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## Calendar of Events

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| Mar 20, 2010         | Drummond Island Snowmobile Races<br>Drummond Island Lions Club                          |
| Mar 27, 2010         | Stephenson Lions<br>65th Anniversary<br>Pullman House, Meonimnee MI                     |
| Mar 28, 2010         | Bark River Scholarship Breakfast<br>Bark River Senior Center<br>Bark River Lions        |
| Apr 8, 2010          | Bay Cliff Benefit Dinner<br>Rapid River Lions Clubhouae                                 |
| Apr 11, 2010         | Marquette Lions Breakfast<br>Marquette Elks Club  |
| Apr 23-25, 2010      | SD10 District Convention<br>Holiday Inn<br>Marquette, MI                                |
| Apr 24, 2010         | Annual Community Rummage & Pasty Sale<br>Days River Area Lions Club                     |
| May 13, 2010         | UPDON 25th Anniversary<br>UpFront & Company<br>Marquette, Michigan                      |
| Jun 25-26, 2010      | 6th Annual Flea Market, Arts & Craft Show<br>Heart of the North Lions                   |
| Jun 28 - Jul 2, 2010 | Lions International Convention<br>Sydney, Australia                                     |
| Jul 9 - 10, 2010     | Strawberry Festival<br>Chassell Lions Club  |
| Jul 9-11, 2010       | Traxxas Torc Series Races<br>Bark River International Race way<br>Bark River Lions Club |
| Jul 31, 2010         | Lions Day<br>Bay Cliff Heath Camp   |
| Aug 13-15, 2010      | Traxxas Torc Series Races<br>Bark River International Race way<br>Bark River Lions Club |
| Sep 23-25, 2010      | USA/Canada Leadership Forum<br>Milwaukee, WI  |
| Oct 16, 2010         | Governors Appreciation Dinner<br>Location to be Announced                               |

Content makes poor men rich  
 discontentment makes rich men poor.  
 Benjamin Franklin

## **International Convention**

By Joseph L. Wroblewski, Past International President

Plans for the 93rd International Convention in Sydney, Australia are underway – and we proudly invite you to join us in the Land Down Under from June 28 to July 2, 2010. Sydney is the heartbeat of Australia, an eclectic mix of culture, history and fun. Endowed with dazzling beaches and sunny climate, Sydney is one of the most spectacular destinations in the world. Mixed within its natural beauty and fascinating heritage are the landmark Harbor Bridge and Sydney Opera House. The city’s multitude of restaurants and entertainment and the friendly Australians are also sure to deliver an enjoyable and memorable convention.

This year’s attendees can look forward to a week of high energy business sessions and activities, in partnership with fellow Lions from all around the world. The festivities include our stirring International Parade of Nations, inspiring guest speakers, an exciting international show, and a celebratory “Ginkgo Awards Banquet” in recognition of outstanding achievements by our members throughout the year. But it is you – the Lions who hail from every corner of the globe – that make our convention a truly special event. Never before have we had such a unique opportunity to unite together in our quest of serving our communities and those in need as we Move to Grow. Make plans now to join us for the experience of a lifetime. There’s no place in the world like Sydney!

### **2010-11 Peace Poster Theme Announced**

The theme for the 2010-2011 Lions International Peace Poster Contest will be “Vision of Peace.” Peace Poster Kits will go on sale on January 15 from the Club Supplies Sales Department. See the order form (PR 785) for more details.

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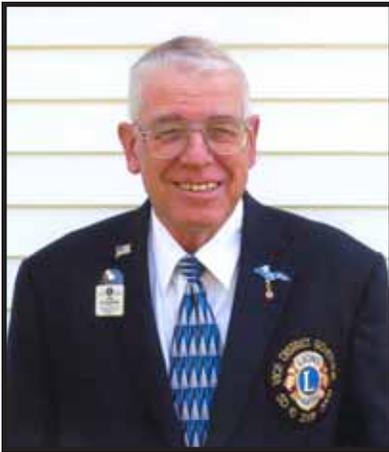
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## District Governor's Comments

By DG Don Wojakowski



Doesn't anybody care about LIONISM anymore? SD-10 is slowly gaining on membership but we are having a hard time getting LIONS members to step-up into leadership roles. Every year these positions are getting harder and harder to

fill. If this keeps up, in a few years there will not be a District-10 in the U.P. We have open positions right now that need to be filled for the next Governor's term. The past Governors, Committee Chairs, and Board Members are doing the best that they can. We need other LIONS to step forward now and help fill these positions. The LIONS in many of these positions are now getting along in years and are no longer able to travel long distances from their homes. Fellow LIONS members in SD-10 THIS IS YOUR DISTRICT, Don't you care?

According to the G.M.T., (Global Management Team) we in SD-10 are doing a good job in keeping our membership numbers up. One of the districts in MD-11 is also in good shape. When I was elected Governor, I put out a challenge to each club to bring in 3 new members. Some did, some didn't, and some brought in more than 3 members. We are still short of the 1,800 members that I would like to see before I leave office/ term. Will you help me achieve this goal?

On my last trip to the council meeting in Lansing, I took 7 cases of eyeglasses to the Lions of Michigan office. The donation of glasses from our district totaled more than 3,000 eyeglasses. WELL DONE SD-10!

PDG Jim Decremer, of the Rapid River Lions Club, is the chairperson of the scholarship fund. He is looking for a donation from your club so the scholarship fund can make it's yearly awards. There are usually 8-10 awards given out each year, to handicapped high school seniors.

PDG Decremer is also the superintendent for the Dairy Day Awards, that is held at the U.P. State Fair. Last year he asked that our clubs, if they could donate \$20.00 each. This money is used for the trophies and awards for the 4-H and youth groups in the U.P. Last year 29 clubs donated \$755.00, was your club in this group? If not, why not?

To all club officers, president, secretary, and treasurer, if you are keeping the same offices in the coming year, you still have to file a PU-101 form. PU-101's have to be filed EVERY YEAR for new and existing officers. Every year a lot of PU-101's are not filed and this make a difficult situation for the in-coming governor and LCI. The governor will know in a short period of time, who did not file a PU-101 form. It always seems to be the same clubs that don't think they have to file the forms each year. This puts a unnecessary load on the new governor, so PLEASE HELP HIM OUT and file those PU-101's, on time!

All clubs have to be in good standing to vote at the convention. This means that all of the 101's, MMA's, MMR's, and all bills have to be paid up to date. There are still clubs that are way behind on these reports. There is one club that is fifteen months behind, why? This puts an additional load on the governor and LCIF contacts the governor wanting to know why he can't keep his reports up to date.

SD-10 now has a candidate for the position of 1st Vice Governor. He is currently serving as the Zone Chair of Region 3, Zone 1. He is also the past president of the Vulcan-Norway-Loretto Lions Club. He is James Wash. I want to thank Jim for taking this position. I know he and Gary Klop will make a good team for the upcoming term. I will do all that I can to help them and I am sure that everyone in our district will do the same.

A graphic containing two business cards. The top card is for Plutchak FAB, L.L.C., featuring a stylized 'P' logo with a sunburst effect. The name 'Plutchak' is in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with 'FAB, L.L.C.' underneath. To the right, it says 'TIM PLUTCHAK President'. The bottom card is for Plutchak CRANE RENTAL, L.L.C., featuring a stylized 'P' logo with a crane hook. The name 'Plutchak' is in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with 'CRANE RENTAL, L.L.C.' underneath. Between the two cards, contact information is listed: E-Mail: tplutchak@plutchakfab.com, Phone: 906-864-4650, Cell: 715-587-7710, Fax: 906-863-2525, N1715 US-41, Menominee, MI 49858.

## Vice District Governor Remarks

By VDG Gary Klop



Here we are after the Holiday season and moving right along. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and we hope the best for you in the New Year. Our traveling slacked off for the month of November and December but we are now back on

the trail again. I made two trips in December. One was to the Heart of the North and Bark River Lions Club joint Christmas party. We had a very nice time and it was great to see the turnout that was there. The other trip was to Gladstone to meet with there great club. My wife stayed home as it was the baking Christmas cookie season and she was running a little behind in her baking plus she had to work. I am looking forward to visiting with the 15 other clubs on my schedule. I put in my letter to run for the position of District Governor and I am counting on everyone's support. It doesn't take much to urge me on. A kind word or a handshake is all that is appreciated unless of course you would maybe like a position on the cabinet. Again I ask the club Secretary's to send in there PU101's when it is time and also there monthly membership and activities reports. Lions International does not require a whole lot from us and we ask you to do these simple things to make our positions a little easier. I hate to keep repeating the simple things but sometimes it's necessary to remind people to please send them in.

As I told you earlier we went to Leader Dogs in Rochester Michigan for a tour. We were so impressed with everything and proud to be representing SD 10. Judy and I were talking and I have wanted a dog for quite some time but we had decided not to get another dog after having them for so many years. After visiting Leader Dog we discussed how much fun it may be to try to raise a Leader Dog and to my delight Judy agreed to it. I asked her what changed her mind about getting another dog and she said 2 reasons. The first one was that this would be for only a year and then we give it back. I told her that it may be hard to give it back. Her reply, and the 2nd reason why she agreed to get another dog was, No it won't be too bad because I know it is going for a good cause. On

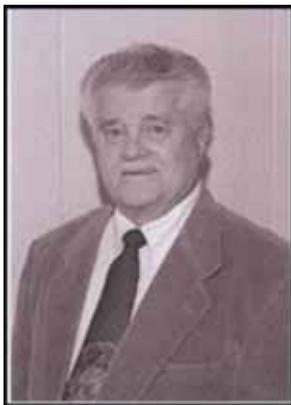
January 6th we got a call that we could pick up a puppy if we were still interested the weekend of the 15th. We are anxiously waiting; well I am, for the arrival of our new guest. So later on this spring, my trips to visit clubs will be adding another passenger with us as I look forward to bringing "Freedom" along with us to meet all of you. If all goes well she will accompany us most places we go including the District convention in Marquette. I have a niece, Ashley, who has agreed to help us and she too is getting excited about the chance of helping raise a Leader Dog. I am looking forward to the opportunity to tell people about Leader dogs and the involvement we as Lion members have with these type of groups. What a great way to open doors to a new possible member. There are so many ways we as Lions can "serve" our communities. It doesn't always have to be a fundraiser or activity of that sort. Maybe there are handicapped people, or families in your area who need a walkway shoveled, a babysitter once in a while or a container of cookies delivered and a few minutes of our time to lend an ear too. Not only is it about the money we raise but it's also about the time we dedicate to "Serve" our fellow person.

After much thought and consideration and all the help I have received from our current Governor and the Past District Governors I have submitted my letter to the nomination committee to run for District Governor for the year 2010-2011. I have received so much support from so many members. I have truly been blessed to meet so many great people in our organization. The clubs/members in our District have been so generous and supportive I feel I have to go on to represent all of you. I will try to do my best to represent all of you in a very positive manner. As I said at the last convention, we are not all going to agree or get along on everything. Hurtful words are sometimes said to each other which are part of life. Remember why we joined and hopefully it was to help others and not worry about the little things. Remember, together we can accomplish much!!

