

#### Sterling Heights Lions Club Newsletter

International President Brian Sheehan – "Together we can"

District 11-A2 Governor Shawn Blaszczyk

# APRIL 2023 HAPPY EASTER





#### **LOOKING TO THE FUTURE**

March 31<sup>st</sup>-April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023 11-A2 Convention
Mt.Pleasant. LOOK for all the exciting updates on this weekend in our MAY Newsletter. We are excited to hear all about 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Kelley Unruh. Thank

**APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 MEETING** this is our **Cabinet Meeting.** PLEASE JOIN US! This meeting replaces our dinner meeting, no fee, learn about our district level happenings. This meeting will be filled with information. I hope all can join us.

you for all who helped make this weekend so special.

APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 EUCHRE NIGHT doors open at 6PM

**APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 BOARD MEETING** starts at 6:30pm. \*\*\*\* EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US \*\*\*\*

APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 Madonna University 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner.

**APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 MEETING** we will have a speaker this evening. Ron Sanderson Autism Speaker. PLEASE JOIN US Puppies for Independence- CANCELED!!

#### **YOU MAY HAVE MISSED...**

## We had so many amazing events this March. A lot to discuss and show you!

**Lion Barb Mcallister** spoke about the Macomb Foster Closet.

**Lion Barb** has donated her time to this amazing nonprofit organization. On behalf of the Sterling Heights Lions Club, we donated over 40 Easter Baskets to put a smile on a little boy and girl this Easter. THANK YOU. God Bless You!

Look who joined our TEAM! We are honored to announce we added two new members to our club last month. A warm welcome to **Lion Ben Martin.** Ben was sponsored by **Lion Kimberly Martin.** Another warm welcome to **Lion Jeanette Springer**. Jeannette was sponsored by **Lion Eileen Maciasz.** 

\*\*\*\*\*\* CONGRATULATIONS \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

We gave out two pins this month. Congratulatins to **Lion John Bingham Jr. Lion John** received the *Lions Club Excellence pin.* This represents achievement. Well deserved! **Lion Chuck McAllister** received the *Key Award Pin*. This pin is given when a Lion opens the door to at least two individuals.

We all know Lion Chuck opened so many doors these last few years! :)

Our very own **President, Dr. Lion Mary Welsh** presented both of these pins.

Thank you to **Lion Joseph Welsh** for the new face lift on the front of the bar. It looks **AMAZING!** 

Thank you also again to **Lion Joseph Welsh and Lion Dr. Mary Welsh** for the picture wall. It is all up to date and so easy to look at. Please take a moment to look at both areas when you are at the club.

Below you will see our KINDNESS MATTERS FLYER. This is a community social involvement program. We are encouging members to join us even if they cannot be at all our meetings. This is to have more hands on deck with our community projects, events, fundraisers, etc. We are giving the first month free and we will waive your application fee! PLEASE pass these around. Remember, alone we can do so little, together we can do so much!



On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 we held our Service Collaboration Event. Thank you to our **President,Lion Dr.Mary Welsh & Cynthia Greening, President Of Clinton Valley Kiwanis.** A big thank you also goes to everyone who helped to make this event remarkable. Record attendance, an air of enthusiasm and commitment permeated the room. Please visit our facebook page for amazing photos/video **Lion Dawn DeClark** shared. This event was so everyone was able to collaborate in a group setting on projects, events, and learn about the local service groups in our area. The quote is perfect! "BETTER TOGETHER" It was like speed dating. They had 20 minutes to talk about what project they are working on, what their mission is, events they are planning. This was the first of many. Looking forward to the next one!

\*\*\*\*\* SO MANY PEOPLE CAME. HUGE SUCCESS \*\*\*\*\*



On March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 we had our first annual Easter Pancake Breakfast. WOW!! Success! Thank you to **Lion Sue Joye** for taking this on and of course ALL who helped make this event one to remember. We came together as a team, we worked hard, we made it happen. We had Kidsight there. Lion Rhonda, Lion Jim and Lion Eileen did free vision screening. We had Susie Q's Kids donating comfort bags, blankets and teddy bears. We had local authors **Mark&Chris** there who have written a wonderful book about their rescue dog. We had amazing food donated by The Pantry. Thank you Mike Moceri for his food contribution. We did a Easter Egg Hunt different times with different age groups. It was a blast! Of course we had the Easter Bunny herself, Lion Karen Koehn. You did an outstanding\_job!! She was assisted by Lion Joann **Jermanus** who was absolutley amazing with the kids. We cannot forget the cooks and the servers. We cannot forget about the cub scouts who helped clean up. We cannot forget about the helpers for the hunt, and all the set up the night before. They stuffed almost 380 eggs! We cannot forget about the runners of the food. We cannot forget about all the helpers at the craft table. We cannot forget about check in ladies. We cannot forget about the coffee makers and the drink pouring group. THANK YOU THANK YOU to everyone. Lion Dawn will be posting a whole bunch of pictures on our facebook page soon.

