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Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Louise Dobson Blasius

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

DISTRICT 11 D-2



Governor James White

Calendar-of Events:

Sep 15 Service contest over

Sep 21-23 USA/Canada Forum

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JAMES WHITE

Greetings, Great Lions of 11D2

September has arrived and I am certain we have many service activities completed or planned

We in 11d2 are service monsters and do great work so Let us inform the World Know by recording these in our activities. If you are having issues doing so let myself or Bruce Bronson (bebronson79@gmail.com), Don Spinks (donnspinks@gmail.com) or any Region or Zone chair. This is one of the few tasks we are requested by International to provide and we should want to share with other clubs the multitude of different service opportunities clubs are performing. Success shared can able us to help many others. Which is our mission. In my travels this year I have been impressed by the great Lions I have had the privilege to meet and look forward to seeing more clubs soon. Please reach out and we will schedule a visit from myself or one of the Vice District Governors. I can be easily reached at (jimwhite@mobilityremodlers.com) I would encourage club officers to share our newsletter to the club members as you are more likely to have e-mail addresses of all members. If you provide them on to our GST Bruce Bronson, we can add to the first release.

My theme this year remains, 1 Member ,1Need 1 Service and one smiling recipient who benefited from your efforts. So, whether your club has 50 members or 5 "you" can make a difference

Thank you all and let's have a great Fall

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 DAVID 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 DAVID 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. JUST ASK!

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

2ND VDG DAVID FISHER Global Membership Chair JUST ASK!

1stVDG 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

1ST VDG JUDY KELLER LEADERSHIP CHAIR

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's 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 a ways 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 the largest in the state there are eleven districts, including the upper peninsula. There are clubs that have done service projects above and beyond normal service. Getting recognition and seeing it in the newsletter and Lions Pride lets members see what is going on. There is a little feel good in it for that club. Why do people join a service organization, in the first place, to help others that need a hand up. We are challenged to write a letter for service in the best district. I say... D-2 is the best. What do you think?

The trick is to get ALL these hands up reported and known. 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.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

KELCIE LINES	ALGONAC LIONS
EVELYN STIELER	ALGONAC LIONS
MARIA CEFALI	BERVILLE LIONS
WILLIAM CONSIDINE	BERVILLE LIONS
LONNIE GROOMS	BERVILLE LIONS
BRIAN KIBZEY	BERVILLE LIONS
JUDY FREEL	FRIEBURG ST IGN. LIONS
JILL BOSY	HARSENS ILE LIONESS
PAMELA CARRON	HARSENS ILE LIONESS
SONDRA GREENE	HARSENS ILE LIONESS
JOAN RECTOR	HARSENS ILE LIONESS
LARRY ROMBACH	MARINE CITY LIONS
AMY AMILES	PEARL BEACH LIONS
DENNIS STANLEY	NORTH BRANCH LIONS
RENEE KOCH	USA LIONS

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

MARCEL MESCLIER	ALGONAC LIONS
FRANK ZREPSKEY	ALGONAC LIONS
PHYLLIS O'BRIEN	ALMONT LIONS
SCOTT CHRISTY	CARSONVILLE LIONS
DICK FAIRMAN	APPLEGATE LIONS

APPLEGATE LIONS

PEACE POSTER CONTEST

We just wanted to remind everyone that it's not too late to still get involved with this international contest. This year is 75 years old and the theme this year is "Kindness Matters". To participate, ask your local girl or boys scouts, YMCA or church to have a contest take place November 15 at the Hadley Lions Club Sp. The winners and posters will be November 12th. Please remember to submit your 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

The Applegate Lions sponsored a blood drive through the Red Cross at their hall on September 15th, 2023. Applegate club keeps on serving the community. Just when blood is in such demand to save lives. The Lions come through.



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

Algonac supports the 3rd Annual Algonac bump-n-run. Helping other charity groups succeed is real important to service in the community and local area. Algonac Lions have been supporting youth groups and other service minded groups. This is a true giving back to the community that's Lionism!



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

Algonac Lions on Labor Day weekend during the Algonac Art Fair. Algonac Lions sold raffle tickets for the Red Rover ATV. There was great music, fine arts and crafts, along with refreshments. Everyone was enjoying themselves on the banks of the St. Clair River. This was to help Leader Dog For The Blind.

Meet "Maggie", a black labador retriever, (future Leader Dog).

ANCHOR BAY LIONS

The Anchor Bay Lions had the honor to be selected by a local Boy Scout for his Eagle project. The Lion statue that is outside the clubhouse was repaired and painted along with the platform he sits on. Part of his fundraising was to sell engraved bricks to set around the statue and flag pole. It all came together with the new benches to greet our guest! We also have been busy this past year collecting plastic for the Trex company and will be receiving our 3rd bench.



METAMORA LIONS CLUBS

Metamora Country Days and Hot Air Balloon Festival was a success with over 10,000 people attending. Several of the Lions were doing the KidSight screening through both days. This gives the community to actually see what Lionism is about and how we serve the community.



