



# District 11-E1 Newsletter

New Members  
40

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## From the Governor

Fellow Lions - Can you believe Thanksgiving has come & gone already? The best part of the Holidays for me is spending time with my family and that includes my Lions family.

With Christmas just a few weeks away my nights will be busy visiting many clubs & areas of our district to celebrate this joyous time of the year as you hold your Christmas gatherings. Thank you for inviting me & my family to be apart of yours.

Now that the snow is here many of our club will be slowing down as their seasonal members head south to warmer weather. Remember things don't have to grind to a halt a lot of what we as Lions do can still be done.

Processing requests for vision assistance, holiday food & clothing drives for our communities, helping in any number of ways within your area. I like to take a moment especially during the Holidays to stop & give "thanks" for what we have & what we do, we as Lions touch SO many lives

The pair of glasses your club bought for the single mom that helped her keep her job & which allowed her to put food on her families table or the gift your club help purchase that will put a smile on a child face come Christmas morning that otherwise might not have been there.

I give thanks that the Lions Clubs are here & that the members all of you have it in your hearts to care for others, in most cases strangers doing what you can to make a difference. Bless you all!

The number at the top of this page is now down to 40 we have brought in 84 new Lions so far this year just think of all the lives these new Lions will touch all the good their & your actions will do over the coming year. **Happy Holidays** to you and your families and keep making that difference!

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**"Follow Your Dreams" (129)**



Tim Anderson



## “Unsung Heroes”

A special “Thank You” goes out to the following Lions for all they do for their clubs and community!



On November 4th I visited with the **Frankfort Lions Club** after their King Lion covered the club business at hand I was asked to speak with the members. I shared with them ideas and support from the district on recruiting, I spoke of dedication and years of service passing out Chevrons marking years in Lions, I spoke of Dreams and I also spoke of hard workers and the effort above and beyond some Lions put in and how I would like to recognize one of those hardworking Lions tonight.

I ask Lion **Betty Wortelboer** to please stand and I named her the "Unsung Hero" of the Frankfort Lions Club. Now Lion Betty let out a couple of "Oh My's" and a short giggle as she stood and walked over to me, then something happened that hasn't happened to me since before I was married. We had once of those awkward 1st date type of moments. I reached out my hand and Lion Betty threw out her arms to hug me, then realized I was only trying to shake hands and started to pull back just as I realized she was trying to hug me and switched from handshaking mode to hug mode switching back just in time to shake her hand.

After seeing this her fellow Lions began to laugh, I presented her with her pin holding it out for the room to see, then held up her certificate and Lion Betty tried to hug me again pulling back at the last moment once more as she realized I was just showing and reading her certificate aloud. Her fellow Lions began clapping and congratulating her for receiving this honor.

I said "Thank You" Lion Betty and went to pat her on the back and again she reached out and this time I was prepared she gave me a hug and I gave her a little one right back as she once again giggled and said "Oh My!"

**Congratulations** Lions Betty Wortelboer the Frankfort Lions Clubs “Unsung Hero!”



On November 11<sup>th</sup> while visiting with the **Mt Pleasant Lions Club**, after enjoying a wonderful dinner I was given the floor to speak about what's been going on around our District, our new club, the clubs that are merging, and the clubs that are asking for help, about the success of the 1st month of our Fall Membership drive and talked about Internationals theme and the importance of Dreams.

After giving out a Michigan Safari Pin and recognized some Lions for their years of service by passing out Chevrons, I spoke about traveling around and the dedicated Lions that can be found at every club, and how important it is to let them know they are appreciated. I ask **Lion Steve Rudoni Jr.** to come up front and announced that he was the “Unsung Hero” of the Mt Pleasant Lions Club. As Lion Steve stood I came around from behind the podium to greet him the rest of the club broke out into applause.

With my hand extended I met Lion Steve “Thanking” him for all he does, he smiled look around the room and bolted back towards his chair and acting quickly I stopped him stating oh we are not done yet! I brought out his pin holding it high so all could see and handed it to Lion Steve and again smiling he tried to head back and again I headed him off. Wait there’s more! I held out his matching certificate and read it aloud into the microphone so all his fellow Lions could hear.

As I handed the certificate to Lion Steve cameras came out and we paused for a picture or two while applause filled the room for a second time. As soon as the cameras were gone so was Lion Steve heading for his seat, it was obvious he was not a fan of the attention but one last thing had to be done. I patted him on his back looked him in the eye and said “Thank you” for all you do!

