

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

March 2025



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 Cochrell
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Tim Rutkowski
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Louise Dobson Blasius

GMT Tim Dietzel
GLT Donald Spinks
GST Karl Cross
Global Coordinator William Gratopp



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

CALENDAR –EVENTS

District Conv. Mt. Pleasant.

APRIL 4-6, 2025

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

You still have until March 11 th to register for this year's district convention that is being held in Mt. Pleasant. Our guest speaker is PID Deb Weaverling from Kansas. Come join us for a week-end of fun and fellowship.

DG Judy Keller

Governor's Letter

It was great way to start the month March if you attended this year's forum in Kalamazoo. From the service project on Friday night, 16 sessions to choose from on Saturday morning and then lunch with PIP Brian & Lion Lori Sheehan.

PIP Brian is an amazing speaker and had everyone up on their feet laughing and learning.

Saturday night and Sunday morning we had our council of governors meeting. It is nice to see the other governors and learn about what the State of Michigan is up. I still have more clubs to visit and am looking forward to seeing all Lions at our district convention in April.

DG Judy Keller

989-679-1401

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER.

Well Lions it's that time of the year! Club offices elections, we need to get that info entered into the portal and a copy sent to cabinet secretary Don Spinks as soon as possible, if you have any problems entering it Don will help you.

Mark your calendar there's a party planned for April 4th,5th and 6th, that being the convention in Mount Pleasant this year, check your emails, or your club secretary for the details, there's a dead line for getting a deal on the room rates, so act now.

At the convention there will be speakers and election of officers for the coming year. We are looking forward to seeing new and old faces there.

We are still looking for new members with fresh ideas, so invite a friend or family member to a fun time and help serve your community.

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR / MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

Growing your clubs membership allows the club to get access to a new bunch of people to assist in serving the community. This is exactly what we are suppose to do. There is an article below that talks about new member orientation for the recent installed Lions. The cabinet secretary can get the new member orientation manuals from Lions Clubs International. There are a lot of manuals available for clubs that are trying grow their membership. "Just Ask" is one of them. It is important for clubs to work on retention of existing members. Closing that door is extremely important. And always (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

DREW BRINING	BAD AXE LIONS	PHILIP GORNOWICH	BAD AXE LIONS
JASON HANSON	BAD AXE LIONS	AARON MEINHOLD	BAD AXE LIONS
DEAN SITEK	CARSONVILLE LIONS	MARK MATTHEWS	JEDDO LIONS
ELIZABETH HENDRICKS	MARINE CITY LIONS	BEN HELLER	METAMORA LIONS
BILL HELLER	METAMORA LIONS	ROGER PAYE	METAMORA LIONS
MIKE SEIDEL	METAMORA LIONS	HUNTER VALENTINE	PEARL BEACH LIONS
TIMOTHY OSANTOWSKI	PECK LIONS	DENA DENMAN	PT. HURON HOST LIONS
THERESA HUNTER	PT. HURON HOST LIONS	TOM HUNTER	PT. HURON HOST LIONS

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

PATRICK LERASH	BAD AXE LIONS	ANTHONY BAUMAN	PORT AUSTIN LIONS
----------------	---------------	----------------	-------------------

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

Lions Mint Program: The **Lion Mints Program** is a time-tested and proven fundraising project for Lions Clubs throughout the world. Lion Mints provide visibility for your Club throughout your community. The Lions emblem certifies that the Lion Mints Program is an official Lions Club fundraising activity. Our quality products project a positive image of your Lions Club year around.

Products available are: Drops or Rolls, you may purchase by the Box or Case. Flavors available are: Wintergreen, Peppermint, or Fizzy Fruits

Additional supplies are available (trays, tray backer signs)

Contact Information: Lionmints.net ACCOUNT MANAGER Michigan

Kim Creger

Account Executive

5730 Executive Drive

Lansing, Michigan 48911

TOLL FREE: 1-866-220-0213

PHONE: 517-887-7258

FAX: 517-887-6642

Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes: Clubs have **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 39th 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. The drawing will take place at the MD11 convention which will be held May 15 -17, 2025 at the Double Tree Hotel in Bay City.

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 (H) 810-673-3199 or (C) 810-417-3107
Bosn149@hotmail.com

PDG Wes Wagester 989-712-8201
wwagester@gmail.com

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.

