



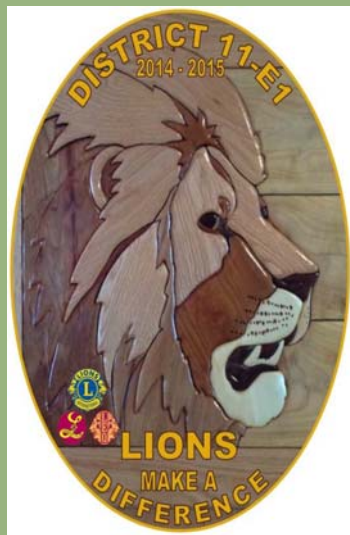
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DISTRICT LIONS 11 E1

MARCH 2015

**NEW MEMBERS
67**

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



Lion Mary Lou / DG Pete

We had a wonderful Michigan Lions Forum in Lansing on February 28. It was the largest Forum in years and was attended by 300 Lions and guests. Great breakout sessions, exhibits, an opportunity to pick up White Cane materials, a dynamic Miss Michigan as the keynote speaker, scholarships for visually impaired college students, and most of all a chance to discuss Lions ideas with other Lions. It was a fun, learning experience. Look forward to attending next year.

Our Club Success Program (Membership) is gaining as you can see above. We have inducted 67 members as of March 1. Great job! Keep up the good work. We only need to pick up 63 more members to meet our 2014-15 goal.

We have a number of clubs that start meeting again in April. Welcome back from your winter pause.

This issue of the District E1 Newsletter is filled with our 2014-15 Convention news. Check out the Agenda and Breakout sessions on the last two pages. Friday night at the convention is our fun night. Dress in Red, White, and Blue and win a prize for the best dressed in theme colors. Your convention committee has listened to your thoughts on breakout sessions and other convention needs. We want to make this your convention so that you will feel that it was a valuable and enjoyable experience. We still have a few Pine Wood Derby cars left. If you or your club wants to participate, contact DG Pete and he will get one to you. We will be running the race at 3:30 on Saturday afternoon in a lower level room at the Park Place Hotel.

April 1, 2015 is Donate Life Day!! This is an opportunity for Lions Clubs to participate in a special project for your community. Last year 2,190 people joined the Donor Registry. Contact your local Secretary of State office or Alex Teska (Michigan Eye Bank) (800) 247-7250, ext. 2675 to involve your club. It is an easy way to encourage people to join the registry.

Big News! MidWest Eye Bank has changed its name to "Ever Sight." The expanding need for its services is making the organization a multi-state organization. The Eye Bank can use your club's donations. It is in line with our mission to serve the visually impaired.

SEE YOU at the CONVENTION! "Lion Make A Difference" – we need more!

DG Pete

DISTRICT 11 E1 NEWSLETTER

AWARDS



COLEMAN LIONS
Unsung Hero Award
Mary Lewis
Friendship Award
Ann Roeseler



1st VDG Pam Schroeder and
PDG Dan Gibbons

LCI CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
Lions Clubs International has set a goal of helping 100 million people for our Centennial in 2017. Lions Clubs are being asked to register their service projects. In the first six month of this Lion's year, Lions have reported helping 20 million people. We're off to a great start but we need all clubs to register their service projects. Visit [Lions 100.org](http://Lions100.org) for more info and plan your next project.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE

This year's convention theme is red, white and blue. Lions are being asked to dress in these colors for the Friday night Governors' Reception. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumed Lions. Prizes will be Traverse City Gifts and judging will be done by the LCI ID and your Governors.



2ND VDG 'S MESSAGE

I send my deepest condolences to the families and clubs of the great Lions we have lost recently. They will truly be missed by their clubs and the district.

Convention is just around the corner now. We hope you will come and support all of the candidates. We have two great Lions running for 2nd Vice District Governor, come to Traverse City and support them. Best of Luck to both of them.

Spring is coming and this Lions year will be in the past. We are gearing up for a great year next year. If you want to be involved, give me a call. Many co-chair positions and chairs are available. We hope you will join us and help to put fun in our service.

Lion Pam
1st Vice District Governor



PINE WOOD DERBY RACE

A few Lions have asked about specs for the cars. Most of the boxes have them in it. Below are some specs that will make it easier to run your car. We do not have time to weigh or measure cars. This will be on your honor.

Weight 5 oz.

