

**DISTRICT 11-E1 CABINET MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2013  
HELD AT THE HOLIDAY INN  
BIG RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

**ATTENDING LIONS:** PCC Janalee McClure, Lester McClure, Pam Blizzard, Bernie Baldwin, PCC Richard Perrin, Connie McMorris, Pam Schroeder, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tim Anderson, PDG Harry Johnson, PDG Laura Johnson, Bill Koch, Kerry McGinley, Michael Howard, Kay Brandt, PDG Jerry Brandt, Ron Gibson, John Sovey, **DG Bill Simpson**, Christina Anderson, PDG Richard Daniel, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Conarty, PDG Larry Morlock, Leonard Lantz, and Don Miller.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM by **DG Bill Simpson**.

Pledge led by DG Bill

Invocation by PDG Jerry Brandt

Secretary's Report; Minutes of Jan. 13, 2013 were presented and a list of clubs were read off that are behind in their dues. Motion to accept report by Lion Kerry McGinley with support from Lion Pam Schroeder. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report;** Lion Kerry McGinley presented his financial statement as of March 16, 2013. The report follows with one correction that Lion Kerry caught after printing. On the bottom of the administrative fund account, the line (Balance Administrative Fund for 2012-13 which shows a \$50.00 loss should be a \$438.00 loss.

Lion Kerry asked to cash out the CD at State Farm Bank when it comes due in May and transfer the money to the new treasurer, so Lion Pam Schroeder will have money to set up her accounts. Motion to this effect was made by Lion Connie McMorris and supported by Lion Michael Howard. Motion passed.

DG Bill asked about moving the Convention Checking Fund back to the treasurer so only the treasurer will write checks. After discussion and no agreement was made, the Governor appointed PDG Jerry Brandt, and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tim Anderson to study this and get back to the Cabinet at our next meeting in July.

Motion by Lion Pete Conarty to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Supported by Lion Connie McMorris, and it passed.

**DISTRICT 11-E1  
Financial Statement 2012-13  
Administrative Fund**

Balance July 1, 2012		<b>\$16360.62</b>
Receipts	<b><u>Budgeted</u></b>	<b><u>Actual</u></b>
Transfer from prior years excess	\$ 4000.00	
Dues 1275 @ \$21.50	27412.50	24753.25
Cabinet Meeting		440.00
CD Interest	70.00	

Checking Interest	20.00	12.58
District Convention 1275 @ \$1.00	1275.00	1275.00
District Pins	<u>500.00</u>	<u>407.00</u>
Total Receipts \$33277.50		26887.83

Expenses

Dues 1275 @ \$14.50	\$18487.50	17747.25
Roster Book	870.00	870.00
Cabinet Meeting		531.62
Newsletter and Postage	900.00	792.46
Awards	500.00	222.62
Region and Zone Chairs 2012-13	600.00	125.00
District Pins	600.00	740.00
District Convention	625.00	625.00
GMT & GLT	500.00	100.99
USA/Canada Forum-Vice District Governor	1500.00	1500.00
International Convention (2012-2013)	1500.00	
Miscellaneous non-refundable DG Expenses	2750.00	1755.48
Misc. non-refundable 1 <sup>st</sup> VDG Expenses	1500.00	1500.00
Misc. non-refundable 2 <sup>nd</sup> VDG Expenses	750.00	750.00
Miscellaneous	750.50	408.00
Leadership Institute	300.00	300.00
Dishonesty Bond	257.00	229.00
Corporation Annual Fee		20.00
Membership Initiative		750.00
IPDG Jacket	100.00	33.45
Peace Poster	100.00	
District Website	<u>250.00</u>	<u>250.00</u>
Total Projected Expenses \$32839.50		29250.87

Balance Administrative Fund for 2012-13	(50.00)	(2363.04)
<b>Balance Administrative Fund as of March 16, 2013</b>		<b>\$13397.58</b>

**DESIGNATED FUNDS**

	<b>BALANCE July 1, 2012</b>	<b>CURRENT BALANCE</b>
Sight and Hearing \$8767.17		
CD State Farm Bank \$ 13151.47		
Receipts 1058.00		\$ 8612.85
Expenses <u>1212.32</u>		
Diabetes	2119.67	
Receipts 300.00		
Expenses		2419.67

Youth Exchange		210.00	210.00
LCIF		500.00	
	Expenses	500.00	0.00
District Convention		4076.72	
	Receipts	625.00	
	Expenses		4701.72
Miscellaneous		615.12	615.12
Tail Twister		226.38	
	Receipts	299.95	
	Expenses		
			<u>526.33</u>
<b>Balance as of March 16, 2013</b>			<b>\$17085.69</b>

**1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tim Anderson;** Our District needs to recruit 6 more members to get back to 1250 members and we have 3 months to do it. Lion Tim asked all present to work on this goal for our District Governor. GLT training will start soon for all incoming club officers. Tim plans to split visitations next year between the three governors. If you want the Governor to visit your club, contact him now.

