

LIONS NEWS

DISTRICT 11D2

SEP 2025



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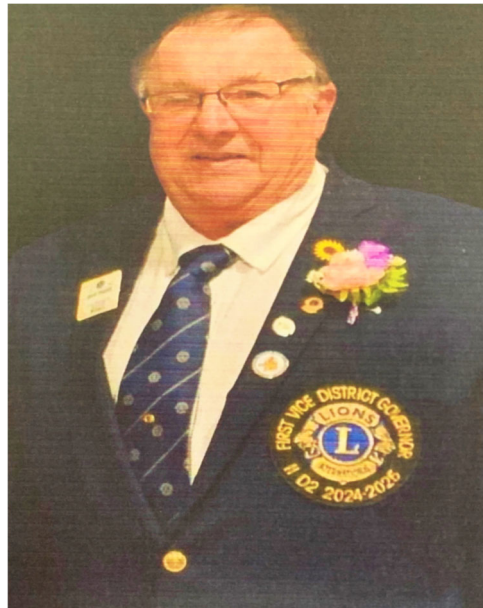
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GMT Tim Dietzel

GLT Donald Spinks

GST Wendy Drunkard-Wojos



GOVERNOR DAVE FISHER

CALENDAR –EVENTS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CORNER

This is a New Year for 11-D-2 and I as DG, I'm looking forward to making club visits, and getting to know more of you. As District Governor, this is the year of NEW MEMBERS and COMMUNITY SERVICE .

DG Dave Fisher

Governor's Letter

Hello fellow Lions, it's a new year, more community projects, and new members.

Events, coming up Oct 3th is Fall COG Conference in Gaylord, Michigan, with a project of collecting good used clothing to support children in the Gaylord Michigan school system, (grades K-8), check with your club for location of pickup before SEPT. 25th,

It's time to order Pesce Poster Kits for the Peace Poster contest for the 2025-2026 year, see you club secretaries they have the address.

The International Convention will be held in Hong Kong, July of 2026, looking for interested band members to be a part of the Lions of Michigan band, to perform in Hong Kong, Please contact all-state band director for help with this project ASAP. District Administrator Don Spinks NEEDS HELP, To answer the call to help lead the district, by being a GUIDING LION, contact Don for more info.

Lions district raffle tickets to support the 11-D-2 district convention will be available at IPDG Judy Keller's appreciation dinner Oct. 5th at Ugly Heights Golf and Country PLEASE RSVP by 9/26/2025 to Judy at judyakel76@gmail.com.

Hope to see you all there and help make this a great event for a great District Governor. That's All for now

DG Dave Fisher 989-550-1866

1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR TIM DIETZEL.

What makes a Lion want to serve?

It's simple, we're driven by kindness, compassion, and the belief that giving of ourselves can change lives. We serve because our neighbors need us, because our communities are stronger when we stand together, and because the joy of helping is greater than anything we could receive. As Lions, we don't just see needs, we meet them. We don't just talk about service, we live it. And together, we're part of something bigger: a global family of hope, love, and service that reaches around the world. I look forward to visiting the Clubs of 11D2. Learning and sharing accomplishments, in service and membership growth. Please take the time to make sure all your Club information on the website is correct. Including Club officers' phone numbers and meeting times and places.

1st. VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR TIM DIETZEL

Hello fellow Lions,

My name is Janet Devroye, and I'm honored to serve as your new District 11D2 Treasurer. I'm from the Elkton Lions Club, where I currently serve as both Treasurer and 2nd Vice President. I've been a proud member since 2018, and I'm excited to support our district and connect with more clubs across 11D2. As I begin my term, I'll be introducing some cost-saving measures to help our district operate more efficiently. One key change is how club dues are billed: Going forward, all bills will be sent via email, rather than by mail. You will receive a PDF version of your club's bill twice a year — in January and July — via email. Please ensure your club treasurer's email is listed correctly in the LCI portal so they receive the bill.

Treasurers should print the bill and mail a check for payment.

checks can be mailed to Janet Devroye, 5683 Haist Road, Pigeon, MI 48755.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at

Email: 11d2districttreasurer@gmail.com or 989-550-4303. (This email address will remain the official contact for the District Treasurer position moving forward.)

Thank you for your cooperation and service. I look forward to working with each of you in the year ahead!

