

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

October 2023



District Governor James White
1st VDG Judy Keller
2nd VDG [Dave Fisher](#)
Cabinet Secretary Donald Spinks
Cabinet Treasurer Jack Kriete

Region 1 Chair: Crystal Briskey
Region 1 Zone 1 Chair Tom Watkins
Region 1 Zone 2 Chair John Tomaszko

Region 2 Chair: Tim Dietzel
Region 2 Zone 1 Chair Tom Lupo
Region 2 Zone 2 Chair John Tomaszko

Region 3 Chair: Rich Cochill
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Gary Sweeny
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Louise Dobson Blasius

GMT Dave Fisher
GLT Judy Keller
GST Bruce Bronson
Global Coordinator William Gratopp



Governor James White

CALENDAR –EVENTS

Oct. 6-7 2nd Council of Governors Meeting (Gaylord, MI).

Oct. 28 Cabinet Meeting (Ubly)

Oct. 28 Global Action Team (Ubly)

Oct. Michigan Lions Membership Month

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

Greetings, Great Lions of 11D2

I'd like to share 3 recent events that are examples of clubs working together to help others. 1) The district paid for a young Diabetes 1 patient to go to Hockey camp this summer in Toronto where all participants had diabetes.

Having the opportunity to meet with him and his parents was a treat I will never forget. Seeing his smile as he shared his experience and his parents as they listened attentively put smiles on all who were present. Thanks to the 11 d2 Lions for making this possible

2) a recent fire caused by arson destroyed the home of a single mother and 3 kids. Reported to us within hours we had 3 Clubs donate \$2500 for immediate assistance for the family at the most critical time. Thank you Berville, Port Huron Host and Emmett Lions for your help for the family

3) Home Show at Birchwood mall Friday Oct 13 and Saturday October 14th-multiple clubs are assisting to manage daily activities of set up and gate responsibilities. The monies collected at the gate will be distributed to participating clubs as a donation from the show promoters. We will have Kid sight and retinopathy screening both days as well as the Croswell Diabetes center will be there to perform diabetes screenings. Clubs from all over the district have volunteered to hopefully make this a great event please tell families to come for the screenings and fun of the show This event could not have happened for the Lions without the many clubs involved as well as Bluewater Unlimited Promotions, Advia Credit Union WGRT and Birchwood Mall

Don't forget to support the Ubly Lions Cajun dinner October 7th 2 to 7pm where Lions from Louisiana are preparing a real Cajun dinner. Another example of Lions helping Lions

As Governor I take great pride in our clubs working together as "One"

Remember our motto 1 Need- 1 service- 1 lion 1 smile

Have a great month

Jim White 810-858-9823

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JAMES WHITE

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

Labor Day is over and now it is time for me to buckle down and learn about clubs as your VDG! I plan on doing club visits and will be calling the presidents of the club to set up when I can visit. I will be going over Governor Jim's goals and finding out what the clubs are doing. In August I attended training in Mt. Pleasant. GLT Traci Tribley did a wonderful job in the training. Have another one in October.

Wishing everyone a safe September.

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

I'm Dave Fisher your new SVDG and a member of the Elkton Lions Club, I'm here to say HI, hope you're having a great summer, with summer there is a lot of Lions Club activities going on in our communities, if you want to have some fun visit and support some of these events.

If your Club is in need of help with membership or any other club issues contact your Zone Chair or myself, that's all for now remember we serve and have fun.

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

2ND VDG DAVID FISHER, Global Membership Chair

With the end of the fiscal year the membership numbers are down. The end of June housecleaning on members hurt us every year. We were the highest in membership in the state with 1,263 members. Now there has to be some concentration on rebuilding the numbers in every club. There is no reason why we can't do that across the district. One good method is to have non-lions attend meetings. There are several publications available with great ideas to attract new members from your entire area. Lions in 11D2 have several people to help with membership drives.

The district is holding with the same membership as last month. 1,258.

2ND VDG DAVID FISHER Global Membership Chair JUST ASK!

1ST VDG JUDY KELLER LEADERSHIP CHAIR

I have a lot of work to do for the new GLT for the district. Club presidents, secretaries, & treasurers watch your email for more information on training videos. I will also be working with zone and region chairs to setting up training meetings in each region. I look forward to meeting all club officers and help in any way. It is important to do the monthly membership reporting and service reporting. If anyone is needing immediate help, feel free to email or call me.

