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Calendar of Events

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| | | Jul 4-8, 2011 | Lions International Convention Seattle, Washington |
| Dec 3-4, 2010 | Council of Governors Meeting | | |
| Dec 19, 2010 | Brampton-Days River Area Annual Kids Christmas Party | Jul 23, 2011 | Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Banquet Causeway Bay Hotel Lansing, Michigan |
| Dec 30, 2010 | Bay Cliff Heath Camp Open House 4-8 PM | Jul 24, 2011 | Lions of Michigan Foundation Board of Trustee Meeting 10 AM Lansing, Michigan |
| Jan 20-23, 2010 | Bay Cliff Health Camp Winter Blast Program Winter Program for Adults | Aug 12-14, 2011 | Traxxas TORC Racing Bark River International Raceway, Bark River MI Bark River Lions Club |
| Jan 30, 2011 | Lions of Michigan Foundation Board of Trustee Meeting 10 AM Lansing, Michigan | Sep 22-24, 2011 | USA/Canada Leadership Forum Anchorage, Alaska |
| Feb 12, 2011 | 3rd SD10 Cabinet Meeting Location to be announced | | |
| Feb 18-19, 2011 | Michigan Lions Forum Best Western Midway Hotel Lansing, MI | | |
| Mar 4-5, 2011 | Council of Governors Meeting | | |
| Apr 15, 2011 | 4th SD10 Cabinet Meeting Ishpeming, MI | | |
| Apr 15-17, 2011 | SD10 Lions Convention Ishpeming, MI | | |
| May 1, 2011 | Lions of Michigan Foundation Board of Trustee Meeting 10 AM Lansing, Michigan | | |
| May 20, 2011 | Council of Governors Meeting | | |
| May 20-21, 2011 | MD 11 Convention Marriott Centerpoint Auburn Hills, MI | | |
| Jun 24-25, 2011 | 7th Annual Flea Market & Craft Sale Bark River, Michigan Heart of the North Lions Club | | |

Dues Increase Recommended by Lions International

During the International Board of Directors meeting in Hamburg, Germany on April 10-15, 2010 the board had approved a recommendation from the finance and headquarters operation committee for a dues increase proposal of \$4 projected to be introduced over two years beginning in 2012-2013 when projections show cash flow will no longer be sufficient despite ongoing cost saving measures.

Submit Your Club's News and Notes For the Newsletter!

Be sure to send in any news, notes, and Club information to Lion Bruce LaBelle for printing in the next District Lions Magazine. We are interested in what our District Lions Clubs are doing. We can also support each other if we know what is happening around the Upper Peninsula. Do not forget to include photos with the articles! Email them to :

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District Governor's Comments

By DG Gary Klop



Well here we are moving right along and my year is almost half over. I have enjoyed meeting so many great clubs and the members who keep things turning. So much has gone on and I have been proud to bring the message from all the groups

we support to keep doing what we can. They all appreciate so much of what we do for them and they need us to continue. We were able to go to the Michigan Eye Bank in Ann Arbor this summer. We heard from a lady who had a cornea transplant and what it has done for her. This family has done many fundraisers to try to repay what was done for her. Her young son has sold painted rocks at school for a dollar to help out. He had a couple samples of what he had sold and one of the District governors from MD 11, who is an auctioneer, grabbed one of them and auctioned it off for \$150.00. This family believes every little bit helps and its like I have been saying, our 25-50-100 dollars may not seem like much but put it all together with what others are doing and it adds up fast.

So how is your club doing? I know a lot of us are getting tired and need help with our projects. I have heard so many clubs say, we have 20 members but only 5 do the work. We need a lot of you members to step up and to start helping out a little more. We all joined for a reason and hopefully you remember why. Take the time to think about what you can do and jump in to give an extra hand. Our leadership is dwindling down, we are getting older and not quite able to do what we would like to do nor do we have the energy anymore. We need more of the younger members to step up and help us lead this great organization. It sure is easy to look at someone else and say you do it. How about if we say, I will do it you've done that long enough. I had a great time during our club fundraising of parking cars

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at the Chippewa County Fair. I met so many nice people and a lot of them had kind words to say about Freedom the future Leader Dog. She was at most of the gates I worked and kept me focused on why we do our fundraisers. Other times I remembered my friend Amber from Bay Cliff and the smile on her face when she thanked me for all the things we as Lions do. What an inspiration to keep going on. I was also able to help the Kinross Lions at their Food trailer. I give the week to Lions and try to help out as much as I can because I know the impact it has in our communities and for those who need it.

My year is going by fast and there is so much I wish I could do. So many clubs I wish I could go back to and try to help.

We can't change a lot in a year as District Governor, all we can do is hope that maybe something we did or said will help a club keep moving on, to give them some inspiration for all they do. We as District Officers know what a lot of clubs are going through. When I worked as a supervisor in a prison and people would complain about management etc. I would tell them to go to another place and see if it's any different. It's the same in Lions, every club and every

district has their problems, it's what we try to do to correct them that make a difference. Are you helping to make a difference with your club and our district? Or are you one of those who complain and blame everyone else for the way things are?

We have all heard it before, we need some people in our District to step forward and become a Leader. At least try to make a difference. You will be amazed at what you learn about yourself.

My hair is getting longer and so is my beard, I will be glad to get it all cut off at the District convention. Are you making plans to attend this year? Come and meet other people in our area and get ideas what they do to raise funds and help in their communities.

By the time this magazine is printed, Freedom my Future Leader Dog should have or will soon return to Leader Dogs for her next phase with them. She is scheduled to go back now on December 11th. I am going to miss her a lot. We went through a lot together this past year and we both learned so much. I think she taught me more than I could ever teach her. Hopefully she gets through the program and helps give someone the assistance they need. These dogs are amazing and I wish you could all experience what we went through in the short year we were together. We have made arrangements to pick another puppy up when we are down in Rochester so the rest of the clubs I have to visit will get to see what we are doing.

Judy and I truly hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a very prosperous New Year. We hope the best for each and every one of you and Thank you for what you do to brighten other people's lives. This time of year lets us remember how much people need our help. If we don't do it who else will?

Today's Children Need Lions More Than Ever

Millions of children suffer from poverty, homelessness, hunger, abuse, neglect, disease and disabilities. Tragically, these children often must live without essential health and education services that would alleviate their distress – and give them hope for the future. That's why the Lions Services for Children Program continues Lions Clubs International's long tradition of helping the world's future generations.

Lions Services for Children Projects

The problems children face vary in degree from country to country, but the need for health and education services is constant and universal. Lions clubs help address these needs by developing projects with specific, attainable goals, including:

- Collecting food, clothes or books
- Organizing a vision or hearing screening
- Providing immunizations through a vaccination drive
- Starting a literacy program with a local school, library, community center or Leo club
- Supporting a nutritional program for undernourished children
- Securing wheelchairs for disabled children
- Sending a child with diabetes or physical challenges to a specialized camp

Lions have also constructed hospitals, schools, orphanages and children's centers throughout the world to serve youth in need. To learn more about the global health and educational needs of children, please visit the World Health Organization (WHO) Web site. Read about the United Nations Millennium Development Goals that relate directly to children. Or contact our Health and Children's Services Department.

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1st Vice District Governor Remarks

By VDG James Wash



Continuing on the road as the Vice District Governor has been a very busy period of time for me. There were lions clubs to visit, seminars to attend and schools that were beneficial for me and for any lion that would elect to attend.

September 23rd -25th, I attended the USA/Canadian Forum in Milwaukee, WI with 2,476 Lions from around North America. There were seventy-three (73) interactive seminars to choice from such as “Attracting and Keeping Younger Members Involved in Lionism”, “Membership and Retention”and “Lions and the Law” and others that I attended that were structured to develop those latent abilities inherent in each of us. We were also entertained by three inspirational speakers who related their personal stories comparing them to Lionism and how their lives were changed.

Myself, and seven (7) other lions from SD10, are returning to our clubs, district and communities with a renewed spirit, full of energy and excitement for increasing our membership doubling our community efforts, and making it a better place to live, to work and to play. One big question I have is, why did so few Lions Members from SD10 attend this year’s event with it being so close to home?



Our International President Sid L. Scruggs has asked Lions to be a “Beacon of Hope” through service. He stated that “Our motto “We Serve” defines our mission and is the core principle of our organization.” Service is the focal point of his 2010-11 Presidential Theme and the time has never been better for Lions to shine a light on service. People volunteer mostly because they want to make a difference and we must value their time by ensuring it is used to make the

greatest difference possible.

We must increase public awareness of our Lions clubs. We have to tell our community who we are, what we do, and what we stand for. Only a vigorous and successful local public relations program will move them to donate time and money, and accept an invitation to membership. Without new members giving us new ideas there will be no future. Lions clubs will wither away. There will be no one there to meet the needs of our neighbors and community. Ask yourselves “If not Lions, than whom?”

November 12th -14th, I attended the Michigan Lions Leadership Institute in Higgins Lake. Again my days were filled with seminars from dawn to dark and beyond. We had classes on Listening and Speaking Skills, Managing Change, Team Building and a multitude of other classes designed to make me a more confident Lion and Vice District Governor. I would recommend all Lions members to try to attend future Leadership Institute courses especially Club Officers. What you learn here can be applied to every aspect of your lives.

In ending, let me tell you that Lions Club International is the world’s largest service club organization. Lions are everywhere in more than 200 countries. Lions do more than fight blindness but also volunteer to care for the environment, feed the hungry, and aid seniors and the disabled. Does this describe you?

As you carry out your activities be sure there is local news coverage, be sure everyone knows it is a LIONS event, be friendly and inviting, and most of all have fun! Hopefully you will interest others in joining the fun.

Over the past several years much emphasis has been placed on making the public aware of Lions. How is your club doing with this?

Have you attended the district convention recently? If not, why? You have a chance to meet other Lions in your District and see what other clubs are doing. You have the opportunity to exchange ideas on various fundraisers and create life long bonds. You can see that you are part of something better than your local Lions Club.

Cracks From The Whip

By PDG Bill Whippen

A couple of weeks ago I visited the Manistique Lakes Lions Club in Curtis at their regular meeting. It was an organized meeting and well-run by King Lion Bill MacLachlan with good committee reports from the many committees. I truly enjoyed myself.



The purpose of my visit was a trial run in my new job as Nominations Chair. It actually served two purposes: #1. I needed to see if my aging body could handle a fairly long drive at night (the last thing I need is to have another bout with a deer) and still let me walk around the next day and #2. I needed to try out my message on developing leadership skills and leaders for the future benefit of our district organization.

As I see it, and I know I've touched on this before, District leadership begins at the club level. In fact, I strongly believe it actually begins with the sponsor. When I did Leadership Training some years back (actually it was waaaaay back) I told the story of an amazing, to me anyway, incident that happened at the presentation of the Lions International President's pin to the incoming President, Lion Joe Wroblewski, from Pennsylvania. The pin was presented and pinned on by his sponsor.

