

District 11-A2

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September 2021



We had a very good Cabinet Meeting; a great turnout and great reports. I want to thank Region Chair Mike Pikelis for doing such an excellent job. I also want to thank the Lake Orion Lions Club for being great hosts, you had an excellent showing of members at the meeting.

We have the first round of Region Meetings coming up. The Region 3 meeting was hosted on September 2nd by Region Chairman Rhonda Furby and the Eastpointe Lions. Next, we will be in Region 2 on September 13th. This one will be hosted in Berkley by Zone Chair Laura Mastracci and the Royal



Oak Lions. To wrap-up the first round, we have Region 1 on September 15th which will be hosted by Region Chair Mike Pikelis and the Lake Orion Lions. This round of meetings should be great as each one has a program as part of the meeting. Maggie's Wigs for Kids will be getting a great donation as PDG Scott had his hair cut at the first meeting in Eastpointe. At Region 2, we will learn about Paws with a Cause and their new location in Royal Oak. At Region 1, Elite Detection K9 will be there to explain their operation and their relationship with Leader Dogs for the Blind. Each of these programs should be very interesting, and I applaud all of you hosts for thinking outside of the normal meeting structure. Since this is the first round, it will be great to hear about all the activities and projects the clubs have been involved in since last February.



There are many other events coming up this month and I encourage you to please take a look in the newsletter for more information on them. PCC Frank will also be sending them out on a regular basis. One event I would like to mention, even though it's not until October, is IPDG Leo's Appreciation Dinner. It is coming up on Sunday, October 17th. If you can make it out to this event, please try. Governor Leo had a great year despite all of the obstacles the pandemic created. He worked very hard for our District; he deserves a great party.

We have Club Officer Training coming up on Saturday, September 18th and it is being held at the Sterling Heights Lion's Den. This will be a great chance for all officers to come with their questions about their position since they have had a few months to settle in. It would be great to see a large turnout for this as I know it will be an excellent day of training and fellowship. Please refer to the flyer in PCC Frank's emails for more information.

One last thing; I want to give you an update on First Lady Kim's special project, "Cash for Camp." Thanks to the generous donation made by our temporary District Tail Twister Sonny at the Cabinet Meeting and to everyone who contributed, the basket is already over \$400! Thank you all very much for your generosity! The basket will be at all the Region meetings and ready for your donation.

Thank you for all you do and all you serve.

Talk to you next month.

Governor Jim



PDG Scott before, during and after donating his hair to Maggie's Wigs for Kids at the Region 3 meeting on September 2nd in Eastpointe. It is nice to see something good come out of the COVID pandemic as PDG Scott shared that he had not cut his hair since the first shut down!

1VDG Shawn Blaszczyk

Hello 11-A2 Lions! It is September and 2 months of the year are already over. Summer is coming to an end and Fall is just around the corner. Speaking of Fall, I volunteered at the Armada Lions Cider Daze event. What an awesome fundraiser, even if the 90-degree weather didn't make it feel like cider time. I am seeing many other clubs ramping up with their fundraising, also. Keep it up and raise all that you can because who knows what the future will allow us to do in these uncertain times. Please let me know if you need any help and I will try my best to assist you.



On the topic of fundraising, you should hopefully know that this is the final year for LCIF Campaign 100. As a District we have done a great job supporting the Campaign, but we still have a way to go to reach the goal set for us by LCIF. I see this as a challenge and accept it because I know this District is capable of stepping up. So, we are asking each club to increase their donations this year to LCIF by 10% from last year. You can do it!!! Also, with DG Jim's support, we are challenging each Lion member to make an individual donation. To assist you in this challenge we have set up the "Dimes and Dollars Friday". A flyer explaining what this is has been emailed out with Lion Frank's weekly blasts and will also be available at the upcoming Region Meetings. In short, we are asking that each Friday you either set aside \$1 or more until June or you take the dimes that you have gotten as change throughout the week and place them in an empty water bottle. By June you will have either saved about \$50 with the dollar challenge or, once the bottle is filled with dimes, you will have collected about \$50. Pretty simple, isn't it? Doing one of these you won't even realize the money being out of your pocket. I can assist you in making your donation once you have obtained your goal. That's enough rambling for now. I hope to see many of you at the Region Meetings this month. I will be contacting your clubs soon to start setting up a visit, as well. Keep up the great work and stay safe always.

