

LIIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

JULY 2024



District Governor Judy Keller
1st VDG Dave Fisher
2nd VDG Tim Dietzel

Cabinet Secretary Donald Spinks
Cabinet Treasurer Jack Kriete

Region 1 Chair: Tom Watkins
Region 1 Zone 1 Chair Steve Schultz
Region 1 Zone 2 Chair Kirk Smith

Region 2 Chair: Vacant
Region 2 Zone 1 Chair Ron Stevens
Region 2 Zone 2 Chair Debbie Kaighen

Region 3 Chair: Rich Cochrill
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Tim Rutkowski
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Louise Dobson Blasius

GMT Tim Dietzel
GLT Donald Spinks
GST Karl Cross



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

CALENDAR –EVENTS

July 9th. Mini cabinet meeting Blue Water
Sports Bar & Grill 8-N. Ridge, Pt. Sanilac. MI

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER-

Great Lions of 11D2!

We have some work to do with membership. The numbers have slipped We know how valuable new members strengthen their clubs. New members will bring other new members to your club.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

I hope everyone had a happy & safe 4th of July with family & friends. As we kick off this new year for our district let us reflect on what did or did not get done and push forward. We need to grow our membership so that we can grow in service.

I am very excited to work with new and experienced cabinet members to bring Lions on board to 11 D2. Dave & I had a wonderful time with other Lions from all over at the International Convention in Melbourne. There were so many Lions and it was good to see all the other Governors that went through training with me. International President Fabricio Oliveira wants us to “Make Your Mark” on getting to 1.5 in membership this year, so let’s pull up our bootstraps and add members to 11D 2!

From the desk of 1st VDG Dave Fisher

Here we are, another Lions year behind us, Governor Jim moved on to his new row as Immediate Past District Governor and I want to say at this time, it's been a pleasure and JOB WELL DONE.

Now as 1st. Vice District Governor I'm looking forward to working with our new 11-D-2 District Governor Judy Keller along with her new team.

Governor Judy has expressed her new goals and we are here to help her accomplish those goals, and always our mission is to serve. As 1st VDG I'm looking forward to making club visits and meeting all you great Lions Members of 11-d-2 during the next year.

Remember our LIONS mission is to SERVE and have FUN doing it.

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

I would like to introduce to you the newly elected 2nd Vice District Governor from the Lions club of Marlette. Lion Tim Dietzel has been a lion since July 2016. He has been the Marlette club president for two years in a row and has had numerous titles within the club. He is currently the Region 2 Chairperson for 11D2. Lion Tim has been on the District Diabetes committee and is the District chair on White-cane. He is more than ready this coming July to start fulfilling his responsibilities as a 2 VDG and is gearing up to go visit the Lions clubs of 11D2. Lionism is volunteer work and Lion Tim has consistently stepped up to the plate and helped out.

2nd Vice District Governor Tim Dietzel**Tim Dietzel, Global Membership Chair**

Our Lions year has come to a close, we still need to take time to work on new members. So look around, each one of us knows someone that would make a great Lion, all you have to do is ask.

Don Spinks Leadership Chair

Hello Lions . I can't log in to the new Lion Portal! Can't find the report you want? How do we do our monthly membership report? How frustrated are you with the new Lion Portal? These are the remarks that have been made since the launch of the new Lion Portal. The district leadership team is here to help. We will be hosting 2 workshops to do training for the new portal. Please watch your email and the district's Facebook page for details of where and when they will be. It will be important for all Lions to attend to learn how to navigate and use the portal. If you are having problems, please reach out to me at 989-670-1401. By working together, we will master the portal!!

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

It's been a great day at #LionsCon24! We announced LCIF raised US \$75M this year, celebrated our donors and partners, learned about LCIF grants and programs, heard from an impactful beneficiary, and more. We hope you have had a great convention so far! #LCIFLions PIP Brian Sheehan. LCIF does great things around the world and around the corner. The state of Michigan has been the recipient of LCIF funds. So has district D-2.

