

District 11-A2

September 2017

Roaring News

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Who or what is holding your club back in the search for and the retention of members? Too often we Lions overlook prospective members or don't find out why a member left or transferred from another club. We as an organization need to seriously review these problems and collectively look for solutions.

Too often when we get a new member we don't get them active in club projects or ask them what ideas they have or how they feel they can be an asset to the club.

DON'T MISS AN OPPORTUNITY TO EMBRACE NEW IDEAS TO KEEP THE CLUB STRONG AND GROWING.

The Cabinet and I wish to thank the Sterling Heights Lions Club for the use of their Den for the District Picnic. A good time was had by all in attendance and the new district officers were sworn in by Past International Director Bill Hansen. My personal thanks and those of the cabinet go out to him.

The new Roster books were distributed to Zone and Region Chairs as well as to other cabinet members. We hope everyone will be happy with the larger fonts and with the layout. Extra books will be available for \$8.00 each while supply lasts. Books will be given to clubs for the President, Secretary, Membership Chair and (new this year) to Club Treasurers.

During the Installation Picnic we also had the honor of a visit from Lion Yash Sharma from India. He is currently the GLT District Coordinator for District 323-G1 in addition to being an active member of his home club, Lions Club Indore North. I had the pleasure of meeting him at the Lions International Convention in Chicago.



As we enter the busy time of year and the start of club meetings, I will be contacting clubs in Region 1 to schedule visits. 1st VDG Jack Patton will be scheduling the same for Region 3 and 2nd VDG Scott Berry for Region 2.

District Governors, Region Chairs and Zone Chairs will be passing on information as it is received from International regarding the new and exciting programs being put into place. With the current Lions International President and incoming 1st and 2nd International Presidents retaining the same motto, "We Serve", programs begun during my term as Governor will be continued by Lions Jack and Scott.

DG John



DG John Bingham, Jr. welcomed Lion Yash Sharma to the Installation Picnic held on August 13 at the Sterling Heights Lion's Den. Yash brought well wishes to Lions in the US from his club in India and spoke about club activities there.

1VDG Jack Patton

Ready. . . set. . . GO!

What a busy month August has been; special meetings for our District, my first official Governors training and my first Council of Governors meeting. During the same weekend that I had training I attended the Michigan Lions Hall of Fame Banquet. Congratulations to our own District nominee, Lion Bill Klingensmith from the Sterling Heights Club, as well as to Lion/Lioness Ann for staying by Lion Bill's side through all of the sharing years. Truly something to be proud of! This is all good stuff.

With the District installation of officers' picnic behind us, we can officially start our 2017-2018 Lionistic year. Thanks to PID Lion Bill Hanson for the great job of inducting all of this year's cabinet.

You will see some changes being made in the District with regard to the formats of our Cabinet and Region meetings. I am sure Governor John will be informing you all!

On Saturday, August the 19th Club Officer training was provided by GLT Lion Kim. The District puts this on to help you and your Club, so take advantage of it when it is offered, please? A lot of time and effort is put into doing this, and it's all to benefit you and your Club. I am sure Lion Leo, our District GMT, will be having a meeting with his committee to lay out the game plan for our District.

This leads me into the "THE POWER OF WE". This is one of the three items our new 101st International President, Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, is using in the next three- year theme.

I like this WE! (No, I don't have a mouse in my pocket.) WE make this District as good as we think it is. Honestly, I used to wonder what exactly the District does for Clubs. NOW I understand. There is a lot of time and effort put forth by members of District committees, and the sole purpose is to help the District Clubs prosper.

It's frustrating when I look at all the hard work our District leaders and committees put forth trying to keep us in front of the pack and to maintain our membership count. WE all need to help in this effort.

Again, as your past GMT, it is frustrating that we have Clubs complaining about membership when they don't do anything about it. Please use the tools WE give you! Is your Club using social media? This is how new members will be recruited. Is your Club phone number, e-mail, and/or website up to date and monitored by a member? Having inquiries regarding membership go without a response is unacceptable. WE need to make Lionism grow, because it's not going to happen on its own!

