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DISTRICT 11 D-2



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Calendar-of Events:

Nov. 4-6 Lions Leadership Institute (Higgins Lake, Mi) **{CANCELED}**

Nov. 17 Peace Poster Contest 5:00 PM at (Hadley Spaghetti Dinner)

Nov. 30 Global Action Team (Metamora Lions)

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DR. SHAWN WIGHTMAN

First, some GREAT news in 11 D2! The District is the first in the state to report 100% SERVICE in MyLion. This is a major accomplishment that we all should be proud of and one of our goals as a District this year. I encourage all 11 D2 clubs to continue reporting this information as the year unfolds. Second, speaking about service, International President, Brian Sheehan, has asked all Lions and Leos to think bigger when we serve this year. That can be a challenge, especially if your club lacks funding to expand its activities. Nonetheless, several resources are available to help, including:

- **LCIF Grants** – Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is our global foundation and empowers service in Lions clubs, Leo clubs, districts, and multiple districts around the world. Explore the [LCIF Grants Toolkit](#) to find out if there's a grant that's right for you.
- **Local Partnerships** – There may be a business or other organization in your community that will partner with your club and provides support for your volunteer efforts. Get started by visiting our [Service Toolkit](#), which includes a link to the *Developing Local Partnerships* guide.
- **Fundraising Guide** – Lions and Leos raise funds to support their service in many ways. Recent advances in technology provide even more possibilities. The [Service Toolkit](#) also links to the *Fundraising Guide* to help you plan a successful fundraiser.
- **Global Action Team** – [Success Story Funding](#) is available for every district to support area needs. Additional information about the Global Action Team and how GAT supports successful service projects can be found in *The Global Action Team* online course in the Lions Learning Center, available through the [Member Portal](#).

Real change starts with big ideas; find examples in LCIF's [Service Stories](#) and [LCIF Stories of Pride](#) for more ideas.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact 1VDG, Jim White by email at jimwhite@mobilityremodelers.com.

Together, we make a difference!

DISTRICT GOVERNOR DR. SHAWN WIGHTMAN

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JAMES WHITE

Hello fellow Lions

For those who don't know me I am Jim White and I am honored to be your First Vice District Governor. I am owner of Luxury Bath by Mobility Remodelers in Port Huron and I live in Port Huron.

I chose to join the Lions after the death of a very close Family friend that had made a profound difference in my life growing passed away. He suffered from Retinitis Pigmentosa during his life and eventually went totally blind in his early 40 s with the help of the Local Lions club he lived his best life for over 40 years. In his memory I joined the Lions. Port Huron Host is my home club and have enjoyed serving as a club President, a region chair and zone Chair. I have learned a great deal from Governors and PDGS and I will continue to learn to better serve our clubs and Members.

Yours in Lionism

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JIM WHITE

2nd VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

Hello Fellow Lions!

Fellow Lions, I recently attended a training for VDG's at Treetops in Gaylord. What a great training!! Leading the training was PDG Roshni Patel. Teaching us from her experience as a governor was very insightful. We also heard from other PDG's about membership, service and leadership. Looking forward to December, and listening to all the speakers sharing their knowledge as a Lion. One thing I have learned and hope others have too is that Lions like to have FUN (from PDG Wineman, Friendly, Upbeat, Nice) when serving others! I hope club secretaries are inputting their service projects into LCI. Last year Ohio had a 100% of their club reporting projects. We cannot let them win again this year. If anyone is having issues with entering them don't hesitate to reach out for help. You can contact me at (judyakel76@gmail.com) if you need help.

Have a great October every one and make every day count.

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

PDG DON SPINKS, Global Membership Chair

This year seems to be flying by so fast for me. I monitor our district membership on a constant basis to see how we as a district are doing. Lately I am seeing our membership numbers increase on a steady climb. This is exciting to me as I have a long-term goal of surpassing one of our neighboring Districts that always seems to be a little better than us.

