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**DISTRICT 11 E1
JANUARY NEWSLETTER**

Happy New Year



**DRIVING TO A NEW
CENTURY OF
SERVICE**



DG RON GIBSON'S MESSAGE

I'm proud to be a Lion. I promote who we are and what we do wherever and whenever I can. I also believe very strongly in our Lions Code of Ethics, a document almost as old as our organization. It's a code of conduct that applies in our Lions activities, but also in our vocations and our personal lives. As you read it, you'll see it's kind of a "Do unto others" type of document. Put others before yourself. Don't be judgmental. Be a friend. Be a good listener. Be kind. I've started handing this document out to new members when I induct them into Lions. It's an educational tool for new members and a good reminder to all of us on how to conduct ourselves. As we begin 2017, my hope is that we will each have a servant heart!

Happy New Year! D.G. Ron

The Lion Code of Ethics

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build and not destroy.



Big Rapids Lions Club Entertain Eagle Village Students

Each year, the Big Rapids Lions Club holds a special Christmas dinner where they entertain spouses, honored guests and host those folks from the community who have helped with the fall concession stand effort. This year, the Club decided it was time to reach out beyond the community and spread some Christmas cheer. Club member Chad Saxton who works at Eagle Village arranged for 12 students and three staff members to join the Club for dinner. Club members took the names of the students, purchased gifts and each student received a Christmas package. Along with the opportunity to entertain students, the Club was honored to have District Governor Ron Gibson join them and induct 3 new members into the Club – Nancy Hamelund, Wendy Fowler and Kim Davila. The Christmas dinner was a great success this year – welcoming students from Eagle Village, hosting our District Governor and his wife along with our other special guests and inducting our three new members!

STANWOOD LIONS NEWS

Stanwood Lions plan to do a KidSight screening in March at Upward Basketball at Morley -Stanwood. The club is looking at ways to honor policeman in Mecosta County. The club members did a White Elephant gift exchange at their Christmas Party. A fantastic mix of gifts - cookie mix, candles, Lion pins, hand lotion, etc. The Lions also participated in an administrative fundraiser, a bottle auction: bottle of all sorts were auctioned off: wine bottles, maple syrup, Red Wing Piggy Bank, and window cleaner! The bottle auction garnered \$53 for the club.



**MESSAGE
1ST VDG
PEGGY
WALLS**

A New Year begins---time for resolutions and new beginnings. Also, it is time for me to start putting together my team for the new Lion’s year that begins in July. I’m starting to feel like the president-elect must feel putting together his cabinet. I am planning to utilize region chairs. I am asking that you, each and every one of the best Lions in the state, step forward and agree to serve in some capacity. Working on a District committee allows you to grow your individual talents and makes our association stronger. This is definitely not a “one person” job. The “We” in “We Serve” includes all of us. Together we can accomplish more. I am looking forward to working with you as “we” continue to share the joy of service. Thank you for your support.

1st VDG Peggy

DISTRICT OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Any Lion who wishes to run for a district office (Governor, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG or Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee) is reminded to send in his or her intent letter by Monday, January 30, 2017. The letter should come from the club's secretary, signed by the club president indicating the club's support and sent to the Nominations Committee Chair, Lion Steve Adsmond and the District Cabinet Secretary, Janalee McClure. If you have any questions, please contact the Nominations Chair Lion Steve Adsmond at (269) 532-0553 or email at adsmond@comcast.net



Midland Lions Assist Coleman Lions With KidSight Screening

Coleman Lions wanted to take advantage of a great opportunity to provide KidSight screenings to a large number of kids this year. However they didn't think they could manage it alone. For three days in December, families gather in Sanford for their kids' screenings and to visit Santa and receive a present. The event is known as the Santa Express. Last year Coleman Lions screened 53 children on the first day. This year the idea was to provide free screenings to Coleman members all three days. With the help of some dedicated Midland Lions, the job got done! Lynn Brugger, Wendy Gross, Ann Roeseler, Mary Jo Faching, Al Roeseler, and Midland Lions Bob Stoney and Dick Bukowski covered the four hour shift on Tuesday and half of Wednesday. Midland Lions Roger Frazer and Ollie Jungle worked with Ann to complete the Wednesday and Thursday screenings. They screened 129 students, 18 of which were referrals! Many parents expressed their thanks and kids loved the book they got to take home. It was a successful event and fun teaming together!

