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District Governor Rings In New Year Encouraging Goal Setting

Another month is almost over and I'm certain I never thought it would go by so quickly!

How are you doing? Are you meeting your goals, whether they be personal, club or district? I hope that we are all striving to meet the goals we set last year, last month, last week, yesterday, or even today. Yes, we all have goals that get added each day, but whether they are long-term or short-term goals, keep thinking those positive thoughts and we can all accomplish things. Sometimes what we do today can make a big difference for tomorrow.

Secretaries, are you keeping your members' information updated? If not, now would be a good time to get started. We use that information locally, but also for the Lions of Michigan, and Lions International. Be ready to report your new officers after elections (which will be over before you know it) and get your service reported. GST Cheryl Satterthwaite can help if you need it, and she will be contacting you if nothing has been reported so far. Can we reach 100%? That is one of our goals and we are at about 67% right now. We should be able to reach this goal without a lot of trouble. I know that we are performing service, we just need to report it.

I hope you are all able to donate to LCIF before the end of June. You can do that on your own for as little as \$5 a month. Don't wait for your club or someone else to make you a Melvin Jones Fellow, do it yourself! Remember it's not an award, it's a fellowship and anyone can make a contribution. If you need help, ask our District LCIF Chair, PRC Maureen Kennedy. Increased club and individual donations to LCIF is also one of our goals.









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Have you made your reservations for the District Convention yet? The theme for the mixer is Renaissance, so grab your elf ears, plaid, crown, or chain mail and meet us in Bay City! Meet new Lions and catch up with those you already know, while we take care of necessary business and have some fun.

Have you filled out a Committee Sign-up Form for IVDG Mark Scicluna yet? We always need Lions to help us, and you might find something that can change your focus or give you a new goal as a Lion. Be brave, say yes!

I hope to see you all at the next round of Region Meetings in February. So far this year we have done three service projects and there are a couple more in the works, so come help us help those in need. If you have ideas about what else we can do, come share them. We are open to new thoughts and possible changes!

Until I see you again,

Don't wait another moment... Start with a positive thought!

Lion Rhonda Furby District Governor







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Greetings Lions!

We have entered into a new year and I hope it brings nothing but good news and successful projects for your clubs.

I am looking forward to what this year has in store for us and am excited to help finish Gov. Rhonda's year strong. She is attempting to put a book in every library within 11-A 2 and your attendance at the upcoming Regional meetings would help her accomplish that.

Additionally, it is not difficult to achieve 100% reporting for service on the new portal. It is very important that each Club in the District reports at least one of your service projects to LCI. This is not an attempt by LCI to interfere or judge your club, it is merely an attempt to create metrics to show how strong Lionism is around the world. If your club has difficulty with managing the portal (you would not be in the minority) your District can help you with recording at least one of your projects.

If you have not yet made plans to attend the District Convention in Bay City March 28-30, you still have time. The theme is Renaissance Festival and it will be the highlight of the Calander year. It is a beautiful venue and Chairpersons Dick and Nancy Maxwell have made sure that your attendance will be comfortable and is valued.

I hope to see you soon at a Region or Cabinet meeting

1st Vice District Governor

Lion Mark Scieluna





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Memorial Information Requested for Convention

Hi Fellow Lions!

I am preparing the slide show for the 2025 District Convention Memorial. Please email the member's name, club, date joined (if available). I am also in need of a picture. If a picture is available on the funeral home page I will pull it. You can make it easier for me if you include the name of the funeral home.

We are including any Lion we lost from March 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025.

Please Note: The cutoff date is February 28, 2025, any deceased Lions after the cutoff will be saved until next year's service.

Please send the information as quickly as possible.

