

DISTRICT 11-E1 CABINET MEETING MINUTES  
MAXFIELD'S RESTAURANT, WYMAN  
NOVEMBER 8, 2009

**ATTENDING:** District Governor Wayne Kreitner, Lion 1<sup>st</sup> Lady Deb Kreitner, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Laura Johnson, PDG Harry Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG John Monahan, Cabinet Treasurer Kerry McGinley, Cabinet Secretary PDG Jim Chipman, PCC Richard Perrin, PDG Stan Preshaw, PDG Bill Raymor, PDG Dan Gibbons, PDG Lynn Mast, IPDG Larry Morlock, PDG Dick Daniel, RC Connie McMorris, RC Laurene Homsher, RC Tony Rutledge, ZC Bill Simpson, ZC Steve Adsmund, ZC Pete Conarty, ZC Tim Anderson, ZC Bob Manning, Pin Chair John Hunt, Hearing Chair Gayle Morlock, Conventions Chair Pam Schroeder, and Tail Twister Ron Gibson.

**9:30 AM** Call to order by District Governor **Wayne Kreitner**

**Pledge** led by Lion **Ron Gibson**

**Invocation** by PDG **William Raymor**

**Remarks by DG Wayne:** DG Wayne thanked everyone for working on membership as at the beginning of the month our district was at a plus 11. Coleman Lions Club is working toward getting new younger members for their club , and it is working.

**Remarks by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Laura Johnson:** So far this year she has visited 19 Lions Clubs and has worked at 3 service projects. Laura feels that working on the service projects has been very rewarding as you can really get to know the club members. As she visits the clubs, she is finding that they are really different. Some clubs are open to help and suggestions and some are not , and many clubs do not even know that we have several District and State projects. Lion Laura is going to have knee surgery on the 16<sup>th</sup> of Nov. followed by 3 weeks of recovery time. Lion Laura has a written report; it's attached.

**Remarks 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG John Monahan:** For some clubs, programs tend to be problem. It shouldn't be, if your club gives money to someone or some project, they will be more than happy to explain to you about where the money is going. Tail Twisters can do an outstanding job or they seem to do nothing at all. Training would really help some of these Lions if they were willing to attend . As retention chair, I would love to visit your club and put on a program.

The District Governor stressed orientation for the clubs ; especially their own history.

**Secretary's Report:** PDG Chipman presented the minutes of September 13, 2009 and made motion to accept as published. Motion supported by RC Homsher, and the motion passed. Lion Chipman discussed the Family Unit program and the problem with all the clubs that do not report all the members that are qualified. The clubs that are late with their M reports was also read aloud.

**Treasurer's report:** Lion Kerry McGinley presented the treasurer's report and it shows the administrative account to date has a deficit of \$1,412.83. This is not a problem as it will balance out before the end of the year. The designated fund account shows a balance of \$25,698.32. The complete report is attached to this report. Lion Kerry talked about the Ear Lab and the shortage of funds for it. This brought on a discussion of the Ear Lab and the need for it. Last year we collected almost \$5,000.00; our commitment to Munson is \$6,000.00. The cost was discussed and the amount of use it is getting in our clubs. Lion Kerry reminded the cabinet that we have some \$15,000.00 in our designated sight and hearing fund, so it is not crucial but still a concern. One of the problems that 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG John stated was the lack of programs put on by the Ear Lab and other state and district projects. The consensus of the cabinet was that the district has too much money into this project and we just need to raise more money to fund it and get the clubs to use it more.

Lion Kerry reported that he has sent in the 990 form for the IRS and encouraged all to remind the clubs that it is due by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.

All clubs have paid their first half dues.

Motion by RC McMorris to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Supported by ZC Anderson; the motion passed.

## **REGION AND ZONE REPORTS**

Region I Region Chair Connie McMorris: Going to Traverse City on the 23<sup>rd</sup> with PDG Mast and will talk about membership. She has been trying to get to Onkama and has not made it yet. Zone 2 and Zone 3 Chairs are not here today and have not received report from either. She has been in contact with Lion Neal and he says he had a Zone meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Nov. but can not confirm. The Governor will call him.

Region 1 Zone 1 Chair Robert Manning: Will hold Zone meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> in Traverse City. Cedar-Maple City held a benefit for an individual and raised some \$3,000.00. All Clubs doing well and are busy.