I also recall how Lion Joe Burke coached me after I joined the Munising Lions Club. At the end of my first year he said, "I want you to move up to Club Secretary with President Vic Verbunker." I protested that I was too new but he wouldn't hear of it. After my stint as Club Secretary, he pushed again ("move up") to get me on the Board of Directors. Because of Lion Joe (now deceased) I gained confidence and lost any fear of trying new things. I am quite sure that, without his encouragement, I would have been content to remain just a member and never served on the District 10 Cabinet or sought the position of District Governor (or President of Michigan United Conservation Clubs either, for that matter).

Each of us, when we join Lions, needs a confidence builder to encourage us to take on new responsibilities as Committee Chair or an office. That person could be one's sponsor or it could be any club leader. Logically, as I understand it, it really begins with a club's structure.

Does the club have active functioning committees? Are new members sought out to SERVE on those committees after a brief acclimation period? Does the leadership (the Board and the President) monitor their service on committees to try to identify potential leaders of the club? Does the leadership follow the natural progression of Third, Second and First Vice President to the office of President, so that a training process is provided to the Lion member as he moves along upward? Those are only a few of the things that a club can do to improve effective operation of the club.

We all need to remember: Few people are born to be leaders. They first need to discover that fact in themselves and for themselves. The discovery process is best nurtured by effective leadership.

Club Suspension and Cancellation

A club, which has an unpaid balance in excess of \$20 per member or \$1,000 per club, whichever is less, outstanding past 120 days will be suspended. Including the suspension of the club's charter and all the rights, privileges and obligations of the Lions club.

In the event the club does not acquire good standing, as defined by board policy, on or before the 28th day of the month following suspension, the club's charter will be automatically cancelled. The cancellation of a club for financial suspension may be rescinded within 12 months from the date of the cancellation, in the event the club has paid their account balance in full and a completed reactivation report is received.

Any club that has been approved for a payment plan by the Finance Division will not be suspended, so long as it continues to fulfill its obligation per the approved payment plan.

IN MEMORIAM

By PDG Bill Whippen

Janet and I attended the funeral of a long-time friend (he graduated with her in 1947) and a terrific Lion, Gerald "Pug" Steinhoff. A Lions member, beginning in 1952 with the Munising Lions Club. A very, very large crowd was present at the Skradski - Boyce Funeral Home in Gladstone and an equally large group at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Rapid River.

Knowing Pug as I did, I was really taken with the priest's theme of his message, the Parable of the Talents. A Talent is money, of course, but, allegorically, it describes Pug's talents for leadership, for seeing a need and pulling together with others to accomplish things. He was the



epitome of a Lion – always ready to work on any project, or lead, if necessary. He was elected King Lion twice, 10 years apart (1991 and 2001). He coordinated "Shoot-a-Buck" projects and Meatball/Turkey/Ham and other dinners which raised nearly \$30,000 for Bay Cliff over the years. His efforts were tireless and selfless. A true Lion, he served the Rapid River and Munising Lions Clubs and his communities' very well. In Munising, as a Volunteer Fireman for 22 years and Lion for 20 years. In Rapid River he served with the Rapid River Lions for 32 years. Both communities benefitted from his many contributions.

I don't know where he found the time, but he was a devoted father, grandfather and great-grandfather. In addition, he also pursued other interests: he held membership in the American Legion Post 301 and the Pictured Rocks Golf and Country Club. He was also a bowler, an avid fisherman and a hunter. An outgoing, friendly, warm human being he lived our Lions Motto: WE SERVE. Pug – you will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing you or were an unknowing recipient of your generosity.

As I typed this tribute to Pug, I was stricken by the thought that, although he didn't do what he did for recognition or awards it's regrettable that he was never nominated for one. Service like Pug's deserves recognition by the District. I am convinced that there are many Lions in many of our clubs who have tireless and willing workers who know what SERVICE means and perform acts of service each and every year of their membership and are never recognized by their club.

When PCC Sara Doubledee and I worked on the requirements for the Distinguished Service Award, one of my goals was to have this award presented to just plain (if I can describe it that way) Joe or Jane Lions – a club member whose service epitomizes our Motto – WE SERVE – but has never been on the Cabinet – only SERVED their club. In addition, there is also an award given by the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation. The requirements and application forms, for these awards, including the Ralph M. Sheehan award (District 10's highest award), is on our District 10 website (www.district10lions.org).

Recognition is an ongoing duty of the leadership of any club. Recognition promotes good will and continued willingness of the membership to serve on projects. As Lions, we don't do what we do to get awards. It does seem however, that, at the annual banquets, they are reserved for PDG's or Cabinet members. That's how it is seen by attendees, I have heard. However, we can't blame the Governor. It is the club leaders, primarily the President, who sends the nominations to the Governor or the Ralph M. Sheehan Awards Committee. Posthumous awards mean little to the recipient. Clubs - nominate before it's too late.

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Free Service is Available

By PDG George W. Kelly

When Lion Bob Larson and his wife, Ruth retired to the U.P. from Chicago, they saw the need for a program to help people get to appointments in hospitals throughout the Midwest for treatments, transplants, etc. There was no bus, train service and very little airline service.

With his single engine aircraft, Lion Bob helped as many that he could from an airport near their home to their appointments. Over the years, he recruited as many pilots with their own aircraft to assist with the flights. Thus, the formation of the Northwood's Air Lifeline (NWALL) in 1988.

At a Lions District Convention he asked for support with the cost of the flights; it was voted unanimously to support this program.

Over the years, the Lions Organization not only helped with the cost of the flights, but also with a matching grant to build an all-weather hangar in Iron Mountain. Pledges by Lions, businesses and individuals in the area raised \$500,000 to purchase two used aircraft which are now stationed in the Lions hangar to use as needed.

With our program, we averaged 180 missions a year and over 2,200 since our formation in 1988.

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- We recycle glasses at 17 centers worldwide.
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- We screen the vision of hundreds of thousands of people every year.
- We provide treatment to those at risk of losing their sight.
- We support programs like SightFirst and Campaign SightFirst II that have:

- Improved eye care services for hundreds of millions.
- Prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million.
- Provided more than 7 million cataract surgeries.
- Distributed more than 130 million treatments for river blindness.
- Established or strengthened 35 pediatric eye care centers that have helped more than 110 million children.

In 1925, Helen Keller challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness." And we accepted. Today, sight programs remain one of our defining causes.

153 Million Reasons Lions Recycle for Sight

According to The World Health Organization, 153 million people have uncorrected refractive errors (near-sightedness, far-sightedness or astigmatism). Most of these vision impairments are quickly diagnosed and easy to treat with corrective lenses.

Still, millions of people in developing nations are pushed deeper into poverty simply because they don't have glasses. They can't learn, because reading is

difficult. They can't work to the best of their ability, because they can't see clearly.

It costs Lions less than \$0.08 to provide a pair of recycled eyeglasses and change someone's life.

For children, clear vision means a better education, healthier development and a better quality of life. For adults, it means greater employment opportunity and economic strength. For seniors it means less dependence on others.

Lions clubs collect millions of eyeglasses each year, making eyeglass recycling one of our most popular activities. You can help.

Generosity to LCIF Continues

The commitment of Lions to providing aid long after disasters strike is unparalleled. Some examples of Lions' generosity in recent weeks include \$500,000 from MD111, Germany, to rebuild lives in Haiti and \$81,000 from Lions in Norway, \$66,000 from Lions in Sweden and \$47,000 from MD105, British Isles and Ireland, for relief in Pakistan.

Additional examples of Lions' generous support to LCIF for these disasters are listed online, and photos are also posted online at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/lionsclubsorg>. Through Lions' generosity, LCIF continues to bring hope to those in need.

Lions Dismantle Log Cabin

The Negaunee Lions dismantled a log cabin discovered hidden beneath the siding and drywall of an outbuilding in a homeowner's backyard. Negaunee Lions also will help reconstruct the cabin in a park adjacent to the Iron Ore Heritage Trail. The cabin may date back to 1867. The chinking between the red pine and cedar logs included red underwear with buttons. Negaunee Lions help preserve and showcase the area's heritage. They maintain a key attraction of the Heritage Trail—the first iron ore pit in the Lake Superior region. Lion Jim Thomas, a Negaunee councilman, is president of the Heritage Trail Authority. The cabin was discovered in the backyard of Anna Dompierre, the granddaughter of Lion Dave Dompierre. The 48-mile Heritage Trail runs from Republic to Marquette.





Fall at Bay Cliff Health Camp

By Karen Schlicher

Bay Cliff wrapped up celebrating its 77th year of serving children with physical disabilities on August 8th as the 169 children and 130 staff members returned home at the end of another successful summer therapy program. Fall is a time of reflection on the summer program. We see the changes in the children during the summer, but it is important to us to know if the parents see changes as well. We ask parents to let us know how they felt their child did at camp. Here are some of the comments we have received.

“She loves Bay Cliff and everyone there! She has fun with her cabin mates and all the activities.”

“He’s been able to talk to me at a slower pace and finish his sentences without stuttering or repeating himself.”

“She can transfer herself on/off the toilet and get dressed for bed on her own now.”

“He is willing to help others that are in more need now.”

“She is faster on stairs and can write for longer periods of time.”

“He is eating a lot better and more variety of foods.”

“She improved her balance, using crutches, and using her communication device. She can see now that she can do anything she tries...with hard work.”

“He is more outgoing now. He listens and follows directions better.”

“She glows because she is independent more so than ever. Her whole attitude is Wow!- Look at me!”

“He learned how to swing by himself which I am so very proud of him. He learned he can do things without getting so frustrated.”

“When I picked her up (at the end of camp), she TOLD me that she is going again next year!”

Parents realize that, although this summer camp experience may be a long time for the children to be away from home, the gains they make in skills towards more independence and in their self-esteem make it all worthwhile. Parents are the first to say that their children grow up a little more at camp. Just as important, the parents see that their child fits in at camp and has made many new friends. These are critical factors in any child’s development, and especially so for children with disabilities. Like the parents, we are so proud of the children and all their accomplishments!



Bay Cliff Open House

Bay Cliff Health Camp will be hosting its annual Christmas/New Years Open House on Thursday, December 30th from 4 PM to 8 PM at the Big House on the Bay Cliff Health Campus in Big Bay, MI. All Lions are invited to attend the event. Come and visit with the Camp staff and many of the handicap children who attend the camp annually for therapy. Come see first hand what the camp does for our children of the Upper Peninsula.





Back L to R: Lions Jane Lanaville, Pat VanEnkevort, Judy Davis, Shirley Kwak, Wendi Matthews, Donna Tourangeau and Anna Savage Front L to R: Patti Hebert, Mickey Wicciech and Judy Racette

DIVA'S & DESSERT, ANYONE??

By Dayna Derocher

The Delta-Menominee Heart of the North Lions Club of Bark River, Mi. hosted the 2nd Annual Diva's & Dessert Event at the Highland Golf Club on Thursday, September 30th. This event was a call to all ladies / divas to come and enjoy a fun night out with friends and to partake in several tempting decadent desserts created by a local caterer.

