



*DISTRICT
GOVERNOR
PEGGY WALLS
PDG JIM WALLS*

DISTRICT 11 E1

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER JULY 2017



*1ST VDG AL ROESELER
LION ANN*



*2 VDG JACKIE GLAZIER
LION STEVE*

GOVERNOR PEGGY WALLS MESSAGE

It is with excitement and expectations that I look forward to this coming year of celebrating our 100th year of service. Somewhere I just read that in order for great things to happen, one must have an idea and then not enough time. It is this last factor that we all share in our busy lives. We need to recall the idea of Lionism and its founder as a means of providing great service to our communities and then make that idea a priority so that the time we have allows us to accomplish the tasks. I look forward to working with each and every one of you as your clubs puts forth ideas and then completes them.

WELCOME NEW LIONS - JUNE 2017



350 NEW
LIONS
2017-18

Baldwin Lions: Dick Denney and Tamara Owens – Sponsor Joy Denney

Big Rapids: Scot Arndt – Sponsor Dave Hameland;

Christine Cook – Sponsor Dee Van Horn

Carson City: Kelly Decker, Mari Maltby, Doug Maltby, Ben Brock, Duane Lyons

Chippewa Lake/Mecosta: Stosh Benson, Karrylynn Sampson, Kris Maxon

Harrison: Bob Grignon - Sponsor Penny McGlaughlin

Midland: Jackson Hallett – Sponsor Mike Hoy; Daniel Laabs – Sponsor Pete

Conarty; Nicole Wardin – Sponsor Lori Shelby

Mt. Pleasant: Lorrin Barnbach, Sponsor Diane Fleming;

Northport: Tom & Linda Kalber, Sponsor Don Ramsdell; DonFrerichs , Sponsor Dick Lang

Governor's District 11 E1 Goals 2017-18

- 1. Membership growth -350 new members!**
- 2. Extension** - establish one new club and one new campus or branch club.
- 3. Education and Mentoring** - every club will actively recruit new members realizing the gift a Lions Club is to their community. Materials and web sites will be **provided sources for learning.**
- 4. Reporting to LCI – all clubs will realize the importance of and report membership** and activities monthly. Officers for the next year will be reported by June 1, 2018.
- 5. Communication** – The District Newsletter will be utilized to report up-coming activities. Club members will be encouraged to submit email addresses for more expedient communication.
- 6. Clubs will participate in District Fall Conference**



*Lion Mike Howard &
DG Ron Gibson*

MIKE HOWARD AWARD

The Mike Howard Spirit Award is a new District award, created to honor Lion Mike Howard of the Harrison Lions Club. Lion Mike was badly injured in an accident and unable to complete his duties as our 2nd Vice District Governor, three years ago. The award, which includes a certificate, and can include a Lions Centennial silver dollar, is given at the discretion of the District Governor. At the June 21, meeting of the Harrison Lions and Lioness club, DG Ron Gibson presented the Spirit Award and coin, to Lion Mike Howard. Lion Mike is getting out to meetings again and was installed as a club director. Congratulations Lion Mike and welcome back! PDG Ron



LIONS WORK SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN JUNE

Left to Right: Lion Steve Glazier, 2nd VDG Jackie Glazier, 1st VDG Al Roeseler, PDG Dan Gibbons, PDG Pam Schroeder

EYE GLASSES MISSION TRIP!

The next eye glass recycle day will be Saturday, July 8th, 9:00 am - noon, at the Luther Lions Den. Any Lion is welcome to come and see what happens to the glasses once they are deposited in the collection boxes. We still would like the clubs in 11 E-1 to donate their used glasses to this ongoing project! We hope to have a PICK UP location and date soon after the Chicago Convention. PDG HARRY JOHNSON



Pictured: Tait Morrissey, Lion Rick Horst - Big Rapids Lions Scholarship Committee and Amalia Weber.

Big Rapids Lions Honor Scholarship Winners

The Big Rapids Lions Club is fortunate to have a scholarship fund established by former Big Rapids School Superintendent Richard E. Donley. The Club is able to provide up to two \$1,000 scholarships each year to deserving seniors from the Big Rapids High School. The Club hosted the 2017 winners, Tait Morrissey and Amalia Weber, and their parents at a recent Club meeting. Tait will be attending Alma College in the fall with a pre-med major and Amalia will be attending Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music with a music education major. Club members enjoyed getting to know these students and their families.

THE FUTURE OF PEACE

Don't miss your club's opportunity to sponsor a student peace poster in the 30TH annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Last year's District winner is pictured to the left. The Future of Peace is this year's theme. Engage the 11-13 year olds in your District. You can enter one poster for every kit purchased for your schools. Showcase the talent of your local students. Contact your schools and purchase your peace poster kit.

