

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

May 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 Cochrill
Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Tim Rutkowski
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Louise Dobson Blasius

GMT Tim Dietzel
GLT Donald Spinks
GST Karl Cross



GOVERNOR JUDY KELLER &
SPOUSE LION DAVE KELLER

CALENDAR –EVENTS

May 16-18 , 2025 md 11 Con. Bay City .
May 16 Council of Governors meeting 5

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

As most of you know PDG Jack Kriete passed away after our one-day convention. Jack was one of the PDG's that encouraged me to be a governor. I will be always be forever grateful to him for that, and will miss his friendship.

DG Judy Keller

Governor's Letter

There are a few booking items that need to be taken care. Please check the portal for any balance that you may have. Balances need to be paid so that no club goes into suspension. **Going forward club secretaries or treasures will not receive a paper bill in the mail for dues, supplies or anything else coming from LCI. You will find the bills in the portal only. Please make sure all secretaries are set up in the portal to receive this items.** Current secretaries need to get club officers into portal during the month of May. This is important as well. It also helps when doing the roster book. Please make sure your meeting time and address are correct in the portal as well. When Bruce and Nancy work on the roster book and don't get any responses from clubs, this is their only way to get information. When the information is wrong in the portal, it creates all types of problems. We rely on the roster book and everyone needs to help to make sure the information given is correct. Two events to happen for the district. The MD 11 Convention is May 15,16,17 at the Double Tree in Bay City. It starts with dinner at Krzysaki's on Thursday night. There is still time to register to join in on the fun and friendship. In June is the LCIF event to be held in Port Austin and featured guest is LCIF Chair and PIP Patty Hill.

Enjoy May!!!

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER.

Spring is in the air, it's time for our service projects to bloom, we been preparing all winter for this, This Year is a year for Clubs in our District to share there help our maybe new ideas, remember many hands make big projects seem smaller, so if your club has a big project, and you are in need of some help, reach out to other clubs so we can all have fun helping one another.

The convention is over, had a BUMP in the road, with a water main break at the hotel a week before convention, Governor Judy and her committee worked their magic, called Tracy at Bear Lake and low and behold she had that weekend open, so the committee and Tracy pulled it all together and give us a great convention, thanks from all of us. PID Debbie Weaverling and her husband PDG Ron entertained us with their experiences Debbie had as International Director and then PDG Ron talked of his job at the Pentagon. ON a sour note, PDG, District Treasure and a friend to all, Jack Kriete passed away the next morning. Leaving his wife of 9 months, Cheryl and family in disbelief and mourning their loss, Jack will be missed.

Membership! our numbers are dropping little by little we need to work on our recruiting, these projects we have planned will not get done by themselves, so beat those bushes.

It's time for the MD 11 convention at DoubleTree in Bay City, there is still time to sign up, check the Lions Pride for more details, HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE, come and have fun with us.

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR / MEMBERSHIP CHAIR TIM DIETZEL

As you can see we are doing a good job at some clubs with new members. This is very important to continue on this path. New members are so important to all clubs. Just like it says "JUST ASK" (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



May

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

BOB SCHUBERT	ALGONAC LIONS	VIKI CAMPBELL	ALMONT LIONS
KARLI ELLIS	ALMONT LIONS	NICHOLAS PATTERSON	ALMONT LIONS
KEVIN RICHARDSON	BAD AXE LIONS	RYAN DANIELS	BERVILLE LIONS
CARIFINA BAHENA	CAPAC LIONS	ANTHONY HOSKEY	CAPAC LIONS
JENNIFER JEWETT	CAPAC LIONS	AUDEN KIPPER	CAPAC LIONS
BRIAN PALMATEER	CAPAC LIONS	TRACIE PALMATEER	CAPAC LIONS
MARIA ROJAS	CAPAC LIONS	CALVIN SMITH	CAPAC LIONS
SHANE SCHEMBER	ELKTON LIONS	DEBRA MELANE	MARYSVILLE LIONS
WILLIAM WICKINGS	PT. HURON LIONS	JOHN JONES	YALE LIONS
SUAN JONES	YALE LIONS	ANNE MURPHY	YALE LIONS
JOHN NELSON	YALE LIONS		