Region II Chair Tony Rutledge: Region is doing very well and I have great Zone Chairs. Remus is my biggest problem and trying to work it out with ZC Bill and PDG Mast. I had the privilege of installing 6 new members at Chippewa Lake.

Zone I Chair Pete Conarty: Clare is coming along, and the problems that they had last year are being rectified. Sanford has problems and trying to help them. Written report turned in and attached.

Zone II Chair Bill Simpson: Visited the Remus Club along with PDG Mast and is trying to assist them in growing stronger with more members. All my other clubs are doing ok.

Zone III Chair Tim Anderson: Held 2<sup>nd</sup> zone meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> in Baldwin and all clubs present. The Cub program is going well in Cadillac. Any club with young members might have a need for such a club.

Region III Chair Laurene Homsher: Is having problems with a zone chair and she is also secretary of her club. Lion Laurene does not know how to handle the conflict. Governor Wayne assured her that he would make a phone call and try to resolve it. Lion Laurene has a written report attached.

Zone 1 Chair Lanie Niemi Absent

Zone 2 Chair Richard Goedge has been assisted by PDG Raymor who will be setting up visitations to the clubs. Dick's family problems are getting resolved, and he will be active soon.

Zone 3 Chair Steve Adsmond: 2<sup>nd</sup> Zone meeting will be held Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> in Fremont. Two programs are set for that evening. March 27<sup>th</sup> will be the final zone meeting.

**DISTRICT CONVENTION:** Lion Pam Schroeder reports the District 11-E1 Convention will be held in Muskegon April 9-10-11; the theme will be Halloween in April. Room cost is \$75.00 a night. There will be two hospitality suites this year, one for each District. We will have a silent auction so please talk to the clubs about donating gifts. Entertainment is not set yet for Friday evening or the Leo, Lioness breakfast. Memorial service will be on Sunday and the committee needs pictures and bio of each deceased Lion. Lion Pam asked for direction on the purchase of name tag lariats and ZC Simpson made motion to let the Convention Committee decide on it. Motion supported by RC McMorris and it passed.

**MD 11 CONVENTION:** Lion Pam Schroeder also is the committee chair of the MD 11 Convention being held May 21 & 22 on Mackinac Island at the Mission Point Resort. Cost of the rooms is \$89.00 per night and there is a 14% tax on the rooms. Luggage transfers from the dock to Mission Point will be \$4.00 and if you want to take a taxi it will be \$4.75 per person. Star Ferry Lines is offering a reduced rate to travel there, and it is \$14.00 per person. Any handicapped persons should call early so you can get a room on the lower floor and motorized seats are permitted on the island.

**PROPOSED SITES FOR 2011:** PDG Chipman presented several proposed sites for 2011. After discussion, the cabinet suggested to Lion Chipman that he check on the Holiday Inn in Big Rapids, Comfort Inn in Mt. Pleasant, the Grand Rapids Hilton, the Little River Casino in Manistee, and the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City.

**WHITE CANE:** Lion Bill Simpson had no report.

**YOUTH EXCHANGE:** no report

**HONORARY COMMITTEE:** Lion PDG William Raymor: “The Honorary Committee met November 1, 2009 at the Luther Lions Den. The meeting was chaired by IPDG Larry Morlock. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the complaint/grievance filed by the Evert Lions Club. There were eleven PDG’s present, and a letter was received from two PDG’s who could not be present. There was a great deal of discussion and the complaint/grievance has progressed through the first step of the process.

No further meeting has been scheduled at this time; however additional meetings will be scheduled as needed.”

**MERLOW:** PDG Bill Raymor: The MERLOW Team has met twice since the last Cabinet Meeting. The MERLOW identified 6 clubs that need immediate assistance and they are Remus, Sand Lake, Howard City, Traverse City, Six Lakes, and Sanford. Lions have been assigned to these clubs to assist them. PDG Bills complete report is attached to this report.

**MEMBERSHIP:** PDG Lynn Mast: Committee meeting was held yesterday in Lansing and it was not well attended by district chairs. Membership and Retention go hand in hand and both have to be worked on to keep clubs viable. Several items were discussed and the following ideas were suggested to do.

1. Have a member from the MERLOW Team at all Zone Meetings.
2. Train the membership chairs of the clubs.
3. Publicity about your club.
4. Work on the 5 lowest clubs in the District.
5. Keep members involved in their local communities.

