP Brian's theme this year was Together We Can, and I really believe we took that to heart and did an amazing job. Whether it was all of us uniting in the sock challenge or coming together at our District Convention and making blankets, or simply helping or supporting each other's clubs at one of their events, we did it! This is how I remember Lions when I started many moons ago and I think it is great to see things getting back to that. We are a big family supporting the same causes so let's continue to help each other succeed because in the end, the winner is those we are helping.

IP Brian also challenged us to think outside the box this year. I know many of you did and I hope you were successful or at least encouraged to continue with some tweaks. We can't be afraid to try something new or make changes to an existing project. We also must allow and support our new members ideas and let them roll with it. This is how we grow as a person, Lion, and organization. Remember- The past is behind, learn from it; The future is ahead, prepare for it; The present is here, live for it.

As a District, we tried some new things as well. Some were a hit, others we need to retool. But you never know the result unless you try. But the one thing we tried to do, and I feel we have laid a good base for is to bring back the FUN in Lions after Covid stripped us of it. I honestly believe that if we are not having fun doing whatever it is, then we are not doing in correct. So, please keep up this energy level. As I wrap up this year, I want to challenge each of you for the next year. I want to ask each club to try one new project. But also, invite non-Lions to assist you with it. Show them how awesome we are and how much fun we have serving those in need and all the good we feel inside from it. Let's hook them with service and see how we can grow. People want to serve; they just don't know it. So, let's show them and help them to realize it.





Lions District 11 A-2 **Roaring News**



I want to wish DGE Kelley, her Cabinet, and all of your clubs the best for the upcoming year. Keep the ball bouncing and we will reach greater heights than ever before. I am not going to ride away into the sunset. I will be around; you can't get rid of me that easily! If there is anything I can do to assist you, please reach out to me. I am more that happy to help in any way I can. Again, from the bottom of my heart, I thank all of you for making this last year the greatest.

Shawn Blaszczyk

11 A-2 District Governor

New Membership Dues Billing and Fees --Effective July 1, 2023, \$46.00

Billing for a new member begins the first of the month in which the member enters a club at the average rate of \$3.84 per month and billed through the end of that semi-annual period. Billing is issued semi-annually thereafter. Below is a schedule of the new member dues throughout the year:

Member accepted by club in the month of	Billing date for new members	Semi-annual dues billed for each new member	New member entrance fee (not pro- rated)	Total dues & fees billed
July	July 1 st	\$ 23.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 58.00
August	August 1 st	19.16	35.00	54.16
September	September 1 st	15.34	35.00	50.34
October	October 1 st	11.50	35.00	46.50
November	November 1 st	7.68	35.00	42.68
December	December 1 st	3.84	35.00	38.84
January	January 1 st	23.00	35.00	58.00
February	February 1 st	19.16	35.00	54.16
March	March 1 st	15.34	35.00	50.34
April	April 1 st	11.50	35.00	46.50
May	May 1 st	7.68	35.00	42.68
June	June 1 st	3.84	35.00	38.84

Billing for a new Family or Student member begins the first of the month in which the member enters a club at the average rate of \$1.92 per month and billed through the end of that semi-annual period. Billing is issued semi-annually thereafter. Below is a schedule of the new member dues throughout the year:



ATTENTION ALL INCOMING CLUB OFFICERS, THOSE THAT ARE THINKING ABOUT BEING A CLUB OFFICERS, OR THOSE LIONS WHO WANT MORE INFORMATION BEFORE TAKING THE STEP FORWARD!



District 11-A2 Club Officer Training will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2023 & Saturday, August 19, 2023

Both will be held at the Sterling Heights Lions Clubhouse

12828 Canal St, Sterling Heights, Mi 48313

Doors open at 8:30 am Session will begin at 9:00 am sharp

Roles and Responsibilities for each position will be covered along with a session on District Leadership

Any questions, please contact DGE Kelley Unruh at kunruh48@gmail.com, 586-216-1143 or Lion Jim Leach, Jr. at jamesleachjr@yahoo.com, 248-561-3203



2022-2023 CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD APPLICATION Date:

Club Name:	Club Numbe	r:	District:	
2022-2023 Club President's Name:			-	
Member Number:	Email Address:			

1. MEMBERSHIP

□ Maintained club membership count (closed the year with the same number of members as the start of the year or have a positive membership growth)

or 🗆 Chartered new Lions club, Leo Club or Club Branch

Name of Lions Club, Leo Club or Branch:

2. SERVICE

- □ Contributed to LCIF
- □ Started a new service project. Consider one of our Global Causes!