Janet Devroye Cabinet Treasurer



A message from Immediate Past District Governor Judy Keller 2024-2025

Fellow Lions of 11D2

As my term in office has come to an end and I reflect on my year as serving as the Governor of the 11D2 all I can say is WOW! This has been a year of some ups and some downs, but I would not change it for anything. The energy, desire and willingness to serve your communities and beyond is above no other. There were so many new ideas of fundraisers and community help that I learned about. With your fundraising efforts you helped support our State Projects and natural disasters here in the United States. For that I thank you.

My role is now Immediate Past District Governor; I am still here to help our district. I know you will support District Governor Dave Fisher the same way you supported me. It was wonderful to meet so many more Lions who love what they do.

Thank you for your support, friendship, and tireless service to our district. Let's keep building and serving. I have always felt that doing more service brings in new members which means more service. Remember to Show Your Passion, Make Your Mark and Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead.

Yours in service

Judy Keller IPDG 11D2



SEPT 2025

LIONS NEWS
DISTRICT 11D2



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

LISA DIBLEY	ALGONAC LIONS	JAN SYNK	ALMONT LIONS
MARTIN TISCHBEIN	HARSENS ISLAND LIONS	JAMIE PETERS	JEDDO LIONS
DEB KAMISKI	MEMPHIS LIONES	MIKE KAMINSKI	MEMPHIS LIONS
AMBER FREED	NORTH BRANCH LIONS	DREW FREED	NORTH BRANCH LIONS
ALEX PARDON	NORTH BRANCH LIONS	CHERI ZWENG	NORTH BRANCH LIONS
CHRISTY WORLEY	PEARL BEACH LIONS	MICHAEL FURA	PORT AUSTIN LIONS
JUSTIN SELKE	PORT AUSTIN LIONS	JEFF SERVAY	PORT AUSTIN LIONS
BILLIE BURNS	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	SHAUN CARRIVAEU	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
ANN DUDAS	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	GAVIN ENRIGHT	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
JENNIFER GAVIN	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	SUMMER GAVIN	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
JULIETTE GILBERT	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	ANTWAIN HOLSTON	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
STEVEN JACKSON	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	DANNY KEENER	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
SHIRLEY LOLLIS	PORT HURON HOST LIONS	THOMAS MICHAEL	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
LAWRENCE MICHELS	PT. HURON HOST LIONS	SKYLAR M.ENRIGHT	PORT HURON HOST LIONS
DANIEL RUTKOWSHI	PT. HURON HOST LIONS	DEAN SUBER	USA LIONS
NOREEN TIETZ	USA LIONS	RODNEY TIETZ	USA LIONS

MEMBERS NO LONGER WITH US "RIP"

KATHRINE INNES DECKERVILLE LIONS

GLT Report: GLT Chair PDG Don Spinks

Training for Lions Club officers is essential for effective leadership and organizational success. It equips them with the necessary skills and knowledge to fulfill their roles effectively.

Key Benefits of Training

- **Leadership Skills:** Training enhances leadership abilities, enabling officers to guide their teams and manage club activities efficiently.
- **Understanding Responsibilities:** Officers learn about their specific roles, responsibilities, and the overall structure of the Lions Club, which helps in better governance.
- **Program Implementation:** Training provides insights into how to implement community service programs and initiatives effectively, aligning with the club's mission.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Officers connect with other leaders, sharing best practices and experiences that can improve club operations.
- **Conflict Resolution:** Training often includes strategies for resolving conflicts within the club, fostering a more harmonious environment.
- **Compliance and Ethics:** Officers learn about the ethical standards and compliance requirements necessary for maintaining the integrity of the organization.

Ongoing Development

- **Adaptation to Change:** Regular training helps officers stay updated on changes in policies, community needs, and best practices in nonprofit management.
- **Motivation and Engagement:** Training sessions can motivate officers and volunteers, enhancing their commitment to the club's goals.
- **By investing in training, Lions Club officers can lead more effectively, ensuring the club's mission is fulfilled and its impact on the community is maximized.**

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

Emergency Individual Assistance and Emergency Disaster Relief Policies; Individual's Assistant will get up to/ but not exceeding \$1,000.00 per Individual and all single grants with club match at 10% (\$100.00) and Emergency Disaster (Multi families) \$1,000-up to maximum of, not exceeding \$5,000.00 This became effective starting July 1.

Group Cruise – 2026- We have scheduled another cruise for next March '26. We have 25 rooms on reserve, we need your reservations, the rooms will be released in October so if you interested in booking, contact the office. We also have a \$100 credit per room included in the price. The rates are priced at double occupancy.