**EXTENSION:** PDG Harry Johnson: Held a meeting in Oct. and only 5 extension chairs were present. PID Dennis Cobbler from the Global Membership Team has set a goal of 10 new clubs and 200 new members for our Multiple District.

**RETENTION:** 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG John Monahan: Has put together a power point presentation and will be putting on a program in Big Rapids and Fremont. (Secretary’s note: Lion John did a very good job in Big Rapids.) Retention and Orientation go hand in hand as usually if a club does one the other follows.

**LEADERSHIP:** PDG Dan Gibbons: Lion Dan reported he had an accident with a big tree and just now out walking. He will be getting back active very soon.

**ORIENTATION:** Lion Dave Rowe: Absent

**WOMEN:** Lion Gayle Morlock: “IPDG Larry Morlock inducted a new family unit & a woman into the Evert Lions Club and the White Cloud Lions Club for 2 new women and 2 new family units during the month of October. The district lost 2 women and 2 family units during the month of August. The Cadillac Lions Club inducted a new Cub member. I am available to do programs on women’s development and on the new Cub program.”

District Governor Wayne told the Cabinet that the Family Unit will only be receiving one Lion Pride magazine soon as the State will be using new mailing addresses.

**LIONS OF MICHIGAN SERVICE FOUNDATION:** Lions Kerry McGinley & PDG Bill Raymor: So far 5 hearing aids have been granted for our District and a cataract application will be reviewed at our next meeting.

Hall of Fame Nominations have to be approved by the Districts and sent to the Foundation by January 15, 2009.

Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes Tickets will be sent to all clubs soon. Prizes will be the same as last year and Lion Kerry wants to have at least 10 clubs sell at least 100 tickets this year.

Counter Boxes filled with individually wrapped Mints are available from the Foundation for **FREE** just for trying this new product. So far, it has had great reviews from the clubs that have tried it.

Lion Kerry and PDG Bill are available for programs. Lion Kerry's written report is attached to the minutes.

11:50 AM break for lunch:

Call back to order at 12:43 PM by District Governor Wayne Kreitner

The first order of business for the Governor was to present PCC Richard Perrin with his PDG jacket from the District.

**PEACE POSTER:** PDG Stan Preshaw: At least 7 clubs are participating in the Peace Poster contest, and the contest ends November 15. Lion Stan and Governor Wayne will judge the entries and pick the winner. The winner will be entered in the Multiple 11 contest.

**PROJECT KIDS SIGHT:** Lion Debbie Kreitner: There has been no activity for Project Kids Sight. If there is anyone who would like to have a program for Project Kids Sight, please contact Lion Debbie. PDG Dan Gibbons asked about a bill for repair of one of the cameras. Motion by ZC Anderson to authorize the District to pay the \$106.00 for the repair. Motion supported by RC Rutledge and the motion passed.

**LEADER DOG:** Lion Pam Blizzard: Lion Pam was absent but Lion Connie McMorris told about one of the members of her club that raises breeding dogs for Leader Dog and will be taking 4 puppies to the school soon.

**BEAR LAKE CAMP:** Lion Rick Coccia: Lion Rick was absent but sent report stating that the campers were down this year, but the camp is looking forward to next year. The camp just installed new play ground equipment at a cost of \$48,000.00. Future plans call for an expansion as money is raised. Several Lions was memorialized when the play ground was dedicated including Rick's father, PDG Tony Coccia. The web site for the Bear Lake Camp is [www.bearlakecamp.org](http://www.bearlakecamp.org).

**CAMP TUHSMEHETA:** Lion Larry Alman: Lion Larry was absent but sent written report. The camp ran a full camping program last year and held 9 sessions and they cost the camp some \$60,000.00. The camp does not have an Executive Director at this time but plans on filing the position after the first of the year. For Lion Larry's full report please go to end of the minutes.

**DIABETES:** PDG Richard Daniel: November is Diabetes Awareness and Eye Health Month. World Diabetes Day will be celebrated on the 14<sup>th</sup> of Nov.

Here are simple and easy ways for each club to celebrate Diabetes Awareness Month:

- Support eye screening programs.

- Encourage blood tests to detect.

- Clubs can conduct free screenings with doctor's help.

- Provide financial support for programs.

- Fund a paper bag logo/ad and furnish to local grocery stores.

For Lion Dick's full report please see attached copies.