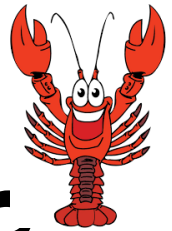
The Ugly Michigan & Shreveport Louisiana
invite you to join us for our first annual

CAJUN FEST

October 7, 2023 2:00—8:00 pm
St. Joseph's Hall, Good Shepherd Parrish
4960 N. Ugly Rd. Argyle, MI. 48410 ALL YOU CAN EAT

SERVING HOMEMADE

JAMBALAYA & GUMBO



CRAWDADS

BREAD

DESSERT

HOT DOG MEALS FOR KIDS

ADVANCED TICKET: \$20 AT THE DOOR: \$25.

BEER AND SOFT DRINKS (CASH BAR)



Metamora Lions Club



Proceeds Go To
Family Literacy Center of Lapeer

September 21, 2023

Door Opens 6pm
Euchre Starts 6:30pm
Light dinner/snacks provided
\$ Beverages Available \$
Buy In \$20.00

Metamora Lions Club
3790 N. Oak St.
Metamora MI





Reading has many benefits

1. **Improving brain connectivity:** Reading has been found to enhance connectivity in the brain. A decline in memory and brain function is a side effect of aging, but regular reading may help slow the process. Keeping your brain active and engaged can slow the progress of Alzheimer's disease and dementia.
2. **Increasing vocabulary and comprehension:** Reading is an excellent way to learn new words and improve your understanding of the language.
3. **Empowering you to empathize with other people:** People who read literary fiction tend to have a better-developed theory of mind, which is essential for building, navigating, and maintaining social relationships.
4. **Aiding in sleep readiness:** Reading for just six minutes per day can improve your quality of sleep.
5. **Reducing stress:** Reading is an excellent method of reducing stress. It can reduce stress levels by 68%.
6. **Lowering blood pressure and heart rate:** Reading can lower blood pressure and heart rate, which are two key indicators of cardiovascular health.
7. **Fighting depression symptoms:** Reading can alleviate depression symptoms by providing a healthy distraction from negative thoughts and emotions.
8. **Preventing cognitive decline as you age:** Regular reading can help prevent cognitive decline as you age.
9. **Promoting mental health:** Reading strengthens the neural circuits and pathways of our brain while lowering heart rate and blood pressure.
10. **Improving general knowledge:** Reading is an effective way to gain knowledge about almost everything.

So, reading is not only a fun hobby but also has numerous benefits for your physical and mental health. So, what are you waiting for? Get out there and pick up a book and improve yourself physically and mentally. If you need a great suggestion to read, try the Lions Learning Center. It is loaded with courses for all Lion positions.

READING ACTION PROGRAM

PDG DON SPINKS



Save the Date September 30th, 2023

In a collaboration between Jeddo and Lexington Lions (501 C3) we will be hosting a fundraiser to support foster and underserved children in Sanilac and St Clair counties.

The event is by invitation only and will be limited seating. A donation of \$100.00 per person is required. 100% of the income will go directly into a joint fund for the cause.

Our intent is to have this event be a yearly fundraiser and to grow it to include children in other counties of the "thumb."

Donations for this event are desperately needed to offset the costs to ensure as many children can be served. Contact Jeddo or Lexington Lions to find out how you can help. No donation is too small.

If you, your organization or club would like to participate in this years event or be an annual sponsor, we would love to hear from you.

The event will be casual attire, Food and entertainment included.

Staff of the St Clair county DHHS will also be attending to provide more information and answer questions about foster care in Sanilac and St Clair counties and how you can help.

The date is rapidly approaching, and tickets are limited – don't hesitate in contacting us.

"We Serve"

Jeddo Lions:

jeddolionsclub@gmail.com

586-770-2584

Lexington Lions:

lexingtoncrystal@gmail.com

810-712-2480

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

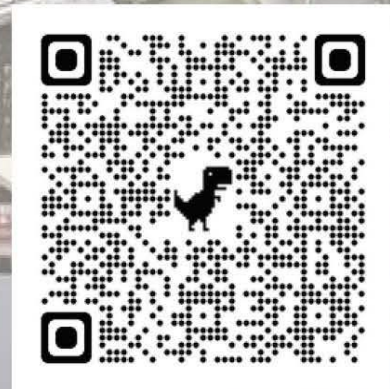
Event Fees

\$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

Jeddo & Lexington Lions JEX Project

Foster Children Summer Camp, August 2023 Recap



Hay Wagon donated to Bear Lake Camp: NPHHP, Jeddo & Lexington Lions



Individual and personalized Birthday cakes:



10% of foster children in Sanilac & St Clair sent to camp



Oodles of gifts



Transportation provided by: Midnight Madness



Kidsight came out and leant a hand



Bear Lake Camp



Bounce Houses



T-shirts



We Serve!

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
VAMPİRINA



There will be a new chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace operating out of Lapeer and being organized by a couple of Metamora Lions. We are just starting up and we will keep Lions of 11D2 informed of any updates.