

LIIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

MAR. 2026



District Governor Dave Fisher
1st VDG Tim Dietzel
2nd VDG Tom Watkins

Cabinet Secretary Rich Cochrill
Cabinet Treasurer Janet Devroye

Region 1:

Region 1 Zone 1 Chair Brett Kodet
Region 1 Zone 2 Chair Steve Schultz

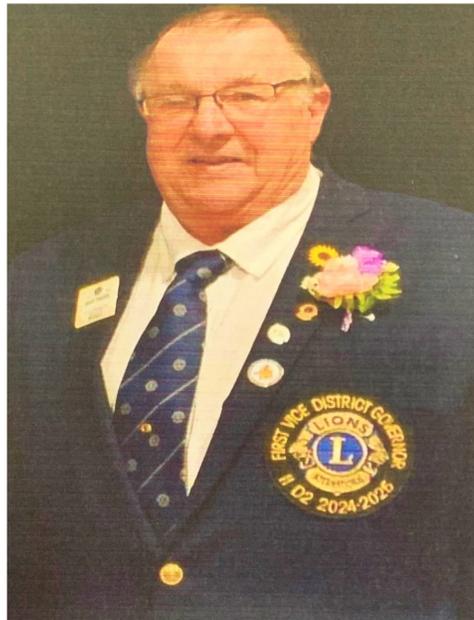
Region 2:

Region 2 Zone 1 Chair Ron Stevens
Region 2 Zone 2 Chair Debbie Kaighen

Region 3:

Region 3 Zone 1 Chair Tim Rutkowski
Region 3 Zone 2 Chair Irene Cole

GMT Tim Dietzel
GLT Donald Spinks
GST Wendy Drunkard-Wojos



GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

CALENDAR –EVENTS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

It's March and time to sign up for our District conventions. April 16-18 for 11-D-2 convention, in Flint at the Wyndham and conference center, Make your reservations now. The theme is, western round up.

Governor's Letter

Hello Lions it's March and this month is MEMBERSHIP MONTH, so invite someone to a meeting or to help with a project, show them what Lions is all about, how we give back to the community, then ask them if they would like to be a part of your Lions club.

Leader Dog is inviting Lions clubs to tour their center, the March dates are filled now. but there is an OCT. date, so mark your calendar, and call a head for a time.

MD-11 Convention is being held at Shanty Creek in Bellaire MI. This year's dates are May 14,15,16, hope to see you all there.

How are you doing selling the tickets to support the MD11 convention?

The sale of these tickets help bring down the cost of this event, so get out and sell.

Just a reminder all bills to district and LCIF have to be current to be able to vote, in election of officers and any other District issues.

DG Dave Fisher 989-550-1866

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR TIM DIETZEL.

Thank you for the time, energy, and heart you continue to give to your communities, each month we are reminded that being a Lion is more than attending meetings, it is living out our commitment to serve others with kindness and compassion. Your dedication truly makes a difference.

Membership is the lifeblood of our clubs. Every new Lion brings fresh ideas, new energy, and additional hands to serve.

This month I would like to encourage each member to:

- Invite a friend, neighbor, or colleague to a meeting.
- * Share your personal Lion story-why you joined and why you stay.
- * Reach out to members we haven't seen recently and reconnect.

Growth is not just about numbers-it's about strengthening our ability to serve. Imagine the impact we could make if every member brought just one new person into our Lions family this year. Let's continue building clubs where service and fellowship thrive.

Service is at the heart of everything we do. Because of you,

- Lives are being changed. Needs are being met.
- *Hope is being restored.
- *Lives are being changed.

As we look ahead, please look for upcoming service opportunities. Your participation matters - whether it's an hour of volunteering or leading a project. Every act of service reflects the Lion motto: We Serve.

Make sure to mark your calendars and register for our upcoming District Convention next month!

The convention is an opportunity to:

- *Connect with Lions from across the district.
- * Celebrate service accomplishments
- * Learn new ideas for membership from other Lions.
- * Be inspired by guest speakers.
- Participate in district business and elections.