Mints for the Military Program- We are receiving donations to this fund but no names of our men and women in the service, please ask you friends, coworkers, neighbors, or grandkids, that we would love to send them a box of mints and let them know we are thinking about them.

KIDSIGHT

The KidSight program has provided vision screening for 24 events since July 1, 2025.

PDG Wesley Wagester D-2 Coordinator



Ubly Lions Club
Is Inviting you to join us
For An Appreciation Dinner
Honoring
Immediate Past District Governor
Judy Keller

October 5, 2025

Ubly Heights Country Club

2409 E Atwater Rd

Ubly MI 48475

RSVP to PDG Judy Keller

Call/Text 989.670.1401

Email: judyakel76@gmail.com

Send checks to 6742 Gilbert Rd.

Ubly, MI. 48475

RSVP By 9-26-25

Social Hour 2:00 PM

Dinner 3:00 PM

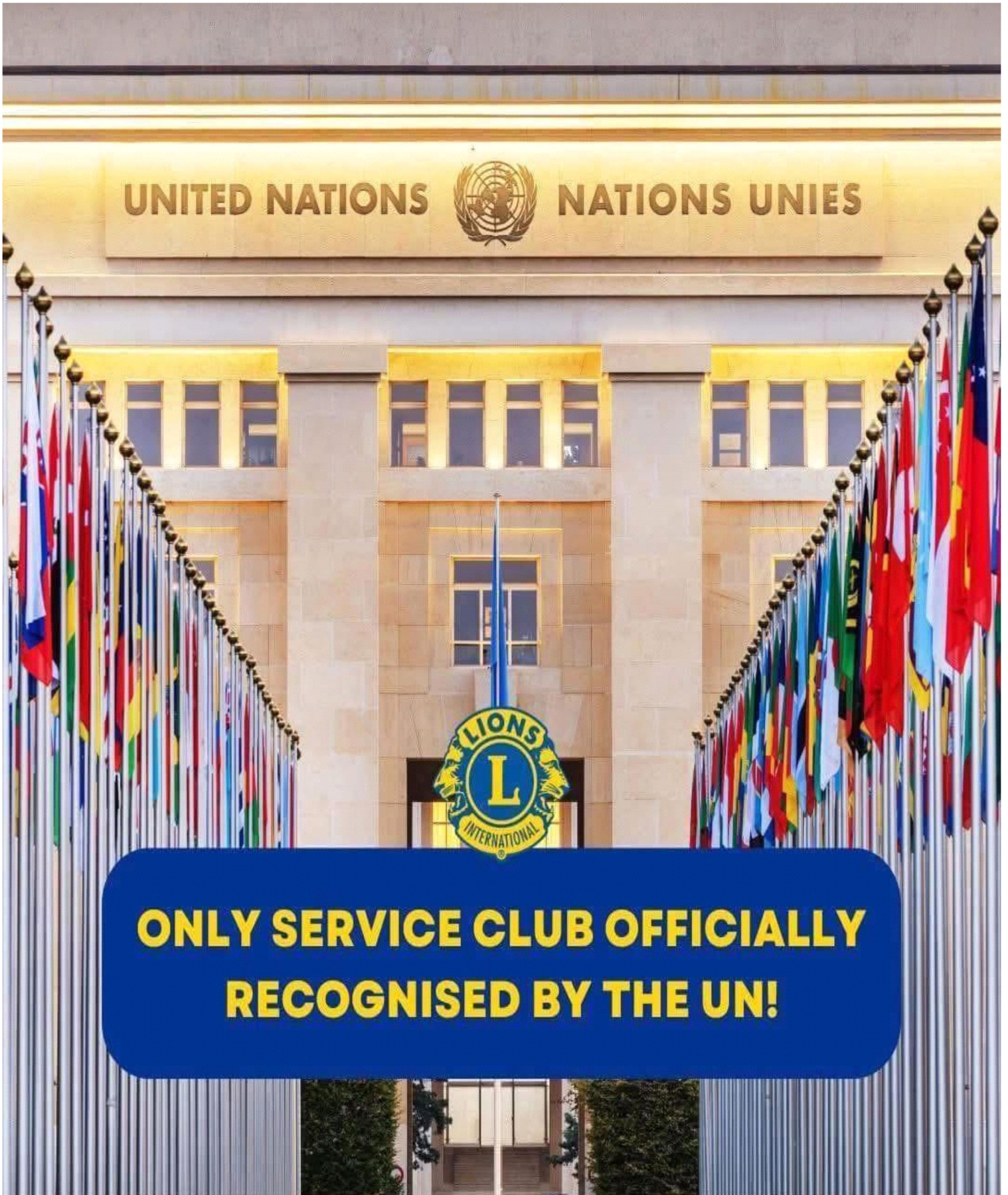
Program after Dinner

\$30 per person includes

dinner, coffee & soft

drinks

Cash Bar



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Croswell Lions Award Scholarships to 2 Croswell-Lexington High School Graduates

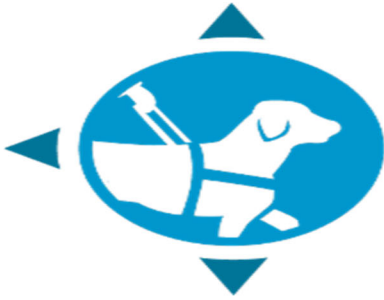
On June 3, 2025, a reception was held for Addison Gardner and Emma Noll at the Croswell Lions Hall. Each recipient received a \$1,000 scholarship toward their college expenses



Addison is pictured with Lion's Scholarship Chair Cheryl Kriete and Lion Elwyn Neaves, President of the Croswell Lions Club. Addison will be attending Northwood University where she has committed to being a part of their cheerleading team. She will major in marketing communications and in sports management. Her dream is to one day be a coach and build a team of her own. Best Wishes to Addison from the Croswell Lions.



To the left is Emma Noll pictured with Lions Cheryl Kriete and Elwyn Neaves. Emma will be attending Michigan State University majoring in marketing with a minor in agribusiness. She hopes to become a marketing manager or be part of a marketing team for an agriculture related company. Emma already has quite a background in agriculture. She has shown swine and sheep, and even big beef market steers competitively at the state level and nationally. Best Wishes to Emma from the Croswell Lions.



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Hello Lions!

We hope you're doing well! We've been busy creating new content for our blog and wanted to share some exciting updates with you.

Here's a quick roundup of our latest posts:

[Raising Future Leader Dogs and Children](#)