Recently I sent out a challenge to all the clubs in 11D2. I challenged them to increase our District membership numbers to 1324 by Christmas. At that time, we were at 1309 members and as of today while I am working on this article' we are at 1317. This shows that there are Lions out there reading and paying attention to our membership numbers.

I salute all the clubs that have increased their club membership this year so far. Keep it up and show or help other clubs on your experiences with membership, share your knowledge. I also would like to say to the clubs that may be endangered of low membership or for any other reason their club may need help. We do not know if your club needs help if you do not tell us. Remember, we are here for you. Ask us to help and I guarantee that we, the District, will help you. We want to see your club survive and serve your community. With that said, let me hear your ROAR.

Here are our membership numbers for our District.

	<i>This Month</i>	<i>This Year</i>
<i>Opening Balance</i>	<i>1,309</i>	<i>1,308</i>
<i>Added Members</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>Dropped Members</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>41</i>
<i>Closing Balance</i>	<i>1,317</i>	<i>1,317</i>
<i>Net Gain/Loss</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>

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Worldwide 1,397,616

PDG Donald Spinks Global Membership Chair JUST ASK!

PDG Wes Wagester, Global Leadership Chair

o PowerPoint presentations are being updated for club Presidents, club Secretaries, club Treasurers, Region & Zone Chairpersons. They will be emailed as soon as the updates are completed.

o Additionally, District 11 – D2 officer training is available in the form of Training Videos for President, Secretary and Treasurer on my YouTube Channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCr3VVDss2Uku5ZX5a3-Jhog>.

These videos do not reflect the 2021 – 2022 cabinet changes

o Wes Wagester is available to assist any club desiring club officer training

Region III Club Officer Training will be held on Tuesday, November 1 at Huron Shores Golf Club beginning at 7:00 pm. Arranged by Region 3 Chair Rich Cochrill.

PDG WES WAGESTER LEADERSHIP CHAIR

PDG WES WAGESTER GLT, Lions Clubs International Foundation

- Melvin Jones Fellowship recipients as of October 19, 2022
 - In District 11 – D2 there have been 278 MJFs and 11 PMJF.
The highest level of PMJF is 8
- New MJFs since June 30, 2022
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| Bethany J. Calka | Almont Lions |
| James V. Haley | Emmett Lions |
| Noel R. Katz | Emmett Lions |
| James White | Port Huron Host Lions |
| John R. Kriete | Port Sanilac Lions (Progressive) |

Donations in District 11 – D2 as of October 19, 2022

✓ Clubs	\$7,114.00
✓ District	\$2,500.00
✓ Total	\$9,614.00
✓	

This total is \$2,484.79 more than at the same time last year.

- Seven (7) clubs have donated so far this year, which is 14.89% of our clubs.
- The Status of installments as of October 1, 2022 which indicates how much each club has in their LCIF account follows:

Algonac	\$1,305.00	Almont	\$2,002.00
Bad Axe	\$3,787.80	Berville	\$1,050.00
Elkton	\$1,500.00	Frieburg St. Ignatius	\$1,500.00
Hadley	\$1,050	Lapeer	\$2,510.00
Pigeon	\$1,800.00	Ubley	\$3,782.00
USA	\$4,780.00	Yale	\$1,996.00

This will give a deserving member of the listed clubs a total of 21 Melvin Jones Fellowships.

Wes Wagester LCIF Coordinator

James White Service Chair

Fellow Lions here is our August service report so far

7760 People Served

36 Service Activities Completed

1156 Volunteer Hours

\$2150.00 Funds Donated

\$21,957 Funds Raised

This report is based on only 7 clubs of 49 reporting, so we have some work to get done because we all

know all the clubs are doing Service activities.

We would like to get to 100 Pct as soon as possible so if you are just having issues of not knowing how

or what counts as a service activity please just contact District Administrator Don Spinks or myself 1 ST

VDG Jim White or your Region and Zone Chairs and we will get the info in for you and direct you too

where to go for future reports.