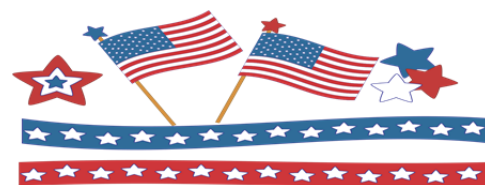




1ST VDG

AL ROESLER'S MESSAGE

"We Serve" is what Lions are all about. There are basically two ways that Local clubs live up to the service challenge. The first is to raise money and donate it to worthy causes that will benefit their community, or humanity. In no way do I wish to downplay the importance of this type of service, it is an important part of what we do. The second is to roll up their sleeves and do good deeds that will benefit their community, or humanity. In Coleman one of our service projects is cleaning a 2 mile section of Highway 10. This is a useful service project and we feel good about our contribution, but it lacks punch as a "feel good project" because we have contact with roadside refuse not human beings. Recently I attended a meeting of the Onekama Lions club to see a presentation on Camp Quality, a camp for young people with pediatric cancer. They have needs for volunteers to help with a number of things for camp. Onekama Club President PDG Dan Gibbons remarked that when you do volunteer service, face to face is when you really get the payoff for your service. This truth was brought home to me in dramatic fashion when I spent time helping out at Opening Eyes in Mt Pleasant at the beginning of June. For those of you who may not know, Opening Eyes is a program that provides not only vision screening, but new glasses to each athlete at Special Olympics. Helping these young people through the process of getting glasses was extremely rewarding. Their joy and enthusiasm was infectious. I would encourage clubs to do a face to face service project. If you already do one, consider adding another. If you do not do one face to face, find at least one. Not only will it have a positive impact on the morale of your club, but it is give you the perfect opportunity to invite prospective members to a hand. It also increases the visibility of your club more than writing a check.

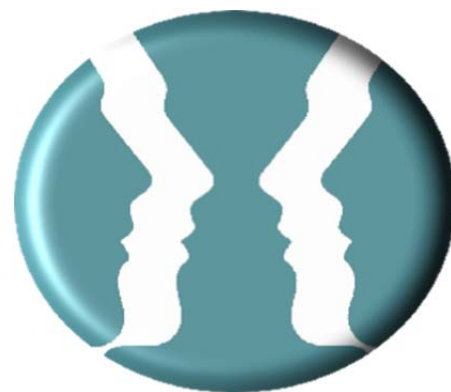


DISTRICT 11 E1 JULY CALENDAR

- June 26-July 6 – Chicago (Governor's School and International Convention)
- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 9 – Early registration deadline USA/Canada Forum
- July 11 – DG visits Manistee
- July 12 – Lakeview
- July 13 – Traverse City
- July 17 – Vestaburg
- July 18 – Sheridan
- July 19 – Newago
- July 22 – Working Meeting with Cabinet
- July 24 – Lake Ann
- July 25 – Mesick

AUGUST

- August 4-5 Council of Governors Meeting – Grand Rapids, Crowne Plaza Hotel
- August 5 – LMF Hall of Fame Dinner, Grand Rapids
- August 12 – District Cabinet Meeting – Big Rapids
- August 14 – Stanwood
- August 21 – Arcadia
- August 26 – PDG Ron's Appreciation Dinner





DISTRICT 11 E1

GOVERNOR'S

Appreciation Luncheon

Hosted by the Fremont Lions Club

1ST LADY BARB & DG RON GIBSON

Saturday, August 26th

12:00 Noon Social Time, Buffet Lunch 12:30 PM

Lunch - \$20.00 – Everyone is welcome

THE STONE LODGE

4715 Trillium Springs Blvd.

Fremont, MI 49412

RSVP by August 15th to:

Fremont Lions Club

c/o Steve Adsmond

411 E. Maple, Fremont, MI 49412

Name (s) _____

Number Attending _____ Club _____

Phone Number _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Send To: **Fremont Lions Club**
c/o Steve Adsmond
411 E. Maple
Fremont, MI 49412

DISTRICT 11 E1 STUDENT PARTICIPATES IN THE LIONS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The Lions International Youth Exchange program was established about 50 years ago “to bring young people into contact with youths and adults of other countries; to share family and community life of another culture; and to promote international understanding and good will throughout the world of Lionism.” Unlike some exchange programs, the Lions program does not involve tourism, academic studies, or employment. Instead, the Lions youth exchange program provides young people with a unique opportunity to:

- *participate in everyday life in another culture;*
- *reside with a host family;*
- *serve as an ambassador for international understanding;*
- *participate in local customs.*

District 11 E1 is being served in the capacity of having the Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions sponsor Jared Roebuck from Rodney, MI in the Lions International Youth Exchange Program. It has been many years since the District has been represented in this program by one of our youth. Jared left for Spain on June 20, 2017 and is spending his summer living with a host family in Barcelona for four weeks.



Upon his return home, Jared will celebrate his 18th birthday by being inducted as a new Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions Club member. He will be home for about 3 weeks and then will be headed to Houghton, MI to attend Michigan Technological University.

MICHIGAN LIONS PROVIDED WITH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Desire more tools and confidence to be an effective leader for your club? Lions MD 11 has one of the most effective Leadership Institutes in the country. Michigan’s Institute has gained recognition as a leader in providing an opportunity for Michigan Lions to learn and develop lifelong Leadership skills. Skills that can be applied to Lions Clubs and jobs. Learn how to be a team builder, how to influence membership, be receptive to change and more. Mark your calendar for November 10-12, 2017, R.A. MacMullan Center, Roscommon, MI. Information coming to your club.