Please note that the Convention Information and forms are also available to download at the Lions 11D2 website at:

<https://www.lions11d2.org>

Click on 11-D2 Convention on the top menu



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:

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 maior 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 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. M
A
Y
B

NAME OF DELEGATE **SIGNATURE OF DELEGATE** E
(To be completed by Club Secretary) (To be completed at Convention)

_____ D
_____ U
_____ P
_____ L
_____ I

NAME OF ALTERNATE **SIGNATURE OF ALTERNATE** C
(To be completed by Club Secretary) (To be completed at Convention)

_____ T
_____ E
_____ D

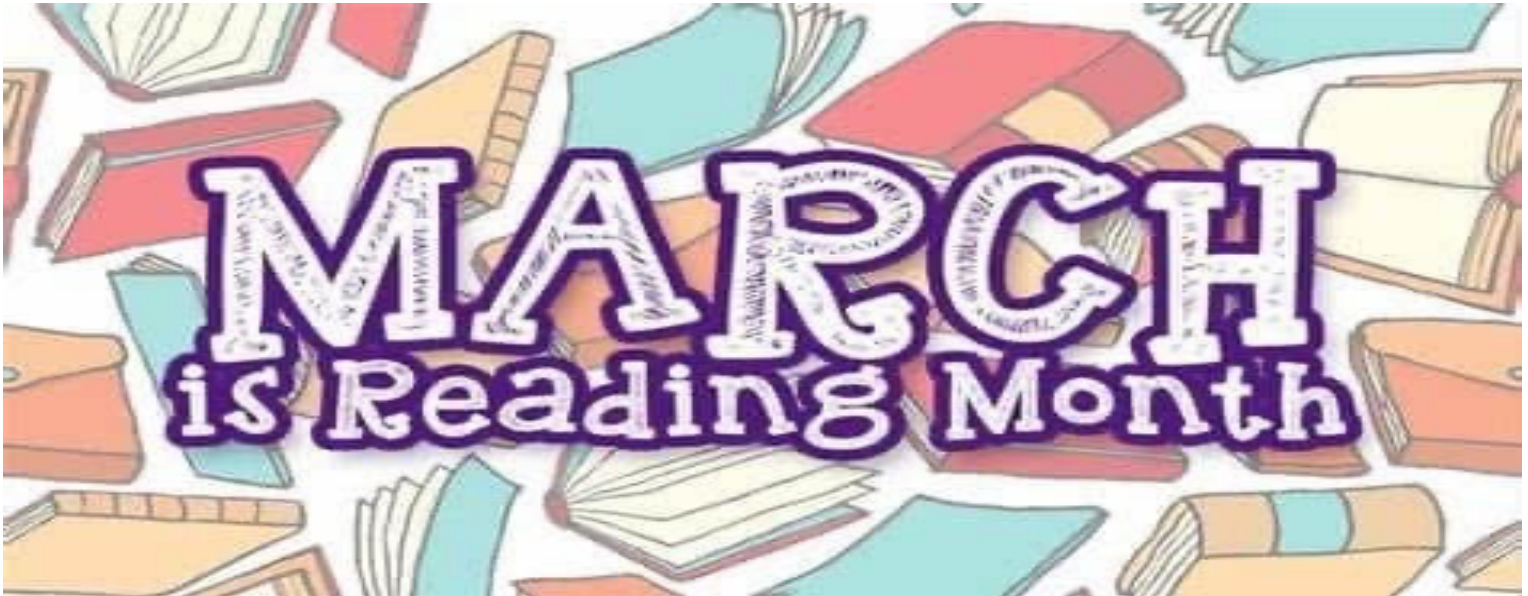

I hereby certify that the Delegates and Alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and our Lions Club, and secondly, **our Lions Club has met all past and current financial obligations to District 11-D2, Lions of Michigan, and Lions Clubs International.**

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

New Member Orientation Guide

A Guide to Planning and Conducting An Introduction to Lions

 Lions Clubs International

Leadership Chair PDG Donald Spinks

Our clubs are inducting new lion club members daily. The new members should go through a New Members Orientation. Let them know what Lions are about. I am more than willing to travel to your club to give this training. Let me know is all it takes. You just have to contact me with some of the critical information about the unique aspects of your clubs history. If you are interested you can write them down and forward them to me by email or print them and send by snail mail. Please contact me as soon as possible. (donspinks@gmail.com).
 THANK YOU

MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

On February 22 the Memphis Lions supported their Boys Scout troop with their Klondike Derby. The troop camped out on the Lions grounds. The boys held their derby with snow dog sleds for racing. There serval other meaningful events the boys competed in. How to respond to someone being disabled out in the wild. The Lions property was ideal for the scouts activities. Richmond Lenox had EMTs demonstrated how to set broken bones and first-aid. There was a lot of fellowship and comradery. The use of the Memphis Youth Center and Lions Den was made available. The scouts had a great time and wanted to do it again.



