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Greetings, Fellow Lions!

Well, here we are in a brand New Year!! 2015 brought our District many great successes and 2016 is on track to be even better for Lionism. Make sure that you and your club stay busy; not only with your established projects, but with new projects, as well!

I would like to ask once again for a representative from each club to email me a monthly report of what activities you have been engaged in. I want to share your successes with everyone and provide other clubs in the District with ideas for activities that may work in their communities.

Lastly, I have run into numerous problems with Google and Gmail as they have set up filters to prevent spamming. These filters identify our newsletter as spam and shut me down before I can email a copy to everyone. I have created an account with ATT.net and hope to be problem-free this month.. We shall see!!

Remember, submissions for the newsletter should be sent to **jboomer1965@att.net** 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!

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and was able to rest up a little during the holiday season. We are now half way through this year and there is a lot of work that we can still do to make sure we end the year just as great as we started.



Before I go any further in my article this month, I need to stop and thank everyone who called, emailed, sent a card, stopped

by the funeral home or just thought about my dad this past month. I am so lucky to be surrounded by so many caring people as yourselves who supported me and my family during this time. I need to thank all of you again for understanding my decision to cancel the District Christmas party and also having to cancel a few club visits, I promise, if you still want me to come out, I would be more than happy to. Just one more thing about my dad and the district committees that he was on or chaired. Unless it becomes absolutely necessary, those committee positions upon which he served as a member only will not be filled with a new Lion until next year. Any Committee Chairman spots he held will be filled very soon. If you are interested in any of those, please let me know. I have had a notice sent out in regards to the Lions Pride District Editor position.

Okay, on to January. We will have our third Cabinet meeting on Thursday, January 21st. It will be held at Pasquale's Restaurant that is on Woodward, just north of 13 mile and it is hosted by Region Chairman Don Kuechle and the Wixom/Walled Lake Lions Club. The flyer for this meeting has been emailed out and is in this newsletter. In January, we also celebrate Melvin Jones' Birthday on the 12th. I have a few club visits set up for the month but I can always schedule more if you would like me to come out and see you.

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. It looks like we are closing in on \$600 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.

In closing, I would like to thank you all again for all of your support this past month and for your help in this time of transition.

Thank you for all you do and all you serve.

Talk to you next month.

Governor Jim



Lion Lorraine Truba of the Hazel Park Lions Club passed away on December 13, 2015. Memorial contributions can be made to the Richard and Lorraine Truba Memorial Recreational Account, c/o City of Hazel Park, 111 E. 9 Mile Road, Hazel Park, MI 48030.

Lion Douglas Thorpe of the Rochester Hills Lions Club passed away on December 8, 2015. Memorials may be directed to the Lion's Bear Lake Camp and Leader Dog for the Blind.

PDG Lions Ed Pick, formerly of the Fraser Lions Club and currently with the Rockledge, FL Lions Club, passed away on December 22, 2015. Ed was the PDG of Florida District 35-D.

First Vice-District Governor Patti Barr

"RAISING THE BARR!!!"

Happy New Year! Doc and I just returned from a week in Florida where we enjoyed 80 degree weather. I hope everyone had a great holiday and you're ready to get back in the groove. In December I had the pleasure of joining the Clawson Lions Club at their Annual Christmas Party and watch the members and guests battle it out to win the live auction items. I also enjoyed the Christmas Party the Pontiac Lions host for the local Special Needs students, including a visit from Santa and gifts for all the children. I attended the Penrickton Center Christmas Event held for their students and a visit from Santa included.

Sadly I attended the Lions Memorial for PDG Jim Leach Sr. A very special man to many, to his family, community and Lionism. My heart goes out to Lion Karol, DG Jim, First Lady Kim, Genevieve and Jacob. Jim leaves a large hole in our hearts and the district.

Lions International declares January 10-16, the Worldwide Week of Service to Fight Hunger and Poverty

Here's how your club can take part in this special event:

Plan your project - Host a service project that impacts hunger and poverty in your community during the week of January 10-16. Download the <u>Planning Guide</u> for project ideas and planning tips on Lions International website <u>www.lionsclubs.org</u>.

Promote your project - Invite your community to serve with you to showcase your club and the power of service.

Report your project - Report your service on the MyLCI Service Activity Report to earn a Centennial Banner Patch and to get your club's name on the Centennial Ticker. Be sure to include the project date.

We celebrate the birthday of our founder, Melvin Jones on January 13. We have a Cabinet Meeting scheduled for January 21







Hello Lioness of District 11-A2!!

Happy New Year!!!

