

**DISTRICT 11-E1 CABINET MEETING MINUTES
MAXFIELD'S RESTAURANT, WYMAN
JANUARY 10, 2010**

ATTENDING: District Governor Wayne and 1st Lady Lion Deb Kreitner, 1st VDG Laura and PDG Harry Johnson, 2nd VDG John Monahan, IPDG Larry and Lion Gayle Morlock, Cabinet Treasurer Lion Kerry McGinley, Cabinet Secretary PDG Jim Chipman, Region Chair Lion Tony Rutledge, Region Chair Lion Laurene Homsher, Zone Chair Lion Pete Conarty, Zone Chair Bill Simpson, Zone Chair Tim Anderson, Zone Chair Richard Goedge, PDG Janalee McClure, Lion Lester McClure, PDG Bill Raymor, Lion Jane Raymor, PDG Dick Perrin, PDG Dan Gibbons, Lion Pam Schroeder, PDG Lynn Mast, PDG Stan Preshaw, PDG Jim Walls, Lion John Hunt, Lion Larry Alman, Lion Kyle Madole, Lion Ron Gibson, Lion Harold Magoon, Lion Barbara Magoon, and visiting PDG's Hank and Linda Bosma and PDG Gary and Lion Cheryl Anderson.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM by District Governor Wayne Kreitner

Pledge was led by the District Governor

Invocation by PDG Bill Raymor

REMARKS: DG Wayne reports that membership is down 12 at this time but he knows of at least 5 new members that are coming in soon. He asked PDG's Bill and Harry to start working on reestablishing a club in Ludington. Cedar Maple City and Greenville are working on starting LEO clubs. The biggest challenge is finding the right leader from the schools. One of the problems with membership in our District, and through out the State is the economy, but we can not use that as an excuse for not trying to get new members for our clubs.

1st VDG Laura Johnson is still recovering from her recent knee surgery but has been visiting a few clubs and will visit more before the end of the month. She has decided not to utilize the position of Region Chair during her year and so has made the proper notification as directed by Lions International. She will be working on filling her cabinet positions over the next few months and asked anyone if wanted to serve next year, please contact her. She asked permission from the Cabinet to transfer Cedar Maple City Lions from zone 1 to zone 2. The permission was not needed as this is the decision of the Governor and she can so do next year.

2nd VDG John Monahan passed out information on Lions International program "Lions in Sight" which is a program to get your club in the sight of your community through involvement in local projects. Lion John has been busy making visitations and will be happy to visit your club.

Secretary's Report: The Minutes for November 8, 2009 were presented and Lion McGinley made a motion to accept as presented. Lion Anderson supported and the motion passed. Lion Chipman read off the club names that were behind in M-Reports;

the list is smaller this time. He thanked all the Zone and Region Chairs for getting the M-Reports in. The billing for second half dues will be coming as soon as the District receives its bill from the State Office.

Treasurer's Report: Lion Kerry McGinley presented the following financial report:

**DISTRICT 11-E1
Financial Statement 2009-10
January 10, 2010
Administrative Fund**

Balance July 1, 2009 **\$18851.79**

Receipts	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Dues 1350 @ \$21.50	\$29025.00	14057.75
CD Interest	450.00	450.93
Checking Interest	120.00	53.54
IPDG Dinner		1820.00
Cabinet Meeting Meal		550.90
District Convention 1350 @ \$1.00	1350.00	675.00
District Pins	<u>600.00</u>	<u>231.00</u>
Total Receipts	\$31545.00	17839.12

Expenses

Dues 1350 @ \$14.50	\$19575.00	9769.75
Roster Book	800.00	848.00
Newsletter and Postage	400.00	508.35
Awards	500.00	560.73
IPDG Dinner		1732.46
Cabinet Meeting Meal		629.60
Region and Zone Chairs 2009-10	1500.00	
District Pins	600.00	
District Convention	675.00	675.00
International Convention 2009		602.70
USA/Canada Forum-Vice District Governor	1625.00	1625.00
Miscellaneous non-refundable DG Expenses	2750.00	124.73
Misc. non-refundable 1 st VDG Expenses	1500.00	1500.00
Misc. non-refundable 2 nd VDG Expenses	750.00	330.60
Leadership Institute	300.00	300.00
Dishonesty Bond	250.00	233.89
IPDG Jacket	20.00	455.75
Peace Poster	50.00	
District Website	<u>250.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Total Projected Expenses	\$31545.00	19896.56
Balance Administrative Fund for 2009-10		(2057.44)
Balance Administrative Fund January 10, 2010		\$16794.35