GLT, JUDY KELLER

PDG BRIAN BETZOLD GLT, Lions Clubs International Foundation

The Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International. LCIF's mission is to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants. LCIF provides grants to support Lions in their efforts to serve their local communities and the world. The vast majority of funding LCIF receives is from Lions, and 100% of every donation benefits Lions service through LCIF grants and programs. LCIF has contributed to Lions' efforts in the focus areas of vision, disaster relief, youth, and humanitarian causes for decades.

LCIF's Refugees and Displaced Persons fund helps ensure that Lions are there to help those in need find safety and security.

LCIF has a number of recognition programs to recognize donors for making accomplishments. Although those benefiting from your support may never know of your generosity, Lions Clubs International Foundation and its beneficiaries are grateful for your support. Last year, 11D2 Clubs donated a total of over \$33,000. This year's goal is to raise \$36,000. At the current time, 11D2 has 5 clubs who have donated a total of \$751. We have aways to go but I know 11D2 clubs will step up to the challenge. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to give me a call at 248-330-1101

PDG Brian

PDG BRIAN BETZOLD LCIF CHAIR

PCS BRUCE BRONSON SERVICE CHAIR

District D-2 is one of most active districts serving the community and beyond. We have clubs that are going to extremes to support their service projects. Like the Algonac Lions supporting Leader Dog For The Blind. They're the number one club in donations. There is the Elkton Lions with their pop-up pantries. Doing 257 full trucks of food, will feed a lot of the hungry. The district was the leader in the Defense Against Diabetes, from start to finish. Two of the district's lions took the lead and met throughout the entire district. There was a Michigan State University Extension specialist partnering with our diabetes team. They held several sessions teaching the public how to cook the right food to assist with diabetes. There are a large number of clubs that have taken advantage of the "TRES" bench program. The members collect plastic bags and turn them in to Kroger or Meijers. This takes 500lbs. plastic out of the landfill and turns it into a beautiful bench. Several clubs are doing the adopt a highway helping the environment. Childhood cancer is being directed by PDG Don Spinks and PDG Brian Betzold. There has been fundraisers and dinners to help individuals in the District and beyond. The Marlette lions and Metamora Lions have donated money and gifts. Juvenile Cancer chair PDG Donald Spinks gave \$1,500 to Mott Childrens for their "Teddy Bear" program. Metamora and PDG Brian Betzold held fundraisers for a high-school Senior in Lapeer with cancer. The fundraisers were a huge success. (VISION, HUNGER, DIABETES, ENVIRONMENT, AND CHILDHOOD CANCER)

The District needs to get ALL these great achievements reported and shared. I will attach some valuable information on how to make this happen. I am the District Editor so anything that you want to get into the newsletter or Lions Pride, send it to me (bebronson79@gmail.com). My email address is wrong in the roster manual.

PCS BRUCE BRONSON SERVICE CHAIR



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MARY ANN GOULETTE	ALGONAC LIONS
LINDA MESCLIER	ALGONAC LIONS
DUSTIN ROBERTS	ALGONAC LIONS
BRIAN KIBZEY	BERVILLE LIONS
JUDY FREEL	FRIEBURG ST. IGN LIONS
CRAIG BAGLOGA	HARSENS ILE LIONS

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

GERALD WONNING	ALGONAC LIONS
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PEACE POSTER CONTEST

2023 THEME: "DARE TO DREAM"

We just wanted to remind everyone that it's not too late to order your Peace Poster Kit and still get involved with this international contest. This contest is open to children from 11 to 13 years old and the theme this year is "Kindness Matters".

If you don't have a school to work with, ask your local girl or boys scouts, YMCA or church youth groups. Judging this year will take place November 15 at the Hadley Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner. The deadline for all posters will be November 12th. Please remember to read the rules. We had a few great posters that were disqualified due to writing on the front. That is not allowed.

The DG will take the winner of our district and enter it by December 1. If you are unable to attend, please mail them to PO Box 45, Hadley, MI. 48440. Also, several clubs wanted the posters back, if that is the case, please make arrangements to be there to take it home or speak with your zone chair about grabbing it for you (they can bring it when they visit your club). Any questions, you can contact or text me at 810-656-5160. Looking forward to more participation from all

the clubs!

PZC Deborah Kaighen



FORT GRATIOT LIONS CLUB

The Club's efforts yesterday were a definite success, with sixty-eight screenings and five referrals. Well done to all. Wes Wagester and Laura Campbell did all the scanning, Mary Simmons and Heather Bringard took care of the welcoming and paperwork, and Richard Simmons saved us from the mosquito attacks. An especial recognition and thank-you should go to Laura and Tom for their effort in bringing in, setting up, and returning the trailer, without which, obviously, nothing could have been accomplished.