1st Vice District Governor Tim Dietzel



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

KEVIN HUNTER	BERVILLE LIONS	JONATHAN KUCHARSKI	BERVILLE LIONS
DWIGHT FORRO	CARSONVILLE LIONS	KARL SCHWARTZ	HARSENS ISLAND LIONS
ANGELA HUMPHRY	MARLETTE LIONS	CHRISTINE SPITALE	MARLETTE LIONS
KATHY PAYIONK	MARYSVILLE LONS	MIKE PAYIONK	MARYSVILLE LIONS
REESE DARROW	PEARL BEACH LIONS	JOYCE COYNE	PORT SANILAC LIONS
EVAN FERGUSON	SAINT CLAIR LIONS	SAVANNAH SAINTPIERRE	SAINT CLAIR LIONS
NANETTE CURRAN	USA LIONS	JENNIFER MCOURMON	USA LIONS
HEATHER PURMAN	USA LIONS		

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

**LIONS OF MICHIGAN**

District 11-D2 Convention Committee

Dear Club President and Secretary:

January 9, 2026

Enclosed is a copy of the Credentials and Registration Form for the 2026 District Convention to be held April 17th – 19th at the **Wyndham Hotels & Conference Center, 5353 Gateway Centre Drive, Flint, MI. 48507** Call **810-232-5300** or go to website <https://www.wyndhamgrandblanc.com/> -and use Code: **041626LIO** by **March 31, 2026**

Send the completed Credentials and Registration forms, fee, meal selection & cost by March 31 to:

PDG Wes Wagester, P.O. Box 183 Almont, MI. 48003.

We ask that a registration form, registration fee, meal selection & meal cost be completed for each attendee going to the convention. You may duplicate the registration form as needed. To help eliminate problems that occur quite often, we would like to remind all Lions of the following:

- a) **All club dues** must be paid before the convention. (International, State, and District)
- b) **All Lions** must have a current or life membership card.
- c) Lions must call the **Wyndham Hotel by March 31, 2026** for reservations to qualify for the room rate of \$129.00 plus taxes.
- d) **ALL ATTENDEES** must pay the registration fee – **NO EXCEPTIONS**
- e) Clubs wishing to sponsor a hospitality room on Saturday evening must make their arrangements with the hotel directly and inform the Convention Committee. Hospitality rooms are not to be open during Convention functions.
- f) Registration badges should always be worn during the convention.
- g) Please order **ALL MEALS** using your registration form. The hotel needs an accurate count before **March 31, 2026**, and no refund can be issued after March XXXX. Since all the meals are an important part of the convention, we encourage all participants to attend all activities. **As an Incentive, We Are Inviting You to Join Us for All Five Meals at A Reduced Cost of \$ 54.00. Your name badge holders will contain all requested meal tickets.**

****FREE SPOUSES PROGRAM WILL BE SCHEDULED DURING THE SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS MEETING****

Please continue to bring donations for the Live or Silent Auction. The District Convention is a time for members of 11D-2 to share fellowship, have fun, and conduct important district business. So, please encourage your members to participate. Let us see if we can get 100% of clubs attending. This year's theme for the Governor's Friday Night is *Cowboy Roundup*. Friday night is wear your favorite cowboy clothes and Saturday's night dinner is *semi-formal*; the rest of the convention is Lion's casual.



District 11-D2 Convention – April 17-18-19, 2026
 Wyndham Hotels & Conference Center
 5353 Gateway Centre Drive
 Flint, MI. 48507 **810-232-5300 GROUP CODE: 041626LIO**
 District 11-D2 Registration Form

CLUB: _____ HOME PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME: Please print names as you wish them to appear on name tags. If spouse is a Lion or Lioness, please indicate.

Lion: _____ Lion or Spouse: _____

Lion or Leo: _____ Lion or Guest: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

REGISTRATION FEES: All attendees must pay the \$10.00 registration fee to participate in any Convention Event.

Check here if a "First Timer": _____ Lion _____ Spouse _____ Lioness _____ Leo _____ Guest

******You must register and pay for all the meals you plan to attend*** before March 3, 2026***

REGISTRATION	@ \$10.00 = \$ _____
PARTICIPATE IN ALL 5 MEALS	\$100 @ _____ \$ _____
Meals separately are \$154.00	Total Submitted \$ _____
Save \$54.00 by ordering all 5	

Make checks payable to District 11-D2 Convention & mail to PDG Wes Wagester, P.O. Box 183, Almont, MI. 48003

Friday Night Dinner: Roasted Salmon, NY Strip, Potatoes, Salads, Glazed Carrots, Cookies	\$39.00
Saturday Breakfast: All American Breakfast Buffet: Bacon, Links, Eggs, Potatoes, French Toast	\$24.00
Saturday Lunch: Baked Chicken, Red Skin Potatoes with Gravy, Vegetable Blend, Coleslaw	\$28.00
Saturday Night Dinner: Sliced pork loin, chicken marsala, Au Gratin Potatoes salads, cookies	\$39.00
Sunday Breakfast: All American Breakfast Buffet: Bacon, links, Eggs Potatoes, Waffles	\$24.00
<i>Breakfast served with coffee, tea, & juice bar. Lunch & Dinners served with rolls, butter and nonalcoholic beverages. Cash bar Friday & Saturday night (after you-use your 2 furnished drink tickets) Please note any dietary requirements:</i>	
** FREE SPOUSE PROGRAM DURING SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS MEETING**	

District 11-D2
Credentials Form

Dear Club President & Secretary:

According to our constitution, each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district (single or sub- and multiple) shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district (single or sub- and multiple) to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month(March 1, 2025) last preceding that month during which the convention is held.

