

**Lions of Michigan  
District 11-B1 Newsletter  
District Governor - Dan Shepherd**

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Lions,

I can't believe we are already one month into the New Year. It seems like Christmas was last week and now we are celebrating Valentine's Day. This month we hold the annual Winter Camp for the Blind in Dowling, Michigan. In past years we have had many outdoor activities such as snowmobile rides, cross country skiing, hiking, and games on the frozen lake. Unfortunately, this year the weather has not been as cold as in the past and there has not been as much snow, but the spirit of these blind campers and all the wonderful volunteers will not be broken. Please read the article in the newsletter about the Winter Camp for the Blind.

We held our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter cabinet meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup> and several items were brought forward for discussion. One of the main topics was the fact that many clubs are facing the challenge of how to fill the many requests for eye exams and glasses. I have been contacted by the Center for Sight in Jackson, and they are willing to hold an informational meeting for all presidents and vision chairpersons to explain what insurance coverage many of these individuals may have. Many clients are not aware of what coverage is available and I am sure that many Lions do not know as well. Our Sight Conservation chair, Lion Chris Craft, will work to arrange this session and be in contact with you as soon as this is accomplished.

The Manchester Lions are requesting financial assistance for a 9 year student named Luke in their community. Luke was born prematurely and had heart surgery at the age of one. He suffers from double vision, tunnel vision and he has no depth perception, and convergence problems. His mother is a single parent with a low income job and needs our help to get the medical assistance for her son. Always remember, the reason we joined the Lions is to serve those who by themselves can't accomplish what we as a whole can.

Our district Convention is being held March 23-25 in Lansing at the newly named **"Best Western Hotel"**, **this was formerly the Causeway Bay Hotel on Cedar Street**. Nothing has changed except the ownership. Please plan to join us at the convention and have great time celebrating the "Cheeseburger in Paradise" party on Friday night. We will once again have the games where you can win some of the many great gifts.

Thank you for all your support,

Dan Shepherd

District Governor

## DISTRICT 11-B1 Calendar of Events-2012

- Feb 3 - 5 **Winter Camp for the Blind**, Battle Creek Outdoor Recreation Center, Dowling  
Feb 4 Blissfield Reverse Raffle  
Feb 6 Leadership Committee, Manor House, 1:30 pm  
Feb 6 **RSVP - R2 Combined Zone Meeting**  
Feb 7 Ann Arbor AREA Lions Clubs, KidSight, Gretchen's House childcare, 9 am  
Feb 8 Deadline, Michigan Forum \$35 rate, Ramada Inn, Lansing, 9 am  
Feb 9 **Zone Meetings**, Combined R2Z1/R2Z1, Vandercook Lake, 6 pm  
Feb 9 Ann Arbor AREA Lions Club, KidSight, Gretchen's House childcare, 9 am  
Feb 11 North Adams reverse raffle & dinner, Ramada, Montpelier, OH, 3 pm  
Feb 11 Chelsea Lions, Charity Bowl fundraiser, Chelsea Lanes, 1:00 pm  
Feb 14 Ann Arbor AREA Lions Club, KidSight, Gretchen's House childcare, 9 am  
Feb 14 **VALENTINES DAY**  
Feb 15 **DEADLINE** - Karl Sorrick Award, Club of the Year, 2011 - 2012  
Feb 18 **Michigan Forum**, Ramada Inn, Lansing, 9 am  
Feb 19 Vandercook Lake Lions, Pancake Breakfast  
Feb 21 Ann Arbor AREA Lions Clubs, KidSight Gretchen's House childcare, 9 am  
Feb 23 **Zone Meeting** R3Z2, Homer, Presbyterian Church, 6:30, \$10  
Feb 26 YE from Peru leave.  
Feb 27 DG/VDG's meeting, Kellie's, 1 pm  
Feb 29 Deadline - Convention Delegate Form to Lion Diane Schweda  
Feb 29 Webinar, *Managing a Service Project*, 8 pm
- Mar 1 Deadline - Lion/Lioness/Leo of the Year nominations due to DG  
Mar 2 & 3 VDG Training, Lansing 10 am/Council of Governors  
Mar 6 Webinar, *Managing a Service Project*, 11 am  
Mar 9 Webinar, *Managing a Service Project*, 8 pm  
Mar 10 KidSight, Adrian Breakfast Lions, Leapin' for Lenawee  
Mar 10 Grass Lake bus trip to Leader Dog in Rochester, 8 AM, \$17 RT  
Mar 11 Daylight Savings Beings, *Spring forward*  
Mar 21 Governor's Visit - North Jackson  
Mar 23 & 24 Combined District Convention, 11B1 & 11C2, Causeway Bay Hotel, Lansing  
Mar 25 Executive Meeting, Lansing