DESIGNATED FUNDS

	BALANCE July 1, 2009	CURRENT BALANCE
Sight and Hearing	\$14862.54	
CD State Farm Bank \$ 15000.00		
Owed to Administrative (117.46)		
Expenses		
Receipts <u>1600.00</u>		\$16462.54
 Diabetes	 2619.67	
Receipts	100.00	
Expenses	<u> </u>	2719.67
 Youth Exchange	 210.00	 210.00
 LCIF	 500.00	 500.00
 District Convention	 2804.69	
Receipts	2675.00	
Expenses	<u> </u>	5479.69
 Micellaneous	 788.10	 788.10
 KidSight	 377.65	 377.65
 Tail Twister	 711.64	
Receipts	<u>164.56</u>	<u>876.20</u>
 Balance as of January 10, 2010		 \$27413.85

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Kerry McGinley
District Treasurer

Motion made by Lion Chipman and supported by Lion Homsher to approve report as presented. Motion passed.

REGION AND ZONE REPORTS:

Region II Chair Lion Tony Rutledge: Lion Tony has been working with his zone chairs and feels he has three excellent chairs and they have been doing a great job with their clubs. Region II also has a traveling Gnome and recently a Lady Gnome was found on his door step and the two of them will be traveling through out the Region and perhaps there will be some exciting news at our District Convention. Come to the Convention and see what happens to Region 2's Gnomes.

Zone I Chair Lion Pete Conarty: Lion Pete gave the following written report:

I plan to be at the meeting Sunday.

My six clubs are pretty quiet right now. Half of them will not be meeting until late January.

Our next Zone meeting is next week, Wednesday, January 13, at the Doherty Hotel in Clare. Our agenda, by request of the club members, is interesting and fun programs for meetings. We will also be discussing ideas for tailtwisting activities and the role of a tailtwister. Lion Laura Johnson and Anthony Rutledge will be attending and say a few words.

Coleman is a busy club. They had a chili dinner and a Christmas Party in December. They have partnered with the VFW in Coleman for the Chili Dinner and use the VFW's facilities. The Coleman Club has brought in several new members this Fall. They have a thriving Leo Club.

Midland helped the Salvation Army ring bells on two occasions and had a Christmas Party for special needs children in the Midland Public Schools, grades 1 -3.

Midland lost eight members in 2009 and brought in about three.

They had four members move to Florida (two of those will remain Associate Members), two die, and two resign (one job complications and couldn't make meetings, the other remarried with new children in the family that need his attention.

His new wife works many evenings.) I have been talking to President John about the need to have a power house recruitment program this spring. He agrees.

He will be riding with me to the Zone meeting and we will discuss it further.

All the civic groups in Midland are having recruitment problems despite the facts that say volunteerism is up in the nation. We have had a lot of lay-offs at Dow and Dow Corning and related industries. Particularly when the K-Dow merger fell through.

Sanford was going to try and keep things going this winter but they have not replied to my e-mails. I will need to call and see what is going on.

My biggest problem has been getting club presidents and secretaries to reply to my e-mails. I almost need to call to get information. We will discuss this issue at the next Zone meeting.

Zone II Chair Lion Bill Simpson: Our next zone meeting will be held on January 13, 2010 at Maxfields. Lion PDG Harry Johnson will be the program and hopefully someone from Remus will show up. Lion Bill has visited all his clubs at least once and now working to visit the second time.

Zone III Chair Lion Tim Anderson: Our next Zone meeting is scheduled for March 16th in Cadillac. All the clubs in the zone are busy and seem to be ok. He is making visitations.

Region I Chair Lion Connie McMorris: Lion Connie was absent so the Governor read her report:

I am sorry that I can not attend the cabinet meeting. I am down with the flu or some kind of bug. I am dizzy throwing up and just plain don't feel good!! Since the last cabinet meeting made a visit to the Onekama club, made contact with the Bear Lake club about their M-reports, their president told me they have 2 secretaries, I made contact with Vince Hancock he was suppose to go on line and submit their reports but then said he didn't have a pass word to get in to the forms Lion Wayne also spoke to them and told him he would help him to get a password. I have not heard if they submitted any reports. Lion Dan Gibbons assisted in speaking with Onekama secretary about their reports. I also visited the Traverse City club, with Lion Lynn Mast, to go over the membership issues their club has. On the night we were there they had two prospective new members that have been Lions in the past and were interested in joining the Traverse city club in talking with both of the agnate they had some very good ideas. And both seemed like they would join and be a big help to the club. Lion Lynn also suggested during the Cherry festival, for example to partner with the other clubs in the zone, to work together and perhaps due an Organ and Tissue campaign, to sign donors up on the spot, and have club information also available. Lion Bob Manning had us there for his zone meeting, and it worked well for Lion Lynn and myself we were able to complete our Merlow assigned duty. I have not received any contact from Lion Neil Boyington or from Lion Carl Hawkins. The Honor Club does not meet now till the 3rd Monday in March. We have several that go south for warmer weather. We still can address community needs, we make it known they can either contact myself or our secretary for any assistance. Our puppy raiser took four adorable puppies down th Rodchester to start the second leg of their journey in becoming leader dogs we wish them well!!!that is all *have to report at this time, respectively summited* Lion Connie McMorris

