

Serve With Heart

Jack Frost
District Governor II D-1
May, 2023



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THANK YOU to all who made the District 11D-1 Convention a great success!

Special thanks to the convention chairpersons, PDG & PCC Dick DeLong and PDG Dennis Poirier for organizing and planning and executing the entire event!!! The breakout sessions were great, and our Lions had fun! In our business session we voted to endorse the candidacy of PDG Dave Wineman, our current Midwest Area Leader, for the position of International Director. He is from our neighboring District 11D-2, and will represent our area well.

Our guest speaker, PID Larry Edwards, awarded International President's Certificates of Appreciation for their contributions to Lionism to: PCC Jeff Hunt, IPDG Duane Wilcox, PDG Dennis Poirier, CS Vaughn Begick, PCT and Editor Phyllis Pross, and RC Joe Gwizdala III. Congratulations on these well-deserved awards!

Our District's Parade of Checks raised a total of \$52,069.15!!! Of this total, there was \$13,205 for Special Needs Vision Clinic and \$9,065 for Leader Dog! That's more than double the challenge amount so I did dance a jig, which you can view on the Bay City Lions' Facebook Page. Thank you to all who generously contributed to

the Parade of Checks and to our Convention!

I encourage you to attend the Multi-District 11 Convention on May 18-20 in Muskegon. It will be bigger and better than ever. There is a picnic on Thursday at 6 p.m. on board the USS LST393, with tours of the ship available. There is also a submarine available for tours. On Friday there is a bird-watching tour available at the best spot in Michigan, where 256 species of birds have been seen and documented! Bring your binoculars! One of the breakout sessions on Friday afternoon is put on by Ukrainians from the area, including Lion Lana O'Lonegan (wife of 1VDG Mike O'lonegan of Muskegon), and Anna Kovalenko, the leader of the Ukrainian Community of Grand Rapids. Friday night entertainment is a "Lions got Talent" show. On Saturday, for the first time, there will be a parade of Lions near the hotel in downtown Muskegon! The MD 11 service project is socks for the needy of all ages, and those will be sorted on Saturday afternoon. Clubs should deliver their sock donations at the Convention. If your club is not participating in the sock

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REGION/ZONE CHAIRS

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REGION I ZONE 1 CHAIR

Position Open

Region I Zone 2 Chair

Position Open

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Region III Zone 2 Chair

Position Open



donations, it would be a great project for your own community!

There is still time to register for the International Convention in Boston! There are so many historical sites to visit it would be worth an extended vacation stay!!! Next year's convention will be in Australia, which is a lot farther away and much more expensive, so go to Boston while you can!

Please keep up your good work in recruiting new members, serving your communities with worthwhile projects, and promoting Lionism

wherever you go! Many clubs are not reporting their service hours to LCI. It is easy to do, but if you need help, please let me know! There is no reason we can't have 100% of the clubs in our District reporting some service hours. You are already doing the work!

Let's "Serve with Heart" and make our contributions known in our communities as we wind up this fiscal year!!!

***Yours in Lionism,
DG Jack Frost***

From 1st Vice District Governor Bill Bauder



While the Freeland Lions Club just had a great weekend with their Walleye Festival, I enjoyed being part of their fundraising.

There are a couple of positions that I need to fill. If anyone is willing to step up and help the best District in the area, please let me know that you would like to help to keep us as a great District.

I just found out that we can't do Bingo at the Saginaw Veteran Medical Center until January. The Lady in charge is retiring soon. We will miss her. We have worked together for a long time. Let's work with the new individual that's going

to help us to help the Veterans with their stay at the VA Medical Center. The new person's name is Danny Dorzok. Please let me contact the new person and get to know him so we can work with the VA to help the Vets in here.

Now for our District, I am looking to fill a couple of positions in the District. I am looking to get a few Zones Chairs and just a couple of Region Chairs.

Lets get out there and help our communities.

***Thank you,
FVDG Bill Bauder***

From 2nd Vice District Governor Jonathan VanTol



Lions,

First, a big thank you to the District Convention Committee for the hard work they put in to make the convention a success. The breakout sessions were very informative. The nominations and election of the Governors went smoothly.