Thank you,

PPG PATTI BAZZ

ppbarr@aol.com



New Members Welcomed In December



New Baltimore

Kenneth Figlan sponsored by Laura Szymanski

Pontiac

Yasmeen Denha sponsored by Laurie Bishop

Romeo

Victoria Hauff sponsored by Caroline Miller David Parpart sponsored by Stanley Kwolek Lawrence Wendt sponsored by Patrick Vinckier

Sterling Heights

Mark Carr sponsored by Mary Welsh Mazem Massad sponsored by Elaine Ventura Nora Murray sponsored by Mary Welsh Evette Szajna sponsored by Mary Welsh





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President Carter's Lion's Service Remembered

Westport Lions Roar By Lion Bob Reddick

"Lions changed my life," said former president Jimmy Carter. "I would have never been ambitious enough to run for Governor of Georgia. I would have never dreamed of being President of the United States if it were not for the Lions."

Mr. Carter followed in his father's footsteps and joined the Plains Lion Club in 1953 a week after he resigned from the navy. During his term as club president in 1957-58, the Plains club built and began operating a community swimming pool. Also, their club was involved in blindness prevention projects in Georgia and Honduras.



Lion Carter found that Lionism is a great way to engage in public service. It helped him to expand his horizons and he credits the many lessons he learned while serving his community as helping him in his career as a politician and peacemaker. He says the Lions' commitment to service showed him the importance of caring for others.

Being zone chairperson, district governor and chairperson of the Council of Governors in Georgia gave him a visible involvement with the Lions. This high profile with the 208 clubs throughout the state of Georgia helped him immensely with his campaign for governor in 1970. During his presidential campaign in 1976, he tributes his "civic involvement as a Lion contributed to my identity as a community leader."

After leaving the White House, Mr. Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, founded The Carter Centre in 1982. Its mandate was to advance human rights and diminish human suffering around the world.

In 1994, the Carter Centre partnered with Lions International Foundation (LCIF) SightFirst program and focused on two blinding diseases, trachoma and river blindness. River blindness is a vector-borne parasitic disease that leads to blindness, and trachoma is the leading infectious cause of blindness worldwide.





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From 1994 to 2018, the partnership resulted in more than 236 million treatments to eliminate river blindness and over 177 million treatments to halt the blinding effects of trachoma. Over 799,000 sight-saving surgeries to reverse the advanced stage of trachoma have been performed, and more than 3.2 million latrines have been built to reduce transmission of infection. Since 1994, LCIF has approved more than 60 river blindness and trachoma grants totaling over US\$67 million.

LCIF and The Carter Center believe in the power of partnerships. No single organization or country can hope to eliminate tropical diseases like river blindness and trachoma on its own. As we see today, to conquer these dreaded diseases and viruses takes the efforts and cooperation of many diverse teams.



LCIF Approves Major Catastrophe Grant to Aide CA Wildfire Victims

Thank you for your emails of interest and your support for MD 4 with California wildfire relief. I just wanted to let you know that IP Fabricio and LCIF Chairperson Dr. Patti Hill awarded a Major Catastrophe grant for \$100,000 for Multiple District 4 earlier this week. The official award email was just sent to the Lions of MD 4. We have received no further updates yet as it is very early in the process of determining exactly what needs are at this point.

Dear LCIF Leadership,

I am writing to provide an update on the ongoing disaster relief efforts across California in response to recent wildfires. Attached is the latest Situation Report from Los Angeles County for your reference. Below is a summary of key developments and actions being taken:

1. Disaster Relief Grants

- District 4-L3: Successfully granted a Disaster Relief Grant.
- District 4-L2: Submitted their signed request for an LCIF Disaster Relief Grant.
- District 4-A3: Previously received a Disaster Relief Grant and is consulting with LCIF staff on next steps.
 - District 4-A3 is in recovery from a wildfire, though another fire erupted last week. This fire was contained as of January 11, 2025.
 - The district remains under a Red Flag Warning from the National Weather Service.







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2. Coordinated Statewide Efforts

- On January 12, 2025, MD-4 Council Chair convened a meeting with the full council, including Governors, 1st Vice District Governors (1VDGs), and 2nd Vice District Governors (2VDGs) from all 14 California Districts.
 - The council agreed to activate a statewide disaster command and control team to oversee relief efforts.
 - Each district is developing specific plans to support Districts 4-L2 and 4-L3 while remaining prepared for future impacts.
 - I have been appointed as an adviser to this team to assist in strategic decisionmaking.