Therefore, the determination of the number of delegates for the **49th District Convention** for MI District 11-D2 to be held at the Wyndham Hotel & Conference Center, Flint MI. are figures from March. *Minus members who have not been enrolled for at least one year and one day*

District 11-D2 Credentials Committee
Attn: PDG Wes Wagester
P.O. Box 183
Almont, MI 48003

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***If additional space is needed copy this form.**

Delegates will be able to obtain their delegate badges at the Convention Registration desk.

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NAME OF DELEGATE

(To be completed by Club Secretary)

SIGNATURE OF DELEGATE

(To be completed at Convention)

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(To be completed by Club Secretary)

SIGNATURE OF ALTERNATE

(To be completed at Convention)

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I hereby certify that the Delegates and Alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International and our Lions Club, and secondly, **our Lions Club has met all past and current financial obligations to District 11-D2, Lions of Michigan, and Lions Clubs International.**

Club President's or Secretary's Signature

Signature of Governor or Governor-Elect (Valid only at Convention, and only if President/Secretary of club is not present)

(Name of Lions Club)

Lions of Michigan Foundation

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a public charity that was created in 1984 to help Michigan Lions Clubs provide community services. Recently (in November) our District applied for and was granted two requests that we had submitted for assistance. The Deckerville Lions requested aid for a Family that had a house fire. Their grant was approved for \$1,000. The Lapeer Lions requested aid for a youth needing vision therapy. Their grant was approved for \$2,000. Additionally, the USA Lions requested aid for a Family that had a house fire. Their request was granted and a Check for \$1,000 was forwarded for that request. THANK YOU to the Foundation. **Please support this fine organization with your club, or individual donation.**

The Lions of Michigan Foundation provides financial assistance and services to help uninsured and financially struggling Michigan residents with the treatment of vision problems, eye conditions and eye diseases. Three (3) individuals in our district have received Eye Care Assistance through the Lions of Michigan Foundation Eye Care Assistance Program.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation recently purchased two (2) cameras designed for diabetic retinopathy screening. Will keep everyone updated when we learn more about this program. From July 1, 2025 through January 2026, eleven (11) clubs in District 11 – D2 have donated \$5,600.44 to Lions of Michigan Service Foundation with an individual family having donated \$805.20, this is only 24% of our clubs, and this amount is the **least** for any Michigan district. The Lions of Michigan Foundation also provides an Affordable Hearing Aid Program, so far two (2) individuals in District 11 – D2 have received assistance since July 1, 2025.

Michigan KidSight Program

Our Michigan KidSight Program is designed to identify treatable and preventable causes of vision loss in children as young as 1 year-old. We utilize a hi-tech mobile vision screener that is programmed to quickly and accurately identify vision disorders such as myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness), anisometropia (unequal refraction power), astigmatism (optical defect), anisocoria (unequal pupil size) and strabismus (gaze deviations) through non-invasive testing. Our portable vision screener performs a binocular test of both eyes within 1 second, and it instantly and accurately (98% accuracy rating) identifies potential vision problems. When problems are detected, our vision screener reports a “Fail” or “Refer” status, and a detailed report identifying potential problems is provided to the child’s parent or guardian for further follow-up with an optometrist or ophthalmologist.

If diagnosed early, 95% of vision disorders can be corrected, however when vision problems are not detected early, vision loss can be irreversible. Over time, treatment options diminish, and the cost of treatment increases. From July 1, 2025 until January 31, 2026 KidSight vision screeners in District 11 – D2 have screened 513 people with a total of 62 referrals. Statewide, for the same time period, 28,486 people have been screened with 3,357 referrals.

GLT Report: GLT Chair PDG Don Spinks

This report provides an update on the progress and challenges related to club officer training, service project reporting, and administrative duties within the district.

Club Officer Training and Communication

Out of 125 club officers, 74 have completed their training and have been officially signed off in the Lions Clubs International (LCI) system. To encourage participation and awareness, numerous emails have been sent to club officers emphasizing the importance of training. Additionally, several posts have been made on the district's Facebook page to further promote club officer training opportunities.