**LEO CLUBS:** Lion Laurene Homsher: The State LEO Committee met on Sat. Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. District Chair persons reviewed their specific roles to grow, encourage, support and sustain LEO Clubs. Lion Laurene's full report is attached.

**ELECTIONS:** PCC Richard Perrin had no report at this time.

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:** Lion Gayle Morlock: "The delegate form will be in the January 2010 District Newsletter and will be sent to all club secretaries. The form must be returned to Lion Gayle Morlock by March 30, 2010."

**HEARING COMMITTEE:** Lion Gayle Morlock: "The state hearing committee met on October 31<sup>st</sup>, but I couldn't attend due to illness. There were only 4 members present. District D-2 asked about information on the Ear Lab as they want to have it at their convention in 2010. I am available to do programs on hearing loss and the procedure to acquire new hearing aids."

**MICHIGAN EYE BANK:** PDG Lynn Mast: "Phase 1 of "I Joined" is going well. All clubs in the District have either had the program or are scheduled except for 1 Lions club, 1 Leo club, 1 Leo club and 1 Lioness club. I've not given up on them yet and still trying to get them scheduled.

Phase II of the program has begun in our district. This program is about getting Lions Clubs involved in their communities by signing up donors at their festivals and events. I have a short DVD that I can present to clubs or I can get a club a copy of it for them.

The Buddie Program has been expanded to the "Super Buddie Program". This involves a club taking on the responsibility of keeping a bulletin board up to date and pamphlets on hand at the Sec. of States office. Also they could set up more sign up days."

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:** Lion Karla Roebuck: Has written report attached.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**CONSTITUTION CHANGES:** PDG Jim Chipman: Several changes were presented and they were approved by the cabinet to be presented at the District Convention. They were moved by Lion Kerry McGinley and supported by ZC Anderson. These changes to our Constitution have already been sent to the District editor to be included in the District News letter. They are attached to these minutes.

ZC Simpson asked about the family plan for the District so we can be in sync with Lions International and the State. After much discussion, the Governor appointed a committee of ZC Simpson, PDG Harry Johnson and PDG Lynn Mast to study the idea and report back to the Cabinet.

**STATE OFFICE:** PDG Lynn Mast asked the Governor how construction was coming at the office. The Governor said the remodeling is about done even though they have been arguing about it since it started. All monies for funding have come from the club donations and they have not been coming in very fast.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**LCIF:** PDG Richard Daniel has been appointed by Lions International as LCIF Chair for the District. This will be a 3 year appointment. He will be out and about putting on programs soon.

**NOMINIATIONS:** DG Wayne asked if any nominations have been sent in yet and the Cab. Sec. said he had received only one by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Laura Johnson for the office of District Governor for 2010-11. The Governor reminded that all nominations have to be in by the Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> Cabinet meeting.

**ALL STATE BAND:** The trip to Australia will cost some \$4,000.00 and the committee is not sure if the band will be going. More information will be coming soon.

**FINIAL REMARKS:** District Governor Wayne thanked everyone for coming to our meetings and for working hard. Our District is the second largest district in the state at 1405 members.

**TAILTWISTER:** Lion Ron Gibson said he would go to any club and put on a program if so asked. He then did his tail twisting, what ever it was. Typical tail twister!

Motion to adjourn at 1:45 PM

Jim Chipman  
Cabinet Secretary  
District 11-E1

*1<sup>st</sup> VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR REPORT*

*NOVEMBER 8, 2009 CABINET MEETING*

*To date I have visited 19 of our 47 clubs, attended 3 Zone meetings and worked 3 club projects.*

*There are many different style clubs, some quite casually run. Others are more professionally conducted.*

*The main problem I've noticed is many are not open to trying new ideas.*

*Some are still missing out on the talents that women members bring to a club.*

*I feel it will be hard for the Governor to reach his goal of 100% in State and District projects based on the clubs visited thus far. Many are not donating to Welcome Homes or Camp T.*

*The big issue is LEADERSHIP! We must have trained Lions in each club to lead the way. I've stressed the importance of the Leadership Institute, orientation and mentoring. We need a lot of work in these areas.*

*Sincerely*

*1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Laura Johnson*



**DISTRICT 11-E1**  
**Financial Statement 2009-10**  
**November 8, 2009**  
**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	32.11
IPDG Dinner		1820.00
Cabinet Meeting Meal		260.00
District Convention 1350 @ \$1.00	1350.00	675.00
District Pins	<u>600.00</u>	<u>121.00</u>
Total Receipts	<b>\$31545.00</b>	<b>17416.79</b>