I'd like to congratulate Lion Bill Bauder on his election as our next District Governor. I know he's hard at work planning for the next year to continue to grow and make our District better. If you ever had a desire to serve at the District level, I'm sure he'd appreciate all the

UPCOMING EVENTS

see details inside

**BEAR LAKE CAMP
BUFFALO & BOAR
WILD GAME DINNER**
April 8, Metamora

DISTRICT CONVENTION
April 14,15.16, Grand Rapids

Lions of Michigan
Bridging the Gap
April 30, Zoom

STATE CONVENTION
May 18-30, Muskegon

Bear Lake Camp
Juvenile Diabetes Camp
Summer 2023

Bear Lake Camp
Baseball Game / Picnic
July 14

Bay City Lions
Great Oaks Loons Game
August 9

Special Needs
Online Auction
October, Online



Serve With Heart

Jonathan continued

assistance he can get. Contact Governor Elect Lion Bill for any opportunities and openings he needs to fill.

I'd also like to thank all the delegates that confirmed their belief that I will be a good 1st Vice District Governor. I look forward to working on your behalf and assisting in any way that I can for your clubs.

Congratulations to Lion Jerry Whitney on his election as 2nd Vice District Governor. He'll do a fine job. It was a tough choice between two **HIGHLY** qualified and hard-working Lions. Hopefully Lion Toby Webber will run again next year as he has a lot to offer the District.

It's the job of the officers at all levels to report activities to Lions International. The more we report

the more chance we have to receive funding from other Foundations to continue our work of serving and bettering our communities.

To be better informed of the happenings in our District, we need more members to sign up for the District Newsletter. Club officers, Zone and Region Chairs please encourage everyone to sign up. Go to lions11d1.com to sign up. Individual members need to sign up, the email program will ask YOU to verify your email. District officers cannot do it for you. If you need assistance, just ask any District officer, they will be willing to help. The District doesn't share your email with anyone.

Thank you for your support and may we continue to serve our communities.

Lion Jonathan S. VanTol
2nd Vice District Governor- 1st Vice District Governor Elect

From Immediate Past District Governor Duane Wilcox



Hello Lions of 11D-1,

Well another month has gone by too fast. Let's get out there and have some fun helping someone in need.

So many clubs are having fundraising events let's show our support and lend a hand to help them out.

Convention was great success. Thank you to all that came to

Grand Rapids. What an awesome town.

Also a big Thank You for all of the parade of checks. How fantastic it was seeing all of our projects getting some funds.

Next up MD11 State Convention it's sure to be a awesome time.

Until next month
Your friend in Lionism,
Lion Duane IPDG

"HUMBLE AND KIND"

11 D-1 District Convention

April 14, 15, 16, 2023

Doubletree Hotel in Grand Rapids

Thanks from the 2023 Convention Committee

The convention committee gives special thanks to the Lions that made the 2023 District Convention a success.

Thanks to PDG Ron Johnson and Lion Shari for handling the registration again this year. As always, great job.

Thanks to Lions Carol Poirier and Sharon DeLong for setting up the store.

Thanks to PDG Steve VanTol for the use of his audio/visual equipment for various functions during the convention.

The convention has three informative sessions.

PAWS with a Cause was first and was followed by a very stirring presentation by a client of Leader Dog who had his dog with him and described his experience with Leader Dog and his journey with that organization.

PDG Steve VanTol presented a history of the Kidsight program

Lion Patsy Powell held a painting session and Lion Sharon DeLong did a greeting card making session. Thanks to both. Even though there were not a lot of attendees the proceeds went to Leader Dog and

Special Needs.

Thanks to PDG RG Barnum and his wife Gloria for hosting our International Guests IPID Larry Edwards and his wife Susan and thanks to them both for their informative presentations.

A special thanks to all of the clubs in the district that presented checks that totaled over \$51,000.00 towards district, state and international efforts. Each and every member should be proud of your involvement in raising these funds.