Since I wrote the main part of this article, Freedom is now living with us and growing everyday. She is a pleasure to take care of and what a way to talk about Lions. So far she can sit, down, leave it, take it, off, walk on a loose leash of course all of these are when she wants too or it depends who is around. She rides very well on the front floor of the car. She has been to basketball games, hockey games, stores, schools and church. She is also very much a pup and my arms can attest to that. I have been in 2 schools to tell them about the program and have 3 more scheduled. She has also been to a couple club visits. We look forward to seeing more of everyone. I missed the February cabinet meeting do to the flu and am still fighting it 3 days later. Hopefully I bounce back soon

## CRACKS FROM THE WHIP

By PDG Bill Whippen



It is saddening to report that we seem to be approaching a District-wide state of self-destruction. It makes me happy, though, to report that the condition may be reversible. This condition of self-destruction was reported by Governor Don at the Cabinet meeting in Marquette.

It seems that he has a lot of trouble finding Lions willing to step up and fill District and Club positions. Club vacancies should not be the Governor's problem. The responsibility for that lies not with him but with entities beyond his control – YOU.

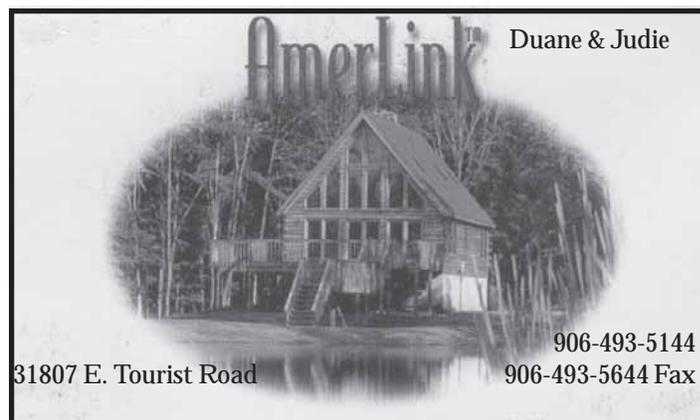
Let me illustrate my point by outlining how the District should function starting at the beginning of the District's structure – the Club. Ideally, the Club President should establish committees within the club that match District committees. That will accomplish several things, all of which are beneficial to Lions. First, The Chair of the District Committee has someone from the club to contact, which will help in the Committee's performance. Second, the Committee Chair will come to know a club Lion, which will help in identifying potential leadership. Third, the President will come to know how the Lion on that committee performs tasks. That certainly will help the President to identify potential future club leadership.

Without Club Committees there is no sound mechanism for member evaluation. Without good evaluation, club leadership is left to chance – or even worse – selection of leadership by default, i.e., no one else will do it so the current leadership stays. That is currently the standard for many elections – including the office of Vice-District Governor and District Governor. The District has been fortunate that most of our Governors performed well, and, hopefully, will continue to do so. However, and I used to preach this in my Leadership Training programs, any elections left to chance are definitely inferior to a process that grooms individuals for leadership.

As I said at the beginning, this is reversible so let me make the following suggestions:

1. Change what we are doing as clubs if the above applies to you. By that I mean, stop reelecting club officers to life/long terms of office. Two years is plenty.
2. Develop a Committee structure within the club. Give your members a chance to SERVE. Don't say, "We're too small." That's a copout. You can get members.
3. As President and club officers, you should consciously look for promising members and give them responsibilities. Nurture and develop them – it's good business.
4. President and Secretary MUST attend the Zone meetings. Unfortunately, we stay away because we feel we have nothing as a club to offer. That's the place to share ideas.

This condition IS reversible but the Cabinet can't do it on their own and neither can the Governor. Clubs and the District don't operate in a vacuum. We must SERVE together and SERVE each other. Very few leaders are born – they are developed slowly and surely. Without a process, designed to develop each member's self-confidence in their potential, each one of us is left to overcome our shyness and self-deprecation. Each of us has more skills and ability than we think we have. Development overcomes our innate sense of inferiority. Believe me – I know!



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## Michigan Eye-Bank

By Robert Chabie, Regional Coordinator

Staying in touch with you and sharing news of the Michigan Eye-Bank is an important mission of ours, as we value our relationship with our friends in the MEB community. We hope you have had an opportunity to learn more about us through our newsletters and publications, by visiting our website ([www.michiganeyebank.org](http://www.michiganeyebank.org)), and by reading about us in Lion Pride and area press.

While these vehicles have made it easy for us to communicate with you, we also wanted to make it easy for you to communicate with us—so we are happy to announce the launch of the new MEB Facebook page!

We invite you to visit our page and become our fan. By doing so you'll receive up-to-the minute news about the Eye Bank, receive firsthand information about our programs, special events, and company news, and learn about our progress within the communities we serve in Michigan. Plus—as a member of the group, you'll have an opportunity to connect with us and share your thoughts and ideas.

So please take a minute to visit the Michigan Eye-Bank Facebook page and join the group. We look forward to hearing from you.



### Bay Cliff Shady Nook Fundraiser

Lion Kris Rowe of the Gwinn Lions Club will be running in the Green Bay CellCom Marathon May 16, 2010. She is taking pledges for the Bay Cliff Shady Nook Capital Campaign. A flat rate pledge can be made. Pledges can be made via the mail or email if you are interested. You can send a check now or get billed after the race. [Krowe@nmu.edu](mailto:Krowe@nmu.edu) or Kris Rowe 1216 High St. Apt. #1, Marquette, MI 49855. Thank you for your support.

## Drummond Island Lions Club proudly presents



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### **FOR INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

PDG Goltz is seeking the endorsement of Single District 10 Lions Club for support as a candidate for the 2010-2012 International Director. He has met the requirements of Lions International and has received the support of the Drummond Island Lions Club. If elected, he will represent the District and the State of Michigan in Sydney, Australia during the International Convention this summer. For this to happen, PDG Goltz will need the endorsement of Single District 10 at the District Convention in April in Marquette, Michigan.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact PDG Goltz at (906) 493-5144 or email at [dj5644@alphacomm.net](mailto:dj5644@alphacomm.net)

### **Looking for Host Families**

By VDG Gary Klop

I have received applications from Turkey, Finland and Japan of kids wanting to come this summer under the Youth Exchange Program. If you know of any families who would like to host a youth for the summer or would like any of the applications let me know. I can be reached at (906) 647-3232 or email [gklop@sault.com](mailto:gklop@sault.com).

See Page 38 for further information on being a Host Family for the Youth Exchange Program.



## Lions International Peace Poster Contest

By Joe Baczkowski

I'm happy to announce this year's District 10 winner of the Peace Poster Contest is Selena Williams. She is an eleven year old, sixth grade student at Nah Tah Wahsh PSA of the Hannahville Indian School. Congratulations to Selena and the Heart of the North Lions Club that sponsored her school. Her poster was judged best of all the posters submitted from across the District and has been forwarded to International for further competition. Good luck Selena!

At a recent meeting of Heart of the North Lions Club, the group gathered to congratulate Selena, the District Peace Poster contest winner. The Hannahville youth was presented a replica of her poster and a plaque by the District Governor. Shown above making the presentation are, from left, Club President Winifred Sanville, Hannahville student Selena Williams and her father, Brian Williams, and Lions Club District Governor Don Wojakowski.

Congratulations also to all the students from across the Upper Peninsula that participated in the contest and shared your views on the theme "The Power of Peace". Thank you also to all the Lions Clubs that got involved by sponsoring a youth group.

The International winners will be announced soon and then we can prepare for next year's contest with the theme "Vision of Peace". Information regarding the Lions International Peace Poster Contest can be viewed anytime at the International web site at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) under youth programs.

## LCIF Affordable Hearing Aid Program

LCIF has affordable, high-quality hearing aids available to Lions clubs in the United States for low-income members of their communities. The two types of digital hearing aids from Rexton, Inc. can be purchased for \$200 per aid from the Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project (Lions AHAP).

Ninety-five percent of individuals with hearing loss can be successfully treated with hearing aids yet 30 percent are unable to afford hearing aids. Seven million people in the U.S. cannot afford to purchase hearing aids. In 2005, the average cost of a hearing aid was \$1,900, and most people need two hearing aids. Hearing is critical to communication, so when there is even a minimal loss, it affects all aspects of a person's life. For example, people with untreated hearing loss make an estimated 50% to 70% less in wages than their hearing peers.

The two types of aids offer Lions clubs the opportunity to help with almost any type of hearing loss. Reducing communication breakdown for one person creates a ripple effect that touches everyone in the community. And, based on feedback from the program so far, many clubs are revitalized and often recruit new members committed to the new service.

Please consider participating in this program. To learn more about Lions AHAP, please visit [http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif\\_gr\\_ahap.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_gr_ahap.shtml) or contact the office at 630-571-5466, ext. 615. The e-mail address is [LionsAHAP@lionsclubs.org](mailto:LionsAHAP@lionsclubs.org).

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## IRS and Tax

Did you know that in May 2010, half a million nonprofits could find themselves stripped of their exempt status. The IRS estimates that is the number of small organizations that have failed to file a Form 990-N. Small clubs with gross receipts under \$25,000 can simply go online and file Form 990-N. There are no amounts required.

All you have to do is provide a contact person, mailing address and check a box saying the organization is still alive.

So BE SMART and get your records up to date and file the required tax returns before you lose your tax-exempt status.



## Chassell Lions Club Activities

By Lois Berg

Every year the Chassell Lions Club holds the Strawberry Festival to raise money for local and state causes. Proceeds from the festival are funneled back into Copper Country organizations in many ways. This fall the Lions held a Halloween Party for the children of Chassell. One thousand dollars was donated to the Chassell School for their electronic information display sign. The Lions sponsored a Quincy Mine tour for Big Brothers and Big Sisters and donated \$900 to Little Brother's Friends of the Elderly for their winter heating program. One hundred dollars went to the Chassell Old Fashioned Christmas holiday celebration and fifteen Christmas gift certificates for groceries were distributed to Chassell residents in need. At the state level the Chassell Lions donated to the Michigan Eye Bank, the Leader Dogs for the Blind, and to the Northwood's Air Lifeline, which offers free flights to people in the Upper Peninsula needing medical treatments or transplants. In addition to giving away money the Chassell Lions spent a day at Econo Foods ringing the bell for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign. Anyone interested in joining this active

group please call the club secretary, Dan Crane at 906-523-6191.

This year the Chassell Lions Club will be hosting their annual Strawberry Festival on July 9th & 10th.

Picture above is Chassell Lion Lois Berg presenting a check for \$900 to Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly Board President, John VanWestenberg, to help out with their "Turn on the Heat Program." Partnered with St. Vincent DePaul, Little Brothers volunteers delivered one hundred cords of wood to seventy-seven elderly families and cut wood for five other families which supplied their own. Funds are used to purchase gas and oil and maintain chainsaws, log splitters, and delivery trucks, volunteer liability insurance, and wood if the donated supply runs out. St. Vincent's uses the funds to help elderly families with non wood heating costs.

## Movie Day with the Stephenson Lions

On January fourth, the Stephenson Lions Club hosted the Stephenson Elementary School District's children to a movie, popcorn, and soda. There were 320 students in attendance from grades kindergarten through fifth for this belated Christmas event. The Tivoli Theater presented "The Princess and The Frog." Seven Lions who served the popcorn and soda were amazed at the boundless energy of the children. A good time was had by all.