CONVENTION SERVICE PROJECT*PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR CLUB AT YOUR MARCH MEETING**

District 11-D2 Lions Clubs

Governor Judy Keller has chosen the Lions Bear Lake Camp as the Convention's Service Project recipient this year.

Every day campers are at camp, they receive a snack. With all the campers who attend Bear Lake over the summer, that's a lot of snacks! Here's how you and your club can help. We are asking every club to donate snacks for Bear Lake Camp. We are looking for the small, individual, single serve packages. Grocery stores and Dollar Stores are great places to make these purchases. If no one from your club is attending, ask someone from a nearby club to deliver your purchases to the convention. Asking your Zone or Region Chair to help with delivering snacks would be another great contact. If your club can't provide purchased snacks, please donate \$50 towards the Convention Committee or Bear Lake Camp Staff making these purchases.

Two very important things to remember when purchasing snacks is to double check ingredients to avoid nuts - THERE CAN BE NO NUTS. The second is to make sure that the "use by" date is August 31, 2025 or later.

If you are donating money, the \$50 checks should be written to District 11D2 Convention Committee and mailed to:

Terry Bowerman, 5626 Bowers Rd, Imlay City, MI 48444

A letter has been mailed to each club to let you know the specific snack Bear Lake is requesting for their campers. Watch for your letter and decide with your club how you can best be a part of Gov Judy's Service Project. If you have questions, email tandpbowerman@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance,

The Convention Committee



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!

5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911
phone: 517-887-6640 • fax: 517-887-6642
email: lions@lionsofmi.com • website: www.lionsofmi.com

Lions Bear Lake Camp:

Polar Plunge 2025: The ice plunge was a big success, 30 brave jumpers participated. There is room for more jumpers, consider adding your name to the list of participants for next year. Generous tractor donation: A new John Deere tractor was made possible through the generosity of multiple Lions Clubs, businesses, and individuals.

Wild Game Dinner: This year's Wild Game Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, 2025 at the Metamora Lions Club House. Doors open at

5:00 p.m. - Dinner is at 6:00 p.m.

Events from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

(limited space available - purchase tickets in advance) \$60 per person \$400 for a table of eight

Tickets include: Dinner 3 Drink Tickets

Entered into hourly drawings

Grab your tickets today here or at any of the following places: Metamora Golf and Country Club

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Limited to first 300 people

You may order tickets online at: www.bearlakecamp.org or purchase tickets via mail,

send check payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp and mail to 3409 N. Five Lakes Road,

Lapeer, MI 48446

Work BEE: May 10 th , 2025, registration at 8:00 AM and cleanup commencing at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be provided.

KidSight: Many Lions from several club (in different districts) participated in a KidSight project at the Detroit Auto show. Participating from our district were our Governor Judy Keller and First Gentleman Dave, and PID Justin Faber. Approximately 584 children were screened with 50 being referred to an optometrist for further care.

PID Justin Faber is participating in a mission trip to Morocco. Justin took with him a District 11-D2 "SPOT" camera for KidSight vision screening.

March 2025

EMMETT LIONS CLUB

The Emmett Lions will be having their "REVERSE RAFFLE DRAWING" drawing April 26 \$100 per ticket admits 2 people, Dinner & open Bar.

For more information & Tickets call Cory at 989-808-3094

Emmett Community Blood Drive sponsored by the Emmett Lions will be held at the OLMC Church Hall in Emmett on Thur. April 3rd. From 1 till 7.

You **MUST** call the red cross at 800-733-2767 for an Appointment.

Come and give and receive a \$15 gift card by email.

Thanks

Chuck Belesky

ALMONT LIONS CLUB

Blood Drive: The American Red Cross conducted a blood drive in the Almont Lions' hall on February 10, 2025. 28 units of blood was collected, resulting in a total of 3,350 units collected and a total of 10,050 lives saved since 2005 at the Almont Lions Hall.

Euchre Night: The February Euchre night, held on Friday. The 14 th was a big success with a total of 40 players. They enjoyed the night of Euchre and a very good meal. The next Euchre Night is Friday, March 14. Doors open at 5:30 and play begins at 6:30 PM. Price of admission is \$20.00. You get a complete meal

and the night of Euchre for that price. You are invited to come and join us.