At the general business session on Saturday, PDG Alice Zajac was elected to serve as a trustee on the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation.

The elections were held on Sunday morning. Lion Bill Bauder was elected as our next District Governor, Lion Jonathan VanTol was elected 1st VDG and Lion Gerald Whitney was elected 2nd VDG. Congratulations to all.

Next year's convention will be at the Evergreen Resort in Cadillac.

It was a pleasure to serve as the district's co-chairs. PCC Dick DeLong and PDG Dennis Poirier

ATTENTION WE'RE DOING IT AGAIN/1111

SPECIAL NEEDS VISION CLINIC ONLINE AUCTION will be taking place in October, and your help is needed.

A successful auction depends on the items we have to offer. This is where you and your club come in. We would like to emphasize new and excellent items.

Why not make a club project of canvassing your community, friends and acquaintances for donations of items and gift cards or certificates for services to be included in the auction. Don't wait, start now. More

information will be coming in future newsletters. Questions can be directed to Lion RG. Barnum at 989-871-9083 or Lion Alice Zajac at 989-827-9614.



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION—2024 GROUP CRUISE

ROYAL CARIBBEAN - NAVIGATOR OF THE SEAS

7-Night Cruise: February 2 - February 9, 2024

ROUNDRIP - LOS ANGELES, CA

Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

PRICING: 2 PEOPLE - \$50 ONBOARD CREDIT PER ROOM

4V - Interior Stateroom: \$1,240.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity

Stateroom Size: 150 square fee - occupancy up to 4 guests

4N - Ocean View Stateroom: \$1,690.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity

Size Stateroom: 160 square feet - occupancy up to 4 guests

2D - Balcony Stateroom: \$2,418.00 + \$268.68 Taxes/Fees + \$224.00 Gratuity

Stateroom size: 185 square feet + 50 square feet balcony - occupancy up to 4 guests



- I would like an Interior Stateroom for _____ Adults and _____ Children (Age 12 or under).
- I would like an Oceanview Stateroom for _____ Adults and _____ Children (Age 12 or under).
- I would like a Balcony Stateroom for _____ Adults and _____ Children (Age 12 or Under).

Stateroom Deposit - \$250 Per Person: ___ Check ___ Credit/Debit Card ___ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Credit/Debit Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____ Zip Code: _____

Signature: _____

Legal Names: _____ - Birth Date: _____

_____ - Birth Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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Lions of Michigan Foundation (LMF) Report

by PDG Steven VanTol

There is time to sell the Sight and Hearing Sweepstake tickets. This is a great fundraiser for your club. Sell over 100 tickets and your club will receive \$5.00 for all tickets sold. Sell over 300 tickets and your club will receive \$5.50 per ticket sold. Return your sold tickets to be eligible for the sellers drawing on May 6th, you can continue to sell tickets until the drawing on May 20 at the Lions of Michigan MD convention. Be sure to get them in before the drawing otherwise the price needs to be returned to the purchaser.

Check out the LMF Cruise flyer in the newsletter. We have changed to the Pacific Ocean for 2024. Please note travel arrangements to the port for the round-trip ocean cruise is not included. We have reserved 35 staterooms (20 balcony, 10 interior and 5 ocean view), and they will be assigned on a first come

first-serve basis. Staterooms can be reserved with a \$500 per stateroom deposit (\$250 per person), and final payment for the Room/Taxes/Fees will be due by November 20, 2023. Gratuity of \$112 per person can be paid prior to sailing, or it will be added to your onboard account on a daily basis.

Congratulations to PDG Lion Alice Zajac for being elected as the next LMF trustee. Her term starts after the LMF annual meeting on August 5, 2023.

If you have any questions or need assistance with grant applications for emergency assistance, vision or military aid you can contact either PDG Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com or phone 989-430-9500, or CT Lion Sandy VanTol email slvantol23@gmail.com.

Project Kidsight

by PDG Steven VanTol

If you wish to be trained as a screener, please let me know. Also, there will be a training session at the Multiple District Convention on Friday at 1:30 PM.