Over the past 12 years, our family has raised 12 Future Leader Dogs — and 3 children. During that time, both our children and our puppies have grown, matured and set off on their own adventures, each having benefited from a strong foundation and thoughtful guidance.

[Love Puppies? Help Bring Guide Dogs Into the World—Right From Your Home!](#)

What if your next family adventure didn't involve a plane ticket, but puppies and purpose? We're inviting families like yours to help raise the next generation of guide dogs right from your own home.



Leader Dog for the Blind!

MD11 READING ACTION REPORT PDG DON SPINKS

I would like to start by saying congratulations to all the incoming Governors. This is your year and I know you will do a great job, again congratulations. One of the areas that I would like you to start your year off on is with the Reading Action Program. Presently there are two districts that are actively involved with a reading program. These two districts are 11D1 and 11D2.

I received an email from Governor Marie Leathers from 11E2 inquiring on the Reading Action Program. Hopefully she will have a designated individual for her RAP district chair. I do challenge all the other governors to designate a Reading Action Chair. It would look fantastic if all of MD11 and SD10 could fulfill this position this year before October.

Make reading an essential element of your district service reporting. 11D1 is off to a very good start. Their chair, Jean Brinkman has their program running perfectly. She has other clubs involved and she is reading to the children in the schools and is involved with the Reading Radio Service in the Lansing area. Oh by the way, the Kinston school has a book vending machine. 11D2 is the also doing great. We have clubs reading to children in schools and I myself have been invited back to the Marlette elementary school this year to read weekly to the third grade. Make reading and education a goal your district.

11D-2 has an active web-page (<https://www.lions11d2.org>). There is a lot of district information everyone can use. Do not hesitate to use it.



USA LIONS CLUB

Tonight we had our first summer steak fry at the park and installed our new officers for 2025-6! Congratulations to our new president Sherrie Clark, our vice president Wayne Volz, our secretary and membership Denny Kunding, Brad Neu our treasurer Stevie Langford, tail twister Jill Millerwise, lion tamer Stevie Langford, and Scott Millerwise our board member and all installed by Tim Dietzel 1st vice elect governor from Marlette lions. Thankyou to everyone and special thanks to Doug Deming our chef for the evening - go USA Lions !

