

**DISTRICT  
GOVERNOR  
PEGGY WALLS**



**“Celebrate the Joy of Service  
Centennial Year**



## ***DISTRICT 11 E1 NEWSLETTER***

### ***SEPTEMBER 2017***

#### ***DISTRICT GOVERNOR PEGGY WALLS MESSAGE***

There is no greater pleasure for a governor than to induct new members at a club meeting. It means that our members are out and about ensuring that their clubs will be in existence in the next century. It means that club members are willing to share their love of Lionism with another. Remember, the only way to become a Lion is to be asked. How often those nearest to us in friendship have never been asked to be a Lion? This year, ask a family member, ask a church friend, ask a co-worker, ask someone who may be working for you, ask a coach, ask your realtor and your banker. You may be surprised at their answer. Be prepared to give a short synopsis of what Lions are and do. Tell them about our new initiatives with diabetes and childhood cancer. Tell them about Kidsight and your other local projects. All of these efforts will allow your club to grow. That growth translates to greater community miracles being accomplished. You are part of those miracles. You are a Lion. Someone asked you. Ask someone else.

DG Peg

Information:

New Lions will be inducted at Fall Conference by International Director, Jenny Ware. Let the District Governor know names and numbers so kits will be available.

September 6-Edmore  
September 11-Weidman  
September 13-Sand Lake  
September 14-Bear Lake  
September 16-Fall Conference  
September 20-Carson City  
September 21 -23-- USA/ Canada Forum  
September 26-Baldwin  
September 27-Northport  
September 29-Eversight Open House  
September 30-Harrison 50th Anniversary/Lioness 35th Anniversary  
October 3-Midland

#### **DG PEGGY'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE**





## GREENVILLE LIONS INSTALLATION FUN



Greenville Lions had PDG Jim Chipman install officers at a recent meeting in August. Jim used a unique and humorous method to induct the new members. He wore a special set of glasses and as each member was installed they received a red nose indicative of helping children. Jim brought fun and a strong message to the meeting.



**Northport Lions** members stationed themselves at key points in town to collect money for Vision Care. Dick and Sherry Koenig are show here on duty with their dog. Approximately \$1,590 was collected.



## KIDSIGHT KORNER

### Three Important Messages:

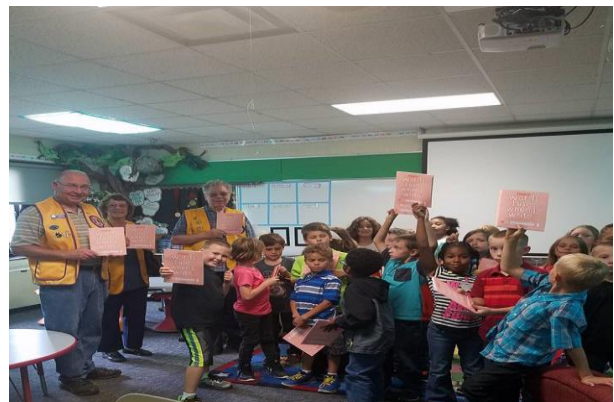
1. We need more clubs to get involved.
2. We need more screeners.
3. We need a donation from every club for Project KidSight at District 11E1 Fall Conference that will be held in Harrison on Saturday, September 16th from 9 -3.

If you'd like to get involved, or have any questions, just give me a call (231-689-1321) or email and I will help you to become a member of the KidSight Team!

Waiting to hear from you,  
Janalee McClure,  
District 11E1 KidSight Coordinator  
janalee@riverview.net

## SHERIDAN / STANTON LIONS AT WORK

Sheridan's KidsBash was held in mid-August. The Sheridan/Stanton Lions had 46 kids signed up to have their eyes screened. Five students were referred for further testing by their doctor. The kids had a great time.



*Chippewa Lake/Mecosta Lions presented spelling workbooks to all 1 & 2 graders at Mecosta Elementary*





**DAD: DEFENSE AGAINST DIABETES**

Nurse Dave Stetson examines a patient for Diabetic Retinopathy at the Manistee Clinic of the Michigan Health Services. This service is being provided at no cost to the client through a grant sponsored by the Lions clubs International Foundation District 11E1 of Michigan. There are eight billboards around District 11 E1 concerning the DAD program.



