

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

Sep 2024



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

CALENDAR –EVENTS

Sept 5-7 USA/Canada Lions Forum (Louisville KY)

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

Mark Saturday, September 14th at 1 PM on your calendar. The Applegate Lions will host a training session on the new Lions Portal. Their club is located at 2360 Sherman St. Applegate. Bring your laptop or a pad of paper to receive one-on-one help. Hope to see all the clubs

District Governor Judy Keller

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

I was checking on reports in the portal and, it shows that 93% of our clubs have reported their service activities. That is great news for 2 reasons. For one it means more Lions are learning how to use the portal and two, service remains a top priority for us!!! The next item we as Lions need to work on is MEMBERSHIP. Last year we lost 2 clubs which has given us a negative number in membership growth. We need to improve on this. Maybe hold an informational night or an open house. Put your service activities in print, whether it be flyers or in the newspaper. If you have a local radio station, advertise your event on it. We need to let our communities know what we do. If you need help please don't hesitate to call Membership Chair Tim Dietzel at 1-810-358-7292 or myself. We will gladly do whatever we can to help your club grow. Have a wonderful September and remember to Spark your Passion in service. More service leads to more members and allows more service to our communities.

District Convention is April 5,6,7 2025 at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Mt. Pleasant, MI.

GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

Hello Fellow Lions, welcome to September, I hope you all are doing well, and were able to get the tan lines you were looking for, and how did that bucket list go, if like mine there's still a few holes to fill.

Owendale did it again, what a great corn roast, loads of corn and how about those Lukes Brats, great time had by all, right down to the passing of the banner to our new Governor General Judy Keller, THANKS to Lion Paul and his fellow Lions and WOW how about the volunteers, GREAT JOB. WELCOME it's going to be a great year.

COMING September 14th at Applegate Lions Club house, PDG/Cabinet secretary/Club Administrator, Don Spinks is putting on PORTIAL training class from 1-3.

As always MEMBERSHIP is a big goal this year, so invite someone to a meeting, tell them all the good things as Lions we do and you may be surprised.

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR / MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

Hello fellow Lions Members.

I hope this short message finds you all doing well.

I am honored and humbled to serve as your 2nd vice district governor this year. I would like to encourage every club to dedicate a few minutes during your monthly meetings to educate our members on the history the Lions Club International. I truly believe education plays a key role in recruiting new members. This is a lesson I have learned out of necessity. I have had potential members and new members come to me with many questions regarding the history of the Lions and what Lions stand for including the meaning of the Lions Emblem. Let's all get back to the basics and share the vision of Melvin Jones, meeting the needs of our community, serving in love, kindness and compassion.

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR/ MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

Don Spinks Leadership Chair

11D2 LeadershipGLT Don SpinksSeptember 14th we will be having Lions Portal training at the Applegate Lions club. We will have refreshments and drinks while you attend the training. I will conduct training on 13 different items dealing with the Portal. We will go over how to submit service projects to add members. There's a lot that will be covered. Bring your laptop or pencils and paper for notes. Hopefully we will have time for a couple of live demonstrations on the Portal reporting. See you there.

PDG Don Spinks CS/Leadership Chair

Goals of the Reading Action Program PDG SPINKS

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. Go to the site listed below and start your own printables for reading to children. Enjoy.



Lions of Michigan Foundation

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a public charity that was created in 1984 to help Michigan Lions Clubs provide community services. We work in partnership with our member Lions Clubs and other organizations to provide disadvantaged individuals and families with access to affordable medical care and services designed to help improve their quality of life.

While our programs encompass many areas, we primarily help people who require assistance with eye care, hearing aids or an unexpected life event.

Lions KidSight vision screening

Eye Care Assistance

Affordable Hearing Aids

Emergency Disaster Relief

Military and Veterans Families

Medical Care and Equipment

Emergency Individual Assistance

HADLEY LIONS CLUB

It's that time of the year when the kids start going back to school and also, time to start thinking about the Peace Poster Contest. If you want to get involved this year, the first step is ordering your Peace Poster Kit. found on LCI. Second step is speaking to the art teacher at your local school to see if they will participate This years theme is "Peace Without Limits". Judging will be done at the Hadley Lions spaghetti dinner on November 21st. The winner will go with our DG Judy Keller for the statewide competition. More details to follow. Questions?