Region III Chair Lion Laurene Homsher: Asked Zone Chairs to give reports first.

Zone II Chair Lion Dick Goedge: The Sand Lake Lions Club is having a meeting on the 16th and needs some brochures to hand out. 1st VDG Laura said she would take some. All clubs are busy and Howard City has increased membership by 5. There new president is going door to door asking for help and he is getting results. Meeting at Tuesday at 1:30.

Zone III Chair Lion Steve Adsmund: Lion Steve was absent so Lion Laurene read his report. The third and final zone meeting will be held on March 29th at the White Cloud Lions Den. Tail Twister Lion Ron Gibson will present a program on how to make your club fun. Our last meeting was held on Nov. 30th with Karla Roebuck and Ed Weesies putting on programs.

Lion Laurene is trying to get all of her visitations in before the end of March as she will have surgery then and will be laid up for 3 to 6 months. She regrets that she will not be at the District Convention.

DISTRICT CONVENTION: Lion Pam Schroeder Chair: Lion Pam presented copies of the budget for the convention to everyone present. It shows a cost of \$9,234.29 for the convention and income of the same amount. The Saturday evening banquet will be \$22.00 per person and registration is \$5.00 per person and \$10.00 after the deadline of March 20, 2010. Room rates are \$75.00 per night. Friday Night Mix and Meet will have Halloween as its theme. Memorial Service will be Sunday morning and the committee needs pictures and bio's of our deceased Lions as soon as Clubs can get them to the committee. There will be a silent auction again this year and gifts need to be brought to the convention. Motion by Lion Conarty to approve the budget for the Convention. Supported by Lion McGinley and it passed.

Registration will be mailed out to all clubs. Lion Laura Johnson made the motion that the committee send out a separate letter for the silent auction as she feels that they will get better response. Lion Simpson supported the motion and the motion passed. The dates of the Convention are April 9-11 at the Holiday Inn in Muskegon. Phone 231-720-7111.

MULTIPLE 11 CONVENTION: Lion Pam Schroeder: The Multiple 11 Convention will be held May 21-22 at Mission Point Resort at Mackinac Island. Cost of the rooms is \$89.00 per night. Baggage will be taken to your room from the dock and this will be an additional \$4.00 round trip charged to your room. Starr Ferry Line is offering a \$14.00 fee for transfer to the island. Just mention you are with the Lions Convention. It will be a 15 minute walk from the dock to the Resort. If you would like, taxis are available; if you have to use a mobile chair to get around, they can be driven to the resort and through out the island. The Saturday Night Banquet is \$35.00 per person; this includes entertainment. There will be tours available. Reservations for the Resort can be made by calling 800-833-7711 and should be done as soon as possible. PDG's can but do not have to wear their white coats. Reservation forms will be mailed to all clubs.

MERLOW: PDG Bill Raymor Chair: The Merlow Team hasn't met since the last cabinet meeting. They are scheduled to meet again on January 24, 2010 from 1:30 to 4:00 pm at the Webber Township Hall in Baldwin. The meeting is open to all interested Lions. Since our last meeting the team, in addition to the responsibilities of their individual positions, has been working with 6 targeted clubs in the district. The team is receiving assistance from some Honorary Committee members in working with these

targeted clubs. Our district currently has six Certified Guiding Lions and they are: Lions Tim Anderson from Cadillac, PCC Janalee McClure from White Cloud, IPDG Larry Morlock from Evart, Lion Gayle Morlock from Evart, PDG Bill Raymor from Lakeview and Lion Jim Spoors from Mecosta.

As our district goal is to establish new Lions Club, the need for Certified Guiding Lions is great; therefore, Certified Guiding Lions training is scheduled for January 31, 2010 (1:30-4:30) at the Webber Township Hall in Baldwin.

