

DISTRICT 11 E1

MAY NEWSLETTER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR PEGGY WALLS



**"Celebrate the Joy of Service"
Centennial Year**



DISTRICT GOVERNOR PEGGY WALLS MESSAGE

It was a great experience to share the Convention with you! Thank you for all your support and help in making it the 'best' District convention in the state.

My year is fast coming to a close, but there is still lots to be done. The fact that we are "gaining" in membership is a tribute to your dedication to the idea of Lionism. I encourage you to continue to "Share the Joy of Service" and ask someone to join your club. I ask the secretaries to, then, enter those new members in LCI. We can now say that all of our clubs in this District have opened their doors to both men and women. This is still not true in all the districts of the state.

It is most important that new officers be entered in LCI also. This allows entry to the websites to gather information and report activities.

Elsewhere in the newsletter it is noted that we have ten students in the All-State Band. Interesting enough these students are all from the "center" parts of the District, including the county that at present does not have a Lions Club. Contacts have been made in McBain. Any other thoughts, please call me. If you are willing to investigate the possibility of a Club there or elsewhere do contact me. Still talking to people in Fife Lake and Ludington.

Getting to know the Lions of this District is the "best" part of being Governor. I continue to be amazed at the service that is being done within each community. I encourage you all to make your clubs stronger so there will definitely be a Lions Club present in your community for the next generation.

Looking forward: I would like to invite you all to my appreciation dinner scheduled for September 8th, in Big Rapids at St. Mary Church Hall. I would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for cooking the meal. Cost will be \$10.

As this Lion year comes to an end, do not forget that membership is, indeed, important. We are moving in a positive direction. Let's strive to keep it going forward as we do, "Celebrate the Joy of Service".

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CONVENTION MEMORIES

APRIL 6-7, 2018 H HOTEL, MIDLAND MI





Continue the Memories

Mark your calendar

2018-19

District 11 E1 Convention

April 26-27, 2019

Quality Inn

West Branch, MI

**PDG DAN GIBBONS
ELECTED TO THE LIONS
HALL OF FAME**



The goal of the Hall of Fame is to honor Lions who have had a significant impact on Lionism in Michigan and to preserve a record of their service. PDG Dan has been a Lion for 26 years and has sponsored 10 new Lions. He is a member of the Onekama Lions Club. He has served as an officer in his club twice in every position and chaired the Onekama Days for 8 years. He has served as an officer at the District level, was on the District convention committee for 10 years, and was a convention speaker in 2001. He has been active with the KidSight program since its initiation and contributed a kid-Sight trailer to the program. Lion Dan has been a trustee on the Lions of Michigan Foundation, Michigan Forum, Welcome Homes, Sight First I and II and was on the MERLO Leadership and Quest Committees. He has attended and worked on the USA/Canada Forum and attended many conventions. He has received numerous awards and Presidential Appreciation certificates. Dan is best known for his outstanding gifts of wood carvings throughout the state. Other District 11 E1 members of the Lions Hall of Fame are PDG Jim Chipman, PDG Harry Johnson and the late PDG Wayne Kreitner.



**CHIPPEWA LAKE-MECOSTA HOLD
EASTER EGG PARTIES**

Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions held 2 Easter Egg Parties instead of hunts on the Saturday before Easter. The Pioneer newspaper showed up in Chippewa Lake (where we moved indoors into the NEW Chippewa Township Community Center). We handed out bags with 1000 Easter eggs and individually wrapped candy instead of spreading it on the wet soggy, freezing, snowy ground. Kids and parents (and Lions) were very appreciative, especially at Chippewa Lake. 😊



CARSON CITY LIONS

Each year the Carson City Lions Club hosts the Community Recognition Night. During the evening the top academic seniors from Carson City High School and Fellowship Baptist School are recognized. Ed Herald scholarships are given to seniors who have performed community service throughout their school career. New businesses and community groups are noted and Citizen of the Year is awarded. This year's Citizen of the Year was Lion Dan Herald, former mayor and life-long supporter of Carson City.



