

Lions District 11 A-2 Roaring News



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DG Offers Updates, Welcomes New 2nd Vice

"It is a happiness to wonder; it is a happiness to dream." — Edgar Allan Poe

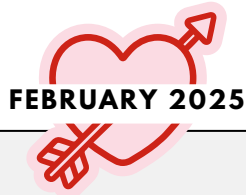
I'm a big fan of Edgar Allan Poe's stories and poetry, from The Telltale Heart to the "tintinnabulation of the bells, bells, bells" all the way to "Quoth the Raven, nevermore." If you know anything about Poe, you'll know his life was not easy, but I like knowing that he knew how to find happiness. It's all about where you look! Dare to dream folks and don't be surprised by what you can accomplish!

Now, no one would possibly dream about jumping in a frozen lake, but Shelby Township, Mt. Clemens, Washington, and Eastpointe Lions sent at least one representative to jump in that frozen lake for Bear Lake's 3rd Annual Ice Plunge. Shelby Township had four members and one extended family member out there in the cold! It's not jumping in the lake that is the dream; our dream is to help provide happiness for all those kids every year. So, if I can do it, maybe you could too! If you can't, perhaps you could try something else for Bear Lake Camp. They have several ways to participate and I'm guessing you'll even see a flyer or two attached to this newsletter. Let's let our dreams help fuel dreams for those kids and make our happiness their happiness!

Don't stop with one event or one organization though because they all need our help. What about Leader Dogs for the Blind, Penrickton Center for Blind Children, Corewell Health Silent Children's Fund, Maggie's Wigs for Kids, Eversight, LCIF, and all the food banks, soup kitchens, and other local charities? Is there a way for you or us to provide even more happiness? If you have ideas, let us hear them. There is nothing we can't do when we put our minds to it!

It is with great happiness that I inform you that Lion Kimberly Thiede has been officially declared our 2VDG! She will continue with her present offices of Cabinet Secretary and Treasurer for the rest of this fiscal year as well. It's a big job and we thank her for stepping up to the plate. Once again, we also thank Lion Jamie Lucero for his efforts. His decision to resign was not easy for him, but we all know that family comes first and that is where he needs to be right now.





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District Convention is right around the corner, have you registered yet? Please join us for fun, business, and fellowship (not necessarily in that order) and don't forget the Memorial Service on Sunday as we say a last goodbye to some great Lions as we honor their time of service.

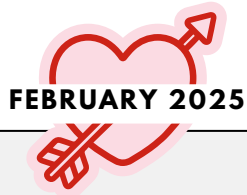
Dues must be paid by March 12, in order to vote at District Convention and Delegate/Alternate forms are due on March 24, so get those taken care of please. Secretaries, please update your rosters and be ready to tell International who your new club officers are after your elections and don't forget to pick and LCIF Chairperson for your club. If you want you can add that responsibility to one of your other offices, like Secretary or Immediate Past President. That information is due by May 15th. Please report one service project too while you are on the portal and if you need help call Lion Cheryl Satterthwaite our District Administrator. Yes, I just repeated things that I said last month, but we need to get used to doing things the new way. International will be changing things up in July and at a minimum, Club Secretaries will need to be able to access the portal. I'll share some more next month.

Lions of Michigan Forum is coming up at the end of this month and I hope to see some of you there. It is a great way to learn a lot of things in one day!

Don't wait another moment... wonder, dream, and be happy!

Lion Rhonda Furby
District Governor





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New Members Welcomed In January



New Baltimore

Holly Kelley sponsored by Scott Stroud

Pontiac

William Parker Jr. sponsored by Laurie Bishop

Shelby Township

Antonio Bugli sponsored by David Klida

District Convention

March 28th - 30th
Bay City, MI





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**Lions of Michigan
Youth Camps & Exchange Program
State and District Chairperson 2023-2024
Lion Elvie Marfil
818-800-1060, epmarfil5@gmail.com**



Youth Camps and Exchange Sponsor Lions Clubs

The Sponsor Lions Clubs are the resource for exchange youth to have a close working relationship with their district or multiple district YCE Chairperson. If a Sponsor Club does not have a district or multiple district YCE Chairperson, a Club President will be required to sign for the Exchange Youth along with the district governor, and to work directly with the YCE Chairpersons in the host countries of interest to make all arrangements. The following are general responsibilities for the Sponsor:

- Ensuring that the YCE policy is followed;
- Ensuring compliance with local laws governing youth protection;
- Verifying the exchange youth have sufficient accident, life, personal property, health and liability insurance to cover all contingencies during travel to and from their host country;
- Recruiting, screening and selecting qualified exchange youth;
- Help Exchange Youth use the YCE Directory to find their desired programs;
- Conduct an orientation session for outgoing exchange youth;
- Assist exchange youth with travel arrangements;
- Potentially provide assistance with or full financing for exchange youth travel costs including air fares, insurance, airport service fees, customs duties and any layover or overnight costs in route;
- Maintaining communications between the exchange youth, host Lions club, host family and YCE Chairperson.