We are planning Region and Zone meetings in September to aid in the learning process. Let's get to 100 PCT and keep our clubs recognized

LION JAMES WHITE SERVICE CHAIR

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO THE PRIDE

BRENT APPLETON	ALGONAC LIONS
RANDOLPH BARLOW	ALGONAC LIONS
JUDY FERGUSON	ALGONAC LIONS
MIKE FERGUSON	ALGONAC LIONS
CLAUDIA KLIEMAN	ALGONAC LIONS
ROBERT KLIEMAN	ALGONAC LIONS
BETHANY SAIGH	ALGONAC LIONS
DONALD KNIESTEADT	ALMONT LIONS
LISA KNIESTEADT	ALMONT LIONS
LAURIE COOK	ELKTON LIONS
ANGEL SMITHERS	ELKTON LIONS
REBECCA SIMKINS	HARSENS ISL. LIONESS
JASON HOEFT	LAPEER LIONS
JOSEPH DEFELICE	MARYSVILLE LIONS
JACK GLEASON	PIGEON LIONS

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

DARRELL FRECK	BERVILLE LIONS
CHARLIE PARKS	PORT AUSTIN LIONS
LARRY LAMBERT	LAPEER LIONS

Lion Deborah Kaighen Peace Poster Chairperson

Re: Peace Poster Contest

As we start our year with our new District Governor, Dr. Shawn Wightman, I urge you to start thinking about sponsoring a child in the Peace Poster Contest. Many of us, in the past, have not participated in this event. The first step is ordering your kits. You can order the kit online at www.lionsclubs.org. This year's theme is "Lead with Compassion". The judging will take place at the Hadley Lions spaghetti dinner on November 17, 2022. The customers at the dinner will be voting on the posters. The deadline for mailed in posters will be November 15th. Mail to PO Box 45, Hadley, Mi.48440. If you plan to attend the dinner, please arrive no later than 4:45 so that I can get them displayed on the wall for judging.

Any questions, you can contact or text me at 810-656-5160. Looking forward to more participation from all the clubs!

R. A. P.

Reading action program is back for clubs that are interested. Lions clubs work with local schools to help with getting students in the lower grades interested in books and reading. This District had books that were bought to start this program with, the title is, **(Hello Lighthouse, written by Sophie Blackall.)** PDG Don Spinks was handling this, any information and availability please contact him. Either by email or phone, (Donald_spinks@yahoo.com) or 989-551-5726. If he cannot answer your, inquires, he will get the answer and call you back. Many clubs were all set-up with their local schools to read to the 3rd grade students, when the state locked down the schools.

MD 11 READING ACTION CHAIR DON SPINKS

Lions have taken up the challenge of promoting reading worldwide. Here is an article that I found on the Reading Action Program that I would like to share with you and your lions club. It is important work, aimed at helping lift millions of people out of hardship. Learning to read lets people acquire the skills and knowledge they need “to overcome poverty, disease and other social ills,” said Past International President Wayne A. Madden, who served from 2012 to 2013.

Literacy, he said, is “a gift Lions can give to children and adults around the world.” Globally, nearly 1 billion adults cannot read and write. The issue isn’t just a challenge for developing regions, either. In the United States, 21 million people can’t read, and millions more have reading skills so limited that they have difficulty with common tasks such as reading signs or workplace instructions. The Reading Action Program, launched in 2012, is a 10-year Lions commitment to focus on strengthening global literacy. The program calls for Lions and Leos to organize service projects and activities that underscore the importance of reading.