☑ **Easter Candy Hunt:** The annual Almont Lions Easter Candy Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 19 in the Almont Community Park.

DISTRICT 11D2 GLT CHAIR DON SPINKS

You as a Lion may ask, why do I need to be trained in a volunteer role such as Lions? Being trained in your position is the utmost important role to lead your Lion club and beyond. It's the foundation for building a skilled, engaged, and high-performing Lion's club that drives club success. Whether it's sharpening existing skills, teaches new ones, or fostering leadership capabilities, training empowers all Lions to excel in their roles.

I have sent numerous articles and videos on Treasurer, Secretary and president duties and responsibilities. I did have a great response on this, but there are still some Lions in leadership roles that have not returned anything to me. For you, I am asking you to watch these training videos and please give me feedback on how we as Lions can make the videos better. If for some reason you do not have these training videos, let me know and I will be happy to send them your way.

Presently I have had training on the Portal. I have given the course at Almont, Applegate and Port Hron Host Lions. One is schedule for North Branch Lions club. Please try to attend these training if you are having difficulty adding your club service projects or adding, deleting or changing member information, I can help. Remember, I am here for you

MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Marysville Lions Club have a longstanding tradition for Marysville 4th Graders is the "Bike Rodeo". Plans for the 2025 Bike Rodeo are underway between the Marysville Police Dept. and the Marysville Public Schools. Our Lions Club is excited to again support the students with a donation. We enjoyed learning more about the event from T.J. Williams and Dan LeVey.



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

Algonac Lions does it again going above and beyond with their donations. Great job Lions. This was the best Charity Bowl donation of \$11,289.

Lion VP Andy with Downriver Goodfellows Rep. Firefighter Rob Shelton.

ELKTON LIONS CLUB

It was a busy night for the Elkton Lions. District Governor Judy Keller visited our club to discuss some great topics as well as present 3 members with the Lions Chevron Awards. The Chevron Awards are given to Lions members to commemorate their years of service and encourage them to continue to serve their community. Congratulations to the fellow Elkton Lions and thank you for your service. Brandon Herford ~ 15 years Jeff Zarnke ~ 25 years Marty Baket ~ 30 years Pictured: District Governor Judy Keller and Elkton Lions President Devin Irion



March 2025

ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

We have had two new members installed: Lion Paula and Lion Dean - sponsored by Lion Brent with President Lion Dr. Bill Brady.

The Meatloaf IV winner, Erika with VP Lion Andy Goulet celebrate their victory.



LEXINGTON LIONS CLUB

Lexington Lions Tabby Ellul gets kids started with pinwheels and other little surprises while Lion Georgeanne Burdick makes sure that the 100 kids and other guests get some hot chocolate and delicious homemade cookies.

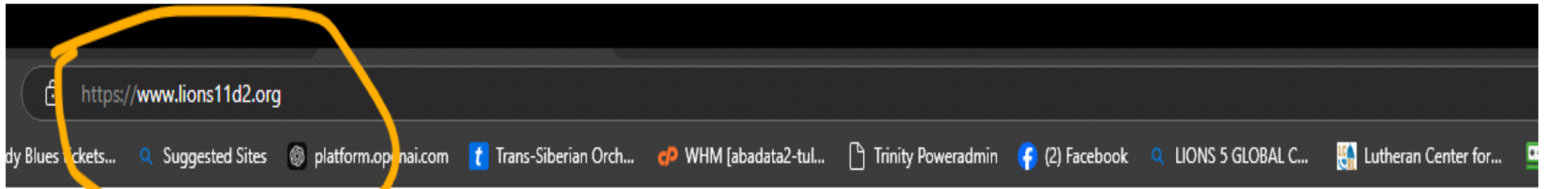
LEXINGTON LIONS CLUB

Lexington Lions give a huge thank you to Ms. Shanks and her Cros-Lex Junior National Honor Society members for their outstanding efforts, again this year, to restock the shelves at Project Blessing. Their food drive is greatly appreciated and proof of the giving spirit of these fine students at Cros-Lex Jr. High.

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.



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



ons District 11D2

Home ▾ 11-D2 Clubs District 11-D2 Convention MI State Projects Committees Newsletters



<https://www.lions11d2.org>

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



Lions of Michigan - Youth Camps & Exchange Program

Lion Elvie Marfil, State Chairperson 2024-2025

818-800-1060 epmarfil5@gmail.com

Do you know a young person who would like to embark on a life-changing adventure?

