STERLING HEIGHTS LIONS CLUB NEWSLETTER

International President, Fabricio Oliveira - "Make Your Mark"
District 11-A2 Governor, Rhonda Furby
"Serve to Live, Live to Serve"

SEPTEMBER 2024

PRIDE NEWS

As Lions, we can do more than attend meetings and volunteer for club events. We can fulfill any needs in our community that we see as an opportunity to enhance the lives of others.
The Service Journey is an approach to living and serving well. To making a real difference people can see and feel. It encompasses four simple phases: Learn, Discover, Act, and Celebrate. We love these words because they transcend organizational formulas. They have no borders. They are the essence of Lions.

So, we cultivate an awareness of local needs and how they connect to a larger global narrative. We seek new information and turn it into insight. Learning positions us to be effective. If you are interested in our 8 global causes and how they can help you with a service project idea, then go to…
https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/service-journey

or check out 100 Simple Service Ideas…
https://www.lionsuniversity.org/wp-content/uploads/210-Zone-Chair-100-Simple-Proj-Ideas.pdf

If the past 100 years have taught us anything, it's that as we serve, we grow. And we were never meant to stop. **Service is our journey. Let's explore it together.**

3rd Annual Tom Klingensmith Golf Tournament

This fundraiser, in honor of our fellow Lion Tom, was an amazing event which raised **$6,410 for our charities.** Thanks to all of our sponsors and a big pat on the back to the head of our committee for this event, which was Lion Chuck McAllister, Lion Ken Sharp, and Lion Mike Lecklider.
There were many other Lions and Lioness Lions who also helped make this event a success. We appreciate all of you!!

IPDG Kelley Unruh Appreciation Dinner
Thank You to our Lioness Lions for organizing this lovely luncheon and appreciation to the Lions who were able to attend this past weekend. The Sterling Heights Lions Club honored Lion Kelley by donating $250 to Lions Bear Lake Camp, in her name.
Thank You Lion Kelley for your dedication & contribution to Lionism. **"Mentor for Change"**

Craft & Art Show
Sat. Oct. 19th – 9-4PM – Sterling Heights Lions Club
We are still looking for volunteers for the 12:30 – 4:00 pm shift. If you are interested, please contact Barb, bmicallister@yahoo.com or Donna, dmacworking4u@gmail.com.

Evening with the Starz
Sat. Oct. 26th - This will be the last year for this event and the last year that ELVIS will be making an appearance. We will also be missing the wonderful voice of Lion Christopher Papa, who passed recently. Come Join us!!

Membership
We look forward to welcoming new members to the club in the near future.

Awards & Grants
Lion Monica Hamlett received a membership award for bringing in two new members. Way to go.
We were awarded a **$5000 Grant** from Meijers thanks to Lion Chuck McAllister.

Sight / Hearing
Lion Jim Oak and Lion Frank Singer are still actively collecting glasses and hearing aids. Please get the word out that Lion Frank has hearing aid batteries, sizes 13, 10, and 312, for those in need. Contact Frank Singer at amfmsing1@wowway.com , if interested.

Service Projects
If any Lions do a service project at the club or in the community, please share with Lion Dawn DeClark, so we can add it to the newsletter and inspire others.

Sterling Heights Lions Club T-Shirts/Polos
Thanks go out to Lion Dr. Mary for facilitating the ordering and distributing of our new club T-shirts / polos with our name and Club Logo on it. It will be nice to wear our shirts

at club meetings and upcoming events. If you have ordered one and haven't received it yet, please check the office

Euchre
Our total profit for the month of September was **$313.00.**
UPCOMING DATES ARE: **11/8** (No December)
We are still looking for volunteers to learn how to participate for backup coverage.
Please see Lion Eileen, if you are interested.

Charity Poker
There was a total of **$4,929.00 Net Profit** for September 18-21 at Rosemack.
Lion Eileen Maciasz will be looking for volunteers to fill the time slots for…
Oct. 28-31 Paradise Banquet and Restaurant

Canisters
Lion Joe Croke collected **$296** for the month of September.
The Sterling Heights Lions Club canisters are located throughout Sterling Heights, Clinton Twp., and Macomb at 16 food establishment locations & 1 hobby store. We have a list of those locations on our website, under Events, if you would like to support these businesses that support us! If you have any further questions, please see Lion Joe Croke.
https://sterlingheightslionsclub.org/cannister-map/

OTHER NEWS

MAINTENANCE
We now have cameras up at the club for monitoring and safety.