Lions clubs around the world have responded with a broad variety of community-based, person-to-person efforts. Some have helped develop after-school reading programs. Others have volunteered to read to children at local libraries, work as reading tutors or donate books and computers. Whatever the project, Lions say the work is deeply satisfying. “I get tears in my eyes when I see these children improving their reading on a daily basis. It’s worth my time indeed,” said Jean-Marie Willem, a member of the Bruxelles Saint Hubert Lions Club in Belgium, which created an after-hours school reading program staffed by Lion volunteers. In Hawaii, the West Kauai Lions Club holds bingo games for kids. The prize? A book. “It’s a good project, because it promotes reading,” said club member Charles Ortiz. The Nagoya West Lions Club in Japan teamed up with the Makati Golden Lions of metropolitan Manila to build a library for children in the Philippines, then donated new computers and educational software. “Computers are necessary nowadays,” said Shinzo Suzuki, a member of the Nagoya West Club. “So, I like (young people) to study or get more knowledge about computer use.”

Many reading efforts tie in with Lions’ longstanding efforts to help people with visual impairments. Leos and Lions from Multiple District 107 in Finland recorded stories, fairy tales and poems, then published the recordings online so children with visual impairments could listen.

The Montclare Elmwood Park Lions Club in suburban Chicago, Illinois, USA, held a reading carnival for more than 100 children, treating them to story time, a puppet theater, face painting, crafts, balloon twisting and snacks. To increase the literacy program’s impact, Lions have joined forces with other organizations that have the same goal, including Reading is Fundamental, the largest children’s literacy nonprofit organization in the U.S. And at the 2012 International Convention in Busan, South Korea, Lions announced a partnership with the U.S. Agency for International Development’s global literacy campaign, saying USAID and Lions both believe that “literacy is critical to the future of all children.” I do hope that you enjoyed this article and that it inspires you to go read to children and create your own club reading action program.

Marine City Lions

Marine City Lions held the second annual BATTLE OF THE BANDS August 19 & 20th in Nautical Park. Raising \$11,100 for the Boosters Clubs of St. Clair, Algonac and Marine City. Thousands attended both Friday and Saturday evenings for great Music and a great time. Four Bands played alternating hours and votes were taken by donations for each. Forty-one Sponsors contributed for expenses.



METAMORA LIONS CLUBS

Metamora lions clubs would like to thank Hy's Cider Mill, Bailey's Smokehouse, Tina Clark-Sauve and of course our generous community for another successful Cider and Donut sales weekend. All the money collected will be going towards the biggest and best Halloween kids party in the area on October 31st. Come down early for the pumpkin drop downtown and trick or treat in the village before heading over to our hall at 3790 N Oak.



MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Eleven members of the Marysville Lions Club helped serve nearly 120 meals today at Mid-City Nutrition. The menu featured pork loins with apple sauce, salad, and cakes. Great teamwork under the leadership of Lions Paul Wessel.

MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

The Memphis Lions Club hosted a combine culinary and kids costume show cooking with the childhood excitement of Halloween on Oct. 29. Their first Halloween Family Fun Night in the Memphis Lions Hall. The Family Fun Night event, which included a chili cook-off and pie baking contest, along with kid's costume judging, this ran from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. beneath the George K. Kirkindall Memorial Pavilion at the Memphis Lions Club. There was trunk or treat night at the front of the soccer field. This was done so the children have a good safe environment to enjoy Halloween without roaming the streets. The majority of trunk or treat participants were parents of children doing the trunk or treat activity. A great time was had kids and adults alike. Memphis lions were there to help and direct the contests they made this a wonderful start of Family Fun Night



ALMONT LIONS CLUB

The Almont Lions held their 25th consecutive annual “Spooky Time Bash” on Saturday, October 29 in the Almont Community Park. This event was well attended as always. The KidSight trailer was present and 17 children were screened-1 referral. One of the families that stopped was a past visitor and told a story that makes us realize why we screen children. They had stopped two (2) years ago and had their son screened. He was about two (2) years old. His results were a referral and the parents were counseled to get his eyes checked by an eye doctor. The following year they came back to a screening and the boy was wearing eyeglasses. He passed the screening with the eyeglasses on, and when asked to remove his glasses so we could check to see if there was any change in his original vision, he declined to take the glasses off. On Saturday they stopped and told us that the boy’s vision had improved so he did not need his glasses. This is why we screen children, to have a success story like this case.



