

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

February 2025



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2nd VDG Tim Dietzel

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**GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER &
SPOUSE LION DAVE KELLER**

CALENDAR -EVENTS

Feb. 28- Mar 1. Lions of Mich Forum, Kalamazoo, Mi.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

This is the month when we strive to increase membership. There is a special contest for the district that does the best job in adding new members. New members are the key to a struggling club

D. G. JUDY KELLER

Governor's Letter

The challenge has been set! Lions clubs and members of Michigan have been challenged to have a net positive growth of 3 new members. Please review the attached flyer that explains the challenge and see what your club can do. It would be great if a 11 D2 member won!!! Any questions you can contact GMT Tim Dietzel or myself. You can still register for the Growing Lions Workshop. Two sessions have been completed, but once you register you can see them. The third one will be held on February 13 at 8 PM. The convention will be April 4,5,6 2025 and be held in Mt. Pleasant. We will be having entertainment, speakers, service project but most of all fun! If you have any questions or need any forms, contact Wes Wagester or myself. As of now our district has 6 students in the All State Band. 2 from Otter Lake and 4 from Ubly. If your club receives a donation letter, consider helping these hard working students out. This year they are doing a service project in Ashville on their way to Florida. Happy February to all!

DG Judy Keller

989-679-1401

Governors Corner

Dave and I had the privilege of helping with the KidSight Vision Screening recently at the Detroit Auto Show. With over 580 kids being screened and 80 plus referrals it was a successful project. The number of parents and people in general that had no idea that Lions did this was amazing. I had one parent tell me she figured her child would be looking at a chart hanging on the wall! She was very thankful for the screening, as her child was one of the referrals. It goes without saying that what we do needs to put out into the public more. The more that know, the more we can SERVE!!!

D. G. JUDY KELLER

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER.

Hello fellow Lions, hope you are doing well, and survived the Arctic winter blast of January. As always so much to do, check for Lions Club activities in February on Facebook or other social media platforms that you use, for times and dates. Governor Judy and her team are making Club visits, so look for a call to set a time and date, Club visits are informational, to bring your Club up to date on things going on in Lions International, along with Governor goals.

How's your Clubs reporting? All it takes is a few words about one of your Club projects, a picture of a project and a few words about it, send that to the portal and District newsletter each month and help our District stay 100% compliant. Thanks to our PDG / District Administrator/ District Secretary Don Spinks with his Portal training, our District is one of the top performing Districts in the state!

Membership! We are in need of new members to help with our projects, as your selling tickets for a project ask that person if they would like to help in your community, then ask if they would like to become a LION, We're a FUN group, and everyone likes to have FUN.

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR / MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

Hello fellow Lions Members, it is very important to have new people in the Lions. New members do a lot to lift a club up. They have new ideas on fundraising and serving the community. All it takes sometime is just ask. I did that there was fellow working with a club project for the area. I went up to him and asked if anyone ever ask you to join the lions. He said "no". I handed him a application and he started to feel it out. His friend was working with him to get it done. He had just joined the Lions himself. It is as simple as that. Giving back to community is what he was concerned with. This new member will attract others. JUST ASK!

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR/ MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

SERVICE CHAIR

We are at 100% service for all clubs in the district. This is a great achievement to give a hand up and help people with their struggles. It is the motto of Lions Clubs International, (WE SERVE) District 11 D-2 is a trend setter in serving. Thanks to great deal of work and persistence from PDG Donald Spinks. Lion Don is not only the cabinet secretary, leadership chair, reading action program chair for the state. He is always helping the clubs with service projects and the district editor with district news.

PDG Don Spinks CS/Leadership Chair, RAP chair



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

KENNETH GILLOTTE	HADLEY LIONS	BILL KEECH	MEMPHIS LIONS
JORDAN GEMBARSKI	PORT AUSTIN LIONS	MELANIE BROCKWAY	ST. CLAIR LIONS
TODD LANG	ST. CLAIR LIONS	AMANDA MCENTAGGART	ST. CLAIR LIONS
IAN MCENTAGGART	ST. CLAIR LIONS		

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

WILLIAM FOSTER	ALGONAC LIONS	TIM RAYMOND	ALGONAC LIONS
JOHN PLENDIA	EMMETT LIONS	DARIN CHIMINO	HADLEY LIONS
SONDRA GREENE	HARSENS ISL. LIONS	NORBERT MEININGER *	MEMPHIS LIONS

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11D2 Global Leadership Training Chair, PDG Don Spinks

Believe it or not, all club officers should go to the Lions Club International Portal yearly to take the club officers training. Access the [Lions Learning Center \(LLC\)](#) to complete the following recommended courses: ([Accessing the LLC](#)).

- **Club Officer Training:** This module delivers an introductory overview of club officer roles and responsibilities and club structure
- **Club President Responsibilities:** This module provides basic information and resources necessary to prepare for the club president position
- **Club Secretary Responsibilities:** This module summarizes responsibilities, explains time lines and provides information and resources necessary to prepare for the club secretary position
- **Club Treasurer Responsibilities:** This module provides basic information and resources necessary to prepare for the position of club treasurer

In addition, sharpen your leadership skills in areas such as Goal Setting, Meeting Management, Conflict Resolution, and Effective Listening. Browse the LLC content library for these and other courses. I have been told, why should I take club officer training? I have been a secretary, treasurer or club president for years. Well, the first thing I ask, how are you doing with the Lions Portal? Funny that I do not get an answer. Things do change for all club officers. It may not be yearly, but you do need to check out the training that is offered to all Lions. This can definitely improve you and your meetings? I urge all Lions to go to the Portal and check out the Lions Learning Center, you just may be surprised. Need help, I am just an email or phone call away. Come on, give it a try and let me know.