□ List Three service activities your club participated in that were reported in MyLion or your regional reporting system:

1.	
2.	
3.	

3. LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- Club is in Good Standing: Not in Status Quo or Financial Suspension. District dues paid and no unpaid balance with LC greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more.
- □ Reported Club Officers to LCI
- □ Key Officers participate in club officer training

4. MARKETING

The club has publicized its service activities through local media or social media.

2022-2023 District Governor Signature*:			District:	
Member Number:		Date:		

Due by: August 31, 2023 Send to: clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org Awards Mailed to: 2023-2024 District Governors

*If sent from district governor's registered email, it qualifies as signature on applications submitted electronically.

Request for review of award eligibility from a disqualified club will be considered only if received at International Headquarters within 12 months after completion of the fiscal year, provided that the original application form is already filed at LCI.



Lions Clubs International

District and Clubs Administration Lions Clubs International 300 W. 22nd St. Oak Brook IL 60523-8842 USA www.lionsclubs.org





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2VDG Monthly Submission

"You can never say thank you enough. We all must remember that we didn't get where we are on our own. Acknowledge people, appreciate them." - George Raveling

First, thank you to each and every one of you! It has been an honor and a pleasure to "Serve" as "We," united together to accomplish goals and learn new ways to get to the finish line. I have learned a lot about myself and a lot about the Lions over the past year and thanks to you, I see more learning in my future (no, that's not a bad thing.) The opportunity to continue to serve is something I take to heart and not for granted. I never thought I would be in this position when I became a Lion. I thought I could sit in the back of the room, help when necessary, keep a low profile, that sort of thing. It didn't take long for me to see the error in those thoughts! I found that I enjoyed helping and though I am still somewhat shy, (I know you are all laughing!) I found that the Lions around me had faith that I could do things and that helped me to build enough self confidence to say yes to stepping forward to do those things. Sometimes you just have to say yes because you know people are counting on you. There is no test like having someone stick a microphone in front of your face and say, "We need you to call a couple games of bingo tonight." I just sat down and did it! Thank you to Lion Charlie Zech since he was holding the microphone. He has since passed away, but I'm forever grateful.

Thank you to all the people I have "served" whether it be you as Lions, or kids I screened through Project Kidsight, or all those whose lives we know we touch although we never get to meet them. You have given me a reason to get out of bed in the morning, and some days I really needed the push.

Thank you to DG Shawn, who has communicated with myself and DGE Kelley all year, keeping us in the loop about progress and problems and little reminders about things to look for and plan for during our year in the hot seat. He's been a wonderful example and I'm grateful that I got an extra year to help prepare myself.

I could not possibly list all the people who have given me words of encouragement, smiles, hand claps, or numerous other things to keep me going in the right direction. Thank you for giving of yourself since it allowed me to give of myself.

July starts a new year, a new chance to step forward, a new chance to be something you never even thought of, much less thought you could be. Give yourself a chance to grow by saying "yes" the next time someone asks. All of life is a learning experience, so take the opportunity to do something new and different. You just might surprise yourself and enjoy it!

Don't wait another moment...Go say "Thank You!"

2019 Lion Rhonda

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Bear Lake Update

Hello Lions and Leos!

It's been a couple of months since you saw a camp update letter. Lots have happened since then. We had two fundraisers that were very successful. One was the Sub-Zero Hero Polar Plunge and the other was the Buffalo and Boar Wild Game dinner. Next year both of these will be bigger and better.

On May 7, was the camp's first "Bridging the Gap" program. Thanks to PDG Fran Grabowski for creating and directing this event, helping DG Traci Tribley, PDG Ron Coleman and myself to fulfill our roles; it was fun and a great success. The Five State Project "Bridging the Gap" programs were a great way for all Lions to see what our state projects are all about, and how they can help you and your community.





CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT UPDATE

All the cabin bathrooms are completed with new paint and lights. They look great and ready for our season to come. The main lodge got a makeover as well. Freshly painted with a new color, and new ceiling lights were installed. This spring we will get a new high ropes course installed. This is the only accessible one in the state. All the money was secured thru grants.