The YCE program allows youths aged 15 to 21 the opportunity to travel to a foreign country where they will experience another culture up close and personal in a family environment.

********Deadline to apply: March 30, 2025********

Would you be willing to be a host family and open your home to a youth from another country?

Hosting Dates: July 26 – August 16, 2025; Camp Dates: August 3-9, 2025, at D-Bar-A Scouting Ranch

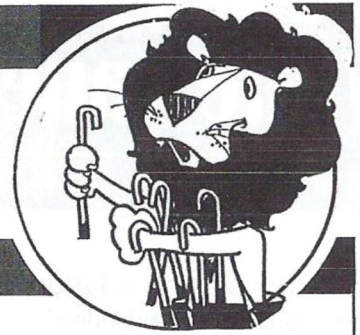
We are actively seeking host families for incoming youth exchange participants.

********Deadline to apply: June 30, 2025********

Join in on the adventure of a lifetime!



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.lionsafmi.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

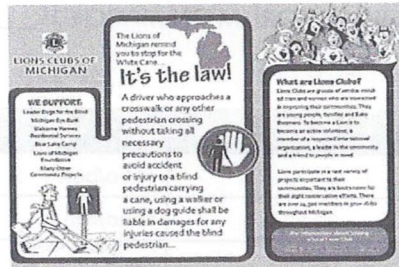
Over-the-shoulder apron made of heavy duck. Durable and good for all your Lions projects.

\$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!

MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

Marlette Middle school is having a reading program in the early part of March. March is National Reading Month. The middle school needed \$400 to give a book to every child, preschool thru 5th grade from the book vending machine that each student can have. So guess who stepped up to the plate? You got it, the Marlette Lions Club made the donation to the Marlette Middle School. In the picture are Principle Luke Reynolds, Reading Coach Jen Boyne and Lion Don Spinks



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 PAGE 26]

MINDEN CITY LIONS CLUB

No.

Name Address City Zip Phone 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. #: Visit our website: www.facebook.com/MindenCityLions/ for more information

No.

DRAWING DATES, NUMBER and PRIZES

Table with 3 columns: Date, Prize Description, and Prize Description. Contains 52 rows of drawing dates and corresponding firearm prizes.

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

PECK LIONS CLUB FISH FRY



MARCH 21, 2025

APRIL 4, 2025

APRIL 18, 2025

\$15.00 12-OLDER

\$10.00 11-UNDER

4-7 PM

COD & WALLEYE

(UPON AVAILABILITY)

