District 11-A2 Roaring News

November 2015







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Greetings, Fellow Lions!

November brings us Thanksgiving, a time to reflect upon those things in our lives that we are thankful for. We gather together with our families to celebrate the holiday, feasting upon delicious food until we have to loosen our belts a notch or two. This Thanksgiving I will be pausing to reflect upon not only what I am thankful for, but also upon what I can do to give those less fortunate than myself something to be thankful for.

I recently had a sobering experience. I discovered that someone close to me was struggling on such a level that they literally had no food in their house and had not eaten for several days. This person was holding out until their Social Security check arrived and they lived like this without anyone around them having a single clue. I ask each of you to look around at the people in your life and in your community, take the time to see if they are struggling and whether there is anything that you can do to help them out. Everyone should have something to be thankful for, shouldn't they?

Remember, submissions for the newsletter should be sent to jboomer1965@gmail.com no later than the 20th of the month preceding the publication of the next edition.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Jim Boomer

District Governor Jim Leach, Jr

Together We Can, Together We Will!

Already into November! Where does the time go? In October, we had our second cabinet meeting, good turnout and very good reports. Our projects are doing well. We had IPDG Tom's Appreciation Dinner. That was a great night as we honored a great Governor. Also in October was the Penrickton Kickoff Dinner. It was sold out or very close to sold out. I believe the total given in donations that night was over \$185,000! That is fantastic.

The second round of Region meetings are in November. For this round, there won't be club reports, instead we will have a program from Dennis Tomkins, the Camp Director for Bear Lake. I encourage all clubs to be in attendance as this will be very informative and I am pretty sure we will all learn something new about the camp. The first one is Region 1 on Thursday, November 5th hosted by Zone Chair Wendy Kuechle and the Wixom-Walled Lake Lions. Next is Region 2 on Tuesday, November 17th hosted by Zone Chair Cathy Wiegand and the Centerline Lions and we finish up with Region 3 on Thursday, November 19th hosted by Zone Chair John Begin and the Mount Clemens Lions. For more information, please see the flyers later in the newsletter.

There are other events going on in November and many of them will be in the newsletter. One thing that I would like to remind you about is Wednesday, November 11th which is Veteran's Day. Probably one of the most important dates/day to remember and honor. If it were not for all of the hard work and dedication that our Veterans did, we would not live in the country we do and have the freedoms that we have. If you get a chance, thank a Veteran for their service, it's the least we can do for the job they did. Please include all current service men and women in that thank you as they continue the job of protecting us.

One more day in November that has some interesting history tied to it is Tuesday, November 10th. On this date, 40 years ago(1975), the Edmund Fitzgerald sank off the coast of Whitefish Bay. It was the largest ship on the Great Lakes. So, remember all 29 crewmen who lost their lives that day as you hum Gordon Lightfoot's song and think about "Lake Gitche Gumee."

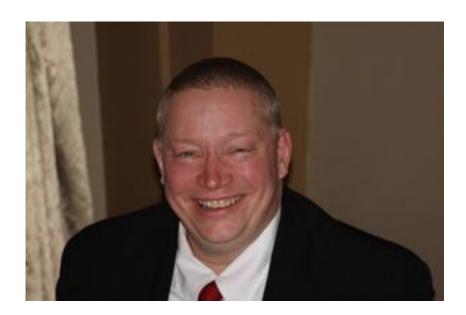
I have a few club visits scheduled, I sure would like to get a lot more. I am not going to impose myself on your club. If you want me to come out for a visit, let's talk and work something out. I know a lot of clubs just want to do their own thing and be left alone without all of the District people coming around. Okay, good with me, no problem. But, if you do want me to come for a visit, that would be great.

Coins for Camp update: Project is going great! Many of you have generously donated to First Lady Kim's special project, and the big jar is getting filled quickly. To date, there is close to \$300 in there! Thank you all very much for your generosity! The jar will be at all of the District meetings and ready for your change.