3. Resource Deployment

- Skilled Lions from previous wildfire responses are being mobilized to assist impacted districts.
- Equipment acquired through the LCIF Preparedness Grant, including disaster trailers (photo attached), is being deployed to affected areas.
- Lions are leveraging partnerships with key disaster response organizations, such as the Red Cross and other agencies, to strengthen efforts.

4. Fundraising and Community Contributions

- All districts have initiated LCIF fundraising efforts to support disaster relief operations.
- Donations of physical goods from community members are being coordinated to supplement LCIF grants.
- Lions throughout California are focused on both fundraising and delivering direct service, recognizing the long-term nature of this recovery process.

5. Current Challenges

- Due to continuous fire activity and changing winds, the exact count of destroyed or damaged properties remains uncertain.
- Residents are currently unable to return to their homes, with limited reentry expected by Thursday, January 16, 2025.
- A curfew is in place to prevent looting, enforced by local authorities, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and 2,500 California National Guard members.
 - An additional 1,000 National Guard members have been deployed to assist in the Los Angeles area (<u>Governor's announcement</u>).

Next Steps

- Districts will continue to report progress on their relief and preparedness efforts.
- The statewide disaster command and control team will oversee coordination and provide ongoing updates.
- LCIF's continued support and guidance will be critical as we navigate the complexities of this recovery effort.







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We are deeply grateful for LCIF's partnership and support in enabling us to respond effectively to these disasters. The Lions of California remain steadfast in our commitment to serve those in need during this challenging time.

Should you have any questions or require further details, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Service,

Past District Governor 4-L2 (2016-2017)

LCIF Vice Area H Leader

Manuel Samher





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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 <u>YCE Directory</u> 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 <u>YCE Sponsor Club Handbook!</u>

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 abroard 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 <u>YCE policy</u> 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 <u>YCE Host Club Handbook!</u>

How to Become a Host Club!

Use the <u>International Directory</u> 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 <u>youthexchange@lionsclubs.org</u>.

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 lionsnewsletterlla2@gmail.com. The deadline is the 10th of each month.

| 01 | Bear Lake Camp Ice Plunge and Dinner | O4 FEB | Region II Meeting Center Line ZC Lion Tracy Antrikin | O9 FEB | Euchre Eastpointe Lions | 14 FEB | Euchre Sterling Hts. Lions |
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| 17 | Region I Meeting Rochester ZC Richard Rhoades | 19 FEB | Bear Lake Camp Dinner Shelby Lions at Fraser Lions | 21 FEB | Shelby Lions Vegas Night Palazzo Grande | 21 FEB | "Dinner in the Dark" Leader Dog Rochester |
| 21-23 FEB | Winterfest New Baltimore Lions | 23 FEB | District Euchre Fraser Lions | 27 FEB | Region III Meeting St. Clair Shrs. ZC Lion Dave VanBeek | 28-1 FEB | Michigan Forum Kalamazoo |
| 28 FEB | Council of Governors Kalamazoo | O8 MAR | Pancakes for Penrickton Beverly Hills Lions | 09 MAR | Euchre Eastpointe Lions | 09 MAR | Meatball Raffle Sterling Hts. Lions |
| 14 MAR | Euchre Sterling Hts. Lions | 28-30 MAR | 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

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LEADING THE WAY

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Leader Dogs for the Blind - Lions Newsletter

Training to Every Client's Needs

Learn about our DeafBlind Program and Adaptive Services

At Leader Dogs for the Blind, our top priority is ensuring each client receives customized training that allows them to develop exceptional skills to travel independently with a white cane or a guide dog. Though all our guide dog mobility instructors (GDMIs) and certified orientation and mobility specialists (COMS) are skilled at adapting the training process to accommodate a wide range of personalities and individual needs, the GDMIs on our adaptive services team also individualize client and dog



Sarah D., GDMI, COMS explains to Client Steven how to navigate an intersection using tactile ASL.

training for additional client needs or disabilities that may be physical or intellectual. Some examples of ways we are able to adapt training are:

- Train a dog to work on the right side for someone who has experienced a stroke, has a
 prosthetic hand or has lost a limb.
- Identify and train a sturdy dog for someone with an uneven gait due to cerebral palsy that can
 offer a little counterbalance and be easier to control.
- Provide one-on-one instruction at a gradual pace for someone who has experienced a traumatic brain injury.