**Congratulations** Lions Steve Rudoni Jr. the Mt Pleasant Lions Clubs “Unsung Hero!”



On November 21<sup>st</sup> during my visit with the **Coleman Lions Club** King Lion Ann Roeseler introduced me, taking a moment to thank me for my previous visits to their club activates and asked me to speak. I started out talking about membership how import new Lions, new ideas are and spoke about Dreams and goals we are trying to reach, I also spoke about growth mentioning our new club and the addition of 23 more members to our district just today.

I also spoke about how the District is here to support and work for the clubs so they can support and work towards the betterment of their communities. I acknowledged Lions for years of service by passing out Chevrons and spoke of dedicated hard working Lions that can be found in all our clubs.

At this point I asked **Lion Jerry Lewis** to come up front with me and I named his the Coleman Lions “Unsung Hero”. Applause began as Lion Jerry headed towards me and I moved the podium aside to we could stand face to face. After shaking his hand I held out his pin showing everyone and explaining how and what it takes to receive one of these. After presenting it to him and stopping him from heading to his seat I held out the certificate as the club quietly commented on how nice it was. I read it aloud then presented it to Lion Jerry as pictures where being taken.

Afterwards I patted him on his back turned and told him “Thank you” for all you do shaking his hand once more as his fellow Lions clapped again.

**Congratulations** Lions Jerry Lewis on being the Coleman Lions Clubs “Unsung Hero!”





On November 23rd during the **Luther Lions Club** Christmas Party, after visiting, renewing friendship, and eating a wonderful potluck dinner King Lion Betty Alward asked me to stand and say a few words. After thanking them for having us and taking about our year and what's still to come, about programs that can help and grow a Lions Club, about members and support from the district.

I passed out a Michigan Safari Pin to a Lion that had brought in a new member, I presented the club with a 35 year patch, pin and personal Banner along with a letter from the International President Barry Palmer congratulating them on their 35 years of service to their community.

I also spoke about Lions that go beyond that help and give, I spoke about honoring these lions who can be found at every club, I called them my "Unsung Heroes" and at the point I asked **Lion Shirley Flynn** to come up front with me I wanted to name her the "Unsung Hero" of the Luther Lions Club.

Lions Shirley stood up just smiling as the club clapped and encouraged her on she proceeded to walk up to me. Now I've known Lion Shirley for years so I was very pleased at the surprise and modesty she was showing. I gave her a quick hug shook her hand and proceeded to present her with her Pin holding up so all could see. I then held out her certificate again for all to see and read it aloud to Lion Shirley making sure she knew how important and special not only I but her enter club thinks she is.

After a picture or two I patted her on the back and shook her hand once more clearly and loudly **THANKING** her for all she does.

**Congratulations** Lions Shirley on being the "Unsung Hero" of the Luther Lions Club!



## Congratulations

The following Lions have brought in their 1st new Member for the year and have earned the new

### MICHIGAN SAFARI PIN

ARCADIA  
Lion Ryan McKenna

GREENVILLE  
Lion Wayne Kreitner

MOUNT PLEASANT  
Lion Roger Gilbert

WEIDMAN  
Lion Allen Marshall

This pin will be awarded to all Lions once they bring in their **1<sup>st</sup>** new member of the year!

*WAY TO GO LIONS*



**Pete Conarty**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor

Lions Club International's staff has for several years offered a good educational tool called a webinar. This is an on line participation/ teaching session on a topic that will aid Lions. Participants use their telephone or their own computer headset

to be involved. During the programs,

several Lions usually present a topic as you listen on line. You have the opportunity to ask or write in questions that the presenters answer. If you can't participate on the particular night the webinar is presented, there is always the opportunity to go on line and listen to it at a later time. Frequently, after you register for the session, you will receive a workbook to accompany the webinar. If you participate, you will find Lions from across the USA and other countries involved. Check out the Webinars Page on LCI.

This Holiday Season, the Lions of 11 E1 have so much to be thankful for. The service that our Lions provide to their communities is outstanding. Keep up the great job that you are doing.

Have a Happy and Blessed Holiday Season!

