



## Lions of Michigan

June 2014

# District 11-E1 Newsletter

New Members

+203

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## From the Governor

Greetings Fellow Lions

June...nah can't be not already where has the year gone? Recently a membership representative from LCI contacted me, they wanted me to know that as of July 1<sup>st</sup> 2013 our district had dropped to one of the

bottom 50 in the country when it came to growth, but as of the end of April 2014 just 10 months later we are in the top 1% in the world in growth.

They wanted me to know this so I could be proud of the work I put in this year as District Governor. I thanked the lady for this information and told her the pride the praise belongs to my district they accomplished this they are who and what I am proud of!

It's been an honor serving as your District Governor over this past year, having the chance to visit and spend time with EVERY club hearing about what you do and how you serve also watching you grow, merge, and begin. Remember YOU make a difference and together we can change our part of the world for the better!

DGE Pete and his team are in place, a team that I as IPDG will be a part of so continue your good work, serve your communities and we are here if you need us. My open door policy remains, call or contact me anytime, this year may be over but my commitment to you and our district will always continue!

The number at the top of the page is at 203, a number that's almost unbelievable and a testament to your dedication to service! We are only 6 members away from reaching our new goal of 209 and with 1 month left I KNOW we can do this! Go Lions!

DG Lion Tim Anderson  
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**"Follow Your Dreams" (209)**



Tim Anderson



*CATCH YOUR DREAMS!*

### *“Unsung Heroes”*

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



On May 6<sup>th</sup> I spent some time with the **Midland Lions Club**, after visiting with some old friends and making a few new ones, after the pledge, prayer and a song we sat down for dinner.

Once dinner was finished I was granted the 5 minutes I'd asked for to briefly speak to the club. I started out by thanking them for having me as their guest, I then spoke about our year so far and how we have added not only new members but new clubs as well.

They started to clap and congratulate me but I stopped them telling them it was all of them all of our clubs that deserve the applause not me, they'd accomplished all this, all I did was help guide the way.

I also spoke about my travels the many clubs I have visited over the last 3 years and all the proud hard working Lions I have seen, I explained to them what I have been doing, what I've done 41 times already I wanted to honor one of them.

I asked **Lion Doug Ward** to please stand and join me and I named him the "Unsung Hero" of the Midland Lions Club. As Lion Doug briefly walked towards me (we had been sitting at the same table) I extended my hand and shook his as applause broke out in the room.

I reached into my shirt pocket and fished out his pin sharing with all that since I was a pin guy when I decided to start doing all this I designed a very special pin. Producing it I showed the club and then Lion Doug, then I read the pin out loud and told how rare it was only 1 being given out at each club in our district.

Lion Doug took the pin thanked me and turned to return to his seat but I stopped him telling him we weren't done just yet. I then held out his certificate showing him and then the room before reading it aloud.

At this point I presented the certificate and as cameras came out we stopped to pose for a picture or two. Afterwards I patted him on his back shook his hand once more and clearly and loudly "Thanked" him for all he does for his club and community. At which point I said "ok now you can return to your seat".

**Congratulations** Lion Doug Ward on being named the Midland Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!



During their May 13<sup>th</sup> lunch meeting I paid a visit to the **Crossroads Lions Club**. I was there for one reason and one reason only well other than saying hello to everyone and that was to honor one of their members.

This club being new I was pretty sure not many if any of them have been reading our district newsletter just yet but still thought a few might have seen what was about to happen once or twice on Facebook. I explained what I have been doing.

I shared with the members about the hard workers found at all clubs even this one being new had such Lions. I asked **Lion Katie Vincent** to stand and I named her the Crossroads Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"! Lion Katie got up and walked around to me as I reached out my hand to greet her.

I held out her new pin explaining to her about the connection some Lions have with pins and how few of these particular pins there are. She thanked me and turned to return to her seat as I stopped her I told her not just yet there's more. I then held out her certificate reading it aloud for all to hear and then presented it to her as pictures were taken.