You can learn more about the roles and expectations of a YCE Sponsor Club by checking out the [YCE Sponsor Club Handbook!](#)

How to Become a Sponsor Club!

- Write a press release about the YCE program requesting youth who are interested in the YCE program to contact your club; and
- Contact local schools and universities, especially the foreign language or international studies departments, with information about the YCE program to recruit young people.

Have questions, comments or concerns? Please contact us at youthexchange@lionsclubs.org.

It's a summer program for 3-4 weeks depending on the country they select to go.

**Deadline to submit an application to go abroad will be March 30, 2025.
Departure date, any time from June-July depending on the country they choose.**





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Youth Camps and Exchange Host Lions Clubs

Host Lions Clubs work closely with the selected youth participants, host families and the district or multiple district YCE Chairperson. If a Host Club does not have a district or multiple district YCE Chairperson, a Club President will be required to sign for the exchange youth along with the district governor, and to work directly with the YCE Chairpersons in the sponsoring country to make all arrangements.

The following are general responsibilities for the host Lions club:

- Ensuring that the YCE policy is followed;
- Ensuring compliance with local laws governing youth protection;
- Verifying the exchange youth have sufficient accident, life, personal property, health and liability insurance to cover all contingencies during travel to and from their host country;
- If your club is hosting an International Camp, your club should do research in case you need to secure separate insurance coverage for the camp itself depending on the activities of the camp;
- Making arrangements for the youth exchange's arrival/departure;
- Recruiting, screening and providing orientation to host families;
- Maintaining communications between the youth participants, Sponsor Lions Club, Host Family and YCE Chairperson; and
- Providing transportation to events organized by your club, including meetings and service projects.

You can learn more about the roles and expectations of a YCE Host Club by checking out the YCE Host Club Handbook!

How to Become a Host Club!

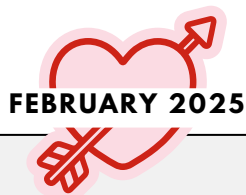
Use the International Directory to contact the nearest YCE Chairperson to find out how your club can participate in the YCE Program as a Host Club. If there is no YCE Chairperson in your area, speak with your District Governor to start a new YCE Program!

Have questions, comments or concerns? Please contact us at youthexchange@lionsclubs.org.

Incoming participants, from July 26 thru August 16, 2025.

One week stay at the Camp, from August 3 thru August 9, 2025





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Upcoming Events

Click on the calendar icon for more information.

To submit an event, email details to lionsnewsletter11a2@gmail.com. The deadline is the 10th of each month.



Washington Lions
Fish Fry



Pancakes for
Penrickton
Beverly Hills Lions



Steakout
Roseville Lions



Euchre Eastpointe
Lions



Meatball Raffle
Sterling Hts. Lions



Region III Meeting
ST. Clair Shores
Lions ZC Lion
Dave Van Beek



ROL Steel
Magnolia



Euchre Sterling
Hts. Lions



Washington Lions
Fish Fry



Washington Lions
Fish Fry



PJ Party Sterling
Hts. Lioness-Lions



Chili and Soup
Contest
Eastpointe Lions



District
Convention Bay
City





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Lions District 11-A2 Convention
Come Party with Governor Rhonda Furby
"Serve to Live, Live to Serve"
March 28 – 30, 2025 @ Double Tree Inn
One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan
Convention Theme - Renaissance Festival



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 MUST be made directly. Call 989-891-6000 and ask for the Lions of Macomb and Oakland county rate. Room rates are \$104.00 per night + tax, the reservation deadline is February 28, 2025. Standard room rates apply after February 28.