**WELCOME NEW DISTRICT  
11 E1 LIONS**

**WEIDMAN: Steve Chipp**

**WHITE CLOUD – 5 NEW LIONS - CONGRATS!**

**Peggy Frank, sponsor Janalee McClure; Karl Hanson, Ray Williams; Katie Hoffman, Janalee; Dawn Houghton, Jacklin Millis; Janet Lamantia, Katie Hoffman BIG RAPIDS: Robert Tetzloff**



**MESSAGE**

**2<sup>ND</sup> VDG**

**JACKIE GLAZIER**

Hello fellow lions of District 11- E1, Clubs, have you introduced the names of the new international president, and governors along with the new officers to your club? Have members in your club all been introduced to each other? Do club members really know each other or just the new member that joins a club? Why did a member join Lions? How long have they been a Lion? Did they have family that were Lions? What hobbies do they have? Is there an activity they would like to help on or try out? Just by sharing a couple questions and learning about each other, it may help on programs and activities for your club. Find the strength in your Lions! Get acquainted with your community. Does your town/city know the Lions are there, and what Lions do? Get acquainted with Lion officers, LCI, fellow Lion clubs. Check out the 11-E1 website. Go to cabinet meetings and conventions, read the newsletter and mailings.

Get Acquainted! ~Have Fun  
Call or e-mail me any time..231-534-4932 / jackieglazier14@yahoo.com

Be strong, but not rude.  
Be kind, but not weak.  
Be bold, but not bully.  
Be humble, but not shy.  
Be proud, but not arrogant.

~Jim Rohn



*Onekama Lions*

*PDG Chester Kudla*

*Big Rapids Lions*

*Lion Lynn Nostrant*

## LEADER DOGS ON THE MOVE



Kingsley Lions are all smiles as they serve at their free CommUNITY picnic. The response to the community picnic was great food, great fun, and great music. Whirley's Coffee and Cream gave free gift certificates to everyone who came to the picnic.

**COLEMAN ACTIVITIES:** Coleman Lions had a successful KidSight screening August 19, during the local Back-to-School health fair and "Sneaker Palooza"; 43 children were screened with 1 referral. Our next screening will be September 9, in Sanford during the Founder's Day celebration. **Save the Date:** Coleman Lions will celebrate 77 years of service to the community on Saturday, October 21, with the 8th annual Charter Night Dinner and Auction. The \$15 tickets cover the cost of the catered dinner and door prizes. Plan to join us. Doors open at 5:30.p.m. Call or email Ann Roeseler for tickets – 989-465-

6482 [ann.roeseler@gmail.com](mailto:ann.roeseler@gmail.com)



*Coleman Lion  
Ann Roeseler  
checking the  
prescription on  
eye glasses at  
the Luther Den –  
District 11 E1 Eye  
Glass Mission  
Trip*



*Photo By Ann Roeseler*

### **SUMMER 2017 – AROUND THE DISTRICT 11 E1 LIONS CLUBS' ACTIVITIES**

**Bear Lake** – Worked Bear Lake Days. Working on their popcorn trailer. Closing their Den in November for the winter and will be meeting at Grill 44.

**Big Rapids** – Busy Fall, they will be working the football concession stand for Ferris State and the Ferris High School games.

**Cadillac** – Participated in the Freedom festival Parade.

**Carson City** – Held a Community Recognition Night and the Lions honored the Citizen of the Year, Tom Acade, and the nominees for the award.

**Cedar/Maple City** – Presented three Glen Lake High school students with scholarships.

**Empire** – The Lions worked the Asparagus Festival; parking lot attendants.

**Frankfort** – Held a Chicken Bar BQ and sold 550 dinners.

**Fremont** – Donated to a farm that uses animals for Youth Development programs. (cont. page 7)

## **Fall Conference**

### **September Newsletter Update**

*If you have not already done so, please make your reservation to attend our district's Fall Conference, September 16 in Harrison. We will explore the two new areas of emphasis for Lions, Pediatric Cancer, and Diabetes. An important update on our district's diabetes grant will also be presented. The highlight of the day will be a presentation by our own International Director Jenny Ware. Make sure you bring your club's donations for the Parade of Checks. We will collect for: LCIF, Eversight, Leader dogs, Lions of Michigan Foundation, Kidsight, Bear Lake, Paws with a Cause, All State Band, and Dist. 11-E1 Diabetes Fund. The \$10 registration fee covers coffee, rolls, and lunch. Registrations must reach PDG Tim Anderson by September 11. If you are unable to send in the \$10 in advance there will be a pay at the door option, however Tim will need to be notified so we have an accurate meal count. Tim can be e-mailed at [dgtim11e1@charter.net](mailto:dgtim11e1@charter.net). Doors open at 8:30 and the conference begins at 9 am. The Harrison Lions Club is located in the Clare Co. fairgrounds at 417 Fairlane, Harrison.*

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### **2017 Fall Conference Registration**

**Club** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name/s** \_\_\_\_\_

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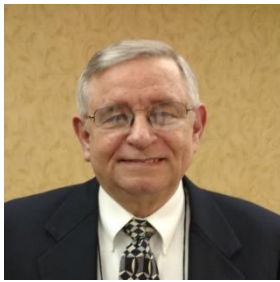
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**Amount Enclosed (\$10 per registrant)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to Secretary Tim Anderson 107 Pine Shore Dr. Cadillac, Mi. 496**

**Questions call 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Al Roeseler- 989 465-6482 or cell 989 615-39601**



## SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

1<sup>ST</sup> VDG AL ROESLER

In August I was invited by Leader Dogs for the Blind to attend an informational program at their facility in Rochester Hills Michigan. Prior to the meeting I thought I had a pretty good idea of what Leader Dogs was and how it worked.