It is time to plan for Kidsight screenings in your area. Have you contacted a preschool or daycare to screen some children. We have three cameras in the district available for Kidsight screenings which can be used inside a building. PDG Joe Bogar, Zone Chair Gerald Whitney and PDG Steven VanTol all have cameras. Let's get out there and screen children. Please contact me for the project screening number.

The Kidsight trailer for screening where an indoor location is not possible. The trailer is in Auburn and available to be used for screenings. Please coordinate your needs by contacting Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevenvantol@gmail.com or phone 989-430-9500. The dates the Kidsight trailer is scheduled can be found on the district calendar located on the district webpage www.lions1ld1.com.

Global Leadership Team (GLT)

PDG Steven VanTol

Lions International has learning opportunities online. If you have a MyLion account, go to the Learning center. Look at the classes offered for your personal growth. Every Lion can sign up for a lion account go to <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en> then click the "Member Login" tab to get the registration page. Need help? Just ask. I can assist or another lion can help you get started with a MYLion account.

Our district training for zone and region chairs has been scheduled for Sunday June 25, 2023 at 1:00 PM. The location will be the Gaines Area Lions Club

House. There will be pizza and salad served after the training. If you are interested in being a zone chair in the future this is a great opportunity to learn the responsibilities. Contact Lion Steven VanTol at lionstevenvantol@gmail.com or call or text 989-430-9500.

The training schedule for President, Secretaries and Treasures has not been set at this time. Hopefully all the clubs will complete their elections soon and update MyLci with the new information. Emails will be sent to the officers as well as being in the district newsletter.

ZOOM

The district has a Zoom account which is available for any club or committee meeting. Send a request to this email: district11d1@gmail.com to request a zoom meeting or call PDG Steven VanTol at 989-430-9500. Zoom meetings are scheduled on a first come basis.

District Newsletter and Communication JUST DO IT

The district newsletters are only being sent to those members who have signed up to receive the newsletter via email from the district web site. The signup page can be found on our website www.lions11d1.com.

Have you signed up for the newsletter and feel you are not receiving the email? Check your trash and or spam folder. Also, add district11d1@gmail.com to your email contact list.

Presidents and secretaries please sign up for the newsletter. Then ask your members if they are receiving the district newsletter from the district email. Please share this signup information.

Please encourage your club members to get the information direct. **JUST DO IT!!**

LCIF CHALLENGE FOR CHANGE

Bring your change to the MD 11 State Convention and support your District in the Challenge for Change LCIF Event.

District Governors have been challenged to decorate a Gallon Milk Jug for donations to LCIF. Clean out your counter tops and pockets for change you have laying around and donate it to your Governor's collection jug.

The District raising the most money at the Convention will be awarded a Melvin Jones that they can present in their District to a well deserving Lion.

We make a difference Internationally through the funds and service we contribute. Our donation will be presented to IPIP Douglas Alexander at the Awards Banquet on Saturday night, May 20. Let's make a Difference!



Roster corrections/changes

Page 8 Joe Gwizdala's email address is Gwizdala1354@outlook.com

Page 28 Debbie Baker is president of the Frankenmuth Lions
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Page 42 Jack Frost's email should be lionfrost84@gmail.com

Page 43 The correct address for
Radio Reading Services should be:

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MINUTES

District 11 D-1 Cabinet Meeting

4-14-2023 at 4:45 pm

Doubletree Hotel at the Airport, Grand Rapids, MI

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| District Governor (DG) | Present | Jack Frost |
| Immediate Past District Governor(IPDG) | Present | Duane Wilcox |
| First Vice District Governor (1 st VDG) | Present | Bill Bauder |
| Second Vice District Governor (2 nd VDG) | Present | Jon VanTol |
| Cabinet Secretary (CS) | Present | Vaughn Begick |
| Cabinet Treasurer (CT) | Present | Sandy VanTol |
| Region, I Chair (RC) | Present | Joe Gwizdala III |
| Region one, Zone 2 Chair (ZC) | | Ed Reaume |
| Region one, Zone 1 Chair (ZC) | Present | Scott Mckenzie |
| Region II Chair (RC) | Present | Toby Webber |
| Region two, Zone 1 Chair (ZC) | | Ken Krause |
| Region two, Zone 2 Chair (ZC) | Present | Dan Houston |
| Region III Chair (RC) | Present | Dan Embury |
| Region three, Zone 1 Chair (ZC) | | |
| Region three, Zone 2 Chair (ZC) | Present | Gerald Whitney |