1st VDG Pete Conarty

**BARBER  
WANTED**



**To Apply Contact  
DG Tim**

## CALENDAR 2013-2014

**District 11E1 Cabinet Meeting**  
January 11<sup>th</sup> 2014 (Saturday)  
@ Big Boy  
1310 S. Mitchell St, Cadillac MI

**Midwest Eye-Banks/Lions of Michigan Foundation Fundraising Cruise**  
January 26 2014 - Sailing from Fort Lauderdale, FL

**Michigan Forum**  
Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
9:00 AM  
Ramada Inn, Lansing

**Kingsley Lions Charter Night**  
@ The ROCK in Kingsley  
February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Advanced Lions Leadership Institute**  
Oak Brook, Illinois  
March 8-10, 2014

**District 11E1 Cabinet Meeting**  
March 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> 2014  
District Convention @  
Double Tree Hotel, Holland MI

**Lions of Michigan State Convention**  
May 16-17 2014 @ McCamly  
Place Hotel  
Battle Creek, MI

**Lions International Convention**  
July 4-8 2014 Toronto, Canada

**IPDG Tim Anderson's Appreciation Dinner**  
August 23rd 2014  
@ McGuire's Resort  
7880 Mackinaw Trail,  
Cadillac MI



**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor****Mike Howard**

Hi everybody

Hope everyone had a very Happy Thanksgiving. We [Suzanne and myself] have visited the Cadillac Lions Club, Crystal Lions Club, Mesick Lions Club, Lakeview Lions Club and Midland Lions Club. All of

the Clubs are very involved in their community's and helping out people who need help.

Cadillac will be having a sink the shack event this year so please help them by purchasing their tickets. Crystal will be hosting a Christmas Movie for all the town children. Mesick will be holding an adopt a family for Christmas. They will also have their annual Mushroom Festival in the spring of 2014. The Lakeview and Midland Lions Club will be having events year round to help their community's and our district.

We are very lucky as a district to have so many Clubs that are so involved.

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Michael Howard,  
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WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER AS LIONS OF OLD AND NOT  
 OLD LIONS RESTORE THE LIONS 'ROAR'

**'ROAR" 'ROAR" 'ROAR"**



**HO HO HO**

## Club Aniversaries

### *December*

#### **ARCADIA LIONS**

Chartered  
12/04/1970  
43 YEARS

#### **MIDLAND LIONS**

Chartered  
12/19/1933  
80 YEARS

#### **NEWAYGO LIONS**

Chartered  
12/20/1943  
70 YEARS

#### **SAND LAKE LIONS**

Chartered  
12/22/1980  
33 YEARS



## DISTRICT 11E1 ROARS

### Baldwin Lions Halloween Party



Parents and kids alike enjoyed hot dogs, cupcakes, donuts, cider and hot cocoa.

Members of the Lake County Sheriffs' department enjoyed handing out candy at the community party! Two members of the department were so impressed with the service given back to the community by the Baldwin Lions; they asked to join the club, including a spouse. That was an increase of 3 new members by including prospective members to help on the service project! PDG Lynnwood and Lion Jan Mast lent a hand to help with the games.

### Big Rapids Lions



King Lion Jackie Perrin is show handing out dictionaries to the Big Rapids Riverview School; third graders after receiving their new dictionaries.



This year we are beginning a new project called “Smile Boxes”, under the direction of Lion Mary Clark. Smile Boxes are plastic storage boxes filled with activity things for children who are coming in to local shelters. There will be boxes filled with activities for (1) babies up to 2 years old, (2) 3 to 5 year olds and (3) 6 to 10 years old. These boxes will be given to the children to keep. We will add new boxes for the shelters as the need arises.

The Big Rapids Lions Club has had a busy month of November. We are finishing up our biggest fundraiser which is running the concessions stand at Ferris State University. We are open for all of the Ferris, Big Rapids High School and Rocket football games that played at FSU’s Top Taggart Field. Ferris Optometry (SVOSH) students work with us when we need additional help. We make yearly donations to help support their organization. We also collect eyeglasses to help support their mission trips to foreign countries.

Again this year we distributed over 200 dictionaries to all third graders in the Big Rapids Public Schools, St. Mary’s elementary, St. Peter’s elementary, Big Jackson School and the Crossroads Charter Academy. It’s always fun to see the reactions and hear the comments from third graders about the work that Lions do locally and around the world.

This year we are again participating in the Lions International Peace Poster contest. We haven’t been involved in recent years. This year the enthusiastic spirit of Lion Mary Clark brought the project to life again and as a result of her efforts we received many posters from local students.

After judging the local posters, three posters were chosen and we honored those students and their families at a recent club meeting. A nice article with pictures appeared in the local paper.





## Cadillac Lions

### KidSight Screenings CAPS Off Week

During the week of November 4<sup>th</sup> the Lions ROARED thru the Cadillac Area Public Schools after being invited in to screen the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup> grade students with Project KidSight.



One of the four elementary schools was screened each day and the Junior/ Senior High were screened together on the last day. This weeklong 5 day project brought together for the first time all of our districts screeners each helping with their camera for at least one day.