Support for Zone Chairs

All six zone chairs have either completed their training or have been mailed comprehensive materials to support their roles. This ensures they are well-equipped to guide their respective clubs effectively.

Club Meetings and Service Project Reporting

As the district administrator, all 45 clubs have been recorded as holding monthly meetings. However, a significant number of clubs have not entered any service projects since July. To address this, direct outreach plans are in place to contact each club secretary or president to understand the reasons behind the lack of reporting and to stress the importance of documenting service activities. While some clubs are consistent in updating their service projects, ongoing discussions and encouragement are needed to improve overall compliance.

Repeated offers for portal training have been made to club officers to facilitate easier reporting, but no responses have been received so far.

Administrative Updates

The paperwork for the election of 2nd Vice District Governor Deb Kaighen has been signed by the district governor and submitted. However, confirmation from LCI has not yet been received, and the new 2nd Vice District Governor is not yet listed in the official records.

Conclusion

While progress has been made in officer training and zone chair support, challenges remain in service project reporting and official recognition of leadership roles. Continued communication and follow-up will be essential to strengthen club engagement and ensure accurate, timely reporting within the district.

PDG Don Spinks Leadership chair

Service Reporting is available anytime. Give GLT/PDG Don Spinks a shout at donnspinks@gmail.com if you need it.

We need to report all the great things the clubs do. Please help out.

PDG Donald Spinks RAP

READING ACTION PROGRAM Chair PDG Don Spinks

Here is a program that I recently found out about. What a great idea. Radio Reading Service Celebrating 50 Years.

WHAT IS WKAR RADIO READING SERVICE (RRS)?

WKAR Radio Reading Service is a 24/7 free reading service to individuals who cannot access traditional reading materials due to visual, physical or cognitive conditions.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

WKAR loans qualified listeners a special portable radio free of charge. The pre-tuned radio includes the Radio Reading Service signal and 90.5 WKAR. You can listen within a 60-mile radius of WKAR's Okemos/Meridian Township broadcasting tower or on your computer at WKAR.org through a variety of streaming applications.

PDG Donald Spinks

OTTER LAKE LIONS CLUB

All State Band so far this year, there are 43 students going to Hong Kong. CEO Deb Davis just sent me the list of students in 11D2. They are returning students Laura & Maleah Roth and Katie Sweeney from Uby, Dominick Gagne from Columbiaville, and New students Avarey Eitel from Carsonville and Marie Nichols from Applegate. More students are always welcome to join by going to the All State Band website. The cost this year is \$5,000 and covers all the expenses for rehearsals, travel, food and clothes. I think the Uby girls letter to clubs went to all D2 clubs and I have received requests from out of our district students. So if you are sending donations make sure you include the students name or if you want it to go to the Administration fund.

Band Director Jason Russell did a interview on Chanel 12 on MLK day that is available on Utube so there may be more students by the next rehearsal. If you have any connection with your area band directors or know of a musician that might want to join, feel free to help.

If you have any questions, my phone number is 810-793-6258 or peggy_duane@yahoo.com.

PDG Peggy Farnsworth

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CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Lions of 11 D2

*April 17.18.19 is our district convention and it is right around the corner. Registration forms have been mailed to club presidents and secretaries and can be found on the district website at <https://www.lions11d2.org/>. The convention committee has been working on events for the weekend. Please register by March 26th and you need to have your room at the Wyndham booked by then. You can reach the hotel at 810-232-5300 or www.wyndhamgrandblanc.com. The code to book your room is: **041626LIO**. Join us for a weekend of learning, fun and getting to know other Lions.*

Convention Chair

Judy Keller

CONVENTION MEMORIAL

Dear Fellow Lions,

As we prepare for the 2026 11D-2 District Convention, we need anecdotal information on any of the Lions Members from your club who have passed since January 2025. Just a paragraph or two on something special they brought to your club. Please email this information to me as soon as possible so we can prepare our Memorial Service. If you have questions, please call. Thank you for your help with this important project.

Pat Bowerman: (tandpbowerman@yahoo.com) 810-417-3872

THANK YOU



GIVE HOPE THIS SPRING.

Give blood.



Blood Drive

Memphis Lions Club

34758 Pratt Road

**Thursday, March 26, 2026
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

To schedule an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: MEMPHISLIONS or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to be directed to RapidPass®



Give in March for a \$15 Gift Card by email & successful donations get A1C testing! rcblood.org/March



Scan to schedule an appointment.

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

ATTENTION D-2 LIONS!

There is a mistake in the cover letter. It reads, As an Incentive, We Are Inviting You to Join Us for All Five Meals at A Reduced Cost of \$ 54.00.

It should read.