Thank you for all you do and all you serve.

Talk to you next month.

Governor Jim



First Vice-District Governor Patti Barr

"RAISING THE BARR!!!"

What an October! I visited the Selfridge-North Macomb Lions. Congratulations President Tracy, what a well run meeting! The Tail Twister was very creative, first taking donations so you can take part in a questionnaire and a prize for the winner. He made me want to be a Tail Twister! I visited Centerline Lions last month. I believe they are the only club in the District that sings at their meeting. Unfortunately their song leader David passed away but his son is joining the club and taking over the singing.

Eversight Michigan held a Night for Sight at a local brewery in Ypsilanti. This was attended by donor families and board members. My hubby, PDG Doc is serving on the board. Doc had his hand in painting a picture of an eye that was later auctioned (see photo below).

I spent a day in Big Rapids at District Governor training, then the evening at IPDG Tom Hill's Appreciation. Gov Tom gave everyone on his cabinet a thank you gift – a wooden step to make us all taller that read: Thanks for Stepping Up. Very creative..... but why would Gov Tom want us taller than him? Oh wait, most of us are. We had a great Cabinet Meeting in Region 2. Thank you to all who attended. Penrickton Kick-Off was held in October with around 500 attendees. The Silent Auction was, as always, fabulous, not to mention the speaker talking about how Penrickton has helped her daughter. Ask PDG Rich how much his homemade cookies went for in the auction. Then all the activities are clubs put on this past month!

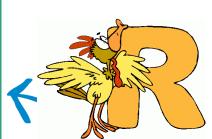
At my club visits I've been mentioning that Lions membership has benefits. Did you know that we get car rental discounts? Hotel discounts? Golf discounts? And more. Check it out on www.lionsclubs.org.

We have a busy November coming up with Region Meetings, Lioness Conference and the Lions Leadership Institute at Higgins Lake, not to mention club activities. I hope you can attend something.

I would like to wish a Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family









Lynn M. Voisich District 11A-2 Lioness Liaison

Hello Lioness of District 11-A2!!

Happy Fall!!!

I can't believe October is just about over.....that means we will all be full steam ahead into Holiday mode!!! I know many clubs are very busy this time of year with holiday baskets, cookie trays, lighted parades and much, much more!

The next round of region meetings is right around the corner too. They are as follows:

Region I Thursday November 5, 2015 Region II Tuesday November 17, 2015 Region III Thursday November 19, 2015

The first full weekend in Novermber – Nov 6-7, will find many of us in Mount Pleasant at the Lioness State Conference. Can't wait to see you there!

Please make sure you get your reservations in for the Leader Dog Kick Off Dinner, which is on Thursday December 3.

Also....please keep us all in the loop with what you have going on in your own clubs. We can't help each other out if we don't know what is going on!! I have a couple clubs on my calendar for November, so for the rest of you, let me know when you would like me to visit! I can't wait to see all of you at the upcoming Region Meetings.

Lioness Lynn M. Voisich 586-784-4287



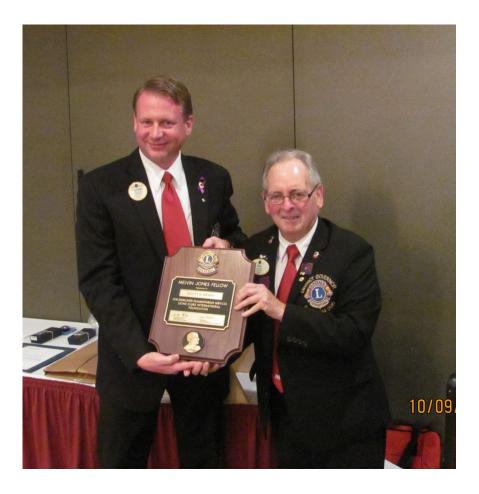
Happenings Around District 11-A2...