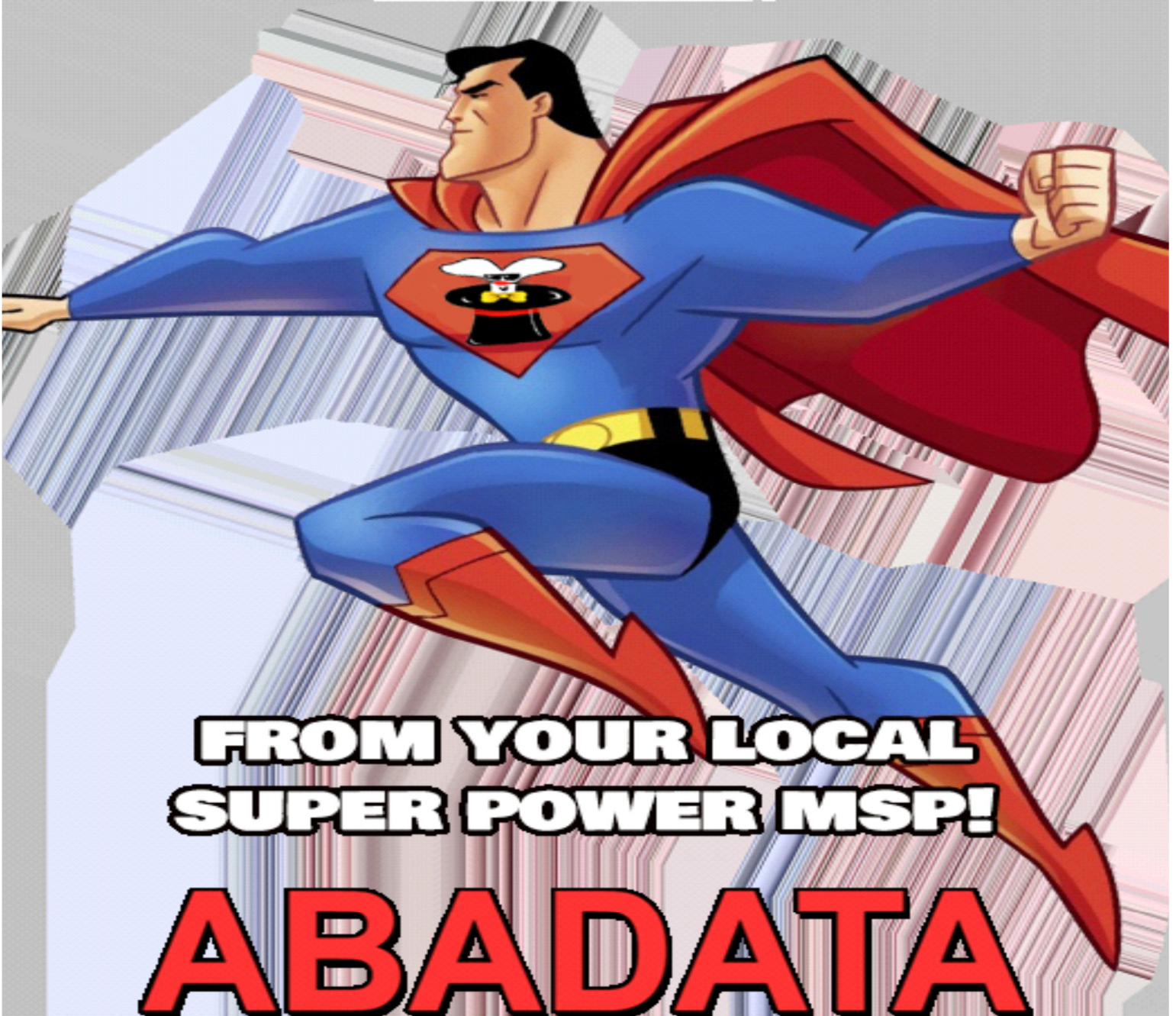
HARVEST HALL - 5335 S SANDUSKY RD PECK, MI 48466

MANAGED SERVICES

AND MORE...

989 883 3411

CALL US!



**FROM YOUR LOCAL
SUPER POWER MSP!**

**ABADATA
COMPUTER CORPORATION**



.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.



Welcoming our Official Track Prep and Maintenance Sponsor for the Berville Lions Powersports Weekend 2025: Cross Building and Excavating - C.B.X. Give CBX a jingle at 810-392-3635 if you are looking for: homesite services, basements, land clearing, driveways, septic fields, ponds, road grading and dust control, ditching & water drainage, mulching & brush hogging, material pickup & delivery and more.



FORD LAW, PLC

Empowering you with solutions



MYLA L. FORD
Attorney at Law

Licensed in Michigan

P.O. Box 488 | 810-537-1565

Brown City, MI 48416 | mylaford.law@gmail.com

- Estate Planning
- Real Estate
- Family Law
- Probate
- Business Law

And much more!



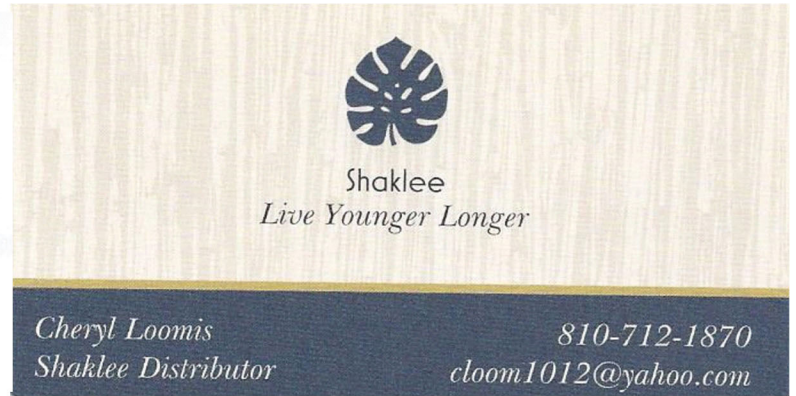
LIONS CLUB
Lions Clubs International

District 11 D-2

DG Jack Kriete, 2018-2019

A NEW CENTURY
PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN
PROUD TO BE A LION

149 Whitcomb St. 989-712-8201
Harbor Beach, MI 48441 johnkriete0805@gmail.com



PDG Wes Wagerster & Kathy Wagerster

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**