This event presented a unique opportunity for 15 local women entrepreneurs to display and promote their wares to those interested in taking advantage of this experience. A wide variety of choice items from new to handmade created a wonderful selection for the buyer looking for something 'SPECIAL'.

Items from shoes, purses, cosmetics, easy to prepare foods, home decorations, to handmade soy candles, soaps, rugs, knitted mittens, hats, aprons, etc. If you were in need for a little pampering, there was an area designated for those interested in a manicure, nail polishing and a massage, which we all know is great therapy.

A door prize ticket was given to all those who paid for entry into the event and extra prize tickets could be obtained for each canned good brought in and donated to the Salvation Army Food Pantry, an organization that gives to so many in need. Numerous gifts and gift certificates were donated by the participating



vendors and the Heart of the North Lions Club, which added to the multiple drawings held throughout the evening.

The Heart of the North Lions Club had also set up a membership information table to promote 'Lionism' and displayed scrapbooks kept by the club showing the formation and history of this club since 2004. Membership was wholly encouraged and discussions open to anyone expressing an interest to know more in becoming a Lions Club member. Club cookbooks were sold, as well as heart shaped Saykly's chocolates symbolizing the "HEART" of this particular club and what it takes to be a member.

Submission of Articles & Pictures Bruce LaBelle, District Editor

The District Lions Magazine Editor is Bruce LaBelle. If you have news and pictures about events in your club, please send the information to Bruce at: Bruce.LaBelle@Honeywell.com or mail to address: N15884 D-1 Road Wilson, Michigan 49896-9604.

If you are attaching a picture to your e-mail, please make sure it is in ".jpeg" format; do not imbed a photo in the body of the message in the e-mail. It is your responsibility to write out the article you wish to have in the newsletter. Make sure it contains the "Who" (your club), "What" (the project or event), "Where" (where the event was held), and "Why" (what is the money raised going to be used for – if it was a money-making event).

I am also looking for upcoming events to be included in the calendar of events in the Quarterly Lions Magazine and on the District 10 website, www.district10lions.org. Please send the completed details and if you have posters or flyers sent them in a PDF format so that they can be posted and the district can help advertise your events.

The deadline for articles and photos is the 3rd week before the month of publication (I.E. December 2010 issue due by November 22nd). I will have the Magazine out by the 1st of the month (Sept, Dec, Mar, Jun). It is your club's responsibility to get any pictures/articles to me. If your club has a newsletter, please e-mail or mail it to me.

Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Nominations

It is time once again to consider which Lions have made such a significant contribution to Lionism and their communities that they are deserving of a place in the Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame. Here are the details:

The Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame is a project of the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation. The purpose is to recognize and honor those individuals who have had a significant impact on Lionism in Michigan and to preserve a memory and record of their service.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation may select a maximum of four individuals annually for enshrinement in the Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame—normally, one living and up to three deceased individuals.

The Selection Committee will be made up of the members of the Lions of Michigan Foundation's Fund Development and Marketing Committee.

Nominations will be received annually, no later than March 1st. All nominations must be made using the Nominating Forms provided by the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation (mailed to all Club Presidents in October). All portions of the Nomination Form must be completed in order for a nomination to be considered. Nominations may be initiated by an individual or individuals, a club or a district. Nominations must have the endorsement of the District Cabinet (one nominee per category) before they are submitted to the Foundation office. Individuals nominated and not selected in any given year may be nominated in a following year.

The Nomination Forms are also available on the District Website, www.district10lions.org and the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation website, www.lmsf.net as well as from the District Lions of Michigan Service Foundation Trustees, Mike Kobasic (906) 786-3092 and Bruce LaBelle (906) 466-2439.

Lion Mints Information

For more than 20 years, Lion and Lioness Clubs in the United States and around the world have depended on the extraordinary profits generated by the sale of Lion Mints to purchase eyeglasses and hearing aids for the needy; send kids to camp; assist the disabled; help school programs and provide support to the community.

There are many ways to use Lion Mints to build your Club's project fund. The traditional counter-top tray program and Candy Days are time-proven fundraisers.



However, many Clubs are now having success in selling Lion Mints directly to convenience stores and retailers for re-sale to store customers. The wholesale approach is possible because Lion Mints are now imprinted with UPC codes which enable retailers to easily inventory the Lion Mint products. A club can sell Lion Mints directly to local retailers for 30 to 35 cents and the retailer can sell Lion Mints for 50 to 75 cents. With the wholesale approach, Clubs do not have to worry about inventory, pilferage, and etcetera.

Many Clubs are also using the direct sales approach with Lion Mint Drops. Lion Mint Drops can be sold directly to hotels, restaurants, law firms, funeral homes, and etcetera. Many businesses have candy trays for customer service, and Lion Mint Drops are the perfect product. At 3 cents each, Lion Mint Drops are priced lower than many of the individually wrapped candy products available. Businesses like the idea of supporting the local Lions Club, the community and displaying a product with the Lions emblem.



For additional information contact either the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation (517) 887-6640 or the Single District 10 Lions of Michigan



Service Foundation Trustees, Mike Kobasic (906) 786-3092 or Bruce LaBelle (906) 466-2439.

Lions of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired

Each year the White Cane Committee awards a \$3,000 scholarship to one visually impaired individual.

The committee reviews applications and selects winners in January. Scholarship checks are presented during the Michigan Lions Forum in February.

Scholarship Criteria

1. Must be legally blind and provide verification (letter from optometrist or ophthalmologist or letter from vocational counselor).
2. Applicants must be attending or accepted by an accredited trade or business school, college or university.
3. Applicants must complete the official scholarship application.
4. Must submit two letters of recommendation.
5. Must submit an essay outlining why you deserve the scholarship.
6. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (transcript required).
7. Completed scholarship applications must be postmarked NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31st annually.
8. Must attend the Lions of Michigan Forum to accept scholarship during a ceremonial presentation. (Actual check(s) will be issued to the school/university/equipment manufacturer upon submission of documentation. Two weeks notice required).

The scholarship application can be downloaded from: http://www.lionsofmi.com/pages/White_Cane_Scholarship

Please mail or fax completed scholarship application to:

Lions of Michigan State Office
Attn: Scholarship Committee
5730 Executive Dr.
Lansing, MI 48911
Phone: (517) 887-6640
Fax: (517) 887-6642



Lions Memorial

The Powers-Spalding Lions recently created a Lions Memorial at their clubhouse in Powers, MI. The memorial is made of natural stone with a plaque imbedded to honor all of the Powers-Spalding Lions members that have served in their community. “We wanted to recognized the deceased members of “Lionism” over the years and for the years to come”, said President Tom Wells.

Picture from left to right are: Club tail twister Judy Malak, Secretary Richard Malak, President Tom Wells, First Vice President Doug Fazer, Past President Ben O’Neil and Dorothy O’Neil.

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TO HAVE OR HAVE NOT

By Dayna Derocher

The publication of the Single District 10 Lions Magazine is published four times a year: September, December, March and June. Having only 4 issues, to me, is not enough, but what we do have - I'd like to keep. For me, this publication is great insight into the 60 clubs throughout the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and its 1,800 members. If we lose this, we are losing a lot of valuable information that is going to affect every club in the Upper Peninsula and every one of its members.

I have been a member of the Delta-Menominee "Heart of the North" Lions Club of Bark River, Michigan since April 2010 and am proud of it. When I received my first June 2010 issue of the Lions Magazine addressed directly to me, I was thrilled to receive it and looked forward to taking the time to focus on reading the many articles therein. Learning about the other clubs and how they accomplish the goals they set to achieve in their areas and how satisfying it is to have that thought or idea come to fruition is amazing. The variety of stories included in the magazine relates to any and all kinds of events. Whether it is current, upcoming or past events – it is knowledge by which we can all gather information from and use to achieve the many goals we as members of a Lions Club have set out to accomplish. Also, being a part of an organization that is more than 1.4 million strong makes it outstanding.

However, the key here is getting the word out. The stories and the information on these events, whatever it may be, are crucial and necessary to be able to keep the other Clubs in your area informed. Support from other clubs and its members brings unity and a strength in knowing that the purpose we are all striving for is the same and together we can do and be so much more.

Demand is great for all the SD10 Lions Clubs to

submit stories, upcoming events and/or events that have concluded and need to be told. If it is an upcoming event, give a date, place and time –it will be posted to the Events Calendar. Past event, give a picture and write a paragraph based around that picture. Just tell a story and please, don't forget to identify those parties who are in the picture. These 'short' stories are an integral part of the magazine and give so much for what little time it takes to compile. If you have a comment, suggestion or worthwhile news, please share. We want to hear from you. You don't have to be a writer to draft a paragraph to explain an event, but trying is what it is all about and is all the effort it takes. If you happen to need assistance, our fine editor will help you with perfecting it, as long as you have all the pertinent information handy to put it together. Any information that you can bring to the magazine is what makes this magazine what it is today and will be why we get 'TO HAVE' it. Now, tell me...what do you think? But, it has to be in writing...are you up for the challenge?

ENJOY ALASKA WHILE ATTENDING THE USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM

By PDG Rose Olson

The USA/CANADA Lions Leadership Forum will be in Anchorage, Alaska on September 22-24, 2011. You should plan on going.

You can attend the forum in Anchorage to develop new leadership skills, to renew old friendships, make new friends, and sharpen existing leadership skills through the many seminars. You will hear from the International President and enjoy the 4 motivational messages from the four motivational speakers during the 4 meals that are provided. Forums are very motivational, inspiring, and worth your time.

Explore Anchorage online at GoAnchorage.net or/ and go to www.usacanadalionsforum.org for more forum information. You can also start thinking and planning for future forums. Plan your vacation around the forums. You will never be sorry.

2012, Sept. 13-15, 2012

2013, Sept. 19-21, 2013

2014, Sept. 18-20, 2014

Tampa Bay, Florida

Overland, Park, Kansas

San Juan, Puerto Rico



Record Number Compete in Lions Triathlon

By Bruce LaBelle, Editor

The 14th Annual Rudyard Lions Summerfest Triathlon and 5K Run was held on Sunday, July 25th in Rudyard, under great weather conditions for the record setting number of 117 participants competing in the 5K run, triathlon and team triathlon events. The annual event was held at the Rudyard High School. The event was open to both the novice and the experienced competitors. T-shirts and a meal were provided for all competitors and their families.

The Lions triathlon is unique in that participants begin with a 5-kilometer (3.1 mile) run, then bike for 24k (14.5 mile) and then swim 500 meters (22 lengths). A normal triathlon begins with swimming and ends with running. With the reverse triathlon event, the participants run on a relatively flat grade on paved roads, then biked on all paved roads, which were also flat with the exception for a slow climb of about 100 feet in elevation and finishing up with a swim in a 25-yard indoor pool.