A great time was had by all at Past District Governor Tom Hill's Appreciation Dinner held on October 9th in Sterling Heights. At the dinner, Tom presented PCT Dick Maxwell with a Progressive Melvin Jones Award.





IPDG Hill also presented PCS Kim Thiede with a Progressive Melvin Jones Award



IPDG Tom "Too-Tall" Hill happily presented Region Chair Scott Berry with a Melvin Jones Award. And yes, we did hear a very loud yell come out of Scott!!

Not only did IPDG Hill give out several awards, but he also received the Lion's Presidential Leadership Pin. District Governor Jim Leach, Jr. And 1st VDG Patti Barr recognized him for promoting women in Lionism by getting over 25 of them to join Lions International. Hill was also presented with the Lions International Presidential Certificate of Appreciation.





The Lathrup Village Lions Club gave out four (4) Doc Barr Awards to their member from the Eversight Michigan. This was a special meeting of the Club and the awards were given out. The awards were given by PCST Jerry Stone on behalf of Eversight Michigan. The four that were given the awards were PP Thom Bainbridge, PRC Dr. John Kamar, PCT Dick Maxwell, and PRC Roger Blackwell. Also pictured is Jerry Stone.



The Lake Orion Lioness Club held a very successful fundraiser recently, the First Annual Doggie Bowl at Classic Lanes in Rochester Hills. Funds raised are to be used for both the Leader Dog Kennel Expansion Project and for local charities. Several teams competed and there were several great prize packages raffled off. Pictured here are Lion/Lioness Lauraine Pettinato and her grand-daughter, Rowan along with the Lake Orion Lion.

The Lathrup Village Lions Club gave the high honor of presenting a Melvin Jones Award to one of their Past Presidents. Seen here is Past Lathrup Village Lions Club President Peggy Wanat as she is being given her new Melvin Jones Award from President Nancy Maxwell.







The Macomb Lions and Lioness stepped up to help one of their own recently when Past District 11-A2 Lioness Liaison and Macomb Lioness Joyce Kraatz became ill and needed to have a ramp built on her home.

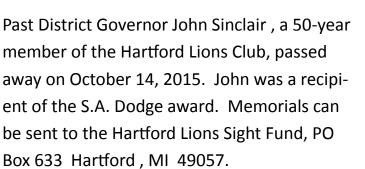
In the top picture you can see the ramp being built to allow Joyce to come and go from her home with ease.

The bottom picture shows Lions Dick Collier, Bob Clore, Gerald Kraatz, Gary Stark, Gary Kukuk and Jerry Neely along with Lioness Joyce and the finished product.

Funds for the construction of the ramp came from both the Macomb Lions and Lioness Clubs.



Al Magnus of the Pontiac Lions Club has been a Lion for 55 Years. Seen in this photo are Lion Al Magnus as he is being given his 55 Year Pin by District 11-





Past District Governor Jackie McNutt passed away on October 25, 2015 in Little River, South Carolina. Jackie served as PDG in 1999-2000. Memorials can be directed to the North Myrtle Beach Lions Club, PO Box 3150 North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

Marv Featherstone, a Charter Member of the Ortonville Lions Club, passed away on November 4, 2015. A service will be held November 9 at 7 p.m. at the Coats Funeral Home.

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The Selfridge North Macomb Lions Club welcomes Diane Hinz, sponsored by Marion Milner.

The Selfridge North Macomb Lions Club welcomes Maryann Vancour, sponsored by Tammi Graber.

The Madison Heights Lions Club welcomes Kenneth Carrier, sponsored by Edward Jacobs.

The Hazel Park Lions Club welcomes Martha Kehoe and Mary Ann Masiwchuk, sponsored by Kathleen Connolly.

The Romeo Lions Club welcomes Daniel Patrona and Rich Boggio,, sponsored by Todd Trbovich.

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Maria Wolff, sponsored by Richard Wolff.

The Ferndale Lions Club welcomes Matthew Nutt and Brandon Sams, sponsored by Darren Bolsby.