With two cameras going at each shoot KidSight Screener Dan Gibbons and his apprentice Lion Jackie Glazier manned one camera while our other screeners Lions Bob Thompson and Bill Koch each helped for a day as well with DG Tim Anderson stepping in to use the 2nd camera for the last 3 days. Lions Bill Shier and Bill Taylor both from the Cadillac Club worked and helped managed the paperwork and kids.

This was visible, and fun, the school system was amazed at how efficient and quick the screening was and how much the students enjoyed taking part in it. The big snag seemed to be the permission forms and getting the older kids parents to return them. Because of this we only screened about two thirds of each class since only that many brought the forms back in. The school said if we are willing they know the numbers will grow with each year.



### Community Service Expo

On November 7<sup>th</sup> the Cadillac Area Chamber of Commerce sponsored a Community Service Expo bringing Service Groups and Non-Profit Organizations together in one location the Mackinaw Trail Middle School allowing the people of the area the chance to stop in talk with us and learn firsthand what we are all about.

The Cadillac Lions had a booth manned and ready to share what we do and how other can join to make a difference in our community. This is also a GREAT chance for other agencies and organizations to make contacts and see how we can help each other.

Besides the Lions the Cadillac Lions shared information on our projects like the Michigan Eye Bank and Leader Dog as well as Bear Lake their information was available and shared as well. The "Did You Know" literature telling how and where the Lions help was a big hit! Best of all the Lions were seen and heard not to mention a few membership applications were passed out.

## Cedar/Maple City Lions



The Cedar/Maple City Lions cut their 1st Christmas Tree, for the Fox Dealer in Traverse City. We now have 3 more weekends to sell trees.

1st photo, Lions Carrlin Niess & Gordon Waldenmyer (Father), 2nd photo, Lions Carrlin Niess, Rob Serbin, Brandit Waldenmyer, Dan Hobbins, Bryan Niess, Gordon Waldenmyer & Pat Hobbins. The 3rd photo, Lions Dan Hobbins, Carrlin Niess & Gordon Waldenmyer.



We had a visit on Nov. 11, from Zone Chair Connie McMorris and she presented 45 yr. & 50 yr. chevrons to Lions Roy Romanowski & Gordon Waldenmyer. (Lion Roy 45 yr.). She also did the 50/50 drawing!

### *"Did You Know"*

Which of the now 46 clubs within 11E1 has produced the largest number of District Governors?

On Nov. 5 & Nov. 6, the Cedar/Maple City Lions conducted their Peace Poster judging at Glen Lake & Saint Mary schools. Lions Christy Griffith, Melinda Lautner (Keira) & Pat Hobbins had 38 entrants at Glen Lake School. At Saint Mary's, Lions Christine Griffith, Renee & Pat Hobbins, judged 30 posters.



Photo 1, Lions Christy Griffith, Melinda Lautner & granddaughter Keira. Photo 2, Lions Renee Hobbins, Lani (Art Teacher) & Christy Griffith.

### **Congratulations to our District Peace Poster Winner**



**Gordon Mallett**, an eighth-grader at Crossroads Charter Academy, was the young artist that created this year District winning Peace Poster. "When we bring peace to the world, it gives us hope for the future," Mallett, 13, said about his theme. The entry came from **Big Rapids Lions Club** and was 1 of the 11 posters that were submitted to the district as part of the contest.

## Welcome New Lions!



(124)

### ARCADIA

Lion Ryan McKenna

### GREENVILLE

Lion Karen E Wilcox

### MOUNT PLEASANT

Lion Roger Gilbert

### WEIDMAN

Lion Duane Paulsen



(129)

### KINGSLEY

Lion Jim Shaw

Lion Marilyn Shaw

Lion Dan Walton

Lion Diane Walton

Lion Russell Willingham

Lion Joan Willingham

Lion Eileen Reamer

Lion Ed McPherson

Lion Dawn Willman

Lion Scott Willman

Lion David Drake

Lion Victoria Drake

Lion Donna Martin

Lion Keith Smith

Lion Susan Raven

Lion Mitchell Foster

Lion Margaret Lewis

Lion Jim Baughn

Lion Bonita Baughn

Lion Richard Wooters

Lion Deb Nickerson

Lion Brenda Pierce

Lion Nicole Hitchings

From District 11E1 To Our 27 Newest Members

## ***WELCOME!***

40

**Coleman Lions**



Leo Amber serves Thanksgiving Dinner



DG Tim gives Unsung Hero award to Jerry Lewis



Peace Poster winners, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mikayla & Catlin, 1<sup>st</sup> Madison

S.T.A.R. Leo Club members served Thanksgiving dinner on November 21<sup>st</sup> to around 150 people at the Coleman Senior Center. Six Leos and their advisor Lion Amy Doherty brightened the day for staff and guests alike. After serving the salad, pumpkin pie and finally the turkey dinner, the Leos then cleared and washed tables. The Leos plan to return to the Senior Center to serve Christmas dinner and play games with attendees in a few weeks.