PORT SANILAC LIONS

Port Sanilac lions club members helping out their community at the Haunted Village. Members stepping up to start the fun.



MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

The Marlette lions club participated in the community Monster Mash at the city park. Lots of monsters and ghouls looking for treats.



Filing Due Date

Form 990-N is due every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of your [tax year](#). You cannot file the e-Postcard until after your tax year ends. For most clubs this means that they must file by Nov. 15. The Lions year ends on June 30, so the 15th day of the 5th month after June is November. You can find information on filing on the IRS website.

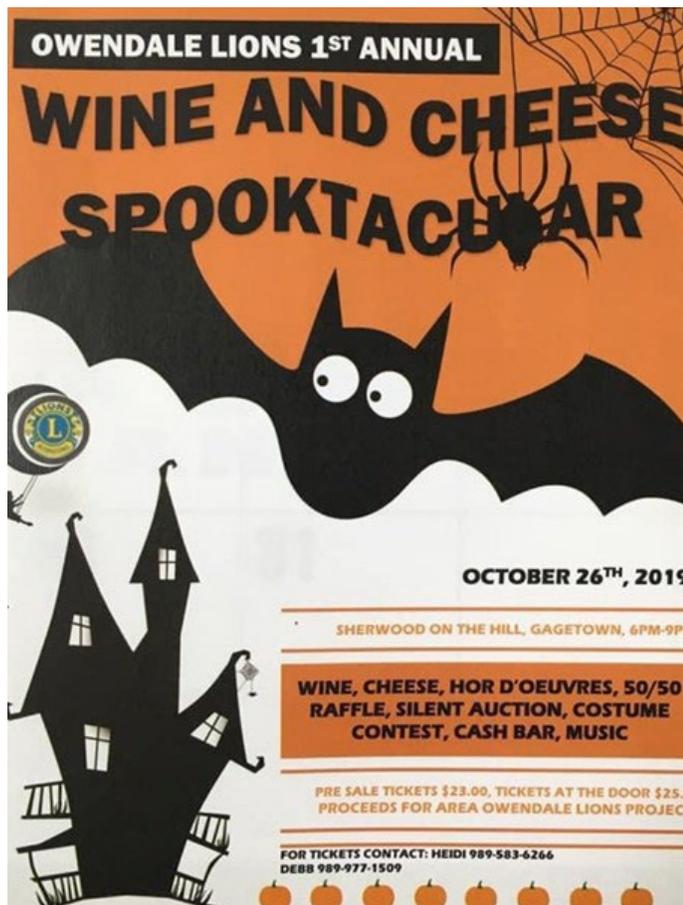
PDG WES WAGESTER

Almont Lions Club

Memorial Garden Dedication

November 5 th, 2022

The club created a beautiful new Memorial Garden



OWENDALE LIONS CLUB

Owendale Lions Wine and Cheese was a great success on Oct 26th, we have some great silent auction items. Thank you for all the community help.

Please Join Us
for an
Appreciation Dinner
honoring

IPIID Justin K. Faber

November 12, 2022
Ubly Heights Country Club
2409 E Atwater Rd
Ubly MI 48475

\$45 per person/\$80 per couple
includes 2 drink tickets.
Cash Bar

Social Hour 5:00 PM
Dinner 5:30 PM
Program and Entertainment following Dinner

RSVP to Lion Judy Keller
Call/Text 989.670.1401
Email jake176@gmail.com

Entertainment Provided By:
Toby Christiano & Michael Freeman
Toby features many James Brown Hits
and Michael features Motown with
Hits from Frank Sinatra and Nat King Cole