IPDG James White



IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR JAMES WHITE

I would like to thank all the Lions of 11D2 for the great experience of the last 12 months as this chapter as District Governor has ended, I begin my new chapter as a Past District Governor. I will be available for support for any Lions activities as needed. Governor Judy Keller is well prepared and I expect her to be an excellent Governor for the next year. Judy is well organized and an excellent leader. Her commitment to service for those in need is remarkable. Her knowledge of the administration side of club organization will be a great asset for all clubs. We as a District need to master the new portal this year so our membership and service activities are recorded and 11 D2 remains the best of the best. I look forward to the tremendous year ahead and seeing you all as I will be the LCIF chair this year for the district and still visiting as many of you as possible

Thanks for your support
Past District Governor
Jim White

(Governor Jim receiving an award
From Past International President
Brian Sheehan)



Congratulations to Governor Judy Keller. She traveled to Melbourne Australia to be inducted as our Governor. Let's give her all our support.. Ugly Lions strike again. PID Justin Faber is front and center



Congratulations are in order for District 11D-2's second International Director . PDG Dave Wineman from USA Lions Club has become International Director in

Melbourne Australia. District 11D-2 has finally gotten international leadership . We have led with breakthrough innovations on several fronts. Including key initiatives.



Introducing our new International President for 2024-2025

Fabricio Oliveira from Brazil



**Our
International
President**

**Fabricio
Oliveira**

"Make Your Mark"

EMMETT LIONS CLUB

Emmett Lions 75th. Anniversary celebration. On June 22 there was a dinner held with several awards presented to deserving lions. Neighboring lions clubs came to support this club. Memphis Lions is the sponsoring club and three members attended. Also, Almont, Hadley, Lapeer, Otter Lake, and Port Huron Host. It was a great celebration. Lots of good food and comradery.



Governor Jim White presenting first Lions Jack Belesky & Lion Dave Truetle with Eversight awards, and Lion Billy Rhody the Melvin Jones Fellowship.

Below; The new officers being installed by the District Governor.



Lions Bruce Robbins and Nathan Riggs received the Leader Dog for the Blind award. At the Emmett anniversary celebration Governor Jim White honored the clubs of D-2 with international service awards. Every club in the district performed some kind of service throughout the year. That is why we need to send more leaders to International.



ELKTON LIONS CLUB

Elkton Lions Kids Day was a ROARING success. Over 350 kids along with their families packed Ackerman Park for a day of family fun. Water slides, inflatables, a foam party, kites, games, meet our Heros, make-n take first aid kits, Polka the Clown and funky hair tinseling were among the day's attractions. We served close to 500 hot dogs & Sno Cones. Michigan Lions Eversight program screened over 35 kids and referred 7 on for further eyesight testing. This event was free to all, Simply Amazing!



PORT HURON HOST LIONS

The Port Huron Host Lions club inducted six new Lions into their club. As the Governor I relaxed and had PDCC Terry Bowerman do the honor of swearing in. These new Lions, (one is hidden) but she will be a strong addition as will the other five.

IPDG Jim White



MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

It has been a busy week for the Lions Club of Marysville, Michigan. We started the week celebrating a terrific Lion 2023-2024 year with a dinner and installation of next year's officers. We ended the week seeing many friends at the great antique auto show in the Marysville City Park and at the Methodist Church block party. Fired up the grill for a taste of summer.



PECK LIONS CLUB

Thank you from the Peck Lions Club to the following sponsors for helping make our tractor pull a success: Aggregate Relocation Services-Marc Alexander, Jeff's Marketplace, Agri Valley Services, Sandusky Auto Sales, Thumb Cellular, Liebler Agency Inc, Grout Farms in memory of Sally Grout, F Schoen Trucking LLC, Great Reflections, Carl's Septic Services, Thumb Towing, Bill Potter, Golden Harvest Seeds/Keesler Farms, Maedel Farms, Sons of American Legion, Lee Haener and Son Trucking, Haener Properties, Faith Ann's Auto Spa, Ashley's Attic and Mini Storage, Lentner Trucking LLC, Crosswell Lexington Eagles-4465, Kohler Propane, Labaron's Power Sports, Town and Country Animal Care Inc, Jeddo Lions Club, Shephard and Son Trucking, Sandusky Concrete, Mike and Adam Tarzwell, Max Simmons, Graff Chevrolet-Sandusky, Bill Sheridan Family, Mark and Ann Davidson, Burns Tractor Service, CH Livestock, Peck American Legion Auxiliary 489, Marlette Regional Hospital, Vogelsberg Grain Company, in memory of Patricia Shephard, in memory of Jim Alexander.

Special thank you also to: Tri-County Equipment for tractors and equipment, Thumb Tractor Pulling Association, Aztec Asphalt, Elk Township Fire and Rescue, Tri Hospital EMS, Steve Warren, and all the volunteers that made this event possible.