Please know that if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me! I am here to serve Lionism for our District. I hope that you enjoyed your Summer and I will see you at the upcoming meetings!!

Peace!!

1st VDG Lion Jack Patton and FLIT Charlotte

2VDC Scott

Hello fellow Lions, Lionesses, and Leos.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who put on the installation of the 11-A2 District officers at the Sterling Heights Lions clubhouse. The camaraderie among both the Lions and Lioness was truly special.

For the past month, there have been a small number of people telling me how excited they are for convention coming up in Grand Rapids. They must think that I have something already planned! I do have an idea or two and I hope you'll enjoy them.

Here is some sad news. The past month at the funeral home we have had two young adults who died from drug overdoses. Both adults were in their 20's and 30's and who left behind children. According to the Macomb County Medical Examiner's Office, Macomb



County has a big problem with heroin and every so often there is a more pure heroin that arrives in the area that causes a spike in deaths. If you think you or a family member may have an alcohol or drug abuse problem, contact Macomb County Community Mental Health Access Center which is open Monday-Friday 8 am to 7:45 pm at [\(586\) 948-0222](tel:5869480222). In an emergency or non-business hours please call the Crisis Center at [\(586\) 307-9100](tel:5863079100) V/TTY. For Oakland County please call the Resource & Crisis Hotline 24 hours a day at [\(800\) 231-1127](tel:8002311127).

And now for some great news. Congratulations to Lion Al Kassin for 50 years of service in Lions Clubs International. The celebration at Bear Lake Camp was awesome. Hearing all the testimonials and the stories of how Bear Lake Camp was started was terrific. The camp as it is today, exemplifies the dedication and hard work of Lion Al Kassin and all those that help today and in the past.

And now for some humor.....



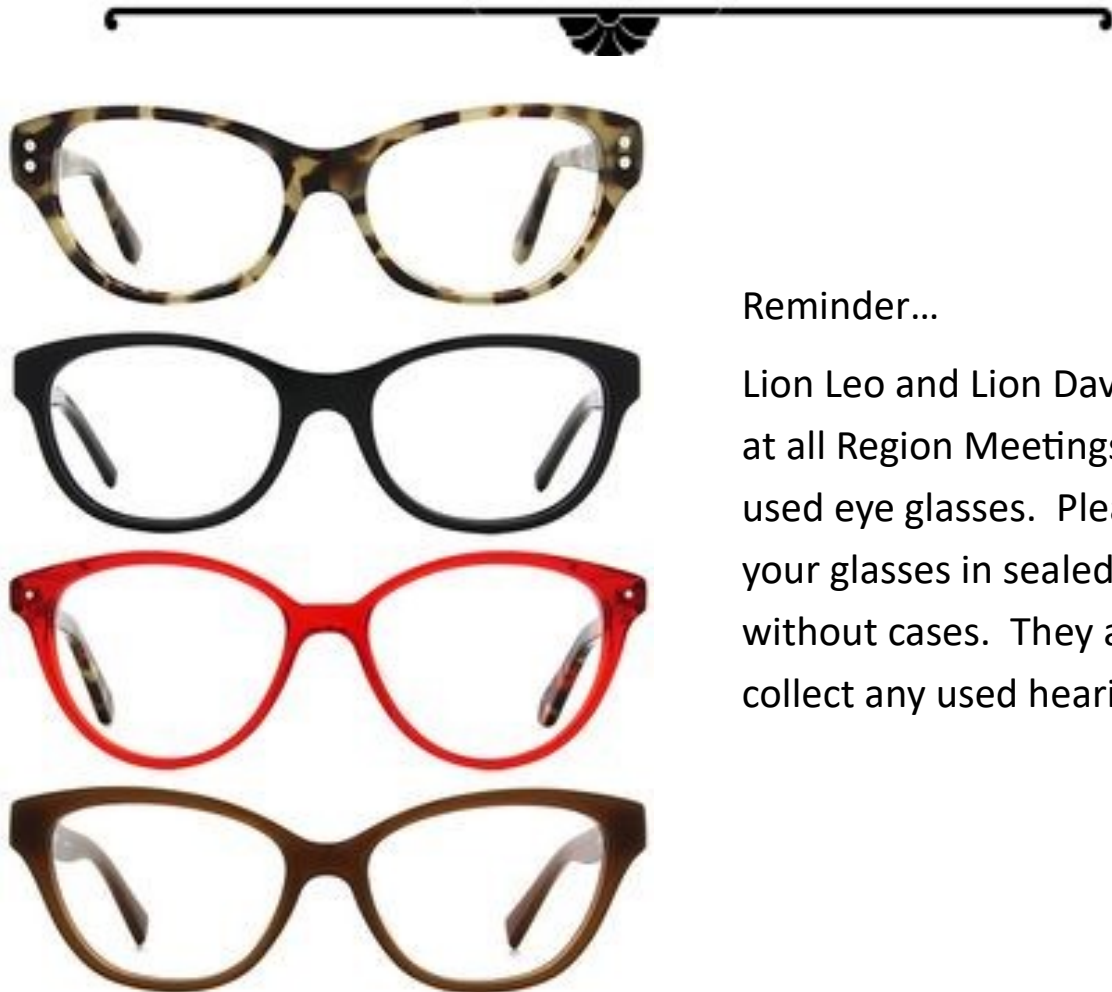
Well, summer is over I think and fall is here. Football is starting and that is a good sign of fall.