Lions of Michigan Foundation

Clubs have received Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes Raffle tickets to sell. There will be ten (10) winners with prizes ranging from \$5,000 to \$1,000. Additionally there will be four (4) winning ticket sellers with prizes of \$1,000 to \$100. This is the 39 th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes Raffle. Proceeds will benefit: R. Mathog Hearing Centers, Project KidSight, Eye Care Assistance Program, and the Affordable Hearing Aid Program. Clubs selling 30 - 99 tickets receive \$3.50 back per ticket sold, those selling 100 - 249 tickets receive \$5.00 per ticket, and clubs selling 250+ tickets receive \$5.50 per ticket sold.

Please make an effort to support this (YOUR) fine organization.

The Lions Clubs of Michigan and the Lions of Michigan Foundation support the men and women serving our nation in the United States military, and to show our support, we have developed the Lions of Michigan Mints For Military Program. Your donation and support will help us send care packages filled with delicious Lion Mints to the men and women serving our country throughout the world. All contributions are helpful, but the cost for shipping one Large Military Flat Rate Box packed full with Lion Mints is \$105.

Lion Mints Care Packages can be sent directly to a military member, a veterans' hospital or home or to a deploying military unit. All Lion Mints Care Packages will contain a letter that includes the name and contact information of the donor(s).

District 11 - D2 has two (2) trustees:

PDG Jack Kriete

989-712-8201

Bosn149@hotmail.com

PDG Wes Wagester

(H) 810-673-3199 or (C) 810-417-3107

wwagester@gmail.com

Wes Wagester

This is a reminder that the 2025 Lions of Michigan District 11 – D2 Convention is rapidly approaching. The dates for the convention are April 4th – 6th, and it will be held at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 2424 South Mission Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI, 48858.

Contact the hotel at phone number **989-772-4000** or via your computer at: <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/TN21V7> (Group Code 11 D2 Lions). Please contact the Comfort Inn prior to March 4th, 2025 for room reservations to qualify for the reduced room rate of \$110.00 plus taxes. A registration form, registration fee, meal selection & meal cost be completed for each attendee going to the convention. The registration form is found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Send the completed Credentials and Registration forms, fee, meal selection & meal cost to: **PDG Wes Wagester, P.O. Box 183 Almont, MI. 48003.**

Please order ALL MEALS using your registration form. The hotel needs an accurate count before March 4th, 2025, and no refund can be issued after March 23rd. Since all the meals are an important part of the convention, we encourage all participants to attend all activities. As an Incentive, We Are Inviting You to Join Us for All Five Meals at A Reduced Cost of \$50.00.

Additionally, Lion members who are to vote at the convention must submit a completed Credential form (found elsewhere in this newsletter.

According to our constitution, each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district (single or sub- and multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district (single or sub- and multiple) to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month (March 1, 2025) last preceding that month during which the convention is held.

Therefore, the determination of the number of delegates for the **49th District Convention** for MI District 11-D2 to be held in **Mt. Pleasant, MI. April 4,5,6,2025** are figures from the March. *Minus members who have not been enrolled for at least one year and one day*

District 11-D2 Credentials Committee

Attn: PDG Wes Wagester

A member having served as a district governor in this district and who is a member in good standing of a chartered club that is in good standing in Lions Clubs International and this district shall be entitled to vote as a delegate at the district convention. Any such past district governor shall be in addition to the number of delegates to which a club is entitled and not be counted in the determining the maximum number of delegates per club.



District 11-D2 Convention – April 4-5-6, 2025
Mt. Pleasant Comfort Inn & Suites
2424 South Mission Street
Mt. Pleasant, MI. 48585 **989-772-4000 (Code 11 D2 Lions)**
District 11-D2 Registration Form

CLUB: _____ HOME PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

***NAME: Please print names as you wish them to appear on name tags.
If spouse is a Lion or Lioness, please indicate.***

Lion: _____ Lion or Spouse: _____

Lion or Leo: _____ Lion or Guest: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

REGISTRATION FEES: All attendees must pay the \$10.00 registration fee to participate in any Convention Event.

Check here if a "First Timer": _____ Lion _____ Spouse _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Guest _____

******You must register for all the meals you plan to attend*** before March 4th, 2025***

REGISTRATION	_____ @ \$10.00 = \$ _____
PARTICIPATE IN ALL 5 MEALS	_____ @ \$50.00 = \$ _____
<u>Meals separately are \$126.00</u>	<u>Total Submitted \$ _____</u>
<u>Save \$76.00 by ordering all 5</u>	

Make checks payable to District 11-D2 Convention & mail to PDG Wes Wagester, P.O. Box 183, Almont, MI. 48003

Friday Night Dinner: Salmon with dill sauce, grilled pesto chicken, rice pilaf, dessert	\$27.00
Saturday Breakfast: All American Breakfast Buffett: Bacon, links, eggs, potatoes, french toast	\$13.00
Saturday Lunch: Build a sub, meat, chesses, toppings, salad, potato chips & cookies	\$16.00
Saturday Night Dinner: Bacon wrapped pork loin, grilled chicken, potatoes, dessert	\$27.00
Sunday Breakfast: All American Breakfast Buffet: Bacon, links, eggs potatoes, french toast	\$13.00
<i>Breakfast served with coffee, tea, & juice bar. Lunch & Dinner served with coffee, tea & soft drinks. Dinners served with rolls, salad, dessert. Cash bar Friday & Saturday night (after you use your 2 furnished drink tickets)</i>	

Please note any dietary requirements:

*****Free spouse program will be scheduled during the Saturday morning business meeting*****

District 11-D2
Credentials Form

Dear Club President & Secretary:

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District 11-D2 Credentials Committee	F
Attn: PDG Wes Wagester	O
P.O. Box 183	R
Almont, MI 48003	M

***If additional space is needed copy this form.**

Delegates will be able to obtain their delegate badges at the Convention Registration desk.