## Attention Club Presidents & Secretaries

If your club has not received copies of the Marquette County Accommodations; convention registration; revised tentative schedule; delegate certification and 2009-2010 Necrology of the either by USPS or e-mail please call PDG Klaus, 906-249-1242 or [lklaus@chartermi.net](mailto:lklaus@chartermi.net) at once.

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## Days River Lions Adopted New Project

By Debra Martin

The Days River Area Lions have adopted a new project called “Totes of Hope”. Totes are made of flannel fabric with pockets that contain items such as razors, soap, tooth brushes, shampoo, cream rinse, and other personal items. The idea came with the thought that many people out there need these items- : For example they receive foods cards, clothing allowances after fires, or when homeless, but not personal items. Our first Tote of Hope was given out to Aleshia Boye after the 14th Street fires.

Every year we do a community Christmas party with Santa, lunch and hand out stockings filled with toys and candy. This year we asked if each child would bring 1 toothbrush or 1 bar of soap for the “Totes of Hope”. Well they brought in more, each family that came brought in a bag full of items for our totes, and this was wonderful. The children enjoyed lunch, crafts and decorating photo frames for their pictures that were taken with Santa. A good time was had by all. Any questions or donations you would like to make to help our project Totes of Hope please fell free to contact: Debra Martin @ 420-2871 or e mail me at dljanitorial@yahoo.com.



## Wells Lions Memorial Tournament

The Wells Lions Club sponsored the Lion Dick Johnsen Memorial Hockey Tournament for the second year. Dick’s wife Marge accepts the trophy with three of the Escanaba High School players which won the tournament. PDG Richard Johnsen was a member of the Wells Lions Club and was instrumental in developing the Ice Rinks in Escanaba as well as the Hockey Program.

Our future is rooted in the past.  
The future needs vision.  
Vision without action is only a dream.  
- Eberhard Wirfs -  
President, Lions Clubs International

## Wells Lions Assist Local Resident

Lion Joe Anderson organized fellow Well Lions Club members to install a ramp for a gentleman who was confined to a wheel chair in the Bay View Area. The ramp was moved from another house and redesigned to fit the new house.





### Wells Lions Club

By Willy LaMarche

Vice District Governor Gary Klop recently made a visit to the Wells Lions Club on Feb 1st with his Leader Dog Freedom. The Vice Governor gave a very interesting presentation on the Leader Dog Program. He also explained why his hair is so long and put out the challenge to any members to raise enough money to have the honor, it sounds that Lion Jenny Ware of the Brampton-Days River Area Lions Club is taking this very serious.

*Inspire Others!  
Ask a friend to help at a Lions Club event.  
Make helping others a habit.*

### Dafter Lions Assist Salvation Army

The Dafter Lion's Club makes a donation to the Salvation Army to assist local families during the Christmas Season. Pictured here are Dafter Lion's Club Vice Chair Andrea Osborn and Salvation Army's Social Services Coordinator Stephanie Doran.



### Gwinn Lions Adopt Three Families

By Bill Rowe

The Gwinn Lions have continued to support those in need locally by adopting 3 local families for Christmas. This year involved 3 single-parent families with a total of 7 children. The gifts were donated by the individual Lions in the club. Each member was provided a list in advance outlining needs of each family including sizes, male or female and individual needs and wishes. The individual working with the families to compile the lists works to keep the request practical and proper. Only the person working with the family knew their identity. Any gifts for parents were wrapped in advance, while the children's gifts were unwrapped so the parent would know what was given. Wrapping paper was also provided. Gifts were brought to the club's Christmas Party and brought to a local church where the parent could wrap them. We have done this for several years rather than exchanging gifts among members, and it has been very popular among the club members. The Club also budgeted \$200.00 which was used to provide gift certificates for the families from a local grocery store.

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### Ottawa Lions Install First Women

The Ottawa Lions Club recently inducted their first two women in the Lions Club. Pictured are the new members and their sponsors from left to right Bob Spears (sponsor), Pam Urbis (new member), Gerry Hoefflerle(sponsor), Deborah Hoefflerle (new member).



### Lions Converge on Fairgrounds

By PDG Harold Schermer

As the Lake States 64th Annual Logging Congress rolled into Escanaba last fall, three local Lions Clubs converged on the UP State Fair Ground to earn a little money for their respective Lions Clubs projects by keeping the Loggers, Venders and spectators well feed and hydrated.

The Escanaba Lions Club food stand was run by PDG Bruce Andrews and his crew also kept their grill going throughout the days in order to keep all those attending well feed. The Gladstone Lions Club kept their tent setup to see that along with all the food that was sold, there was a place the attendees cold obtain some liquid refreshments of their choice.

Pictured is the Wells Lions Club famous white food trailer with workers Lion LaMarche, Lion Gartland and Lion Way. They featured a Loggers Special Burger which was a great hit at the Logging Congress. It took members to make the 3-day event a success. The event was a roaring success and everyone enjoyed the weeks activities.

The Logging Congress is one of the most pretigious logging shows in the nation. Alternating between Michigan and Wisconsin, the attendance ranges from thirty to sixty thousand with both domestic and foreign exhibitors.



### Manistique Lakes Lions Start the Year on Positive Note

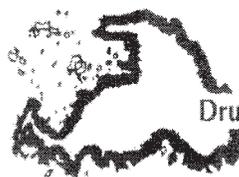
The Manistique Lakes Lions kicked off 2010 with the addition of two new members. At a recent meeting the Lions Club welcomed the new members. Pictured left to right are Treasurer Mary Spratto, President Bill Maclachan, new members John & Karen Norris, secretary Bob Beaker.



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## Single District 10 Membership Matters

By PDG Knut Strom  
Membership/Orientation

Let me start with some district facts and figures: As of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> this year the district had **14 members** plus, **19 clubs** had a net gain, **22 clubs** had a loss, **19 clubs** maintained the same and **19 clubs** are with less than 20 members. Membership recruiting is not a one man gang operation, or by just a few. Membership development is a team effort – we work together. I have said it many times, at meetings and in this Magazine, bringing additional members into your club is a responsibility of every member. We must also look at the big picture; District, Regions, Zones and Club levels. How did we do things in the past?

We used to have a Fall Forum. What happened? We used to have Regional Chairpersons? What happened? Some District Governors used to have a monthly newsletter. Others used to have an incentive Club contest. All of these items I feel were important tools for keeping Lions excited, enthused and informed.

At the Drummond Island convention, I had a breakaway session on membership and orientation. At the session only five members from two Lions Clubs attended. Draw our own conclusion.

At every meeting that I have attended, I have handed out brochures, pamphlets, documents and other material pertaining to membership recruiting techniques and orientation. I had expected that every Lion in attendance would pick up this material and pass it on to their respective clubs. How many have?

Each club should have the so called “**Three Person – Three Year Membership Committee**” on board, which is strongly recommended by Lions International. It will strengthen your Club’s Membership Growth, Extension, Retention and Leadership Activities. This committee is your clubs workhorse for creating an action plan and setting goals.

Here is what International President Eberhart Wirfs has to say: **Move to Grow 2009-1010**, like the Ginkgo tree. He also said “Growing membership should be the focus of each Lion and Club”, page 3, September Lion Magazine. He also said in his club officers message

via email; “we know there are Lions there to respond. All we have to do is Ask”.

The bottom line is: **Get Organized, Develop Goals, Create an Action Plan.** Do not be afraid to ask, each one Ask One.

Proper orientation is a must when bringing new members into your club. Retention starts the moment you initiate a new member.

Note to all clubs: If your club is interested in any membership/orientation material, I have on hand several items that would be very useful for your membership recruiting initiatives. Like one item would be the latest New Member Kit, a must packet to give to a new member at the initiation. Call me at (906) 485-1747 or email [stromk@charter.net](mailto:stromk@charter.net).

There is no such thing as too late for bringing new members. Let’s keep the momentum going! My hat goes off to both the Bark River Lions Club with 13 new members and the Rock Lions Club with 9 new members. How Did You Do It?



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## **Gwinn Lions Support Midnight Run**

By Lee Rowe

The Gwinn Lions continue to support the local community by manning the Southgate Road crossing for both the Midnight Run and Jackpine 30 sled dog races both of which begin in Gwinn. As with most Lions our members are also involved in other community activities which in this case also support the races. Lion Mike Prokopowicz works as the Master of Ceremonies, Lions Mike Prokopowicz, Bill Rowe, Bill Rowe Jr, Gary Erickson Dave Jenner and Charles Frassetto are a part of the Forsyth Singers who sing the Canadian and American National Anthems for both races, Lion Ron Libey works a different crossing with the Baptist Church and Lion Lee Rowe works as a Ham Radio operator for both the Midnight Run and UP 200 races.

## **Project Kidsight - Vision Screening for Preschool Aged Children**

By PDG Jenny Ware

Project Kidsight, introduced in 2006 to the Lions of Michigan started from a grant received from LCIF. This grant allows the Lions of Michigan to provide vision screenings to preschool aged children. This easy screening takes a couple of pictures of the child's eyes, the picture is sent to a trained eye doctor and the parents receive notification if the child passed the screening or if it is recommended that they seek further testing by a local eye doctor. It is that simple!!!

The Lions of SD10 have seen the need for this vulnerable age group and have taken this project seriously! Lions from Drummond Island, to Sault

Sainte Marie, to Marquette, to Rapid River and extending to Crystal Falls, Iron Mountain, Bessemer and many clubs in between. These Lions have attended the hour and a half training to learn how to use the camera and have been providing screenings to hundreds of children through out the Upper Peninsula. Approximately 2% of the over 1,200 children screened have been referred for further testing. A few of these parents have written testimonies to inform us of how the screening has changed their child's life!

One parent stated that she did not know that her 4 year old son could not see across the room. When he stood directly in front of the television to watch any program, she thought he was "just being a child". After being screened and being referred for further testing, he received his first pair of eye glasses. When he walked into a local business with his grandparents, he stated to them that he did not know the room was so big! He could not see further than a few feet away! Because of this screening, the Lions of SD10 have opened a whole new world for this young man!!! Imagine how difficult school would have been not being able to focus on the board that the teacher was writing on!!

Screenings cost \$3 per child: \$1.50 stipend to the eye doctor to read and \$1.50 for film.

Please ask your Club to consider a donation to allow the Lions of SD10 to provide this unique screening to the children of the Upper Peninsula!! Donations can be sent to me at 9249 CR 513, Rapid River, MI 49878.

How about hosting a training for your Club or providing a screening at a local daycare, preschool or health fair?

For further information please contact me at pdg10jen@hotmail.com.

## **Marquette Lions Club Breakfast**

By Deborah Bengry

The Marquette Lions Club will be hosting their annual breakfast on Sunday, April 11 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Elks Lodge, 127 N. Front Street, Marquette. Cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$3.50 for children 5 to 10 years of age and free for younger children. Tickets may be purchased from Lions club members or at the door. For more information call Bill at 226-4063 or Deborah at 228-6439. All proceeds from the breakfast will benefit the "Room at the Inn" a homeless program hosted by an inter-faith coalition of churches in the Marquette area.



## Welcome to Liberty Day!

Liberty Day is a program for our youth. It is a way to strength citizenship in our youth through a program based on the Constitution of the United States. This is a program started by the Lions Clubs of Denver. Michigan adopted this program in the November 2002. There are several ways a Lions Club can sponsor a Liberty Day program.