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

DAVID DIBLEY	ALGONAC LIONS	DONALD BORN	ELKTON LIONS
PAUL MAXLOW	SANDUSKY LIONS	ERNEST MINARD	YALE LIONS
ROBERT BELL	MEMPHIS LIONS		

May



JACK KRIETE DISTRICT GOVERNOR FOR 2018-2019 The theme for his year was "Proud to be an American, Proud to be a Lion". This man epitomized that every day. What a big lose for District 11 D-2

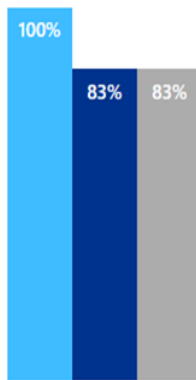


Jack Kriete held several offices in the Lions organization. He was a manager in his working life. This carried over to his Lion life. He was a Zone chairperson, a Region chairperson, the vice District Governors , and District Governor. After his term as Governor, Lion Jack took on the "DAD" program which he and Lion Mary Bokach, along with Lion Tim Dietzel managed. D-2 had the best "DAD" program in the state. Jack was the Cabinet Treasurer for the past three terms. This was a great Lion and a great man. He will be missed by so many people in the District and fellow Lions he touched. It really stings me when I think about joking around with Jack.

(REST IN PEACE)

Zone Chairpersons (ZC) Trained *

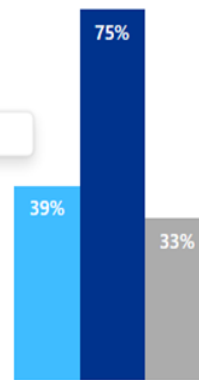
● Current Fiscal Year ● Goal ● Previous Fiscal Year



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Club Officers Trained *

● Current Fiscal Year ● Goal ● Previous Fiscal Year


Cumulative Totals

57
ZC and Club Officers Trained

6
Total Zone Chairpersons

6
Zone Chairpersons Trained

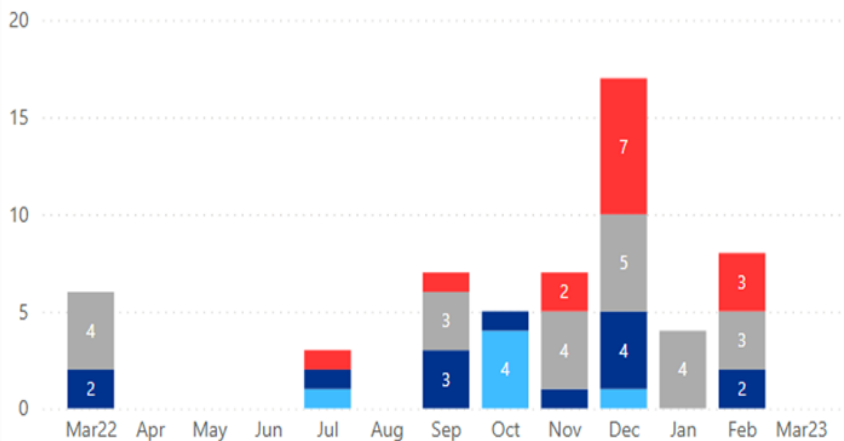
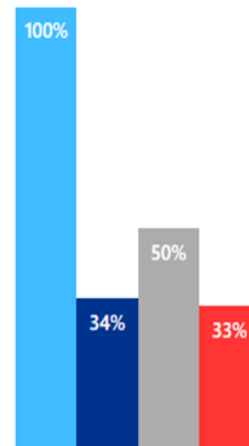
130
Total Club Officers

51
Club Officers Trained

* Data reflects training completed between March 1st (previous fiscal year) through March 31st (current fiscal year). All ZC and Club Officer calculations include mid-year replacements.

Officers Trained by Month *

● Zone Chairperson ● Club President ● Club Secretary ● Club Treasurer


Percent of Officers Trained

Cumulative Totals

57
Total Officers Trained

6
Zone Chairpersons Trained

14
Club Presidents Trained

23
Club Secretaries Trained

14
Club Treasurers Trained

* Data reflects training completed between March 1st (previous fiscal year) through March 31st (current fiscal year). All ZC and Club Officer calculations include mid-year replacements.