NAME OF DELEGATE

(To be completed by Club Secretary)

SIGNATURE OF DELEGATE

(To be completed at Convention)

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NAME OF ALTERNATE

(To be completed by Club Secretary)

SIGNATURE OF ALTERNATE

(To be completed at Convention)

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I hereby certify that the Delegates and Alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and our Lions Club, and secondly, **our Lions Club has met all past and current financial obligations to District 11-D2, Lions of Michigan, and Lions Clubs International.**

Club President's or Secretary's Signature

(Name of Lions Club)

Signature of Governor or Governor-Elect (Valid only at Convention, and only if President/Secretary of club is not present)

11D2 Reading Action Program Chair, PDG Don Spinks

Reading Action Program (RAP)



Education and literacy are key to overcoming poverty, disease and other social issues. Yet today, nearly one billion people worldwide are illiterate.

New access to digital information has the power to change lives and make communities stronger, but according to the Gates Foundation, nearly 5 billion people - almost 90% of the world's population - do not have Internet access.

793 million people cannot read these words

(UNESCO)

1 in 6 people do not have access to the Internet

**“The more you read, the more things you’ll know.
The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.”**

Dr. Seuss, author of children’s books

Take Action

Join Lions from around the world to implement reading and education projects and help increase literacy rates. Whether it’s organizing a community spelling contest or donating books or computers to your local library or school, take part in a hands-on project and show the impact of Lions work.

Project Ideas

Whether you are an educator with a passion to help a child learn how to read, an entrepreneur ready to help develop a community-based literacy program, an information technology expert who can help introduce new technology to the visually impaired, or someone who simply enjoys reading to a child, no effort is too small to make a big difference. The following are a few project ideas that your club and district may consider taking on:

- Help an after school reading program
- Read to children at local libraries or schools
- Work with local literacy experts and agencies to promote reading
- Read or record books on tape for the blind and visually impaired
- Provide Internet connection for a school or library

Sharing Success

Encourage clubs to report their projects. Share your project with us online! Log on to MyLCI and tell us about your literacy project. You can submit your stories and images. Your story might be featured in any number of future Lions Clubs International materials – including our blog and our social media websites.

Resources

A number of RAP resources including a planning guide and project idea sheet are available. Artwork is also available on the LCI web site that clubs can download to create RAP-related materials.

For more information or resources go to www.lionsclubs.org and keyword search “Reading Action Program” or contact the Service Activities Division at programs@lionsclubs.org.



Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

"MD11 Lions of Michigan Membership Challenge: 3 for Growth!"

Lions of Michigan, it's time to grow stronger together! We're excited to announce the **MD11 3 Member Challenge**—an opportunity to expand your club and honor the incredible service of your members.

Here's how it works:

- Between now and **May 16, 2025** (the date of our State Convention), each club in MD11 is challenged to achieve a **net positive growth of 3 members**.
- Clubs that reach this goal will be entered into a **special drawing** for a **Melvin Jones Fellowship**. The winning club will have the honor of presenting this prestigious recognition to a deserving member in their club.

Simple Tools to Help Your Club Recruit:

INVITE FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Start by asking those closest to you—family, friends, and coworkers—to join your club. Share stories of the impact your club has made in the community to inspire them.

HOST A "BRING A FRIEND" NIGHT: Plan a casual meeting or event where members bring a guest. Include a brief introduction to Lions and highlight the fun and service your club provides.

SHOWCASE YOUR SERVICE PROJECTS LOCALLY: Set up a table or booth at community events like farmers' markets, parades, or festivals. Bring photos, a sign-up sheet, and a friendly smile to share what Lions are all about.

RECOGNIZE LOCAL LEADERS: Identify active community members—such as teachers, business owners, or volunteers—and invite them to join. They're already making a difference and may love the opportunity to expand their impact.

HIGHLIGHT SMALL ACTS OF SERVICE: Organize small, visible service activities like park clean-ups or food drives. Invite the community to join in and share how they can become a Lion to keep making a difference.

KEEP IT PERSONAL: People join people—not just organizations. Encourage club members to reach out personally and share why they became Lions and what it means to them.

Why This Challenge Matters:

Every new Lion brings new ideas, fresh energy, and a heart for service. Growing your club strengthens your ability to serve your community, builds lifelong friendships, and ensures our legacy of service continues.

Let's rise to the challenge and show Michigan what the Lions can do! Together, we can grow stronger, serve more, and build a brighter future for MD11.

The world needs more Lions. Let's make it happen—3 members at a time!

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email: lions@lionsofmi.com • website: www.lionsofmi.com

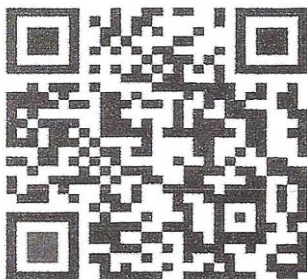
LIONS OF THE UNITED STATES & Its Affiliates

Growing Lions Workshop

Join Lion leaders from across Global Action Team Area 1E to learn tips & tools you can use to start new clubs & grow membership in existing clubs.

This Workshop is designed for your District Growth Team to work through the process of starting new clubs together & use these same tools to rejuvenate membership in current clubs — and, if all goes well, have a new club chartered, or well on its way to being chartered, by the end of the 6 week session or soon thereafter.