Another interesting aspect of the race is the Lions Challenge. The Rudyard Lions Club has challenged other Lions Clubs, service groups, organizations and neighborhood buddies to get involved in a friendly side competition. For the challenge, teams must have two or three members competing in relay style. The entry for a challenge team was \$75. Any challenge teams finishing ahead of the Rudyard Lions team will receive a check for \$250 towards its favorite nonprofit charity or group. The Challenge teams are not eligible

for general entry team awards and there is no second or third-place award in this group. They were also welcome to stay for lunch though, and are eligible for all door prizes. The “SchuLiners” from Drummond Island beat out the Rudyard teams, Rudyard Lions – KAD & Extreme Team by 10-minutes with a time of 1 hour 22 minutes and 54 seconds.

This year’s Rudyard Lions Triathlon had a wide age range of contestants from first time triathlon participant six year old Autumn Eles of Brimley to Dick Graves of Traverse City. Autumn will only need to compete in seventy-five more years of triathlons to equal Rick’s continuing activity.



The race results can be viewed at www.uprrc.org/Results/Rudyard.pdf. Next year’s event is scheduled for July 31, 2011 beginning at 9:30 A.M.

Old Time Dance Event

The Powers-Spalding Lions Club held its 1st Old Time Dance at LaBelle’s Inn in Spalding, Mi. on the afternoon of Sunday,



October 10th. The music was provided by Vintage (Malaks & Wells) which was donated for the event. The music comprised of a variety of Waltz’s and Polka’s, which made for a creative and enjoyable transition from one song to another.

A few residents from Pine Crest Medical Care Facility also were in attendance and appeared to be enraptured with the sounds of the music playing. Lunch was available along with a selection of desserts for the occasion.

History of the White Cane

The use of a "cane" for the visually impaired dates back to biblical times where the shepherd's staff was used as an aid for solitary travel. Throughout history there is mention of the use of a cane, staff, or stick for the safe travel of the visually impaired.

It was not until after World War I that the cane, as we know it today, was promoted for use by the visually impaired. This cane is the crook support cane that many of the visually impaired use today. This concept spread to Europe and then to North America.

The first special White Cane Ordinance was passed in December of 1930 in Peoria, Illinois, giving blind pedestrians protection and the right-of-way while carrying a White Cane. At its 1931 Convention held in Toronto, Canada, Lions International promoted the white cane as a protective device for the blind.

In 1935, a reporter named Jack Little of the Detroit News noticed an article on the White Cane in a small Ohio newspaper. As a member of the Uptown Lions Club, he mentioned it to his fellow Lions Club members, Donald Schuur, an attorney and member of that club became active in promoting the White Cane in Michigan as a visible symbol for the blind. He wrote a city ordinance for Detroit, which was passed on February 25, 1936, recognizing the White Cane. To promote the new ordinance, a demonstration was held at City Hall and the visually impaired were given white canes.

The following year, Lion Donald Schuur wrote the provision of a bill and had it proposed in the State Legislature. The proposal gave the carrier of the White Cane protection while traveling on the streets of our state. This bill was signed into law by Governor Frank Murphy in March 1937. The first White Cane proclamation by the Governor of the state of Michigan was also issued that same year.

During World War II a number of blinded veterans received rehabilitation at Valley Forge Veterans Hospital in Pennsylvania, and Hines Hospital in Illinois. Dr. Richard Hoover developed the "long cane" method of cane travel. This cane was longer in length than the small, crook support cane and was primarily used as an aid in mobility--that is, the independent safe travel of the blinded veteran. It was an extension of the person's arm which detected objects below the waist. Orientation and

mobility instruction for use of the long cane has been formalized and is taught in rehabilitation centers and schools for the blind.

Since the passage of the first White Cane Law in 1937, several revisions have been made. One notable addition was the use of a dog guide. Another change eliminated the necessity of raising the white cane at an intersection prior to crossing. A more recent change requires instruction in the White Cane Law for driver's education classes.

Following the passage of the first White Cane Law, the District Governors of the Lions of Michigan decided to develop the White Cane program on a state-wide basis. They appointed a White Cane Committee to promote use of the White Cane and educate the public about the White Cane Law. Literature was placed in schools, police departments, churches, etc. Radio stations, newspapers, ministers and school superintendents endorsed the program and cooperated with the Lions of the state. Eventually the committee developed items for sale to clubs as fund raisers during White Cane Week. The miniature white cane has become a symbol of the efforts of Lions Clubs to increase the public's awareness of their responsibility to protect the visually impaired.

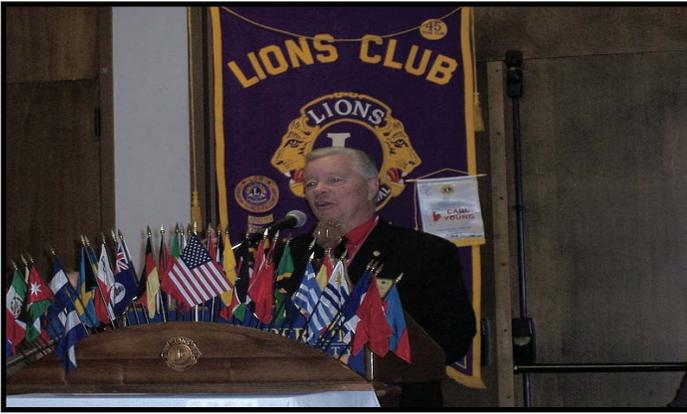
Partnership with Special Olympics Grows

During the 2010 Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia Regional Games, Lions screened the 200,000th athlete through the Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes Program.



To continue and expand this program, LCIF recently awarded a grant of \$1.12 million. To date, LCIF has contributed more than \$12.2 million to support the partnership, which is celebrating 10 years of service to disabled athletes. More than 12,000 Lions have volunteered in the program.

For additional information on the program visit <http://lionsclubs.org/EN/lci-foundation/our-programs/disability/lcif-gr-special-olympics.php>



The Sault Lions Celebrating It's 75th Anniversary

By PDG Don Myers, Secretary

In 1935 the Sault Lions Club was formed in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Since that time, the club has given over \$750,000 to Lions projects internationally, state, and locally. Its members have literally made an impact on the eastern portion of the Upper Peninsula, and in the state of Michigan.

The Sault Lions Club has helped organizations like Habitat for Humanity, Bay Cliff Health Camp, The Michigan Eye Transplantation Center, and Leader Dogs for the Blind, Hospice, and other organizations requiring assistance. Locally, the club has provided glasses and transportation for the visually impaired, served citizens in need, youth organizations, senior citizens, and residents in Chippewa County and the city of Sault Ste. Marie.

Today, the club is interested in helping pre-school students and our school system, with undetected visual problems. If they can prevent the neglect of any child, leaving no one behind, they will accomplish our goal in vision therapy.

All of these accomplishments were reviewed at their 75th Anniversary attended by 76 interested Lions and guests, from Michigan and Canada, on October 30, 2010. Lion Bill Munsell, Tom Brown, Jerry Stephens, Al Schwartz, Don Myers and KL Dale Johnson headed up the committee heralding the successful gathering at the LSSU Cisler Center.

A great dinner was served and all present listened intently as MC Bill Munsell welcomed Lion member and Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie, Tony Bosbous, KL Dale Johnson of the Sault, and KL Beverley Scott of the Sault, Ontario Lions. Others receiving an

introduction were Bernie Arbic who helped Jerry Stephens with a power point system picturing all 75 years of Lions articles, pictures and memorabilia. It was an exciting evening, particularly PID Ken Lautzenheiser who was the guest of honor and speaker for the evening.

His ability to paint Lions pictures and tell the story of our importance to the world in humanitarian ways is extraordinary. His work for the good of others has not gone unnoticed. Even the recognition of his interest in the Michigan Service Foundation was brought to the forefront when he awarded Lion Bill Munsell the "Ken Lautzenheiser Award" for his contributions to the MSF when he served on the committee for several years, on behalf of SD-10. This award represents a \$500 contribution by the Sault Lions Club.



Jack Krupa was also given his 25 year membership award during the ceremonies.

The Sault Lions Club has more Melvin Jones Fellowship members than any other club in the U.P., two Ralph M. Sheehan Award Members, 4 District Governors, and one Ambassador of Goodwill. The Sault Club was the 11th club formed in the District, and they have sponsored six other clubs as well as the Sault Lions of Ontario, who will be celebrating their 75th anniversary next year.

The final "act" came with the Northland Barbershop Chorus singing several World War II songs, like "Sentimental Journey," and "We'll Meet Again." The final song was arranged by Bob Shami, Choir Director, titled "Mansion of the Lord."

The entire evening was a celebration of accomplishments and achievements by a club who has made an impact on their community, state, and international community.



Become a Contributing Member, Support Someone in Need

What do nearly 100,000 Lions have in common each year? They become Contributing Members by donating at least \$20 to Lions Clubs International Foundation.

The Contributing Membership program is an annual program that recognizes three levels of support: \$20, \$50 and \$100. For \$20, donors receive a Contributing Member lapel pin identifying the fiscal year in which the donation is made. For \$50, donors receive a pin and a silver wreath. For \$100, donors receive a pin and a gold wreath. The pin design changes every year. Contributing membership donations are used to support LCIF humanitarian grant programs.

Contributions can be made by completing the Contribution Form/MJF Form and mailing or faxing it to LCIF. Donations can also be made online with a credit card. The forms can be downloaded from the Lions Clubs International website <http://lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/lcif42r.pdf>.

Clubs are awarded a 100% Member Support banner patch and chevron for the first year of 100% Contributing Membership. For each subsequent year of 100% Contributing Membership, clubs receive a chevron.

For club Contributing Membership, please accumulate all contributions and send together to LCIF Donor Services. Please remember to include a list of donor names for appropriate recognition.

For more information on Contributing Memberships, contact the Donor Services Department at 630-468-6897 or e-mail us at donations@lionsclubs.org.

District & Club Administration

By PDG Larry Klaus

A couple of months ago VDG Wash asked me to train the Zone Chairpersons. He suggested a short school in each region. I said that I would work up a training program but was not sure that I could get 5 training sessions set up in time to do much good. I thought, "How hard could it be? I have been a Region Chairman & Zone Chairman several times each, a member of the Cabinet for at least 20 years, a District Governor & Council Chairman, and a Council Secretary/Treasurer. I should know a whole lot about being Zone Chairman with all that service over my 37 years as a Lion." BOY WAS I WRONG!

I first looked to see what Lions Clubs International website (<http://lionsclubs.org>) had to say about the Zone Chairperson responsibilities and duties. By searching website, I was able to find the Zone Chairman's manual under the "Membership Center" section. I also observed that the website has a manual for just about every Club, District and International officers/positions. Reading through the manual, I learned a lot of information on the duties of a Zone Chairman.

Actually, if you explore the International web sight you can find almost any publication, manual or form that Lions International has, for club officers, district officers & committee chairpersons. It's all there if you have the time to look for it.

I don't see that there is any reason for any office, club, district or international to not know what is expected of their office. I don't feel that even the excuse that, "I don't have a computer" is a legitimate excuse these days. We all know a friend or relative who has a computer or check the Public Library. We have at least one Zone Chairman that I know of who is doing an excellent job without his own computer.

Look through the international web sight & check things out. If you think that you would like to be a zone chairperson or on a district committee or district committee chairperson next year, contact VDG Jim Wash at squash45@uplogon.com or mail to N14480 County Road 577 Vulcan, MI 49892-9671.