GLT Report: GLT Chair PDG Don Spinks

Thru the year so far, several Portal training classes had been conducted. Multiple Lions from around 11D2 were present and went thru the classes. Email to all club presidents, secretaries and treasurers the club officer training videos. I ask for Feed- back on the videos and the majority of attendees replied in a favorable manner. Another class that was scheduled was for Guiding Lions training at the Almont Lions club. Conducted Portal training at the MD11 February Forum. Had a great turn out.

May



39th ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT PRIZES

Grand Prize - \$5,000
2nd-\$2,500 - 3rd-\$1,000 - 4th- \$1,000
5th-\$1,000 - 6th-\$1,000 - 7th-\$1,000
8th-\$1,000 - 9th-\$1,000 - 10th-\$1,000

SELLER INCENTIVES

1st-\$1,000 - 2nd-\$500 - 3rd-\$250 - 4th-\$100

EASY MONEY

30-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club
100 - 249 Tickets Sold = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club
250+ Tickets = \$5.50 Per Ticket For Club

DRAWINGS

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 3, 2025
Lions of Michigan State Office
Lansing, Michigan

FINAL DRAWING

May 17, 2025
MD 11 Convention - Bay City, MI

The PRICE is RIGHT
\$10.00 Per Ticket

Attention-Attention-Attention

Do you have a friend or relative who has everything?

What better gift could you give than one that helps those in need? For a gift of \$10, you can buy a Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for a friend or family member, providing them with a chance to win several cash prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Upon receipt of your gift, we will mail a sweepstakes ticket stub and sweepstakes information to your honoree with a card acknowledging your gift.



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Lions of Michigan Foundation - Gift 39th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Donor's Name(s): _____

Donor's Email Address: _____

Donor's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Honoree's Name: _____

Honoree's Email Address: _____

Honoree's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

May

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION—2026 GROUP CRUISE
ROYAL CARIBBEAN - SYMPHONY OF THE SEAS
MARCH 1, 2026 - 7-NIGHTS - ROUNDTrip MIAMI, FL

2 People - Price Includes \$100 Onboard Credit Per Cabin

4V - Interior Cabin: \$2,145.20

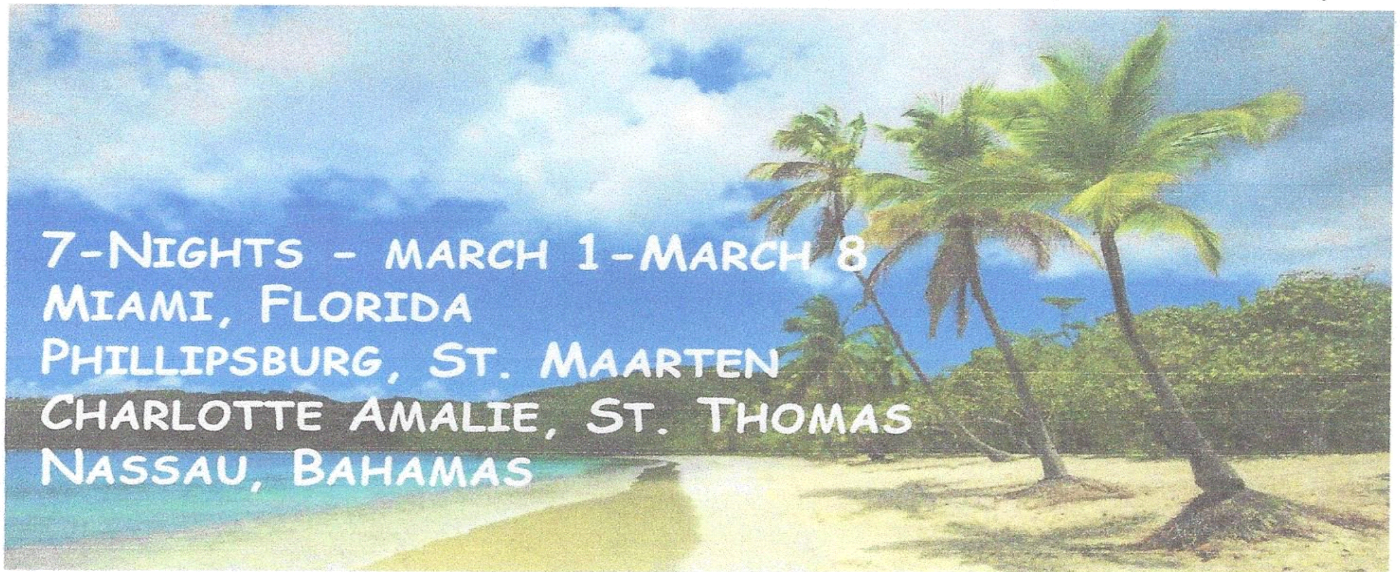
\$1,486.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 149 square feet