Also: A special THANK YOU to all of these spectators who came out to make this event possible. See you next year



ALMONT LIONS CLUB

Congratulations Wesley Wagester



"The Distinguished Service Award is the highest award of the Multiple District. It is given annually at the Multiple District convention for service an activities that are performed at the Multiple District level. Eligible recipients must have 7 or more years membership in a Lions club and have served on the Multiple District level for 4 or more years.

The award is determined by a screening committee, which considers nominations from the District Governors, the Council Chair, the Multiple District Executive Director and the Multiple District Club Support Team"





Lions International

Dear Lions and Leos,

Preparation is underway to begin rolling out the new Lion Portal. Here is some important information to prepare you for launch.

Phased rollout for Lion Account Users

Our target launch window is April 15 – May 13*. During this time, all current Lion Account users will receive an email inviting them to access the new Lion Portal**. We're doing this phased rollout to ensure staff are available to provide the best support possible and offer you a positive introductory experience.

- **Now – April 11:** MyLion, MyLCI and Insights will continue to function as normal.
- **April 12 and beyond:** MyLion, MyLCI and Insights are no longer available.
- **April 15 – May 13:** Invitations to access the new Lion Portal sent via email on a rolling basis to existing Lion Account users.

Please note: User permissions will not change. In other words, those who can report service, access member data and other key functions remains the same.

- **May 13 and beyond:** All visitors attempting to access the previous digital tools will be automatically redirected to the new Lion Portal.

*Dates are subject to change. Our number one goal is to create a positive experience for Lions and Leos. If determined more time is required to ensure the product is in an optimal state, the dates may be adjusted accordingly.**If you don't see the email in your everyday inbox, please check all spam and junk folders for it first before contacting Member Support. Note that the new Lion Portal will require a unique, unshared email, and phone numbers will no longer be supported as a log in credential. **Information and resources**

Be sure to visit lionsclubs.org/portal-updates for the latest information and resources, which includes handy how-to videos for help accessing the new portal once you've received your Lion Portal invitation email.

We appreciate your support and thank you for your continued service as we prepare for the new Lion Portal – together.

2024
PECK LIONS
CLUB
GUNS, PLUS MORE
RAFFLE



Prizes provided by & will be claimed at: Ben's Great Outdoors 2424 S. Vandyke Rd. Marlette, MI 48453

Tickets - \$10.00 each

*Ticket sales will end on October 3, 2024 at 5:00 pm or when all 1500 are sold

*Winners will be announced on October 3, 2024 at 7:15 pm at the Elk Township Hall

*Must be 21 years of age to purchase ticket – must abide by federal/state laws and regulations *

Must be able to legally own firearm – must be able to pass background check

Need not be present to win – Must present ticket stub and valid ID to claim prize

Prizes will be available starting October 9, 2024 and must be claimed by November 10, 2024 or prized will be forfeited

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Breakfast with your coffee!

**Wednesdays are breakfast
sandwich days**

\$5

at



**Sanilac Coffee
27 North Ridge (m25)
Port Sanilac MI**

**7 am until about 10 am
proceeds to Port Sanilac Lions**



**Thank you Huron Shores Golf
Club for providing the
sandwiches**

METAMORA LIONESSE LIONS CLUB

JULY 14TH BREAKFAST

8:00AM - 12:00PM

DINE-IN AND TAKE-OUT OPTIONS AVAILABLE

AS ALWAYS, BREAKFAST IS FREE TO THE PUBLIC!
DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED

3790 N. OAK ST. METAMORA, MI 48455

FREE ADMISSION

SATURDAY JULY 13, 2024 @ 12PM EST
SUNDAY JULY 14, 2024 @ 12PM EST

BERVILLE LIONS QUARTER SCALE TRACTOR PULL

v8 Modified Tractors • Multi-Engine Tractors • 4cyl Tractors
Electric Tractors • Kids Garden Tractors • Garden Tractors

CONCESSIONS • BLEACHER SEATING • 50/50



Berville Lions Club
13651 Hough Rd, Berlin Township, MI

ELKTON LIONS CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, August 24th

Century Oaks Golf Course, Elkton Michigan

Noon Shotgun Start

Teams Start Times TBD



\$85 Per Person Includes...