Above: Picture 1 Lions Ann & Al Roeseler, Lion Mary Jo Faching. Picture 2 Lions Ann Roeseler - Coleman, Dick Bukowski, Ollie Juengel - Midland.

EMPIRE LIONS

Happy New Year to you and yours and to all the Lion clubs in our district. We have been busy this fall with many projects. We worked with the Village Council on a project of a Pickle ball court at Johnson Park. We resurfaced the old basketball court and now have a brand new surface area for 2 pickle ball courts. It is a very popular game here amongst our 60+ citizens. Also, we just finished up a very successful December buying over 2,600 in gift cards to be distributed out to needy families in the area. We partnered with Glen Lake Schools to determine the families. Then we used some money to buy for a family here that needed presents for Christmas. We did Toys for Tots again this year and on the last pick up the drivers said we had one of the best pick-ups, we placed the box at the State Savings Bank here in Empire. We finished the year with a Christmas Party on December 10, where we awarded Tom Radmacher the LION OF THE YEAR award.

KALEVA

The Kaleva Lions held their Third Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Lions from other Clubs in the area were involved. The kaleva Club had their Christmas Party on December 19th, with friends and families attending. We had a wonderful dinner at the Kaleva Tavern then went back to the Kaleva Den for desert and Christmas carols. January 21, 2017, the Lions will be having a fundraiser soup luncheon from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. at their den.



MESSAGE
2ND VDG
AL ROSELER

2017 is here! 1.3 million Lions in over 200 countries and territories worldwide are celebrating the 100th year of our great organization. From the Lions International convention in the birth city of Chicago, to observances in small local clubs, it is time to honor our past and plan for our future. One of the activities at your District 11E-1 convention this year will be honoring the past by helping all of us learn more about the history of Lions. As you may recall Friday evening is a "fun night". I recognize that doing historical research is not most people's idea of fun, but I believe, given a chance, you will find the history of Lions to be informative and entertaining.

At the January cabinet meeting Zone chairs will draw a time period from the history of Lions that their Zone will cover. The time periods are as follows: {1} 1917-29 {2} 1930-40 {3} 1941-55 {4} 1956-69 {5} 1970-85 {6} 1986-2000 and {7} 2001-17 Each Zone will be responsible for a 10 minute presentation on Friday evening at the District Convention. Zone Chairs will be responsible for recruiting Lions in their Zone to plan the presentation. Presentations should include developments in Lions International (we were not always international), our Lions 11E-1 District (we were not always 11E-1), particularly new clubs chartered in our district, and current events of the time period. Appropriate period costumes are encouraged. (Inappropriate costumes may be worn at your own risk.) Old pictures and memorabilia are always welcome. It should be noted that the LCI web site has a new section on Lions history that should be very helpful. Presentations will be judged by a panel of "experts" for the accuracy and creativity. Please be creative with the presentation, not the history! Along with bragging rights, a wonderful prize will be awarded to the winning Zone. If you are interested in helping with this activity please let your Zone Chair know.

Welcome to Your Leader Dogs for the Blind

The 77-year partnership between Lions and Leader Dogs for the Blind (LDB) started with "\$400 and a hatful of ideas." Together we've assisted people who are blind and Deaf-Blind in all 50 U.S. states and many other countries. LION Magazine listed LDB as one of their "10 Brilliant Breakthroughs in Service." LDB is your community's resource with all of our programs provided free of charge.