District Governor Lion Tim Anderson visited the Coleman Lions Club meeting November 21<sup>st</sup>. After awarding chevrons to several Lions for years of service, he presented the "Unsung Hero" award to Lion Jerry Lewis for his hard work and dedication. Lion Jerry is chairperson of the Great Lake Loons fundraiser, serving food in the Pavilion area. He also heads up the Adopt-A-Highway clean-up project.

During Thursday's meeting, Lion Nancy Robison presented Peace Poster awards to three seventh graders. The first place award and \$50 went to Madison McCann. The two second place winners were Caitlyn Bott and Makayla Biggs who each won \$25.

A social event is planned on December 2<sup>nd</sup> instead of the regular meeting. Coleman Lions members and their guests will have dinner at the Clare Big Boy Restaurant and will then have a gift exchange.

## Greenville Lions



Pictured are King Lion John Hackett, Lion Debbie and PDG Wayne Kreitner.

The Greenville Lions participated in the Greenville Area Expo in November at the Greenville High School. There were 94 booths, with all kinds of area businesses. We handed out information relating to the Greenville Lions and listed all the projects that we do during the year.

Also during the Expo, we did Sight screening for children and adults, Lion Bill Koch from the White Cloud Lions took care of the screening for us, with assistance from Greenville Lions. We had our Leo's helping find parents with children so that they could be eyes could be screened. We even had a local eye doctor bring her son in to see what the screening actually does and she was very impressed with the program. We had four people that were interested in joining our club and so far PDG Wayne has brought in one new member. We are looking forward to doing the Greenville Community Expo again next year.

## Harrison Lions

In October, the Harrison club put on a polish dinner and silent auction, they severed over 70 people. The menu was cabbage rolls, kielbasa, kraut porgies, homemade breads and desserts that were donated by the Lions and Lionesses.

We have all been busy with our Hunters Raffle. We have 3 great prizes from Jay's Sporting Goods in Clare, 2 guns and a \$500.00 gift certificate. The drawing date was November 8, at Jay's; with this raffle we bring in over\$5,000.00 to help our community.

On November 26th A few Lions members from the Harrison Club gathered to put thanksgiving baskets together and delivered for our veterans here in Clare Country. Just a thing our club has been doing for a couple of years now. At Christmas time we also put together 12 baskets for our area senior's. Happy Thanksgiving to all our great Lions and Lioness. Have a safe and happy turkey day. Bless you all.

## Honor Lions

The Honor Lions are winding down for the winter months, we will have our Christmas dinner at our Dec.2 meeting, and then will suspend our regular meetings until March since several of our members go away for all or part of the winter.

We just finished our Gun Raffle last week it was our most successful raffle yet. The top winner was from the Frankfort area, the second place winner has a summer place on Crystal Lake but actually lives in Georgia, and the third place winner was from the Copemish area. We want to thank everyone who bought tickets to help support our club!

Our new sign has received a lot of attention, so it does help to show your sign. We have another person interested in joining our club, he has the application so we hope to be able to add him soon and get Gov. Tim closer to his Banana Cream pie!!! Hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday season.

## Kingsley Lions



Please mark your Calendar for **Tuesday February 18<sup>th</sup> 2014** the "NEW" Kingsley Lions will be holding their Charter Night that evening @ the ROCK Youth Center in Kingsley and they are looking forward to meeting Lions from all over our district! More details to follow. Go Kingsley Lions!



From: PDG Richard Perrin

**"Follow Your Dream"** "To accomplish great things we must not only act, but also dream, not only plan, but also believe." ~Anatole France



**Midland Lions**



SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

This year we're ringing the bells for the Salvation Army at Kroger's on Wednesday, November 27 (the day before Thanksgiving) from 10AM to 7PM and the following week on Friday, December 6 from 10AM to 9PM. I already have 15 volunteers signed up but I still have one slot open on November 27, from 5 to 6 PM and on December 6 from 8 to 9 PM.

Christmas Party and "Toys for Tots" / "Coats for Kids" Service Project

Lions, we have a fun time planned for all coming soon....our Annual Christmas Party.