People who are both deaf and blind can find navigating the world to be challenging. After working closely with DeafBlind clients, we began offering guide dog training in 1992 using American Sign Language (ASL) as the main method of communication. A guide dog working with a person who is DeafBlind must be extremely mature. Their training stresses partner awareness because they receive all commands from their handler via hand signals. Much attention is placed on traffic awareness and proper street crossings since these can be extreme safety issues for people who are DeafBlind.



DID YOU KNOW IN 1992, LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND BECAME THE FIRST ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE GUIDE DOGS SPECIFICALLY TRAINED FOR CLIENTS WHO ARE BOTH DEAF AND BLIND.



LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR DEAFBLIND PROGRAM & ADAPTIVE SERVICES TODAY!





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ALL LIONS are invited to "Grow Lions" Webinar



I hope that everyone is well. We are in the middle of the 2nd quarter of the Lion year. It is time once again to look at your action plans for the five areas that make up your District goals. Have you made those milestones? If you are not meeting them, then you should get together as a team and see how you need to adjust your Action Plan. Again, that Action Plan is there to help you reach your goal and measure the success that you are having.

CA1 Area E, has 30 Districts with a total of 1,274 clubs with 33,880 members. As of this date Area E is a plus 221 in membership with two new clubs. Unfortunately, we have lost four clubs. We need to work on those smaller clubs to help them grow in membership, but at the same time watch the other clubs since retention is a major factor in our growth.

Fire Up to Grow Sessions

We are preparing for the Fire Up to Grow Sessions. I need you to share the following information with your teams at both the multiple and district level. These Workshops are designed to teach Lions & Leos how to start new Lions Clubs & grow existing clubs. Please have the Lions register today! The ones that are specially targeted at attending these work sessions are:

- Successful Lion recruiters
- District Governor & VDGs
- Global Action Team (GAT) Coordinators / Members
- GMA Working Group
- Sponsoring Club Lions
- Zone Chairs
- Guiding Lions
- Club Officers interested in growing membership

Area 1E Workshop Schedule

Thursday, January 16, 2025 7:00pm CST – 9:00 pm CST Thursday, January 30, 2025 7:00 pm CST – 9:00 pm CST Thursday, February 13, 2025 7:00 pm CST – 9:00 pm CST

Register now: https://bit.ly/AreaEGrow

ALL Club officers are invited to attend. WE are looking for District / Club Officers, GAT Team Members and all interested Lions that see how others have achieved growth in their respective Districts and Clubs. Please consider being an active part of this unique experience to share methods in **GROWING LIONS** membership.

Hope to see you there

PID Bob Block (MD1), CA1 Area E Leader PDG Ron Riebschieger (MD11), CA1 Area E Vice Leader







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Lions Recognition Opportunities

2025 Distinguished Service Award Application DISTRICT 11 A2 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize a District 11 A2 Lion for sustained, outstanding commitment and dedicated service as a Lion to the Community and District.

CRITERIA:

Service must include club & district level participation. MD & LCI level participation is NOT a requirement although can be a plus. (NOTE: This is intended as a District award for service at the District & Club level in this District.)

Must have served in a leadership role at the Club and District level.

Demonstrated service in support of one or more of the established District projects & peograms.

Demonstrated service directly involving voluntary service to the Community.

Must currently be a District 11 A2 Lion in good standing as a full member with a minimum of seven years membership in the District at the time of the District Convention where this award is to be presented.