Leader Dog empowers people who are blind with the skills needed for independent daily travel by offering:

Guide Dog Training

Leader Dog provides highly-trained, qualified guide dogs to people who are legally blind, 16 years or older, with basic orientation and mobility skills, and can physically and mentally use and care for a dog in the intended manner.

In 1991 LDB began providing guide dogs to people who are both hearing and visually impaired.

Accelerated Orientation & Mobility Training (white cane training).

This residential program pairs clients and instructors 1-to-1 to quickly help clients obtain the basic orientation and mobility skills needed to travel safely with a cane. About 50% of these clients return to train with a Leader Dog.

GPS Training

Like your cars' GPS, this hand-held technology allows clients to know where they are, what direction they are traveling and what businesses are nearby. All guide dog clients from the U.S. and Canada receive this device free of charge.

Summer Experience Camp

A unique summer camp for teens ages 16 and 17 who are legally blind combines summer fun with an introduction to guide dogs, leadership training and the opportunity to spend time with peers who are facing similar challenges.

Your clubs' support has enabled LDB to provide Leader Dog's to over 15,000 people who live in all of our communities.

DISTRICT 11 E1 CLUBS IN ACTION:

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF MONTCALM COUNTY HONORED

In the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving, several police officers across the United States were murdered while performing their duties. These events initiated a coordinated effort by the nine Lions Clubs of the county to honor and show support for the law enforcement officers serving Montcalm County. The nine clubs were Carson City, Crystal, Edmore, Greenville, Howard City, Lakeview, Sheridan, Stanton and Vestaburg.

An effort to raise funds, either from the club or from donors, to purchase turkeys for the various officers in the county, at an estimated cost of \$750 was initiated. The **MEIJERS** store located in Greenville was contacted and became the first supporter of the project, giving a gift card to help purchase the turkeys. The first club to respond reported a donation of \$1,000 by a local donor and thus the project began. With such a great start, we decided that we would get **Meijer** gift cards instead of turkeys for the officers. We learned that officers were not allowed to accept gifts, even from the Lions clubs and we then decided to continue raising funds to be used by the various law enforcement agencies in the county to promote relationships in their communities. The agencies include the Michigan State Police and the Sheriff Department, as well as the local police departments in Edmore, Home Township, Lakeview, Carson City, Greenville and Stanton. These agencies represent just under 100 officers. The combined efforts of the clubs and community donors raised \$4,800, which was donated to the above agencies to be used as they determined for charitable work in their respective communities. Many of the agencies expressed the intent of helping the needy in their area. A presentation was made by members of the various clubs to representatives of the agencies on December 21st at the office of the Sheriff Department in Stanton, Michigan. In attendance were representatives from the law enforcement community, Lions Clubs of the county and officers of Lions of Michigan District 11-E1.

Presentation to Sheriff's Dept. –Deb Kreitner, Larry Beardslee MI Sate Police – Tom Crites



Law enforcement officers and representatives from the Lions Clubs





DISTRICT 11 E1 JANUARY CALENDAR

- Jan. 1, New Year's Day
- Jan. 3, E1/E2 Planning meeting, Harrison
- Jan. 7, Orthodox Christmas
- Jan. 9, DG visits Greenville
- Jan. 10, induction of new members in Baldwin
- Jan. 14, District Cabinet meeting at Wild Rose Cafe, Big Rapids
- Jan. 16, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
DG speaks in Fremont
- Jan. 19, a.m. Strategic Planning meeting at Foundation office in Lansing
- Jan. 19, p.m. DG attends Region 2, Zone 2 zone meeting in Canadian Lakes
- Jan. 28, Lions of Michigan Foundation meeting !