The first way is through a school program. Lions Clubs should arrange a speaker who would be interesting to the students. This speaker could be an elected official or someone who could speak on the rights and responsibilities of citizens as granted by the Constitution. Once you have your speaker, you can receive permission of the school system to sponsor a Liberty Day event to a class or a group of students. I have found that 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up is ideal. Then order the number of Liberty Day booklets you need from the District Chairman. The cost is \$.60 each and includes shipping. Also work with the teacher(s) so that they reinforce what the speaker has said through an essay or other classroom work. The students could even write a letter of thanks to the speaker/Lions Club on the subject.

Another project is with a Boy Scout troop. Boy Scouts must earn the Citizenship in the Nation merit badge as a requirement for rank promotion. Again, use the speaker and the booklets. The Liberty Day project has been endorsed by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. A third project is when a group of youth work a project in a public place to promote the Constitution. There are a series of questions that they can use. They would ask an adult the question— whether it is right or wrong, the adult receives either a flag pin or flag sticker. The booklets are used to coach the youth on the Constitution so that they are more confident in asking the questions as they know the answers themselves. They should work under the guidance of adults and in a place that has given permission for them to be there.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your District Liberty Day Chairman Lion Ed Vinoski of the Bessemer Lions Club. He can be reach at (906) 932-5226. If your Lions Club is interested in sponsoring a Liberty Day project with a Scout group, please contact your local scout masters to make the arrangements.

## 5 All State Band Students to Represent Single District 10 Lions

By PDJ Jenny Ware

When the Lions of Michigan All State Band travels to Sydney, Australia, June 23rd - July 1st for the 93rd Lions International Convention, 5 of the 50 member band will be from SD10. Lauren Belanger, Rachelle Leveille, and Bridget Schumann from Escanaba and Collete Robinson and Ellyn Oswald from Bark River were selected to the band during auditions back in November, 2009.

Not only will the band be marching in their 33rd consecutive Lions International convention but their trip will include a 3-Day Pre-Tour Band Camp at Adrian College (June 20-22, 2010), attending the Lions International Convention National Rugby League Game, site seeing at Darling Harbor, going on a City Tour in Sydney, visiting Gledswood Homestead, traveling to Featherdale Wildlife Park, enjoying Sydney Harbor tour, traveling to the Blue Mountains, having dinner a board the Harbor Dinner Cruise, traveling to The Rocks, experiencing an Aboriginal Village and attending a performance at the Sydney Opera House.

Along with performing in the International Convention Parade, their busy schedule includes a Pre-tour concert, carrying the flags in the Lions International Flag Ceremony, a concert at a Plenary Session of Lions International Convention, a Concert for Michigan Lions delegation while in Sydney, performing prior to the National Rugby League Game, performing at the Darling Harbor and providing a concert in Sydney!!

The cost this trip is \$3,995 per student. Not only does the cost include all of the currently mentioned, but it also includes all meals, transportation and lodging!! Please help support these great students by sending a donation to help cover their cost and to help this great tradition of the Lions of Michigan!! Do not hesitate to contact me should you or your club need further information, have any questions or would like a presentation at a meeting!! My email is pdg10jen@hotmail.com

Our greatest glory is not in never falling,  
But in getting up every time we do.  
Confucius



## COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR DELTA COUNTY

Bill Lake, representing the Bark River Lions Club presents a \$5,000 check to Matt Smith, Jr. and the Board of Trustees of the Community Foundation For Delta County. The funds will be placed in the Bark River Lions Club Scholarship fund in the foundation.

The Bark River Lions Club's "King Lion", Mr. Brian Adams stated, "because of the tremendous success of our Off-Road races each summer, our club is able to support a number of really great projects and programs with our race proceeds."

Bill Lake, a retired Bark River-Harris School Superintendent said, "members of the Bark River Lions are truly proud to be able to give back to the community. Our financial support of scholarships for graduating students to help them continue their education and become productive members of the community is very heart-warming."

Matt Smith, Jr., "thanked" the members of the Bark River Lions Club for their support of the community foundation and in particular the students who will be our next generation of leaders. Dr. William A. LeMire III, Board Chair of the community foundation said, "The community foundation was thankful for the support it receives from many donors in the community and one (1) of the primary focuses of the foundation's grant-making is youth". "Helping our graduates to receive a first-rate education through the Bark River Lions Scholarship Fund is really wonderful", LeMire III concluded.

Those in the photo are: Seated left to right; Kel Smyth, Bonnie Wenick-Kutz, Sally Bittner, Vicky Giguere. Standing left to right; Ken Gartland, Alex Hakkola, Bill Lake, Matt Smith, Jr., Peg Erickson, Brian Pahnke, Will Carne, Sr., and Board Chair Dr. William A. LeMire III.

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## Nominations and Elections Committee

By PDG Robert Miller

Just a reminder that elections are only two months away. District 10 will be electing a 1st Vice District Governor, a 2nd Vice District Governor and a one year Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Trustee to complete the term of Donald Gries who passed away in December. Also a two year trustee. There is also a candidate seeking District 10 endorsement for International Director.

The qualifications for 1st Vice District Governor are: Must have served a full term or major portion of a full term as club president, have served as Zone Chairperson or Cabinet Secretary or Treasurer and have served as 2nd Vice District Governor. If the candidate has not completed a term as 2nd Vice District Governor then must have served on the District Cabinet an additional year.

The qualifications for 2nd Vice District Governor are: Must have served a full term or a major portion of a term as a club president, must have been a Zone Chairperson, or Cabinet secretary or Cabinet Treasurer. Also a candidate for 1st or 2nd Vice District Governor must have the endorsement of his or her club.

The qualifications for International Director are: Must have served a full term or major portion of a full term as a District Governor. The qualification for Trustee of Lions of Michigan Service Foundation: must be a member in good standing of a District 10 Lions Club that is in good standing with District 10 and Lions Clubs International.

All candidates for elected District 10 offices must be a member in good standing of a District 10 Lions Club that is in good standing with the District and Lions Clubs International. Send nominations to District 10 Nominations and Election Committee Chairperson PDG Bob Miller at P.O. Box 42 Drummond Island, Mi. 49726. Nominations must be received 30 days before District 10 Convention.

### Stephenson Lions Celebrate 65 years

The Stephenson Lions Club will be celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the Pullman House in Menominee, Michigan on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. All Lions Clubs and Lions are invited to attend the event. The cost is \$15.00 each. The Pullman House is located at 2190 US Highway 41 just outside of the city of Menominee. For reservations and further information contact Lion Roger Fries at (906) 788-4282.

## Accept The Leadership Challenge

District 10 needs 1st Vice District Governor candidates. According to the Constitution and By-Laws, the 1st Vice District Governor, subject to the supervision and direction of the District Governor, shall be chief administrative assistant to the District Governor. His/her specific responsibilities shall be to:

1. Further the purposes of this association;
2. Perform administrative duties as assigned by the district governor and accept and complete other duties as required by the International Board of Directors;
3. Attend cabinet meetings;
4. Preside at cabinet meetings and other meetings in the absence of the governor and participate in council meetings as appropriate;
5. Assist the governor in identifying opportunities and challenges facing the district and in developing long-term strategies to strengthen and grow the district;
6. Conduct club visitations when requested by the district governor;
7. Work with the District Membership, Extension, Leadership Development and Convention Committees and assist them in reaching their goals for the year.
8. Supervise other district committees at the request of the district governor;
9. Participate in the planning of the following year including the district budget;
10. Become familiar with the responsibilities of the district governor.

If you have served as a president of a Lions club, as zone or region chairperson, or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer, you meet the qualifications. If interested, please contact either DG Don Wojakowski (906) 753-2888 or VDG Gary Klop (906) 647-3232.



## LCIF

By Joe Baczkowski, District Coordinator

After the resounding successes of Campaign Sight First (CSF) and Campaign Sight First II (CSFII), Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has realized that we Lions around the world have the capability of raising immense amounts of money and putting it to great use. While sight preservation projects are, and will forever be, our most important work, we as Lions also provide much needed assistance to support youth, combat disability and provide disaster relief through grants from our Foundation. If we can learn and utilize some of the tools that led to the success of CSF and try to raise funds in that manner year round, the Foundation will grow and be even more effective in serving all our humanitarian efforts.

Over the next couple years, LCIF is exploring big changes. It is looking for better recognition and visibility, new ways of raising even larger amounts of money, new ways of distributing grants, and new means to recognize and thank our donors. As a start this year, LCIF would like to educate everyone, the public as well as Lions, on the great things we do. We have already been recognized as one of the best Non Government Organizations (NGO's) to work with in the world. However studies show that even many everyday Lions members do not realize our accomplishments or how we operate. Starting this year and continuing into the future, there will be efforts to increase awareness and educate everyone on LCIF. All forms of media will be used. You are probably already aware of more articles in our magazines and on the web promoting LCIF and they will continue. As leaders in our District, I encourage everyone to learn more about our Foundation, always keep it in mind and promote it to fellow Lions and the public. As District Coordinator I can help in getting information and publicity tools to use in this effort. The more we can do to support our Foundation, the more we will help those in need.

A good example of LCIF in action is it's immediate response to the Haiti earthquake. Being international in scope, we of course had Lions living in Haiti that were affected by the quake and knew first hand what was needed. Those Lions were immediately sent a \$50,000 grant to get started and a relief fund, "Lions Hope for Haiti", was set up that has so far raised nearly \$2 million. Individual Lions, Clubs and

Districts from around the world have also sent volunteers, equipment and shelters to help deal with the initial impact. Like other previous disasters, LCIF is not only committed to meeting the immediate needs of the people, but will be working through the Lions in the region to provide relief for years to come, helping rebuild homes and hospitals, redeveloping the eye care delivery system, providing human resource support and assisting the newly disabled.

Information on the Haiti relief effort as well as other projects we are involved in can be found on the International web site, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org). Please encourage support wherever you can!

## Life-Changing Services and Opportunities for Youth

Around the world, if we see a need, we fill that need. In 45,000 communities in more than 200 countries, Lions implement targeted, creative projects to meet the specific needs of local children – whether they're at risk for hearing or vision loss or can't afford to have their bikes repaired.

Our programs make growing up safer and healthier. Through Services for Children, we meet education and health needs. Through Lions Quest, we bring crucial life skills to classrooms. We also respond to issues that cry out for solutions and support – by bringing potable water to far-flung villages, building a home for street children in Sri Lanka. And through a number of other programs uniquely suited to match local challenges in communities around the world.

We bring young people together. Our Leo clubs inspire and support volunteerism and leadership in young people ages 12 and up by giving them the chance to learn, grow and serve by participating in community service projects.

We enhance their lives. Every year, thousands of young people travel around the world to learn about cultures, customs and friendship through our Youth Camp and Exchange program.

And we help them share a message of peace. For decades, the Peace Poster Contest has helped young people express their creativity, their aspirations and their hopes for the world.

## **Marquette Lions and Project Kidsight Screen 57 Children**

By PDG Jenny Ware

Saturday, February 20th, 2010, the Marquette Lions participated in the Annual Children's Health Fair, Kaleidoscope, in the Superior Dome in Marquette. This was the 5th year that the Club hosted Project Kidsight for the health fair. Project Kidsight is a State wide project supported by the Lions of SD10. The screening involves taking a photo of the child with an over sized instamatic camera, called the MTI Photoscreener. These photos are then sent to the main office, hosted in the Children's Hospital in Detroit. A trained eye doctor then reads the photo and the parents are then notified if the screening was normal or if they recommend that the child be tested for any abnormalities. The screening cost to the Lions is \$3 per child.