As an Incentive, We Are Inviting You to Join Us for All Five Meals at A Reduced Cost of \$ 100.00. You are saving \$54,00 by participating in all 5 meals. Come on join the fun!

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ALMONT LIONS CLUB

An American Red Cross blood drive was held in our hall on Monday, February 16 2026, 31 units of blood was collected bringing the total since 2005 at the Almont Lions Hall to 3501 units of blood that has been collected and a potential total of 10,501 lives saved.

Friday, March 13, 2026 is Euchre Night in the Almont Lions Hall. Doors open at 5:30pm and play begins at 6:30 SHARP! We welcome all Euchre players. Euchre night is held the second (2nd) Friday of the Month (August – May).

The Club is in the Planning Stage for our annual Easter Candy Hunt, which will be held on Saturday, April 4, 2026 in the Almont Community Park at 11:00am sharp!

The Club is also in the planning stages for the following events: (1) White Cane sales (April 24 – May,5, 2026, (2) Liberty Day (March 16, 2026, we provide a U.S. constitution Booklet to all 5th Grade Students in Almont Schools and Dryden Schools, (3) Earth Day/Arbor Day (Wednesday, April 22, 2026) (we deliver a seedling white pine to all 4th grade students in Almont Schools and Dryden Schools), and (4) our annual Rummage Sale, May 11 – 16, 2026.

EMMETT LIONS CLUB

Attention Lions very important gift of blood. Help your community.

The Emmett Lions will be holding a Blood Drive Thursday on April 2nd at the Church hall in Emmett.

The Hours are from 1 till 7pm. You MUST have an appointment to donate. Please call 800-733-2767

PDG Chuck Belesky



★ MARCH ★ MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

Let's Grow Our Pride!

This March, we're calling on every club in  to bring in **2 NEW MEMBERS** 

Why It Matters

More Members =

-  More Service
-  More Ideas
-  More Impact
-  More Community

The Goal

2 New Members. One Month. Every Club.

Invite. Inspire. Grow.

How to Make It Happen

-  Invite a friend to your next meeting
-  Share your Lions story online
-  Bring a guest to a service project
-  Post why YOU became a Lion
-  Follow up personally

★ This Is Our Moment

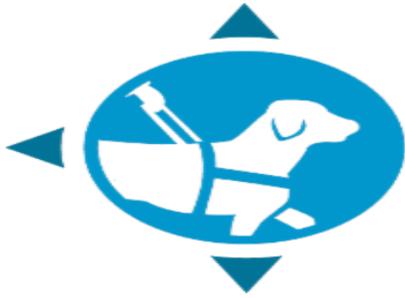
March 1 – March 31

Let's strengthen our clubs and expand our impact.

Because when we grow our membership...

- ★ We grow our service.
- ★ We grow our leadership.
- ★ We grow our community.

#GrowOurPride #2InMarch #LionsServe #StrongerTogether



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

On this week's episode of Taking the Lead, we're joined by Tony Stephens, Assistant Vice President of Communications at American Foundation for the Blind.

Tony shares his journey in communications and advocacy within the blindness field and the impact of using your voice to create change.

In this episode, you'll hear:

- The story behind the viral Blind Barbie collaboration and why representation matters
- How a difficult career moment redirected him toward purpose
- What advocacy really means in action

It's a thoughtful, honest conversation about leadership, resilience, and impact.

[Listen to the episode](#)

- Christina

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

Christina Hepner
Digital Marketing Manager

Meeting link: <https://leaderdog-org.zoom.us/j/88563105374?pwd=3E8yhBsibIGQqsvXNTidLdDsVgfFRi.1&from=addon>

MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

Marlette Lions had the pleasure of hosting the robotics club at our last meeting. We are proud to be sponsors for these amazing minds.



Marlette Lions PDG Don Spinks helped out at the Marlette Elementary School during their Literacy night. He helped with the book vending machine. He would sign the child in and then the child got a coin to put into the vending machine and choose their book. The overall theme was LEGO.

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"fostering love"

SEW-A-THON!

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The CARE BAG MOVEMENT takes care of the immediate personal care needs of foster children in St. Clair and Sanilac County by assisting St. Clair County Department of Health and Human Services, KIDS IN DISTRESS, and Local Fire Department FIRST RESPONDERS.

Come for the day!

Join the CAREBAG MOVEMENT and help at our annual Sew-A-Thon and collection day. We collect items for children ages from newborn to 18 years old. If you know how to sew, bring your sewing machine. If you would like to iron, you can bring your iron. There are many non-sewing places to volunteer that day as well. Everyone is welcome to help and contribute

What to bring?

We collect items for all children, ages newborn to 18 years old.