Calumet Lions Celebrates 85 Years
By PDG Patricia Klarich

At a gala and festive occasion with a sunny and breezy day the Calumet Lions Club celebrated their 85th anniversary at the Historic Miscowaubic Club in Calumet. The Miscowaubic Club has been the home of the Calumet Lions since its founding 85 years ago, by the employees of the Calumet and Hecla Mining Industry.

This special event was presided over by PDG Patricia Klarich and Public Relation Chairman for the Club.

Attention and tribute was given to the Clubs founding Lions, as it was though their vision and creative talents that the Club was able to survive though wars, depression, mining disasters and job losses. The club has had an extraordinary voyage through the past 85 years. They have been able to hold strong because they believed in what they were doing was to better serve their community.

Special guests were; District Governor Gary Klop and his wife Judy with their Leader Dog in training, Freedom; VDG Jim Wash and members from nine Lions Clubs of SD-10 and Paul Lehto, the Calumet Township Supervisor, who was instrumental in providing assistance to the club in the undertaking of their major project at the Lions Park.

The current membership has over 354 years of service to their club. Many of the club members were recognized for their service time, their talents and vision. DG Gary Klop and President Jim Koshiniemi presented service pins and certificates of appreciation for their attributes to educate and exposing Lionism to



the community through their tireless work on projects and programs. President Jim Koskiniemi accepted the 85th anniversary banner patch from Lions Clubs International.

Tributes were received and shared with the guests from; International Director Sid Scruggs III, Past International Director Arthur, the office of Governor Jennifer Granholm, State Senator Mike Prusi, State Representative Mike Lahti, the Public Schools of Calumet-Laurium-Keweenaw and the villages of Calumet and Laurium.

After the brunch the celebration continued as it traveled the short distance to the Lions Park for the dedication and ribbon cutting, officiated by DG Gary Klop, Calumet Lions President Jim Koskiniemi and Paul Lahto. The guests were invited to tour and walk the nature trail at the park.

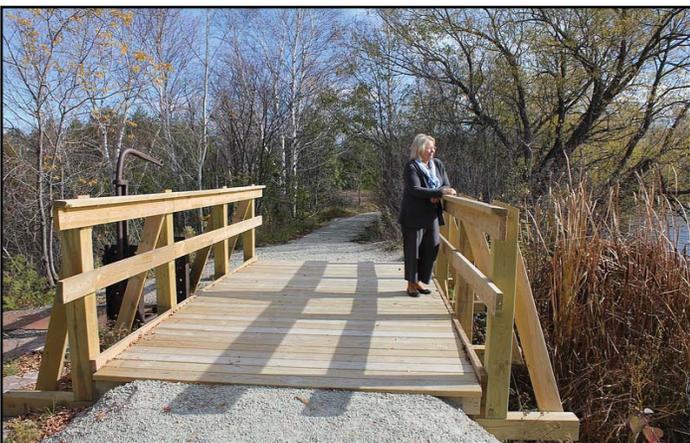
Visiting Lions came from the Bark River, Chassell, Delta-Menominee Heart of the North, Drummond Island, Houghton, Iron Mountain-Kingsford, Keweenaw, Lake Linden-Hubbell and the Vulcan-Loretto-Norway Lions Clubs.



Calumet Lions Park Dedication



Members of the Calumet Lions Club and guests gathered along with DG Gray Klop and VDG Jim Wash for the ribbon cutting for the dedication of the Calumet Lions Park on Torch Lake. Below DG Klop & VDG Wash cut the ribbon officially opening the Calumet Lions Park.



Zone Chairperson Lois Berg stops to view the lake at the Lions Park from the newly constructed bridge on the opposite side of the lake from the park which is part of the nature trail going around Torch Lake.

Teaching Family Homes Hosts Adopt-a-Child Program

The Holidays should be a time filled with joyful memories and time spent with family and friends.

But what if you didn't have fond memories of the Holidays? What if you felt like there was nothing to look forward to? You don't expect any gifts or special meals, or even the presence of family.

Many of the children at Teaching Family Homes have been through horrific, unimaginable experiences. They don't know what to expect on Christmas morning and the holiday season is filled with uncertainty and sadness. The staff of Teaching Family Homes are attempting to give these children hope by showing them that someone cares.

Adopt-A-Child provides a way to touch an individual child with heartfelt donations. All children make gift lists and letters to Santa. Many of the children do so, not knowing if their wishes will be granted on Christmas morning. Every gift counts, whether it be \$5, a book or a sweater. Everything is greatly appreciated.

For the past six years the Upper Peninsula community has helped create joyous holiday memories for the children in the programs. Officials are hoping to continue to build on those memories again this year. Anyone interested in participating in Adopt-A-Child is asked to contact Marcie Miller at (906) 249-KIDS.

To learn more about the programs at Teaching Family Homes, visit www.teachingfamilyhomes.org.

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Lions Day at Teaching Family Homes

By PDG Larry Klaus

On Saturday, July 10th, Teaching Family Homes held a picnic with a tour of the campus for Lions of Single District 10. They advertised it with a full page in the SD-10 Magazine. The children & the staff put a lot of work into it, yet very few SD-10 Lions bothered to attend. I understand that there were other things going on in the district which were very labor intensive, specially in Bark River and Chassell, to name a few fairly close by. The only Lions Clubs which showed up were from Marquette & Chocolay, other than staff Lions.

The same thing happened on July 31st at Bay Cliff. Lion's day at Bay Cliff has been going on for a long time, yet there were less than 8 Lions Clubs who showed up for that event. Again the staff and campers put much effort into this day, and I assure you that it will be very hard to find any place where there is as huge a positive attitude as there is at Bay Cliff and Teaching Family Homes. You can see for yourself what your hard fundraising efforts are really doing for children in the Upper Peninsula.

As Lions we work very hard to raise money which we donate to both of these District Projects, yet very few of our 1800 plus Lions have visited either of these District Projects.

If you really want an uplifting experience which should last you for a long time, I urge my fellow SD-10 Lions to take advantage of visiting these District Projects which you help to raise money for.

PDG Klaus is pictured giving Teaching Family Homes a donation from the Chocolay Lions.

Annual Halloween Party

By PDG Larry Klaus

On October 31, 2010 the Chocolay Township Lions Club held its 26th annual Children's Community Halloween Party. The party was held at the local elementary school and the Lions members decorated the gym on Friday after school. In preparation of the event, the Lions Club members gathered on Wednesday evening to assemble the candy bags that would be given out as the children arrived. The party was held on Sunday from 4 to 6 pm.



The Chocolay Township Lions Club party is one of several Halloween parties in the Marquette Area, including one other in Chocolay Township and two in the adjoining Sands Township. The Club advertised with posters in local businesses, and sent a notice home with all the elementary school children. To help promote the event, we asked TV-6 to tape our preparations (I.E. packing the candy bags) as a Public Service Announcement which they did. The television station played it at the 8:30 & 10:00 AM news update the next morning. They also did a follow up by taking pictures during the event and putting them on the Sunday Late News.



We served about 250 Children and the adults that accompanied them with games, free hot dogs, pop and coffee for the adults. Our budget for this annual party is \$1,000 and we put candy collection boxes in local businesses. This year we had help from Friends & Family of Lions, Teaching Family Homes, Low's Employee team, the Marquette J C's and the Marquette Lions Club.

Every one who helped received a personal phone call thanking them for their help from Lion Pete LaRue, Committee chairman, by 10:00 PM that night & a thank you letter to the businesses who helped by the end of the week.

Our next event for Community Children will be the "Meet Santa" at which the children have to bring a can for the local food pantries and then they can tell their wishes to Santa and receive a candy cane. We serve coffee and hot chocolate also.

Negaunee Lions help with new hurdles

By CRAIG REMSBURG Senior Sports Writer



Hurdlers at the Negaunee Lions Invitational girls track and field meet Saturday will be jumping over some new equipment.

Negaunee High School boys coach Kevin Bell said the Lions have purchased four new hurdles at \$70 apiece to replace ones no longer serviceable.

"Just using the hurdles damages them over time," Bell said. "Every other year, we try to get four new ones to replace ones that are broken.

"We need 80 for a meet, and in the last 5-6 years, the Lions have replaced 8-12 hurdles."

He said the hurdles "get damaged pretty bad" through general use and from the elements.

"They crack from runners hitting them. Sometimes, the buttons break," Bell said, adding the four new hurdles match the ones being replaced with the same pattern.

He said the hurdles replacement is not the only help the Lions have given the NHS track and field program.

"They also purchased tents for us 3-4 years ago we use in cold weather or rain," Bell said. "The tents have been used for cross country, track and by the booster club for special events.

"We're pretty lucky. A lot of the Lions members are retired teachers or coaches. They know the importance of how a little bit of help can make a big difference."

NHS girls track and field coach Vickie Paupore concurs.

"It's very nice to get new hurdles. The Negaunee Lions are more than willing to help the kids in the community," she said. "We always appreciate what they do for us."



9th Annual Hunting & Sports Dinner

By PDG Pat Klarich

The Calumet's Lions Sports committee takes a break and has just enough time to pose for a picture, before the doors opened at the 9th Annual Hunting & Sports Dinner fundraiser. Pre-sale tickets again were sold out for the event. The raffle tables were loaded with donations of Weekend Getaway Trips and dinners; Golf Equipment, Sports Memorabilia, Guns and "Tim the Tool Man raffle". Many door prizes and early bird drawings were also offered. Thirty seven sponsors participated this year as well as over 52 businesses donated items.

Pictured above are Chairman Dennis Pini, Debby Parker, Barb Vchich, Pat Klarich, Jackie Aalto and Dr. Donald Mitchell.

Lions Club Backs Adult Services

Dorothy Mattson, left, shares stories of her daughter Pam with Pam's coworker, Russ Ault of the Negaunee Lions Club, during lunch at



Marquette Adult Day Services. Ault delivered a check to help support the program, which is run out of First Presbyterian Church in Marquette. Amy Mattson, Marquette Adult Day Services director, recently spoke to the Negaunee Lions.



Lions Club Build Handicap Ramp

By Dorothy McKnight, Daily Press

Ninety-year-old Viola DeBen can enjoy living in her own home once again, thanks to the efforts of the Bark River Lions Club, M-D-S Community Action Agency, and Hannahville Indian Community. With funds provided by Community Action and Hannahville, members of the Lions Club spent three evenings in early October building a handicap ramp which gives DeBen easier access to her home.

"Viola was at Christian Park and wasn't able to go back home until the ramp was completed," said Theresa Nelson, who assists with the ramp application process for the Community Action Agency.

DeBen is the widow of long-time Bark River-Harris High School business teacher, Paul DeBen. "It was really neat because some of the men who worked on the ramp were Mr. DeBen's students when they were in school," said Nelson.

According to DeBen's daughter, Sherry, her mother was in the nursing home for six months for health issues and rehabilitation and was unable to go home because she wasn't able to get up the steps that led into her home.