The registrations have been mailed out for the Lioness Conference in November. This year it will be in Bay City on November 3&4. If by some chance you did not get a registration we will have some at the joint Lioness meeting.

The joint Lioness meeting will be September 25 at 7 p.m. at Leader Dog. We will be discussing our fall project. I hope to see some of you there.

The Armada Lioness are having their 2nd Annual Ladies Plaid Shirt Night on Wednesday, November 15th (the opening night of deer season). Doors open at 6 with dinner at 7. The cost is \$15.00 and there will be a cash bar. For more information please call Bonnie Rojeski at 586-212-7495

Lioness Fran Black



Reminder...

Lion Leo and Lion Dave will be at all Region Meetings to collect used eye glasses. Please bring your glasses in sealed boxes and without cases. They also will collect any used hearing aids.

Many thanks to
Lion Larry Cole,
Membership
Statistician, for
providing this
information..



I WANT YOU

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Laurence Carson, sponsored by Ken Krueger.

Lion Al “Big Al” Kassin Celebrating 50 Years of Service

The District Gathered at The Bear Lake Camp
on August 20th to Honor a True Lion



Many people spoke in honor of Big Al and many laughs were shared reminiscing on his 50 years of Lionism



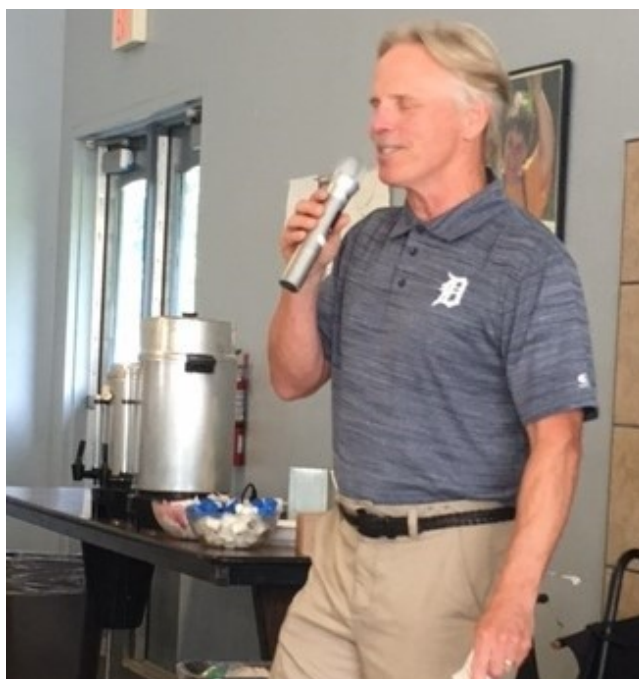
Lions Camp Director Dennis Tompkins



PDG Jack Becher



1VDG Jack Patton



Phil Krause, Bear Lake Camp Board Member

Big Al Was Also Recently Honored and Recognized for His Years of Service by the Orion Township Board