The Ortonville Lions Club welcomes Mark Featherston, sponsored by Gerald Edwards.

The Roseville Lions Club welcomes Ronald Hildebrand, sponsored by Allison Bartlett.

The St. Clair Shores Lions club welcomes Michael Otto and Philip Walby, Jr, sponsored by Dennis Oster

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Ralph Haller, sponsored by George Zikakis.

BINGO is back at Rosemack and Tuesdays are Clinton Valley Lion's Day!!!!



Selling begins at 5:30 pm, with BINGO beginning at 6:30 pm.

\$2500 up for grabs every Tuesday!

Join the Clinton Valley Lions for FUN and Friendship!

Spread the word to all BINGO players!

Rosemack Hall is newly re-modeled and is bright and beautiful!

There is a large snack bar and prices are reasonable.

The hall is located at 20791 E Thirteen Mile in Roseville, just East of Little Mack.



Past District Governors Assoc. of Michigan

Copies of the 2015-16 Lions of Michigan Who's Who are now available for all PDG's. To obtain your copy please send a \$10 check (made out to PDG Assoc. of Michigan) to:

Bob Jenkins, PCC/President PDGAM

14282 Venice Drive

Sterling Heights, MI 48313-4341

Questions? Call 586-532-7385

Your copy will be mailed upon receipt of your check.

"Together We Can, Together We Will"



District 11-A2 Region Meeting

Tuesday, November 17, 2015

Hosted by ZC Cathy Wiegand

& the Center Line Lions Club

Location:

VFW Menge Post 6756

25500 Sherwood

Warren, MI 48091

Social Hour- 6:00 pm Dinner - 6:45 pm Meeting - 7:30 pm

Meal cost is \$12.00

R.S.V.P. by November 9, 2015

Send Reservation to: ZC Cathy Wiegand

27612 Lorraine Avenue

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<u>cathywiegand@aol.com</u> / 586-899-3826

Make Checks Payable to Center Line Lions Club

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Number at \$12 = \$	Total Due: \$	
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All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal. No Phone Reservations





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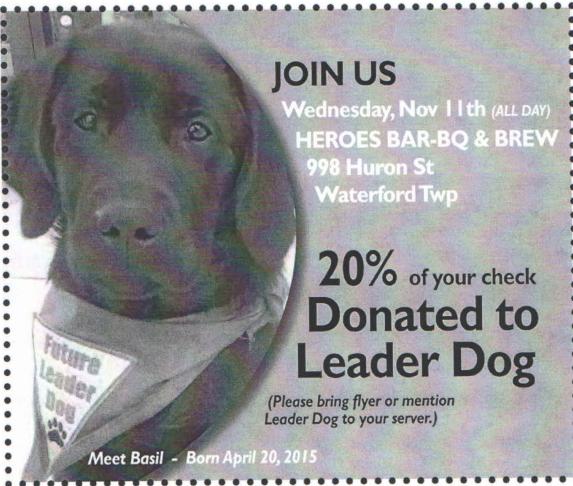
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CHARITY FUND RAISER

Friday, November 13, 2015
Sterling Heights Lions Club House

12828 Canal Road,

Sterling Heights, Mi. 48313 (1/4 mile south of Hall Rd., west of Schoenherr)

Doors Open 6:00 - Play begins at 7:00 p.m.

\$15 Per person – includes pizza, salad, pop and

1 drink ticket at the Cash Bar

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CASH PRIZES

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Macomb Township Lioness Club



Is Sponsoring a

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Sunday, November 22, 2015
Registration: 1:30 PM
Play Begins at 2:00 PM
Location: Macomb Township Lions Club Hall
52175 North Ave. Macomb, MI
Between 23 and 24 Mile RD
\$12.00 Donation
There will be cash prizes

1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
50/50 Raffle

Snacks, Dessert, coffee and pop will be provided. All proceeds going to various Lioness charities

