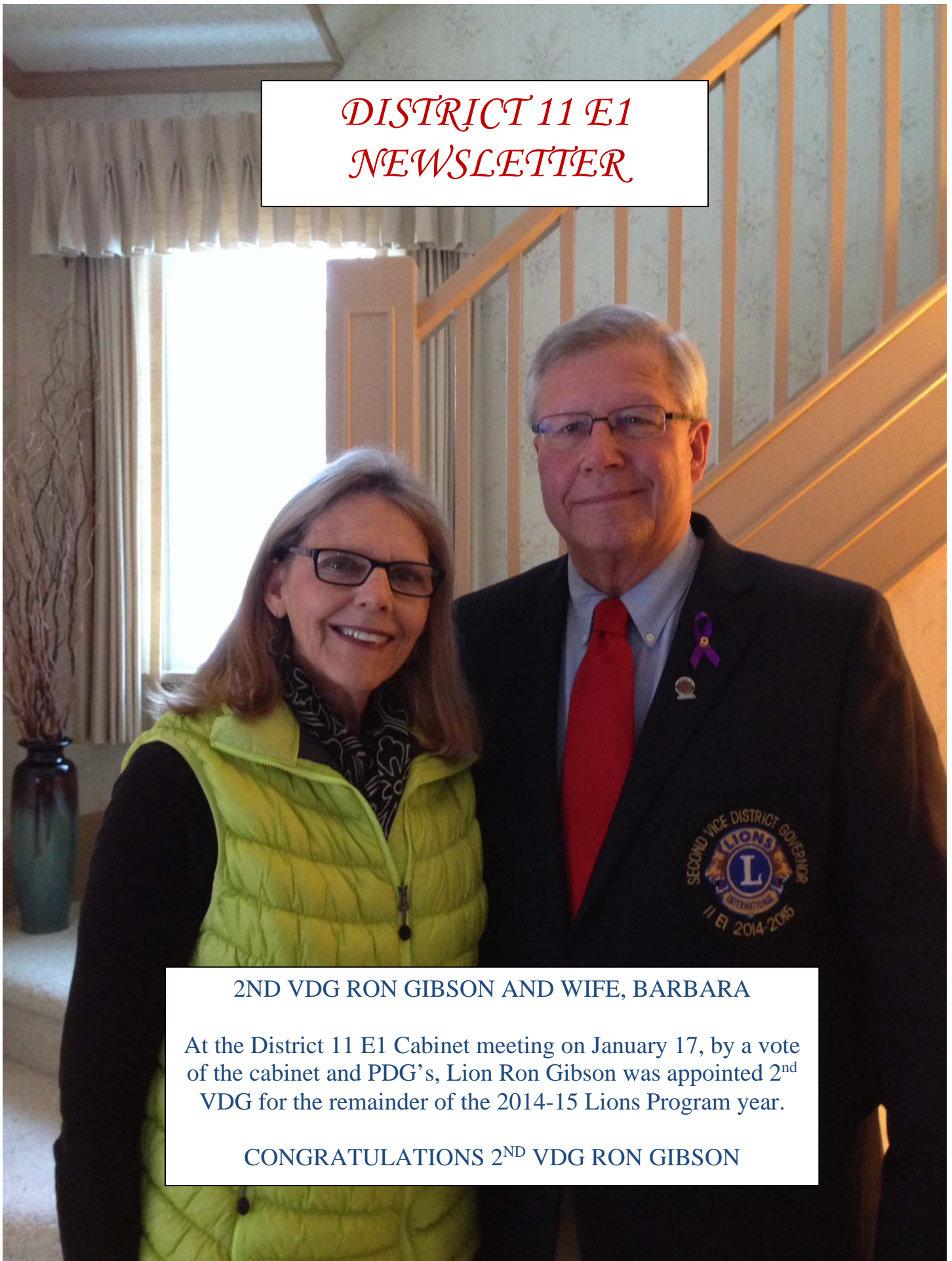


*DISTRICT 11 E1
NEWSLETTER*



2ND VDG RON GIBSON AND WIFE, BARBARA

At the District 11 E1 Cabinet meeting on January 17, by a vote of the cabinet and PDG's, Lion Ron Gibson was appointed 2nd VDG for the remainder of the 2014-15 Lions Program year.