**BIG RAPIDS LIONS SUPPORT CHILD
ADVOCACY CENTER**

The Big Rapids Lions Club donated \$5,000 to the Open Arms Child Advocacy Center. Child advocacy centers provide a child-friendly, safe and neutral location where children who are victims or witnesses to a crime can be interviewed, along with receiving support and other services. Lions Club President Tom Samuel indicated that the Lions Club decided to donate as part of its Centennial project for the Lions Club International 100 Year celebration. Samuel indicated the Club was looking for a major project to serve as their commitment to the celebration efforts and this project was a perfect fit – vitally needed in the Big Rapids community and surrounding area.



Coleman Lions and youth collected 26 bags of trash on US 10 during the Adopt-A-Highway clean up on April 21. Prospective members with Lion Sandy Galgoci, center.

You are cordially invited to

The Onekama Lions

51st Anniversary

Sunday, May 6, 2018

Shirley's Place Restaurant

Onekama, Michigan

Cocktails 3 P.M. Cash Bar

Two meat buffet 4 P.M.

Cost of Dinner: \$15 per person

Please R.S.V.P. by May 1, 2017

by contacting Lion Pam at

231-889-4870



WEIDMAN LIONS

Weidman Lions Club made a donation of \$970.00 to the local Little League of Weidman for team sponsorship and new bats. Pictured from left to right: Brian Simon, Little League Representative, Lion Kim Godden; Club President, Shauna Livermore and Kaden.



1st VDG Elect JACKIE GLAZIER

Do you think it's true? Is it spring? The snowbirds are returning all rested and ready to help with club activities. Lions raise your hand if you had fun at this year's district convention~raise your hand if you're telling yourself Darn, I wish I had gone and I will next year! Our district conventions are a great way to meet Lions from other clubs in our district. Fun way to share ideas and friendships. Mark your calendar for next year. Lion Clubs are selecting and installing their officers. Some officers are continuing in their positions, some lions are moving into new ones. For all officers LCI has information that can be printed out with "job" description and info needed for the position. LCI has learning tools for everything and everybody. No matter how long you have held a position check out the LCI website, always something new. Enjoy your experience and have fun! While everyone is thinking spring remember~ Trees and Flowers will be Blooming Let's get our Clubs Blooming!!



**White
Cloud
Easter Egg
Hunt**



**District Governor
ELECT
AL ROESLER**

Things get very busy as you prepare for your year as Governor. There are online courses to take, many forms to fill out, and many positions to fill. Not to mention Newsletter articles to write. I believe I am making decent progress, but time will tell. At this point I am able to share some important dates that you may want to save. The Cabinet meetings will be as follows:

July 21 – Cedar Maple City Lions Community Building

October 13 – White Cloud Lions Den

January 19 – Coleman Lions Hall

April 26 – Quality Inn West Branch

The District Convention will be at the Quality Inn in West Branch on April 26–27, 2019. This is a very nice facility with a sort of "up north" rustic theme. It has a large indoor pool. Room cost will be \$89 for standard rooms, poolside rooms are more expensive. Meal costs will be less expensive than they were this year. The date change from our more traditional weekend was to avoid a conflict with the International Board Meeting (making it impossible to get an International Director for Convention), as well as Palm Sunday and Easter. I have been working on filling 30 some positions in the district. Though I am making good progress, I would be happy to hear from any Lion who has an interest in expanding their horizons. I hope to publish a list of next year's district leaders in the June newsletter. Lion Ann has foolishly agreed to do the District Directory for next year. This book is vital for club and district leaders. It would be helpful if in addition to sending new officer information to LCI, you would please e-mail club meeting date, time, and location as well as the new President and Secretary contact information including, cell and home telephone numbers and e-mail address to ann.roeseler@gmail.com.

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White Cloud Lions Easter Egg Hunt

The Stanwood Lions Club would like to say thank you to the following businesses and people for donations for the District Convention: Pizza Hut, 5/3 Bank, Tractor supply Co, Scott's Body Shop, Lion Mark at Paris Auto Sales , The Dam Toy Store, Sharon's Restaurant , Corner Café, Lion Sue Shaltry, The Ole Gun Shack , Big L Lumber, Galloup Guitars, Pell of Fremont, US Army, Planet fitness, Lake-Osceola State Bank, Old Pioneer Store.