All sessions are virtual & begin @ 7 PM CST (Central)



Thursday, January 16
Thursday, January 30
Thursday, February 13

Advance Registration Required

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

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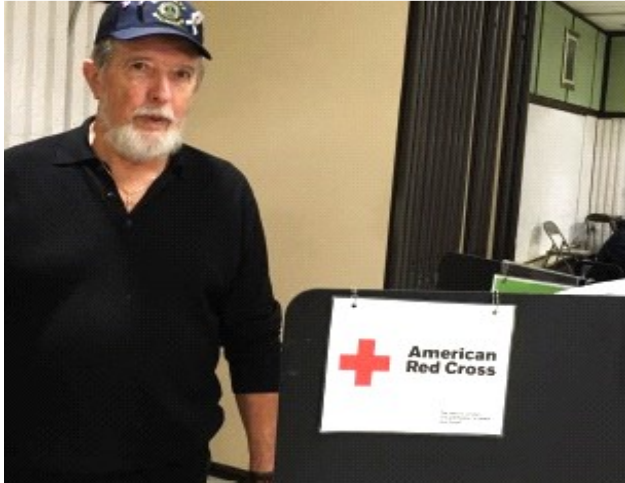
Workshop Overview

- Session 1 - Mission To Grow, Resources, Clubs Types & Formats, Develop Your Team, Identify Areas of Opportunity & Site Research
- Session 2 - Promoting the New Club, Inviting A New Generation, Recruitment Models, Recruiting Tips
- Session 3 - Formation Meetings, Club Process & Approval & Launching the Club
- Each session involves a 120 minute virtual learning component, success stories, and an assignment to complete before the next session
- District Teams will work together during each session to plan & strategize
- Live participation in all sessions is strongly encouraged
- Session recordings will be available

EMMETT LIONS CLUB

The Emmett Lions had a very successful Blood Drive on Jan. 2.

Lion Chuck Belesky donation put him at gallon #22 which equals 176 pints



ALMONT LIONS CLUB

There will be an American Red Cross blood drive held in the Almont Lions Hall on Monday, February 10. Since 2005 3,324 units of blood have been collected at blood drives held in our building. Potentially 9,962 lives have been saved, Blood drives in the Almont Lions hall have resulted in

EMMETT LIONS CLUB

The Emmett Lions had a very successful Good Fellow paper sales this year. Also, Emmett Lions will be having their Reverse Raffle drawing on Saturday April 26. Contact any Emmett Lions member for information



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

President Lion Dr. Bill Brady, the Board and all Algonac Lions proudly present a \$10,000. donation to Leader Dogs For The Blind.



LEXINGTON LIONS CLUB

During Lexington's Winterfest Activities on February 1st. the Lexington Lions Club hosted a free Children's Craft Day. Nearly 100 children made take home crafts, played on an obstacle course and enjoyed cocoa and cookies. The craft day event was sponsored by the Lions Club and local businesses.

KidSight Vision Screening

KidSight Vision Screening program. In our District 11 – D2, ten (10) Lions Clubs have sponsored a KidSight Vision Screening event within the July 2024 – September 2024 timeframe. They have conducted 23 screenings with 581 people screened and 69 referrals. The 2023 -2024 Screening Summary shows that in MD 11 (the Lower Peninsula) 33,000+ people were screened with 3,904 referrals, 125 Lions Clubs participated,

with 360 Certified KidSight Volunteers. The 2024 – 2025 Goals are 35,000 Screenings (a 5% increase) 400 Certified KidSight Volunteers (10% increase), with 150 Michigan Lions Clubs participating (20% increase). Plans are to offer a KidSight Training session for District 11 – D2 soon. The Lions of Michigan Foundation list of certified volunteers shows that our district has six (6) Certified Vision Technicians and twelve (12) General Volunteers. I am sure we have more people in each category that are not listed. If your club has not sponsored a screening please consider doing so.

**Nora Walsh
810-660-8183**

**Wes Wagester
(H) 810-673-3199 (C) 810-417-3107**

ALMONT LIONS CLUB

On Friday, February 14, “Valentines Day”, The monthly Almont Euchre Day and Dinner will occur. Doors open at 5:30 PM and play starts at 6:30PM. Entry fee is \$20.00.

Monday, January 20 the Almont Lions hosted the District 11 – D2 Governor, Judy Keller, and the 1st Vice District Governor, Dave Fisher. The visit was very informative and was enjoyed by all.

ANCHOR BAY LIONS CLUB

Anchor Bay Lions work with the Anchor Bay Community Giving Tree every year to help those in need of a Merry Christmas by supplying 50 - 55 tubs of food along with a turkey, a bag of fruit, potatoes, eggs and a gallon of milk.

Also they adopt 2 families and purchase everything on their wish list.

Collecting plastic has been a on going fundraising event for the past 2 years by recycling it to Trex. In return, they have received so far, 3 benches that are placed at their clubhouse on Short Cut rd. This event benefits the community by keeping the Lakes and Streets clean.

Their upcoming fundraising event is the annual Wild Game Dinner.



METAMORA LIONS CLUBS

Metamora was going to do the highway cleanup to get a sign put on 24 but they did not offer it near Metamora. I talked to the guy and he sent me all the stretches of road. There are available for every one of our counties.

I've also enclosed the sign-up sheet and some basic rules. Basically, if you agree to clean up the area three times a year, they will put a sign on the road with the lions clubs name on it saying that they sponsored that stretch of roadway.