MEMBERSHIP: PDG Lynn Mast: Membership in the District is currently down 12 and 169 in the state. Other Districts are trying new ideas such as giving out District Pins to sponsors of new members, and by wearing the pin they are fine free from the tail twister. One District is giving out a \$50.00 prize for the member who brings in the most members for the year. A recommendation was made at the last committee meeting that a training session be held for all Membership Chairs of the Clubs and a MERLOW member at all Zone meetings.

EXTENSION: PDG Harry Johnson: The District has two counties, Mason and Missaukee, without Lions Clubs. Recently a new charter school in McBain sent out letters to the clubs in the area requesting assistance in sending 7 students to the Lions All-State Band. A new effort will be started to form a club in McBain. We are also trying to restart the club in Ludington.

RETENTION: 2nd VDG John Monahan: Lion John feels that good tail twisters make club meetings fun, something the clubs need. He wants to put together a pamphlet, with Lion Ron's help, of ideas for tail twisting. A lot of our losses that we are getting are some things that we can do nothing about, such as lost of jobs, moving, and death.

LEADERSHIP: PDG Dan Gibbons: Getting back on his feet since the accident and will be attending his first LEADERSHIP meeting soon.

ORIENTATION: Lion Dave Rowe absent

WOMEN: Lion Gayle Morlock: Nothing to report.

ALL-STATE BAND: Lion Matt Niemi absent but Gov. Wayne reports that the band is going to Australia. The cost per student will be about \$3,400.00.

DIABETES: PDG Richard Daniel: Lion Dick was absent but sent this written report.

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Cabinet Meeting
10 January 2010

Diabetes Chairmen Report

Despite the absence of my prime source of information, "The Michigan

DON's", more and more programs are being highlighted on local and national television. Public awareness is perhaps the best way to get a handle on the many facets of diabetes. Each Club in our great District should think of ways to enhance public awareness in their area.

Last year District 11E1 sponsored 4 youngsters to attend Michigan's only Diabetic Camp. We have enough funding available to do this again this year and I would make the recommendation we do so.

Help support Lions efforts to wage war on diabetes.

PDG Richard Daniel
Diabetes Chairman District 11 E1

Motion by Lion Chipman to authorize the funding for up to 3 students to go to the Diabetes Camp. The money to be used to come from the diabetes account and students from District 11-E1 to be sent first before students from other areas. Supported by Lion Laura Johnson and the motion passed. Lion Laura stated that the Chippewa Lake Lions had also authorized money for two students.

NOMINATIONS: PDG Irwin Beck Chair absent. District Gov. Wayne asked Cab. Sec. Chipman to read off the current nomination letters. For the office of;
2nd VDG 2010-2011 Lion Bill Simpson from Big Rapids
1st VDG 2010-2011 2nd VDG John Monahan from Mt. Pleasant
District Governor 2010-2011 1st VDG Laura Johnson from Baldwin

Lions of Michigan Foundation 2010-2012 PDG Dan Gibbons from Onokama
The nominations will be closed on FEB. 8, 2010 per the Constitution.

MICHIGAN FORUM: PDG William Raymor. The Michigan Forum will be held February 20, 2010 at the Ramada Inn in Lansing. The registration fee, which includes lunch, is \$35.00. The form for registration is in the Michigan Pride magazine; 16 forums are being offered. The keynote speaker for the day is ID Richard Sawyer. His wife will present a program about "Women in Lions".

LIAISON: PDG Lynn Mast: Three candidates from Multiple District 11 and District 10 were present to speak to the committee regarding their intentions to run for International Director. The Committee voted to make a recommendation to the Council of Governors that the budget for the International Director candidates be split on a percentage of 80% to MD11 and 20% to District 10 if both Districts endorse a candidate.

ELECTIONS: PDG Richard Perrin: Lion Dick reports that there will be an election at the Convention this year and he WILL be there.

LEO CLUBS: Lion Laurene Homsher: Will attend a committee meeting this month and

the date of the LEO Conference will be set. It was going to be held in March but dates have to be changed to the end of April or the first part of May. Lion Laurene will get the date to the editor.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Time was allotted to PDG Linda Bosma and PDG Gary Anderson to introduce themselves and tell why they wanted to run for International Director.

Break for lunch at 11:45 AM

12:38 PM Called back to order

OLD BUSINESS:

Family Plan; Lion Bill Simpson brought this back up for discussion and the consensus of the cabinet was not to do anything at this time. A motion was made by Lion Laura to not recommend to the delegates at the District Convention a Family Plan billing. Motion supported by Lion Laurene and the motion passed.