Expenses

Dues 1350 @ \$14.50	\$19575.00	9769.75
Roster Book	800.00	848.00
Newsletter and Postage	400.00	356.85
Awards	500.00	546.08
IPDG Dinner		1732.46
Cabinet Meeting Meal		306.60
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 <sup>st</sup> VDG Expenses	1500.00	1252.81
Misc. non-refundable 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Expenses	750.00	
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	<b>\$31545.00</b>	<b>18829.62</b>

Balance Administrative Fund for 2009-10 (1412.83)

**Balance Administrative Fund November 8, 2009 **\$17438.96****

**DESIGNATED FUNDS**

	<b>BALANCE July 1, 2009</b>	<b>CURRENT BALANCE</b>
Sight and Hearing	\$14862.54	
CD State Farm Bank \$ 15000.00		
Owed to Administrative (117.46)		
Expenses		
Receipts <u>50.00</u>		\$14912.54
Diabetes	2619.67	
Receipts		
Expenses <u>      </u>		2619.67
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>99.03</u>		810.67
<b>Balance as of November 8, 2009</b>		<b>\$25698.32</b>

Yours in Lionism,



Lion Kerry McGinley  
District Treasurer

REGION II, ZONE I CLUBS,

Happy November! I have now had an opportunity to visit all the clubs in our Zone and I can tell you that we have a lot to be Thankful for. We have a lot of fundraisers being completed, new members being installed and a group of high spirited Lions.

I have been very impressed with all the clubs and thank you for hosting me.

Sanford - energetic group, finishing their work on the Freedom Festival and working with teachers in the classroom to supply materials that children need for their classwork.

Clare - off to a great start, have changed one of their meetings to a noon meeting to be held at Mid Michigan Community College. They have seven Lions employed at the college.

Coleman - establishing a partnership with the Coleman VFW to sponsor a Chili Supper, hosted a free Halloween Party for children in a city park. They are thinking of working with the parents in the community to have a trunkathon at their next Halloween Party. Trunkathon - community members drive their cars to the park and give out candy from their cars at the Lions Halloween Party.

Midland - just took 1,600 pairs of eye glasses to Ferris State's Vosh group. Vosh will clean them, grade them and deliver them to third world countries next summer. Midland is planning a trip to Rochester's Dog facility next April and is working on including members from the Sanford and Coleman Clubs.

Harrison - great fundraiser in selling Fall downtown street decorations (bales of hay with scarecrows, flowers and other decorations). Merchants buy them and they are put out front of businesses or on street corners. They bring color and spririt to the streets, good moneymaker, community knows that the Lions are involved and high school students helped in delivering them. A win, win situation!

Mt. Pleasant - high spirited group, just completed a successful Chili Supper (400 in attendance), helped hand out Halloween treats to children with other community groups. Had a great program on organ donations.

Five of our clubs have inducted one or more new memmmbers in the last three months. Keep up the good work.

Review our Zone meeting notes on ideas for securing membership and be sure to have your Membership Committee look at the DVD that John Monahan brought to us on retention. It has good ideas - all Lions need to be involved.

Harrison Club President, David Rowe needs your HELP!!! He is the District Orientation

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Chairman. He needs to know who in each club is doing their orientation and would be interested in taking some training.

Please send Lion David the names, addresses, phone numbers or e-mails of your members involved in orientation.

Otherwise have them contact him at dwrowe [2005@yahoo.com](mailto:2005@yahoo.com) or phone 989-539-7233. If you don't have anyone that does that job, let David know. Thanks for your help.

We are off to a great Lion's year! KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK - WE SERVE!

Lion Pete Conarty, Zone Chair  
Region II, Zone I

DISTRICT GOVERNORS CABINET  
DISTRICT 11-E1  
November 8, 2009

MERLOW REPORT

The MERLOW Team has met twice since the last Cabinet Meeting. The first meeting was October 4, 2009 at the Webber Township Hall in Baldwin. At that meeting we reviewed the Council of Governors goals and our district goals. Each MERLOW Chair shared the goals for their area and we discussed the establishment of the Gobal Membership Teams. There has been discussion that MERLOW Teams will be phased out by 2010. Governor Wayne recommended that District 11-E1 continue with the MERLOW. Most districts now have only MERL. The MERLOW Team also feels that we should maintain the complete team.