Again she thanked me and turned towards her seat and again I stopped her telling her just a few more things. I patted her on her back shook her hand once more and clearly and loudly "Thanked" her smiled then told her now we are done. At which point she thanked me once more and returned to her seat.

**Congratulations** Lion Katie Vincent on being named the Crossroads Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!



At their May 14<sup>th</sup> afternoon meeting I spent some time with the **Howard City Lions Club**. Besides the GREAT DG Gift they gave me (a new member to induct) I was given a few minutes to speak.

After catching them up on how our district is doing and catching them up on my travels I spoke with them about the great Lions that can be found within all our clubs and how I was honoring them this year.

At this point I ask **Lion Paul Refhus** to join me and named him the "Unsung Hero" of the Howard City Lions Club. His fellow Lions cheered & clapped for him as he walked around to my side of the table.

I reached out my hand to meet his shaking and thanking him for all he does for not only his club but also for his community. I then held out his new pin showing the room and reading it aloud as I turned to show and present it to him. Taking time to explain how few of these are being given out this year and telling him to wear it with pride.

I then held out the matching certificate also reading it aloud and as I handed it to Lion Paul we paused a moment or two for pictures. Once the cameras were put away I patted him on his back, shook his hand once more and clearly and loudly so all in the room could hear I "Thanked" him one more time.

**Congratulations** Lion Paul Rehfus on being named the Howard City Lions "Unsung Hero"!



On May 28<sup>th</sup> while visiting with the **Northport Lions Club** I had the chance to meet several of their new members, enjoy a fantastic pot-luck dinner and honor a few Lions and the club for their growth this year.

I passed out 5 Michigan Safari Pins to members who brought in their 1<sup>st</sup> new lion F.Y.I. the club grew by 8 new members and lost NONE this year. I recognized the club for this growth as I have for others by giving them a certificate of growth and a District Governors Appreciation Medal for their banner.

I spoke about our districts growth in membership and new clubs and filled them in on the hard workers I've noticed at each club over the past few years as I traveled around. These "Unsung Heroes" are the back bone, the heart and soul of our clubs and how I was honoring one such person at each club during my visits this year.

At this point I ask **Lion Dick Koenig** to please come forward because I was naming him the Northport Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"! Now Lion Dick stood as his club began clapping and congratulating him. He came around to meet me and as I reached out to shake his hand cameras come out and the Kodak moments started.

After the pictures and shaking hands I held out Lion Dicks pin explaining to all how few there were and how special it was to receive one. Next I took out the matching certificate and read it aloud for all to hear, as I was presenting it cameras came out again and the applause once again filled the room.

Lion Dick smiled proudly as I patted him on his back and while shaking his hand one last time clearly and loudly "Thanked" him for all he does.

**Congratulations** Lion Dick Koenig on being named the Northport Lions Clubs "Unsung Hero"!





**Pete Conarty**

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

Greetings Lions,

Great news! Our District Governor Tim Anderson has been elected Global Membership Team Coordinator for Lions Multiple District 11.

He will be working with ALL the Lions Districts in the state on membership starting in July. Congratulations DG Tim!

We had outstanding participation in our Zone/Training for new and continuing club officers for 2014 -15. Thank you to all the Zone Chairs, officers, and club members that attended these meetings.

A special thanks to our Training Team, who prepared and travelled to our Zone sites to do the training – Lions Kerry McGinley, Karla Roebuck, Pam Schroeder, Bill Simpson, Doug Ward, and our GLT Leader Dick Perrin.

We are in the process of completing our District Directory for 2014-15. If you have any last minute changes in officers, meeting locations, dates or times, please notify our PDG John Monahan at [john.monahan@cmich.edu](mailto:john.monahan@cmich.edu).

Lion John is chairing the district directory and must receive your information immediately, so that we can meet our deadline. We are busy putting the finishing touches on plans and goals for next year and looking forward to working with all of you.

Thank you for a great year!