Lion Joe Baczkowski, Marquette Lions, PDG Larry Klaus, Chocoley Lions, and Janet Whippen, Munising explained and encouraged parents to have their children screened. Lions Art Anderson and PDG Bill Whippen, both of Marquette Lions performed the screenings. PDG Jenny Ware and her daughter, Heather, took care of the photos and paperwork. In all 57 children were screened Saturday. This brings the total children screened in the last 5 years to over 1200 preschool aged children!!

Great stories are becoming a part of hosting these screenings. Lion Joe was asked by a grandmother if the Project Kidsight booth was the place for having children's vision screened. She had heard about the free screenings and was concerned about her grandchild because her son, the child's father, needed glasses when he was very young. She brought her son and grandson to the Project Kidsight booth. The father filled out the consent form and the 4 year old's vision was screened!!

Another parent verbalized her appreciation of having the opportunity to have her child's vision screened as she had noticed in the last couple of weeks that the child was squinting a lot. She was thinking about getting the child into an eye doctor and happened to be at the Kaleidoscope Health Fair. She also, filled out the consent form and her 4 year old was screened.

Thank you to the Lion's present Saturday for their time and effort of "Saving Vision, One Child At A Time"!!!

## **Michigan Eye-Bank Seeks Community Partners**

Want a new way to team up with the Michigan Eye-Bank in support of eye, organ and tissue donation? The Eye-Bank is looking for Community Partners – businesses, community venues and other organizations who are willing to promote the importance of joining the Michigan Organ Donor Registry and the Eye-Bank's mission of sight restoration. Last year, more than a dozen Upper Peninsula residents received a second chance for sight through corneal transplantation, thanks to the generosity of donors who made their wishes regarding donation known.

Becoming a Community Partner is a great way for organizations throughout the state to get involved with their communities, while supporting a vital cause.

The decision to join the program was an easy one Nishan Artinian, who owns Ann Arbor's WideWorld Sports Center, the Eye-Bank's first Community Partner. "It sounded like a great idea," he says. "Why not save somebody's eyesight?"

A variety of Partnership opportunities are available, and the Eye-Bank will work with each organization to tailor a program to fit its needs. An organization might, for example, allow Eye-Bank volunteers to set up a Donate Life Station, featuring a laptop computer with a wireless Internet card, enabling volunteers to sign visitors up on the Donor Registry via the Internet, at the facility. Or the organization might offer Michigan Eye-Bank and other donation-related materials – supplied by the Eye-Bank – to customers.

In exchange for their efforts, Community Partners will receive free publicity on the Michigan Eye-Bank's Web site, [www.michiganeyebank.org](http://www.michiganeyebank.org), and in print materials featuring the Eye-Bank's Community Partners program. They will also receive publicity via press releases that announce the partnership, acknowledge the partner's support and encourage patronage among members of the community. Releases will be issued by the Michigan Eye-Bank, and distributed to local media. There is no cost to Community Partners, and they get materials supporting the Eye-Bank's important mission, for distribution to customers/clients and employees.

If you know an organization that may be interested in becoming a Community Partner, please contact Alison Claerhout at (800) 247-7250, ext. 2304 or [aclaerhout@michiganeyebank.org](mailto:aclaerhout@michiganeyebank.org).



## Winter at Bay Cliff

By Karen Schlicher

Assistant Director Bay Cliff Health Camp

Winter in the north can be an arduous season on most of us unless you have the opportunity to get out and enjoy it. That is what we offer our campers at Winter Blast! It is a weekend program of winter fun for adults with physical disabilities. The campers who come in the summer have the chance to return to Bay Cliff in January for this event. Not only is it an opportunity to see old friends again, it's a great winter retreat.

Ice fishing is one of the highlights of the weekend. No matter the weather, the campers find shelter and warmth out on the ice in the fishing tent. For many, it is the first time they have ever gone ice fishing. It's a thrill when you feel a tug on your jigging pole or a flag goes off on the tip-up. Everyone rushes over to see what is being hauled in. This year the fish were barely biting, but one camper landed a 25 ½ inch northern pike and was proud to tell the story later as we talked around the fireplace. Even if you don't catch one, it's always fun to talk about the big one that got away. And we learn from the experience. We learn that occasionally we can walk on water (you still need faith and the hand of God for the liquid kind), that coffee never tastes better than when you drink it outside on a cold day, and that fishing is best when done with friends. At Winter Blast, the fishing buddies are good company indeed.

Like the adults, the children from our summer program have an opportunity to return to camp in the winter. Each year in March, the Bay Cliff kids enjoy a weekend known as Snow Days. Just like the adults, it

is a reunion for the kids to see their summer friends again. Their excitement grows when they get the opportunity to go for a dog sled ride! The Jack Pine Mushers volunteer their dogs & sleds and love for the sport to bring this event to Snow Days each year. Some of the children can get into the sleds themselves; others are gently transferred in by the hands of the staff, most of whom are volunteers, too. Then, off they go, calling out the commands "hike" to go and "gee" and "haw" to direct the dogs right and left. They smile all the way.

Other activities at Snow Days include ice fishing, snow bowling, learning about nature in the winter, making snow cream, singing camp songs, enjoying s'mores around the fire, and riding a hay wagon into town for church services. They really do have "snow much fun together," and they can't wait to come back again in the summer!

New Bay Cliff programs this winter will be family retreats. The first will be for children with obesity and their families. Weight management as a prevention to physical disabilities as children grow older has become an emphasis in our summer therapy program. During the winter, we would like to invite the families of the children to come with their child for a weekend retreat that centers on wellness in a variety of ways. The second weekend retreat will be for children with cerebral palsy and their families. It will give the families a chance to experience camp just as their children do. It will also be an opportunity for new families, who are considering our summer therapy program for their child, to experience Bay Cliff for the first time.

Winter may be a quieter time of the year, but it is filled with a variety of camp programs and retreats. All this is due to the renovation projects that have taken place since 2003 to upgrade our buildings and improve their function and accessibility all year round. It allows us to pursue our mission of wellness, education, youth development, and therapy & recreational opportunities for children and adults with physical disabilities. The renovations are made possible through the generosity of sponsors, partners, and friends – like all of you in Lions of Michigan District 10! Thanks to you, Bay Cliff is a regional center of possibility – no matter the season!

Create the Kind of Self  
you will be happy to live with all your life.  
Foster C. McClellan



## Bay Cliff Update

By Kris Rowe

Bay Cliff hosted their Open House on January 2nd. It was another successful event with about 75 guests including staff, Lions members, Board of Directors, former campers, and other friends of Bay Cliff.

They also had their annual Winter Blast from January 21-24. They had 17 adult campers participate in the program. Other upcoming events scheduled at Bay Cliff are:

- Snow Days for the Bay Cliff Kids: March 5 - 7, 2010
- Bay Cliff's Wellness Weekend for Kids with Obesity: March 26 - 28 (tentative)
- Bay Cliff's Family Program for Kids with Cerebral Palsy: April 10 - 11
- U.P. Pediatric Therapy Workshop: April 22-23, 2010
- Summer Therapy Program: June 19 – August 7, 2010

Donations to Bay Cliff are as follows:

- 2009 Operations Donations from Lions Clubs is \$18,798.50
- Total from Lions Clubs to Shady Nook Capital Campaign is \$127,249.50
- There has also been \$22,715 given from individuals towards the Shady Nook Project

Please remember to designate your checks to either the Shady Nook Capital Campaign or to Operations. If you would like a Bay Cliff Representative to come and make a presentation to your club, please let us know. Thank you for your continued support of Bay Cliff Health Camp!

## Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

Lions Clubs International Foundation is the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International. The foundation was chartered in 1968 to support the efforts of Lions clubs around the world in serving their local communities and the world community through humanitarian service, major disaster relief and vocational assistance programs.

The SightFirst program, the aggressive global service initiative that mobilizes Lions resources at all levels, responds to worldwide needs for the prevention of blindness. LCIF SightFirst grants are supporting projects that meet critical needs in both developing and developed countries. The SightFirst program has already provided over one million cataract surgeries, initiated eye health awareness programs, supported eye disease treatment plans, constructed hospitals and funded training for ophthalmic personnel.

The newest LCIF grant program, "Core 4," provides grants of up to US\$200,000 for high impact Lions service projects. The Core 4 program addresses the larger humanitarian needs in the communities where Lions serve. LCIF Core 4 grants are limited to a list of specific types of projects consistent with the top four humanitarian concerns of Lions: preserving eyesight, combating disability, promoting health and serving youth.

Donations to LCIF support grants in these categories: LCIF SightFirst, Core 4, Standard, International Assistance Grants (IAG), Emergency, Major Catastrophe and Major International Service Program.

LCIF honors donors with a variety of awards and forms of recognition. The highest form of recognition is the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Other recognitions include Honor Roll and Contributing Membership.



## Lions and Walmart USA Eyeglass Collection



Lions Clubs International is pleased to announce that it has entered into a collaborative agreement with Walmart to collect used eyeglasses from the public at Walmart and Sam's Club stores throughout the United States.

Co-branded eyeglass collection boxes, bearing both the LCI and Walmart logos, will be available in the 2,500 Walmart stores, and 500 Sam's Clubs, with vision

centers, commencing January-February, 2010. These new boxes will replace existing Lions collection boxes currently in place at the specified stores with vision centers. For Walmart stores and Sam's Clubs without vision centers, existing Lions eyeglass collections will continue at the discretion of the store manager.

Walmart will ship the collected eyeglasses to their distribution centers, where they will then be delivered to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers for sorting, cleaning and processing.

Usable glasses will be available for Lions and other optical missions to developing nations, where the glasses will be dispensed to children and adults free of charge.

Based upon their proximity to the Walmart distribution centers, the following Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers will be receiving eyeglasses collected from the public at Walmart stores:

- Indiana Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, Upland, IN
- Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of MD 21, Phoenix, AZ
- Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, Midland, TX
- New Jersey Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, Inc., West Trenton, NJ
- Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center of Northern Virginia, Arlington, VA

The Lions/Walmart co-branded program is aimed at members of the public. Walmart and Sam's Club stores will not be able to accept or ship Lions club collections of eyeglasses from other locations in the community.

If you are involved in eyeglass collection, thank you for your continued support of this project. We encourage clubs to maintain their collection sites throughout the community and send the glasses to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. These collections have had a direct impact on the strength and success of the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Program. LCI can help to promote your community collections by posting drop-off locations on the association's Web site at the Club Locator. Clubs can simply provide us with their information via the Lions Recycle For Sight Club Participation Form and we'll post up to six collection sites. Or, send an e mail to: [eyeglasses@lionsclubs.org](mailto:eyeglasses@lionsclubs.org).

For further information about the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Program, or to start a collection campaign in your club or district, please contact the Health and Children's Services Department.

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## **Accurate Member Records Save Money & Frustration**

By Bruce LaBelle, IT Chairperson

Every year an Organizational Roster is compiled from the annual PU101 (Officer Reporting Forms) and distributed to every Cabinet Officer and Chairperson as well as the Presidents, Secretaries and Treasures of every Lions Club of the District.