I was not wrong in what I knew, Leader Dogs does provide guide dogs for vision impaired individuals, but there is so much more! They run a puppy breeding program to up the odds that their dogs have the traits necessary for success in the program. Volunteers house the breeding dogs, and raise their litters for the first 7 weeks. After 7 weeks the puppies are placed with puppy raiser volunteers who raise the dogs for about 1 year. After that year they are returned to Leader Dogs to be trained for 2-3 months and then matched with a client and then they are trained as a team for twenty five days at the Rochester facility. Leader Dogs also participates in a highly successful prison program. Selected inmates are allowed to raise the dogs in the prison. It is a win-win situation, benefiting not only the dogs, but the inmates as well.

Even with all the volunteers, and a donation from Purina of 50,000 pounds of dog food to Leader Dogs every year, the out the door cost of training a dog and client team is \$39,000 and the **Clients pay nothing!** As part of our program we heard testimonials from several clients. They each described the depression and fear associated with losing their sight. The biggest fear is the loss of independence and having to rely on others for basic needs particularly mobility. Getting a dog, returned them to an independence and freedom that made their life whole again. We got the opportunity to do a blindfold walk with a dog. For me it was an eye-opening experience. It lasted only a few minutes and at the end I was able to take my blindfold off, but it was a leap of faith to put your trust in a dog to keep you safe.

Another thing I did not know about Leader Dogs is that they have clients not only around this country, but around the world as well. I did not know they do orientation and mobility (white cane) training on their campus, as well as running a teen summer camp program.

Our informational program included Lions from many different states. As Lions are biggest contributors to Leader Dogs, I was pleased to see MD11 (Michigan's Lower Peninsula) at the top of the list of contributors. Our District 11-E1 however, was 7<sup>th</sup> out of the 10 districts that make up Multi District 11. When your club considers its donations to state projects this year, I hope you can find a few extra dollars for this incredible organization, and bring your checks to the fall conference on September 16th. I would also encourage individual Lions to consider donating as well. You can find more information at [leaderdog.org](http://leaderdog.org)

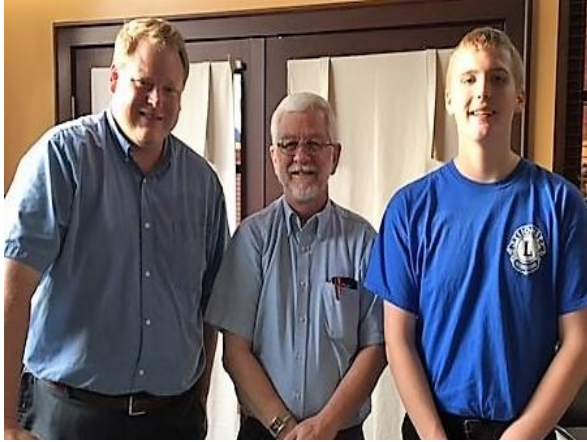
**LCIF**  
**300 W. 22nd St.**  
**Oak Brook, IL 60523** Or  
**Texas Lions Foundation**  
**PO Box 64881**  
**Lubbock, TX 79464**

**HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF FUND**

**PLEASE HELP!**

**In either case be sure to indicate "Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund" on your check**





*Lions All-State Band Member Shares with Club Members*

The Big Rapids Lions Club was pleased to support local student, Casey Gabalis so that he could participate in the Lions All-State Band. Casey is entering his junior year at Crossroads Charter Academy and plays the baritone. He attended the Lions Club meeting and shared his band experience. After 3 one day rehearsals in early spring and a pre-camp experience in late June, the Band went to Chicago on June 30. They marched in the parade along with representatives from Lions Clubs throughout the world, played on other days at Six Flags and the Field Museum and were given the opportunity to participate in activities throughout the Chicago area. Casey found the experience very rewarding and through interactions with Lions Club members from other countries he learned the extent of the reach of Lions work around the world. Casey's dad, Jeff Gabalis, also shared his All-State Band experience. He was a member of the Band in 1984 and attended an International Convention in California. He says the people he met through the band have continued to be life-long friends and he was so pleased that Casey was able to participate this year. They are exploring the possibility of Casey raising funds again next year when the Band will attend the International Convention in Las Vegas.