### ZONE Meetings:

R1Z1

R1Z2

R2Z1 Feb 9, combined with R2Z2, Vandercook Lake, 6 pm Social/6:30 Dinner

R2Z2 Feb 9, combined with R2Z1, 7:00 PM Meeting, Meal cost \$7.00

R3Z1 Mar 8, TBD

R3Z2 Feb 23, Homer, 309 Sophia St at the Presbyterian Church, 6:30, \$10

The Causeway Bay hotel in Lansing is now the Best Western Hotel

## NEW MEMBERS

<u>Club</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Hanover-Horton	Wendy Hubbard	Lion Nancy Winter
Jackson Host	Marilynn Waite	Lion Chris Lake
Jackson Host	Joe Ward	Lion Martha Willard
Michigan Center	Daniel T. Edwards	Lion Todd Brittain
Pennfield	Lindsey Leonard	Lion Wayne Houseman
Vandercook Lake	Michael Henry	Lion Kathy Emerson

## DECEASED

Michigan Center	Lion James M. Conner
Michigan Center	Lion Lawrence D. Jenness

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## *IMAGINE PEACE*

Peace poster kits for the 25th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest are available from January 15 to October 1, 2012. The contest is open to children who are 11, 12 or 13 on 15 November. Twenty four finalists are chosen from the 350,000 participants from around the world. This year's theme is "IMAGINE PEACE" Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme. Winners advance through several judging levels, local, district, multi-district and international.

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**Daylight Savings Begins** on March 11th. I hate having to get up at 2:00 AM to change all of my clocks. You don't realize how many clocks you have until you have to reset them all. I've got a couple of them that by the time I get around to setting the, it's time to change them back, so I just leave them.

There's an old Indian who made the statement, "*Only the Federal Government would think if you cut a foot of material off the end of a blanket and sewed it on to the other end, you would have a longer blanket.*"

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Our Lions District 11B1 is conducting a **DISTRICT RAFFLE** to supplement the Administrative Account which helps to fund the New Member Incentive rebate and other internal expenses. In the past a raffle was held for a weeks stay in Las Vegas. This year the raffle is a five piece Adirondack furniture set, including two Adirondack chairs, a bench, and two planters. All pieces are finished cedar handcrafted by our own VDG **Dick Dettling**. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 from any District cabinet officer or your club President/Secretary. Drawing to be held at the District Convention in Lansing on March 24th at 7:00 PM. You need NOT be present to win, and free delivery is available (within reason).

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Lions of District 11-B1 – would you like to have this patch? It can be yours by attending the 95th **Lions International Convention in Busan, South Korea**. The convention runs from Friday, June 22, 2012 through Tuesday, June 26.

The annual highlights include the International Parade on Saturday morning, June 23, the International Night Show that same evening and Humanitarian Year Award as well as other internationally known speakers and presenters.

This year the convention returned to a traditional format being hosted over a weekend stay. This helps make a pre or post-convention stops of a few days to catch up on jet lag and yet not take more time from busy schedules.

Michigan Night will be a little less formal as it will include a dinner gathering at a local Korean restaurant on Sunday evening.

Michigan's delegation hotel is the Haeundae Centum. We are pleased to announce that it is next to the convention center. The per night cost is a very comfortable \$137 tax included. We will be in this hotel with delegations from 10 other delegations from the U.S. plus Canada and New Zealand.

1st Vice District Governor **Dick Dettling** will be installed as our new governor for the 2012-13 Lions' year.

Reservations for the convention can be made on-line by using [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org). Also, you may register by using the registration form in the October Lion Magazine found on page 30. Register for December 31 and the fee is \$100 per registrant.

If you have any questions, please contact **PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser** at 517-569-2677 or [lautzevl@gmail.com](mailto:lautzevl@gmail.com). Dennis is 11-B1's International Convention Chair.