Lion Pete Conarty, DGE

### CALENDAR

**2013-2014**

**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**

Lion Friends

Mike continues to grow stronger but has not progressed much physically over the last 3 months. They have told me there is nothing else they can do for him where he is at now so because of this they are sending him home.

Mentally he is back to his old self but his body and his brain just don't want to work together. He is still unable to swallow, still has limited mobility with one arm and one side of his face, he is able to walk a short distance with the aid of a walker but he still is unable to speak without a trach.

It is because of these limitations we are meeting with District Governor Tim to discuss Mike stepping down as 1st Vice District Governor Elect. We Mike and I honestly don't know if he will be able to fulfill his obligation in his current condition.

Mike loves Lions and was looking forward to "Serving" as your Governor next year but we feel it might be best for everyone if for now he steps aside. We will have our final decision after meeting with DG Tim and I'm sure he will let you all know the outcome then.

You never know what life will throw in your way, what unexpected thing might happen or come up but we can only go on live and pray and thank god for each day we have together.

GOD BLESS

And as Mike always says ~ LET the LIONS ROAR

Sue 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"

**Club  
Anniversaries**

**June**

**BARRYTON LIONS**

Chartered  
06/08/1977  
37 YEARS

**LAKEVIEW LIONS**

Chartered  
06/08/1959  
55 YEARS



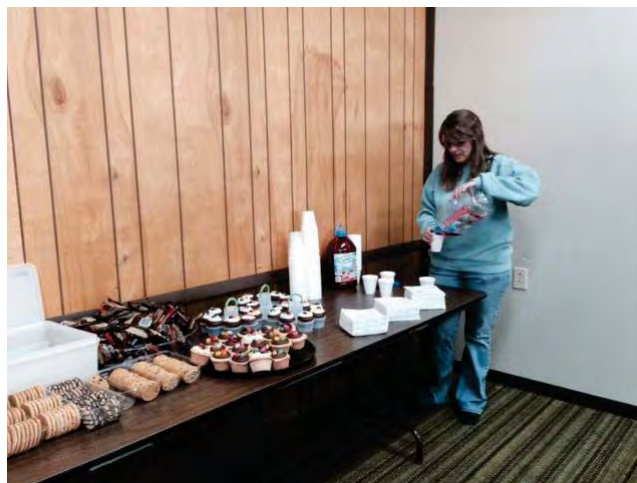
# DISTRICT 11E1 ROARS

## Baldwin Lions

On April 12<sup>th</sup> members of the Baldwin Lions Club were busy hiding over 700 candy filled eggs at the Pleasant Plains Township Hall.

Many children enjoyed the Spring crafts and the coloring contest while awaiting the community Easter Egg Hunt, co-sponsored with the Pleasant Plains Township officials.

Several dozen children enjoyed the search for hidden eggs, both large and small and yes the BIG Egg was found! There were plenty of refreshments for kids and parents alike to enjoy!



## Big Rapids Lions



PDG Lion Bob Stevens Passes

The Big Rapids Lions Club has lost one of its longest serving Lions. PDG Bob Stevens passed away on May 7, 2014. PDG Bob joined Lions in April of 1959 and served 55 years as a Lion. He was district governor in District 11-A2 in 1976-1977. PDG Bob joined the Big Rapids Lions club in 1989. In addition to being an active member of the Big Rapids Lions, PDG Lion Bob was also active in many organizations in Big Rapids.

Upcoming activities for the Big Rapids Lions include running the concessions stand at the Pioneer Track Meet at Ferris and we will have a booth in the local farmers market in downtown Big Rapids on June 20<sup>th</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup>. We will hold a KidSight Eye screening on both of those dates.



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

Children's Hospital of Michigan

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Children's Hospital  
of Michigan

## *Project KidSight*



**"Serving Today's Youth for Tomorrow's Future"**

Lions Children Photo **Screening** Program

District 11E1



## Cadillac Lions

The Cadillac Lions newest Fundraiser Binocular Viewers were placed the week of May 19th, one which is ADA Handicap accessible is on Lake Cadillac along the walkway just down from the Pavilion and a 2nd one is on Lake Mitchell at the mouth of the canal. All monies raised will go back out to the community to help with vision needs.