Lions International Program “Reading Action Program” will be continued over the next 5 years and the Governor asked Tim to figure out a way that our District can be involved. The Libraries in the State of Michigan have a Michigan Reads program and they would like to twin with the Lions. On Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, they have a reading day at libraries through out Michigan, where good Lions could read to children and then check their eyes thru Project Kid Sight. Michigan Reads is a Sept. and Oct Project so planning the screening could be worked out.

Project Kid Sight is now under the direction of the Lions of Michigan Foundation. When holding a screening, send all monies (\$1.00 per child screened) to the District treasurer. More information on both programs to come from the Foundation.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Conarty;** Lion Pete handed out material on the 37<sup>th</sup> USA/Canada Forum to be held September 19-21, 2013 in Overland Park, Kansas. Lion Pete urged all to attend if at all possible. He has been talking with District D1 about twinning with them for holding our convention in 2016. This leaves 2015 with out a twin for convention as, 2014 will be held with C-1 in Holland. It was felt that not having a partner for 2015 would be good. Lion Pete will continue talking with D-1 about 2016.

**2012 Convention Review:** PDG Lynn Mast reported that the review of the books for 2012 Convention has been done and approved by the committee of himself, PDG Laura Johnson, PDG Harry Johnson, and PDG Jim Chipman. Motion to accept report by Lion Connie McMorris and supported by Lion Mike Howard. Motion passed.

**Strategic Planning:** PDG’s Lynn Mast and Harry Johnson have looked at the prices of the roster books and found that 300 books can be printed at the Ferris Copy Center in Big Rapids for \$300.00; a

savings of \$500.00 over last year. They also looked at other ways to save money and suggested some changes to the cabinet.

Lion Mike Howard made motion to have Ferris Copy Center print our 2013-14 roster books. Motion supported by Lion Pete Conarty and it passed.

The cabinet accepted the Planning Committee's report.

**Project KidSight:** PCC Janalee McClure submitted the following report:

#### **Project Kidsight Report**

PDG Linda Bosma the, Executive Director of Project Kidsight and I as Treasurer of Project Kidsight had a meeting at the Foundation on February 28, 2013 and turned over all records we had accumulated. All reports and statistics for the entire time we've been doing Project Kidsight in Michigan were included in the delivery. Chad, Executive Director of the Foundation was very anxious to have everything in his office and has already applied for some grants to help fund the project. Chad is expecting all funds from Clubs will be considered donations to the foundation earmarked for project Kidsight if the Clubs put Project Kidsight on the memo line of the checks they mail to Lansing.

**Constitution & By-Laws:** PCC Janalee McClure; No proposed changes to the Constitution this year.

**Nominations:** PCC Richard Perrin reported the following;

The following Lions have submitted their names and letters of support for election to the following offices at the 2013 District 11 E-1 Convention in Big Rapids:

District Governor – 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Tm Anderson – Cadillac Lions Club

1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor – 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Lion Pete Conarty – Midland Lions Club

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor – Lion Mike Howard – Harrison Lions Club

Lions of Michigan Foundation – District Governor Lion Bill Simpson – Big Rapids Lions Club

All of the candidates meet the qualification for their respective offices as set out in the International Constitution and By-Laws and the District 11-E1 Constitution and By-Laws.

**GLT Report:** PCC Richard Perrin; Written report follows;

#### **Global Leadership Team (GLT) District Coordinator's Report March 22, 2013**

#### **Club Excellence/Success Program (CEP)**

At least three clubs have conducted the CEP/CSP program with the help of facilitators. The next steps will be the review of the results with the clubs and to develop action plans to address the important issues that the club feels need to be addressed. Clubs will then decide what further steps they want to take in the Club Success Program.

Several clubs have used the “How Are Your Ratings” survey on their own without having a facilitator. Those clubs are asked to contact GLT District Coordinator Lion Dick Perrin so that the GLT team can have a record of the number of clubs using CEP program.

### **Club Officer Training 2012-2013**

Club Officer Training sessions were held in five of the seven zones during the 2012-2013 year.

Thanks to all those Lions who helped present the training in the various zones.