GOVERNOR'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE

May 3 -- Hart Lions Club
May 4-5 -- Michigan Pin Swap, White Cloud Lions Club
May 10 -- Kingsley Lions Club
May 12 -- Mesick Mushroom Festival
May 14 -- Weidman Lions Club
May 18-20 -- COG Meeting/State Convention
June 5 -- Cadillac Lions Club -- Installation
June 12 -- Manistee Lions Club -- Installation
June 18 -- Greenville Lions Club -- Installation
June 29 -- Las Vegas -- International Convention

All State Band

We have ten students representing our District in the All State Band that will be going to the Las Vegas International Lions Convention. They are: Olivia Bitter (Barryton), Mason Brown (Marion), Allison Cook (Cadillac), Alexis DeYoung (McBain), Casey Gabalis (Mecosta), Isabella Gandolfi, Alex Utecht, Matthew Utecht (Falmouth), Braydon Nelson, Syndi Nelson (Remus). We ask District Clubs to support them in their endeavors and ask that you invite them and their parents to a club meeting.

DISTRICT TIDBITS

District Eye Glass Project – Eye Glass Workshops - May 5, Kaleva 9-12 a.m.; May 14, Harrison 9-12.

Vestaburg Lions held an Easter Egg Hunt and gave out two bikes. Vestaburg has a new Lion.

A big THANK YOU to 2nd VDG Elect Bill Koch and the Stanwood Lions Club for providing the pizza and cake for the Friday Night Convention Festivities.

The District Leader Dog School visit has been delayed until June 16.

White Cloud Lions Club, Remus Lions Club, Honor Lion Club and Frankfort Lions Club all received a membership plaque at the convention due to increase in membership per percentages as recognized by Lions Club International. Congratulations to these clubs!

Midland Lions club worked on cleaning and sizing eye glasses for the District Eye Glass Project. The group gathered at Midland's Trinity Lutheran church. Twelve Midland Lions worked from 9-12 a.m. The project has now processed over 2800 glasses for the trip next January or February.

MESSAGE FROM DG PEGGY WALLS

THANK YOU! to all who helped make the Convention a success. Thank you especially to Convention chairperson, Lion Karla Kasten, and to the Midland Lions Club for their hospitality. It was a pleasure to have Past International Director, Rod Wright with us to share his expertise and wisdom.

CONGRATULATIONS! to our newly elected District officers for 2018-19. DGE Al Roeseler, 1st VDGE Jackie Glazier, 2nd VDGE Bill Koch, Region 2 Chair, Bruce Frederick, and to our Michigan Lions Foundation Trustee, PDG Pete Conarty.

It is exciting to think that at this time of the year, we have 16 Clubs that are positive for membership. These clubs were eligible to dress their presidents or designee for our "swimsuit" contest. We had seven brave individuals who showed us what it was like to "have fun" with an idea. Special thanks to this "bevy of beauties": PDG James Walls, Stanwood Club, Lion Bob Roebuck, Chippewa Lake/Mecosta Club, Lion Steve Jenkins, Midland Club, Lion Jackie Koch, White Cloud Club, Lion Dave Hamelund, Big Rapids Club, PDG Harry Johnson, Baldwin Club, and Lion Bill Bradfield, Cadillac Club. These individuals then were eligible for a drawing for a vest full of pins. PDG Harry Johnson was the winner. Plaques were given to individual winners.

AWARDS! Great Privilege to be able to present these awards.

Special Recognition to Lion Karla Roebuck, Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Club, who was presented the International Presidential Leadership Medal.

Presidential Certificate of Appreciation to DG Elect Al Roeseler and Lion Ann Roeseler, Coleman Club.

Presidential Certificate of Appreciation to 1st VDG Elect Jackie Glazier, Cedar-Maple City Club.

Presidential Certificate of Appreciation to Cabinet Treasurer, Lion Diane Fleming, Mt. Pleasant Club.

Louis Braille Award to PCC Janalee McClure, White Cloud Club.