CONGRATULATIONS 2ND VDG RON GIBSON



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FEBRUARY 2015

**NEW MEMBERS
58
GOAL 130**

*DISTRICT
CONVENTION ISSUE*

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S
MESSAGE**

CABINET OFFICERS

District Governor
Pete Conarty
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Midland, MI 48642
mlpjc@sbcglobal.net

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Onkama, MI 49675
dgibbons4870@charter.net

2nd VDG / Cabinet Secretary
Ron Gibson
16 E Pine Street
Fremont, MI 49412
Ronald.gibson47@icloud.com

Cabinet Treasurer
Kay Brandt
3121 Dale Street
Harrison, MI 48625
jbkb@ispmgt.c



DG Pete and First Lady Mary Lou



Check out our membership numbers at the top. We are almost at fifty percent of our goal with 5 more months to go – fantastic! Luther Lions lead in the Governor’s Challenge with 6 new members. “Just Ask!”, “Be Bold Be A Lion”, “Ask One” are all good slogans to encourage us and they work.

We just lost a giant among Lions, PDG Wayne Kreitner. His theme was make Lions fun and interesting. He was a dedicated Lion with the Leadership qualities to make Lionism work. Lion Wayne is responsible for my entry into District leadership. He called and ASKED me to be a Zone Chair and then the GMT for District 11 E1. I had been an active Lion for 25 years and no one had encouraged me to move forward until Lion Wayne stepped forward and ASKED. He will be missed.

This newsletter has a lot of material in it about our District Convention on March 27, 28, and 29, in Traverse City. It will be a great time and the Park Place Hotel is giving us fabulous rates. Don’t miss out on the fun and the opportunity to bond with new Lions. Come up early on Friday and enjoy the sights and sounds of the area. End your day at the Governor’s Reception and meet the candidates for office in the Hospitality rooms. We have 5 candidates for office and some constitutional changes to vote on. It is great to have two strong candidates, Bill Koch and Peg Walls running for 2nd VDG. Both candidates have excelled as President of their clubs and as Zone Chairs.

Congratulations and Welcome to our new 2nd VDG Ron Gibson! Ron is our District Secretary this year and has helped us with many jobs in the absence of a 2nd VDG. His vision and initiative will serve this District well.

The Michigan Forum is February 28, at the Causeway Bay Hotel in Lansing. Registration details are in your Lions Pride. There is something for everyone at the Forum. Plan to attend this one day session. “Lions Make A Difference” encourage others to be Lions.
DG Pete

AWARDS



Greenville Lion
Bo Stephenson –
Friendship Award.
Unsung Hero Award –
Roger Wilson.



*Remus Lions Club
Unsung Hero – Bob Ruetz*

*Friendship Award
V. Allen McCall*



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1ST VDG PAM SCHROEDER'S MESSAGE



1st VDG Pam and PDG Dan

I am filling my positions for the coming Lions year. If you want to be a committee chair, give me a call and we will work with you to fulfill your Lions ambitions. Take a look at the roster book, your president and secretary should have one, to see what we have to offer. We need people for all positions and for many of them I would like to have co-chairs.

The District Convention will be here soon, it is the 27th – 29th of March. We will be in Traverse City with our own Pinewood Derby. We would like to remind you of the silent auction, and ask clubs to send an item or two as this helps to keep the cost of the convention down. It will be an exciting event as we have two candidates for 2nd Vice District Governor. Lion Bill Koch and Lion Peggy Walls have both indicated they would like to fill this position. You will be hearing from the candidates in the near future.

Lion Pam
1st Vice District Governor



LCI'S Melvin Jones Birthday was January 13. The District cabinet celebrated his birthday with a cake.

**THE NICEST THING ABOUT THE
FUTURE IS THAT IT ALWAYS
STARTS TOMORROW!**



Onekama Lions
Onekama Lions had a pancake breakfast and silent auction fundraiser for Lion Rose Ann Mauer to help her purchase a new handicap van. Lion President Frank English is presenting Lion Rose with a check for \$8,759. Lion Rose Ann was injured and became a quadriplegic in 1963, prior to graduating from Nursing School. Sherry Anderson – Silent Auction chair and Darla Alexander – Chair of the “A Van for Annie” were part of the presentation .

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AWARDS



Mt. Pleasant Lions Club
Friendship Award
John Scheide

Unsung Hero Award
John Schimmelmann



Edmore Lions
Unsung Hero Award
Erv Moore

Friendship Award
Rich Adgate



IPDG Tim Anderson receives the
Excellence Award for District
Governor 2013-14

Below - Peg Walls, Stanwood
and Bill Koch, White Cloud
receive Excellence Awards for
Club President for the 2013-14
year.



GREENVILLE LIONS
Gov. Pete inducts new Lion
Jeff Willhelm with sponsor Lion
Don Veitengruber

CROSSROADS LIONS CLUB *Chile Cook Off*

Saturday, March 14, 2015
2-4 p.m. at the Reed City Depot

- Bake Sale and Raffle Drawing.
- Local restaurants showcasing their best chili recipes.
- Admission \$5.00 or old pair of prescription glasses.
- Additional funds to vote for your favorite chili.
- Fundraiser supports eye exams and prescription lens for people in our community.

LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Reported by District Chairs
Pam Blizzard and Ron Sharp
Progress is being made on the
building of the new Canine
Development Center. The
walls are going up and the
underground plumbing is
completed. The project is on
goal to be completed in 18-20
months. Phase two,
demolishing and rebuilding the
advance training bay will start
in mid-February. Activities
planned for the month include
pouring some of the floors and
delivery of steel roof trusses.
Fundraising will continue
through 2015. Contact Lions
Pam and Ron for a visit to your
club. Ron –
Rasharp@sbcglobal.net, Pam-
pamblizzard@cmsinter.net

March
CONVENTION
SILENT
AUCTION
Items



Bring your silent auction items to the convention. It's fun to bid and you help make money to subsidize the convention. Contact Chair Lion Jackie Glazier with questions or items.



PINE WOOD DERBY CARS
Roar your motors!!
Race your car or a club car. Kits can be obtained from the DG for \$5.00. This is not a fundraiser – just for fun.
Prizes \$50 -1st, \$25 - 2nd. March Convention –Sat. at 3:30 p.m. Come see the fun.



DISTRICT CONVENTION MATERIALS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES
Certification Form, Registration, Hotel Phone Number, Convention Menu, and Breakout Sessions

Let me introduce myself. I am your new 2nd VDG Ron Gibson. I was elected at the District Cabinet meeting on January 17. My wife, Barb and I live in Fremont. I have been a Lion since 2001. I am retired from the insurance industry and Barb is a retired special education teacher. We have 2 married children, a daughter who works for Hospice and a son in Sterling Heights, who works for the Department of Defense. They are expecting our first grandchild, in mid-February. I would love to visit your club and get to know you. Contact me at 231-924-0126 or 231-414-7581 or ronald.gibson@icloud.com. And we will arrange a visit, depending on the weather and the arrival of the first grandchild. In Service!
Lion Ron Gibson

DISTRICT 11 E1 CONVENTION CERTIFICATION FORM INFORMATION

The District 11 E1 Convention Certification form is on the next page of the newsletter.

Reminder to club secretaries

Send your list of delegates, alternates and Past District Governors, who will be attending the District Convention in Traverse City to Lion Janalee McClure before February 28, 2015. Past District Governors get a vote independent of the club delegates. List them at the end of your list of delegates and alternates. The number of delegates is based on your membership as of February 1, 2014. You get one (1) delegate for every ten (10) members or major fraction thereof.

AT THE CONVENTION, ALL DELEGATES MUST BE CERTIFIED BEFORE 12:00 P.M. (NOON) ON SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015 TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

Send certification forms to: Lion Janalee McClure
Box 177
Brohman, MI 49312

Email: janalee@riverview.net
Phone: 231-689-1321

DISTRICT 11-E1 DELEGATE CERTIFICATION FORM

CLUB NAME _____ **NUMBER OF MEMBERS** _____

ARTICLE XI SECTION 7 of the District 11-E1 Constitution and By-Laws so states that: Each chartered Club in good standing in Lions International and the District shall be represented by one or more delegates at the District Convention and shall be entitled in each such Convention to one (1) voting delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, of said Club as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding the month during which the Convention is held (Feb. 1, 2014) The major fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members. Further, full delegate Status shall be accorded each Past District Governor who is a member of a Club in this District, independent of the Club delegate quotas herein above specified. Each certified delegate present in person may cast one (1) vote for each office to be filled and one (1) vote only on each issue to be voted on by the members of said Convention. Unless otherwise specified herein, the affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates voting on any question shall be the act of the Convention.

| NAME Delegate or Alternate | DELEGATE (D), ALTERNATE (A) | SIGN AT CONVENTION |
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| PDG | | |
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I hereby certify that the delegates and alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and The Lions of Michigan.

_____ Club President/Secretary/ or District Governor at Convention

Remember: All delegates must be registered and certified before 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Saturday, March 28, 2015 or they will not be allowed to vote.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

Lion Janalee McClure
P.O. Box 177
Brohman, MI 49312

ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 2015



2013-14
CLUB PRESIDENT
EXCELLENCE
AWARDS

Wava Thomas –
Baldwin Lions

James Patterson –
Fremont Lions

James McClain –
Weidman Lions

Peg Walls –
Stanwood Lions

Bill Koch – White
Cloud Lions

2014-15
Presidential Zone
Chairperson Awards

Connie McMorris

Peg Walls

Janalee McClure

Lions C-1 & E-1 District Convention

March 27 – 29, 2015

Park Place Hotel/Traverse City

300 East State Street

Traverse City, MI 49684

231-946-5196

Fax: 231-941-9812

CONVENTION Menu

Friday Night Dinner Buffet (“Park” Pizza Parlor)

All buffets include coffee & tea service. No dessert

Fresh tossed Caesar salad

Park Place pasta salad

Fresh baked garlic toast

Penne marinara with mozzarella

An assortment of pizzas: cheese, pepperoni, vegetarian, margherita, potato, sausage, ham, pineapple and mushroom.