Also, thanks to all the Lions Clubs around the state of Michigan; because of their donations, we will have three new golf carts. One of the new carts were on display at the MD 11 Convention this month. On May 13, 2023, we had our annual Work Bee. Many came out and helped us spruce up the camp grounds and buildings for opening day for our campers.

FUNDRAISING & EVENT UPATES

We have several fundraisers coming up. On July14, which is a Friday night, there will be a Baseball Game and Picnic at Jimmy John's Field in Utica, MI. On August 20, we have our Golf Classic Outing at the Metamora Golf and Country Club.

October 7, the Ultra-Marathon will take place at the camp.

October 20 will be the Wine & Brew Tasting at the Metamora Golf and Country Club. Some new events will be happening this year as well.

Camp Open House will take place on July 2, 2023, for all Lions and non-lions.

Lions of Michigan Weekend will happen on August 25 & 26, 2023. This is for DGs, VDGs, District Committee Chairs, GAT Team and New Lions.

For flyers and more information about the above, please go to the camp website or Facebook page.







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New Members Welcomed In May

Lake Orion

Eric Marchewitz sponsored by Rick Rice

New Baltimore

Jennifer Herston sponsored by Michelle Boyd Jennifer Robertson sponsored by Michelle Boyd Michael Fellberg sponsored by Colleen Wooten Robert Champagne sponsored by Stacy Butler

Ortonville

Kenneth Hartwig sponsored by David Rheaume Kim Hartwig sponsored by Elizabeth Rheaume

Pontiac

William Parker sponsored by Laurie Bishop

Rochester

Rod Maresh sponsored by Paul Clark

Shelby Township

Karl Marberger sponsored by Dan Bailey

Sterling Heights

Austin Lee sponsored by Mary Welsh Donna McFarlane sponsored by Barbara McAllister Emily Gauthier sponsored by Mary Welsh Jasmime Anderson sponsored by Mary Welsh



Upcoming Events

Click on the calendar icon for more information.

To submit an event, email details to lionsnewsletterlla2@gmail.com. The deadline each month is the lst.







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Donation Mailing Addresses

Beaumont Silent Children's Fund Children's Speech Pathology

Attn: Kellie Bouren 4949 Coolidge Hwy Royal Oak, MI 48073

Eversight

Attn: Alex Teska 3985 Research Drive Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Lions of Michigan All State Band Mike Shields

52995 Washington Street New Baltimore, MI 48047

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

Leo Schaefer, IPDG 46399 Imperial Ln Macomb Twp., MI 48044-3922

Sight Conservation/Diabetes/DAD

PZC Roger Blackwell, Chair 4555 Windswept Drive Milford, MI 48380

Sight Conservation / Diabetes

CHM Roger Blackwell, PZC 4555 Windswept Dr. Milford, MI 48380

Bear Lake (Lions Visually Impaired Youth Camp)

PDG Jack Patton, Chair 1880 Lochinvar Blvd Oakland, MI 48363

District 11-A2 Project KidSight, Inc.

Paul Hemeryck, PCC 25509 Kelly Rd. Roseville, MI 48066

Leader Dogs for the Blind

CHM Frank Cunningham, PCC 1039 S. Rochester Rd. Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Lions Club International Foundation

Lions Clubs International Foundation Department 4547 Carol Stream, IL 60122

Please Note: All checks should have the Club ID number or the Individual Member ID number in the memo section.

Penrickton Center for Blind Children

CHM Dick Maxwell, PCT 18701 Walmer Ln. Beverly Hills, MI 48025



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Happening Around the District

Does your club have work you'd like to highlight? Email details to lionsnewsletter11a2@gmail.com. The deadline each month is the 1st.

NEWS UPDATE

Sterling Heights Lionesses Aide Forgotten Harvest



The Sterling Heights Lioness Lions Club visited Forgotten Harvest on May 31st as one of the club outings to deliver their annual donation.

As noted by Lioness Arlene Whitworth "This was a very informative visit and quite interesting. The logistics of collecting and distributing food to the needy is mind boggling."

Troy Community Lions Melvin Jones Awards

Congratulations to Troy Community Lions Alexis Peake and Deborah Lines (left to right) on receiving Melvin Jones awards.