\$45,000 DIABETES GRANT PROPOSAL FOR DISTRICT 11 E1

LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION GRANTS

Lion Bill Bradfield, District 11 E1's Diabetes Committee Co-Chairman was the author of the grant. Bill an advocate for Diabetes has sponsored numerous events to earn money for Diabetes including snowmobile trips and other events and has helped raise thousands of dollars to aid in helping people with the medical condition.

Approximately 160 grant proposals were submitted World Wide to LCIF and about 20 of them were approved. We are very proud that Lions District 11 E1's proposal was accepted. The total amount of the grant district wide is \$45,000.00 and the funding will be allocated evenly amongst the cities of Traverse City, Ludington, Cadillac, Big Rapids, Clare and Midland. We will be working with individual Lions Clubs in each of these cities to participate to help make the project a total success.

The grant's name is DAD (DEFENSE AGAINST DIABETES).The screenings for retinopathy, blood glucose and nutritional education training will be performed by professional medical persons from Hospitals and clinics in these cities and they will have the flexibility of reaching out to surrounding communities as well. The program provides for taking advantage of all of the social media that we possibly can. Tri-Folds describing the project benefits to needy people in each community will be printed and distributed at local pharmacies, hospitals, clinics and many websites for an outreach program. There will be one billboard display (8 in all) for each geographical area served. All media announcements will include the fact that this grant was made possible through funding by the Lions International Foundation.

The project is already in motion and our first planning seminar was in Cadillac on June 27. Screenings are projected to start by July1, 2017 and the project completion date is December 1, 2017. Sitting Governor (at the time the grant was awarded) Ron Gibson has been named by LCI as the Grant Administrator for District 11E1 and Bill Bradfield, the author of the grant, will be the Project Coordinator.



*STENHOUWER FREE CLINIC
REPRESENTATIVES IN CADILLAC WITH
LION BILL BRADFIELD AT THE SENIOR
EXPO, EXPLAINING THE DAD PROGRAM –
Pictured: Liz MacCord, clinical
coordinator; Stephanie LaRogue,
office coordinator; Lion Bill
Bradfield; Jessie Miloch, volunteer
at the clinic.*



HARRISON LIONS CLUB OFFICERS (Picture 1) and HARRISON LIONESS OFFICERS –DG RON GIBSON



PEOPLE SERVED AS OF JUNE 2017:
50,736,869

25,218,844

35,146,642

159,185,438
48,038,038

LIONS SURPASS CENTENNIAL GOAL

In conjunction with our 100 year Anniversary, Lions internationally were challenged to serve their communities in each of the above four categories. The goal was to serve 25 million people in each category by June 30, 2017. Congratulations Lions! We had surpassed our goal in each category and the total of people served was 159,185,438 by June 2017.

MIDLAND LIONS HOST SUMMER FUNDRAISERS

The Midland Lions Club hosts all of their fundraisers from late May to mid-September. They hold two White Cane events (May and September) and then move into an eight day "Hole In One Contest", July 7 – 14. The prize for a daily hole in one is \$100. A finalist can win \$100,000 for a Hole In One in the finals on July 14. The golf event is held at Midland's Curry Parkway. On July 15, the Lions will serve 1200 people at their Chicken Bar BQ held in conjunction with Midland's River Days event. Musical entertainment, KidSight, mud wrestling, fireworks and other Kids' Day activities are all part of the event. The Midland Lions have participated in this event for over 25 years.



CONGRATULATIONS

HARRISON LIONS CLUB

Mark your calendar; help Harrison celebrate 50 years of service to their community on September 30, 2017, Harrison Lions Den.

WEIDMAN LIONS

In July, the Weidman Lions will be serving food at the "Weidman Days" Celebration. The Lions Club is paying for about half of the fireworks and donating two bikes to be given to children attending the Children's Games activity.

DISTRICT 11 E1 APPOINTMENT

DG Peggy Walls has appointed Lion Sheila Farrell to be the Zone Chair for Region 1 Zone 1 – Cedar-Maple City, Empire, Frankfort, Honor, Kingsley, Lake Ann, Northport and Traverse City Lions Clubs.

LCIF is looking for volunteers for the new

Club LCIF Coordinator position

The Club LCIF Coordinator is an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Foundation in your club. This person will share LCIF stories, motivate fellow Lions to support LCIF, and enable LCIF to advance its humanitarian work both locally and globally! Contact District 11 E1 LCIF Coordinator Jerry Brandt for more information on how to serve. Phone – 989-539-7260 or E-mail jbkb@ispmgt.com



**LEADERSHIP WITH
IMAGINATION
SERVICE WITH
INTEGRITY**

**JOIN US IN PORTLAND, OREGON
SEPTEMBER 21-23**



60TH ANNIVERSARY Open house

Friday **SEPTEMBER 29**

6-8:30 P.M. ★★ ★

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ANN ARBOR, MI

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Picnic attire

Live music by the Folk Laureates



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See photos from all our events on Facebook.

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