Again, thanks to all.

October 2023

October 1, 2023

LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE

Lions Members,

Have you been reading the exciting news in your Lion Pride magazine that the Lion Youth Exchange Program is again in full swing? Lions Clubs in our great District have the opportunity to sponsor a LYE individual AND help to provide a once in a lifetime opportunity for a young person to become a LYE member with a family in one of many countries. We also need families to host youth from other countries. This great opportunity is for about 3 weeks in August 2024. It would be great if host families were also Lions members and youth exchange members were Leos or members of Lions families, but it is not necessary. There are funds available for youth traveling to other countries from the District Youth Outreach/Exchange account, and there might be some funds for hosting families.

PAT BOWERMAN YOUTH EXCHANGE

MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Marysville Lions created 150 smiles by preparing and serving at Mid-City Nutrition today. D-2 Lions serving the hungry. Always a great day to Serve!



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MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Marysville Lion JoAnn Tetlock shared United States Constitution books with Morton Elem School students to celebrate Constitution Day. Our Lions also shared books with Gardens and Washington Elem. Schools.



ELKTON LIONS CLUB

Congratulations to our beef winners from the Elkton lions club. They each get a 1/4 of a beef. Winners are ; Justin Bruce, Deanna Kidd, Carla Edgin, and Louise Wright. Don't miss the next raffle.



OWENDALE CORN ROAST

Owendale Lions club hosted their annual corn roast Aug 21, 2023. There was a great turn out. Lot of clubs represented and several non D-2 lions in attendance.

The Owendale Lions have been hosting this event for over fifty years. One of the original hosts is PDG Ed Good. Had a great showing of past District Governors. Front roll: Chuck Belesky, Peggy Farnsworth, Ed Good, Terry Bowerman, Dave Wineman, Back Don Spinks, Dr. Shawn Wightman, Dave Hacker, Brian Betzold, Jack Kriete, Whitey Simon, and Wes Wagester, hidden!

IPDG Shawn Wightman is presenting Lion Brenda Hacker with an award. Thank you Owendale Lions for doing this all these years.





GET INSPIRED AT THE EXPO!

Connect. Build. Grow

October 13th
3PM-9PM

October 14th
9AM-8PM

Former Sears location at Birchwood Mall

\$1
ENTRANCE FEE
*Proceeds benefit
Lions Club*



Flooring Installation
Electrical, Plumbing, Roofing & more
Home Interior & Exterior Services
Custom Interior Design
Landscaping, Lawn & Snow Removal Services
FUN FOR ALL AGES!!

SPONSORED BY:



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Blue Water
Unlimited Promotions





OWENDALE LIONS 1ST ANNUAL

WINE AND CHEESE SPOOKTACULAR

OCTOBER 26TH, 2019

SHERWOOD ON THE HILL, GAGETOWN, 6PM-9PM

WINE, CHEESE, HOR D'OEUVRES, 50/50 RAFFLE, SILENT AUCTION, COSTUME CONTEST, CASH BAR, MUSIC

PRE SALE TICKETS \$23.00, TICKETS AT THE DOOR \$25.00
PROCEEDS FOR AREA OWENDALE LIONS PROJECTS

FOR TICKETS CONTACT: HEIDI 989-583-6266
DEBB 989-977-1509



PROTOCOL

The visit of the District Governor is one of the highlights of the Lions year. Certain rules of protocol apply for the official visit. This is not a campaign visit. Introduction of the Governor should be done only once – when being presented to the assembly for remarks.

It would be suggested that thirty (30) minutes be allowed for remarks by the Governor. Other Cabinet members will speak only with permission of the District Governor. The Governor is the only speaker scheduled for the meeting. The District Governor will speak and introduce the accompanying Cabinet members.

This is your opportunity to learn the vision and goals of our International President and District. Do not expect the Governor to compete with another speaker or with long, drawn-out business or board meetings. Rules are suspended and all reports are tabled

until the next Club regular meeting.

The Governor maintains a very busy schedule during the year and courtesy would suggest that the Governor scheduled visitations are honored and not changed at the last minute.

The Governor can be introduced by the club president or one of the cabinet officers present. This should be done with dignity and include information concerning the Governor's home club, business, offices held, Lion activities and family, if appropriate.

Please create an agenda to work from and start the meeting on time. Make sure all of the details are done in advance, greeters to be present, bell and banner displayed, region or zone chairmen invited, meal planned and, if a gift is being presented, make

sure it is available at the meeting.

Notify the Governor, in writing, of all special club events and extend an invitation to attend. If the Governor is expected to be a participant in the event, provide advance notification, in writing, as to the level of participation requested by the club.