MONDAY, December 2, 2013, Trinity Lutheran Church at 6:00 P.M.

We will have wonderful Lion camaraderie, great food, joyous singing and a charity event for the kids. Mark your calendars. Due to scheduling issues we are meeting on MONDAY December 2 rather than our normal Tuesday.

Regarding our charity event, we traditionally give donations to "Toys for Tots" and "Coats for Kids". Please consider donating to this special event.

Should you not be able to attend the December 2 Party, please consider bringing a toy or coat to our next Lions meeting on Tuesday November 19. We will collect these items and include them with our Christmas Party gifts.

Service Project Update—Books for Zimbabwe

Midland Lions Karl leuter and Pete Conarty helped pack books at the library on Sunday, October 20 after the Friends of the Library book sale. Four Rotarians, two Lions, Mina and her husband and four students from Northwood packed 36 more boxes of books for Zimbabwe. We now have approximately 200 boxes of books to be shipped. The first shipment of approximately 80 boxes should go out about November 1. Midland Public School has indicated that they have some science and math books for us. We will also be checking the AAUW Book sale at the mall.

***"Did You Know"***

If you said either Big Rapids or Onekama you would have been correct! 4 Lions from each club have risen up from their membership to serve our District as Governor.

F.Y.I. Over the years we have had DG's serve from 22 different clubs from all over our district!



THE ANNUAL MIDLAND COUNTY XC RECOGNITION BANQUET

Cross Country Runners from Midland County's four high schools gathered together October 22, 2013 at the Midland American Legion to enjoy an evening of fun, good food, recognition and heard words of wisdom from their coaches and a guest speaker. King Lion Karl leuter welcomed everyone. Lion Bernie Philabaum blessed the gathering and food. The athletes were given tickets when they arrived and Lion Tail Twister Steve Jenkins did the drawings and presented the winners with a variety of nice prizes.

We had a real nice turn out of runners (82), coaches, parents and Lions (20) that all enjoyed the program with guest speaker Jason LaFave a local marathon runner. He also runs for fun with a group of friends. A message to all in attendance was you are in a special club. You have learned to enjoy an activity that is a lifelong skill. He encouraged the runners from all the schools to get together and run for fun.

Each coach was given an opportunity to speak about highlights of the team accomplishments and personal best efforts by each athlete. Boys Results:

James Sira 16:09 - BC, Jacob Greer MHS, Zach Hoffman MHS, Michael Carey DHS, Dylan Rocha MHS, John Sira BC, Conner Legge MHS, Max Pasche MHS, Chandler Biggs BC. Girls: Kali Dent DHS 18:48.30, Jordan Storer DHS, Lizzy Burr DHS, Robyn Young DHS, Mackenna Rouse MHS, Megan Arlt MHS, Emily Kessler MHS, Amy Smith MHS, Taylor Warner MHS.



Boys XC County Champs



Girls XC County Champs



TIS THE SEASON

## Traverse City Lions

The Traverse City Lions Club on December 1, 2013 celebrates 70 years of service to the Traverse City Metropolitan Area. This upcoming milestone was covered in an October 27 article in the Grand Traverse Insider newspaper.

This service includes 30 consecutive years of involvement with the Northwestern Michigan College annual Barbecue.

The club completed its 5th annual successful raffle with the proceeds going to provide glasses and/or hearing aid financial assistance for those who could otherwise not afford them.

**NOTE: The dates for the additional meetings per every other month have been rescheduled to Monday's. These meetings will be on the first Monday at the Cottage restaurant. This will provide a venue to have special programs and introduce potential new members to what Lionism is all about.**

### **Meetings: (spouses are always welcome)**

January 20, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
February 17, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
March 3, 2014 – Special Meeting - Cottage – 6:00PM  
March 17, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
April 21, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
May 5, 2014 – Special Meeting - Cottage – 6:00PM  
May 19, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
June 16, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
July 7, 2014 – Special Meeting – Cottage – 6:00PM  
July 21, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
August 18 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
September 1, 2014 – Special Meeting – Cottage – 6:00PM  
September 15, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
October 6, 2014 – Pavilions – 6:00PM  
November 3, 2014 – Special Meeting – Cottage – 6:00PM

**To Order our District/Club Shirt  
Follow this link.**

[http://www.millions11e1.org/Lions\\_Shirt\\_Order\\_Form.pdf](http://www.millions11e1.org/Lions_Shirt_Order_Form.pdf)

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## Fall Membership Drive

WOW...55 new Lions were brought in during our Oct 1st –Nov 30th Fall Membership drive! That makes 84 new Lions so far for this year and we are still GROWING! You all are doing a fantastic job sharing the news of what we do and asking people to join us in our service of our communities!