Constitution: Lion Chipman presented changes to the constitution that were approved at our last meeting. Discussion was held about the rules for the convention and it was decided that the rules in the constitution would be the ones used.

2011 Convention Site: Lion Chipman asked the cabinet about which location they might want to use. Several sites were discussed again, and finally a motion was made to go to the Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant (if they will reduce their room rates to \$89.00), and if they don't, then go to Big Rapids. Motion made by Lion McGinley and supported by Lion Laura. Motion passed.

Project Kid Sight: Lion Debbie Kreitner; Bear Lake and Coleman want to hold a screening in the spring and they need to get trained on the use of the camera. C -1 wants to join with us in the Carson City - Crystal area to put on screenings for the clubs in both of our Districts. One camera has been repaired but it now needs a new charger, and the other camera also has a problem. The cabinet authorized \$400.00 at the last cabinet meeting and only \$150.00 has been spent, so the balance of the money will be used for these new problems.

NEW BUSINESS: Lion Bill Simpson asked about the possible purchase of a projector for the District. This would be used as part of a Power Point presentation. The cost would be approx. \$600.00; discussion followed about how many, where they would be stored and about the equipment needed to go along with them. Lion Bill and Lion Jim will contact a few places and try to get a grant.

PEACE POSTER: PDG Stan Preshaw: Lion Stan presented the winning poster for the District. The winner was Kylie Lund from the Central Montcalm Middle School.

STATE OFFICE: District Governor Wayne reported that the remodel job at the state

office has not yet been completed. The first contractor quit, and a new contractor was hired to finish the project. It looks like it will be done by the end of January at a total cost of \$23,000, which is \$5,000.00 over budget; \$7,000.00 has been donated by the clubs in the state, so the balance will have to come from the general fund.

District Governor Wayne will have surgery for a tumor on the 20th of January and will be recuperating for approx. 4 weeks.

THE GOVERNOR CANCELLED THE MARCH 14TH CABINET MEETING AS WE DO NOT NEED TO HOLD IT.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE: Lion Gayle Morlock; Written report was given. She handed out Delegate Credential Form for the District Convention. Please return to Lion Gayle Morlock before March 30, 2010.

MICHIGAN EYE BANK: PDG Lynn Mast; presented written report. Michigan Eye Bank has entered Phase II of the "I JOINED" program and is requesting clubs to schedule a program. Phase I of the program was very successful.

DISTRICT EDITOR: Lion Larry Alman: Written report presented;

**District Cabinet meeting January 10, 2010
District Editors Report**

2009-2010 year has been a very good year for the District Newsletter.

Two clubs have sent in newspaper clippings and I contacted the club and they sent in articles.

Clubs have been very nice about sending in articles and there are a few clubs that have never sent in an article and I will be working on them to see if I can change that.

I want to thank Lion First Lady Debbie Kreitner for editing the newsletter for me and the District Governor.

Lion Larry Alman
District Editor 11-E1
l1e1editor@charter.net

CAMP T: Lion Larry Alman: Written report presented;

**District Cabinet meeting January 10, 2010
Camp Tuhsmehta Report**

October 2009:

We held a Board meeting and we had an election of officers and we now have

a new Director or president in Scott Ford from Traverse City. A long time supporter of Camp T. The Board has a mission to go ahead and build up the camp even more that we have in the past. Our new president is very excited about getting some new programs going and getting more people in the Blind community involved with the camp.

Our president has organized a new committee consisting of previous employees and campers and other interest groups for Blind children including Intermediate School Districts. We want their input as well. We have a new member on our Board of Directors that is a visually Impaired (VI) instructor and she will be a big asset to us.

Upcoming events:

In January we were planning a crock pot weekend but the person that was going to head up this venture has had to back off and that will not happen this year.

February will be a dance weekend around Valentine's day and that will bring in quite a few blind around the State as well.

March we are planning a technology weekend and that is very interesting for many blind. We all know how technology changes all the time and blind people need to be up to speed with the latest devices for blind people to buy and use.

April we will be having a weekend called how to succeed by trying and this event is teaching blind people how to make up a proper cover letter and resume. Help them with ideas on how to get hired and things they need to know.

May brings us up to clean-up weekends and getting ready for the camp season.

We are looking for a camp Director starting in January and we are looking forward to a good camping season ahead.

**Lion Larry Alman
Camp Tuhsmehta
11-E1 Committee Chairman**

**Secretary
Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind**

Motion to adjourn at 1:40 PM

Respectfully submitted
Jim Chipman
Cabinet Secretary District 11-E1