Length 7" or less

Width 2 3/4 or less

Space between wheels 1 3/4" or less. Wheel base 5 3/8"

Ground Clearance 3/8"



CARSON CITY
Unsung Hero
Tom Wilcox
Friendship Award
Russel Stanton



AWARDS



SHERIDAN LIONS
Lynn Lund
Friendship Award
Unsung Hero Award
Helen Dukas



NEWAYGO LIONS
Unsung Hero Award
Karl Frederikson

Friendship Award
Tim Percell



2ndVDG Ron Gibson and his wife
Barbara

TRAVERSE CITY HISTORIC BUS TOUR

Tour historic Traverse City during the convention 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 28. The cost is \$15 and the bus will pick you up at the hotel. For reservations contact Lion Dianna Robach at (616) 550-2986 or e-mail her at 866dva@gmail.com

2ND VDG RON GIBSON'S MESSAGE

Let's be honest, being a Lion can be inconvenient. We attend a club meeting or volunteer at a fundraiser when we might be doing something else, like spending time with family or friends. But that's what we do, "We Serve". We find ways to raise money so someone can get a pair of eyeglasses or needed surgery so they can drive again or return to work. We help someone get hearing aids so they can hear the laughter of their grandchildren. We give a child a book, which opens door to a new world of learning. It's what we signed up for when we became a Lion. So, let me encourage you to allow yourself to be inconvenienced. Someone in your community needs your help!
Lion Ron

Smile!

Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?

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.

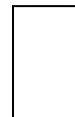
_____ Club President/Secretary/ or District Governor at Convention

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:

ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 28, 2015

Lion Janalee McClure
Box 177
Brohman, MI 49312



CONVENTION

Historic Traverse City Bus
Tour \$15.00, Saturday
10:30-11:30 A.M.

NEW LIONS
Free registration and
Saturday lunch for
Induction Ceremony

Saturday Luncheon
Keynote Speaker
Lions International
ID Kembra Smith

COMPUTER
TRAINING
10:00 – 12:00
2:00 – 4:00

PINE WOOD
DERBY RACE
3:30 P.M.
SATURDAY –
PRIZES, lower
level.

BANQUET - SATURDAY NIGHT
Reception Line
Traverse City Style Gourmet Dinner
Awards / Election Results

DISTRICT 11 E1

Sunday - Lions
Memorial Breakfast

SILENT AUCTION

Bring items to
auction. Fun and
helps with
convention.



Breakout Sessions
Saturday
9:45 – 10:30 a.m.
10:45-11:30 a.m.

HIGHLIGHTS

“ANNIE SPEAKS”
*Annie Sullivan/Helen
Keller dramatization –
Breakfast, Saturday at
8:45 A.M.*

HOSPITALITY ROOMS
Meet the candidates;
enjoy the afterglow –
Friday and Saturday.
9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

EXHIBITS
*Leader Dog, Eye Bank, Lions MI
Foundation, Bear Lake, Others*

Governors’ Reception
Friday – 6:00 P.M.
Dinner
Entertainment
Theme Dress Judging
Games

TIDBITS
Fun and interesting ideas
book for the Convention.

HISTORIC BUS TOUR
10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Sat.
Cost: \$15.00

FUN, FRIENDS, INFORMATION, GOOD FOOD AND LIONISM

Years of Service



Sheridan Lions President Richard Langin receives his 25 year Lions chevron. Lion Jan Mast pins on his pin as DG Pete presents his congratulation letter.

EIGHTH GRADE STUDENT CITIZEN OF THE MONTH PROGRAM – 2015

The Mt. Pleasant Lions Club is pleased to announce that it will honor outstanding middle school students who model the Lions' motto "We Serve". Selected students will be involved in activities that promote character development, social and emotional learning, civic values, the prevention of violence, bullying and substance abuse, and service-learning projects.

Participating schools will be West Intermediate, Sacred Heart Academy, Renaissance Public School Academy and Beal City High School. Each school will select an outstanding student of the month (West Intermediate will select two students each month). The student, his/her parent(s), and the nominating faculty member will be invited to attend an awards presentation at a Lions Club meeting at the Mt. Pleasant Comfort Inn Conference Center.

A "Citizen of the Year" will be selected by the Lions Club from each school. A check in the amount of \$500 will be presented to each of the schools toward the project of interest selected by the citizen of the year recipients.