- TOOTHBRUSH
- TOOTHPASTE
- HAIR BRUSH
- COMBS
- SHAMPOO
- CONDITIONER
- SOAP BAR
- LICE KITS
- LOTIONS
- NAIL POLISH
- BOTTLES
- PACIFIERS
- DIAPERS
- DIAPER CREAM
- SIPPY CUPS
- UNDERWEAR/SOCKS
- PAJAMAS FOR CHILDREN
- ALL SIZES OF GENTLY USED CLOTHES AND SHOES
- MITTENS
- HATS
- BLANKETS
- ANY TOYS
- GIFT CARDS

Monetary donations are appreciated.



Contact Us

Jan Evans (586)-206-9726
Sue DeLange (810)-278-7590



More Information

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Instagram @algonac.carebag

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ALONAC LIONS HALL

1905 MILL STREET,
ALGONAC MICHIGAN



ELKTON LIONS CLUB

At the Ubyly Lions 85th Anniversary Celebration, John Champagne of the Elkton Lions Club received the International President's Leadership Award—the third highest honor bestowed by Lions International. The award was presented by Incoming International President Mark Lyon and acknowledges individuals who demonstrate outstanding leadership and dedicated service in furthering the Lions' global missions. The Elkton Lions Club recognizes John Champagne's exceptional contributions and values his ongoing commitment as a member. Pictured: Lion John Champagne, President Mark Lyon, with Past International Director Justin Faber



CARSONVILLE LIONS CLUB

The Carsonville Lion Club recently welcomed new member Dwight Forro Sponsored by Secretary John Kandall. Performing the ceremony Irene Cole Region 3 Zone II Chair visiting from the Decker-ville Lions Club. The club during the Christmas season will adopt families in need. The club also has helped local senior students with their end of the year parties and some early college funding upon request. The club supports the community with financial aid for those families affected by fire, accidents and medical bills.



MARYSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Marysville Lions Club loves supporting our community. This evening, we presented two checks to a couple of long-standing partners.

☑ The Friends of the Marysville Library will use our financial support to enhance services at the library. Thanks, Deb Malane for updating our members.

☑ Marysville Police School Safety Liaison TJ Williams is beginning preparations for another exciting Fourth Grade Bike Rodeo. The bike rodeo has been a tradition and student favorite for many years and Lions love to support the event.



I would like to say a big YA HO to the district for their help with membership, you did it, we are so close to 2000 members we can smell it, keep up the great work, remember new members bring new ideas.

Bruce Bronson or District newsletter editor needs our help, he's asking us to get our letters to him by the 28th of the month. While on the topic of the newsletter

Bruce is experiencing some health issues and needs help compiling and getting the letter out, so what we are asking is if someone with a little newsletter talent,

USA LIONS CLUB

USA Lions Rod and Noreen are both new and super members of the USA Lions Club. This is their own project that they have done for years. This year alone they have raised over \$12K from cans and bottles to support the boys and girls community ball programs. Well done you guys!



PORT SANILAC LIONS CLUB

How did you serve your community today? We built beds for Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Fifty beds were built today, the next build is May 2. Why not join us?



BERVILLE LIONS CLUBS

The Berville Lions congratulates Lion Jim Wolfe on his Lions Club International Life Membership with 20 years of service, commitment and volunteerism to his community.



MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

The Memphis Lions held their auction on March 6, 2026, it was tagged as fishing supplies based. Fishermen really missed a good deal. The auction was a big success. This is something we are interested in sharing with other clubs. There are clubs that make a great deal of money on fishing contest. This will supply the tools for that endeavor. There was a good turnout wished there were more fellow Lions to share the deals. We had a mini bake sale to coincide with the auction. Next year it will be bigger and better. Come over and see.

MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS



ALGONAC LIONS CLUB

The Algonac Lions Club 1st Vice President Brent Appleton presenting a \$10,500 check to the Algonac Goodfellas Feb 11, 2026. The second picture is Algonac Lions Club President Lion Andy Goulet presenting Lion Don Matzka his 10-membership pin January 7, 2026. The third picture is Algonac Lions Club President Lion Andy Goulet presenting Algonac high school graduate student Kate Bennett her \$1,000 scholarship check on Sep.17, 2025. The fourth picture is Algonac Lions Club President Lion Andy Goulet presenting Lion Paul Mangas his 30-year membership pin.





A Lion Made With Love — And on a Mission to Change Lives

This little Lion could be yours!

This little felted lion began as a simple bundle of wool...

but with hours of shaping, stitching, and love, it became something truly special. Now it carries a bigger purpose: helping support LCIF, our organization that brings hope, relief, and compassion to people who need it most.