When the District Governor is recognized at any Lions meeting, club or district level, all Lions should rise and remain standing until the Governor signals them to be seated. Not only is this proper protocol, it is recognition of the office. If a club wishes the Governor to induct new members during the course of an official visit, again notify of the induction in advance and provide a list of names of new members, and their sponsors. Make sure new member kits are ready for presentation.


Kathy Wagester


Protocol & Ceremonies Chairperson

The Usly Michigan & Shreveport Louisiana
invite you to join us for our first annual

CAJUN FEST



October 7, 2023 2:00  8:00 pm

St. Joseph's  Hall, Good Shepherd Parrish
4960 N. Usly Rd. Argyle, MI. 48410

ALL YOU CAN EAT

SERVING HOMEMADE AUTHENTIC

JAMBALAYA &



GUMBO



BREAD

DESSERT

HOT DOG, CHIPS, DRINK MEAL FOR KIDS \$6.00

ADVANCED TICKET : \$20

AT THE DOOR : \$25

Advanced Tickets Available:

Justin Faber—989.600.9009

Shelly O’Henley—810.837.0119

Judy Keller—989.670.1401

Tim Rutkowski—810.599.8453

Bryant Wilke—989.737.4297



Changing the World

**BERVILLE LIONS & LIONESS PUMPKIN
FAMILY FESTIVAL & VEGETABLE CONTEST
OCTOBER 8, 2023
BERVILLE LIONS PARK
FUN STARTS AT NOON**



**KIDS RECEIVE A FREE
PUMPKIN TO DECORATE ON SITE**

**CASH PRIZES AWARDED
FOR THE FOLLOWING
VEGETABLE CATEGORIES:**

**TALLEST CORNSTALK
(ROOTS MUST BE CUT OFF)**

**TALLEST SUNFLOWER
(ROOTS MUST BE CUT OFF)**

HEAVIEST WATERMELON

HEAVIEST CABBAGE

HEAVIEST ZUCCHINI

HEAVIEST TOMATO

BIGGEST SUNFLOWER HEAD

NO ENTRY FEE

BRING YOUR OWN UNIQUE VEGETABLES TO SHOW!



**A GIANT PUMPKIN FULL OF CANDY WILL BE DROPPED
FOR THE KIDS TO GATHER**



**FOOD & BEVERAGES
PROVIDED BY LIONS**



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
DONNA (810) 217-7121 OR PEGGY (586) 698-8308

NO ANIMALS PERMITTED ON GROUNDS



Almont Lions Club 26th Annual Spooky Time Bash



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023

TIME: 11:00am to 2:00pm

Location: Almont Community Park



- GAMES
- CRAFTS
- BALLOON TWISTING
- CANDY
- KIDS SIGHT TRAILER
- COSTUME CONTEST
- FOOD

Best COSTUME by age groups. Mom & Dad can dress up too!

Judging starts at 12:00pm sharp by age group.

When judging is done they get their prize.

Cash prize for each first place in each age group.

Sponsored by:

ALMONT LIONS CLUB

&

CREEKSIDE HEARTH, PATIO & BBQ

NO PETS ALLOWED. Thank you.





MONSTER MASH

Wristband Includes:

- *Games
- *Doughnut eating contest
- *Pumpkin Painting
- *Costume contest
- *Bounce houses
- *Hayrides
- *Trick or Trunk

\$5 PER CHILD

OCT 7TH
3-6PM

Marlette Park + Pool



Minden City

5K

RUN/WALK

October 28, 2023

HARBOR BEACH LIONS CLUB

Donut Sale

\$11/DOZ. \$6/HALF DOZ. 

PUMPKIN, BLUEBERRY AND APPLE
CINNAMON AVAILABLE

SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 7

PICK UP AT NORTH PARK

**TO PRE-ORDER TEXT YOUR ORDER TO ASHLEE:
989-293-0035**



Berville Lions Club Annual ATV Raffle

1st Place - JD Gator 590M Side by Side

**Tickets are
\$20 ea. or
6 / \$100**



Limited Tickets Sold



**2nd Place - Rocco
Handmade Hunting Knife**
(this is a representation of the makers knife)

3rd Place - Game Camera

**Drawing : Sunday Jan. 14 2024 5:30 PM
Berville Lions Hall | 13651 Hough Rd.
Berville, MI 48002**

Need Not Be Present To Win

Titling and Taxes will be the responsibility of the winner



Metamora Lioness Lions Club

October Breakfast

10/8/23

8am - 12pm

Dine-in and carry-out options available

BREAKFAST IS FREE TO THE PUBLIC;
DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED

3790 N. Oak St. Metamora,
MI 48455



DONATE BLOOD

SHARE LIFE
USA
LIONS CLUB
NOV 7
2-7PM
American Legion
Post 293
8255
Unionville Rd
Sebewaing

https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/154717



Don't be scared!