<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Amount</u>
_____	Registration: Lions, Lioness, Guest @ \$25 ea.	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Jan 31 @ \$35 ea,	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Feb. 28 @ \$45 ea.	\$ _____
_____	Registration: Leos & Children under 16 @ \$5 ea	\$ _____
_____	Ist Timer Registration: \$5 ea,	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Jan 31 @ \$15 ea,	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Feb. 28 @ \$25 ea.	\$ _____
_____	Saturday Breakfast: @ \$23 ea.	\$ _____
_____	Saturday Night Governor's Banquet: @ \$36 ea.	\$ _____

(Number goes to LEFT of meal selection)

_____ Beef _____ Fish _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____ Gluten Free
Other Dietary Restrictions: _____

TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

Send completed registration form, with checks payable to
REGISTRATIONS AND CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DATES ABOVE, NOT IN MAIL BY THESE DATES

Lions International District 11-A2

Mail to:
Lion Dick Maxwell
18701 Walmer Lane
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Questions: 248-642-9561





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District 11-A2 Governor
Rhonda K. Furby

Credential Chairperson
Rhonda Furby, DG
29041 Brittany Court, Roseville, MI 48066
rhonda.furby2022@gmail.com

DELEGATES TO DISTRICT CONVENTION

1. Delegate/Alternate forms must be received by the Credential Chairman by March 24, 2025.
2. The number of Delegates allowed per club is based on the total membership stated on the January 2024 MMR. It is one delegate for each 10 members or major fraction thereof.
3. To change an Alternate to a Delegate at the Convention, the club President or Secretary or the District Governor must be present and appear with said Alternate.
4. To receive voting credential all Delegates must be registered at the Convention.
5. This form must be signed by both the President and Secretary of your club.
6. NO Delegate forms will be created or accepted at the Convention. They must be received by March 24, 2025.
7. Your club must be current with dues payments to be eligible for voting.

Club Name: _____

Membership as of January 2024 MMR: _____

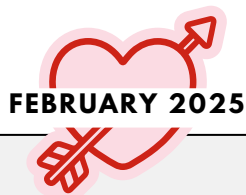
Signature of President: _____

Signature of Secretary: _____

	Delegate	Office use

	Alternate	Office use





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FEBRUARY | 2025

LEADING THE WAY

Leader Dogs for the Blind - Lions Newsletter




Teen Orientation and Mobility

2025 dates available: June 15-21 | July 13-19 | August 10-16

- **TEEN GOAL:** Build independent travel skills by working one-on-one with a Certified O & M Specialist (COMS)
- **ADULT SUPPORTER GOAL:** Build knowledge with experiences to support teen
 - with independent travel skills.
- Teen travels with adult supporter to Rochester Hills, MI. All public transportation for both teen and adult, and a room at a local hotel are covered by Leader Dog.
- Both teen and adult supporters learn new skills, build empathy and gain resources.
- Teens must have completed at least one year of high school.



Teen Summer Camp

2025 dates available: June 22-28

- **TEEN GOAL:** Explore mobility options, build leadership skills and make friendships with peers in a group setting.
- Teen travels to Rochester Hills, MI independently and meets our team at the Detroit Airport (information and what to expect will be clearly communicated). All public transportation and a private room on Leader Dog's campus are covered.
- Experience guide dogs, night travel, accessible GPS and more.
- Participate in fun camp activities—rock wall, zip line and team building
- Applicants must be 16 or 17 during the week of camp.



"I THOUGHT CAMP WOULD BE REALLY FUN, AND I WANTED TO MEET MORE BLIND PEOPLE MY AGE. I REALLY LIKED ALL OF THE NEW THINGS I GOT TO DO, AND I LIKED MEETING ALL OF THE OTHER CAMPERS. MY FAVORITE PART OF CAMP WAS EITHER ZIP LINING OR DOG DAY WHEN I GOT TO WALK WITH PENNY UNDER BLINDFOLD."

-LDB CAMPER





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DISTRICT 11-A2 COMMITTEE SIGN UP SHEET 2025-2026

An opportunity to serve District 11-A2 either as a District Committee Chairperson or a Region Committee Representative is available for the Lionistic year 2025-2026. Please indicate your first, second and third choice by number or by placing CH for Chairperson by the requested Committee you would like to be considered for. I cannot guarantee your first choice but will consider all requests. PLEASE return completed form no later than **April 15, 2025**. PLEASE PRINT!!!!

Name: _____ Title: _____
 Spouse/Partner in Service: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____
 Zip: _____ Club: _____
 Home Number: _____ Cell Number: _____
 Region: _____ Zone: _____
 E-mail: _____

Please indicate Committee Choices (1, 2, 3) or Committee Chairperson(CH) by the Committee you would like to serve on.