Nominee may NOT have been previous recipient of the Harold Pocklington Service Award. Nominee may NOT be currently serving as an International Director, District Governor or as a Vice District Governor.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to the Immediate Past District Governor not later than February 1, 2025 in proper format.

IPDG Lion Kelley Unruh 44374 Bayview Ave Apt. 46203 Clinton Twp, MI 48038 C: 586-216-1143 Kunruh48@gmail.com District 11 A2

Distinguished Service Award

Hello Fellow Lions.

We all know Lions that do great things in our clubs and the district. Have you ever considered them for nomination for the District 11-A2 Distinguished Service Award? This award is presented each year to a fellow Lion by the Past District Governors of District 11-A2. This award is funded by the Past District Governors and no District funds are used.

Please read further information and the criteria used in the attachment. All applications must be signed by a Past District Governor and a PDG can sign only one application per year.

If you have any further questions feel free to contact me or IPDG Lion Kelley Unruh. All applications must be submitted by February 1, 2025.

Yours in Lionism,

PCC Lion Frank Cunningham





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Paul Hemeryck Leadership Award

We are now accepting nominations for this years award. Nominations Close 12/31/2024

The Nominee will be the Lion with the following minimum qualifications

- A Lion for 5 years
- A graduate of the Leadership Institute
- Is or have been a Club office or board member at some point
- Must be a Member in good standing
- Must be Nominated by their Home Club
- Must be Recommended by the Governor, a PDG, Region Chair or Zone Chair
- Current Governor and Past District Governors are NOT eligible

We will be looking for "Outstanding Leadership".

Club Related, Service Related, Fund Raising Event, Community Involvement etc...

The Lion that has gone the Extra Mile to lead with Honor, Integrity, Commitment, and Inspiring Excellence.

| Nominee | |
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| Club | |
| Club President or Secretary | |
| Gov, PDG, Region or Zone Chair $_$ | |

MUST send a letter of Recommendation To: PRC Lion Sonny Eplin 24875 Johnston Ave Eastpointe Mi 48021 sonny.eplin@gmail.com









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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 PRINTIIII

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| Beaumont Silent Childre | n's Fund | JDRF/D.A.D. | | |
| Childhood Cancer | | Lions Hearing Center of Michigan | | |
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Donation Mailing Addresses



Corwell Health Foundation Southeast Michigan, c/o Silent Children's Fund - CMN

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



District 11-A2 Project KidSight, Inc.

Paul Hemeryck, PCC 30752 Glenwood Warren, MI 48088



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



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

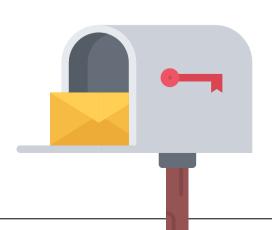
CHM Dick Maxwell, PCT 18701 Walmer Ln. Beverly Hills, MI 48025

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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Happening Around the District

Does your club have work you'd like to highlight? Email details to lionsnewsletterlla2@gmail.com. The deadline each month is the 10th of each month.





Clarkston Lions Deliver Funds for Local Pantry

Jerry Baumgart from the Clarkston Area Lions presenting \$500.00 in gift cards to Michele Robinson of Lighthouse. The gift cards will be used for the purchase of perishable food for distribution at the Clarkston Lighthouse Food Pantry at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Beverly Hills Lions Aide Forgotten Harvest

The Beverly Hills Lions has started serving together early this year. On January 4th, a group of 10 of us volunteered at Forgotten Harvest in Oak Park Michigan. Forgotten Harvest delivers 144,000 pounds of surplus food per day to local charities five days a week, providing families in need with fresh and nutritious food free of charge.

Our team of volunteers sorted and processed thousands of pounds of fresh fruit, baked goods, protein and nonperishable foods. It is great to have a partnership with a service organization like Forgotten Harvest.