Others Present-R.G. Barnum, Richard DeLong, Harold DeMott, Mary DeMott, Jeff Hunt, Ron Johnson, Dennis Poirier, Deb VanTol, Steve VanTol, Alice Zajac, Larry Edward PID, Ron Gibson CCOG.

Call to order-District Governor Jack Frost

Pledge of Allegiance-1st VDG Bill Bauder

Invocation-2nd VDG-Jon VanTol

Roll Call of Voting Cabinet-A quorum was present.

Additions to the Agenda-Motion to approve the agenda by D. Poirier with second by D. Wilcox. Passed.

Approval of the 1-8-2023-Cabinet meeting minutes-Motion by J. VanTol second by D. Wilcox. Passed.

Treasurer's Reports-Cabinet Treasurer Sandy VanTol-Motion by J. VanTol second by T. Webber. Passed. There was discussion about Flint Downtown being in arrears on dues to the District and Lions International. Jeff Hunt and Duane Wilcox were appointed to work with the Club to get their dues updated and to check their status with LCI.

Region and Zone Reports

Region I Chair-Joe Gwizdala III- Had a combined Region and Zone 1 and 2 meeting, Wednesday March 15. Twenty nine Lions were in attendance.

Zone One-Scott MacKenzie-Written report attached

Zone Two-Ed Reaume-Written report attached

Region II Chair-Tobias Webber- As winter has given way to spring, we see signs of renewal all around us. All the clubs

in Region II have been visited at least once and have also renewed their commitment to serve. I have enjoyed seeing our district thrive and at the same time enjoyed the service we have shared as Lions and as a District. All the clubs that I visited are determined to make a difference in their community with their own thumb print. I am encouraged by their efforts to serve.

Zone One-Ken Krause-No report

Zone Two-Dan Houston-No report

Region III Chair-Dan Embury- Held a Region III meeting on March 20, 2023, at the East Flint Lion's Club house. Appreciate all who were able to make it that evening. Continuing to schedule club visits.

Zone One-Position available

Zone Two-Gerald Whitney-Sixteen clubs have been visited.

Committee Reports-2023

Convention Committee-PDG Dick DeLong and PDG Dennis Poirier-Thanks to the hotel staff for their help with getting the convention set up and changing rooms around as needed.

2024 Convention Committee-PDG Alice Zajac and RC Toby Webber-Possibly Cadillac, Evergreen.

Constitution and Bylaws-PDG Dick DeLong, Jeff Hunt, Alice Zajac, Rick Bigelow-No report.

Credentials-CS Vaughn Begick, PDG Ron & PZC Shari Johnson-A

hard copy of delegates should go to Lion Dick DeLong along with Ron Johnson.

Elections-PDG Dick DeLong, Dennis Poirier- The election of Trustee to the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation will be held at the General Business Meeting to be held on Saturday, April 15th and the election of District Governor and 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor will be held on Sunday, April 16th.

George E. Daley Award-PDGs Harold DeMott and Steve VanTol- It is unfortunate that we received no nominations for the George Daley Award for this year. Next year's committee members will be PDG Harold DeMott and PDG Duane Wilcox.

Nominating Committee-PDG Bill Erickson and PDG Ron Johnson- We have received nominations for all positions. District Governor Bill Bauder, 1st VDG Jon Van Tol, 2nd VDG Gerald Whitney and 2nd VDG Tobias Webber. We have reviewed and certified that the candidates listed above have met the requirements for their respective offices in accordance with the International By-Laws, Article IX, Section 6(c).

Resolutions-PDG Dick DeLong-No report.

International Convention-Chairs: DG Jack Frost, 1st VDG Bill Bauder, 2nd VDG, Jon VanTol-The convention site is Boston, MA in late June. There are many sights to see in Boston per Jack.