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|--|---|
| _____ All State Band | _____ GMT (Global Membership Team) |
| _____ Audit Budget Finance | _____ GST (Global Service Team) |
| _____ Bear Lake Camp | _____ Information Technology |
| _____ Beaumont Silent Children's Fund | _____ JDRF/D.A.D. |
| _____ Childhood Cancer | _____ Lions Hearing Center of Michigan |
| _____ Constitution and By-Laws | _____ Leader Dogs for the Blind |
| _____ Convention International | _____ Lions Quest |
| _____ Convention MD-11 | _____ Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) |
| _____ Convention District 11-A2 (See below) | _____ Madonna University - Lions Hearing Program |
| _____ District Editor (Newsletter/Lions Pride) | _____ Penrickton Center for Blind Children |
| _____ District Peace Poster | _____ Public Relations/Social Media |
| _____ District 11-A2 Hearing Program | _____ Project Kidsight |
| _____ Eversight Michigan | _____ Strategic Planning |
| _____ Finance Advisory Restricted Fund | _____ White Cane |
| _____ GLT (Global Leadership Team) | |

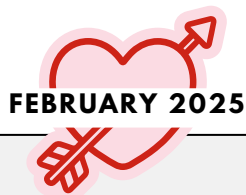
District 11-A2 Convention (Place 'X' to left your choice)

_____ Sergeant at Arms _____ Resolution _____ Memorial Service
 _____ Registration _____ Credentials _____ Rules _____ Planning
 _____ Elections

_____ I will work on any Committee you assign me, just put me to work!!!

WE SERVE! It's what we do, join our humanitarian group of Lions and Leos living up to our motto.
 RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO: 1VDG Mark Scicluna
 30040 Westbrook Pkwy, Southfield, MI 48076 or petalpushinpops@yahoo.com





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Donation Mailing Addresses

NEW
**Corwell Health Foundation
Southeast Michigan, c/o Silent
Children's Fund - CMN**
Attn: Kellie Bouren
4949 Coolidge Hwy
Royal Oak, MI 48073

NEW
District 11-A2 Project KidSight, Inc.
Paul Hemeryck, PCC
30752 Glenwood
Warren, MI 48088

NEW
**Bear Lake (Lions Visually
Impaired Youth Camp)**
PDG Shawn Blaszczyk
11420 Balmoral Drive,
Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

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.

Sight Conservation/Diabetes/DAD
PZC Roger Blackwell, Chair
4555 Windswept Drive
Milford, MI 48380

NEW
11-A2 Hearing Aid Program
Richard Pfeiffer PDG
70350 Henry Ross Drive
Bruce Twp, MI 48065

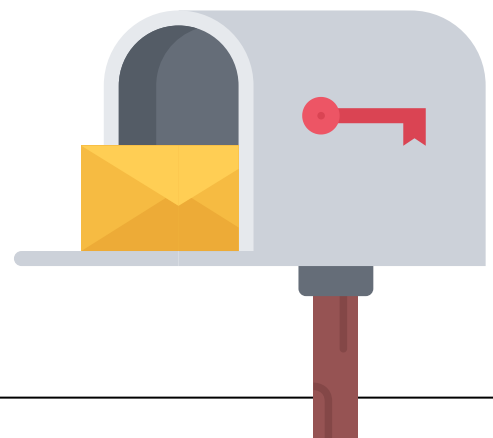
Eversight
Attn: Alex Teska
3985 Research Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

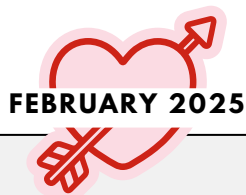
**Lions of Michigan All State Band
Mike Shields**
52995 Washington Street
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Penrickton Center for Blind Children
CHM Dick Maxwell, PCT
18701 Walmer Ln.
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Leader Dogs for the Blind
CHM Frank Cunningham, PCC
1039 S. Rochester Rd.
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

**Lions of Michigan Service
Foundation**
Leo Schaefer, IPDG
46399 Imperial Ln
Macomb Twp., MI 48044-3922





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EXCLUSIVE
COVERAGE

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 10th of each month.

NEWS UPDATE



Troy Lions Support Local Nature Center

Troy Community Lion Deb Lines and her husband volunteered for the Troy Community Lions Environmental Project to support the Troy Nature Center and tap a Maple Tree.



Richmond Lions Support Local Parks & Rec

Richmond Lions participated in a local chili cookoff to benefit local parks programming. Just a couple of votes short of 1st place... LIONS TAKE 2nd PLACE THIS YEAR!