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## **CLUB EXCELLENCE PROGRAM ( CEP)**

We assume by now that every club has heard about the Club Excellence Program and are talking about the positive benefits for the club to go through the process. We are happy to have the Chelsea Lions and the Napoleon Lions to be the first two clubs to implement the program. The Manchester Lions and the Athens Lions have indicated that they are also interested and would like to have a presentation at their club meeting. The District goal is to have 4-6 Clubs complete the process this year by June 30, 2012. If you are interested to have your club take part, or get more information contact GMT Coordinator Terry Walters ( 734-474-6914 ) or GLT Coordinator Bert Sexton ( 517-748-3097).

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## **International Lions Eye Bank Week**

The Michigan Eye-Bank Benefactor Pin was created as a symbol for those who support sight restoration, as a way to share with others their personal commitment to the gift of sight. For a contribution of \$20 or more, you will receive this limited edition Benefactor Pin. All proceeds will benefit the Michigan Eye-Bank's humanitarian aid program, public and professional donation education, and research into the causes and cures of blinding eye conditions.

To learn more about the Michigan Eye-Bank Benefactor Pin or other ways you can give your support, call (800) 247-7250.

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**North Adams Lions Club  
And The  
North Adams/Jerome Athletic Boosters**

**Annual Reverse Raffle**

Saturday, February 11th, 2012  
Buffet begins at 3:00 PM  
Drawing starts at 4:00 PM  
Dance to Follow - Ya'll Come

Location:  
Ramada Inn  
Montpelier, OH - Exit 13 (Ohio Turnpike)

**Prize:**  
**\$9000.00**  
**plus 12 other cash prizes ranging from \$100 to \$600.00**

**Cost: Donation of \$100.00**  
**Includes your Ticket, Food and Drinks (during drawing)**

**Need not be present to win.**

**Special Room Rates are available to Ticket Holders**  
**For Reservations Call 1-800-851-8300**

**Contact a North Adams Lions Club Member to purchase a ticket**

Ad Submitted by North Adams Lions Club Secretary, Lion Glen Ruder.  
517-523-2266 or [gdruder@frontiernet.net](mailto:gdruder@frontiernet.net)

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The **GRASS LAKE Lions Club** will be sponsoring a trip to see the Leader Dogs for the Blind Training Facility in Rochester, Michigan. The trip is slated for Saturday, March 10th. We plan to leave the Grass Lake Lions Club at 8:00 AM. Grass Lake Lions is looking to charter a bus for this trip. The bus can hold 47 persons. Cost will be \$17 RT, providing the bus is full. We are planning to arrange lunch at the Leader Dog facility and the cost of lunch will be determined by the caterer selected. We believe that all Lions should take the opportunity to see this wonderful facility. As such we would like to invite you and or your club to join us on this trip. It promises to be a fun and informative trip. (Some fun activities are being planned on the way to and from the facility for your enjoyment!) We are requesting that reservations along with a check for \$17.00 per person be sent to Grass Lake Lion Club President, Cal Holser, by Monday, January 30th, so that we can make the reservations with the bus company. Checks can be made out to the Grass Lake Lions Club and mailed to: Grass Lake Lions Club, PO Box 24, Grass Lake, Mi. 49240, Attn. Leader Dog Trip. Good luck being one of the first 47 to submit your reservation!!  
Lion President, Cal Holser Grass Lake Lions PS: Questions? : 517-522-8665

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## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS DISTRICT CONVENTION**

The District of 11-B1 cordially invites you to join us at our Joint 11-B1/11C-2 District Convention on March 23 – 25, 2012. The Convention will be held at:

Causeway Bay Hotel  
6820 S. Cedar Street  
Lansing, MI 48911  
Ph. (517) 694-8123

We invite you to have a display that represents your project or committee. Registration begins on Friday, March 23 at 3:00 pm, at which time project tables will be available for set up. The first scheduled event of the Convention will be 11-B1's Memorial Service at 6:00 p.m.

Please return the attached Registration Form **no later than February 29**, and indicate in the space available how many tables you will need. **Please note:** Additionally, if you are registering for the convention and meal selections through your club, please indicate so on the form, but still list the name(s) of those registering. The Committee requests that no raffle tickets be sold other than our own district raffle.