By purchasing a \$10 raffle ticket, you're not just entering to win a handmade keepsake — you're becoming part of a story of kindness. A story where small contributions create big impact. A story where creativity meets service.

On July 21, 2026, one lucky supporter will either be taking this lion home or have it sent to them by mail. But every person who participates becomes part of the heart behind it. Thank you for helping this little lion make a big difference.

www.lionleo.win is the website and shows you how Lion Leo was made, how he was named, and who made him! The website also gives you the link to his facebook page and a link to purchase a ticket on line if you wish.

Or alternatively text Lindy at (989 450 3644) or email at lindy@abadata.com



HONG KONG 2026

108th Lions International Convention

Dear Lions and Leos,

I am writing to share some important updates to our 2026 international convention in Hong Kong.

As many of you know, we moved convention to Hong Kong after our planned destination of Atlanta was cancelled by the city of Atlanta due to the FIFA World Cup. Our host Lions and the city of Hong Kong stepped up to help us transition to our new location. As we worked together to support this significant shift, we recently identified schedule adjustments needed to align with our host city's guidelines and maintain the convention's overall structure.

We will be updating our [Convention Schedule webpage](#) on lionscon.org with more details as they are confirmed, but here are some initial updates we'd like to share with you.

Convention Dates – Convention dates are not changing, only the convention schedule, so we will still be hosting convention July 3-7.

Plenary Sessions – Our three plenary sessions will be moved up one day, now scheduled for July 4-6.

Parade of Nations – The parade will be moved to Tuesday, July 7 pending finalization of plans.

Please share your questions with us at 2026Convention@lionsclubs.org, and we will continue to provide updates as they become available. If you haven't registered yet, be sure to [register for convention](#) so you can join us for an unforgettable experience in Hong Kong.

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2	1/12/26	Sig Saur P320 semi auto 9mm	28	7/13/26	Stevens modle 320 thumbhole 20 ga.
3	1/19/26	Ruger bolt action 22" 450 Bushmaster	29	7/20/26	Legacy Arms model 1100 rifle w/scope 22
4	1/26/26	Legacy Arms Pointer over under 20 ga.	30	7/27/26	Silver Eagle Inertia semi auto camo 12 ga.
5	2/2/26	Winchester bolt action rifle 6.5 creedmor	31	8/3/26	Hi Point JXP10 semi auto 10mm
6	2/9/26	Kel Tec Sub 2000 carbine 9mm	32	8/10/26	Rossi LWC single shot rifle 350 Legend
7	2/16/26	Henry lever action large loop 22	33	8/17/26	SDS PX9 semi auto pistol 9mm
8	2/23/26	Savage bolt action camo rifle 30-06	34	8/24/26	Escort semi auto camo shotgun 20 ga.
9	3/2/26	Charles Daly 202A over under 20 ga.	35	8/31/26	G Force walnut cerakote rifle 350 Legend
10	3/9/26	Rossi R95 lever action 360 buckhammer	36	9/7/26	Ruger Wrangler single action 22
11	3/16/26	Ruger bolt action American 308	37	9/14/26	Savage bolt action camo rifle 308
12	3/23/26	Glock model 22 semi auto 40 S&W	38	9/21/26	Rossi Gallery pump rifle 22
13	3/30/26	Traditions Outfitter G3 stainless 450 Bushmaster	39	9/28/26	Hatsan semi auto camo shotgun 12 ga.
14	4/6/26	Ruger Security nine semi auto 9mm	40	10/5/26	Bond Arms stainless derringer 9mm
15	4/13/26	Tisas 1911 Tanker semi auto 45 acp	41	10/12/26	Legacy Arms Pointer over under 12 ga.
16	4/20/26	G Force walnut cerakote rifle 223	42	10/19/26	Ruger American bolt action 5.56/223
17	4/27/26	Kel Tec PMR-30 semi auto 22 Magnum	43	10/26/26	Hi Point Yeet cannon YC9 9mm
18	5/4/26	Ruger American bolt action 7.62x39	44	11/2/26	Escort wood stock pump 20 ga.
19	5/11/26	SAR semi auto target pistol 9mm	45	11/9/26	Ruger LCP II semi auto compact 22
20	5/18/26	Savage bolt action w/scope 243 win.	46	11/16/26	American Tactical AR-15 semi auto rifle 5.56/223
21	5/25/26	Glock model 44 semi auto 22	47	11/23/26	Tri Star Raptor Silver semi auto 12 ga.
22	6/1/26	Legacy Arms Pointer over under 410	48	11/30/26	G Force walnut cerakote rifle 243 win.
23	6/8/26	Ruger 10/22 semi auto rifle 22	49	12/7/26	Savage bolt action w/scope 6.5 creedmor
24	6/15/26	Taurus G3 semi auto pistol 9mm	50	12/14/26	Escort bullpup shotgun 410
25	6/22/26	Escort 28" vent rib semi auto 410	51	12/21/26	Glock model 20 semi auto 10mm
26	6/29/26	Radikil PA03 pump shotgun 12 ga.	52	12/28/26	Ruger American bolt action 350 Legend