Special thanks to chili cooks Lions Derek and Mark !
GREAT JOB GUYS !





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Beverly Hills Lions Club

presents

Annual Pancake Breakfast

to benefit



Prices

Adults: \$10
Children 5-12: \$3
Children under 5: Free!

**Free Vision Screening
Lions Project Kidsight**

For Children Ages 1 to 5
Special Camera
for Vision Screening

Saturday, March 8, 2025
9 to 11 a.m.
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
5500 North Adams, Troy

Purchase tickets from any Beverly Hills Lions Club member
For more information, contact Lion Dick Maxwell at 248.642.9561
Email: ndmaxwell@comcast.net





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Steel Magnolias

Final Dress Rehearsal

Sponsored by The Royal Oak Lions Club
Fundraiser for Families of Pediatric Cancer Patients
in Treatment at Corewell Royal Oak

Thursday, March 13, 2025
8:00 pm

Birmingham Village Players
34660 Woodward Ave, Birmingham, MI 48009

\$20 Donation

For Information: Call Lion Laura—248-514-7694





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Sterling Heights Lioness *Lions Club Branch*

Fundraiser

Pajama Day

March 22, 2025

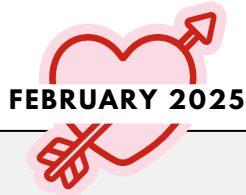
\$20.00
Seats Are Limited - Please RSVP
Doors Open at 12:30

Sterling Heights Lions Clubhouse
12828 Canal Road - Sterling Heights

**BRUNCH, MIMOSAS,
50/50 RAFFLES, GAMES,
BEST PJ'S**

Seats Are Limited.
To RSVP Please call 586-873-3797 or 586-489-7738





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WASHINGTON LIONS FISH FRY

58000 Van Dyke, Washington, MI

4:30 – 7:00 PM



March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 2025

**BAKED OR FRIED FISH, BAKED POTATO OR FRENCH FRIES,
MAC & CHEESE, COLE SLAW, ROLL & BUTTER,
DESSERT & BEVERAGE**

CASH, or CREDIT CARD WITH SERVICE FEE

ADULTS \$17.00

CHILD 6 – 12: \$9.00 / 5 & UNDER FREE





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Lions Bear Lake Camp Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner

Metamora Lions Club House, 3790 N. Oak St. Metamora, MI. 48455

Saturday, April 12, 2025

Doors open at 5pm-Dinner at 6

Tickets \$60 per person OR \$400 Table of 8

Gourmet Wild Game Dinner Catered by Metamora Country Club!

3 Drink tickets! Cash Bar for Mixed Cocktails!

Raffles! Door prizes! Silent Auctions! Hourly Drawings!

SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

Platinum \$2,500 Gold \$1,000 Silver \$500

See the second page for sponsorship and event details.

Order your tickets today online

www.bearlakecamp.org "under the event tab"

Or to purchase tickets via mail send check payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp

Mail to: 3409 N. Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, Mi 48446

For More information Contact

Jack Patton japlapelp@gmail.com 248-535-9011

Traci Tribley traci@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726

Rick Fleming rick.metamoracc@yahoo.com 248-969-2120





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"Serve to Live, Live to Serve"



DISTRICT 11-A2
REGION 3 MEETING

Change of Date - Thursday, March 13, 2025 - Change of Date
Due to Hall Construction Due to Hall Construction

Hosted by
The Saint Clair Shores Lions Club
ZC Dave Van Beek

Location: Fraser Lion's Den
34540 Utica Rd.
Fraser, MI 48026
Doors open at 6:00 PM
Meeting starts at 6:45 PM

Service Project: Please bring Non-Perishable Food Items:
Soups, Canned Meals, Vegetables & Cereal Etc.
or Personal Hygiene Items:
Soap, Deodorant, Wipes & Diapers Etc.

We will be donating all that is collected to:
Bernadette's Faith in Action
Saint Clair Shores non-denominational church.

Meal Cost: \$20 per person with cash bar.
Reservations must be received by March 2, 2025

Send reservations to: **Lion Karen Van Beek**
20218 Elizabeth St., Saint Clair Shores, MI 48080

Or Email: beekervettel@sbcglobal.net

Please Make Checks Payable to the: **Saint Clair Shores Lions Club**

Person Name(s): _____
Club Name: _____
Number attending at \$20.00 per person: _____
Total Amount Due: \$ _____

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