In addition, if room reservations are required, please make them directly with the Causeway Bay Hotel. The convention rate is \$84.50 per night plus tax. Rooms will be held until February 24, 2012, at which time those not reserved will be released for general sale. Reservations will continue to be accepted at this rate after February 24 but on a space available basis.

We look forward to seeing you at the Convention.

Sincerely,

PDG Gary Babcock

District 11-B1 Convention Chairperson

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**New LIONS PINS Available** Women in Lionism 25 year anniversary pins featuring Helen Keller are available for \$4.00 in blue or red coloring. The 2012 Korea Michigan pin is available for \$2.50. Contact District Pin Chair Walt Treichel to order. 517-524-6429  
[wtreichel@frontiernet.net](mailto:wtreichel@frontiernet.net)

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Don't forget to order your **WHITE CANE** supplies NOW to be able to pick them up at the Michigan Forum.

The 13th Annual Michigan Forum will be held February 18, 2012 at the Ramada Inn, Lansing. Cost is \$35 if you register before Feb 8th.

District 11B-1 Membership Initiative  
The first 100 new members will receive the  
\$30 discount on their dues for this year.  
The club with the largest percentage of  
“net increase” in membership will be the  
first to have their club name on the new  
traveling plaque.

This contest runs July 1 , 2011 until June 30, 2012.

Bonus for membership.....  
The club who wins this prestigious award  
will receive an invitation to a dinner picnic  
at the Napoleon Lions clubhouse  
next summer. All you and your guest will  
bring is your appetite.

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### **Leaders Inspire Belief**

Our 2011-2012 international theme is comprised of two simple, but very powerful words,  
**I BELIEVE.**

Our founder, Melvin Jones believed that one person could make a difference. He believed that by creating an organization focused on serving those in need, he could improve the lives of many. He had the courage to carry through on his idea, he had the commitment to put forth the necessary effort, and he took action to turn his dream into a reality.

President Tam shares in Melvin Jones’ belief that with each Lions club member, the impact of our service broadens and the world is improved, person by person, community by community. He further recognizes that one of the most important things a leader can bring to others in an organization is the belief that they can make a difference. As leaders, we must inspire **belief** in others.

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Each year the **MICHIGAN CENTER Lions Club** has a holiday food basket giveaway for 100 local families, Each Baskets contains over 40 items such as non perishables, breads, milk, butter, cheese, pancake mixes, frozen turkey and much more. For the most part our club pays for all the items however we do have a lot of support from some really generous Businesses, such as Aunt Millies, Chelsea Milling, Meijer, and Dorothy Dawson. Our club spends approximately \$4000.00 and our total cost per family is around \$38.00. Also each child receives a toy from Toys For Tots and our Lioness Club supplies hats and mitten.

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Consider these five characteristics that you, as a Lions leader, can use to help foster that belief among our members:

1. **Authenticity** – As a leader, you are the message; who you are must be conveyed authentically.
2. **Transparency** – Even if things are not perfect, share as appropriate; focus on what is real and on what is possible.
3. **Vision & creativity** – Appreciate the value of vision and creativity in inspiring others to dream, to take risks and to move to action; make sure your vision is attainable and grounded in reality.
4. **Willingness to make tough decisions** – Before others are willing to believe, they must see that their leaders are willing to break new ground. Pay attention not only to the urgent, but to the important, sacrifice some good ideas for fewer better ones, and align resources to maintain a focused purpose.
5. **Strategic communication** – Leaders who inspire invest in communications. Effective leaders provide constant, clear and consistent communication including information updates, candid commentary on critical issues, a focus on areas in need of attention and an open invitation for two-way communication

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**The JACKSON EYEOPENERS** purchased 75 copies of the Liberty Day Constitution pamphlets and donated them to Paragon Academy. The pamphlets also come with three teacher guides and 100 American Flag pins, which will cover all three fifth grade classes. Studying the constitution is a requirement for fifth graders. Each pamphlet will have a sticker on the back that says: “Donated by the Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club.”

A big thank you goes to Lion **Margaret Parker** and her fellow Lions who sold and/or bought Christmas wreaths. Due to everyone’s efforts, the club made \$562 this year. These funds also go for charitable causes.

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**The NORTH JACKSON Lions** 1st VDG **Dick Detting** inducted Lions **Bob & Peg Griggs** on January 18th, as their sponsor Lion **Vicki Lautzenheiser** looks on. **Lion Max** turned in 120 pair of used eyeglasses to Dr. Wierenga. Another 19 pair of eyeglasses were collected at Northwest Elementary during their Christmas Collection program. 5,060 lbs of fruit were sold and delivered in December.