*PICTURED— left to right above— Jeff Gabalis, Tom Samuel, Lions Club President and Casey Gabalis*

**SUMMER 2017 – AROUND THE DISTRICT  
11 E1 LIONS CLUBS' ACTIVITIES (CONT.)**

**Hart** – Worked road pick up.

**Honor** – Sold 600 tickets for their Lucky 10 Raffle. Gave out 4 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors at Benzie High. Held a pancake Breakfast during the Honor Coho Festival.

**Kaleva** - Lions have been holding a monthly foot clinic for seniors.

**Manistee** – Held their largest fundraiser the Fish Boil and participated in the National Forest Festival.

**Mesick** – Presented five scholarship s to students at Mesick and Buckley schools. Doing maintenance in Veterans Memorial Park and working highway cleanup.

**Onkama** – Onkama Days: Parade, Beer tent, two meals and entertainment. Bingo every Thursday.

**Remus** – Held the Lions Club Golf Outing at the Royal Golf Course in Canadian lakes.

**Traverse City** – Provided financial assistance for specialized software for a dyslexia child. Planning a 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party celebration of Lionism with the VIP Club (Visually Impaired People). Partnering with Mesick Lions on an Information Booth, 2018 in Buckley.



## IPDG RON GIBSON'S APPRECIATION DINNER



*IPDG RON and BARBARA GIBSON and DAUGHTER. MANDY BOMNEMA*

*Thanks to the over 70 Lions and guests who attended my appreciation luncheon. It was wonderful to see so many friendly and familiar faces. And thank you for participating in the 50/50 drawing which raised \$223.00 for Project KidSight at the Lions of Michigan Foundation. That, coupled with some personal donations, brought a total of \$363.00 that has been sent to our Lions of Michigan Foundation. Thank you for your generosity and thank you for the honor of allowing me to serve as your District Governor last year.*

*IPDG Ron Gibson*



**Lower left picture: DG PEGGY WALLS PRESENTS IPDG RON WITH THE MIKE HOWARD SPIRIT AWARD**







**GONE FISHIN'**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR 47<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY PARTY ON SAT. OCT 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2017  
SOCIAL HOUR WITH BUFFET 5:30 – 6:30**



**White Cloud Lions Club**

**Rice Lake Fish Fry Party**

**Silent Auction, Great Food, Fun & Friends**

**Only \$10.00 for complete buffet meal**

WHITE CLOUD LIONS DEN, 294 N.CHARLES (M-37),WHITE CLOUD 49349



**Fishing Attire Required  
To get free door prize tickets!**



**Very Casual!**

BYOB, gluten free available. Chicken nuggets (if you're not a fish fan) plus macaroni & cheese, coleslaw & fries.

Call or email Secretary Janalee with reservations and/or questions. 231-689-1321 [janalee@riverview.net](mailto:janalee@riverview.net)

**Donate something for the silent auction  
& get additional free door prize tickets**



**HARRISON LIONS CLUB**

**50TH**

**HARRISON LIONESSE 35<sup>TH</sup>**

**SEPTEMBER 30**

**6:00 SOCIAL - 7:00 DINNER**

**HARRISON LIONS DEN**

**\$20.00 PER PERSON**

**RSVP LION BARB SOVEY**

**BY SEPT. 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**989-539-9669**

**CHECKS - HARRISON LIONS**

**5155 APACHE, HARRISON,**

**MI 48625 - % BARB SOVEY**



# CANDY DAYS

**13th Annual  
Lions of Michigan Candy Days  
September 29 & 30, 2017**

## **WHAT IS "CANDY DAYS" ?**

A Candy Day is an all-out 1-day street promotion held in the Fall of the year. The concept is simple and easy to execute. Lion Club members stand in areas of high traffic, much like during White Cane Week, and give away rolls of Lion Mints in exchange for donations. Most clubs that participate in Candy Days earn an average profit of \$1 per roll on the mints they distribute during Candy Days. Clubs that have countertop sales usually notice increased sales after a Candy Day.

*GREAT FUNDRAISER! Get involved by ordering your Lions Mints.*

*Lions of Michigan Foundation, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911*



## **BUILDING LEADERS**

## **ONE LION AT A TIME**

**MICHIGAN LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE, NOVEMBER 10-12, 2017**

**R.A. MACMULLAN CENTER HIGGINS LAKE, MI**

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**GREAT PREPARATION FOR BEING A CLUB OFFICER – Sept. 30, Deadline for Registration**

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