2S - Central Park View Interior Cabin - \$2,629.20

\$1,970.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 191 square feet

2D - Ocean View Balcony Cabin: \$3,413.20

\$2,754.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 182 square feet + balcony



☐ I would like a quote for a _____ Cabin ☐ I would like a 4V Interior Cabin

☐ I would like a 2S Interior Cabin ☐ I would like a 4D Ocean View Balcony Cabin

Stateroom Deposit - \$250 Per Person: ____ Check ____ Credit/Debit Card ____ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Credit/Debit Card Number: ____ - ____ - ____ - ____ - ____ - ____ - ____ - ____

Expiration Date: ____ CVV Code: ____ Zip Code: ____

Signature: _____

Legal Names: _____ - Birth Date: _____

_____ - Birth Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - info@lmsf.net

May



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Hello Lions!

We're excited to bring you a new episode of Taking the Lead, featuring Mark Hymes, Community Program Manager for Disability Network Washtenaw Monroe Livingston.

In this inspiring conversation, Mark shares his experience as a proud Leader Dog client partnered with Leader Dog Bogey. He also dives into the vital work being done at Disability Network.

[Listen to the full episode here.](#)

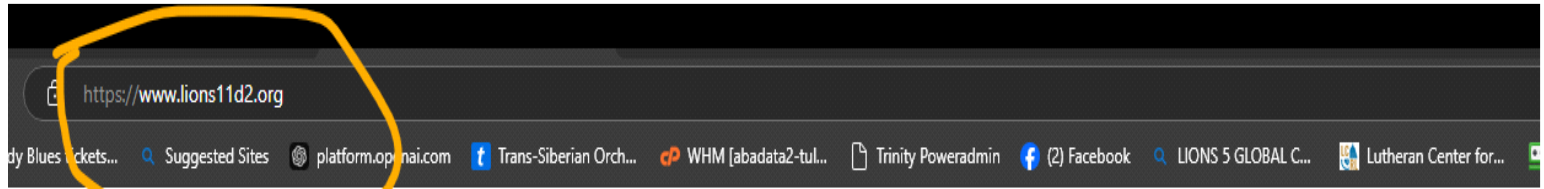
Don't miss this episode as Mark explores how personal independence and professional advocacy go hand in hand.

- Christina

P.S. If you'd like to share this story with others, feel free to forward this email or direct them to our [podcast page](#).

Christina Hepner
Digital Marketing Manager
Leader Dogs for the Blind

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



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<https://www.lions11d2.org>

MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

The Marlette Lions club dressed up their eyeglass collection box at their local hospital. This is keeping with our original challenge ... from Helen Keller, to be the knights against darkness. Thousands of less fortunate citizens across the globe have benefited from this commitment, we heard at the convention how this was possible from two PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORS GARY ANDERSON and JUSTIN F.





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!

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MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Memphis Lions had another successful Easter Egg hunt led by Lion Karyl Birkett working with other lions. Thanks to all the Leos for coming out to help. The extended community brought their children were having so much fun. Memphis Lions and Leos handed out trees to the third grade class at Memphis elementary school. Lion Jason Sopha read a book about how trees are so important to the environment and protection they provide for all creatures. Leo advisor Lion Nancy Thomson coordinated with the Leos instructions on the correct way to plant the trees. Educators Carolyn Short and Madalyn Wasikowski watch over the two classes. Memphis Lions provided over eighty trees to the school. This is given back to the community and the surrounding area.



MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Continuing with Arbor Day at the Memphis elementary school



EMMETT LIONS CLUB

Emmett Lions club collaborated other Region 2 clubs on collected pull tabs from returnable cans. Otter Lake Lions take the bulk weight to a scrap yard to sell the aluminum at the going price. The money is donated to "Ronald McDonald House" for parents of hospitalized children. Partnering clubs are Berville, Memphis, Otter Lake, Emmett. Almont Lions are also doing the very same thing. This year results are: Emmett 50#, Berville 95#, and Memphis 10# for a total 155#. This costs the clubs nothing...