MD 11 GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM STATE CHAIRPERSON OPEN

The GMT MD 11 State Chairperson position is open and will begin July 1, 2017. This 3-year term will end June 30, 2020. Interested Lions can apply through **January 31, 2017**. Interviews will take place in Lansing during the Council of Governors meeting Feb 18-19. Please submit your resume to the state office via fax, email or mail: Fax: 517-887-6642
Email: wburns@lionsofmi.com Mail:

Lions of Michigan
Attn: GMT State Chair
5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911



STANTON LIONS SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY – HOLIDAYS

The Stanton Lions club completed a busy December with the following activities:

Dec.9, We gave out cookies as part of the Stanton tree lighting festivities

Dec 14, We handed out 30 meal baskets to needy families in conjunction with the Central Montcalm school system. Small gifts were distributed to the children of the families.

Dec. 20, We provided a Christmas dinner at a local senior citizen home. Some 25 individuals were presented the dinner and gifts.

Dec. 21, We shared in the "Honor Law Enforcement Officers" presentation.

WHITE CLOUD LIONS – HOLIDAY MEALS

The White Cloud Lions Club donated their Clubhouse again this year for the Newaygo County Community Christmas Dinner on December 25th. The Lions served meals from 11:00 until 5:00 p.m., plus delivered 135 meals to the homebound. Approximately 360 meals were served at the Lions Den.

SILENT AUCTION

We need items for the Silent Auction held each year at the District Convention. This auction helps to pay the costs of the convention.

Check you, closets, attic, and spare room or purchase an item. We need all we can get. Bring or send them to the Convention.





31st ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT

EASY MONEY !

PRIZES

16-24 Tickets Sold = \$2.50 Per Ticket For Club
25-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club
100+ = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club

Including:

Top Selling Lions Club
Top Selling District

The PRICE is RIGHT !

\$10.00 Per Ticket

IT'S RISK FREE !

No Promotional Costs & No Sales Commitments



***** DRAWINGS *****

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

April 29, 2017

Lions of Michigan State Office - Lansing

FINAL DRAWING

May 20, 2017

MD 11 Convention - Traverse City

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION RAFFLE TICKET ORDER FORM

5730 Executive Drive
Lansing, MI 48911
517-887-6642 (Fax)
www.lmsf.net

Please send _____ tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes to:

Club: _____

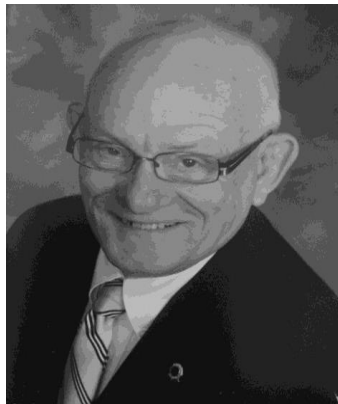
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**DISTRICT 11 E1 CONVENTION, MARCH 31-APRIL 1
TRAVERSE CITY, MI - PARK PLACE HOTEL**



DIRECTOR LUNDGREN

**DISTRICT 11 E1 CONVENTION SPEAKER
LCI INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR
N. ALAN LUNDGREN**

Alan Lundgren is from Scottsdale, Arizona. He was elected to serve a two year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 99th International Convention held in Fukuoka, Japan. Director Lundgren is an accountant and asset manager. A member of the Gilbert Lions Club, and a Lion since 1980, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, district governor, district GLT coordinator and multiple district convention chairperson. He was also a member of the Public Relations Committee as a Board appointee in 2014-15. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the Membership Key Award, Builder Key Award, Extension Award, two International President's Awards, and the Ambassador of Goodwill. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow, a Helen Keller Fellow and a life member of the Arizona Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. Director Lundgren has three sons and 10 grandchildren. He is proud to say his family is a "three generation Lions family," with two of his sons, and their wives, and two of his grandchildren being Lions members. His companion, Terry Pressel, is also a Lion.