Our second meeting was held November 1, 2009 at the Luther Lions Den. It was set up as a combined meeting with the Honorary Committee. It was felt that due to the size of our district the Honorary Committee could be very helpful in assisting clubs. There were only two PDGs that weren't part of the MERLOW Team that attended. There was much discussion of clubs that need assistance. Several have requested assistance. Clubs that were selected for immedate assistance, and those who will assist them, are:

1. Remus - Lions Bill Simpson and Tony Rutledge
2. Sand Lake - Lions Harry and Laura Johnson
3. Howard City - Lion Bill Raymor
4. Traverse City - Lions Lynn Mast and Connie McMorris
5. Six Lakes - Lions Laura Johnson and Bill Raymor
6. Sanford - Lions John Monahan and Lynn Mast

District 11-E1 currently has five certified Guiding Liions. There was discussion of having a training sessions to certify additional Guiding Lions. MERLOW Chair Bill Raymor will set up a Guiding Lion training session in late January or early February depending upon interest.

The next meeting of the MERLOW TEAM is tentatively scheduled for January 24, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
PDG Bill Raymor, MERLOW Chair

**Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Trustee Report  
District 11-E1  
November 8, 2009**

**Assistance and Grants for 2009-10 for our District**

8/24	J. Dockery	Harrison	Hearing Aids	\$ 409.34
10/12	E. Tompkins	Howard City	Hearing Aids	409.34
10/12	T. Andrus	Lakeview	Hearing Aids	409.34
10/15	S. Burgess	Greenville	Hearing Aids	420.00
10/15	C. Stanhope	Stanton	Hearing Aids	<u>420.00</u>
<i>Total grants for 2009-10</i>				<b><i>\$2068.02</i></b>

We have a cataract surgery application that will be reviewed at our next meeting from Honor. Reminder, all grant requests must be forwarded to a Trustee for their recommendation. All Hearing Aids applications can be sent directly to the Foundation office, but clubs that sponsor the requests are responsible for any audiology expenses that are related to the new hearing aid.

**Hall of Fame Nominations**

Districts are to approve their nominations and the names of the nominees sent in by January 15, 2010.

**Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes**

Tickets will be sent to all clubs in the District by November 15. All clubs will receive at least 25 tickets unless you sold more and then you will receive the same amount as you sold last year. Prizes are the same as last year and grant amounts will remain the same: 0-15 tickets sold – Certificate of Appreciation, 16-24 tickets sold - \$2.50/ticket, 25-99 tickets sold - \$3.50/ticket, and 100+ tickets sold \$5.00/ticket. If you have other local organizations that would like to sell the tickets this is more than welcome. They will receive the same amount in return for the # of tickets they sell.

**Lions Mints**

If you are interested in the counter sales box of individually wrapped mints to try, the Foundation will provide you counter box filled with mints FREE for trying this new product. Results of the individual mints sales have been terrific. This is another great way to subsidize you local projects. Mints for the Military are still available with information included in your raffle tickets.

**Programs**

Please contact me if you are interested in a program.

Your in Lionism,

Lion Kerry McGinley  
Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Trustee

Cabinet Meeting – November 8, 2009  
Report for Camp Tuhsmeheta

This past summer we ran a full camping program and we had nine sessions and our expenses were \$60,000.00 dollars. We cut back on the more expensive sessions and ran some that were not as muc and the kids had a wonderful time..

We have had an election of officers and we have a new look and we have organized a committee of advisers from previous and current staff members to give the Board their prospective and we feel we can move ahead even stronger than before.

We currently do not have a Executive Director, Sharon Burton did not want the job when she took it over and was happy to resign after this camp season was over. We are looking for an Executive Director and currently we do not have a Camp Director but that will be filled after the first of the year. We do not have the moneys to pay both of the positions at the present time. We are hoping that Shawn Patterson will come back again this summer as our Camp Director. He did a great job for Camp T. He currently sits on our advisory committee.

Our Fall Festival weekend will be November 20-22 weekend. We have a weekend planned New Years weekend as well. After the first of the year we plan to have weekend sessions once a month.

We now have the group (Parents of Visually Impaired Children) working with us on our side so we are hoping our numbers will improve this coming summer.

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind currently has a very good Board and we are working well with the Intermediate School Districts around the State promoting Camp T. and things are moving ahead nicely.