This year we have received a larger amount of complaints due to inaccurate club and officer information being provided. In order to remedy this situation, every member, no matter their title, needs to report changes in their mailing, email address or phone number to their club secretary. In turn, that information needs to be updated on the member's membership record within the Lions Club as well as Lions International and the District Database. I ask again that all clubs do a yearly inventory of this information.

If there are members address changes, please send the address changes to the Editor of the Lions Magazine so that the information can be updated and the members can continue to receive their quarterly District Magazine. We are not informed of a change from Lions International. Information is obtained monthly from Lions International on New Members, Dropped Members and Deceased Members so that the District Database can be updated. Please help us keep our databases accurate and up-to-date with the addresses and contact information. This will also help the officers of each Lions Club as the information is available from the Secure District Website for generating mailing labels, etc.

International, State, the District and your club need correct member information to communicate with members at all levels. Please do not assume it will be correct from year to year, unless it is checked. In this age of technology, it is more important than ever to share your email address. The District Governor, Cabinet Chairperson and the Information Technology Chairperson send important information to fellow Lions/ Clubs via email. In most cases, this needs to get in your hands quickly. Email allows us to keep everyone informed quickly and cost-effectively. By the way, if every club used email to send out their monthly newsletter and postings, it could save the club a minimum of \$125 a year in postage. Then there is the paper and envelope savings. Even if all your members don't have email, you will still realize a cost savings which could translate into another pair of eyeglasses for a child in the community.

## **34th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum**

By Bruce LaBelle

The 34th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin from September 23 - 25, 2010. The theme is "A Beacon of Hope Through Leadership & Service".

This year's Forum continues the tradition of providing exceptional professional speakers, seminars and workshops all designed to help you develop leadership skills for Lions and life. The Forum Planning and Host Committees have been hard at work for more than two years to ensure that your return from the Forum with materials, ideas and "hands on" programs that will make you a better Lion and will make your Lions clubs stronger and more effective which in turn will make our Association better able to serve the needs of our members and communities. Milwaukee is a beautiful city with fantastic facilities and right in the heart of it all is our command center, the Midwest Airlines Center. This stunning facility will provide a great learning environment and is perfectly located with all hotels within 3 blocks of the convention center. The Host Committee is doing a fantastic job of readying Milwaukee for one of the largest and most successful Forum's ever! Lions, "The Place To Be, Is Milwaukee" from September 23-25, 2010!

The Forums have the purposes of:

1. Promoting the principles and objectives of Lions Clubs International Training, educating and motivating district and club officers
2. Providing for exchange of information and discussion of service activities, including opportunities for cooperative service projects
3. Advancing the interests of the Lions Clubs International Foundation.

All Lions members are invited and encourage participate in annual Leadership Forum. If you have never attended a Leadership Forum, you should consider this one as it is close to home. It is not too early to register to attend the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. The Milwaukee Team has plans for a very exciting, informative, and entertaining week.

For additional information, visit either the Single District 10 website, [www.singledistrict10lions.org](http://www.singledistrict10lions.org) or the USA/Canada Forum website, <https://usacanadalionsforum.org>. You can also contact either of the two District 10 USA/Canada Leadership Forum Chairpersons Jim and Rose Olson at (715) 696-6030.



## Lions Hold Annual Christmas Dinner

By Ken Walker

Continuing a long tradition, the Drummond Island Lions Club held the Annual Senior Christmas Party at the Town Hall on December 12. One hundred and sixty-three people attended and enjoyed roast turkey, ham, sweet and mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, cranberry sauce and MUCH more. Another 15 people received home delivered meals. This event is always special because the hors d'oeuvre table is laden with great tasty stuff and the dessert table is beyond sinful. Lion Steve Kempainen and Partner in Service Karen, kept the kitchen crew humming while all the Lions present helped to make the event a success.

As part of the dinner program, Santa Claus made an appearance, the Drummond Island Ensemble sang a medley of holiday favorites and together they led the crowd in singing carols. Mr. Cal Roberts provided keyboard music during dinner.



The Christmas dinner was an opportunity to recognize Lion of the Year. This year the recipient was Don Damaske. Don is a past President, has been

Secretary for the last 5 years and has had perfect attendance for all the 10 years he has been a member. It is the dedication of people like Don that make it possible for Lions Club members to carry on the mission of service to our community. Congratulations to Don and Partner in Service, Judy Damaske.

In addition to the Christmas meal, Lions distributed fruit baskets to all the seniors on the Island who can accept them. This year, 123 households received baskets. Most are given to dinner attendees while more are delivered with the hot meals. Lions gather early in the day to fill the baskets in a production line scenario. It's great fun.



## Ishpeming Lions Install New Roof

Lion Dan Perkins stands on top of the new roof on the Ishpeming ball field Concession Building. Dan is the newest member of the Ishpeming Lions Club, initiated on January 13, 2010. The roof was donated and installed by the Dan Perkins Construction and the Ishpeming Lions Club.



All our dreams can come true,  
if we have the courage to pursue them.  
Walt Disney

## PACKAGES FOR OUR TROOPS

By Ken Walker

As well as Christmas for seniors, the Drummond Island Lions also remember our service personnel on duty around the world and especially in deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan. Since 9-11 this effort has taken on added emphasis. This year care packages and goodie boxes have been sent to Clifford Bailey, Andrew Dyal, C.J. Spohn and Russell Arney. God Bless and best wishes to them and all of our loved ones in service.



### Troops Acknowledge Lions Club Efforts

Below is a note from a young trooper from Drummond Island. He is "somewhere in Afghanistan". It is believed that he is in one of those godforsaken mountain top firebase locations which are regularly attacked by bad guys. He is literally the tip of the spear. It is a reminder of the duty in Vietnam over 40 years ago. Times change but it is still young guys like this who get er' done.

Dear Drummond Island Lions Club,

I just wanted to say thank you so much for the box you sent. It means a lot to me to know that we have your support while we are here. The guys in my platoon say thank you for the snickers, they didn't last too long once they seen me open the box. All the things will really come in handy as well as the food because where I am at we are lucky to get two meals a day and now I have some thing to hold me over on those hard days. The flashlight and knife will most likely get the most use as for I have a lot of need for them and I am very thankful for them. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

Sincerely,  
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## Great Turnout at the Jimmie Potvin Benefit

By PDG Joseph Potvin

A large number of people both young & old gathered Sunday, February 21, 2010 at the Bark River Township Senior Center to generate funds to assist Jimmie Potvin for his medical and related expenses. The Bark River Lions Club provided an excellent Spaghetti Dinner to approximately 850 people for the occasion. There were silent auctions, live auctions, bake sales, and beverages for all to enjoy. A huge group of volunteers under the direction of Margaret Viau, including the local Boy & Girl Scouts, National Honor Society, Key Club, and Bower & Bower Auction Team and many volunteers too numerous to mention, provided assistance for the highly successful event. Jimmie Potvin, a nine year old was very seriously injured in a tragic bus accident February 4 and currently is in the Children's Hospital in Milwaukee where he is recovering after multiple surgeries. He spent over two weeks in intensive care and currently is in acute care. A number of revisions have to be made at this home to accommodate his return. There will be a number of surgeries in the future as he is healed enough to undergo them. His family thanks the many supporters for the time, donations, and prayers that have been contributed. It is heart-warming to see the community pull together, especially during this time of economic recession.

### Engadine Naubinway Lions Update

By Robert Laraway

The Engadine-Naubinway Lions Club increased its membership by 4 in January. The sad part is that we lost our friend Charles Schroeder January 21st. Charlie and Jean have been members since 1989.

Donations to the following groups were authorized at our February meeting; Bay Cliff, Leader Dog, Michigan Eye Bank, Northwood's Air life Line, Project Kidsight. Engadine community Pantry and Lions All State Band. In addition our club will award a \$1,000 scholarship, in June, to a student of the Engadine Community School.

Our pre-school screening paid off, one child was referred for further evaluation and was prescribed corrective glasses. We would recommend all Clubs to get involved with Project Kidsight. Eyesight is a precious gift not to be wasted. The small amount of cost to the Club and the satisfaction of perhaps avoiding a life long problem is hard to measure.

## **The Upper Peninsula Lions and the U. P. Diabetes Outreach Network: Partners for Sight**

In 1925 Helen Keller challenged Lions to become “Knights of the Blind in the crusade against darkness.” The Lions accepted and embraced that challenge and sight programs continue to this day to be an important and primary cause for Lions across the globe. As part of the blindness prevention efforts in our region, the U.P. Lions and the U.P. Diabetes Outreach Network (UPDON) formed a partnership more than 15 years ago to address the leading cause of adult blindness – uncontrolled diabetes.

Currently in the United States, up to 60 people lose their vision every day due to diabetes. The good news is that diabetes control along with regular eye exams and laser therapy, if needed, can save vision. In fact, it is estimated that proper care can cut vision loss by at least 50 – 60 %.

Across the Upper Peninsula, Lions have been instrumental in supporting Lions Diabetes Outreach and UPDON. Together, we are helping people with diabetes get the care, supplies, and support that they need to avoid serious and life-changing complications like blindness.

Financial support given by U.P. Lions has helped provide uninsured U.P. residents with diabetes supplies, and pay for eye exams. In 2003, when UPDON established a camp for children living with diabetes, clubs stepped up to help sponsor camp scholarships, making camp attendance more affordable for families. Local Lions Clubs have also assisted with the Diabetes Expo that was offered in Marquette for nine years. In addition, the Lions are most likely the leader in collecting and recycling used eyeglasses for people with vision problems around the world. Finally, many U.P. Lions Clubs have provided direct support to the U.P. Diabetes Outreach Network, a program that has been strengthening diabetes care across the U.P. for 25 years.

With the drastic state budget cuts suffered by UPDON this past fall, the support of the local Lions Clubs was and is needed more than ever. Thankfully, many clubs generously donated to UPDON, helping to ensure the

continuation of numerous projects and programs. Here are just a few:

1. Help for U.P. College Students with Diabetes – donations help make sure college students with diabetes have access to the care and supplies they need. According to one student, “I appreciated all the help with getting the supplies for my pump and for testing. It definitely helped financially. I could concentrate on school and not have to worry about getting diabetes supplies.”
2. Personal Action Towards Health (PATH) Workshops – A chronic disease self-management program designed by Stanford University has been shown to help people living with chronic health conditions like diabetes feel better and manage their health more effectively. Thanks to volunteers and the involvement of other agencies, PATH is being offered throughout most of the U.P. A graduate of a PATH workshop in Munising had this to say about the program, “Having been diagnosed with type 2 diabetes fairly recently, I have found the PATH classes invaluable in helping me learn to deal with the daily ups and downs of a chronic illness. From simple relaxation techniques to the value of exercise and good eating to end-of-life planning, I have learned a great deal about a great many things. There’s a great therapeutic value to PATH classes as well, in that all attending have similar issues and share common problems and solutions with the group. I am deeply grateful to the Diabetes Outreach Network for providing this type of program.”
3. Helping healthcare systems with diabetes management and support – As Dr. Larry Skendzel puts it, “UPDON has been THE DRIVING FORCE behind advancing the chronic disease model for the patients of the Upper Peninsula. Without their support and encouragement I have every reason to believe that we would still be using a model of care developed in the 1950’s. UPDON has been a catalyst for change and improved care for patients with diabetes in our region.”