The following is a basic outline of the program (I left the 2024 pick-up dates in there so you have an idea of when they will be in 2025):

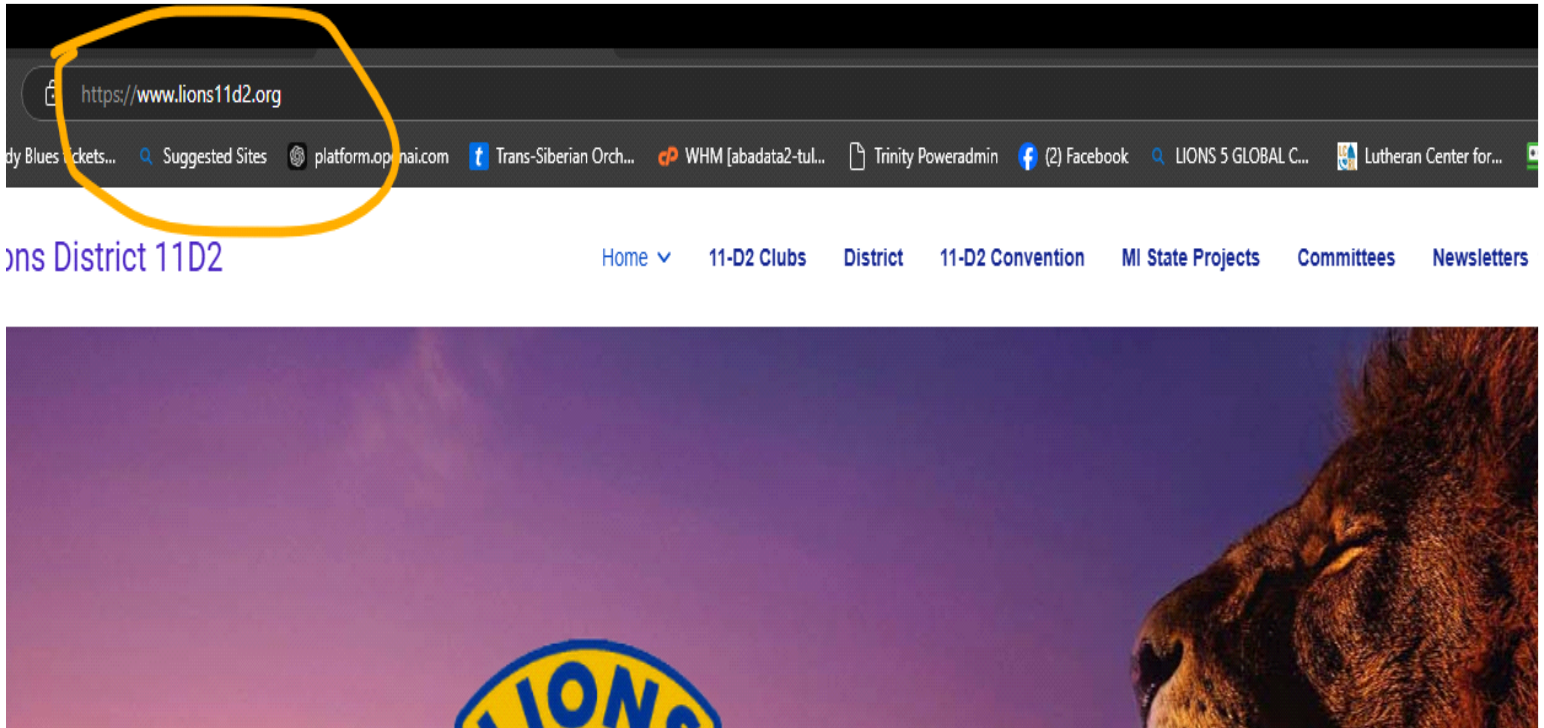
1. Groups pick up litter on both directions of their adopted roadway, including any ramps. Pickup in medians of divided roadways is not permitted. Pickup within construction zones is not permitted.
2. Groups should have a minimum of 3 people. Participants must be at least 12 years old. Participants under the age of 18 years old must have adult supervision at a rate of 1 adult to every 3 children.
3. There is no cost to participate. MDOT will supply safety information, safety vests and trash bags. MDOT will also install two Adopt-A-Highway signs bearing your group's name on the roadway adopted.
4. Groups must commit to a minimum of 2 years and your commitment period is open-ended; you will remain in the program until you voluntarily withdraw or fail to abide by the permit conditions.
5. Groups can join any time of year and litter pick up is done 3 times per year in spring, summer and fall.
6. MDOT picks up the accumulated trash bags following the designated pickup dates.
7. The 2024 pickup dates are:

2025 PICKUP DATES WILL BE POSTED THIS WINTER AT SOME POINT)

- September 21th – 29st Statewide

Additional information can be found on the application and on MDOT's Adopt-A-Highway website www.michigan.gov/adoptahighway

This is District D-2 web-site and how to. Convention details are also published on this site.



DISTRICT 11 D-2 SPIRIT OF JAMES CRONIN SERVICE AWARD 2023-24

Kenneth Toczykowski from Berville club is the winner of this years Spirit of Jim Cronin Service Award. Lion Robert Christian will get the club level Heart Of A Lion. The following have already received the award; PAT OHLERT ALMONT 2019-2020

BRUCE BRONSON MEMPHIS 2020-2021

KURT DAMROW ELKTON 2021-2022

NATLIE SHAKLE MARLETTE 2022-2023

MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Memphis Lions Clubs giving back to the community. This has been a yearly project for the Christmas holidays. The club has done this since the early 1960's. There are always people in need and the Lions are there to help. This year there were many stressed families in the community. The Lions with the help of the Boy Scout troop and the Leo club came through. This year we had eight families that we provided for at Thanksgiving holiday. Several Lions members made this possible. Some that are not active came to help with the annual tradition.



UBLY LIONS CLUB

In December our club with help from the Knights of Columbus of Ubyl-Sheridan adopted a family with four kids. We bought and wrapped clothes and toys for the kids. The Knights added a generous amount of groceries for this family. It is a warm feeling to be able to help those in need.