Big Al was Named Citizen of the Month and Presented with an Award by Township Supervisor Chris Barnett



Big Al shared his experiences establishing the Bear Lake Camp for the Visually Impaired

If you have not yet visited the Bear Lake Camp, make sure that you do see first-hand the culmination of a vision born in the spirit of Lionism!



Truly an Inspiration!!

WE
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"Looking Toward Our Future"
District 11-A2 Region I Meeting
September 13, 2017
Hosted by ZC Mary Spadafore
and the Lake Orion Lions Club

Location:
Kings Court Restaurant
2359 Joslyn Court
Lake Orion Michigan 48360

Social - 6:00 PM - Dinner 6:45 PM
(Cash Bar)

Meal Cost \$15.00

Please RSVP by September 5, 2017
Jim Pettinato
3400 Ashley Dr.
Lake Orion, Mi. 48359

Checks Payable to: Lake Orion Lions Club

Name(s): _____
Club: _____
Number @ \$15.00 _____
Total Due _____

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal
Sorry No Phone Reservations

WE
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"Looking Toward Our Future"
District 11-A2 Region 3 Meeting
September 14, 2017
Hosted by ZC Tracy Antrikin
and the Selfridge North Macomb Lions Club

Location:
Fraser Lions Club
34540 Utica Rd
Fraser, Michigan 48026

Social – 6:00 PM – Dinner 6:45 PM
(Cash Bar)

Meal Cost \$15.00

Please RSVP by September 9, 2017 to
Selfridge North Macomb Lions
Lion Ruth Ann Hoard
P.O. Box 72
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Checks Payable to: Selfridge North Macomb Lions Club

Name(s): _____
Club: _____
Number @ \$15.00 _____
Total Due _____

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal
Sorry No Phone Reservations

ATTENTION ALL LIONS CLUBS

ABOUT JDRF ONE WALK™

The JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes has become JDRF One Walk.* We've changed the name of our flagship fundraising event to communicate our focus on a single goal: creating a world without type 1 diabetes (T1D) and a new location for this year's walk.

DATE AND TIME

9/17/2017

Registration: 8:30 AM

Starts: 9:30 AM

Length of walk: 1.0 Miles

LOCATION

Milliken State Park and Harbor along the [Detroit RiverWalk](#)
[1900 Atwater Street](#)
[Detroit, MI 48207](#)

CONTACT

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WE WILL TURN TYPE ONE INTO TYPE NONE

Please Join our Team

Visit JDRF WEBSITE walk.jdrf.org

LIONS CLUBS 11 A-2

- **EVENT: Detroit 2017**
- **COMPANY: Lions Clubs District 11-A2**

Welcome to our JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes team page!

We're taking steps to help JDRF progressively remove the impact of type 1 diabetes (T1D) from people's lives until no one has to fear developing this disease. By joining our Walk to Cure Diabetes team and making a donation to JDRF, you'll raise money to help fund critical T1D research and create a world without T1D.

Type 1 diabetes is a life-threatening autoimmune disease in which a person's pancreas stops producing insulin. It strikes both children and adults suddenly and changes life as they know it forever. It cannot be prevented and there is no cure.

JDRF is the only global organization with a strategic research plan to fight T1D. Every dollar JDRF is able to direct toward research comes from donors like you.

The challenge we've set ourselves - to raise money for JDRF and to walk - is modest compared to the daily challenges of life with T1D, which involves a 24/7, unrelenting cycle of blood sugar testing and insulin injections to manage the disease.

Will you accept the challenge to make a difference by walking with us? Just click on the "Join this Team" button, make a donation, and start fundraising.