May

PORT SANILAC LIONS CLUB

Monday afternoon a few of our members went and cleaned the sign south of town. They gave it a wash down to clean off the winter ick. If you would like to help with our next clean up . Send us a message or stop by our next meeting on May 14, 7pm at the Bark Shanty Community Center room 2.



GOVERNOR ELECT DAVE FISHER

Recently at the 105th District 11-D2 convention, Elkton Lion Dave Fisher was voted in as the 2025/2026 11-D2 District Governor.

Dave joined the Elkton Lions Club in 2001 and has held several officer positions and chaired many committees. In 2019 Dave expanded his service responsibilities to the district level as the District Vision Chairperson. Over the next few years Dave continued to grow in his Lionism as the District Zone Chairperson, Region Chairperson and the District Hunger Chairperson before joining the District Cabinet in 2023 as 2nd Vice Governor and advancing to 1st Vice District Governor in 2024.

Dave continues to expand his knowledge by attending many Lions training and informational sessions.

Congratulations and thank you Dave Fisher for your commitment to serve where

ELKTON LIONS CLUB**ELKTON LIONS CLUB MAKES A VISUAL IMPACT AGAINST CHILD ABUSE!**

They're sponsoring the Huron County CAN Council by placing pinwheels around town, symbolizing a happy, safe childhood. Kudos to the Lions Club for their efforts! For more information how you can help sponsor visit <https://www.cancouncil.org> for more information.



Elkton lions also hosted the annual Easter Egg hunt. This entertained many families at the Laker Legacy Center. Volunteers placed numerous eggs on the indoor field. Some children had their photos taken with the Easter Bunny and the Rooster. Prior to returning home, families picked up bags of candy that volunteers prepared ahead of time. This was organized by the Huron Youth Center



EMMETT LIONS CLUB

The Emmett Lions club had a meeting with the District Governor Judy Keller. The club the Governor with checks and several, well deserved, member awards. Congratulations to Lions Tom Burg (NOT TOMMY) and Cory Singelyn for receiving the prestigious Melvin Jones Award. Presented by District Governor Judy Keller. The Governor also presented two Leader Dog awards to Lions Brandon Belinger and Tommy Walsh. After that she inducted a new member Nick Walsh sponsored by his dad Lion Ken Walsh. Emmett Lions continue to sent the way for member retention and service. The reason people join the LIONS!!!

Thanks

Chuck Belesky



May



EMMETT LIONS CLUB



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

Algonac Lions held their annual community breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt. This made a lot children happy. There were some surprises



May



WE SERVE

Happy Club Anniversary

Congratulations

Peck

On Celebrating 34 years of Lionism.

Thank you for being an outstanding club of service to your community.
congratulate all members on this fine achievement.

Yours in Service,

DG Judy

DG Judy Keller

ELKTON LIONS CLUB

Several Elkton Lions Club members were honored this past weekend at the 105th 11-D2 District Convention at Bear Lake Camp in Lapeer. Elkton Lion Janet Devroye was presented with the Lion of the Year award for her outstanding contributions to our community and the Elkton Lions Club. Janet started the Elkton Lions Adopt A Highway and encourages members to do our part to clean up a section of Highway along M142. In 2024 Janet made a vision a reality and created the Hope Blooms flower patch, where residents can pick fresh wild flowers and create their own flower arrangements. Elkton Lion Agnes Kosinski was honored with the Pete Lapka Dedicated to Leadership Award for her commitment to the Elkton Walking Path development project. Both ladies are deeply involved in the Elkton Community and Elkton Lions Club where they have served in several officer positions and committees since joining in 2019. Both continue to represent the Lions Club International motto of "We Serve".

Congratulations.



KIDSIGHT

At a recent (March 15, 2025) KidSight District Coordinators meeting the following information was discussed. This pertains to the entire State of Michigan.