Enjoy a few below.









#### It is official, **OUR WEBSITE IS LIVE!**

https://sterlingheightslionsclub.org Please visit often to see all the events, news, etc. Send pictures for our photo slides and gallery. Please send to **Lion Dr. Mary and Lion Dawn.** Help us share our message and build our presence by using our testimonial section. See our great nonprofits section along with share a story section. Under Contact us "Guest Pass" section. This area we can welcome visitors. **INVITE** PLEASE! Check it out! This is outstanding!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW OFFICERS STARTING JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2023

**OUR PRESIDENT- LION DR. MARY WELSH** 

1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT- LION CHUCK MCALLISTER

2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT- LION KEN SHARP

3<sup>RD</sup> VICE PRESIDENT- LION DAWN DECLARK

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT- LION JOHN BINGHAM JR.

LIONESS LIONS PRESIDENT- LION PAT MEADOWS

TREASURER- LION EILEEN MACIASZ

**SECRETARY- LION JOSEPH WELSH** 

**MEMBERSHIP CHAIR- LION BOB MCALLISTER** 

TAIL TWISTER- LION JIM OAK

**LION TAMER- LION DEPESH BHALSOD** 

**DIRECTOR- LION FRANK SINGER** 

**DIRECTOR- LION GARY CIOLEK** 

**DIRECTOR- LION SUE JOYE** 

**DIRECTOR- LION JOSEPH CROKE** 

\*\*\* PLEASE SAVE THE DATE JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 FOR THE PRESIDENTS APPRECIATION DINNER \*\*

#### **LIONESS LIONS**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Board meeting April 11th, 2023 @ 7:00PM

Mystery Trip! April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Meet at the clubhouse @10AM. The cost is \$5 plus lunch on your own. Contact LL Robin Highfield for any questions.

Tea and Strumpets. April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Cost is \$15 starts @noon. The theme is Seedlings, Braille Books for children guest speaker.

General Meeting April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @6:30pm

#### **ONGOING COLLECTIONS**

Val Gach/Marilyn Winter- New/used greeting cards.

Lorie Papa- New or slightly used stuffed animals

Grace Shalawylo- Used stamps

Lions Club- Used eyeglasses and Hearing Aids

Cynthia Coraci- can tabs, tennis shoes, any condition

Pat Meadows- Plastic lids and caps-please deposit in the bin in the back room.

#### **SUE'S TEAM WORK QUOTE:**



"If you have an apple and I have an apple and we exchange these apples then you and I will still each have one apple. But if you have an idea and I have an idea and we exchange these ideas, then each of us will have two ideas."

~ George Bernard Shaw ~

LIONS ARE LEADERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. WE SHARE IDEAS, WE BECOME CREATIVE TOGETHER. IF EVERYONE IS MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER, THEN SUCCESS TAKES CARE OF ITSELF.



### **HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAY'S**

LION ROY CECI LION DEAN SMITH LION KEN SHARPE LION JOSEPH WELSH LION JOE WUNCHEL



ROBERT JENKINS (51 YEARS)

MARLENE VARTO (15 YEARS)

DOUGLAS WILSON (1 YEAR)



#### **PLEASE PRAY**

LION VERA LUCKENBACHER

LL PHILLIS WEXLER LION LORI STARNS

LION HANK CARROLL LION LORE QUANDT

LION ROY CECI AND FAMILY

LION JOE WUNCHEL

LION JIM HARTENS WIFE CORA LION MARLENE VARTO

LL DEBBIE BODANYI'S HUSBAND LION ROBERT VARTO

LL CATHY RIGGS LL SANDRA WHITWORTH

GARY LOOPER (VERY GOOD FRIEND OF LL PAT MEADOWS)

SHELLY (DAUGHTER OF LION MILDRED BUTTS)

\*\*\*\* ALL LIONS AND THEIR FAMILIES \*\*\*\*



LL CATHY RIGGS MOTHER PASSED AWAY