Lion Shawn Blaszczyk, FVDG

Selfridge-Chesterfield Lions

DIMES & DOLLARS FRIDAYS

AS WE ENTER THE FINAL YEAR OF LCIF CAMPAIGN 100, WE NEED ALL OF YOUR HELP TO REACH OUR GOAL AND SUPPORT YOUR FOUNDATION.

WE ARE ASKING EACH MEMBER FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR CLUB'S. PLEASE CONSIDER DOING ONE OF THE EASY CHALLENGES BELOW EACH FRIDAY OF THE YEAR TO HELP US GIVE BACK TO THE LCIF THAT HAS HELPED OUR DISTRICT AND PROJECTS GREATLY OVER THE YEARS.

FRIDAY DOLLARS- WE ASK THAT EACH FRIDAY FOR THE YEAR THAT YOU PUT AWAY JUST \$1 (MORE IF YOU WISH) AND IN JUNE DONATE THOSE DOLLARS TO LCIF. THIS WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$50.

FRIDAY DIMES- WE ASK THAT YOU TAKE AN EMPTY WATER BOTTLE (16 OZ.) AND EACH FRIDAY PLACE YOUR SPARE DIMES IN IT THAT YOU HAVE COLLECTED OVER THE WEEK. ONCE THE BOTTLE IS FILLED THERE WILL BE ABOUT \$50 IN IT. ONCE FILLED MAKE A DONATION TO LCIF.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW AT THE UPCOMING CABINET AND REGION MEETINGS AS WELL AS HOW TO MAKE A DONATION.

THANK YOU 1VDG SHAWN BLASZCZYK, LCIF COORDINATOR



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2VDG Kelley Unruh

Insanity is defined as doing the same thing over and over BUT expecting different outcomes. If this kinda echos the happenings in your club, maybe it is time for change up. Some suggestions are:

Have a Club Planning Day – this does not need to be elaborate. It only requires a discussion among the club members.

Attend upcoming training sessions for Club Officers and Lions Leadership

Use the “Learn” section on the LCI Portal for their free resources.

Contact your Zone Chair, Region Chair, District Governor Team or GLT / GMT committee members to help your club brainstorm for new ideas.

A Club Officer Training session is being held on Saturday, September 18 at the Sterling Heights Clubhouse. The doors open at 8:30 AM, with the session starting 9 AM. The training is for Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Chairs. There will also be a short session on MyLion / MyLCI. Please bring your questions.

Don't forget about the Lions Leadership Institute at Higgins Lake from November 5 to 7. I've attended a few times and have learned many skills each time. The brochures have been sent out by PCC Frank.

Let's try to move away from the “Same Ole Stuff, Different Day” routine and continue to strengthen our District.

Yours in Lionism,

2VDG Kelley Unruh



Why Attend a Region Meeting, You Ask? To See These Amazing Faces In Person!!!!!!



Lions Masks—Royal Blue with Gold Emblem

\$15 each

Send check made payable to the
Lathrup Village Lions Club,
and your shipping information,
to:

PDG William Lupher

29776 Sierra Point Circle

Farmington Hills, MI 48331

Phone Inquiries can be made at

248-432-7023



Individual event flyers are not published
in the newsletter and should instead be
sent for distribution to PCC Frank at
frank.cunningham723@gmail.com

Once your event has concluded then send
photos and an article for publication in
the newsletter to

jboomer1965@gmail.com

If you would like for your photos and
article to be submitted to Lion Pride then
be sure that you identify everyone who
appears in the foreground of your photo
by both first and last name.

**Submission deadline is the first of
the month.**



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

I WANT YOU

The Center Line Lions Club welcomes Mai Xiong, sponsored by John Salyers.

The Center Line Lions Club welcomes Peter Harenski, sponsored by Rebecca Binson.