THINK ONIONS...

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**The BATTLE CREEK CEREAL CITY Lions** delivered Christmas Baskets to **25** area families this year. We received the family names after Thanksgiving through Santa’s Helper, **Darlene Williams**. The committee held two organizing meetings at the Lux Family Restaurant and then we put together and delivered the baskets on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Members of the committee were: **Jim Baum, De Davis, Mike Guzak, Bob Harvey, Jerry Mackey, Dave Sauder, Glenn Schulz, Roger Spriggs, Pat Stiff, Muriel Walters, and Bob Ward.**

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Fellow Lions

In the past we had to borrow Funds from our Activity Account to pay our Administrative bills. In the 2007-08 District Convention we voted to maintain a \$2000.00 Administrative Fund balance, as a step in the right direction. But that is not enough. In our Lion's years 2008-09 and 2009-10, we raised our Administrative Fund balance to \$16,572.43 thru initiating District fund raising activities. Because of deficit spending in 2010-11 and the budget deficit spending of 2011-12, we will have an Administrative Fund balance of \$10,040.70 at the conclusion of this year. This year we had bills amounting to \$9,600 before any revenue was received by the District. Without having sufficient funds we will not be able to honor our Administrative financial commitments in the proper time frame. I have a concern about maintaining adequate funds in our Administrative Account. So I seek your help in assuring that we follow fiscally sound practices in operating our District with this amendment to our Constitution & By-Laws. **I would like your club's support.**

Let it be known that the Hanover Horton Area Lions club have submitted a proposed amendment to the Constitution & By-Laws of the District 11-B1. There was unanimous consent of its Board of Directors at the Regular Board of Directors meeting of October 19, 2011 to submit the following:

### Article V

#### District Administrative Fund, Section 6

To ensure adequate funds are available to conduct the financial affairs of District within the Administrative Account. The District shall maintain an Administrative Fund Balance of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) at the conclusion of each fiscal year.

The only proposed revision to the District 11B1 Constitution and By-Laws was submitted by the Hanover-Horton Area Lions Club. The proposal was approved by the club's Board of Directors and submitted in a timely manner in accordance with the district's Constitution and By-Laws. All requirements for the proposal to be placed on the ballot have been met.

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee recommends the proposal be placed on the ballot for the district membership at the March 24, 2012 annual district business meeting. The amendment requires an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the votes cast in order to be added to the district Constitution and By-Laws. The addition will become effective at the close of the district convention.

Thank You for Your Consideration

Lion Walter A Treichel, District Treasurer

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The **MICHIGAN CENTER Lions Club** held their annual Chili Cook Off on Saturday, January 28th. Quite a variety of chili was presented to the judges who included **DG Dan Shepherd**, 1stVDG **Dick Dettling**, 2ndVDG **Barry Allen**, and Zone Chairs **Connie Neese** and **Lisa Langley**. The chili was rated from 1 to 10, with #1 being **Horrible** (I would not feed this S\*\*\* to my dog!) and #10 being **Excellent** (If I served this to my wife for dinner I might get lucky tonight). Chili's presented were "Good & Hot Chili (LOL)"/ "Brown Brother's Mexican Chili"/ "The Wife's Chili (What a Wimp)"/ "Good Cook in Town (Get Real)"/ "Good Chili & Hot"/ "Hormel Chicken (With Beaks)"/ "Full of Flavor (Yea Right)"/ "No Name (Memory Bank Empty)"/ "What it is Chili"/ and a wonderful Nacho dip. #2 Chili was a problem because the Habanero's kept eating the plastic spoons. The tastings also

include home made corn bread and desserts. Winners, in *third* place was Lion **Bob Sexton**, *second* place Lion **Doug Sink**, and pictured is the *first place* winner Lion **George Woodard** who received a trophy and rights to DG Dan's chili hat.