2024-25 MICHIGAN GOALS:

1. 100% Data Collection
2. 5% Increase in Screenings to 35,000
3. 150% Increase in Eye Doctor-Parent Follow-up Report Forms Collected to 350
4. 10% Increase in Certified KidSight Volunteers to 400
5. 20% Increase in Participating Michigan Lions Clubs to 150

These are the goals we put in place for this year. This is where we are at currently; We have 79 clubs who are involved. We have 420 approved screeners that is up from previous years. We have screened 31,000 kids with 3,500 Refers and the bulk of those are in District 11 - B2 area. The Doctor/Parent follow-up reports are getting better, we need to insist on parents and doctors to send these back. Out of those 3,500 refers we have received 100 of the Doctor/parents reports back.

In our district, District 11 – D2, we had 12 clubs that participated in screenings, we screened 822 people with 106 referrals. We have 16 Certified KidSight volunteers.

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation reports that a hand held Diabetic Retinopathy camera is being developed, similar to the KidSight camera. When that is available we will add that to the services that we perform.

With warmer weather screenings will pick up again. If your club has not participated in holding a screening, please consider sponsoring a screening at an event in your area.

Contact Nora Walsh (248 – 376 – 0334) or Wes Wagester (810 – 417 – 3107) for more information or to schedule a screening.



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!





2025 MD 11 Lions Convention

Michigan Lions-Make Your Mark! LCI Guest PID Shea Nickell

May 15-17, 2025 DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI

Reservations: 989-891-6000 Room Rate: \$119 +tax/fees by 5.10.25

Booking Website: <https://book.passkey.com/go/2025LionsMD11>

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Leo ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ ☐ Lion ☐ Leo ☐ Spouse ☐ Guest

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Is this your first MD Convention? ☐ Yes ☐ No **How many years a Lion member?** _____

QUANTITY

AMOUNT

_____ Thursday 5/15/25 Picnic @ \$15.00	\$ _____
_____ Thursday Bus Trip to Krzysiak's Polish Rest.	\$ _____ -0- _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion/Leo	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse/Guest	\$ _____
_____ Friday Evening Welcome Party @ \$25.00/person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Breakfast @ \$16.00 per person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$40.00 per person	\$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Entrée: _____ Crispy Panko Chicken

Entrée: _____ Honey Lacquered Salmon

Gluten Sensitive _____ Honey Lacquered Salmon Vegetarian _____

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

Everyone **MUST** pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless the registration fee is paid. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is **May 8, 2025**. No refunds after **May 1, 2025**. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the DoubleTree Bay City. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 5:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance.

Mail to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

or

Register and pay online at: www.lionsofmi.com

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Saturday, May 17, 2025 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Dandy Lion Community Service Project – Double-Tree Hotel lawn, Bay City

Fellow Service and Community Organizations!

The Lions of Michigan invite you to showcase your organization and participate in our Dandy Lion Community Service Event. This free outdoor show will take place on Saturday, May 17, from 2:00-4:00 pm, by the riverside of the DoubleTree.

The Lions of Michigan are excited to invite local service organizations to participate in the Dandy Lion Community Service Event, an outdoor booth show. There is no charge to be part of the outdoor event.

This special gathering is part of the Lions annual state convention, hosted at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bay City on May 15-17, 2025. Local community service organizations in the Bay City area will have the opportunity to showcase their missions, connect with fellow changemakers, and engage with Lion members from across the state and the Bay City community. Join us for an afternoon of impact, collaboration, and outreach.

[“The Dandy Lion event is all about celebrating service and strengthening community partnerships,” says Lion Doug Klein, Public Information Chair for Lions of Michigan. “We invite organizations of all sizes to join us in making a difference in this event free to exhibitors and attendees alike.”](#)

You must provide your own canopy, chairs, tables and displays for the event. Sign up for the Dandy Lion Community Service Event to showcase your work in a dynamic outdoor setting. Our indoor convention exhibitors may choose to participate also. See separate information on becoming an exhibitor at the multi-day convention.

To showcase your organization and reserve your spot, contact Wendy Burns, Executive Director, Lions Clubs of Michigan, at: wburns@lionsofmi.com or call 517-887-6640 ext. 103.

The Lions Clubs of Michigan is part of Lions International, the world’s largest service organization, dedicated to humanitarian efforts, vision care, hunger relief, environmental sustainability, and more. Through community service and global initiatives, Lions make a lasting impact.





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!