Call ZC Deb Kaighen, Peace Poster Chair at 810-656-5160.

**ANNOUNCING DISTRICT 11D2
PEDIATRIC CANCER SERVICE PROJECT**

Calling all Lions in District 11D2 to participate in a Pediatric Cancer Service project to assist Michigan's only Pediatric Cancer Treatment Center – Detroit Medical Center – Michigan's Children Hospital Pediatric Oncology Unit.

The Pediatric oncology unit has an ongoing need of items for children who are battling cancer. These items make chemo/radiation treatments and hospital stays a little more comfortable by providing items to keep these special patients busy and keep their minds preoccupied during this difficult time.

Newly purchased and unused toys and games - UNO cards, regular playing cards, infant-toddler toys/rattles, Lego kits, Play Doh, Crayons (must be Crayola or Rose Art brand), colored pencils, markers and paint brushes.

NO ITEMS WITH VIOLENT SCENES, TOY GUNS/SWORDS AND PROJECTILE TOYS ACCEPTED

NEWLY PURCHASED UNUSED MAKEUP FOR

McKenna's Beauty Bar

Make-up bags, hair accessories (hair ties, bows, brushes, combs, headbands, etc.) hair gel, jewelry, hand held mirrors, makeup brushes, makeup remover wipes, eyelashes, foundation for all skin tones, highlighter, blush, nail polish and nail polish remover.

Child friendly LATEX FREE character band-aids

No anti-bacterial band-aids.

New books for all ages. New socks and underwear for the

Clothes Closet at Children's Hospital.

Trial size toiletries for family members who have unexpected hospital stays for their children.

Warm gloves, mittens, and hats for winter.

MONETARY DONATIONS ACCEPTED

SAFETY IS MOST IMPORTANT

NO LATEX, MUST HAVE NON-TOXIC SEAL, NO FOOD, CANDY, CHALK OR RELIGIOUS MATERIALS

Please contact Lion Wendy Wojtas at 586-306-6262, gitregirl@gmail.com or Facebook at Algonac Lions Club.

MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Lions,
Update on Raider.

He is the Leader dog pup that the Memphis Lions Club has been sponsoring. Raider is going to start the final phase of his training.

And here is Raider (Hazel/Manu) entering the final phase of training! Raider is a prison raised pup. I know his raisers are very excited to receive this news! Keep at it Raider! You got this!

The instructor working with Raider has made the following comments:

Some things that Raider is doing well are:

1. Raider has improved greatly when it comes to being overly stimulated coming out of the kennel. Excited to work still but much better about jumping, mouthing, and vocalizing when being pet.
2. Raider does very well with dog distractions. He has worked closely by dogs with very good behaviors.
3. Raider has done great learning new working environments, including the mall with escalators, stores, restaurants, bigger cities, and sidewalk less.

Some things that Raider is learning and working on are:

1. Raider sometimes checks in a lot during routes, causing his pace to be a little inconsistent.
2. Raider sometimes wants to put his paws up on a counter or table.
3. Raider will soon be learning to ride a city bus, train, and work in Detroit.



SANDUSKY LIONS CLUB

Immediate Past District Governor Jim White and PDG Margaret Oldenburg installing the new Sandusky Lions Club Officers. The new President Chief Brent Lester with Past President Mark Davidson. This is a very active club that meets at noon.



HARSENS ISLAND LIONS CLUBS

The Harsens Island lions clubs are excited to announce the new sign for Sans Souci Downtown has been installed. It is a beautiful landmark to our Island.

Special thanks to the Sans Souci Downtown Inc. for providing this sign and we are proud to have it on the Lions Property.

This is another way that Lions clubs give back to the community

Just Ask!

DECKERVILLE LIONS CLUB

At their July meeting, the Deckerville Lions Club unanimously voted to donate to the Flags of Remembrance Monument being erected on the grounds of the county courthouse. The monument will be engraved with the names of veterans, living or deceased, who have roots in Sanilac County and will be displayed year around. Deckerville Lions members are humbled to be a part of this tribute to memorialize our service men and women. Lion President Bill Warren presented \$1002 to Sandusky Community School members who are in charge of the project.