Thank you for your support, and we'll see you on Walk day!



District 11-A2
Region II Meeting

Hosted by ZC Eric Erickson and the Roseville Lions Club

September 20, 2017
Eastpointe Manor
24611 Gratiot
Eastpointe, MI

Social 6:00pm – Dinner 6:45pm

\$15.00 per person
Cash Bar

RSVP by September 14, 2017
Lion Cathy Farmer Treasurer
24418 Berry
Warren, MI 48089

Make checks payable to: Roseville Lions Club

Name(s) _____

Club: _____

Number @ \$15.00 _____

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVACNE TO SECURE A MEAL – NO
GUARANTEE IF YOU DON'T REGISTER
SORRY NO PHONE RESERVATIONS

YES! I plan to attend the 2017 USA/Canada Forum

Midwest Breakfast hosted by MD-5M!

Friday, September 22, 2017 at 7:00 AM

Double Tree by Hilton-Portland OR ~ Multnomah Room

Please provide the following information (one form for each person please) so that we may contact you in the event of any changes.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone where you may be reached: _____

Email: _____

District/Multiple District: _____

Checks (\$34 per person) should be payable to *Your Multiple*.

Please keep a copy of this form for your records, we will not send receipts, but will confirm your reservation via email upon receipt of payment.

Forms and checks should be sent to:

Your Multiple District Office

Your Address

Your Address

Due Date for Reservations: Saturday-September 09, 2017

Questions? Email: *Your Email.com*

Cost: \$35.00 Per Person

6:30 Social Hour (cash bar)

7:30 Dinner

To Order Tickets:
(734) 946-7500
or email:
mail@penrickton.com

*Seating is limited to the
first 550 people!
(Tables of 10)*

Penrickton Center for Blind Children
26530 Eureka Road
Taylor, MI 48180

Phone: 734-946-7500
Fax: 734-946-6707
E-mail: mail@penrickton.com



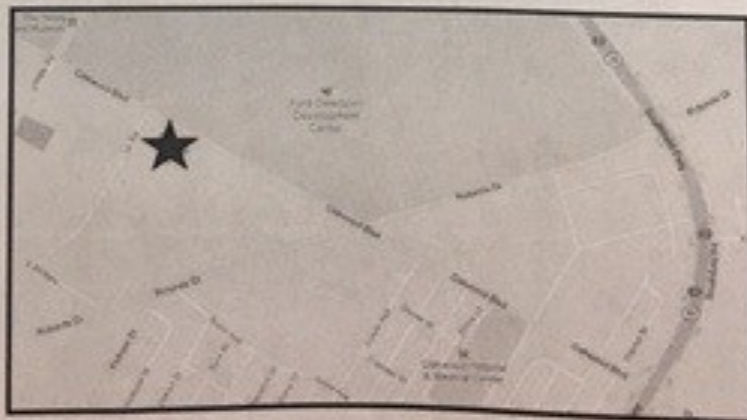
Penrickton Center for Blind Children is a private, non-profit five day residential and day care agency serving blind, multi-disabled children ages one through twelve.

Annual Kick-Off Dinner

Friday, October 20, 2017

The Annual Kick-Off Dinner is a gathering of friends and supporters of Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Program features an annual update on the work of Penrickton Center, a musical/visual presentation, a personal story told by one of our parents and the "Parade Of Checks" at the end of the evening. There will also be guest entertainment, silent auction, raffles, and door prizes.

The Dearborn Inn (A Marriott Hotel)
20301 Oakwood Boulevard
Dearborn, MI 48124





3rd ANNUAL PROJECT KIDSIGHT KICKOFF

Fraser Lions Club
34540 Utica Rd.
Fraser, MI 48026
September 28, 2016
Doors Open at 6:00pm

\$25.00 per person until Sept. 23, 2017
\$30.00 per person after Sept. 23, 2016

RSVP

Make checks payable to:
"District 11-A2 Project Kidsight"

Send to:
Kimberly Thiede
31335 Summer Lane West
Fraser, MI 48026

Club _____

Names _____