Carve out time to help save lives. Give blood.



Blood Drive
Ugly Heights

2409 E. Atwater

Monday, October 2, 2023
1:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Sponsored by Ugly Lions.

For info or appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org
(sponsor code: UglyLions) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



Scan to be directed to
RapidPass®

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to schedule
an appointment.

Lions Bear Lake Camp

Wine, Craft Beer, & Strolling Food Stations

October 20th, 2023

Metamora Golf & Country Club

1600 Club Drive

Metamora, MI 48455



Please join us for the 11th Annual Lions Bear Lake Camp Wine Tasting Fundraiser. Proceeds from the fundraiser will help support Lions Bear Lake Camp.

Event Highlights

Wine Tasting
Multiple Food Stations
Raffles
Music by Young's Entertainment

Event Schedule

Doors 5:30 pm
Wine & Food Tasting 6:00 pm
Raffles 6:30-9:00 pm
Music & Entertainment 7:30 pm

Event Fees

\$65 Single Ticket
\$120 Couple Ticket
\$460 Table (8)

Event Sponsorship Opportunities are available at \$1000 and \$500, please contact Co-Chairs Jack Becher or Brian Betzold for more information.

Register Online:
bearlakecamp.org
(under the Events tab)

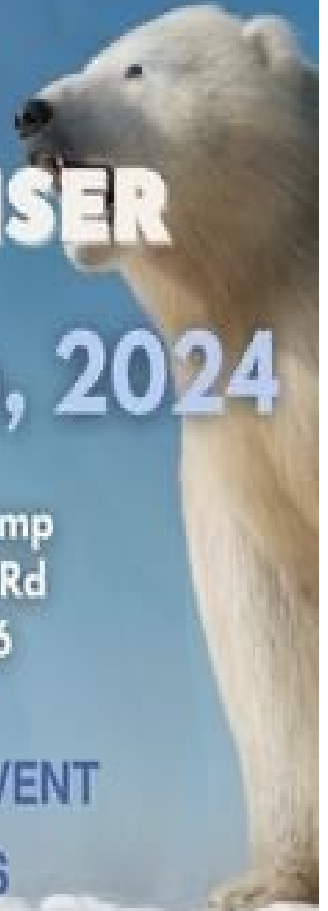
To pay by check send to:
Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 N. Five Lakes Rd.
Lapeer, MI 48446



For more information please contact:

Jack Becher Event Co-Chair 586.264.3543 becherj@ameritech.net
Brian Betzold Event Co-Chair 248.330.1101 lionbrian2021@gmail.com
Rick Fleming Metamora Golf & Country Club 248.342.1702

Lions Bear Lake Camp



POLAR PLUNGE FUNDRAISER

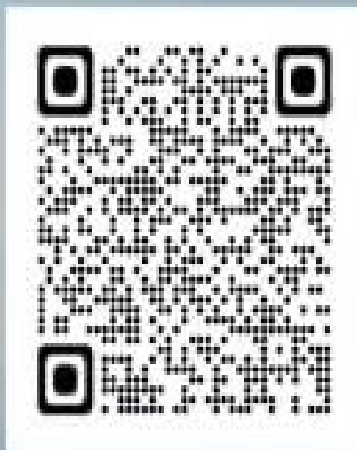
Plunge starts at 3:00pm
Dinner at 5:00pm

February 10th, 2024

Tickets \$25 Dinner Only
\$50 or more- Plunge,
Dinner, & Swag

BEARLAKECAMP.ORG
UNDER THE EVENTS TAB

Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 N Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446



FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

KIDS ACTIVITIES

50/50 & BASKET RAFFLES

SOUP & SALAD BAR

CASH BAR



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB
1905 MILL ST. CLAY TOWNSHIP, MI 48001

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCT 28th 2023

5 PM TO 7 PM

DECORATE YOUR CAR TO ENTER TO WIN A PRIZE

HOSTED BY VAMPIRINA

The poster features a dark purple background with a large, glowing orange circle in the center. The text is primarily in bold, yellow and orange fonts. At the bottom, there is a cartoon illustration of a vampire girl with white skin, black hair, and a black cape, standing next to a pile of colorful candy. The overall theme is Halloween.