Cost: \$18.00

Saturday & Sunday Breakfast Buffet

Assorted fruit juices

Breakfast pastries & bagels

Scrambled eggs with cheese

Bacon – sausage – potatoes

Cost: \$14.00

Saturday Lunch (Plated)

Includes coffee & tea service.

A Tomato Tortilla Wrapped with blackened grilled chicken breast, romaine, parmesan, red onion, Caesar dressing and Monterey jack cheese. This is served with fresh fruit. Cookie.

Cost: \$15.00

Saturday Dinner (Plated)

Includes tossed salad with dressings, warm roll, vegetable medley and baked potato

Choice of three (3)

- Caribbean Rubbed Pork Loin with Mango & Mint Compote
- Broiled Great Lakes Whitefish with Tart Cherry Glaze
- Vegetarian Option: Ravioli with Wild Mushroom Cream (Ricotta, Mozzarella and Romano Cheese-filled Ravioli, tossed with a wild mushroom sauce) does not include a potato.

Dessert: Black Forest Torte

Cost: \$30.00

Total meal cost for the weekend = \$91.00

2013-14
ZONE CHAIRPERSON
ECELLENCE AWARDS

Connie McMorris – Honor
Lions

Bernie Baldwin –
Weidman Lions

Bill Koch – White Cloud
Lions

CONVENTION
HOTEL

Park Place Hotel
300 W. State St.
Traverse City

Place your room
reservation NOW!

Call 1-231-946-
5000

Tell them that you
are with the March
27-29 Lions

Convention to get
your special room
rate.

Ask for your
confirmation
number.

CONVENTION Program Time Schedule

Friday:

4:00 – C1 Cabinet Meeting – Visit by ID Kembra Smith, Courtyard Room 2

4:00 – E1 Cabinet Meeting – Visit by ID Kembra Smith, Courtyard Room 1

6:00 – Ballroom – Governor’s Reception

9:00 – Hospitality Rooms

Saturday:

8:00 - 9:30 Breakfast and program

9:45 – 10:30 First three Breakout Sessions

10:45 – 11:30 Second Breakout Sessions (three)

Computer Training: 9:30-11:30 a.m., 2:00 – 4:00 p. m.

11:30 – 12:00 Exhibits and Silent Auction time

12:15 -1:45 Lunch and Program

2:00 – Cabinet Meetings and Elections – Courtyard Rooms

Voting - Courtyard Rooms

3:30 – Pine Wood Derby, Ballroom

4:30 – Silent Auction ends - Pick up items!

6:00-6:30 – Receiving Line

6:30 – Banquet and Program

9:00 – Hospitality Rooms

Two Hospitality Rooms – Presidential Suite, 9th floor and room to be announced.

Sunday:

9:00 A.M. – Memorial Breakfast and Service



NEW MEMBERS

You do not pay a convention registration fee and your Saturday Convention lunch is free for joining Lions. To get these benefits, we ask that you volunteer to be inducted into Lions, in some cases a second time, at our convention induction ceremony on Saturday, March 28. ID Kembra Smith will induct you. Indicate New Lion on your registration form.



Zone Chair Peg Walls donating walking sticks – Stanwood Lions

Saturday Breakout Sessions

9:45 – 10:30 Session One

1. **EVERYTHING I LEARNED ABOUT LIONS – Lakes Room**
Meet Lion Kembra Smith, Lions International International Director. What's new at LCI, Ask your LCI Questions
2. **CLIMB ABOARD! TOUR WITH LEOS AND CAMPUS CLUB - Courtyard 2**
How to establish a Leo or Campus Club. What do they do? Leos/ college to Lions members.
Possible Presenters: Tom Hosford and Cheryl Anderson
3. **ICEBREAKERS – MELT YOUR CLUB THE FUN WAY, Courtyard 1**
Fun and easy activities to make your meetings come alive and be interesting.
Possible Presenter: Karen Routson?

10:45 -11:30 Session Two

1. **HEAR ME ROAR – Lakes Room**
Excite your community with new fundraisers/ special projects.
Presenter: Lion Bill Smith Decatur Georgia, spouse of ID Kembra Smith
2. **TAKE ME TO YOUR PRESIDENT – Courtyard 1**
Club/ District leadership opportunities, Communication Follow through, Membership. Questions invited?
Possible Presenter: Rock Wood
3. **SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA –Courtyard 2**
Keep me occupied. What's new? What to do? Sand Dunes?
Presenter: Convention Center Director