CONVENTION MEMORIAL SERVICE

The life and service of our departed Lions will be eulogized on Saturday morning at the breakfast meeting. Each club is asked to submit a glossy picture and a short resume of your deceased Lions since the last convention. Memorials should be e-mailed to Lion Karla Roebuck at kroebuck@greenridge.com or mailed to Karla at 12195 Arthur Rd. Rodney, MI 49342. If possible, please e-mail the material. Deadline to submit information is March 1, 2017.

DISTRICT 11 E1 JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Dear Lion,

2016 has been a year of life-changing service, new initiatives and a celebration of our legacy of bringing hope to underserved populations around the globe. I want to thank you for everything that you have done to help make this year a success.

Thanks to your hard work, Lions have **helped more than 120 million people during the Centennial Service Challenge**, far surpassing our initial goal of 100 million people—and we're still going! Lions have completed nearly **8,500 Legacy Projects**, providing lasting gifts and reminding their communities just how important Lions are. And more than **325,000 Lions have already received membership awards** for increasing our service impact by starting new clubs and inviting new Lions to join us in service.

We have accomplished so much this year. But there's so much more Lions can do during the holidays to help our friends and neighbors who need us most. Take the opportunity to finish 2016 strong and serve your community during the holiday season. And remember, when Lions come together for the good of mankind, there's nothing we can't accomplish.



Very truly yours,
Chancellor Bob Corlew
Your International President

DISTRICT 11 E1 CONVENTION NEWS

The 2017 District 11 E1 Convention will be held in Traverse City for the third year at the Park Place Hotel. The convention committee has been at work to prepare a great convention for you. This will be a two day convention, March 31-April 1, 2017. Theme – “DRIVING TO A NEW CENTURY OF SERVICE”.

The evening of Friday, March 31, will be a competitive night with Zone Chairs and their delegations presenting an evening of 100 years as Lions. Through their unique presentations, the seven zones will highlight some of the fascinating events in Lions International’s growth and contributions to commemorate our 100 year anniversary. Silent Auction area and Hospitality Room - after presentation.

After breakfast on Saturday morning, our Memorial Service, tribute to our District Lions that have died since the last District Convention, will be held.

Saturday morning, a variety of break-out sessions will be available for Lions to attend.

Our noon luncheon will feature our keynote speaker, LCI International Director N. Allen Lundgren.

Silent Auction items will be available to be bid on until 4:00 p.m.

Saturday will, also, feature a District Business Meeting, voting, and a SPECIAL SERVICE PROJECT.

Saturday night, District Centennial Banquet and awards.

Convention registration forms and Delegate registration forms are on the next two pages. Take advantage of the special hotel price and make your reservations early.

11-E1 Convention Registration Form

March 31 & April 1, 2017

Park Place Hotel

300 East Street, Traverse City, MI 49684

For hotel reservations, call hotel direct at 231-946-5000

Room Rate: \$ 79.95

Club Name: _____

District: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip _____

If you have special Needs (meals or hearing or sight impairment) please contact Lion Jerry Brandt, 989-578-7599 by March 27, 2017.

	Registration (s) Please Print Clearly please enter information for each person attending	Registration Fee \$10.00 per Person (after March 20 2017 \$15.00)	\$16.00 Friday Party	\$15.00 Sat. Breakfast	\$17.00 Sat. Lunch	\$20.00 Saturday Banquet Dinner Salmon, Or Prime Rib Salmon P. R.	Sunday Brunch On your own	Total Per Person
Lion								
Lioness								
Leo								
Campus Club								
Guest								
1st Timer								
Totals								
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Please Make Checks Payable to: District 11-E1 Convention

Payment must be included with Registration Form

Send registration forms to: Jerry Brandt, 3121 Dale St., Harrison, MI 48625 (?- email: jkb@ispmtg.com)

Registration Deadline: March 20th, 2017-- Must pay late registration fee (\$15.00 / Person) after deadline.