BAD AXE LIONS CLUB

The Bad Axe Lions Club lost one its long time Lions member, the Honorable Karl E Krause. Karl was a great supporter of his club and held many different rolls in his community. KARL will be missed!

Check (Thumbnet.net) for his obituary.

OTTER LAKE LIONS CLUB

Some of Otter Lake Lions members have spent the past 2 weekends dipping donuts at the Leader Dogs for the Blinds First Vice District Governor Leader Dog Experience! Hope you all enjoyed the fabulous food and donuts, and learned a lot! Can't wait for next year!.



MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Memphis Lions Clubs had an opportunity to work closer with the city Chamber of Commerce for Memphis Days celebration. There was a 5K race set up for the community. The race was monitored and by some of the Memphis Lions. It was a success. See you next year!



ALMONT LIONS CLUB

Almont Lions Club Contribution to the District 11 – D2 Newsletter:

The American Red Cross held a blood drive in the Almont Lions Hall on Monday, August 11, 2025. Since 2005 a total of 3,430 units have been collected with a potential total of 10,290 lives saved.

The Almont Lions have resumed their monthly Euchre events. Euchre is scheduled for the second (2nd) Friday of the month (September – May). Doors open at 5:30 pm and play begins at 6:30 pm. They play 5 games, break for a meal, then resume play for 5 more games.

Almont Lions have the 2nd Annual Side-x-Side Charity Fundraiser scheduled for October 12, 2025. Registration starts at 8 AM. Start Point is Hideaway Lanes. Register by September 19, 2025 if you want to receive a shirt – adults only. \$50.00 per person, \$30.00 16 and under. Contact any member of the Almont Lions for registration information.

The Almont Heritage Festival is scheduled for the weekend of September 19 – 21. Almont Lions will be providing vision screening on Saturday, September 20, 2025.

Planning for the annual “Spooky Time Bash” is taking place. This is an event provided by the Almont Lions to celebrate Halloween yearly.



ELKTON LIONS CLUB

Elkton Lions Club recently hosts their annual Golf Outing. We had a full course of teams with tons of awesome players! Great prizes and silent auctions. Our help-we can't possibly thank them enough! And then the sponsors, they make it all possible.



ELKTON LIONS CLUB

The Elkton Lions Club was honored to host this year's 11-D2 Annual Corn Roast, taking the torch from the Owendale Lions Club after many years of their dedicated service. It was a memorable evening filled with fellowship, food, and fun. Members from across the district gathered to enjoy lively conversations, delicious food, and fantastic music by Randy Smagliniski. The event also featured exciting door prizes and a highlight moment—the official passing of the reigns from Past District Governor Judy Keller to our new District Governor, Dave Fisher.



MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

Marlette Lion PDG Donald Spinks was trained on KidSight screening . This is one of many achievements this Lion has accomplished. Lion Don also is a Past District Governor, reading action chair, Global Leadership Chair, Guiding Lion for D-2, also works with district officers. Lion Don was Cabinet Secretary for several years. What a great asset for District 11 D-2 team.

LIONS KIDSIGHT USA FOUNDATION

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

Donald L. Spinks

has successfully completed the required training approved by
Lions KidSight USA Foundation, and is therefore recognized as a