We would like to thank the Lions Clubs of District 11-E-1 that have donated to Camp T. thus far and we are using your moneys wisely to keep Camp Tuhsmeheta going, that is our goal.

Lion Larry Alman  
Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind - Secretary

District 11 E1  
Cabinet Meeting  
8 November 2009

Diabetes Chairmen Report

November is Diabetes Awareness and Eye Health Month. World Diabetes Day will be celebrated 14 November 2009. Lions can and do play an important part in informing and assisting their local communities about Diabetes issues.

Here are simple and easy ways for each club to celebrate Diabetes Awareness Month;

Support eye screening programs-encourage people over 40 to have eyes dilated together with a vision check. Publicize club programs that provide funds for eye glasses for those in need.

Encourage local communities to see a family doctor for a simple blood test to detect diabetes problems. The best one is an HbA1c test that shows how blood glucose levels have been over the last 3-4 months.

Ask a local doctor to assist your club in conducting free diabetic screenings in your community. If your looking for a place to start why not consider a local school to begin the project.

Provide support to a Diabetic Camp or the District Diabetes Program.

Fund a paper bag logo/ad and furnish to local groceries to pack food in (see sample attached).

Help support Lions efforts to wage war on diabetes.

PDG Richard Daniel  
Diabetes Chairman District 11 E1



## LOM LEO CLUB COMMITTEE

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**November 8, 2009**

**9:30 AM – District 11-E1 Cabinet Meeting**

**Maxfield's - Wyman**

### LEO COMMITTEE REPORT

The State Leo Committee met on Sat. Nov. 7, 2009 at the Lions State Office in Lansing. District chair persons reviewed their specific roles to *grow, encourage, support and sustain* Leo Clubs. Members are checking into the use of either Bear Lake Camp or Camp Tuhsmeheeta as the site for the spring State Leo Conference. Seminar sessions were discussed along with a tentative time-line for the one-day conference.

The committee agreed to reinstate the Leo State Officers at this conference. Leo members who have held an office in their home club and are in grades 8-11 are eligible to run for president and three board of director positions. The officers will be elected based on majority of votes for the four positions. All Leos will be expected to turn in petitions prior to campaigning at the conference. The officers will be expected to compose and send an electronic newsletter monthly to all District Leo Chair persons (who will forward the newsletter to all Leo Advisors within their district), to all DG's and VDG's highlighting Leo clubs throughout the state.

All future meetings will be held electronically.

### REGION 3 REPORT

I have begun my visitations to the clubs in Region 3. I waited to allow each Zone Chair to set his/her calendar, since the majority of information is to come from them to each respective club. I see my role as an enthusiastic supporter of the Zone Chairs while encouraging implementation of the District Governors specific goals and objectives for clubs.

I am focusing on reinstating a club in Grant with the assistance of Zone Chair Steve Adsmund and members from Newaygo Lions Club. I share information on all Youth Programs (Youth Exchange, Peace Poster, All State Band, Leo Clubs and Lions Quest) available to clubs as well as encouragement to provide financial support to all of our District and State Projects.

It has been delightful to meet clubs and witness the unique characteristics and contributions to Lions projects locally and globally.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurene K. Homsher  
Region 3 Chair

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**District 11-E1 Youth Activities Chair**

**MD-11 Leo Chair**



**District Cabinet Meeting  
November 8, 2009  
Reports—Lion Gayle Morlock**

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**—The delegate form will be in the January 2010 District Newsletter and will be sent to all club secretaries. The form must be returned to Lion Gayle Morlock by March 30, 2010.

**HEARING COMMITTEE**—The state hearing committee met on October 31<sup>st</sup>, but I couldn't attend due to illness. There were only 4 members present. District D-2 asked about information on the EarLab as they want to have it at their convention in 2010. I am available to do programs on hearing loss and the procedure to acquire new hearing aids.

**FAMILY & WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT**—IPDG Larry Morlock inducted a new family unit & a woman into the Evert Lions Club and the White Cloud Lions Club for 2 new women and 2 new family units during the month of October. The district lost 2 women and 2 family units during the month of August. The Cadillac Lions Club inducted a new Cub member. I am available to do programs on women's development and on the new Cub program.

Congratulations to Big Rapids, Chippewa Lake, Clare, Coleman, Coleman Leos, Harrison, Luther, Onekama, and Weidman Lions Clubs for successfully upgrading and updating their existing websites to the new Lions e-clubhouse.