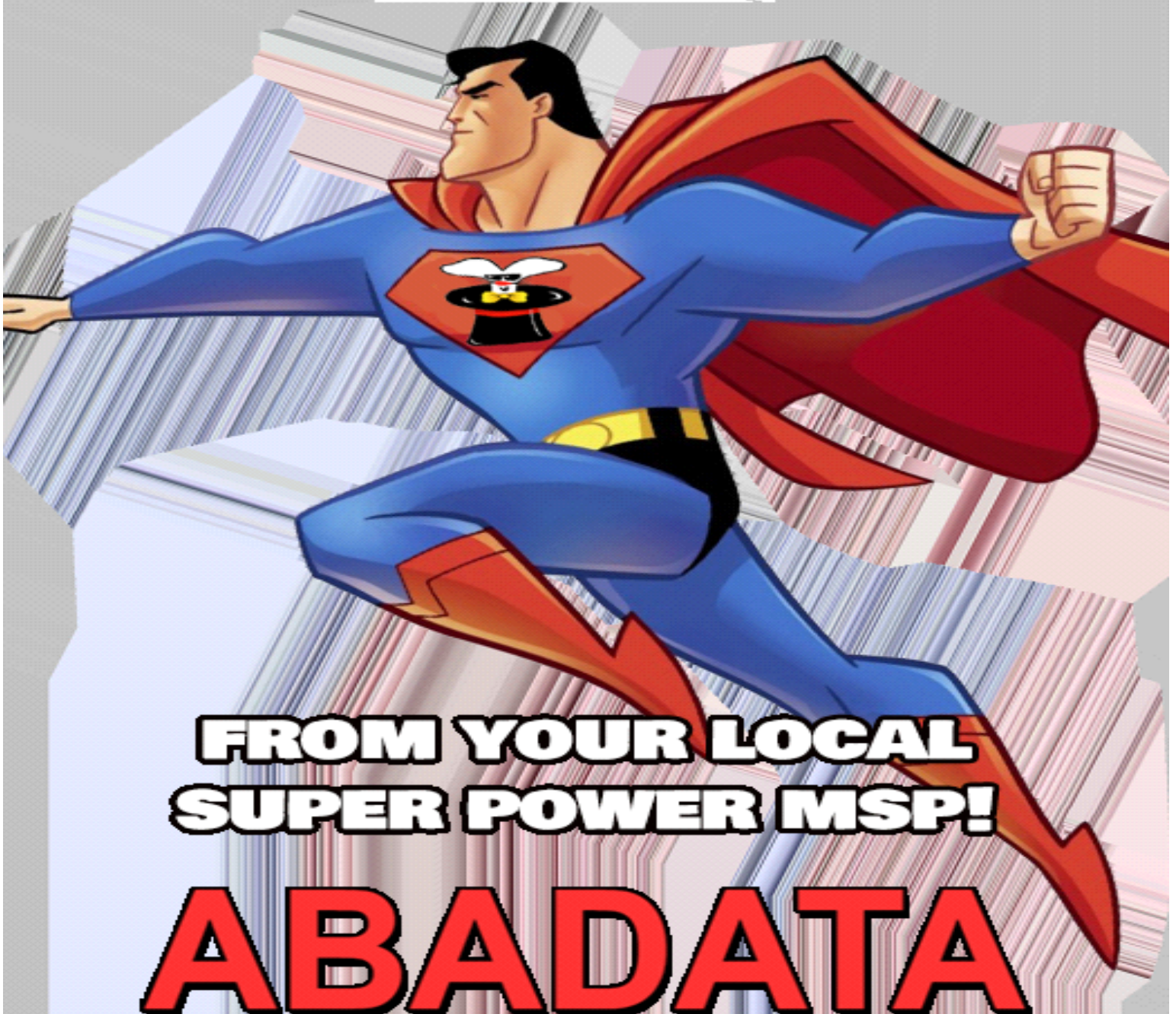


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Unusually Lions have had three District Governors in the recent past. Also, one International Director. PID Justin Faber, PDG Sami Makhoul, and current District Governor Judy Keller. This is the only club that has this kind of representation in senior leadership in our district the past decade.



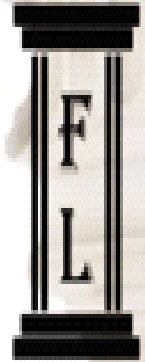
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