Lions District 11 A-2 **Flyers**



2023 LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB JUBILEE **JUBILEE CARNIVAL** We Serve

DOWNTOWN LAKE ORION

THURSDAY JUNE 22nd - SUNDAY JUNE 25th

Carnival hours: THURSDAY 5PM - 10PM; FRIDAY 12PM - 11PM; SATURDAY 12PM - 11PM; SUNDAY 12PM - 6PM

MEET A FUTURE LEADER DOG SATURDAY NOON - 4 PM LEARN ABOUT RAISING A FUTURE LEADER DOG! LEADERDOGS FOR THE BLIND IS LOOKING

FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RAISE PUPPIES TO HELP THE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED.







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Make Our House your Home

Orion **Assisted Living** LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB PROJECT KIDSIGHT FRIDAY NOON - 4 PM SATURDAY NOON - 4 PM

FREE VISION SCREENINGS FOR CHILDREN FROM 6 MONTHS OF AGE AND UP EARLY VISION SCREENING CAN PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT LONG-TERM BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN. VISION PROBLEMS ARE PREVELANT IN 25% OF ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE US.

LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB CHILDREN'S SCAVENGER HUNT

SATURDAY 12 PM KID FRIENDLY SCAVENGER HUNT WITHIN THE VILLAGE - AGES 6 TO 12 MEET AT FLINT AND BROADWAY IN FRONT OF ED'S BROADWAY GIFT AND COSTUME

LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB BEER TENT

FRIDAY 5PM-12AM -FULL TILT AT 8PM SATURDAY 5PM-12AM -SCOTTY DOESN'T KNOW AT 8PM 50/50 RAFFLES AND OTHER GAMES ALL NIGHT





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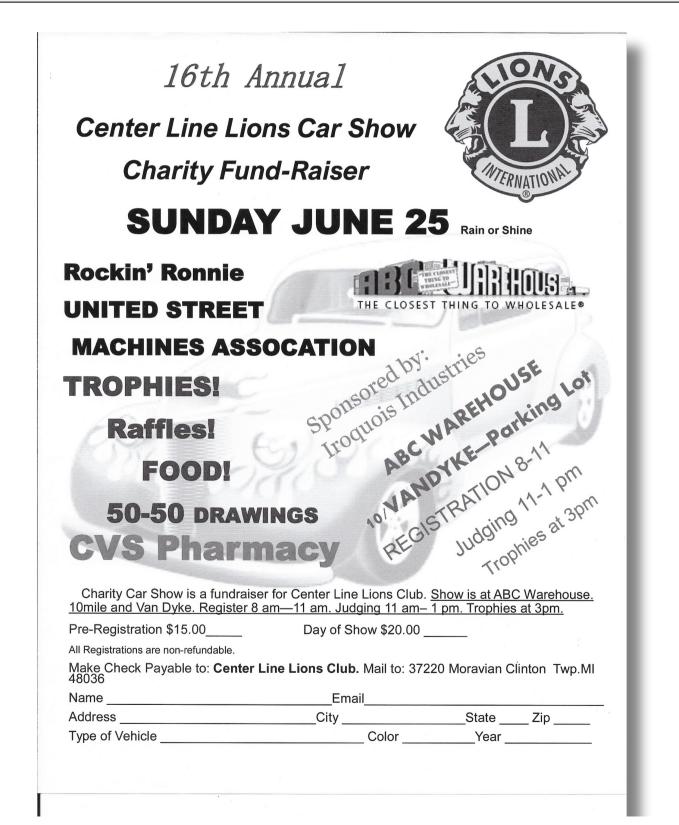


Leader Dogs for the Blind | 1039 S Rochester Rd | Rochester Hills, MI 48307



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LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP OPEN HOUSE



JULY 2ND, 2023 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Tour Camp Meet the Staff Family Friendly Event Snacks Provided