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends!! The little break to take time for ourselves and our loved ones helps all of us to recharge and refresh! So with that being said.... Back to Work, Right?

The next round of Region meetings are as follows:

Region I Wednesday, February 17, 2016 Wixom/Walled Lake

Region III Thursday, February 18, 2016 Eastpointe

Region II Monday, February 22, 2016 Clawson

The New Year that is upon us will bring many new events and fundraisers that all of us have on our calendars. SO.... please keep us all in the loop with what you have going on in your own clubs. We can't help each other out of we don't know what is going on! There are still some clubs out there that I would like to visit, so let me know when would be a good time! I can't wait to see all of you again at the upcoming Region meetings.

Sincerely,

Lioness Lynn M. Voisich

lvoisich@yahoo.com





New members are the life-blood of our organization. Take time to welcome them and include them in your activities!

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

The Pontiac Lions Club welcomes Lester Hutchins, sponsored by Sandra Roach.

The Richmond Lions Club welcomes Trent Peshek, sponsored by James Rewalt.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Subra Sunderaswaran, sponsored by James Leach, Jr.

The Lake Orion Lions Club welcomes Robert Charlton, sponsored by James Boomer.

The Beverly Hills Lions Club welcomes Susan Melendy, sponsored by Mark Melendy.

Many thanks to Lion Larry Cole for providing new member information each month!

"Together We Can, Together We Will"



District 11-A2 Cabinet Meeting

Thursday January 21, 2016

Hosted by RC Don Kuechle

& the Wixom-Walled Lake Lions Club

Location:

Pasquales Restaurant

31555 Woodward Ave

Royal Oak, MI 48073

Social Hour- 6:00 pm Dinner - 6:45 pm

Meal cost is \$12.00

R.S.V.P. by January 11, 2016

Send Reservation to: CT Jim Pettinato

3400 Ashley Dr

Lake Orion, MI 48359

jamespettinato@att.net/(248)391-4532

Make Checks Payable to: Lions District 11-A2

Name of Club:		
Number at \$12 = \$	Total Due: \$	
Name of Attendees:		

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







Lions District 11-A2 Convention Come Party with Governor Jim Leach "Party Hawaiian Style"

'Together We Can, Together We Will'

April 14th - 17th, 2016 @ Holiday Inn French Quarter Perrysburg, Ohio

Lion:	Lioness:	Leo:	Spouse:	Guest:
Club Name	:			
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Please remember and follow these guidelines:

- ALL Convention attendees MUST be registered.
- Reservations & cancellations MUST be made with BOTH the hotel and the convention committee.
- Meal tickets must be purchased in advance; none will be sold at convention.
- Refunds will be given for all items <u>except registration fees</u> if request is received by the committee <u>no later than March 15, 2016</u>. Hotel cancellation policy will govern the refund of hotel reservation deposits.
- There is a <u>NO FUNDRAISING</u> policy at convention, and it will be enforced.
- Alcoholic beverages in hotel common areas MUST be purchased from the hotel



French Quarter

10630 Fremont Pike, Route 20 1-75, Exit 193 or Turnpike 80/90, Exit 64 Perrysburg, OH 43551 (419) 874-3111 Fax: (419) 874-3290

GROUP ROOMS

All reservations must be made at least 30 days prior to your arrival. Reservations will be accepted on a space and rate available basis only after the CUT OFF/RELEASE DATE: March 15, 2016.

We understand individuals will make their own reservations by calling the hotel direct and identifying themselves as being with the Lions International, Michigan District 11 A-2 group. The hotel will not adjust rates if guests fail to mention the group name or call in after the cut-off date. If you are sending a rooming list, this must be received at least 30 days prior to arrival.

All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card, corporate account, or one night deposit of room and tax. Should you need to cancel a guaranteed reservation, you must cancel by 6:00 PM on the day of arrival to avoid a penalty charge of one night room and tax.

Unclaimed/Un-cancelled (No Show) reservations will be charged/or one night room and tax. This cost will be applied to the credit card, deposit, or corporate billing account that secured the reservation.

FOR TOLL FREE RESERVATIONS, CALL HOTEL RESERVATION DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY AT 1-888-874-2592.

Please note that a fee of up to \$250.00 may be added to guest invoice(s) for disruptive conduct, smoking in non-smoking rooms, allowing pets, or theft/damage to guestroom(s).