UPDON is sincerely thankful for the Lions Club members across the U.P. who are “Knights of the Blind.” This generosity is appreciated not only by UPDON but by U.P. residents living with diabetes who are benefiting from the programs and projects of UPDON and in turn maintaining better diabetes control along with their eyesight.

UPDON will be celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a dinner, entertainment and recognition on Thursday evening, May 13, 2010 at the UpFront and Company in Marquette, Michigan. Lion members are invited to attend this event. The approximate cost will be \$25.00 per person to cover the cost of the meal and the room rental. It should be a wonderful event. The Lions are part of UPDON success. If interested in attending contact Ann Constance at (906) 228-9203 or email at: [ann@diabetesinmichigan.org](mailto:ann@diabetesinmichigan.org).



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**Lions Convention Update**

Our District Convention is fast approaching and it is an ideal time to share past accomplishments with Lions we would not ordinarily meet, as we continue our universal commitment of serving the needs of our community in the year ahead. It is also a unique opportunity to get together and discuss our ideas in response to President Wirfs theme, “Move to Grow.”

District Governor Don Wojakowski cordially invites each of you to attend the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of Single District 10 at the Holiday Inn of Marquette from April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. During this convention, delegates from the 60 Lions Clubs from across the Upper Peninsula will meet to discuss and resolve official matters pertaining to the District as well as to elect the 2010-11 District Governor, Vice District Governor and a Michigan Lions Service Foundation Director (2-year term). This annual event is highly anticipated and it is a time that is not just for official Lions business but also a time where fellowship is enjoyed.

The four Lions Clubs in the Marquette area; Chocolay Township, Gwinn, Marquette and Skandia, all have representatives on the organizing committee and are delighted to be working together to host the 2010 District Convention. The Holiday Inn of Marquette will be the site of the all the Convention Activities and its will also serve as the Convention Headquarters. Hotel Room reservations are currently being accepted by calling the Holiday Inn (906) 225-0255 and insure that you mention you are with the Lions Convention to get the special rate. There are 100 rooms reserved.

The Convention Registration Form and other pertained information are located on Pages 27 - 31 of this issue and are available on the District website [www.district10lions.org](http://www.district10lions.org). Each Club President and Club Secretary was mailed the forms in early February and should have them available. Please insure that the Necrology Forms are completed and returned with a short write up on each deceased members so that we can memorized them during the services on Sunday morning.

The Advertising committee is looking for advertisements for the Convention Booklet. If any of the Lions Clubs of the Upper Peninsula would like to take out an ad for their 2010 events, contact Art Anderson at (906) 226-2345. The pricing structure for the advertisements are: \$30 1/ 8-Page, \$55 1/4-Page, \$90 1/2-Page, \$125 Full Page, and \$150 Inside Cover.

**REMEMBER - Bring your club banners to hang in the banquet hall.**

# SD-10 LIONS CONVENTION TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Friday, April 23, 2010

Registration: ----- Noon to 8:00 P.M.  
 Cabinet Meeting: ----- 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM  
 Mix & Meet: ----- 6:30 PM to 11:00 PM  
     Food: ----- 7:00 PM to 7:45 PM  
     Band: ----- 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM

## Saturday, April 24, 2010

Registration at the Holiday Inn ----- 8:00 AM to Noon  
 General Business Session ----- 9:00AM to 11:15 AM  
 Awards Luncheon ----- 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM  
 Break Out Sessions ----- 1:45 PM to 3:45 PM  
 Antique Car Show in Parking Lot ----- 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM  
 Meet the International Director ----- 5:45 PM to 6:15 PM  
 Parade of Flags ----- 6:30 PM  
 Governor's Banquet ----- Following the Parade of Flags  
 Entertainment ----- 8:30 PM to 11:00 PM

## Sunday, April 25, 2010

PDG Gathering ----- 8:30 AM  
 Necrology Service ----- 9:30 AM  
 Brunch ----- Immediately Following the Necrology Service

All Convention Activities will be held at the Holiday Inn of Marquette located at 1951 US Highway 41, Marquette, Michigan. The Holiday Inn of Marquette is the Convention Headquarters and the site of all the 2010 Convention Events.

There are 100 rooms being held for the Lions attendees at the Holiday Inn. Ask for the Lions Convention Rate at (906) 225-1351 or (906) 225-1350 when you make your reservations.



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Lion/Lioness Club \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate Yes No

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Last Name First Name Name on Badge

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**LIONS SINGLE DISTRICT 10  
2010 CONVENTION**

**CLUB DELEGATE CERTIFICATION**

CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the following named members of our Lions club are members in good standing for the Lions year 2009-2010, and that they have been elected or appointed as delegate or alternate and are there for eligible to vote as such on any issues requiring a vote at the 2010 Single District 10 convention business meeting on APRIL 24, 2010 in Marquette, Michigan.

Each Club must NOT HAVE ANY MONEY DUE TO LIONS INTERNATIONAL OR SD-10 AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION OR THEIR DELIGATES WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED.

Each club is allowed one (1) vote for each 10 members or major portion there of. Example, 22 members would allow 2 delegates or alternates. 26 members would allow 3 delegates or alternates. 48 members would allow 5 delegates, etc.

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SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Club President or Secretary

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to:**

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Single District 10 Convention Committee  
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**PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2010.**

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2009-2010 NECROLOGY HONOREES

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_.

We sadly report that the following Lions or Lionesses from our Club have passed away during the current Lions year and request that they be honored at the Necrology Service on Sunday, April 25, 2010.

Name of honoree (please print clearly or type)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Club President or Secretary

Please return this form even if there were no deaths within your Club membership. In addition please enclose a brief outline of your honorees' contributions to Lionism & your Club. Example; length of service in Lionism, offices held, committees served on, service to the community & some personal information.

Please mail completed forms **NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2010** to:  
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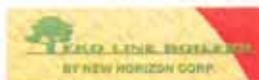
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## URGENT! THIS IS YOUR 2010-2011 LIONS CLUB'S OFFICER REPORTING FORM

**Lion Secretary:** Use this form to report the names and addresses of your newly elected club officers to International Headquarters. This form is **extremely important**—all communications your new officers receive during their year in office will be based on the information you provide here. **Please PRINT** the needed information on this form and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, **immediately following your club elections in April. Final deadline is May 15.** If you fail to return this form, your new officers will not be able to receive the information and materials they will need during the coming year.

| IDENT. | CLUB NO. | DISTRICT | NAME OF CLUB | INTL. OFFICE USE ONLY |
|--------|----------|----------|--------------|-----------------------|
|        |          |          |              | LANG. COUNTRY         |

Your meeting place and time are indicated on the left. If different, please indicate below.  
(PLEASE INDICATE DAY, WEEK & HOUR OF MEETING)

|                 | SUN. | MON. | TUE. | WED. | THUR. | FRI. | SAT. |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|
| EACH WEEK       |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| 1ST WEEK        |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| 2ND WEEK        |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| 3RD WEEK        |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| 4TH WEEK        |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| ALTERNATE WEEKS |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
| HOUR            |      |      |      |      |       |      |      |

MEETING PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

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Club mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Clubs website URL: \_\_\_\_\_

*Any change in club officers during the fiscal year must be reported to headquarters.*

**\*MEMBER NUMBERS ARE INDICATED ON YOUR SEMI-ANNUAL PER CAPITA. PLEASE INDICATE BELOW MAILING ADDRESS FOR INCOMING CLUB OFFICERS**

**# ENTER MAILING INFORMATION IN LOCAL FORMAT.**

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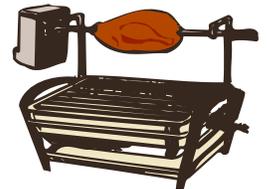
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## **SD10 Lions Activities Report December 1, 2009 – February 28, 2010**

**Bark River:** \$984 Eye Exams & Eyeglasses (5 cases), St. Vincent De Pal Winter Fund, \$200 Special Olympics, \$500 Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, \$525 Michigan All-State Band members travel (3), \$100 Northwood's Air Lifeline, \$100 Alliance Against Violence and Abuse, \$100 SD10 Diabetes Outreach, \$150 Public TV-13, \$100 Foreign Exchange Student, \$20 U.P. State Fair Dairy Program, \$100 SD10 Scholarship Program, \$100 Michigan Eye Bank, \$250 Thomas Bartoszek Scholarship Fund, \$1000 Medical Benefits (2); \$250 Jack Krause Memorial Scholarship Fund

**Bessemer:** \$80 Eye Exam, \$50 Michigan All State Band, \$100 Special Olympics

**Carney-Nadeau:** \$50 Foster Grand Parent Program, \$100 Pinecrest Medical.

**Dafter:** \$850 Dafter Fire Department, \$210 Christmas Candy for Area Kids, \$500 Salvation Army, \$30 Project Kids Sight, \$100 Mud Run Drivers Banquet, \$200 Soo High School Pasty Sale, \$250 Michigan Service Foundation, \$130 Mints.

**Delta-Menominee Heart of the North:** \$250 St. Vincent DePaul, \$400 Salvation Army, \$100 Shop with a Cop, \$100 Adopt a Family, \$25 Special Olympics, \$100 Youth Assistance, \$225 All State Band, \$20 UP State Fair Dairy Trophies, \$50 District 10 Scholarship Fund, \$300 Salvation Army Adopt-a-Family for Christmas, \$35 Non-profit Bowling League, \$25 Special Olympics, \$965 Operation Christmas Child, \$100 Youth Assistance Program, \$400 Bark River Lions Club, \$225 Michigan All State Band members (3), \$20 UP State Fair Dairy Dept, \$50 SD10 Hearing & Speech Program

**Drummond Island:** \$100 Hearing & Speech, \$50 March of Dimes, \$50 Drummond Island Elementary School Military Morale package, \$250 computers for Drummond Island Elementary Schools

**Escanaba:** \$495 Bishop Noah Christmas Party, \$100 All State Band, \$282 Pet Waste Station at Delta County Airport; 482 Eye Exam and Eyeglasses (3);

\$50 SD10 Hearing & Speech, \$100 CAA Walk For Warmth, \$100 Michigan All State Band

**Gladstone:** \$1000 Salvation Army, \$1000 Gladstone High School Jazz Band, \$220 Cards for the Troops

**Gwinn:** \$200 Haiti Relief.

**Iron Mountain-Kingsford:** \$402 Eye Exam and Glasses (3).

**Ishpeming:** \$100 Scholarship Fund, \$1000 Ski Club Booklet, \$500 Bay Cliff (Shady Nook/Operations).

**Ishpeming Tri Township:** \$50 Library for the Blind, \$150 Teaching Family Homes, \$200 Leader Dog, \$200 North Woods Air Life Line, \$125 Salvation Army, \$1200 Ishpeming Ski Club, \$250 Ishpeming Tri Township Lions Club, \$150 St. Joseph Church, \$100 LMASB Charities.

**Lake Linden-Hubbell:** \$100 All State Band, \$100 Campaign Sight First II. L'Ance \$200 Toys for Tots, \$200 Bayside Village, \$200 Skilled Nursing Unit, \$500 St. Vincent DePaul, \$100 All State Band, \$100 Teaching Family Homes, \$100 North Woods Air Lifeline, \$100 Leader Dog, \$100 Library for the Blind, \$100 Michigan Eye Bank.

**Mackinaw Island:** \$100 Teaching Family Homes, \$100 All State Band, \$500 UPDH, \$250 Lions of Michigan Sight and Hearing.