Also Kaleva and Manistee, who had their own websites that were not being maintained, were upgraded to e-clubhouse by me since Tom Silverthorn was their webmaster and has moved to South Dakota.

Cadillac, Fremont, Greenville, Midland, Mount Pleasant, & White Cloud still need to upgrade or, if they have their own site they want to keep, built a front page on e-clubhouse and then link it to their existing website.

Arcadia, Baldwin, Barryton, Bear Lake, Carson City, Cedar Maple City, Crystal, Edmore, Empire, Ewart, Frankfort, Hart, Hesperia, Honor, Howard City, Lake Ann, Lakeview, Mecosta, Mesick, Newaygo, Northport, Remus, Sand Lake, Sanford, Shepherd, Sheridan, Six Lakes, Stanton, Stanwood, Traverse City, & Vestaburg are converted to e-clubhouse but may have outdated information that needs to be fixed or a photo added to the front page.

The Region II, Zone 2 meeting had a hands-on "build your club site" session; however the wifi connection was so poor in the restaurant at Holiday Inn, that only 1 computer would stay connected. Weidman was the lucky club that took right off, and with almost no instruction, built a very nice page.

I am planning to attend the Zone meeting in Fremont to offer the same instruction on November 30.

All feedback has been extremely positive about the user-friendliness and ease of use of the e-clubhouse tool, even for the novice computer user.

Please have your webmaster, president, secretary, or any club member who has a computer, contact me for instructions on how to log in and fix the club website (update to 2009/2010 officers, add events and activities, add a photo to the front page. If I had a club photo, I took the liberty of uploading it on the homepage for your club, but please change it to whatever you choose.

My first State IT Committee meeting was in Lansing on October 24. There are some new faces and it was nice to meet in person for our first meeting, since usually the rest are held by teleconference. Our on-going goal is of course EDUCATION from top to bottom. I will be conducting hands-on training for the Vice District Governors in December. IT Chair Whitey Simon from District 11-D2 will be assisting me with the training session. I will need a projector (John?) and an idea of how many VDG's will be bringing their own laptops. Districts will have to educate clubs on e-clubhouse. I stressed how important and successful our basic computer training has been for the last several years and suggested they think about trying it at their District Conventions.

District 11-E1 remains a leader in the Information Technology arena. Our basic computer training sessions have helped a multitude of individual Lions. In my opinion, e-clubhouse is a direct result of our "web initiative" campaign when PDG Lion Lynn Mast was governor, only it's FREE!!

Lion Karla Roebuck

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE  
11-E1 DISTRICT CONSTITUTION

1. A RESOLUTION TO CLARIFY ARTICLE 1, SECTION 9 ON PAGE 4 OF OUR CONSTITUTION. THE LAST SENTENCE OF THE FIRST PARAGRAPH READS “The fund so collected shall be used exclusively for defraying expenses of district convention and shall be expended only by district checks drawn and signed by the Cabinet Treasurer, Cabinet Secretary or District Governor.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

Be it resolved that Article I Section 9 of the District Constitution be amended by adding the words “and the unreimbursed expenses of the District Governor in attending the International Convention” The new sentence reads:

“The fund so collected shall be used exclusively for defraying expenses of district convention and the unreimbursed expenses of the District Governor in attending the International Convention and shall be expended only by district checks drawn and signed by the Cabinet Treasurer, Cabinet Secretary or District Governor.”

2. A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE WORD AUDIT IN ARTICLE IV SECTION 7 PARAGRAPH (F) SO IT READS AS FOLLOWS:

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

Be it resolved that Article IV Section 7 Paragraph (f) be rewritten to read as follows: “Provide for an **annual review** of the books and accounts of the cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, or cabinet secretary-treasurer and District Convention Fund, and with the district governor’s approval, set up definite schedule of dates, times and places of cabinet meetings to be held during the fiscal year.

3. A RESOLUTION TO CHANGE ARTICLE VII, SUB SECTION B NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF THE DISTRICT TRUSTEE FOR LIONS OF MICHIGAN SERVICE FOUNDATION, INC. THIS TO BE DONE TO CORRESPONDE WITH THE LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION’S CONSTITUTION.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

Be it resolved that Article VII, Sub Section B, Section 1, sentence 1 to read as follows” District 11E1 shall be represented by two(2) elected trustees on the Board of Trustees of the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, Inc.

This removes the words District Governor from the sentence.