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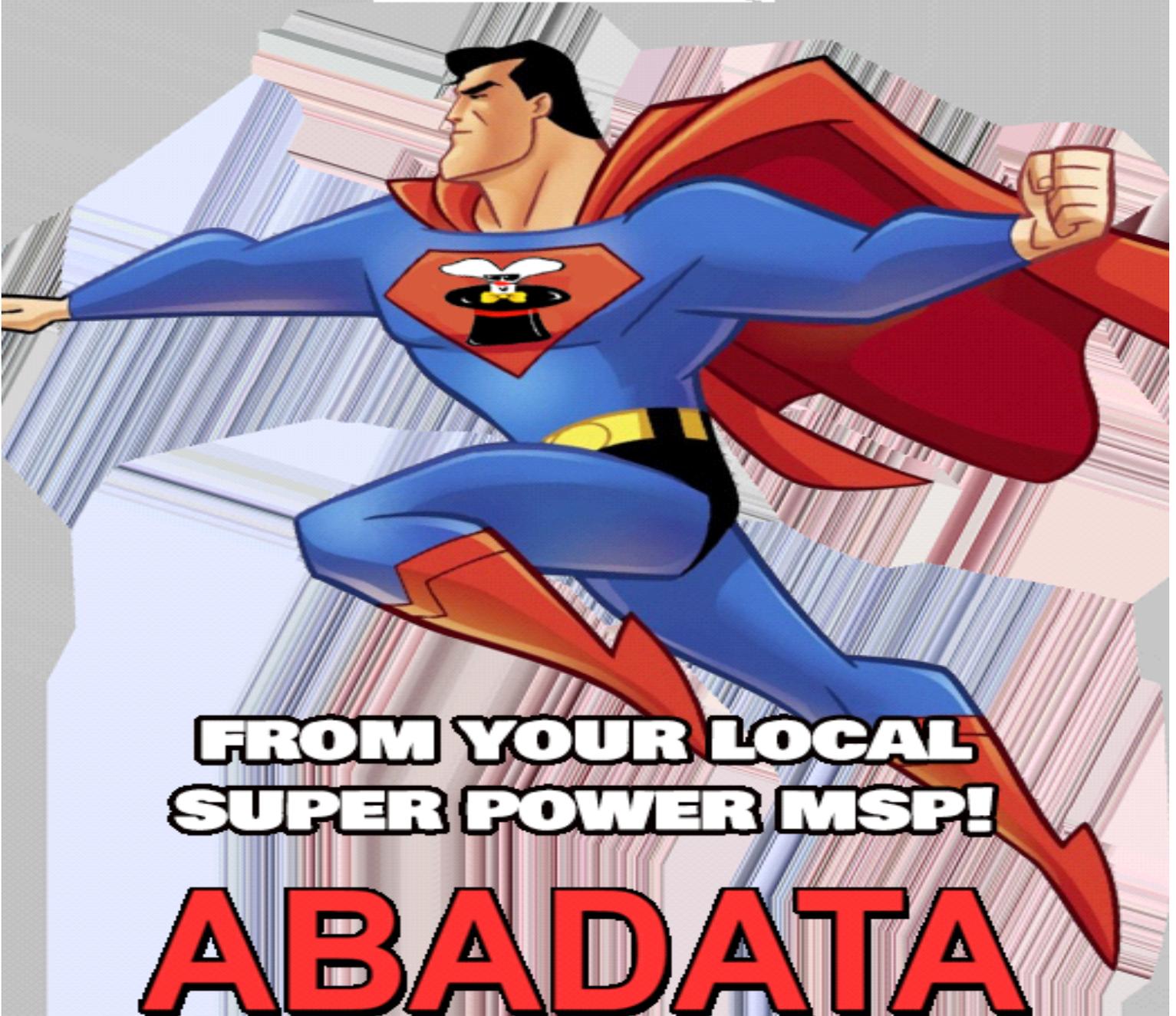
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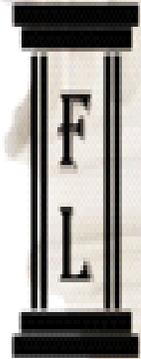


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