"It meant a great deal to her to get the ramp," said Sherry. "Theresa was a great, great help as well. She came up with the funding and did a lot of the footwork."

Nelson said the Community Action Agency has provided about 20 ramps in the past eight years for homeowners in the local area. The agency currently has four applicants on a waiting list.

Nelson said the applicant must have a physical need

for the ramp and be within 150% of the poverty guidelines in order to obtain one. Medical expenses are also taken into consideration. Once the application has been approved, Nelson attempts to seek assistance from local individuals and service organizations to provide the labor. DeBen's ramp was completed at an approximate cost of \$1,200.

"Basically, anyone with a carpenter's license or certification can volunteer," Nelson said. "They must be experienced in making a ramp with just the right pitch and dimensions and not everyone is able to do that." Fortunately, the Bark River Lions Club has three experienced carpenters among its 108 members. According to Bruce LaBelle, who has served as club treasurer since 2000 and is the group's current president, DeBen's ramp is the first his group has built.



"Theresa contacted me about the need and because DeBen was a teacher for so long in the community, we agreed to help," he said. "We heard she couldn't get in or out of her home without the ramp. Actually I was quite surprised the group was willing to do it. Two of the carpenters were out of town, but the third one was willing to take it on. Basically, he told everyone what to do and how to do it." LaBelle said the club was willing to absorb the cost of building the ramp, however, they accepted funds from the Community Action, as well as a 2% grant from the Hannahville Community to preserve their savings for future projects.

"We have given \$30,000 in donations this past year and have given a quarter of a million dollars in cash since 2002," said LaBelle. "The majority of our money comes from the off-road races in Bark River. We also sponsor an annual pancake breakfast the

week before Easter to raise money, but those funds pay for four scholarships for the Bark River School District."

LaBelle said his group also sponsors the community's annual Fourth of July celebration, however, it hasn't gained any revenue for the club.

"We lose money on it every year," he said. "But we want to keep the cost down to help families have a good time for the holiday without spending a lot of money. If we didn't do fireworks, we'd probably break even. But we want to do it to foster giving in the community."

And the community is giving back. LaBelle said he is overwhelmed at the response his club receives for the off-road races from throughout the Bark River area. When the club first began the races, three large tents were put up to accommodate the needs. "Then we started building infrastructure," he said. "First we put in a well and then a building for food and the bar."

LaBelle said it takes between 250 and 300 people to put on the off-road races. Even teens are utilized and are more than willing to help in order to meet the community service recommendations for scholarships and other school honors. "We only have to call on the people in the community to help," he said. "And after it's all done, by the next day, you can drive by the area and it's like nothing every happened. Everything is put away and the facility is cleaned up."



of the team's players, coaches and parents who helped with the cleanup at the off-road races this summer.

In addition, a \$250 check was presented by Bill Lake to Kathy Gauthier, a representative of the BR-H Sports Boosters.



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR DELTA COUNTY

Mr. Bill Lake, member of the Bark River Lions Club is shown presenting a check to Deb Millican, Office Manager for the Community Foundation For Delta County. The \$5,000.00 donation is part of the net proceeds from this year's Off Road Races held in July and August.

The donation will be placed in the Bark River Lions Scholarship Fund held by the community foundation. Each year the Bark River Lions use the proceeds from the races to help various charities within the Delta County Community along with building their scholarship fund to help students with their continuing education.



Lions Boost BR-H Football Program

Bark River Lions Club member Bill Lake recently presented a check for \$2,000 to Bark River-Harris High School football coach, Joe Derouin. The Lions Club donation was in appreciation for the hard work

BAY CLIFF HEALTH CAMP A PLACE APART....

By Dayna Derocher

Experience should tell us that there is more out there than the eye can see, as well as the soul. Dreams and wishes play a big part in this 'place apart' from all the others. The lengthy wish list alone for this camp should bring to your mind the many activities that this special place is comprised of and how valuable it is to so many individuals, whether they are just visiting or attending for the 1st, 2nd or 3rd time.

At this moment in time, there are just a few less items in demand on that wish list due to the generosity of the members of the Delta-Menominee County Heart of the North Lions Club of Bark River, MI. An idea came to light for a 'shower' of bath towels and washcloths to be gathered and donated to the Linen room of Bay Cliff. Also, included in this donation were numerous other items, which were divided between the areas of Arts & Crafts, Programs, Maintenance, Office and Kitchen.

The Heart of the North Lions Club was not alone in this endeavor and joined in with the Bark River Lions Club who initially was planning this venture for a special delivery to be made on behalf of their own club. Items included from the Bark River Lions Club were almost 800 T-shirts, sweatshirts, windbreakers, tank tops, sleeveless shirts and caps (\$3500 value) from the Bark River International Raceway. The use of a truck and enclosed trailer was necessary to be able make this delivery to Bay Cliff on Tuesday, November 30th.

In addition to these items, President Bruce LaBelle, of the Bark River Lions Club presented two checks to Camp Director Tim Bennett in the amounts of \$1,000 for operations and an additional check for \$3,000 for use with the Shady Nook Project. The monies came from the profits from the annual TRAXXIS Torque Series Off-Road Races that the club hosted in July and August. The \$3000 can from the Friday Night \$5 admission fee for the non wristband visitors.

If you have not visited this place, you really should. You will know when you have reached your destination when the New Gate House looms before you at the entrance signifying where so many dreams have come true for hundreds of children and is the beginning of an adventure that will change your life and theirs forever.



Bark River Lions Club President Bruce LaBelle (Left) presenting Bay Cliff Camp Director Tim Bennett donations of \$4000 for the operations of Bay Cliff Health Camp & the Shady Nook Project.



Pictured Left to Right: Camp Director Tim Bennett, Heart of the North Members Dayna Derocher & Judy Racsett and Education Coordinator Karen Schlicher.

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Let's Pay Attention to Retention

As Lions we need to ask ourselves, does our club do well in making sure we retain our members? We all seem to have the ability to obtain members, but it takes a special effort on the part of everyone to retain them. Retention should be a primary concern of every club.

Don't assume your club will retain its members. We all need to work just as hard on retaining members as we do in getting new members. Retention is something that must be continually addressed and not taken for granted.

There are many reasons why Lions leave. It can be caused by lack of leadership, the club not meeting the expectations of the member, having the same projects with the same people. Lengthy and boring meetings, club politics and simply lack of involvement are a few examples why members drop.

So what are some solutions? Leadership training, pre-induction meetings and orientation programs to let the prospective and new members know what Lionism is all about and what the club activities and commitments are. Be willing to accept new ideas and start new projects. Make meetings fun, yet productive and make sure all Lions are involved, especially the new members.

Also, consider implementing a club development program to make retention an ongoing concern. The focus on retention should begin at the time an individual is asked to join your club. One of the first steps is to arrange a pre-induction meeting between the potential new member, his or her sponsor and at least one other club member to discuss various aspects of being a Lion. The discussion should include what is expected of the prospective member, the cost of being a Lion, club goals and planned events. This helps to ensure that the new member understands exactly what to expect during his or her membership.

As Lions, we have the ability and a responsibility to direct the future of our club. With a belief in Lionism and a belief in ourselves and what we do to make a difference in our community, we need to ask others to come onboard and do what is necessary to keep them onboard. In short, pay attention to retention!

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The cost to a Lions Club or individual for our 2010 Mints for the Military Program is \$75. That will send a Large Military Flat Rate Box full of Lion Mints to a deployed serviceman or woman. Clubs can either purchase a box of mints from a District Trustee Bruce LaBelle (906-466-2439) or Mike Kobasic (906-786-3092) and mail them through their local post office, or the Club can send a check for \$87.50 (\$75 Mints & \$12.50 Postage) to the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation office with the name, rank, unit and APO/FPO of a deployed serviceman or woman, and we will mail the box of mints for them.

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Brampton Township Days River Area Lions Club Celebrates 20 Years Of Service

The Brampton Township Days River Area Lions Club was chartered in August of 1990 and celebrated its 20 year anniversary on September 25th at their very own clubhouse located in Gladstone, Mi.

The Days River Lions Club members were dressed in a Hawaiian styled theme, which was carried throughout the place. In addition to this unique atmosphere, were live goldfish placed in bowls of tinted blue water, which were located on every table and added to the whole of the theme expressed upon entering.

Greetings at the door included a flowered/grass Lei, a large Hawaiian flower hair decoration or a straw hat trimmed with a Hawaiian band. A delicious buffet dinner was served, cash bar available and a 50/50 raffle and other prize giveaways were added. A pleasant narration of club history was told by Lion Jenny Ware, which included special awards and presentations. Special award recognition was extended to Sammy Jo Caswell, club president.

Harvest Dinner

The Brampton Township Days River Lions Club held its 21st Annual Harvest Dinner on October 10th with a beautiful fall day to enjoy. Open to the public, the buffet style dinner boasted of traditional harvest style entrees, which included turkey, ham, meatballs, potatoes and various side dishes. At the end of this satisfying meal was a large slice of cake and hot coffee to be enjoyed with plenty of good company. A cash bar was also available with various raffle prize giveaways throughout the event.



Lions Install Boardwalk At Mine Pit Park

By Johanna Boyle, Journal Ishpeming Bureau

Visitors to the Jackson Mine Pit No. 1 along the Iron Ore Heritage Trail in Negaunee will have an easier time taking a look around the pit thanks to a newly installed boardwalk.

Members of the Negaunee Lions Club spent a Thursday afternoon laying down a 280-foot long boardwalk from the park off the Heritage Trail around the pit to the gated tunnel entrance on the other side.

“This will allow wheelchairs and other handicapped people to have a solid surface to view Jackson Pit No.1,” said Jim Thomas, chairman of the Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority.

Materials from the boardwalk were previously used as the boardwalk connecting the parking lot to the Michigan Iron Industry Museum. That structure was taken apart two years ago by the members of the Lions Club.

This summer, the club began cleaning the boards and getting them ready for their new use as the mine pit boardwalk. An afternoon of work now allows everyone to walk around the mine pit.

Club members have adopted the mine pit as a park area, and are looking for either an underground or pit mine car to add to the collection of sculptures and mine equipment that already decorates the park.

The mine pit is one of the sites where Jackson Mining Company began mining in the 1800’s, providing ore for use in cannon foundries during the Civil War.

Funding from the Negaunee Community Foundation helped complete the project.



Ottawa Lions Assist Lions Quest

By Debbie Hoefflerle

The Ottawa Lions Club of Bruce Crossing, MI recently donated \$500.00 to the Lions Quest Program. Debbie Hoefflerle, Treasurer, is presenting the check to Paula Domitrovich, Supervisor for the program. The program is to help our area youth deal with peer pressure, drugs, alcohol, tobacco uses, and to aide them in helping out the elderly and others in our community. We feel that if we help even one young person it was well worth it. Our young people are our future lions.



Manistique Lakes Celebrates 34th Anniversary

By Bart Spratto

The Manistique Lakes Lions Club held its thirty-fourth Charter Night Banquet at the Pine Bluff Restaurant in Curtis Thursday Night October 28, 2010. The annual event is held in order to recognize and honor individuals for their community service. Above Lion President Bill MacLachlan (left) is presented the Lion of the year award by 2009 recipient Lion Geri Holbrook. Below Colleen Clock of Curtis (left) is awarded Citizen of the year by Lion President Bill MacLachlan.