MD 11 Convention-PDG Bob Sturgis-Conv. May 18-20 in Muskegon at the Delta-Marriott and Van Dyke Convention Center. Make room reservations before April 18 for the Convention rate.

Michigan Forum PRC PZC Joe Gwizdala III- Had a great day in Grand Rapids. Next year's forum is in the planning stages. Our District provided two restaurant gift cards as door prizes but only one was initially authorized so, a motion was made by Dan Embury with a second by Jon VanTol to provide two. It passed.

USA Canada Forum-PDG-Bill Erickson-No report

Childhood Cancer-Darlene Anderson- I am continuing to assess each club to see which ones have Childhood Cancer chairs & how they can fundraise. I plan on being at the Multi District Conference in May. I have plans on visiting clubs without Childhood Cancer chairs to encourage them to still fundraise and meet them. District fundraiser cancelled till fall. I am now also State Childhood Cancer Chair.

Defense against Diabetes-Julia Embury and PDG Joe Bogar-No report.

Kidsight-PDG Steve VanTol- There will be a history of Project Kidsight at a Saturday session. It is time to plan for Kidsight screenings in your area. Have you contacted a preschool or daycare to screen some children. We have three cameras in the district available for Kidsight screenings which can be used inside a building. PDG Joe Bogar, Zone Chair Gerald Whitney and PDG Steven VanTol all have cameras. Let's get out there and screen children. Please contact me for the project screening number at lionstevanvntol@gmail.com or 989-430-9500. The Kidsight trailer for screening where an indoor location is not possible. The trailer is in Auburn and available to be used for screenings. Please coordinate your needs by contacting Lion Steven VanTol email lionstevanvntol@gmail.com or phone

989-430-9500. The dates the Kidsight trailer is scheduled can be found on the district calendar located on the district webpage www.lions11d1.com.

Sickle Cell-Lion Ben Frazier and PZC Dan Houston-Donate blood. A Scholarship is being awarded.

District Governor's Newsletter and Lion Pride State Magazine-PCT Phyllis Pross-No report.

District Photographer-PDG Jeff Hunt-

District IT Committee Report-PDG Larry Porn-Nothing has transpired since the Council of Governors were presented with the use of QR codes for fund raising. Other forms still need to be covered as well.

The Mylci and MyLion reports are expected to be combined next fiscal year making them more like the M&A report of the past. Membership and Activities will be combined. A request from LCI has been made to make sure all member information is updated and activity information prior to the change.

Liaison-PDG Dick DeLong-No report.

Public Relations-Matt Tetloff and Allysa Born-No report.

Social Media-Matt Tetloff and Alyssa Born-No report

Leader Dogs for the Blind-PDG Ron Johnson and Kristin Shively- Leader Dog Puppy Program-PRC Joe Gwizdala III- As always still need puppy raisers.

Paws with a Cause-Ellen Pretzer-No report.

Eversight-IPDG-Duane Wilcox- January 1st thru March 29th, we had 365 recipients and 385 Donors in Michigan.

Golf anywhere May 25 thru June 15th On-line auction June 9th thru Jun7th. April 16th Getting to know your state projects via Zoom. All info available on Eversight's website. See attached flier.

Hearing and Speech-Teresa Tetloff-No report.

Radio Reading Services-PRC-Doug Palmer-No report.

Special Needs Vision Clinic-PDG R. G. Barnum- We are putting together another auction sale in September. We are looking for some good items to sell, we do not want garage sale items. We are still looking for other ideas for making money for the Clinic if you have any ideas, please let us know. Thank you in advance for your Parade of Checks. A wheel barrow of cheer will be at the convention for a raffle.

Vision Services-PRC Joe Gwizdala III-No report at this time.

White Cane-PRC-Doug Palmer-No report.

All State Band-Position available-

Bear Lake Camp-PDG Ron Johnson-A fundraiser was held last week. A diabetes camp this summer.