> For Reservations Contact: Joyce Kraatz 586-781-3668 Fran Black 586-792-0329





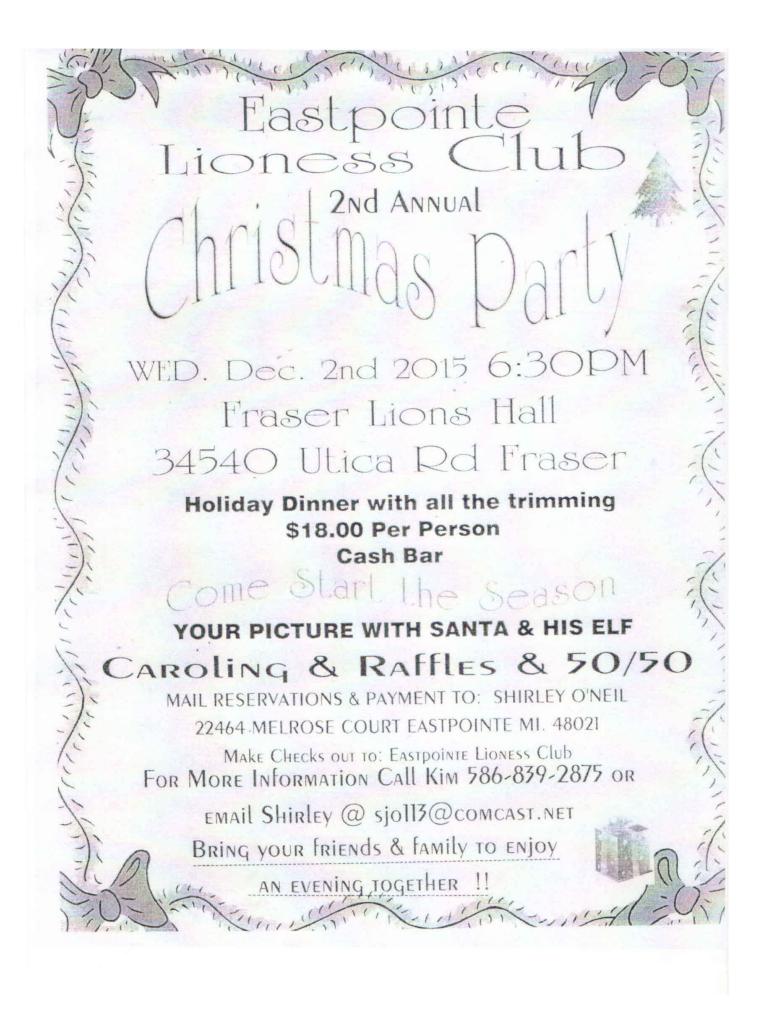














Thursday, December 3, 2015

at the **Palazzo Grande** located at: 54660 Van Dyke Avenue • Shelby Twp, MI 48315

Come celebrate Leader Dogs for the Blind and Lions clubs of 11-A-2, 11-A-1 and A-1

Bring a donation that is at least 10% more than the donation your club contributed to the 2014 kick-off parade of checks last year and earn a special kick-off patch for your club banner.

KICK-WFF 10% AWARD 2015

EVENT ACTIVITIES

6 p.m. Cash Bar and Gift Shop Booth opens

7 p.m. Dinner

8 p.m. Parade of Checks and Program

Tickets \$25 or buy a table of 8 for \$175

SEATING IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 300 PEOPLE!





PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 20, 2015

888/777.5332 ext. 2074

Please fill out and return with check made payable to: Leader Dogs for the Blind

Mail to: 1039 S. Rochester Road • Rochester Hills, Michigan 48307

Club Name: ______ Number Attending: _____ X \$25 = _____

OR Tables of 8: _____ X \$175 = _____

Names of Attendees (please print): ______

Please use other side for additional names of attendees

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

* Please note any special dietary requirements (i.e. gluten free, vegetarian, etc.) on other side

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