Manistique Lions Install New Members

Greg Moore, Dave Petrie, and Bill Mundinger were installed as new members during the Sept 1st meeting of the Manistique Lakes Lions Club. Pictured L/R with their sponsors are, Bill Kelly, Greg Moore, Harry Vosburg, Dave Petrie, Bell Mundinger, Armand Buszko, and Lion President Bill McLachlan.



Relieving the Hunger

With the global economic downturn, more families are finding it difficult to put food on the table. That's why President Scruggs is asking Lions to shine a light on hunger during a special service action campaign, "Relieving the Hunger."

During December and January, your club can organize projects that mobilize your members to make a difference by helping those affected by hunger in your community.

The New Year lies before you like a spotless tract of snow. Be careful how you tread on it For every mark will show. -- Author Unknown



Let's POLKA!!!!

By Dayna Derocher

On Sunday, September 12th, the Stephenson Lions Club gathered in this first time event to have a scholarship fundraiser held at the Belgiumtown Restaurant on Belgiumtown Road in Stephenson, Michigan.

What a grand time just watching this event happen with so many individuals of varying ages joining in on the dance floor with a variety of polka dance styles that just made you smile and tap your toes just daring yourself to try. (As for myself, it was safer for the others if I reconsidered.)



The polka band known as Gary Hauser & the Hot Shots from New London, Wisconsin were wonderfully talented learning to play from ear as they progressed to the style and love of sound that they perform now. Approximately 100 individuals from across Central Upper Peninsula and northern Wisconsin attended the event and danced the afternoon away. Lions from Bark River, Heart of the North, Powers and Wells attended the event in support of the Stephenson Lions.

The Stephenson Lions were very pleased with the participation from the public. With such a great turnout, the Lions are planning on hosting the event again in the near future.



Carney-Nadeau Lions Pig Roast

By Dayna Derocher

In spite of the great effort of "Will" expressed by the Carney-Nadeau Lions Club President Cindy Swille, to stop the rain on Saturday, September 11th, the scheduled date of the Lions Club Annual Pig Roast, it still went on with a few minor adjustments. The weather may have changed the location, but it didn't dampen the spirits of those who attended the Carney-Nadeau Lions Club 23rd Annual Pig Roast.

Originally set for Fadoski Park in Nadeau, it was moved to the Nadeau Township Hall Pavilion, where everyone gathered, including PDG Donald Wojawoski and his wife, Jean. PDG Shirley Marshall of MD-11C2, who travels from downstate every year for the event, was in attendance as well as a number of Lions Members from neighboring communities who braved the wind and rain to feast on roast pig and enjoy the company of fellow lions. There was a steady flow of people throughout the day making this a successful fundraising event.

All were welcomed to a delicious choice of prepared roast pork and a wonderful selection of side items to compliment and even entice the not-so-hungry person to partake of this meal, as well as, a variety of drink beverages to choose from.

There was also a 50/50 drawing, a raffle for numerous prizes and enjoyable entertainment throughout the day by a music phenomenon provided by "Maudie" (Janet Pattan) of Rock, Michigan, which was her own one person band.

The event raised more than \$2,100 and the money is used throughout the year to help various local charities and those in the community who are in need.



District Governor's Appreciation Dinner

By Editor Bruce LaBelle

The Appreciation Dinner honoring Immediate Past District Governor Don Wojakowski was held on Saturday, October 24th at the Terrace Bay Inn in the Escanaba area. The event began with a Social Hour where the attending Lions had a chance to renew old friendship and create some new ones.

Seventy-three Lions members from sixteen Lions Clubs of District 10 along with Past District Governors from Multiple District 11 and representatives of the various charities that the District supports such as Leader Dog for the Blind and Lions of Michigan Service Foundation were in attendance. Additionally, members of Don's family traveled home for the tribute to him and his serve to Single District 10 last year.

Lion Gerry Christiaens of the Stephenson Lions Club presided over the event. He began the event with a few housekeeping remarks reminding the delegation that they were there this evening to honor and roast our Immediate Past District Governor and not here to conduct Lions business. He also commented on having a funeral director find a guest book which says something other than "In Memory of" as well as a small (0.45 cent) overcharge for the meal. The evening was full of unexpected surprises.

Stephenson Lions Club President Scot Menke led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and then Lion Christiaens gave the invocation.

Following the buffet-style meal of Prime Rib and Ham, the Master of Ceremonies Gerry Christiaens introduced the dignitaries and guests that were in attendance. Afterwards he introduced the IPDG Don Wojakowski. IPDG Wojakowski commented on his



year as District Governor and expresses his many thanks for the support of the District in his endeavor. He also thanked his wife, Jean for her support and understanding throughout the past two years as First Vice District Governor and Governor.

There were several speakers throughout the evening that roasted IPDG Wojakowski remembering past events and wishing him well. There were also numerous presentations from photos to plaques to donations and even a special doggie bag was awarded to one member of the Stephenson Lions Club, Lion Richard Lesperance.

Don wife, Jean wrote and read a poem titled "Ode to the Retired, Now Blue Blazers" tribute to him.

The highlight of the evening was held to the end of the evening when IPDG Wojakowski flanked by DG Klopp, Stephenson President Scot Menke, MC Gerry Christiaens and his wife Jean. At this point, the Stephenson Lions Club informed Don that he would be receiving the Melvin Jones Award.

Closing remarks were made by Gerry Christiaens thanking everyone for coming to the celebration and wishing everyone a safe trip home and a successful year for each of the Lions Clubs.



Calling High School Band Students

By PDG Jenny Ware

November 7, 2010, was the 42nd annual Lions of Michigan All State Band try out at Albion College. There was only one BIG problem!!! There were no students from Single District 10 to audition!!

So, I need your help! I need every member to talk to a high school band student and invite them to belong to the longest tradition of all of the All State bands in Lionism! The requirements are that the student is currently in the 9th through 12th grade, the student belongs to a band (public school, private school or charter school), can play the chromatic scale of their instrument, is willing to march, is willing to travel, is willing to have fun and is willing to meet others!! Or you can talk to the local high school band teacher to introduce this exciting tradition that the Lions of Michigan has provided for the students over the last 41 years. More information is always available at the Lions of MI website and click on the All State Band link; www.lionsofmi.com.

Help me keep this tradition alive and strong! As a past member of this band, it will be the trip of a life time for any student! The band will represent the Lions of Michigan at the Lions International Convention in Seattle, Washington, in July 2011.

For those Lions who think this is just another band, think again!! This band has traveled to EVERY international convention since 1978 when Ralph Lynam from Lansing went in as International President! This band has played for multiple International Presidents! They perform at VA hospitals, children's hospital, nursing homes and other venues through out the world! This band has also helped bring in Lions that have gone onto many leadership roles!

So, open the doors to not only Lionism to a high school student but open up the world of travel, music and other cultures!!! If you have any questions regarding the program feel free to contact me at either (906) 399-8214 or email to pdg10jen@hotmail.com.

25th Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

The Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes is a state-wide raffle sponsored by the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

Michigan Lion and Lioness Clubs participate in the raffle

by partnering with the Lions of Michigan Foundation to sell raffle tickets. Any Lion Club can add easy income by selling the sweepstakes tickets. All year long, the Foundation works to provide grants to local Lions Clubs. The sweepstakes help provide the monies for these grants. In addition, clubs can get guaranteed grants back based on the number of tickets they sell. The more you sell, the more you get.



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There are no costs or risks for your Club...only positive benefits! And, remember, not only do you receive the grant back from the Foundation, you have a chance to win one of the many cash prizes.

Last year the Oscoda Lions Club of MD11-E2 sold 657 tickets and received a \$3,285 grant. What a fundraiser!!!

Tickets are \$10 each, and the grand prize is \$5,000. The goal is to have each Lion member purchase a ticket at the cost of \$10.00, and for every ticket the club sells, they receive grants monies back. There will be over \$15,000.00 in cash prizes for the winning tickets. The drawing will be held at the MD 11 Convention in Pontiac, MI on May 21, 2011.

The tickets are being mailed to the Lions Clubs in December. Clubs that sold tickets last year will receive the same number of tickets they sold last year, and Clubs that did not sell tickets last year will receive 25 tickets each. Additional tickets can be obtained by contacting the District Lions of Michigan Service Trustees, Bruce LaBelle (906) 466-2439 or Mike Kabasic (906) 786-3092.

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Lions Help Historical Organization

By Lois Berg

In the summer of 2010 the Chassell Lions donated \$3,100 to the Chassell Historical Organization in order to redo 31 panels that tell the story of strawberry farming in the Copper Country. The paper panels that were in the community museum had faded so volunteer Louann Hamel scanned more than 200 original pictures, redesigned the 2' by 3' panels using Microsoft Publisher, and sent them to Genesis Graphics of Escanaba to be digitally reproduced. Because these new panels are ultra violetly protected they should last a lifetime. The panels, hung on cheery red display boards, are an invaluable pictorial collection and showcase the boom and decline of the strawberry industry.

The displays are broken into six main categories: "Lumber Kings"; "Strawberry Kings" shows the history of Strawberry growing from 1900's to present"; "Field to Market" tells the story of a strawberry farmer's day; "Growing a Strawberry" shows the work done from planting to harvest"; "The Lions Roar" depicts the role of the Chassell Lions in the community and their work promoting the strawberry; and "Celebrate the Strawberry" describes the beginnings of the Strawberry Festival 62 years ago to present day.

This beautiful exhibition is open to the public during the summer months, but can be seen once again this year on Saturday, December 11, when Chassell celebrates an Old Fashioned Christmas.

Picture (Left to Right) are: Members of the Chassell Historical Organization Exhibit Committee are Luanne Hamel, Nancy Leonard, Chris Tervo, Corinne Hauring, and David Kallianinen.



Lions Host Fright Night

By Lois Berg

The Chassell Lions held their annual Halloween Party at the local fire hall. Close to 150 children participated in a costume parade and contest and then played games afterwards. Cash prizes of \$10, \$5, and \$3 were awarded for first, second and third places in seven categories: Infants through two year olds; three and four year olds; kindergarten through second grade; third and fourth grades; fifth and sixth grades; seventh and eighth grades; and ninth through twelfth grades.

After judging the costume parade at the Chassell Lions Halloween party the Michigan Tech students from the Sigma Rho Fraternity helped with the games and clean-up.

Pictured are the first place costume winners of all the categories. Front row L to R--Branden Gagnon, Eva Gerard, Baby Bosley and Brad Gauthier Back Row L to R--Maija Mechlin in Mom's arms, Jacob Tuomi, Michela Cherubni, and Jon Dorvinen.