WEBSITE
Our Sterling Heights Lions Club Website is constantly being updated thanks to Lion Dr. Mary Welsh and Lion Austin Lee.
We are working to improve Hall Rental availability part of the website.
Check out the events and community resources and please encourage others to check out our website.
https://sterlingheightslionsclub.org

ADOPT A ROAD
All participants interested are required to review the safety brochure, read the safety guidelines, watch the safety video and sign the Indemnification Agreement. Our stretch of road is Van Dyke Rd., between Utica & Canal Rd. If you are interested in helping, contact
Joe Croke or Joe Welsh.

SOCIAL MEDIA
Would you like to see what's the Lions have been up to? If so, keep an eye on our Sterling Heights Lions Club Facebook Page. Please encourage others to like our page, so they can also see how we support our community.

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Please look forward to a word from Lion Robert Roscoe in our next newsletter!

LIONISM It's a way of life.

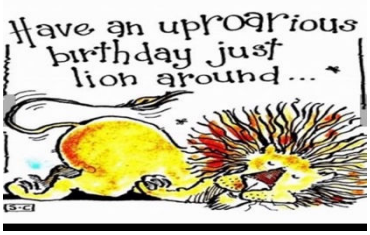
******MARK YOUR CALENDER******

Oct. 16th (Wed) – Board Meeting (Members are welcome)
Oct. 19th (Sat) – 2nd Annual Arts and Crafts Event (9-4)
Oct. 23rd (Wed) – Membership Meeting
Oct. 26th (Sat) – Evening with the Stars (6PM)
Nov. 13th (Wed) – Membership Meeting
Nov. 20th (Wed) – Board Meeting (Members are welcome)
Nov. 27th (Wed) – Membership Meeting
Nov 29th- Dec.1 –Candy Cane Collections
Dec. 6th- 8th – Candy Cane Collections
Dec. 11th (Wed) – Membership Meeting
Dec. 14th (Sat) –Lions Christmas Dinner
Dec. 15th (Sun) - Pancakes with Santa (9-1PM)
Dec. 18th (Wed) – Board Meeting (Members are Welcome)
Jan. 5th (Sun) - Blood Drive (9-3pm)

*If you want to chair a new or existing function, event, project, etc., please check with LL Pat Meadows to check hall data availability and put a hold on the requested date. Then submit your request to the Board for approval of your idea.

****** DISTRICT EVENTS******

Oct. 18th (Fri) – Penrickton Center for Blind Children Annual Kick-Off Dinner ($45)
(The Henry, Autograph Collection, Dearborn)
Nov. 8TH-10TH - Lions Leadership Institutes (Roscommon, MI)
Dec. 4th (Wed) – Leader Dog Kickoff Dinner (Somerset Inn)



BIRTHDAYS

FRANK SINGER (10/1)
ERIC BOLDEN (11/4)
CHUCK MCALLISTER (11/5)
GINNIE NIZOL (11/9)
KEN NELSON (11/17)
RON PAPA (11/19
BARB MCALLISTER (10/15)
APRIL L'ECUYER (11/5)
KAREN KOEHN (11/7)
JAN CUNNINGHAM (11/10)
GARY CIOLEK (11/18)
ANGELA SCOTT (11/19)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

DALE SOLITRO (6 YRS)
DR. CHINEVA EARLY (1 YR)
KAREN COREY (2 YRS)
ROBERT ROSCOE (1 YR)
ED ILLIAMS (1 YR)

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING LIONS IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

LION FRANK SINGER
LION HANK CARROLL
LION MARLENE VARTO
LION ROY CECI AND FAMILY
CORA (LION JIM HARTENS WIFE)
DEANNE (LION KEN KRUEGER'S WIFE)
GARY LOOPER (LL PAT MEADOWS FRIEND).
SHELLY (LION MILDRED BUTTS DAUGHTER)
CINDY (FORMER LION TOM KLINGENSMITH'S WIFE)
LION KIM MARTIN
LL CATHY RIGGS
LL PHILLIS WEXLER
LL SANDRA WHITWORTH
LION LORIE PAPA
LL JUDY KUKUK
KAREN (LION JOHN WALKER'S WIFE)
LION KAREN KOEHN
LION JAN CUNNINGHAM
LION MONA HAMLETT

QUOTES FOR THE DAY:

"Be content with where you are, while celebrating where others are going."