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**TECUMSEH LIONS Club** The 3rd annual "Tecumseh Ice Sculpture Festival". There were 33 sculptures total located throughout Tecumseh. In the past our club has manned one of the interactive sculptures, last year it was a golf putting sculpture. We decided that this year we would get better exposure if we had our own sculpture. We got 5 sponsors to pay the \$155 needed to commission it and listed them next to the Tecumseh Lions sign. We had it designed with a slot at the top so coins could be dropped into it which created a lot of interest. We didn't get a huge amount of donations but the interest it generated was very successful. Many people were taking pictures, some with people standing next to it. I'm wondering if they weren't Lions from out of town and the pictures may be showing up elsewhere. The blue and yellow color made it the most eye catching of all the sculptures. I haven't talked to all 5 sponsors yet but those I have were very positive. The city lines up the sculpting company, it is called Icescapes, owned by John Merucci out of Marshal, Mi.

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## **21 WAYS TO KILL YOUR CLUB**

1. Don't attend meetings, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is over and make sure everyone hears you leave.
3. Sit in the back so you can talk with other members during the meeting.
4. Never have anything to say at meetings, wait until you get outside, then be negative.
5. After meetings, find fault with the officers and fellow members.
6. Hold back your annual dues as long as possible, or better yet don't pay at all.
7. Never accept an office or serve on a committee, it's much easier to criticize than to do something.
8. When everything fails, abuse the club's officers.
9. Don't bother recruiting new members, let someone else do it.
10. At meetings, agree to everything, then go home and do nothing.
11. Don't show up for any meetings, but complain you didn't know what's going on.
12. Do nothing more than what is necessary, but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly volunteer, complain that the club is being run by a clique dictator.
13. Talk cooperation, but never cooperate.
14. Get all the club has to offer, but give nothing in return.
15. Threaten to leave the club if something isn't the way you want it.
16. If asked to help on a project, say you don't have the time..
17. Never read any email/newsletters or seek information, you might find out what's going on.
18. If appointed to a position, never devote any time to it. Let someone else do it all.
19. Overlook your own shortcomings and concentrate on what they aren't doing right.
20. Repeat all the unpleasant things about your club to anyone who will listen.
21. Always criticize your club officers whenever the opportunity arises.
22. Don't participate in any fundraisers, but be the first to say how to spend the money.
23. ....

Why Join an Organization?

You don't buy a newspaper, you buy the news.

You don't buy glasses, you buy vision.

You don't buy awnings, you buy shade.

You don't buy a mattress, you buy comfort.

You don't buy a lamp, you buy light.

You don't buy membership in an organization,

You buy cooperation with people to accomplish goals you cannot do alone.

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### Youth Exchange Students

Requesting Financial Help for 2012 Program

District 11 B1 has **TWO** students looking for financial help for their summer 2012 adventure! Requesting financial help from District 11 B1 letters have arrived from these young ladies:

<b>Madison Rabbitt</b>	Chelsea High School	Australia	Cost of trip: \$3,000.00
Raised so far: \$2070		<b><u>NEEDS \$930</u></b>	
<b>Makenna Burnett</b>	Grass Lake H.S.	So America	Cost of trip: \$2,200.00
Raised so far: \$1675		<b><u>NEEDS \$525</u></b>	

**INCOMING:** We have 12, maybe 14 youth coming for the summer program 2012. We are actively seeking **HOST FAMILIES** for these kids:

Finland	4 students	4 weeks in Late June
Turkey	2 students	4 weeks in July
Sweden	2 students	4 weeks in July
Japan	4 students (girls)	3 1/2 weeks in Aug

Peggy Allen, District & State Chair

MI Youth Exchange Program

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Our **HANOVER HORTON AREA Lions Club** has 2 new members this month. Lion **Ray Hubbard** was inducted on January 11th, his sponsor was Lion **Art Winter**, and on January 25th, Ray's wife **Wendy Hubbard** was inducted by **DG Dan Shepherd**, her sponsor was Lion **Nancy Winter**. On Jan. 25, we had a club visitation of 7 members from the Napoleon Lions Club, including Governor Dan. Our speaker was **Brad Whaley** of the Dahlem Center, who showed a video, and talked about the needs of renovation on the walkway at the Center. Our Club has decided to pay the registration fees of our members who attend the Michigan Forum and also the Spring Leadership Training, because we believe that it is important for members to attend as they will learn more about what Lions do, and

make them better Lions. We have four members going to the Michigan Forum, and four members helping at the Winter Camp for the Blind. We are continually looking for new ways to increase membership, so that we can better serve our community and district.