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October 1, 2010 - November 30, 2010**

| Member Name | Date Joined | Sponsor |
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Calumet

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| Lawrence Chopp | 10/01/10 | Patrick Roche |
| Dennis Sundberg | 09/01/10 | John Tauren |

Chassell

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| George Stockero | 09/01/10 | Michael Gaunt |
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Dafter

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| Christopher Hoornstra | 10/01/10 | Carl Marsh |
| Tammy Hoornstra | 10/01/10 | Carl Marsh |
| Randall Nixon | 09/01/10 | Unkown |

Delta Menominee

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| Carolyn St. Juliana | 10/01/10 | Judy Davis |
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Drummond Island

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| Edwin Seymour | 10/01/10 | Michael Olexsy |
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| Meg Hobbs | 09/01/10 | Stu Hobbs |
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Houghton

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| Debra Stefanich | 11/01/10 | Gerald Stefanich |
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Iron Mountain-Kingsford

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| Ross Neubauer | 09/01/10 | Sharon Neubauer |
| Rebecca Shimanek | 09/01/10 | Sharon Neubauer |

Kinross

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| Greg Blemke | 09/01/10 | James Suggitt |
| Ryan Fountian | 09/01/10 | James Suggitt |
| Tom McKee | 09/01/10 | Jeffrey Clark |
| Pat Milligan | 10/01/10 | James Suggitt |
| Frank Nolan | 09/01/10 | James Suggitt |
| Cal Smith | 09/01/10 | James Suggitt |

Manistique Lakes

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| Gregory Moore | 09/01/10 | George Kelly |
| William Mundingger | 09/01/10 | Armand Buszko |
| David Petrie | 09/01/10 | George Kelly |
| David Sackett | 10/01/10 | Harry Vosburg |

Marquette

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| Sarah Juday | 10/01/10 | Maureen Jensen |
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Menominee

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| Renee Lacanne | 11/01/10 | Lynn Dufrane |
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| Janice Nicklas | 10/01/10 | Charles Nicklas |
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| Glenn Binoniemi | 09/01/10 | John Lenten |
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| Philip Foltz Sr. | 09/01/10 | Robert Nottoli |
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St Ignace

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| Mark Bushaw | 10/01/10 | Elgie Dow |
| Tracy Moualson | 10/01/10 | George Ford |

Stephenson

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| James Balfour | 09/01/09 | Timothy Plutchak |
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District 10 Y-T-D Membership

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| Total 2010-11 New Members----- | 44 |
| Total 2010-11 Dropped Members----- | 35 |
| Total 2010-11 Deceased Members----- | 10 |
| 2010-10 Net Loss----- | -1 |



Club Sponsors Heritage Trail Sign

From left, State Rep. Steve Lindberg, D-Marquette, Barb Perala and Douglas Dushane of the Negaunee Elks Club read about Marquette Iron Range history on the new interpretive sign along the Iron Ore Heritage Trail in Negaunee. The sign was sponsored by Negaunee Elks Club, Negaunee Lions Club, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and the Negaunee Community Foundation.

SD10 Lions Activities Report

September 1, 2010 – November 30, 2010

Bark River: \$500 Bark River-Harris Schools Scholarship, \$501 Eye Exam & Glasses (3), \$100 Marquette Figure Skating Club MSHS, \$1000 Gladstone Public Safety – Hovercraft Rescue Unit, \$5000 Delta County Community Foundation – Scholarship Fund, \$2000 Bark River-Harris Schools Athletic Department, \$1000 Bay Cliff Health Camp Operations, \$3000 Bay Cliff Health Camp Shady Nook Project, \$250 Bark River-Harris Schools Sports Boosters, \$100 Newspapers In Education Program, \$65 Eskymo Blue Line Hockey Club, \$200 SVOSH Optometry Trip to Peru, \$20 Brampton-Days River Area Lions Club 25th Anniversary, \$85 Calumet Lions 85th Anniversary, \$50 Bay Cliff Health Camp Operations in Honor of PDG Don Wojakowski, \$1000 Schaffer Little League uniforms, \$500 Leader Dog for the Blind, \$300 Foster Grandparents Program, \$132 American Legion Cards For the Troops Program, \$75 Sault Sainte Marie Lions 75th Anniversary, Foundation, \$90 Delta County Sheriff Dept - Child Safety of America Program, \$100 Delta County Sheriff's Department – Shop with a Cop Program, \$200 Pinecrest Medical Care Facility – Christmas Gifts for the residence, \$100 St. Vincent de Paul Society – Holiday/Winter Fund

Bessemer: \$168 (2) Eye Exam & Glasses, \$100 Northwood's Air Lifeline in honor of PDG Don Wojakowski

Dafter: \$200 Teaching Family Homes Bike-A-Thon, \$100 Auxiliary Police in memory of M/C Ozzie Osborn, \$100 Chili Cook Off (Health) Organization

Delta-Menominee Heart Of The North: \$120 dinners to needy, \$200 Lions books quilts to Bay Cliff, \$25 Student Seth Polfus to Young Leaders Conference, \$100 Perspectives Adult Care Center, \$100 Christmas shoe box program for needy, \$25 Days River Lions Club, \$150 Salvation Army Food Pantry, \$255 Foster Grandparents Foundation, \$264 School health kits to Lutheran Church for needy kids, \$50 Northwood's Air Lifeline in Honor of PDG Wojakowski, \$150 Mints for the Military.

Drummond Island: \$50 White Cane, \$200 UP Special Olympics, \$200 Hospice of Chippewa

County, \$250 Beacon House, \$250 Benjamin Blum Hospitality House, \$100 Michigan Eye Bank, \$200 LSSU/Blasto

Gladstone: \$677 Eye Exam & Eyeglasses, \$500 1430 Army Reserve Family Readiness Group send off dinner

Iron Mountain-Kingsford: \$100 Eye glasses/exam for local resident

Ishpeming: \$170 Glasses for local resident

Lake Linden-Hubbell: \$100 MI All-State Band

Mackinac Island: \$115 Bay Cliff Health Camp, \$100 Local resident for cataract surgery, \$100 local resident for medical bills, \$100 Teaching Family Homes, \$225 Feed The Children, \$170 Children Safety of America, \$70 Mackinac Island Fire Department.

Manistique: \$461 (4) Eye Exams & Eyeglasses

Manistique Lakes: \$700 Erickson Center for the Arts youth programs, monthly free brunch for children age 10 and under, \$500 Cards for Troops, \$400 Fire Victim Relief (2 incidents), \$100 gas cards for medical help, approximately \$400 in coats hats gloves for residents at Teaching Family Homes in Newberry, \$100 Curtis women's group for children's' Halloween party.

Marquette: \$75 local residents medical expenses, \$25 Leader Dog puppy trainer, \$50 Teaching Family Homes-Ring Bell of Hope, Bible Reader for Blind @ Eastwood Nursing Home, \$395 eye exam/glasses for local residents (2), \$85 Teaching Family Homes for Calumet Anniversary, \$75 Bay Cliff for Sault Ste Marie Anniversary, \$25 Project KidSight for Days River Anniversary.

Newberry: \$100 wheelchair ramp materials, \$100 Leadership Training, \$100 Eye Exam & Glasses

Range: \$75 eye glasses for local resident, \$100 Bay Cliff, \$100 Leader Dog, \$100 Little Brothers Friend of the Elderly, \$100 Northwood's Airlifeline

Rapid River: \$500 Alex Pajnick Scholarship, \$50 Rapid River Fan Club, \$100 Newspapers In

Education, \$250 Rapid River Cheerleaders, \$25 Cards For the Troops, \$250 Eye Exam & glasses, \$250 Delta County Sheriff Dept - Shop with a Cop Program., \$100 Bay Cliff Health Camp in memory of Gerald "Pug" Steinhoff

Rudyard: \$250 American Cancer Society winners of the Lions Triathlon Team Challenge, \$100 Teaching Family Homes--Christmas Adopt a Child Program.

St Ignace: \$500 Leader Dog, \$300 Bay Cliff, \$100 Michigan Eye Bank, \$150 Relay for Life, \$50 Hospital Oncology Dept., \$75 Sportsmen's Club, \$180 Varsity Football Team, \$250 Moose Lodge Christmas Baskets

Sugar Island: \$100 Sugar Island Fire Dept., \$20 WMH Aux. Flea Market, \$75 Sugar Island Youth Group, \$100 Sugar Island Fire Dept. Open House.

Tri-Town: Disrtibuted fruit baskets to theelderly

Vulcan-Norway-Loretto: eye glasses for 2 local residents, Held Football/Baseball banquet, \$50 for 2011 Graduation Party, Lions community picnic ad for sports, \$350 Share Your Christmas, \$350 St Vincent DePaul, \$350 Norway Food Pantry.



District Governor Visits Chassell Lions

By Lois Berg

In October District Governor Gary Klop and his leader dog in training, Freedom, visited the Chassell Lions Club. Gary made it a point to shake everybody's hand and thanked each personally for serving as a Lion. After a meal of stew, salad, and dessert, made and served by several of the Lions, the district governor talked about service and having fun, and as Freedom roamed the meeting room he fielded questions about training a leader dog. At the end of the meeting Gary inducted two new members, George Stakero and Lloyd Heldt

Pictured are Chassell Lion Secretary Dan Crane, George Stakero, D.G. Gary, Lloyd Heldt, and his sponsor, Ron Hellman.




IN MEMORIAM
June 1, 2010 – August 31, 2010

| <u>Lions Club</u> | <u>Member Name</u> | <u>Deceased</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Carney-Nadeau | Jeanette Fadraski | 08/23/10 |
| Lanse | Susan Presslein | 10/18/10 |
| Munising | Gerald Steinhoff | 11/08/10 |
| Munising | Richard St Martin | 09/01/10 |



Total 2010-11 Deceased: 10

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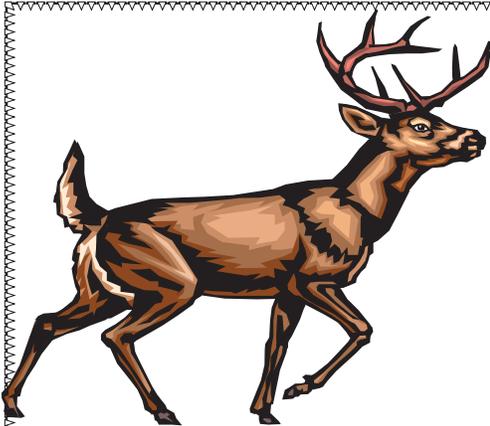
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Local Lion joins the Michigan Eye-Bank in its mission to restore sight

The Michigan Eye-Bank is pleased to welcome Munising Lion and Past District Governor Charles Nicklas to its new Board of Directors.

The Michigan Eye-Bank Board was formed in an effort to help the growing organization remain fully connected with the communities it serves.



“We’ve found that real community commitment requires dedicated, local leadership,” explains Midwest Eye-Banks President and CEO Kevin Ross. “That’s why we established a Michigan Board of Directors, as well as Executive Director and staff positions that serve only Michigan.”

Nicklas, a retired economic developer, looks forward to being part of the new Board, where he will be joined by others who are new to the organization, along with veteran Midwest Eye-Banks Board members.

**To learn more about the Michigan Eye-Bank,
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