RSVP TO: 810-245-0726 traci@bearlakecamp.org



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	2023 Fraser Lions Carnival Event Schedule Steffens Park 14 Mile Rd & Garfield			
	Thursday July 20 th 2023			
5:00pm – 11:00pm	Beer Tent and Food Vendors are Open			
4:00pm – 11:00pm	Carnival Rides and Midway Open			
7:00pm – 10:30pm	Live Music in the Beer Tent Featuring: <i>Mercury</i> 7			
	Friday July 21 st 2023			
4:00pm - Midnight	Beer Tent & Food Vendors are Open			
4:00pm -11:30pm	Carnival Rides and Midway Open			
5:00pm – 8:00pm	Vendor Show			
7:00pm – 11:30pm	Live Music in the Beer Tent Featuring: <i>Motor City Josh & The Big 3</i>			
	Saturday July 22 nd 2023			
Noon – Midnight	Beer Tent & Food Vendors are Open			
Noon – Midnight	Carnival Rides and Midway Open			
Noon – 8:00pm	Vendor Show			
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Cornhole Tournament			
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Live Music in Beer Tent Featuring: Dead Cat Alley			
7:00pm – 11:30pm	om – 11:30pm Live Music in Beer Tent Featuring: <i>Svnth Son</i>			
Sunday July 23 rd 2023				
Noon – Fireworks	Beer Tent & Food Vendors are Open			
Noon – 8:00pm	Vendor Show			
Noon – 11:30pm	Carnival Rides and Midway are Open			
2:00pm – 4:00pm	Live Music in the Beer Tent Featuring: Rock-n-Roll Prep School			
6:00pm – 10:00pm	Live Music in the Beer Tent Featuring: Jacki Daniels Show			
Around 10:00pm	pm FIREWORKS!!!			



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Mentor for Change

District Picnic and Cabinet Installation

July 23, 2023 Sterling Heights Lions Den 12828 Canal Road Sterling Heights, MI 48313



To support the Hunger challenge from LCI DG Kelley is requesting that you bring canned good(s) for collection to those that are less fortunate than us.

Beer, Wine & Soda Compliments of Sterling Heights Lions Club ~ Cash Bar ~ 1:00 p.m. - Social Time 1:45 p.m. - Lunch is served 2:30 p.m. - Installation of 2023-2024 Cabinet Officers

POT LUCK, PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS Last name beginning with: A thru H - Desserts I thru P - Salads / Vegetables Q thru Z - Appetizers

Meat will be provided

Please let us know if you plan on attending

Contact Cabinet Secretary Kimberly at 586-567-3287 or wingslover16@comcast.net



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The Lions of Michigan Foundation officially opened the LIONS OF MICHIGAN HALL OF FAME on July 25, 2009 to begin celebrating the rich history that Michigan Lions have at all levels of our association - local, state, district and international. The goal of the Hall of Fame is to keep alive the memory of our great leaders and to document their service so that Lions in the present and future can share a sense of the service that our great state has given to our association. Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than March 1 of each year.

The 2023 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 14th Annual, will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Comfort Inn Hotel in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Lodging is \$110.00 plus tax per night for a standard guest room. Lodging reservations can be made by contacting the Lions of Michigan State Office at 517-887-6640 - info@Imsf.net.

	Congratulations 2023 Inductees				
PCC SARA DOUBLEDEE – 10 PDG JACK BECHER, 11-A2 PCC JEFF MAYUIERS – 11-B2 PDG KAREN ROUTSON – 11-C2 PDG BOB HEFT – 11-D1 PCC JANALEE MCCLURE – 11-E1 PDG BARB DURFLINGER – 11-E2					
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Lions Bear Lake Camp Golf Classic

Sunday, August 20th,2023

at

Metamora Golf & Country Club Meta



Deadline for registration is August 7th, 2023.

Please join us for the 19th 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 blind and visually impaired

children at Bear Lake Camp.

Together, we can make this a great event for such a wonderful cause.

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 12:30 pm Shotgun Start 1:30 pm Awards Dinner 7:00 pm EVENT FEES Registration- \$125 per golfer/ \$500 per foursome Dinner-Only Guest- \$40 (Registration available online at www.bearlakecamp.org)

If you'd like to learn more about Bear Lake Camp and for online registration visit <u>www.bearlakecamp.org</u> To learn more about Metamora Golf & Country Club, visit <u>www.metamoragolf.com</u> For additional information - Rick Fleming 248.342.1702 or Leo Schaefer, Golf Outing Chair 586.292.4815

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Metamora Golf & Country Club	
C/O Rick Fleming	
1600 Club Drive Metamora, MI 48455	
For online registration visit www.bearlak	camp.org under events.
	Lake Camp is a licensed 501(c)(3) charitable organization



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