Lion Deb VanTol- Handy LEOs have met monthly. Here are some of the service projects that have kept us busy this year:

- PAW Palooza
- Card for ill student
- Thanksgiving Community Dinner
- Christmas Baskets
- Bell Ringing
- Bay City St. Patrick's Day Parade

The Western Leo Club meets every other week. Multiple times they have done activities with friends at Plainview and Auburn Fields Assisted Living, walked dogs and cleaned cats at the Humane Society of Midland Co, helped fill and distribute food baskets, and assisted at Ready Set Grow Child Care. They also completed a \$1000 with Bay Area Foundation, giving \$500 to Aaron's Gifts from Home. Currently they are planning an Auburn City Door-to-Door Can/Bottle Return Fundraiser. Western Leo President Madison Schulz is Multiple District LEO of the Year. Congratulations Madison!

Youth Exchange- Two young women, Carma Dix and Isabella Wells, are visiting Italy this summer. Isabella Wells is partially subsidizing her trip with the 1ST place award of \$2000 from the District 11D1 Essay Contest. Deb VanTol did request that the prize be raised from \$1500 to \$2000. Joe Gwizdala III made the motion with support from Duane Wilcox to raise the prize to \$2000. It passed. The sponsoring club is the Montrose Club. State LYEP Chair John Doaud is asking for hosting homes in Michigan. Please contact Lion Deb VanTol, 989-430-1824 if you are interested.

District GLT (Global Leadership Team)-PDG Steve VanTol- Lions International has learning opportunities online. If you have a MyLion account, go to the Learning center. Look at the classes offered for your personal growth. Every Lion can sign up for a lion account go to <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en> then click the "Member Login" tab to get the registration page. Need help? Just ask. I can assist or another lion can help you get started with a MYLion account.

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District GMT- (Global Membership Team)-PDG Alice Zajac-No report.

New Voices-Mary DeMott-No report

District GST- (Global Service Team)-PDG Joe Bogar-Global Extension Co-Ordinator Team-PDG Dennis Poirier-Getting members for a new Essexville.

Honorary Committee-IPDG Duane Wilcox and all PDGs residing in the district-No report.

Hunger-PDG Dennis Poirier- Food Giveaways are being held at the Salvation Army in Bay City twice a month starting in March again. 1st VDG Bill Bauder reported that six food giveaways are being

held each year in Freeland.

LCIF- (Lion Clubs International Foundation)-PDG Bob Sturgis- The GLBAS Lions Club donated \$2251.65 to LCIF from their ongoing raffle project. Contact me if you would like to know how much you have in the fund. If it is over \$1000.00 you can award a Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Lions of MI Foundation-Trustee 1yr. CT Sandy VanTol, Trustee 2 yr. and Foundation President PDG Steve VanTol.

Strategic Planning-Voting Members of the Cabinet:

Unfinished Business-Gift Donation to MI Forum-Extra \$50 approved earlier.

New Business-Auditing the Convention Checkbook-There was discussion and it was felt that it should be yearly by three Lions. Lion Jack will appoint them. The Zoom license is due for renewal. A motion was made by Jon VanTol with a second by Duane Wilcox to renew the license. It passed.

Closing Comments

1st VDG Bill Bauder-No comment.

2nd VDG Jon VanTol-No comment.


DG Jack Frost-No comment.

Announcements-

Adjourn-Motion made and passed.

Next Cabinet Meeting-Unknown

*Respectfully submitted,
Lion Vaughn Begick, Cabinet Secretary*



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Lions Around the District

Caro Lions Club has been active In April of this year (2023) we celebrated our 80th Birthday / Anniversary, as the Caro Lions Club was Chartered in 1943. To commemorate the milestone, we sponsored the local Wednesday food / dinner give-away



that HDC does each week. It's \$300 donation plus @ 5 volunteers to serve the food. For an extra \$50 the HDC kitchen made the Birthday cake (Photo), plus a sheet cake to serve 300 people. Each piece of cake was served with each meal in a separate container with a sticker on it with the Lions logo / Caro Lions Club / and 1943 -2023.