Room	Single/ Jouble Rate
XSTN Honeymoon Suite, Jacuzzi, Parlor NS	COMP
OFTN Jacuzzi, One King Bed, Club Chair NS	99.00
KFTN Concierge, King Bed, Club Chair NS	105.00
THDN Holidome, Two Dbl Beds, 2nd/3rd NS	94.00
KNGN Stnd Atrium King & Sofa Bed NS	94.00
TDBN Standard Two Double Beds NS	94.00
XFTN Suite, Two Bedroom, Parlor/Kitch NS	159.00
XKLN Suite, One King Bed, Parlor NS	COMP
XDBN Suite, Two Dbl Beds, Parlor/Kitch NS	139.00
OLON King Bed,1st fl Out/Wd Door In NS	94.00

The net rates are per night plus state and local taxes, currently 9.75%.



Euchre Tournament STERLING HEIGHTS LIONS

CHARITY FUND RAISER

Friday, January 8, 2016

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 subs, salad, pop and

1 drink ticket at the Cash Bar

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CASH PRIZES

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DISTRICT 11-A2 GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM

The Global Membership Team (G.M.T.) has two training sessions scheduled for January 2016!

In order for club Presidents to be eligible for 100% Club President your club's membership chairperson must attend one of these training sessions listed below. It would be even better having more members from your club's membership committee attend if possible (or any other member wanting the training).

The Dates for the sessions are: January 14, 2016 from 7-9PM January 19, 2016 from 7-9PM

This years topic for the Training will be on the Responsibility of a Sponsor/Mentor.

Each training session will be held at the Fraser Lions Clubhouse on Utica Road Please choose the session that works best for you and your club and notify **Lion Ken Theil at 586-668-1977** which session you will be attending.



FRASER LION'S - 2016 EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS January to May



When: 3rd Friday of each Month

Jan. 15 / Feb. 19 / Mar. 18 / Apr. 15 / May 20

Where: Fraser Lions Club

34540 Utica Rd, Fraser, MI (South of 15 Mile)

<u>Time</u>: Doors Open at 6:30; <u>cards begin at 7:30pm</u>

<u>Cost</u>: \$15.00 per person; includes prizes, pizza, pop and 1 Drink ticket.

Pizza served between rounds 3 and 4. Cash Bar!

High Round and Loaner Pots

To purchase or reserve a ticket please contact Wally Stamper (586-362-0481) or Tickets can be purchased at door.

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!



The Sterling Heights Lions Club and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive on January 16th from 9 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. The blood drive will be held at the Sterling Heights Lions Club, 12828 Canal in Sterling Heights.

There is a critical need for blood! Help to make sure that blood is there when needed at a moment's notice. Walk-ins are welcome.

You can register ahead of time at redcrossblood.org/rapidpass.

Downtown New Baltimore







Schedule of Events

Saturday

Sunday



Friday

Meldrum Bros. Band - 7:30 pm

Corn Hole Tourney - 8 pm

Iron Arm Mug Holding - 8:30 pm

Meldrum Bros. play till 11:30

Iron Arm Awards - 10 pm















Iron Arm Mug Holding Competion



FREE! KIDS PARTY SATURDAY









For information call Tim 586-212-2465 or Brian 586-747-5910 www.newbaltimorelions.com



February 26 and 27, 2016

Michigan Forum

Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel 517-694-8123 When making reservations use LIONS216

Some of the sessions included are:

What is the Centennial Celebration?, Lions Orientation, Identity Theft, Social Media to promote your Club, Blueprint for a Stronger Club, Marketing your Club in your Community among many others.

Send more than one Member from your Club and attend different sessions so you can maximize the knowledge to deliver to your Club to put into action.

Please join us Friday night in honor of International President Yamada

Presented by the MSU Japan Cultural Club

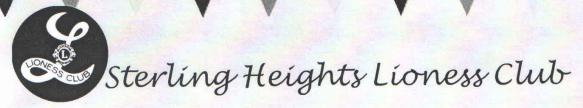
Keynote speaker will be Justice Bernstein

Don't forget T-shirts are available this year - see the registration form to order

I also encourage Clubs and/or individuals to place an ad in the Forum booklet. It helps to offset the costs of putting on this great day.

Looking forward to seeing many of you there! If you have any questions, feel free to contact me

Lion Kimberly Thiede Michigan Forum Chair



invites you to join us for our

Annual Spring Cea

Frühlings-Tee

A German Celebration

May 15th, 2016 12pm-4pm

Carpathia Club

38000 Utica Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48313

\$30/per person - Reserved Tables for Ten

German-American Lunch Scones with Devonshire Sauce and Lemon Butter

Entertainment, Vendors, Raffles, & Silent Auction

For Tickets: Lioness Linda Boni 586-873-3797 or Lioness Bert Bondy 586-843-3585

All proceeds go to Leader Dogs for the Blind