Special THANKS goes out to the Arcadia Lions Club who has had this fundraiser for some time!  
Go Cadillac Lions!



### ***"Did You Know"***

Which 11E1 District Governor celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday during their year in office?



## Coleman Leo's

### Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up



Coleman Lions Club and STAR Leos teamed together on May 5th to clean a stretch of US 10 as part of the Adopt-A-Highway program. The four Coleman High students and 5 adults worked 2 hours and collected about 25 bags of trash. The clean-up was followed by a pizza party at the school.

Pictured: Back Row: Amy Doherty, Leo Advisor, Del Bressette, Jacob Adams & Curt Gordon. Front Row: Ann Roeseler, Kyle Dobschensky, Sammi Adsit, Al Roeseler & Jerry Lewis, project chairperson

### STAR Awards Night



Pictured: Kateri Whitcomb, Del Bressette, Karen Bertodatto, Kyle Dobschensky, Jacob Adams & Leo advisor, Amy Doherty

STAR Leo Club members and their parents were honored guests of Coleman Lions Club on May 5, 2014. Four families were able to attend the event. Following a pot luck supper, students Jacob Adams, Del Dressette, Kyle Dobschensky and Kateri Whitcomb all received special certificates for their participation in STAR this year.

STAR Leo advisor Amy Doherty received a certificate recognizing her outstanding work with the students. This was her first year advising the group. Special guest, Karen Bertodatto, who advised the group for 14 years until her retirement last year, also attended the meeting. Lions Clubs International awarded STAR Leos for their 15 years of service to their community.

Coleman Lions Club enjoys teaming with the youth on several community projects and looks forward to more opportunities in the future.

## Crossroads Lions



The Crossroads Lions Club thanks everyone who attended the recent Chili Cook-off! It was a good first event. Nine restaurants entered their chili and the entry from H and D Chuck Wagon restaurant was the winner. 27 pairs of glasses were collected and about 60 people came to the event. We raised \$305 which will help the club provide eye exams and new pairs of glasses. Thanks again to everyone that volunteered their time and money on Saturday.

Lion Ron Gibson from Fremont presented a program about the Lions of Michigan Foundation at a recent club meeting.

In August the club will hold a Project KidSight Eye screening at the Reed City Crossroads Festival.



Club treasurer Chad Saxton and club president Dan Lee stand by the new club banner. Thanks everyone for helping us get this!

NOTE: The location of the second meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month will be held at The Depot at 200 North Chestnut in Reed City. The meeting time is 7:00 p.m.



## Empire Lions

The Empire Lions Club Kazoo Band is led by Lions (left to right) Bob Quinn and Tom Rademacher at the Empire Asparagus Festival on May 18.



Working the hot grills at the annual Empire Lions Club Pancake Fiest on April 27 are Lions (front to rear) Roger Merillat, Claude Fields, Tom Rademacher, and Bill Banish.

## Honor Lions

Honor is about half way through their Lucky 13 raffles tickets and all is going well, we have had different winners for each one so far.

We just handed out our scholarship for this year to Benzie senior Nichole Smith. She will be going to Grand Valley in the Fall Nichole has had a very difficult year, her Father passed away earlier this school year, her Mother has not been in her life in quite some time yet she managed to work, be the caregiver for her sick father, and carried a good grade average to be accepted to college and complete her school year we wish her much success in her continued effort to make something of herself in spite of her numerous setbacks!!!

We have got things lined up for a craft show in June and our rummage sale at end of June , secured our spot for Fourth of July in Beulah, and for the Coho festival in August, and on top of all that we will be doing a Michigan Eye Bank donor station at the Frankfort craft and car show.

We will again this year also be helping with the Arthritis Walk in Traverse City signing in walkers handing out shirts, giving out water to walkers etc. this is the second year we have been invited to help with the walk. Hope everyone is enjoying the spring and have a great summer.