We also made 30 No-Sew blankets and delivered them to various organizations as a Comfort Item throughout the Community. Wayne Sayers delivered 10 blankets to The Child Advocacy Center of Tuscola County where children are provided a safe and child-friendly place to make difficult, but truthful disclosures to reduce the trauma experienced by the victims of suspected maltreatment. Doug Coon delivered 10 blankets to both, the State Police Post and Tuscola County Sherriff's Department (Photo) that come in handy at the scene of an accident as a comfort item. Jack Smith delivered 5 blankets to the Caro Methodist Church that runs a Food Pantry and those in need that get supplies may also feel comfort from a blanket. Jim Willing delivered the last 5 blankets to the Assault Crisis Center which is a Domestic Violence services and Emergency Shelter.



The 12" stuffed Lion will be delivered to local Police departments to be used the same as the Blankets....a comfort Item. We started with a purchase of 15 Lions.



East Flint Lions participated in a Health and Wellness Empowerment event at the Flint Public Library. They had the opportunity to talk with different organizations and people visiting the



library. They also handed out information about Lion's Clubs and talked about what Lion's do. It was a great networking opportunity for them.

Flushing Lions were selling Foundation Raffle Tickets at the local Bueche's Super Market. Over 200 have been sold. The weather has been a bit chilly as plants from outside have been brought inside to keep away from the frost. Lions Kristin Shively and Peggy Yats with Cash, her Leader Dog were trying to keep warm. Cash is a tremendous help with the sales as he is an example of what we accomplish.



Also during the month we have supported two students for the youth exchange program on their trips to Europe.

Support of an All State Band member was also provided with a second student from Lakeville High School as a second potential band member to be supported.

Frankenmuth Lions Club



The Executive Director of the Mid-Michigan Ronald McDonald House spoke at the April 5 Lions Club meeting, and the Frankenmuth Lions Club donated \$500 to the cause.



The President of the local I Support the 1% Veterans Food Pantry spoke at the April 19 Lions Club meeting and the Frankenmuth Lions Club donated \$700 to the cause.

Merrill Lions Club program meeting on 4/18/2023



was held at the Merrill middle school. The task at hand, was to put together baby blankets for Saginaw

Merrill continued

Covenant ICU babies. We were able to put together 6 blankets.



The project was lead by Lioness, Anne Bales, Covenant ICU nurse. The group had a great time. Dinner was homemade chicken noodle and vegetable beef soup made by Lioness Theresa Devault. Fun filled night giving back to the community.

Millington Lions hosted a Senior's Honor Night Banquet on April 24.



This annual event honors the top ten graduating local high school seniors acknowledging their outstanding academic achievements. Also, two scholarships were awarded to deserving students. Our guest speaker for the event was alumni Ms. Jessie Bassett whose speech emphasized the importance of community volunteerism.

April 28th found our members participating in the White Cane fund drive for the benefit of the Leader Dog Foundation.

Shields Lions Club members assisted the Easter Bunny (also a Lion) at the Easter Egg Hunt held at Shields Comfort Care Assisted Living in Thomas Township.



Children from the community were invited to participate in the hunt, collecting eggs and prizes, and get their picture taken with the Easter Bunny. It was a fun time for all”

Zilwaukee Lions celebrated earth day by cleaning up our city and helping our residents use dumpsters. It



was rainy and cold but we made a lot of progress in beautifying the city. We also had local high school students help us and everyone got to enjoy donuts!



Here is our Zilwaukee Lions Club Easter activity. We have an Easter eggs hunt every year. It happens rain or shine at noon on Saturday the day before Easter. There are always 4 age groups with nice candy and prizes for winning eggs. Everyone loves coming. Attached are pictures of just a few members after the hunt, some setting it up, and also members stuffing eggs (with pizza) at the meeting prior to the hunt! It was a blast.

Bay City Lions Club is planning a trip to the Great Lakes Loons on Wednesday August 9th.

The cost is \$25.00 which includes the ticket and a meal.

If anyone would like to go please contact me as soon as possible.

Checks can be made out to the Bay City Lions Club.

You can reach me at (gwizdala1354@outlook.com) or (989-684-9384)