### **Club Officer Training Schedule 2013**

Region 1, Zones 1 and 2 – Zone Chairs Lions Connie McMorris and Pam Schroeder  
Wednesday, June 19 - 6:00 p.m. - Frankfort

Region 2, Zone 1 – Zone Chair Lion Mike Howard (Zone Meeting)  
Wednesday, April 10 - 6:00 p.m. - Dougherty Hotel - Clare

Region 3, Zone 2 – Zone Chair Lion Bill Koch (Zone Meeting)

Monday, April 15 - 6:00 p.m. - White Cloud Lions Den

Region 2, Zone 2 – Zone Chair Lion Bernie Baldwin (Zone Meeting)  
Thursday, April 18 - Gate at 6:30 p.m. - Big Rapids

Where a Zone Meeting is listed usually dinner followed by a short Zone meeting will precede the training. Training starting at approximately 7:00 to 8:00 or 8:30.

Lions Gayle Morlock and Kyle Madole will be talking to their clubs to see what they can arrange.

A special thanks to 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Lion Pete and Zone Chairs for your efforts in arranging these training sessions.

### **Advanced (Senior) Lions Leadership Institute 2012-2013 Oakbrook, IL**

Congratulations to 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Lion Peter Conarty of the Midland Lions Club who has successfully completed the Advanced (Senior) Lions Leadership Institute. Lion Pete participated in sessions designed to enhance knowledge of leadership fundamentals and membership programs, LCIF, and the benefits of diversity. Additional sessions sharpened skills related to conflict resolution, project management, teamwork and delegation.

### **USA/CANADA Lions Club Leadership Forum**

The USA/CANADA Lions Club Leadership Forum will be held in Overland Park, Kansas on September 19-21, 2013. If you can't go to the International Convention in Hamburg, Germany this year, the Forum offers many opportunities to increase your knowledge concerning leadership in Lions. It's also a great opportunity to have fun and meet great Lions from the USA and Canada.

## Goals and Projects for Coming Year 2013-2014

The following are goals for the Global Leadership Team (GLT) which the GLT Team will be working toward in the coming year. Target dates will be established in consultation with the District Leadership Team.

- Develop a general visitation report to be filled out by any district person/officer visiting a club whether they are a ZC, DG, VDG or Chair to help us get a better idea how our clubs are doing. (Base this off the ZC report we currently use)
- Develop a Project Chairman Orientation Training Manual (Create guidelines on what each Project Chair should be doing and what their position entails)
- Develop a Club Membership Chairman Training Manual in conjunction with the GMT Coordinator to create a reference/guide Book with ideas, tips, etc.
- Create a District wide Club Level survey asking how “We” as your district officers can “Serve” our clubs better.
- Work with the 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG on planning our Districts Fall Conference (speakers, topics, presentations)
- Work with Governors and GMT on ideas for Fall Membership Drive
- Stress importance of Club Level New Member Orientation
- Visit Clubs and talk to them about the CEP process

**GMT Report:** As IPDG John Monahan was absent PDG Lynn Mast gave his report;

Two problems facing clubs is retention and public relations. One kind of helps the other. We are doing well in getting members but keeping them is very hard. Our Membership reimbursement program is working and recommends that we do it again next year. Two other Districts in the State are doing it and are seeing positive results.

### Zone Reports:

Region 2 Zone 1 Lion Mike Howard; The Clubs that I have seen so far are doing well. The Clubs are getting set up for the events they have for the spring & summer.

Mt. Pleasant will be doing their B/Q dinner this year and could use help if other clubs would like to.

Region 3 Zone 2 Lion Bill Koch; has one club in trouble. The other clubs are active and serving their communities with vitality. I have yet to make a formal visit to Fremont. Our schedules constantly Clash. They are a great club and I know they are doing well. The same for Sand Lake. I have a problem with Hesperia. They will not return a phone call. They will not answer an E mail. So I have

no status to report. I can say a lot of rumors are going on about Hesperia, but nothing until I can get some one to answer a call or an Email.

Region 1 Zone 1 Lion Connie McMorris is having trouble with Frankfort as they are struggling and need more members. Governor to visit and see if he can assist them.

Region 1 Zone 2 Lion Pam Schroeder; We now have a face book page to let everyone know what is going on. Will finish club visits soon and officer training will be held in June with Zone 1 Region 2.

**New Business;** The Governor brought up the assistance to individuals in areas of our District that does not have a Lions Club to serve them. After discussion, it was decided that it is up to the clubs in the area and the District has no responsibility unless it is formally brought up at a Cabinet meeting and assistance is voted for by the voting members of the cabinet.

The Governor was formally thanked for his service to our District for 2012-13.