The Center Line Lions Club welcomes Tracy Senyko, sponsored by Karen Pietrzyk.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Danielle Martinez, sponsored by Laura Szymanski.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Darrin McInerney, sponsored by Laura Szymanski.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Jody McInerney, sponsored by Laura Szymanski.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Michelle Boyd, sponsored by Laura Szymanski.

The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Natalie Fritzinger, sponsored by Laura Szymanski.

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Joyce Joyce, sponsored by Mary Welsh.

The Sterling Heights Lions Club welcomes Karen Joyce, sponsored by Mary Welsh.

The Richmond Lions Club welcomes Mike Manchik, sponsored by Keith Rengert.

The Rochester Lions Club welcomes Devlin Clarke, sponsored by Lowell Gladd.

The Rochester Lions Club welcomes Steve Cichoski, sponsored by Patrick Olszewski.

The Troy Community Lions Club welcomes Nancy Sheedy, sponsored by Donna Quinn.

The Wixom/Walled Lake Lions Club welcomes Larene Suidan, sponsored by Wendy Kuechle.



DISTRICT 11-A2 REGION II MEETING



“Together We Can, Together We Will”

Monday, September 13, 2021

Hosted by Zone Chair Laura Mastracci
& the Royal Oak Lions Club

Location:

Berkley Knights of Columbus Hall

2299 12 Mile Rd., Berkley, MI 48072

Doors open at 6:00 pm
Meeting starts at 6:45 pm

Meal Cost: \$15 per person with cash bar.
Please R.S.V.P by September 7, 2021

Guest Speaker: Paws With a Cause (New Royal Oak Office)

**Come learn about this Organization and
help meet the Governor's goals of 100% District Participation!**

Send reservations to: *ZC Laura Mastracci*
 2127 Bacon Ave.
 Berkley, MI 48072

Please Make Checks Payable to Royal Oak Lions Club

Person Name(s):

Club Name:

Number attending at \$15 per person:

Total Amount Due:

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal.
Sorry. No phone reservations.



**DISTRICT 11-A2
REGION ONE MEETING**



Together We Can, Together We Will

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

**Hosted by RC Mike Pikelis
& the Lake Orion Lions Club**

**Location: Johnny Black's Public House
3575 S Baldwin Road
Lake Orion, MI 48359**

**Doors open at 6:00 PM
Meeting starts at 6:45 PM**

**Meal Cost: \$15 per person with cash bar.
Please R.S.V.P. by September 8, 2021**

***Send reservations to: Cabinet Treasurer Angie Boomer
3250 Stacey Circle
Oxford, MI 48371***

Please Make Checks Payable to the: Lake Orion Lions Club

Person Name(s):

Club Name:

Number attending at \$15.00 per person:

Total Amount Due:

***All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal.
Sorry, no phone reservations.***



ATTENTION ALL INCOMING CLUB OFFICERS,
THOSE THAT ARE THINKING ABOUT BEING
A CLUB OFFICERS, OR THOSE LIONS WHO
WANT MORE INFORMATION BEFORE
TAKING THE STEP FORWARD!



District 11-A2

Club Officer Training will be held on
Saturday, September 18, 2021

It will be held at Sterling Heights Clubhouse
12828 Canal, Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Doors open at 8:30 am

Session will begin at 9:00 am sharp

Roles and Responsibilities for each position will be covered along
with a session on District Leadership

Any questions, please contact Lion Kelley Unruh. at kunruh48@gmail.com or 586-216-1143



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ATTENTION:

Your help is needed. Please
share this information with
club members and officers!

August 2021

Dear Club Presidents and Secretaries:

We are pleased to announce that the annual Michigan Lions Leadership Institute will be held on November 5-7, 2021 at the MacMullan Training Center on beautiful Higgins Lake.

Experienced presenters will conduct group sessions in a relaxed, informal setting. Offerings include Personality Styles, Personal Effectiveness, The Essence of Leadership, Listening and Speaking Skills, Managing Change, Setting Goals, Team Building, and Conflict Resolution.

In addition to the traditional Leadership Institute, a Graduate Institute is offered for those who have already attended the Leadership Institute and want to enhance and better utilize their Lionistic skills, presentation skills and leadership skills.