Pictured:

(Dave Stein, Craig & Diane Isaacs, Dennis Alberts, Gordy McMullen, Mary Alice Lupher, Kathy Valentine Mary Ellen Sanko, Patrick Wojas, Mark Scicluna)









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Sterling Heights Lions Spotlighted for Eyeglass Collection

Local lions were recently recognized for their partnership and eyeglass collection efforts. Check out the link below!





Local Clubs Ring In Donations for Salvation Army Red Kettle

For the 14th year in a row, the Royal Oak Lions, with the help of three ringers from the Clawson and Hazel Park clubs collected at least \$11,500 with \$11,502.34 for the Salvation Army's red kettle campaign. This far and away was the best for all service organizations in all those years.

One photo shows the two ringers, (Lions Bob Westbury and Eric Boreczky) who raised the most. The other shows four ringers, who raised \$1,687.61 by singing Christmas carols on December 24th.









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Clawson Lions Attend Local Festival to Raise Visibility

Clawson Lions were invited by the City of Clawson Recreation and Senior Center, to attend their annual "Festival in the Park", September 28, 2024.

This is an opportunity for Lions to stay visible, support the community and look for new memberships. We have our "Lion" as a draw, and draw he does!

Kids are in line to get their picture taken riding him and adults join in. As well, Clawson Police Officers have fun and this brings law enforcement, kids, adults and Community together as they enjoy this event. Clawson Lions enjoy being the conduit as a community service group." FYI, the Lion standing is none other than our club president, Lion Bill Stevens. Lion Bill enjoys interacting with the public when in costume.







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2025 Distinguished Service Award Application DISTRICT 11 A2 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize a District 11 A2 Lion for sustained, outstanding commitment and dedicated service as a Lion to the Community and District.

CRITERIA:

Service must include club & district level participation. MD & LCI level participation is NOT a requirement although can be a plus. (NOTE: This is intended as a District award for service at the District & Club level in this District.)

Must have served in a leadership role at the Club and District level.

Demonstrated service in support of one or more of the established District projects & programs.

Demonstrated service directly involving voluntary service to the Community.

Must currently be a District 11 A2 Lion in good standing as a full member with a minimum of seven years membership in the District at the time of the District Convention where this award is to be presented.

Nominee may NOT have been previous recipient of the Harold Pocklington Service Award. Nominee may NOT be currently serving as an International Director, District Governor or as a Vice District Governor.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to the Immediate Past District Governor not later than February 1, 2025 in proper format.

> IPDG Lion Kelley Unruh 44374 Bayview Ave Apt. 46203 Clinton Twp, MI 48038 C: 586-216-1143 Kunruh48@gmail.com





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SELECTION PROCESS:

The Honorary Committee, chaired by the IPDG, shall consist of those PDG's who are active members of a District 11A2 Lions Club. The District Governor shall be a part of voting process but may not make a nomination.

Only one nomination by each member of the Honorary Committee, consisting of Past District Governors, may be submitted during a Lion's year.

Nominations shall be submitted, in writing, or by email to the most recent IPDG.

Following the selection, the IPDG shall be responsible to obtain the plaque and medallion. IPDG will also be responsible for having them engraved and shall present the award at the Annual District Convention Banquet. If the current IPDG is unable to do the presentation the next previous IPDG will do the presentation.

Information collected along with the medallions and engraving for plaques shall be shared with the next IPDG following the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award and the last meeting of the Honorary committee.

In order to secure complete nomination information, a PDG may need to contact the person being nominated. This information should remain confidential within the Honorary Committee.

In the event that a PDG is nominated for the Distinguished Service Award, the Chairperson of the Honorary Committee ,upon receipt of the completed nomination form, shall notify the nominated PDG. Thereafter, the nominated PDG shall not participate in the selection process during the Lion's year of the nomination.

VOTING PROCESS:

IPDG will call for a meeting of the Honorary Committee (consisting of active PDG's who have served for District 11A2) no less than 30 days prior to Annual District Convention. A quorum of the selection committee shall be no less than one third of the eligible members. If there is not a quorum or if no candidate receives the stated amount of votes, the award shall not be given in that year.