## Lakeview Lions

The Lakeview Lions Club are selling tickets for a BBQ grill and Lawn chairs, the drawing will be on May 31st during the Bill Wales Memorial Golf Outing at Brookside Golf Course in Gowen.

The Lions will be having Brat Sales at Leppinks in Lakeview on these Wednesdays, May 21st, June 18th, July 2nd, July 23rd, August 13th, August 27th, and September 17th.

On June 25th the Lions are having a picnic at Lakeside Park in Lakeview. This will be our Installation for our new officers and any new members we may have. District Governor Lion Tim Anderson will do the installing. We ask Lions to bring a dish to pass and a friend who may be a potential new member. This is our Lions club Friends and Family gathering as it was too cold in April.

## Lake Ann Lions



Lion Tricia Lewis was recently recognized and awarded the 4th highest award that is given out by Lions an International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation for her work within Lions at both the club and district level.

Lion Tricia is our districts Lions of Michigan All State Band Chairperson and has done an Excellent job working towards and helping the band kids of our district take part in this GREAT group and for some the once in a lifetime adventure of attending and performing at the International Convention in July.

She is also her clubs president and along with her husband event chairperson for their clubs biggest yearly fundraiser. She gives 100% to whatever she does and with her drive and attention to details can accomplish anything she puts her mind to. Congratulations Lion Tricia!

## Luther Lions



At our May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting Lion Edye McCarty was presented a Ken Lautzenheiser Fellow by the District Governor for her dedication and work with the youth of our District.

Lion Edye is our District Youth Exchange Chairperson and has done an excellent job promoting and working to help young people from within our area to have the chance to see the world.

Congratulations Lion Edye you make our District and your club proud!

### *In Memory*

#### **LION ALFRED JOHNSON**

Bear Lake Lions Club

#### **LION ROBERT STEVENS**

Big Rapids Lions Club

#### **LION JOHN LANHAM**

Cedar/Maple City Lions Clubs

#### **LION JOHN EINODSHOFER**

Empire Lions Club

#### **LION JOSEPH DASCOLA**

Greenville Lions Club

#### **LION JOHN BOKACH**

Six Lakes Lions Club

**You are all missed!**

(Names will be shared as they get reported to LCI)



## Mesick Lions



### **55th Annual Mesick Lions Mushroom Festival**

The Mesick Lions were truly blessed in so many ways this year! Mother Nature gave us the most glorious weather and the mushrooms were at their peak growing time! Our small village of Mesick was bursting at the seams with family, friends and visitors ... it really was an amazing weekend!

It was an honor and a pleasure to have our District Governor Lion Tim Anderson and his beautiful ladies, his wife Lion Christina and daughter, Lion Cub Rachael as our Grand Marshalls.

As the festival chairperson - I would like to publicly say Thank-you to all the Mesick Lions members that helped make this year's festival one of the best festivals that we have ever had!! It takes a great team to pull something like this together -- and, we all did a fantastic job!!!

Check-out our website: [www.mesick-mushroomfest.org](http://www.mesick-mushroomfest.org) and see all the fun you missed out on! Mark your calendars for next year's festival -- ALWAYS Mother's Day weekend!!

### **5th Annual Mesick Lions Golf Outing**

We will be hosting our 5th Annual Golf Outing on Sunday, July 20, 2014. The Briar Golf Course in Mesick - starting at 9:00 am with a shotgun start. \$50.00 per person with a 4-person team.

This includes: 18 holes of golf with a cart and a steak dinner. We have been working very hard to collect terrific prizes for our raffle: Rounds of Golf have been donated from: Crystal Mountain Resort; Cadillac Country Club; McGuire's of Cadillac; Elmbrook in Traverse City; Caberfae Peaks; Missaukee Golf Club; Lakewood on the Green; and Mistwood in Lake Ann. We also have: Canoe trips down the Manistee River; \$25.00 gift certificate from Burke's Waterfront Restaurant, Outback Steakhouse, Cadillac Ponderosa, Boone's Long Lake Inn and, we are still collecting!!!!