At this rate I'll be clean shaven and wearing a pie in no time! We just need 40 more new Lions to meet our district goal for the year and just 45 more to reach my personal goal, to see my "Dream" for the year come true. ;)

Now we really need to find a good barber someone who is steady handed and doesn't get nervous in front of a crowd, if we have any Lions out there that fit this description please let me know my beard is getting longer every day!

Time is running out to make your guess in the contest we are holding to see if you can guess the date when we will reach our 124th new member as reported to LCI. It's a 50/50 with proceeds being split between the winner and the District. Deadline for guesses is 12/31/13

## DISTRICT 11E-1



**\$5.00**

**GUESS THE DATE  
WHEN WE WILL ADD OUR  
124<sup>TH</sup> NEW MEMBER**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**50/50 DRAWING WITH  
PROCEEDS SPLIT BETWEEN  
THE DISTRICT AND THE WINNER(S)  
(Deadline is 12/31/2013)**



## Lions Club International Foundation

We have all heard about the disaster in the Philippines from the news media. Many communities in the path of Super Typhoon Haiyan will have a long road to recovery. Initial estimates indicate that many thousands of individuals lost their lives, and many thousands more have lost their homes and everything they own.

As LCIF Coordinator for District 11 E-1, I think it is important to know what our great organization has done and that we will continue to do in the future. LCIF has approved \$130,000. from the LCIF Disaster Relief fund, also OSEAL (Orient & South East Asia Lions have committed \$370,000. Combined to date, LCIF has been able to mobilize \$1 million for disaster relief for the Philippines.

There are 12,600 fellow Lion members in 380 Lions Clubs in the Philippines, including four Clubs in the City of Cebu of the hardest hit province. Lions Clubs throughout the country are working tirelessly to provide relief aid and food to tens of thousands of people affected by this horrific typhoon.

Some of LCIF's initial steps in the Philippines are 575 relief tent shelters, including 300 from the Lions of Sweden and their partner the Swedish Red Cross, that will be put up by Save the Children. An initial 56 water purification systems from LCIF, and the Lions of the British Isles and Ireland have been sent by air. The Lions of Germany are sending up to 100 more.

Some of the long-term needs from LCIF will provide in the future are establishment of a relief aid coordination center and depot in Cebu to channel ongoing supplies in the central area of the country. Establishment of tent villages for hundreds of families in the hardest hit areas. Critical relief supplies and medicines to evacuation and re-settlements centers, and to hospitals and health centers.

Lions Clubs and LCIF are committed to rebuilding homes, providing support to the disabled, helping vulnerable children and youth, and supporting schools, families and the elderly population with their recovery needs.

We can do our share by donating funds to LCIF general disaster Relief fund at the Foundation. Your donations will support disaster relief in the Philippines and be MJF eligible. What a great way to help fellow Lions and Citizens in the Philippines, and to honor one of your Clubs great Lions. ROAR LIONS!

Lion Jerry "J.B." Brandt PDG

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I think most people would agree with me that all dogs have a natural intelligence. They communicate with each other by interpreting barks and body language. Experts tell us that dogs have a potential of learning a vocabulary of 3000 to 4000 words and the reasoning ability of a 7-year-old child.

The trainers at Leader Dogs for the Blind build on this intelligence by teaching specific commands. Some of these commands are **“Forward”, “Straight”, “Left”, “Right”, “Find the curb”, “Find the sidewalk”, “Find the counter”, “and Find the door”**.

After coming home from training at Leader Dogs, the new handler begins teaching their dog words from their new environment. One of my friends taught her dog to **“Find the dresses”** at her favorite department store. Nicholas knows the commands to find the Post Office, the bank, school and many other destinations around Carson City. And smart dog that he is, he knows the treats are kept in my right hand pocket.

For more information about Leader Dogs for the Blind contact:

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### From the District 11-E1 Webmaster



Wow! What will they think of next? Introducing Lions Online Radio with four streaming stations: Greatest Hits, Oldies, Country Hits & Classic Country. Just click on the Lions Radio icon on the top right-hand corner of your District 11-E1 Website [www.MiLions11e1.org](http://www.MiLions11e1.org) or International's website [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org). You can

listen on the website, play it on your iDevice, Android or Blackberry, or use your favorite desktop media player (QuickTime, Window Media Player, Real Player or WinAmp). Great tunes and guess what, all the commercials are about LIONS! Check it out.