DISTRICT 11-E1 DELEGATE CONVENTION CERTIFICATION FORM

CLUB NAME _____

NUMBER OF MEMBERS _____

ARTICLE VII SECTION 2 of the District 11-E1 Constitution and By-Laws states that: Each chartered Club in good standing in Lions International and the District shall be represented by one or more delegates at the District Convention and shall be entitled in each such Convention to one (1) voting delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, of said Club as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last proceeding the month during which the Convention is held (February 1, 2016). The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Further, full delegate Status shall be accorded each Past District Governor who is a member of a Club in this District, independent of the Club delegate quotas herein above specified. Each certified delegate present in person may cast one (1) vote for each office to be filled and one (1) vote only on each issue to be voted on by the members of said Convention. Unless otherwise specified herein, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Delegates voting on any question shall be the act of the Convention. All eligible delegates must be members in good standing of a club in good standing in this district. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired up to fifteen (15) days prior to the close of credential certification.

NAME of DELEGATE/ALTERNATE	DELEGATE (D) ALTERNATE (A)	SIGN AT CONVENTION
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I hereby certify that the delegates and alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and Lions of Michigan. _____
Club President/Secretary/or District Governor at Convention

Remember: All delegates must be registered and certified before 12 noon, Saturday, April 1, 2017, or they will not be allowed to vote.
PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY March 15, 2017, TO:
 LION GAYLE MORLOCK
 9357 95TH AVE.
 EVART, MI 49631



EMPIRE LIONS PROVIDE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Pix 1 Empire King Lion Jackie Glazier and Joan Sielaff with 120 toys collected at the Empire Lions' Christmas dinner for Old Newsboys. In addition, the Empire Lions gave \$3,000 in gift cards and presents to Glen Lake Schools families who needed some holiday help

Pix 2 Empire Lion of the Year, Tom Rademacher, with King Lion Jackie Glazier and previous winners Doug Slessman and Claude Fields.

MICHIGAN LIONS FORUM Saturday, February 18, 2017

***The Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel & Conference Center
6820 South Cedar Street, Lansing, MI 48911
Telephone: 517-694-8123
Hotel Reservations Deadline January 30, 2017
Lions Room Rate is \$89.50***

REGISTER: By January 30, 2017 to guarantee lunch reservations.

***Attend four breakout sessions of your choice.**

***KEYNOTE LUNCHEON SPEAKER:** John Drake is the founder of the Lingap Orphanage in the Philippines. He is known throughout the Philippines for his outstanding work with children. In a sense, he is a Mother Theresa of the Philippines. His purpose is to help abandon, abused and neglected children. He makes a difference in the lives of others and is considered a Catalyst for change in the Philippines.

***Pick Up white Cane Supplies (please order in advance).**

Large Group Service Project:

Join the Forum Friday night, Feb. 17, as Lions work together on a large group service project -

“Creating student backpacks for your community or the Lansing community”.

This is your chance to enjoy Lionism at its best. Register Now!!!

TIDBITS A CONVENTION BOOKLET

TidBits is a booklet for Lions about Lions and their thoughts, activities and favorite ideas. It can be found in your convention packet. TidBits is something to share. It could be about your club's fundraiser (after April 1), a campaign item for a Lion running for a District office, your favorite poem or recipe, a wish for a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary for a spouse, a coupon for a partial payment for a club event, and the list goes on. TidBits was started at the 2015 District Convention and was a popular item.

The booklet helps to defray convention costs and reduce the cost to Lions attending the convention.

Suggest that your club advertise in this District booklet or send in your own message.

The cost is \$25.00 for a full page (8 1/2" x 5 1/2") or \$15.00 for a half page ad. Make up your own ad, put in a picture or clip art and send the ad and check to:

Lion Brenda Adsmoind - 411 Maple Street, Fremont, MI 49412, E-mail:

badsmoindathome@comcast.com or PDG Janalee McClure – P.O. Box 177, Brohman, MI 49312, E-mail: janalee@riverview.net.

Don't miss out on this opportunity. Send in your ad today!!! Deadline for ads is March 15.