**Manistique:** \$75 Support for Kyra Lauzon to PPK State Finals, \$185 Eye Glass and Exams(3), \$100 Schoolcraft County Fair Support, \$84 Emerald Elementary Drama Club, \$50 Project Kids Sight, \$50 Alzheimer Walk Support, \$100 Manistique Christmas Committee, \$50 Manistique Boys Scout, \$50 Manistique Girls Scout, \$100 Diabetes Awareness, \$100 LCIF Sight First, \$100 Leader Dog, \$200 Manistique Public Library.



**Marquette:** \$800 Eyeglass and Exams for Needy, \$100 Africa for Patients, \$100 Adopt a Child, \$100 St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank, 11 Dictionaries for Third Grade Students.

**Menominee:** \$316 Kids Christmas Party.

**Munising:** \$500 St. Vincent DePaul, \$50 Ducks Unlimited, \$272 Presents For the Community, \$125 New Years Eve Part for Teens, \$100 UP Whitetail Youth Education, \$500 Munising Hospital, \$900 MSU Live of Lake Superior Program, \$500 School Back Pack Program, \$20 UP State Fair Dairy Program, \$20 District 10 Lions Scholarship, \$560 New Years Eve Youth Bowling Party, \$250 Local Boys and Girls Scout Activities, \$25 Lions Hearing and Speech, \$50 Support for Shrine Circus, \$439 Eye Exams(2).

**Negaunee:** \$100 All State Band, \$300 Iron Range Hockey Association, \$500 Salvation Army, \$450 Teaching Family Homes, \$100 Diabetes Outreach, \$100 Hearing and Speech, \$300 North Woods Air Life Line, \$100 Red Cross, \$2500 Negaunee Community Fund, \$100 Welcome Home Organization, \$200 Girls Scouts, \$200 Leader Dog, \$50 Immanuel Lutheran Church, \$500 St. Vincent DePaul.

**Newberry:** \$25 Teaching Family Homes Adopt a Child, \$100 Fallen Heroes Memorial Foundation, \$100 All State Band, \$100 Eye Glasses, \$50 North Woods Air Life Line, \$50 Lighthouse Historical Society.

**Powers-Spalding:** \$250 Pinecrest Medical Facility, \$200 American Legion, \$50 Foster Grand Parents, \$500 Local Children Santa Visit, Concert and Candy.

**Rapid River:** \$250 Rapid River Cheerleaders, \$250 Shop With a Cop, \$318 Rapid River School Public Library, \$200 Rapid River Reading Buddies, \$200 Diabetes Outreach, \$100 SD10 Hearing & Speech Program, \$200 LCIF, \$200 Leader Dogs for the Blind

**Sault Ste. Marie:** \$500 Salvation Army, \$650 First Robotics Team, \$500 United Way of Chippewa County, \$250 Big Brothers and Sisters of Sault Ste. Marie, \$350 Eye Glasses and Exams(2), \$250 Another Lions Foundation, \$111 Vision Eye Clinic, \$200 Ben Robins (Australia Trip), \$300 Lake Superior State Society of Automotive Engineers.

**Stephenson:** \$4000 2-Vision Enhancement Machines, \$1000 Mid County Rescue Squad, \$250 Foster Grandparents Program, \$50 Teaching Family Homes,

\$100 Diabetes Outreach, \$600 Leader Dog for the Blind, \$1200 Bay Cliff Health Camp, \$600 Michigan Eye Bank, \$1000 Northwood's Air Lifeline, \$500 LCIF, \$200 Michigan Lions Service Foundation, \$500 Stephenson Football Program, \$1000 Stephenson Elementary School Christmas Movies, \$1000 Stephenson Lions Invitational Track & Field Awards, \$600 Mid County Food Pantry

**St. Ignace:** \$200 Moose Christmas Baskets, \$20 UP State Fair Dairy Days, \$50 Hearing and Speech, \$100 Boys and Girls Scouts, \$100 Sports Boosters, \$100 Fireworks Committee.

**Sugar Island:** \$250 Local Boys Scouts Cemetery Work for Eagles Badge, \$100 Youth Group Christmas Party, \$150 Salvation Army, \$350 Leader Dog, \$350 North Woods Air Life Line, \$350 EVP Special Olympics, \$175 Northern Michigan Hospital.

**Trenary:** \$25 Welcome Homes, \$50 Campaign FirstSight II

**Tri Town:** \$25 UP State Fair Dairy Program, \$20 High School Handicap Program

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- You make a new friend, maybe a friend for life

### What to Expect

Exchange participants are usually between the ages of 15 and 22, and come from any of the more than 200 countries and geographic locations where there are Lions clubs. Your guest will have basic or better knowledge of the language of your country. To be in the program, he or she will have completed an admissions process.

Host families should include the participant in their daily routine, including family meals. Local excursions are not required of host families, but the host Lions club often arranges for participants to visit local points of interest. They may also help organize picnics and get-togethers.

If you are a host family already expecting an exchange participant, you may also want to read our Host Family Guide. The guide is available at [www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/ye102.pdf](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/ye102.pdf).

### Host Family Eligibility

The host Lions club must approve all host families. To be eligible you must:

- Have regular contact with youth of the approximate age of the participant
- Know the participant's language
- Be familiar with Lions clubs and the goals of the Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange Program
- Be able to provide a bed and meals for your guest
- Follow all local laws related to youth protection
- Meet insurance requirements

### How to Apply

Apply to become a host family today by contacting your local Lions club. Or submit a host family application to your local Lions club for review. The application can be obtained from VDG Gary Klop (906) 647-3232 or from Lions International at [www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/ye1402.pdf](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/ye1402.pdf)

Once an exchange is confirmed, you and your guest will correspond via e-mail, mail or telephone. You should also attend an orientation meeting provided by the host Lions club.

## New Members

September 1, 2009 – November 30, 2009

| Member Name                          | Date Joined | Sponsor          |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| <b><u>Barbeau</u></b>                |             |                  |
| Steve Wallis                         | 02/01/10    | Unkown           |
| <b><u>Bark River</u></b>             |             |                  |
| Mike Acha                            | 01/01/10    | Gary Lantagne    |
| Christopher Sauve                    | 02/15/10    | Wayne Steinberg  |
| <b><u>Daggett</u></b>                |             |                  |
| Roger Weber                          | 12/01/09    | Beverly Weber    |
| <b><u>Delta Menominee County</u></b> |             |                  |
| Kelly Hanson                         | 11/01/09    | Diane Norton     |
| Laurie Nelson                        | 11/01/09    | Rose Potvin      |
| <b><u>Engadine Naubinway</u></b>     |             |                  |
| Merle Edwards                        | 01/01/10    | Unkown           |
| Mary Beth Edwards                    | 01/01/10    | Unkown           |
| Michael McElroy                      | 01/01/10    | Unkown           |
| Ethel Toms                           | 01/01/10    | Unkown           |
| <b><u>Escanaba</u></b>               |             |                  |
| James Hausmann                       | 02/01/10    | Unkown           |
| <b><u>Ishpeming</u></b>              |             |                  |
| Daniel Perkins                       | 01/01/10    | Unkown           |
| <b><u>Manistique Lakes</u></b>       |             |                  |
| John Norris                          | 01/01/10    | Robert Beaker    |
| Karen Norris                         | 01/01/10    | Robert Beaker    |
| <b><u>Manistique</u></b>             |             |                  |
| Bob Fiegel                           | 12/01/09    | Richard Ketcik   |
| <b><u>Ottawa</u></b>                 |             |                  |
| Debbie Hoefflerle                    | 01/01/10    | Gerry Hoefflerle |
| Pam Urbis                            | 01/01/10    | Robert Spears    |
| <b><u>Range</u></b>                  |             |                  |
| Alex DeForge                         | 12/01/09    | Martin Iskra     |
| <b><u>Republic</u></b>               |             |                  |
| Leona Crady                          | 01/01/10    | Robert Ottoson   |
| Ted DeWitt                           | 01/01/10    | William Wixtrom  |
| Luana Wixtrom                        | 01/01/10    | Kathy Johnson    |

### Sault Ste Marie

Danny Armstrong 12/01/09 Jerry Stephens

### ST Ignace

Russell Nixon 01/01/10 Kayla Nixon

### Stephensom

Jeanine Wojakowski 01/01/10 Don Wojakowski

### Sugar Island

Douglas McKee 11/01/09 James Langendorf

### Vulcan-Norway-Loretto

Georgeann DeRoeck 01/01/10 Charlotte Vachon

James DeRoeck 01/01/10 Charlotte Vachon

Michael Steeno 01/01/10 Bruno Solda

### Wells

Harrison Badge 11/01/09 Unkown

Roger Eubank 12/01/09 Unkown

Jon Gartland 12/01/09 Unkown

Tim Kidd 12/01/09 Unkown

Richard LaCosse 12/01/09 Unkown

Alan Trombley 11/01/09 Unkown

Total 2009-10 New Members: 90  
Total 2009-10 Dropped Members: 66  
2009-10 Net Gain: +4

## **Focusing on Hearing, Diabetes and More**

Lions are known as “knights of the blind,” focusing on programs and projects that serve the blind or visually impaired – or aim to eliminate preventable and reversible blindness. But we also participate in other health programs and projects.

- Lions support local and large-scale efforts to control and prevent diabetes and diabetic retinopathy, the leading cause of vision loss in adults of working age in industrialized countries.
- Lions also focus on hearing, by arranging screenings, recreational camps and hearing aid recycling programs for children and adults.
- And around the world, many Lions service projects have an impact on health. For example, Lions in the United Kingdom funded the first fully equipped ambulance for newborns in Bosnia and Herzegovina. And Lions in the Cayman Islands have worked to increase awareness and early detection of breast cancer.



**IN MEMORIAM**  
**Dec 1, 2009 – Feb 28, 2010**

| <u>Lions Club</u> | <u>Member Name</u> | <u>Deceased</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bark River        | Tom Bartozek       | 01/15/10        |
| Bark River        | Jack Krause        | 02/15/10        |
| Champion          | Bryan Ogea         | 02/01/10        |
| Daggett           | Alvin Sanftheil    | 12/01/09        |
| Drummond Island   | Donald Gries       | 12/01/09        |
| Iron Mountain     | Jack Gingrass      | 01/01/10        |
| Les Cheneaux      | Donald Birkmeier   | 11/01/09        |
| Les Cheneaux      | Bruce Patrick      | 02/01/10        |
| Manistique Lakes  | Lawrence Tuttle    | 02/01/10        |
| Marquette         | Charles Gabel      | 12/01/09        |
| Powers-Spalding   | Robert Meintz      | 12/01/09        |
| Rock              | Francis Trombly    | 12/01/09        |
| ST Ignace         | Louis Colapietro   | 01/01/10        |
| Sugar Island      | Clifford Fox       | 11/01/09        |



**Total 2009-10 Deceased: 20**

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## 2010 U.P. Events Featuring a Donate Life Station

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Heart of the North Lions Club Flea Market

Bark River Off Road Races

Marquette County Fair

Upper Peninsula State Fair (Escanaba)

Munising Memorial Health Fair

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April 23-25

June 25-26

July 16-17, August 13-14

August 12-15

August 16-22

September 18

***Do you know of a community event where a  
Donate Life Station can be featured? Let us know!***

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