WHITE CANE ORDER FORM



Lions/Lioness Club Name _____

District _____ Date _____

SHIPPING ADDRESS:

BILLING ADDRESS:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

YES! I WANT TO PICK UP AT THE LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM ON MARCH 1! _____

UNITS	ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL
	String Tags	1000/box	\$60.00	
	White Cane Stickers (roll)	1000/roll	\$32.00	
	Bib Apron	Each	\$14.00	
	Waist Apron	Each	\$8.00	
	White Cane Placemats	500/bundle	\$21.00	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (large)	Each	\$8.50	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (small)	Each	\$6.50	
	Extra Eyeglass Box Stickers (set of 3)	Each	\$3.00	
	White Cane Law Pamphlets	250/bundle	\$20.00	
	Certificate of Appreciation	Each	.60¢	
	White Cane Bookmarks	100/bundle	\$10.00	
	Leader Patch	Each	\$3.00	
	Leader Pin	Each	\$1.50	
	*NEW White Cane Lapel Pin with red tip	500 Quantity	\$85.00	
If shipping is required, you will be billed for shipping and handling fees.		TOTAL:		

Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com

Mail to: Lions of Michigan • 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911 • (517) 887-6640 ext. 10 • fax: (517) 887-6642

White Cane Supplies

Popular Picks: For photos of items visit our website at www.lionsofmi.com

Certificate of Appreciation

Recognize businesses and individuals who support your White Cane Drive.

60¢/each

String Tags

Blue tag with cane on front. White Cane Law printed on back.

\$60.00/1000



Bib Apron

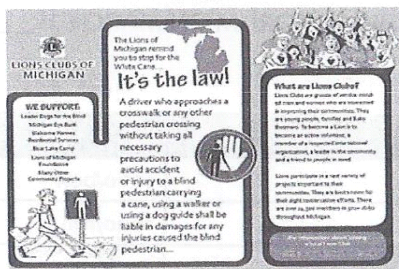
Over-the-shoulder apron made of heavy duck. Durable and good for all your Lions projects.

\$14.00/each

White Cane Placemats

Very colorful and great for public relations! (measures 10"x13")

\$21.00/500



Waist Apron

Cloth apron with two large pockets for collecting money and holding white cane supplies.

\$8.00/each

Eyeglass & Hearing Aid Collection Boxes

White fiberboard collection boxes include stickers on three sides. Small box measures 9x9x14 1/2, large box measures 14x14x30.

\$6.50/each (small)

\$8.50/each (large)

Extra Eyeglass Collection Box Stickers

Each set consists of two large stickers promoting used eyeglass and hearing aid collection and one small sticker with club contact information.

\$3.00/each (set of 3)

SAVE on Shipping and Handling Costs! PICK UP AT THE FORUM!

CHECK OUT SOME OF OUR OTHER GREAT ITEMS!

White Cane Leader Patch

Recognize club members who are leaders in your White Cane Drive.

\$3.00/each

White Cane Leader Pin

Recognize club members who are leaders in your White Cane Drive.

\$1.50/each



White Cane Law Pamphlet

Tri-fold brochure which features the White Cane law and Public Accommodations act. It also explains what an individual should do when encountering a blind person.

\$20.00/250

White Cane Bookmarks

Bookmark with White Cane Law printed on back. Great giveaway for libraries.

\$10.00/100



White Cane Stickers

Two-color stickers on a roll. Design features the Lions logo and White Cane traffic symbol. 2 1/2" in diameter.

\$32.00/1000





Youth Camps & Exchange (YCE) SUMMER PROGRAM 2025



Dates to Remember:

Application deadlines:

Outgoing participants: **March 30, 2025**

Host Family: **June 30, 2025**

Incoming Youth Exchange participants:

Arrival date: **July 26, 2025**

Departure date: **August 16, 2025**

D-Bar-A Scout Ranch

Camp dates: **August 3-9, 2025**



Become a Host Family

Bring a new culture into your home!

Multiple District 11 is looking for families in the community who can open their hearts and homes for a few weeks during the summer of 2025 to host a Youth Exchange Ambassador. These young adults are part of Lions International Youth Camps & Exchange program, bringing young adults from various parts of the world to the United States during the summer program July 26 – August 16, 2025.

Host families need not be Lions members, nor must they have children at home. You would be responsible for their room and board. Visiting young adults comes with spending money, and additional activities will be at your discretion.

If you are interested in becoming a Host Family, please contact:

Your District chair or State Chair Lion Elvie Marfil at 818-800-1060, email epmarfil5@gmail.com.

Facebook page: Youth Camps & Exchange - Michigan, USA

Link: [Lions of Michigan Youth Camps & Exchange](https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/youth-exchange) (<https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/youth-exchange>)

Your help is needed!

READING ACTION PLAN

As a parent of three children, one of our goals were to instill a love for reading in our kids. I think we were pretty successful! They all love to read. Today I'm sharing a fun free printable Fall Reading Challenge for Moms, dads & Kids. I hope you enjoy these printables! When my kids were little I loved reading stories to them. Reading to your kids expands their imagination, educates, and broadens their minds. Some of my favorite memories were sitting or snuggling together and reading. You may find your child wants to read the same story over and over again – and that's normal! The last 30 years of reading research confirms this simple formula—regardless of sex, race, nationality, or socioeconomic background—students who read the most, read the best, achieve the most, and stay in school the longest. On the opposite, those who don't read much, cannot get better at it. This is a proven fact.

But reading as an adult can also be very enjoyable. These days I tend to read self improvement books, books on productivity, or religious books. And when I come across a novel that interests me, I love a good story, especially if it is a sci-fi.