If we get enough Lions teams ... we would like to start a Lions Challenge!!!  
Call and Reserve Your Team Today at 231.885.1220



## Congratulations

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

### MICHIGAN SAFARI PIN

HOWARD CITY  
Lion Richard Pease

MANISTEE  
Lion Richard Veine  
Lion John Mencarelli

MOUNT PLEASANT  
Lion David Ebbinghaus

SHERIDAN  
Lion Richard Langin

SIX LAKES  
Lion Laura Hallock

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

## ***WAY TO GROW LIONS!***

### **Is Your Club Ready to Achieve Excellence?**

The Club Excellence Process (CEP) provides you with tools to strengthen your service projects, improve your club's effectiveness and enhance its membership experience. So far this year, over 5,000 clubs have registered for CEP in order to energize their skills in service, communication, leadership development, membership and satisfaction.

You can register to begin the CEP program online by going to <http://www.lionsclubs.org> and entering CEP in the search box in the upper-right corner of the page.

For more information contact PDG Lion Dick Perrin (email: [perrinr@hotmail.com](mailto:perrinr@hotmail.com).) or PDG Lion John Monahan (email: [john.monahan@cmich.edu](mailto:john.monahan@cmich.edu))





## Welcome New Lions!

### BEAR LAKE

Lion Irwin Hyrns

### HOWARD CITY

Lion Sharron Follett

### MANISTEE

Lion Marianne Blair  
Lion Thomas Blair

### MOUNT PLEASANT

Lion Diyonn Fahlman

### SIX LAKES

Lion Michael Robinson

### SHERIDAN

Lion Buddy Deacons  
Lion Jaya Lingam



From District 11E1 To Our 8 Newest Members

***WELCOME!***

+203

### ***"Did You Know"***

On June 11<sup>th</sup> 2014 our current DG Tim Anderson will celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY GOVERNOR TIM!**



Lions of Michigan District 11E1



1<sup>st</sup> Lady Christina & DG Tim Anderson

# Governors Appreciation Dinner

Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 PM

McGuire's Resort  
7880 Mackinaw Trail  
Cadillac, MI 49601

RSVP by August 10<sup>th</sup> to:  
Bill Taylor (231) 775-1487 or  
[billyt13@charter.net](mailto:billyt13@charter.net)

Cost \$13 per person  
(Cash Bar)

Make Checks payable to:  
Cadillac Lions Club and mail to  
Bill Taylor  
115 Cochrane Drive  
Cadillac, MI 49601



Join Us!

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## DG Tim's Appreciation Dinner RSVP

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$13.00 each Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Steak



Dinner

## From the District Editor

Please submit any and all stories or updates to Lion Deb Kreitner, our editor and let's try our best to help reach Lion Deb's goal of have **EVERY** club in our district submit at least one story this year. Please do not send them to her cell phone, please use her e-mail; [debkreitner@charter.net](mailto:debkreitner@charter.net)

So let's hear about your club and what it's been up to! Let's hear about your members your raffles or fundraisers or upcoming events. Lions Lets **ROAR!** Send stories and pictures.

Also, please remember all State "Lions Pride" newsletter stories **MUST** be submitted through our district Editor, **NOTHING** sent directly to the state will be make it into their newsletter it must be submitted to our editor first.

## PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS and CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

Holding elections is step one in planning for next year. Step two is to make sure your new officers attend our district officers training sessions in May. We don't do these sessions for our own entertainment, you know, we do them to help you. Even if your new officers are old officers, come anyway and share your expertise with the group. I can't think of a single good reason why there shouldn't be at least one officer or Lion from every single Club present at one session or another.

New officers, now is the time to get your new year started by planning your budget, thinking about your goals, and arranging for all your committee chairs. Don't wait until your Club starts to meet in July. If your Club doesn't meet during the summer, get these tasks in order now so you don't waste part of your new leadership year on such matters. Start out ready to go, not starting to think about commencing to begin planning.