Both the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute begin with lunch on Friday at 11:30 a.m., with the first instructional sessions starting at 12:20 p.m. Registration precedes lunch, between 10:00 and 11:15 a.m.

The MacMullan Center is a recognized training center set in a natural, wooded environment. Housing is in lodges with semi-private rooms, and shared bathrooms. The food is great!

All of this – informational sessions, two night's lodging, and six meals – for only \$225.00 per person. We ask you to share information on the Leadership Institute and the Graduate Institute with your club officers and members.

The deadline for applications is October 8, 2021. Two informational brochures (which include application forms) are enclosed for your convenience and may be duplicated. Please make checks payable to "Michigan Lions Leadership Institute."

Yours in Lionism,

**Bill Hansen, PID, Chairman
Leadership Institute Committee**

Enclosure

DISTRICT 11-A2
CABINET MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

Hosted by Lion Maureen Kennedy, Region 2 Chair
and The Royal Oak Lions Club

Location: Berkley Knights of Columbus Hall
2299 12 Mile Road, Berkley, MI 48072

(Doors open at 6:00 p. m.; Meeting begins at 6:45 p. m.)

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Meal Cost: \$15.00 per person with cash bar

Please, RSVP by September 27, 2021

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Make checks payable to: The Royal Oak Lions Club

Send to: Lion Maureen Kennedy, RC at 1323 W. Farnum Ave., Royal Oak,
MI 48067-1626

Person(s) Name(s): _____

Club Name: _____

Number Attending at \$15 per person: _____

Total Amount Due: _____

All reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal. No phone reservations. Thank you!

Cost: \$36.00 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 15, 2021

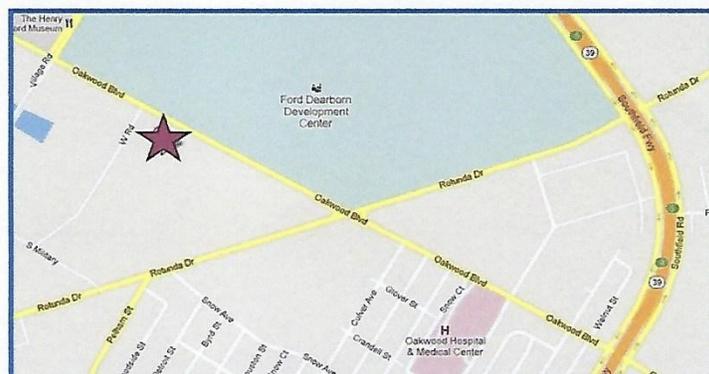
The Annual Kick-Off Dinner is a gathering of friends and supporters of Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Program features an annual update on the work of Penrickton Center, a musical/visual presentation, a personal story told by one of our parents and the "Parade Of Checks" at the end of the evening.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

The Dearborn Inn (A Marriott Hotel)

20301 Oakwood Boulevard

Dearborn, MI 48124

Please Note: The Dearborn Inn requires patrons who are not fully vaccinated to wear masks.



DISTRICT 11A2 APPRECIATION DINNER FOR GOVERNOR LEO AND FIRST LADY SHARON

'Building the pride'

WHEN: SUNDAY OCTOBER 17, 2021

WHERE: TINA'S COUNTRY HOUSE

50828 NORTH AVE

MACOMB, MI

SOCIAL HOUR 2:00 P.M.

COST: \$35.00 PER PERSON / CASH BAR

All reservations must be paid in advance to

PCT RICH PFEIFFER

Sorry NO Phone Reservations Please!

Deadline for reservations October 6th.

Send Reservations to

PCT RICH PFEIFFER

70350 Henry Ross Drive

Romeo, MI 48065

Please make checks payable to: LIONS District 11A2

Name (s) _____

Club: _____

Reservations: \$35.00 x _____ Total Amount Paid: \$ _____



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- How We Train Guide Dogs
- How Does the White Cane Work?
- And more!

Contact Lion Kathleen Breen at KBreen@leaderdog.org or 248.218.6407 for more information and to schedule.

Not sure about running a virtual meeting? We can help!
We can also connect in to your face-to-face meeting!



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