**Karla Roebuck**  
a.k.a. “Lion IT”

## What's Holding You Back?

### Lions Leadership Opportunities for 2014-2015

Have you ever watched your Club President, your Zone Chairperson, a District officer or someone else in a leadership role and thought, "Maybe I could do that"?

Leadership opportunities are available for the 2014-2015 Lions year. Possibilities include Zone Chairs, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-District Governor and the Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee.

You probably have the qualities and qualifications to chair a club committee, be a club officer, a Zone Chair, a LOMF Trustee or a Vice-District Governor.

Fear of the unknown often holds us back from trying something new. Talk to people who have held these positions. They can tell you what is expected of you. There are manuals for many Lions leadership positions that will help you decide if you are interested.

Fear of failure is another thing that keeps us stuck in a rut. What if you screw everything up? What if people speak negatively about the way you do things? What if you get in over your head?

Sure, you could fail and you wouldn't be the first. But it's more likely that you will learn a lot about yourself, about Lions, about working with others and about how to succeed. The benefits of taking yourself outside of your comfort zone will likely outweigh any negative experience you encounter.

One thing I've found invaluable about Lions is that you have a lot of help available to you. Leaders and past leaders at every level, manuals to help guide you, training courses for your position, leadership training classes, mentors and online resources will help to ensure that you can do the job.

"The biggest way to impact an organization is to focus on leadership development. There is almost no limit to the potential of an organization that recruits good people, raises them up as leaders and continually develops them." John Maxwell

## 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 20, 2014. 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 and the District Cabinet Secretary. If you have any questions, please contact the Nominations Chair who is listed below.

## Nomination Procedures

Any qualified member of a club in the district seeking the office of District Governor, 1st Vice-District or 2nd Vice-District Governor shall file his/her intention to so run in writing with the Nominating Committee at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening session (March 21, 2014) of the District Convention, with copies to the Cabinet Secretary and furnish evidence of his/her compliance with the qualifications for said office set out in the International Constitution and Bylaws. The Nominating Committee shall place in nomination at the district convention the name(s) of all candidate(s) so qualified. If none are so received and/or so qualified, then, but then only, nominations for the office may be made from the floor. A candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration.

Nominations for the office of Trustee of the Foundation shall be written and shall be certified by the President or Secretary of the Nominee's Lions Club as being the act of a majority of the members of the Club, and shall be filed with the District Nominations Committee Chairperson not less than (60) days prior to the convening date of the District Convention (March 21, 2014). The procedure and rules for nominating and electing a trustee of the foundation shall be the same as for District officers, which are indicated in Article 1 of these By-Laws.

## District Convention 2014

(Sneak Peak)

March 21st - 23rd, 2014 @ Holland, Mi - Double Tree by Hilton Hotel

**International Speaker:** Past International President Sid Scruggs

**Room rates:** \$75.00 plus tax, per night. **Meal cost:** \$82.00 per person, which includes Fri. night, Sat. breakfast, Sat. lunch, Sat. banquet, & Sunday breakfast. (You can attend all meals or you can pick and chose which meals you would like to attend and the price will adjust accordingly.)

Friday night, the theme will be **Sports** and after our meal, we will have a fun night with games and prizes. If you have any game suggestions, please contact Lion Jerry Brandt or D.G. Tim Anderson.

We will have four breakout sessions on Saturday morning. Two breakout sessions will run concurrently and will be 45 - 50 minute sessions. To date we are planning on one session on diabetes - PIP Sid Scruggs and one on protocol, and we are open to ideas on the other one sessions.

We will have a parade of banners during our Saturday lunch. ( It would be nice if all Lions & Lioness Clubs would bring their banners.)

There will be introduction of all Past District Governors (Parade of Penguins) and the International Guest before the Saturday night banquet.

We'll be having the famous, Admiral Harry Johnson, boat races on Saturday afternoon. (Kits go on sale soon).

There should be lots of Lions FUN and information shared and if all goes well we may even get to see our District Governor take a pie to his face at some point during the weekend.

District Convention Chairman Lion Jerry Brandt PDG



# *Manistee County Lions Christmas Party*

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**5:00 PM Social Hour**  
BYOB—Please Drink Responsibly

**6:00 PM Pot Luck Dinner**

**Kaleva Lions are providing Ham, Turkey, and Mashed Potatoes.  
Please bring a dish to pass.**

**\$5.00 per person**

**Country Music with Dan and Dave**

**Big Bear Sportsman's Club  
8927 Puustinen Rd  
Kaleva, MI 49645**

**At the corner of 9 Mile and Puustinen Roads**

**RSVP Lion Carl 864 2396**



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