This current year's officers should also plan for next year by making sure two things happen by June 30th. First, make sure your Club Secretary has submitted all the monthly reports. Not everybody does, which may explain the sometimes nasty notes from LCI that show up in the governor's mail. Also, make sure your club's bills from LCI are paid.

Next, your current officers and your 2014-2015 officers should meet to discuss your Club's goals for next year. If you are this year's President and next year's President both, you can have a nice long chat with yourself. Just make sure other people can't hear you. In many Clubs, the same fundraisers and projects happen each year but now is the time to plan for changes. If something's not working well, make plans now to fix it or dump it.

Don't wait until next year when it becomes desperation time. Don't be like me, the guy who waits until there are only 72 more shopping hours until Christmas to make my selections, even though I know better.



# ACHIEVE CLUB EXCELLENCE WITH CEP!

Building a successful Lions club is a process, and it begins with the **Club Excellence Process (CEP)**.

CEP is a fun, interactive workshop that brings members together to talk about what your club is today and what it will be tomorrow. It gives your club the tools to energize your service, enhance member satisfaction and set goals to keep your club on track for continued growth and success.

## CEP is now available in two versions!



### CEP Pro

For clubs that want a trained Lion facilitator to guide club members through the process.



### CEP Lite

For clubs that prefer to have a club member lead the process.

### Here's what you'll accomplish in a CEP Pro or CEP Lite workshop:

#### STEP 1: Assess Your Club and Your Community

- ✓ Celebrate your club's accomplishments and discuss what it can accomplish in the future
- ✓ Identify unmet community needs and plan a *Community Needs Assessment*

#### STEP 2: Making an Excellent Club

- ✓ Complete the *How Are Your Ratings?* survey and identify ways to improve club effectiveness
- ✓ Define club excellence and potential obstacles to achieving it

#### STEP 3: Determining Club Needs

- ✓ Review the *Community Needs Assessment* and what it means for your service projects
- ✓ Align your club experience with member expectations and find new resources for success

#### STEP 4: Setting Goals for the Future

- ✓ Set goals that will position your club for success
- ✓ Create action plans that will keep your club on track for success

CEP materials can be downloaded for FREE or printed materials may be ordered for a small fee during registration.

Ready to bring the power of CEP to your club?

Choose the version that's right for you and register today!

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### **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

The importance of new member orientation cannot be emphasized enough. Imagine belonging to an organization and having only a vague idea of its goals, programs, history or traditions. Would you feel like you belonged? Would you be motivated and committed to help the organization reach its goals? Of course not! You'd likely be wondering why you joined the organization at all.

The information presented during orientation provides a foundation for new members. It helps them understand how the club functions, what their role will be and gives them the big picture of their district and the association. When new members are properly informed, they are more likely to feel comfortable with the club and become actively involved in club activities and remain in Lions for years. The following checklist can be used as a guide as you orient new members into your club.

### **ORIENTATION CHECKLIST**

#### **Knowledge of your Club**

- History
- Organizational structure
- Traditions
- Elections
- Awards
- Service and fund raising activities
- Membership
- Meetings
- Dues
- Budgets
- Communications

#### **Knowledge of your District and Multiple District**

- Organizational structure
- Convention
- Communications

#### **Knowledge of Lions Clubs International**

- Who Lions are
- History
- Origin of the name "Lions"
- Logo
- Organizational structure
- International Constitution and By-Laws
- International Convention
- International Headquarters
- Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)
- Leadership
- Service activities
- Membership development
- Communications

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From the Anderson's



From my family to all of you we just wanted to say

**THANK YOU**

For allowing us to serve and be a part of all your lives for the past year, it's been an honor being your District Governor.

My family grew this year with each visit with each new Lion we met and our lives will never be the same.

Bless you all and remember "We Serve!"

**GO LIONS!**