Voting shall be by written ballot or via telephone conference call, text message or email (if necessary). The recipient must receive one more than 50% of the ballots cast. If no nominee receives 1 more than 50% of the ballots cast, then the committee will take the top two (2) nominations and revote. Winner will be determined by who receives 50% plus one vote.





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No proxy votes will be allowed and a Past Pocklington Award recipient will count the votes as directed by the IPDG.

The Honorary Committee will be asked to keep the winning nomination a secret until Annual District Convention.

DISTRICT 11-A2 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

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- 2012 James Leach, Jr.
- 2013 Kimberly Thiede
- 2014 Kay Furby
- 2015 Amy Bineau
- 2016 Richard Pfeiffer
- 2017 Dick Maxwell
- 2018 Robert Bobee
- 2019 Dave McKenzie
- 2020 Paul Ostby
- 2021 Larry Cole
- 2022 Roger Blackwell
- 2023 Connie Shelton
- 2024 Nancy Maxwell





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| Name of Nominee: |
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| Years of Service as a Lion: |
| Member of which Lion Club: |
| Offices and Years held in local club: |
| Community Service Activities: |
| Special District, State or Lion Projects Nominee has played a key role in: |
| Any other information in support of Nominee's Service work: |
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Lions Visually Impaired Youth Camp Kick-Off Dinner & Parade of Checks

Hosted by the Shelby Township Lions Club Special THANKS to Franer Lions

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 – 6 p.m.

Fraser Lion's Den 34540 Utica Road Fraser, MI 48026

\$30 Per Person Includes: Dinner, Coffee & Soft Drinks

Cash Bar **50/50 Raffle** **Gift Baskets**

Make check payable to: Shelby Township Lions Club Mail to: 12875 Boardwalk Drive, Bruce Township, MI 48065 No later than Friday February 11, 2025

| Group Name: | |
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| Contact Person: | |
| Phone: | |
| Email: | |
| Name of Attendees: | |

For questions and more info contact:

Lion Bob Bittner - (586) 212-1028 / RLB1028@comcast.net





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REGION 3 MEETING
Thursday, February 27, 2025

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

> Fraser Lions Den 34540 Utica Rd. Fraser, MI 48026

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

Service Project
We will be donating all that is collected to:

Bernadette's Faith in Action
A centrally located Saint Clair Shores non-denominational church.

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

Meal Cost: \$20 per person with cash bar. Reservations must be received by February 16, 2025

Send reservations to: Lion Karen Van Beek

20218 Elizabeth St., Saint Clair Shores, MI 48080

Or Email: beekervette1@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 Duc: \$

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







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District 11-A2 Region 1 Meeting
February 17, 2025

Hosted by the Rochester Lions Club
And ZC Rick Rhoades

Held at Rochester Mills Beer Co.

400 Water Street, Rochester 48307

Social hour 6:00pm

Meeting called to order 6:45pm

Dinner cost \$20.00 per person

Reservations must be received by February 9, 2025

Please make checks payable to Rochester Lions Club,

Send Form & check to:

Attention: PDG Connie Shelton,1360 Wrenwood Dr., Troy, MI 48084

| Name: | |
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| Number of reservations: | Check(s) enclosed: \$ |





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District 11-A2 Region 2 Meeting February 4, 2025

Hosted by the Center Line Lions Club and ZC Tracy Antrikin Center Line Parks And Recreation 25355 Lawrence Ave Center Line, MI 48015

Social hour 6:00pm Meeting called to order 6:45PM

Dinner cost \$20.00 per person

Reservations must be received by January 27, 2025

Service Project: Center Line Public Schools - Please bring one or more of the following: Hat, mittens/gloves, or jacket for grade school children.

Please make checks payable to Center Line Lions. Send form and check to: Lion Tracy Antrikin 27842 Roan Dr Warren, Michigan 48093

email: tracyant11@comcast.net

| Name: | |
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| Number of reservations: | |
| Check(s) enclosed: \$ | |