PDG Donald Spinks RAC Chairman

MINDEN CITY LIONS

.Ticket sales begin for our 2024-25 52/52 firearm raffle. The tickets are \$50, which gives the buyer 52 chances to win. The winning numbers are based on the Monday evening daily 3 Michigan lottery drawings. The first winning number will be drawn on January 6, 2025, and will continue each week until the final draw on December 29, 2025. See any Minden City Lion for your ticket(s). Tickets are also available at Randy's Hunting Center (<https://www.facebook.com/Randys-Hunting-Center-486149834836041>) in Bad Axe, The Minden Market on Main Street Minden City, and Natures Finest Taxidermy (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100086415387976>) on Main Street Minden City.

We also have members who will do PayPal and Venmo if you'd like to purchase your ticket(s) that way. Give Lion Dale a call - at 989-670-0394. It will probably go to voicemail, but I'll call you right back.

Minden City Lions **[SEE BELOW]**

MINDEN CITY LIONS CLUB

No.

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City _____ Zip _____
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Seller _____



2024 Minden City Lions Club
52/52 FIREARM RAFFLE

52 Guns in 52 Weeks.....Only 1000 Tickets Sold

Based on the Monday Michigan Daily 3 Evening Draws.
First Drawing is January 6, 2025. Last Drawing is December 29, 2025.

If the raffle ticket for the daily number has not been sold, a drawing from the pool of raffle ticket stubs for the tickets sold will take place at 1590 Main St., Minden City, MI between 7:30 p.m.-8 p.m. the same day.

Must be 18 to purchase a ticket. If winner is under 21, the prize will be limited to a long gun or equivalent to be determined when prize is claimed. Winner must be able to pass a background check. Must collect your prize within 60 days of notification of winning. Each ticket is eligible for multiple winnings. All prizes will be awarded.

\$50.00 Per Ticket • (see back of ticket for prizes) • Lic. #:
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DRAWING DATES, NUMBER and PRIZES

1 1/6/2025	RugerGo Wild bolt action350 Legend	27 7/7/2025	JTS X12PT home defense pump 12 ga.
2 1/13/2025	Sig Saur P320 semi auto pistol 9mm	28 7/14/2025	Kel Tec P-17 semi auto pistol 22 lr
3 1/20/2025	Remington 700 bolt action rifle 6.5 creedmore	29 7/21/2025	Ruger American bolt action 308 WIN.
4 1/27/2025	Winchester SXP field walnut pump 20 ga.	30 7/28/2025	ATI Crusader over under 28 ga.
5 2/3/2025	Kel Tec PMR30 semi auto 30 rd. 22 Magnum	31 8/4/2025	Ruger LCR lightweight revolver 38 special
6 2/10/2025	Traditions Outfitter stainless rifle 450 bushmaster	32 8/11/2025	Tri Star Cobra pump shotgun 12 ga.
7 2/17/2025	Mossberg 500 camo turkey vent rib 12 ga.	33 8/18/2025	Savage A22 semi auto 22 Magnum
8 2/24/2025	Ruger LCP Maxx semi auto 380 auto	34 8/25/2025	SAR USA semi auto pistol 9mm
9 3/3/2025	G-Force BR99 AR style semi auto 12 ga.	35 9/1/2025	Ruger American bolt action 450 bushmaster
10 3/10/2025	Ruger American bolt action 6.5 creedmore	36 9/8/2025	ATI scout pump shotgun 20 ga.
11 3/17/2025	Stevens 320 pump shotgun 20 ga.	37 9/15/2025	Taurus G3 semi auto pistol 9mm
12 3/24/2025	Smith & Wesson Stainless semi auto 9mm	38 9/22/2025	Ruger American bolt action 243 win
13 3/31/2025	Mossberg Patriot bolt action rifle 270 Win	39 9/29/2025	CZ 612 shotgun 12 ga.
14 4/7/2025	Tri Star Raptor silver semi auto 12 ga.	40 10/6/2025	Smith & Wesson Stainless semi auto 9mm
15 4/14/2025	Henry H001TL octagon lever 22 lr	41 10/13/2025	SDS Civet 12 pump shotgun 12 ga.
16 4/21/2025	Ruger LCP II semi auto compact 22 lr	42 10/20/2025	Heritage rough rider revolver 22 lr
17 4/28/2025	Traditions Outfitter stainless rifle 44 mag	43 10/27/2025	Ruge 10/22 semi auto rifle 22 lr
18 5/5/2025	G- Force AR 12 semi auto 12 ga.	44 11/3/2025	Remington 870 pump shotgun 12 ga.
19 5/12/2025	Taurus Tx22 competition pistol 22 lr	45 11/10/2025	Ruger Security 380 semi auto 380 auto
20 5/19/2025	CVA Scout V2 rifle 350 Legend	46 11/17/2025	Savage Axis bolt action w/scope 270 Win
21 5/26/2025	Tri Star Upland over under 20 ga.	47 11/24/2025	JTS M12AK semi auto 12 ga.
22 6/2/2025	Ruger Wrangler single action 22 lr	48 12/1/2025	Mossberg Patriot bolt action rifle 450 bushmaster
23 6/9/2025	ATI camo single shot 12 ga.	49 12/8/2025	Ruger PC Charger pistol 9mm
24 6/16/2025	Savage 64 semi auto rifle 22 lr	50 12/15/2025	Remington 870 pump shotgun 12 ga.
25 6/23/2025	Hi Point C9 semi auto pistol 9mm	51 12/22/2025	Henry H001M Lever action 22 Magnum
26 6/30/2025	Rossi Gallery pump rifle 22 lr	52 12/29/2025	Weatherby Element semi auto 20 ga.