Motion to adjourn at 5:50PM

Below is a report that I received via e-mail from Lion Larry Alman;

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind

Camp Tuhsmebeta/ Camp T.

Summer of 2013 is a very exciting year for us. Many activities planned for the Blind and visually impaired children in Michigan this year. Lots of adventure, some new things as well this year.

Our Director and President of Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind will be at our District Convention this year to share the news of last year and this year to you all.

We are very proud of what we are doing for the young people that we serve and we want to thank those Clubs that have supported our program and we look forward to meeting new Clubs along the way.

If you have a empty program spot in your Club we would love to come and share the good work we are doing. You can call Lion Larry Alman at 616-754-9213 or just E-mail me at w8wr@charter.net.

2013 OUB CAMPS Schedule

Opportunities Unlimited for the Blind

Camp Schedule 2013

Information for 2013 at Camp Tushmebeta is CONFIRMED.

More information on Survival Arts Camp, Science Camp and the Adventure Trip will be posted as soon as possible. Click on the title of each camp to get a description of all the great fun we have planned!

Event Location Dates

Snow Much Fun/Bird Count Camp Tuhsmebeta Feb 15 – 17

Spring Birding-By-Ear Camp T April 26 – 27

5th/3rd River Bank Run Kick Off Camp T May 10 – 11

Gardening Weekend Camp T May 17 – 19

VI Sports Day & OUB Open House Camp T May 31 – June 2

Staff Training Camp T June 9 – 14

MPVI Family Camp T June 14 – 16

MDE – LIO Camps Camp T June 17 – 21

Survival Arts

Camp-in-a-Box TBA June 23 – 22  
 Master Chef (Culinary Camp) Camp T June 30 – July 5  
 Music Camp Camp T June 7 – 11  
 NFB-MI Braille Camp Camp T July 16 – 21  
 Making Sense of Our Senses Camp T July 21 – 26  
 NFB-MI Science Camp-in-a-Box TBA July 28 – Aug 2  
 UP Adventure Trip Camp-in-a-Box TBA August 9 – 19  
 Camper Registration Form 2013 - now available!

**DISTRICT 11-E1 CONVENTION**  
**MARCH 22-24, 2013**  
**HELD AT THE HOLIDAY INN**  
**BIG RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

**FRIDAY EVENING**  
**MARCH 22, 2013**

Held Mix and Meet and the Phattrax DJ's and The Soul Men entertained the crowd. Good time had by all. Afterwards the hospitality rooms were open.

**SATURDAY MORNING**  
**MARCH 23, 2013**

From 7:30 until 9:00 AM breakfast was served. Forums ran from 9:00 until 11:15.

Lunch was seated at 11:30 with The Parade of Banners; the following Clubs displayed their banners.

Empire	Kaleva	Big
Onkama		Weidman
Cadillac	Bear	Lake Lake
		Rapids Hart Ann

After Lunch 5, members and 2 Leo members were installed by ID Dr. H. Hauser Weiler; they were:

Sean Chipman, Big Rapids	Bruce Fredrick, Big Rapids
Scott Johnson, Baldwin	Wava Thomas, Baldwin
Paula Smith, Bear Lake	Leo's Richard Smith and Katie Millard, Bear Lake

Peace Poster winner this year was sponsored by the Midland Lions Club and her name is Madelyn Schroeder. She and her family were introduced to the Lions, and she was presented with a plaque and a check for \$100.00.

After ID Weiler spoke to us, District Governor Bill presented several Lions Awards from the District.

The **Luther Lions Club** was presented a plaque thanking them for storing the District Float.



**Lion PDG Dan Gibbons and Lion Pam Schroeder** was presented a plaque thanking them for assisting the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

**Lion Karla Roebuck** was presented a plaque thanking her for her work on the Information Technology Committee.

District Governor Bill presented **Lion Ron Sharp** a Ken Lautzenheiser Award for his assistance with helping his Club in developing a Face Book page and raising 12 Leader Dog Pups.

DG Bill presented his wife, first lady **Vickie**, a very special award from his heart to hers. She represented the Lions of District 11-E1 extremely well this year; we are all proud of her.

### **District Business Session March 23, 2013**

Call to order at 1:45 PM by District Governor Bill Simpson

Invocation by PDG Jerry Brandt

Report of the Rules Committee: PCC Janalee McClure presented the rules for the business meeting and voting. Motion to accept by Lion Pam Schroeder and the motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report: Lion Kerry McGinley presented his report and as no questions raised made motion for the delegation to accept. Motion seconded and it passed.