- Cart •Steak Dinner •Hot Dogs on the turn
- Team Skins & Team Pot of Gold

Cash Prizes ~ 1st, 2nd, 3rd

(Based on Entries)

\$1000 Grand Prize

Prizes & Raffles

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

Rules: *4 Player/Mixed teams ~ Scramble Format

***Teams may only have 1 player with a handicap of 8 or lower.**

***Teams must have a minimum of 50 handicap.**

Player No. 1: _____ Handicap: _____

Player No. 2: _____ Handicap: _____

Player No. 3: _____ Handicap: _____

Player No. 4: _____ Handicap: _____

Team Contact Phone: _____ Email: _____

Make Checks Payable To: Elkton Lions Club. Mail entry form & payment to:

Elkton Lions Club - PO Box 371, Elkton MI 48731. For more information, Contact Gary Sweeney at 989-553-4066



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Almont
LIONS



ALMONT LIONS CLUB ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Your participation and support directly benefits local community programs!

Sunday
July 28th

HEATHER HILLS GOLF CLUB

3100 McKail Rd, Bruce Township, MI

8:00 AM Check-in

9:00 AM Shotgun Start

\$ 100

per golfer, foursomes encouraged

Includes cart, lunch on the turn, dinner at the course after, numerous cash prizes.

Bring cash for additional fun; including cash bar, awesome raffles, 50/50

Early Bird Registration

closes July 14

use QR Code below!

Contact any Almont Lions Member about **Tax-deductible Sponsorships & Prize Donations**

OUTING COMMITTEE

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Dear Lion,

When you became a Lion, you also became a leader. Lions and Leos lead their communities in service and bring people together to achieve greater outcomes than we can alone.

Every time you invite a new member, or we charter a new club, more people are helped, and more communities are served. We are making a tremendous impact all over the world thanks to your leadership.

So, let's continue to grow our impact and share your amazing projects on social media to encourage others to join you. Take an online course to enhance your skills and encourage others to do so, as well. Let's continue to be the leaders that

Dr. Patti Hill

Immediate Past International President



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

I just wanted to drop you a quick note about our latest episode - I think you're really going to love this one! We dive into an important topic for college-bound individuals: getting a guide dog.

We got to chat with a Guide Dog Mobility Instructor and a Client Services Representative, and let me tell you, they shared some valuable insights. If you or someone you know is thinking about bringing a guide dog to college, this episode is a must-listen.

But that's not all! We also tackle the ongoing debate surrounding Leader Dog's 5K races. Which side will prevail? You'll have to tune in to find out!

I'd love for you to give it a listen when you get a chance. It's up on all the usual platforms, or [listen to the Taking the Lead episode here.](#)

After you've had a chance to tune in, shoot me an email back. I'd love to hear your thoughts, especially on the 5K debate.

Thanks for listening! Christina Hepner
Digital Marketing Manager
Leader Dogs for the Blind
christina.hepner@leaderdog.org

LIONS CLUBS ALL STATE BAND

2024 All State Band Tour June 18th through June 29th

The Lions of Michigan All State Band has once again formed to represent Michigan Lions at the 106th International Convention in Melbourne, Australia. The tour will start with a 3 day band camp followed by 8 days in Australia and 3 days in California. This all-inclusive trip will cost \$6,299 for all of the 46 members planning on attending this year. District 11 D-2 has 3 students from Ugly School and 4 students from Lakeville School. After Covid shut down the band for 3 years, we were able to send 28 student to Boston last year. Students from all 10 districts and the U.P. are represented this year.

The students will again be high-lighted as the band that performs the Flag Ceremony at the International Convention.

Performances will take place at numerous venues in Australia and at Disneyland and Universal Studios in California on the way home. The band has played at orphanages, veteran homes, shopping malls and children's hospitals while on tours since 1978, as well as at the convention. Sharing their talent with others and learning about different cultures on tours makes this an unforgettable trip for these young musicians.

The January rehearsal was cancelled due to bad weather but the March 23rd rehearsal will take place at Lakeville School and the band will rehearse and perform at the MD11 Convention May 18th in Kalamazoo.

The complete itinerary is available at the Lions of Michigan band web site (www.lionsmiband.org)

Please spread the word to Club members, family and friends that donations to our District Students can be made at Lions of Michigan State Office or to District Treasurer PDG Jack Kriete for this year's Trip. Please note were your donation applies (any or all students in District or administrative fund)

An easy way for clubs to raise funds for these students is a pop can drive and if you pull the tabs before you recycle them, you can help Ronald McDonald House too. I pick up can tabs at the District Convention and also Owendale's corn roast every year. Recycling has given us more than \$8,000 to donate there.

If you have any questions or concerns about the band, please feel free to contact me @810-793-6258 or @peggy_duane@yahoo.com.

PDG Peggy Farnsworth

District All State Band Chair