TobyMac

"Don't wait for the opportunity, create it."

George Bernard Shaw

LIONESS LIONS

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

Oct. 22nd (Tues) -Membership Meeting (6pm)
Oct. 24th (Thurs) – Mystery Trip (A Make & Take) ($35)
Oct. 29th (Tues) – Show me the Card ($8)
Nov. 19th (Tues) – Bunco (Doors open @ 6:30) ($10)
Nov. 26th (Tues) – Membership Meeting (6pm) (Lion Frank Cunningham / Guest)
Dec. 6th (Fri) – Christmas Party Luncheon ($35) (Noon) (Steakhouse 22)

ONGOING COLLECTIONS....

Marilyn Winter- New/Used Greeting Cards
Cheryl Neville & Nina Rath– New or Slightly Used Stuffed Animals
Grace Shalawylo – Used Stamps
Cynthia Coraci –Can Tabs
Amy Casali – Crib/Twin Sheets, Kids Pajamas, & Toothpaste (Macomb Foster Closet)

BIG FAMILY DONATION REQUESTS

Men's size sweats (for older boys)
Eye makeup, mascara, nail polish, manicure sets, nail polish remover, lip gloss, fragrances, body wash items.
will now be in charge of collecting items that will be donated to Big Family!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please see LL Nancy Fantene to donate the following items to this cause: Coloring books & crayons, Wash cloths, Bar soap, Kids Toothbrushes and toothpaste, small stuffed animals, pencils, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, combs & brushes, and small toy (assembly).

Why Lions Exists

In 1925, Hellen Keller challenged the Lions to become “Knights of the Blind in the crusade against darkness”. Our founder Melvin Jones, and his colleagues adopted sight and hearing impairment as the primary service project. Our Multiple District (lower peninsula only), District (Macomb and Oakland Counties) and Club have subsequently adopted organizations that relate to these causes.

We support the following charities:

Lions Clubs International (LCI):

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) – Funds are provided for various types of matching grants and disaster relief. For each $1000 donated, a Melvin Jones Fellowship can be obtained. The fellowships can also be obtained through personal donations.

Multiple District (a.k.a. “State Projects”):

Lions Bear Lake Camp – Camping experience for sight- and hearing-impaired kids
Leader Dogs for the Blind – Leader dogs are provided free of charge
EverSight – Donated cornea tissue provided for transplant and research
All State Band – Avenue for high school kids to experience other cultures
Lions of Michigan Service Foundation – provides funds for eyeglasses, hearing aids, emergency grants and KidSight screenings

District:

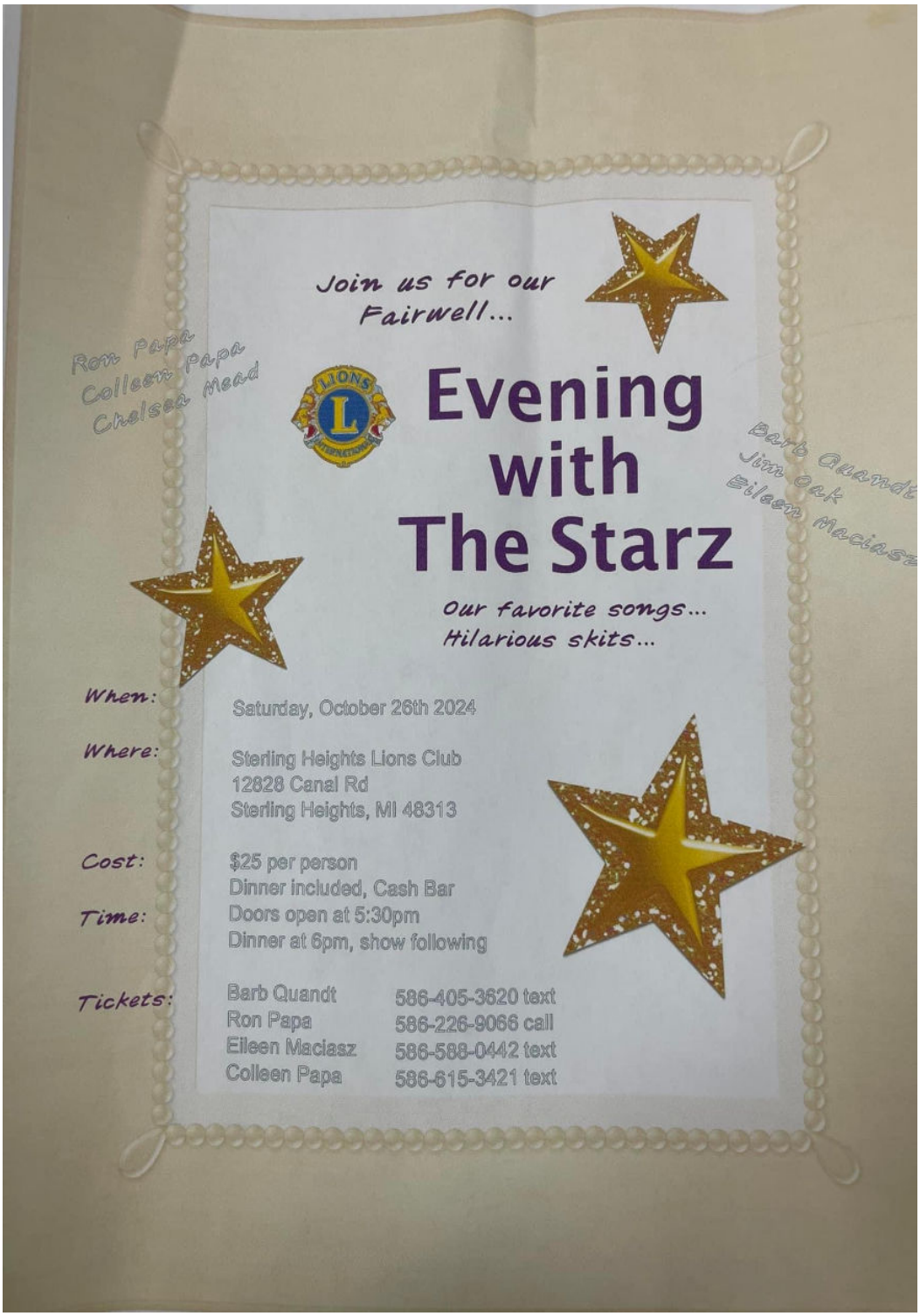
Penrickton Center – Day and weekly care for kids who are blind AND have at least one other disability. The kids are taught how to care for themselves.
Corewell Health Silent Children (formerly Beaumont) – Possibly due to hearing impairment, a child may need speech therapy. Scholarships are provided to defray the family’s cost.
JDRF / Defense Against Diabetes (a.k.a. DAD) – Diabetes can cause blindness. The JDRF funds are used for research and the DAD funds are used for virtual classes that anyone can take for free.
Madonna University – The funds are used in the American Sign Language program, both for hearing impaired students and for the students who will become interpreters.
KidSight – Our District is fortunate to have its own program and equipment to screen for various eye issues.

Club:

Sterling Heights Library – Yearly donation to provide large print books
President’s Jug – Limit set to $700. The incoming president chooses one charity not listed above. Members donate to the jug however they see fit.

Most of our charity money should be sent to the entities listed above. A donation increase has not occurred in the past few years, largely due to COVID recovery. However, we now have an opportunity to rectify this. We should increase our donations by at least 1.5 times to the Multiple District and District Charities. Any funds remaining at the end of the year can then be doled out to other charities that do not have a sight or hearing impairment component, after being scrutinized by the Board. The Board of Directors’ task is to approve all monetary and building usage decisions before the event takes place and approved by the Board.

Yours in Lionism**, IPDG Kelley Unruh**


Join us for our Fairwell...
Ron Papa
Colleen Papa
Chelsea Mead
Evening with The Starz
Barb Quandt
Jim Oak
Eileen Maciasz
Our favorite songs...
Hilarious skits...
When:
Saturday, October 26th 2024
Where:
Sterling Heights Lions Club
12828 Canal Rd
Sterling Heights, MI 48313
Cost:
$25 per person
Time:
Dinner included, Cash Bar
Doors open at 5:30pm
Dinner at 6pm, show following
Tickets:
Barb Quandt 586-405-3620 text
Ron Papa 586-226-9066 call
Eileen Maciasz 586-588-0442 text
Colleen Papa 586-615-3421 text