Convention Report: Lion Pam Schroeder, acting chair, as Lion Deb Kreitner was home with ill husband, reports 130 registered from 23 clubs. She moved to accept her report and it was seconded and passed.

Credentials Report; Lion Gayle Morlock; Lion Gayle presented the following report

Total delegation allocated from the 46 clubs 121

Number of clubs registered at the Convention 23

Total number of PDG's certified 12

Total number of club delegates certified 50

Total number of delegates certified 62

Majority vote is 50% +1 = 32

Her report was accepted by motion.

Constitution & By-Laws; PCC Janalee McClure had no report as no changes were presented. Her report was accepted.

Nominations Report; PCC Richard Perrin stated the following Lions met all requirements for the office they are running for: DG Bill Simpson for the office of Trustee for the Lions of Michigan Foundation, Lion Tim Anderson for the office of District Governor, Lion Pete Conarty for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> VDG and Lion Michael Howard for the office of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG.

Nominations;

PDG Dan Gibbons nominated 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Tim Anderson of Cadillac, for the office of District Governor, 2013-14. PCC Janalee McClure seconded the nomination.

PCC Richard Perrin nominated 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Pete Conarty of Midland, for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> VDG, 2013-14. IPDG John Monahan seconded the nomination.

PDG Jerry Brandt nominated Lion Mike Howard of Harrison, for the office of 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG, 2013-14. Lion John Sovey seconded the nomination.

PCC Janalee McClure nominated DG Bill Simpson for the office of Trustee for the Lions of Michigan Foundation, 2013-15. Trustee Lion Ron Gibson seconded the nomination.

PCC Richard Perrin declared the nominations over and after explaining how and where to vote declared the meeting adjourned until Saturday night.

**SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET  
MARCH 23, 2013**

6:00 pm Reception for ID DR. H. Hauser Weiler

7:00 pm Parade of Governors

7:10 Call to Order

Invocation

Dinner

Introduction of the Head Table and honored guests;

ID Weiler spoke for a few minutes.

A beautiful wooden Lion, made by PDG Dan Gibbons was presented to the ID by DG Bill

DG Bill presented the following awards;

To Lion Ted Bailey a plaque for his years of service playing for the memorial service.

To Lion Bob Thompson a Ken Lautzenheiser Award for his excellent service to Project Kid Sight.

The Louis Braille Award went to two Lions, PDG Harry Johnson and PDG Wayne Kreitner. Both well deserved for their hard work to our District.

ID Weiler along with DG Bill presented the following International Awards;

Certificate of Appreciations from the International President was presented to Lion Kerry McGinley for his service to the District as Treasurer for 14 years and to Lion Pete Conarty, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG for his service to the Governor and the District this year.

To Lion PCC Richard Perrin the International Leadership medal was presented to him for his efforts to train our officers, so they can become our new Lion leaders. The International Leadership medal is the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest award Lions International gives out.

Awarded to PDG Lynn Mast was the International Presidents Medal for his dedicated service to getting new members for our District and working tirelessly to save clubs. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest award Lions International gives out.

PCC Richard Perrin was asked to come to the podium and announce the results of the election.

DG Bill presented patches to the incoming officers. DG elect Tim Anderson, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG elect Pete Conarty, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG elect Michael Howard and DG Bill was elected the new trustee for 2013-15.

Meeting adjourned until Sunday Morning 9:00 AM

**SUNDAY MORNING 9:00 AM  
MARCH 24, 2013**

9:00 AM Memorial Service for our deceased members;

PDG Stuart Anderson, Greenville  
PDG Allen Kohn, Edmore  
Lion Dale Hopkins, Onekama  
Lion Marilyn Lantz, Onekama  
Lion Ronald L. Johnson, Midland  
Lion Thomas Thompson, Manistee  
Lion Betty Linke, Manistee  
Lion Robert Wainwright, Northport  
Lion Rosemary Reid, Weidman

Lion C. Bartelle Fries, Greenville  
Lion Bernie Briske, Onekama  
Lion Glenn Knapp, Luther  
Lion Carl Paepke, Sand Lake  
Lion Richard Smith, Empire  
Lion Les Haney, Empire  
Lion Benjamin Whitefield, Empire  
Lion Grafton (Mac) Thomas, Northport  
Lion Charles (Chuck) Drew, Lake Ann

Chaplain for the service was PDG Jerry Brandt and music was provided by Lion Ted Bailey.

Breakfast was served at 10:00 AM and after breakfast **DISTRICT GOVERNOR BILL** closed the convention.

Yours in Lionism,

Jim Chipman, Cabinet Secretary  
District 11-E1