AWARDS
BIG RAPIDS LIONS
Unsung Hero Award
PDG Jim Chipman
Friendship Award
Rick Horst



Leader Dog

Summer Experience Camp is Here Again

Leader Dog's Summer Experience Camp is a unique residential summer camp for 16 and 17 year-olds who are legally blind. The camp combines summer fun with an introduction to guide dogs and the opportunity to spend time with peers who are facing similar challenges. This camp experience, run by Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialists (COMS), is offered free of charge to campers just like every other program at Leader Dogs for the Blind. LDB pays for all costs associated with the program including travel to and from Leader Dog, the GPS device, housing, meals, activities and related training. Campers kayak, climb rock walls, ride tandem bikes, receive a free GPS device with instruction and spend time working with guide dog mobility instructors learning more about living and working with a guide dog. This year's camp is right around the corner (June 26-July 3, 2015). Applications are due April 1, 2015. Last year 21 teenagers from 16 states (including Canada) joined in the experience. Any interested campers should have their parent/guardian contact Client Services at 888-777-5332 or visit Leader Dog's website for more information, the application and a short video:

www.LeaderDog.org<<http://www.LeaderDog.org>>.



Big Rapids Lion PCC Dick Perrin receives his 30 Year Lions Certificate



Big Rapids Lions Above photos: Patricia and James Nostrant receive 10 year Lion Certificates



IN MEMORY
PDG Richard Daniel
District 11E1 Governor
2003-04
Empire Lions Club
Guiding Lion –Kingsley Lions

CONVENTION AGENDA

Friday, March 27:

- 2:00 – 5:00 Registration /Credentials
- 4:00 – 9:00 Silent Auction
- 4:00 Cabinet meetings C1 and E1
- 6:00 Governors' Reception – Social
- Theme: Red, White and Blue – dress in colors!
- Open Bar
- Dinner
- Entertainment
- Costume Contest – best dressed Lions in Red, White and Blue, Prizes
- Games and Prizes
- 9:00 – 11:00 Hospitality Rooms

Saturday, March 18:

- 8:00 – Noon Registration / Credentials
- 8:00 – 4:30 Silent Auction in the Ballroom
- (5:00 – Pick up auction items)
- 8:00 – 5:00 Pin Trading
- 10:00 – 12:00 Computer Training (Ex. Boardroom)
- 2:00 – 4:00 Computer Training
- 8:00 – 9:30 Breakfast in Ballroom
- Program – “Annie Speaks”
- 9:45 – 10:30 First Three Breakout Sessions
- 10:45 – 11:30 Second Three Breakout Sessions
- 11:30-Noon Exhibits, Silent Auction, Pin Trading
- 12:15 Lunch & Guest Speaker in the Ballroom
- Induction of New Lions
- Peace Poster Presentations
- 2:00 Cabinet /Business Meetings
- 3:30 Pine Wood Derby – lower level room

Schedule Cont. on the next page

*DISTRICT
CALENDAR*

MARCH
27, 28 and 29
Lions Districts C1 / E1
Convention
Park Place Hotel
Traverse City, MI

APRIL 1, 2015
Donor Day – sign up at
the Secretary of State's
Office in your com-
munity. Lions Clubs
help.

Lions of Michigan
State Convention
May 15-17, 2015
Doubletree Hotel
Holland, MI

JUNE 26-30
International
Convention
Honolulu, Hawaii



CONVENTION AGENDA CONT.

Saturday, March 28

6:00 Banquet in the Ballroom
Reception Line
Cash Bar, Time to Visit
Banquet
Awards and Election Results
9:00-11:00 Hospitality Rooms



ID Kembra Smith
Lunch Speaker

Sunday, March 29

9:00 Memorial Breakfast in the Ballroom
9:45 District memorial service

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

9:45 – 10:30: SESSION 1

Everything I Learned About Lions
Get to know your ID, What's new at LCI,
Ask Your Questions; ID Kembra Smith

Climb Aboard! Tour Leo's and Campus Clubs
How to Establish a Leo's or Campus Club.
Leos / college to Lions members
Tom Hosford, Rockford & Cheryl Anderson, GVSU

Icebreakers: Melt Your Club the Fun Way
Fun and Easy Activities to Make Your Meetings Come Alive.
PDG / GLT Karen Routson

10:45 – 11:30: SESSION 2

Hear Me Roar!
Excite your community with new fundraisers/ special projects.
DG Pete Conarty

Take Me To Your President!
Club, District leadership Opportunities, Communication,
Follow Through, Membership, Club Success; 1st VDG Rock
Wood

Measles: A Story into Darkness
Preventable Childhood Diseases & one Man's Journey after
Measles; DG Diane Wehby & Greg Wehby