DECKERVILLE LIONS CLUB

Blue Water District Commissioner and Cub Scout Pack 376 Committee Chair Joseph Auito present the Deckerville Lions Club with Pack 376 Charter. Receiving the Charter is President Bill Warren, Patty Alexander and Irene Cole. District Leader Joseph Auito is a Lion at the Sandusky Lions Club and has worked with all of the District clubs that sponsor scout troops. This District has more leaders who are both great Lions and scout leaders than any district in the state.

Congratulations to Deckerville Lions





Marine City Lions Club ► Battle of the Bands IV

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What a great couple of nights!!! Wow!!! 😄 😄
The crowds, FUNdraising, music and sponsors were amazing!! Here are the totals raised for each School's Booster group -

Marine City - \$4,375 (2 night total)

Algonac - \$4,200

St. Clair - \$1,200

THANK YOU to our great bands!! **Los Gringos Rock**, @MELDRUM BROTHERS BAND, **The Rhoades** Band, Paul Shonk and **Dusk Til Dawn**!!



THANK YOU to @everyone who supported and donated to the **Battle of the Bands IV** !! We all won by being able to support our students, schools and communities!!! See you next year!!!

MINDEN CITY LIONS CLUB

During our 150th (2005) celebration of Minden City we did a beard growing contest!

The question is do we plan to do it for the 170th (2025) this summer? Let us know in the comments from your thoughts.



ALMONT LIONS CLUB

Almont Lions news: The lions have a Cedar Swing that they are offering in a raffle. Tickets are available and are \$10.00 each, or two for \$20.00. Call 810-417-3107 Wes, for information.

The monthly Euchre tournament will resume on Friday, September 13, 2024 in the Almont Lions Hall. There is a \$20.00 entry fee, a meal will be served at intermission (after 5 games).

Almont Lions will provide vision screening for free on Saturday, September 21, 2024 during the Heritage Festival. Look for the Lion's KidSight trailer on E. St. Clair Street.

Almont Lions are planning for the annual "Spooky Time Bast" which will be held on the Saturday before Halloween.

SANDUSKY LIONS CLUB

The Sandusky Lions Club made a donation to support The Sanilac County Veterans Flags of Remembrance at the County Courthouse. The new monument will consist of four black granite panels on the Sanilac County Courthouse grounds, featuring the names of honored Veterans. The Monument committee is asking for monetary support from any other Lions clubs in District 11-D2. The online fundraising website that we have can be found here: <https://sanilac.gives/FlagsMonument2024>



DECKERVILLE LIONS CLUB

Deckerville Lions Club provided hand hygiene stations for visitors to use at the town’s Homecoming festivities. Also they were one of several organizations who donated funds for the recently installed merry-go-round at the Veterans park playground.



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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**



Children's
Hospital
of Michigan

One focus. One purpose. Your child.

District 11D2 Lions Helping Kids Fighting Cancer

Lions collecting fun items for patients & families for long chemo therapy and hospital stays at Michigan's only pediatric oncology center

**DETROIT'S DMC
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
OF MICHIGAN**

Items needed: coloring pages for kids & teens, Crayola/Rose Art crayons, canvas & paints, mini Play-Doh & tools, bead kits for jewelry key chains, baby rattles, UNO & playing cards, a full list on back & at Algonac Lions FB page. No latex. Only non-toxic items.

Please contact Lion Wendy at 586-306-6252 or at gitregirl@gmail.com for more information





LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Let us introduce you to Leader Dog Mom Tessa, a bundle of energy and fun! Tessa, a black Labrador retriever, loves to zoom around with her toys and is driven by her incredible spirit.

As a Leader Dog mom, she's ready to bring new puppies into the world, each with the potential to change the life of someone who is blind or visually impaired. All she needs now is to be welcomed into a home and family where she can safely and happily care for her litters.

Meet the Moms Event

We'd love for you to come meet Tessa and learn more about hosting a breeding mom at our "Meet the Moms" event! It's happening on Saturday, September 14, from 2 - 4 p.m. EDT at our campus in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

It's a casual, open house-style event where members of our breeding team, breeding hosts volunteers, whelp mentors and Leader Dog moms will be ready and eager to meet you. This event is the perfect opportunity to learn more about the program, understand the expectations, ask questions and meet the Leader Dog moms, like Tessa, that still need placement.

For more information on the Meet the Moms event and becoming a breeding host visits the [Host a Breeding Dog page](#).