Mike Howard Spirit Award to PDG Tim Anderson, Cadillac Club.

Ken Lutzenheiser Fellowship to Lion Karla Kasten, Kaleva Club.

Ken Lutzenheiser Fellowship to Lion Kay Brandt, Harrison Club.

Ken Lutzenheiser Fellowship to Lion Steve Jenkins, Midland Club.

Ken Lutzebheiser Fellowship to PDG Laura Johnson, Baldwin Club.

Ken Lutzenheiser Fellowship to Lion Bill Bradfield, Cadillac Club.

Ken Lutzenheiser Fellowship to Lion Steve Cole, Stanwood Club.

There are a few more fellowships to be awarded at club meetings. Recipients will be named later so the surprise will stay intact.

EMPIRE LIONS CLUB

Empire Lions just had a successful pancake breakfast on April 22 featuring real maple syrup tapped by some of their own members. The club is gearing up for a busy summer starting with playground clean up. Then they will move into being parking attendants for the annual Empire Asparagus

LCIF PRESIDENT NARESH AGGARWAL

NEW MEMBERS: I am asking every Lion to invite a friend or family member to serve with us. You can even earn a special prize of US\$750 when you sponsor new members in your club. Here's how the new member sweepstakes works: 1. **Sponsor a new member between April 1 and June 15, 2018** to be eligible to win. You will receive one entry for each new member sponsored and be automatically entered into a drawing for **your chance to win US\$750. Two winners per constitutional area** will be selected at random and notified by email.*

2018

KICKING-OFF A NEW CENTURY OF SERVICE



98TH ANNUAL MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION

REGISTRATION & TICKET FORM HOLIDAY INN GATEWAY CENTRE GRAND BLANC, MI • MAY 17-19



HOTEL PHONE 810-232-5300

RESERVATION CODE: LOF, \$79 PER NIGHT (plus fees & taxes)

Name _____ Lion Lioness Spouse Guest

Lions/Lioness Club of _____ District _____

Name _____ Lion Lioness Spouse Guest

Lions/Lioness Club of _____ District _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home: () _____ Office: () _____ Email: _____

Is this your first MD Convention? Yes No How many years a Lion member _____

QUANTITY

AMOUNT

_____ Thursday Picnic @ \$10.00, May 17, 2018 \$ _____

_____ Round trip bus to Lions Bear Lake Camp @ \$5.00 \$ _____

_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion \$ _____

_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lioness or Leo \$ _____

_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse or Guest \$ _____

_____ Friday Evening Buffet @ \$20.00 per person \$ _____

_____ Friday Night Welcome Reception @ No Charge \$ 0.00

_____ Saturday Breakfast @ \$15.00 per person \$ _____

_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$26.00 per person \$ _____

_____ (Choice) of: London Broil # _____ Norwegian Salmon # _____

Eggplant Parmesan # _____

GLUTEN FREE# _____ TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

Pay online: www.lionsofmi.com or please make checks payable to: Lions of Michigan

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

1. Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless (excluding Saturday Banquet) registration fee is paid.

2. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 8, 2018. No refunds after May 9, 2018.

3. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Grand Blanc. They will not be mailed to you.

The registration desk will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18 and from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2018.

**REGISTER ONLINE OR COMPLETE FORM & MAIL WITH CHECK TO:
LIONS OF MICHIGAN • 5730 EXECUTIVE DR., LANSING, MI 48911**

Lions of Michigan FOUNDATION 2019 GROUP CRUISE



7-Night Western Caribbean Cruise

Sailing: January 19, 2019 - January 26, 2019

Roundtrip - New Orleans

Inside Cabins

\$970.00 for 2 People

Ocean-view Cabins

\$1250.62 for 2 People

Junior Suites

\$3208.00 for 2 People

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<u>Day</u>	<u>Port</u>	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Depart</u>
1	New Orleans, Louisiana		4:30 PM
2	Cruising		
3	Cozumel, Mexico	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
4	Puerto Costa Maya, Mexico	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
5	George Town, Grand Cayman	11:30 AM	7:00 PM
6	Cruising		
7	Cruising		
8	New Orleans, Louisiana	7:00 AM	