CERTIFIED VISION SCREENER



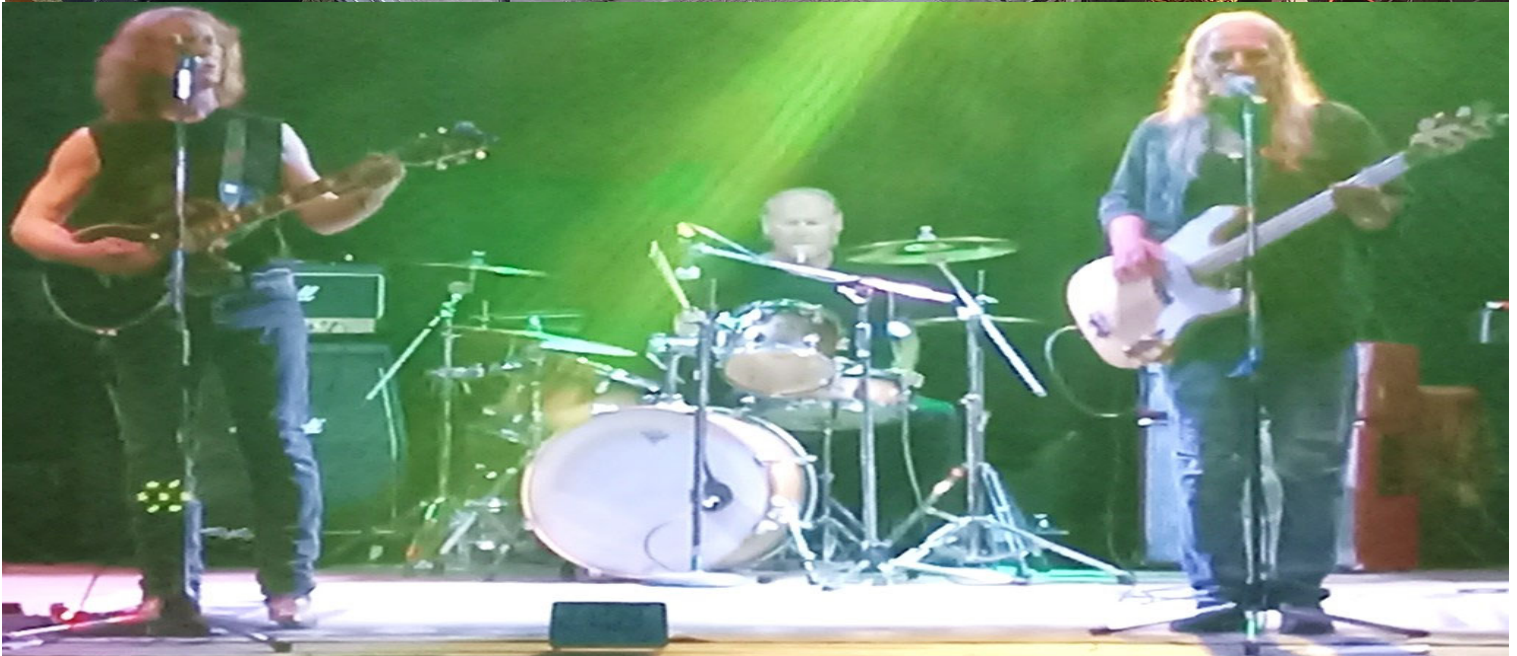
Dr. Edward V. Cordes, PID
Chairman, Lions KidSight USA Foundation

Month Day, Year
August 29, 2025



MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

The Memphis Lions Clubs worked with the Memphis Chamber of Commerce and County Foundation to host the Memphis Days yearly celebration. There was a lot of activity for the community to enjoy. Several of the club Lions worked on different venues. There were live bands playing at the pavilion both days. Creedence Clear Water tribute band. The 5K run was monitored by Lions. Refreshments were provided at the Lions den. There was a mush-ball tournament. This was topped off by a beautiful fireworks display by American Fireworks.





MARLETTE LIONS CLUB

Marlette Lions Club contributed a snack basket and a case of water to support Marlette Hospice residents. Pictured are nurse Amanda and Past District Governor Don Spinks. Way to go Lions.

Bottom pics, PIP Patti Hill with PDG Don Spinks & with 1st. Vice District Governor Tim Dietzel



MEMPHIS LIONS CLUBS

Memphis Lions help with the Senior Dinners, city Parks and Recreation work with the Lions to put the dinner on. Lion Becky Pare' and Lion Chris Pare' do represent Parks and Rec. Memphis Leos also do help out most generally it is too early school year. Lions pitch in and fill the gap.