Winning numbers available in Daily Newspapers, TV, Online or any Michigan Lottery Agent

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ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

Algonac lions prepare Christmas food baskets for their communities needy. They conducted a contest for their annual pickerel tournament flier announcing their 87th. Annual. Contest winner Tia Gore with President Dr. Bill Brady and her artwork.

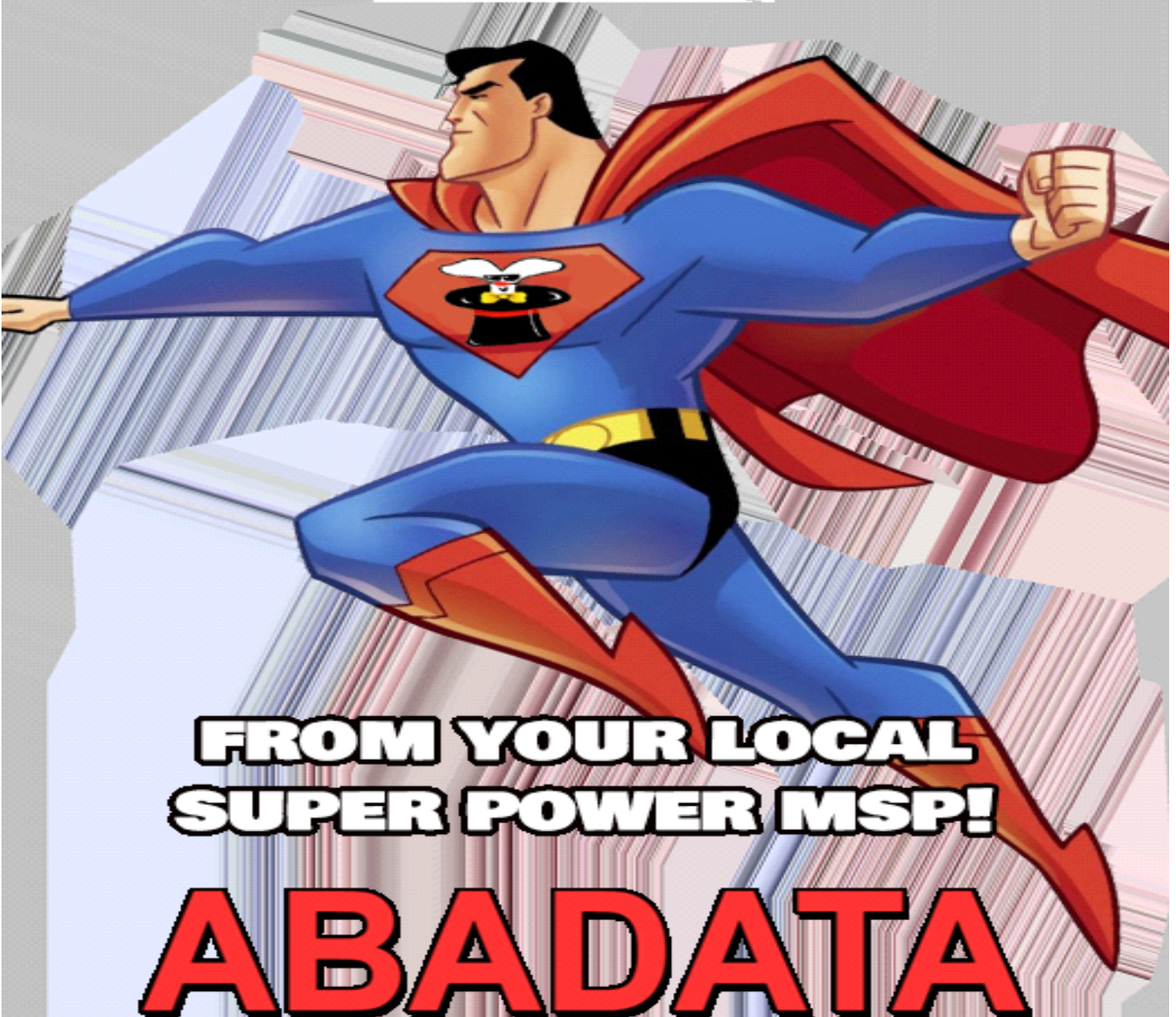


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.Ubly Lions have had three District Governors in the recent past. Also, one International Director. PID Justin Faber, PDG Sami Makhoul, and current District Governor Judy Keller. This is the only club that has this kind of representation in senior leadership in our district the past decade.



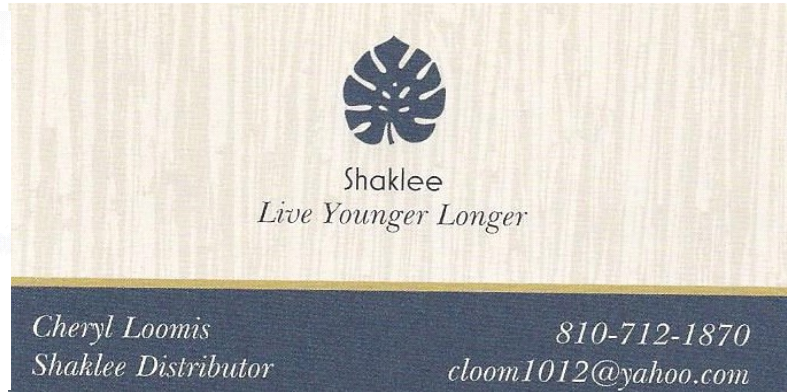
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Wish all clubs in D-2 continued success

PDG Wes and Kathy are on the convention committee with any answers for your questions. H-810-673-3199 or C-810 -417-3107