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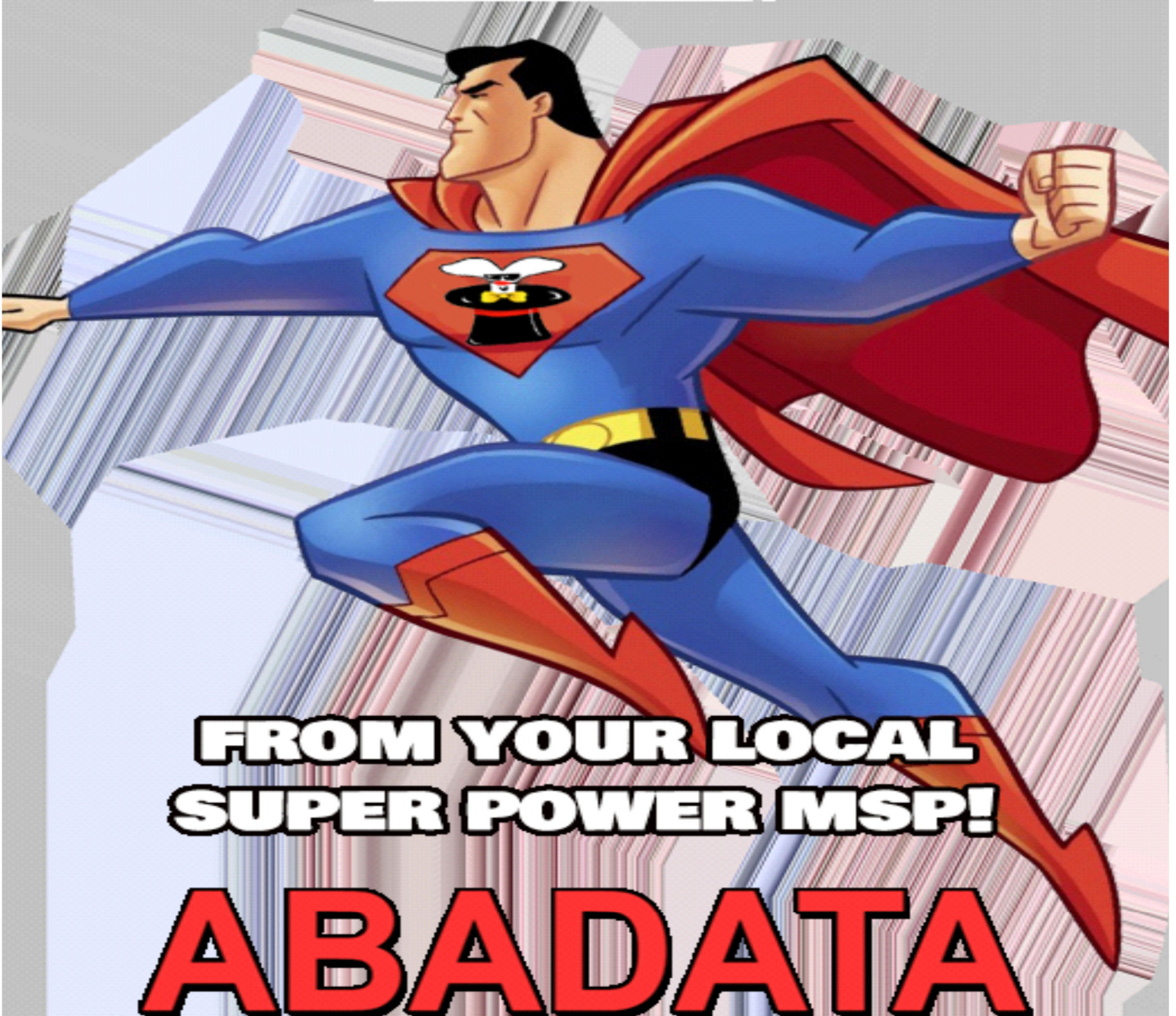


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Unusually, Lions have had three District Governors in the recent past. Also, one International Director. PID Justin Faber, PDG Sami Makhoul, and current District Governor Judy Keller. This is the only club that has this kind of representation in senior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



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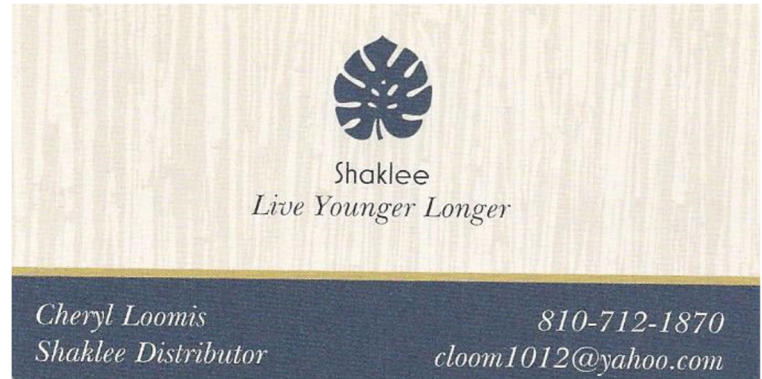
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PDG Wes Wagester & Kathy Wagester

Wish all clubs in D-2 continued success

PDG Wes and Kathy are on the convention committee with any answers for your questions. **H-810-673-3199 or C-810 -417-3107**



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