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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Lions and Lioness:

Congratulations to the Membership Committee under the able leadership of Lion Marion Maki. The committee's efforts in inviting new Lion members, and for attracting other community resident Lions wishing to transfer into the W-WL Lions Club have enabled our membership gains in October, LCI Membership Growth Month.

Welcome to new Lion Laurie Brake who is no stranger to us having helped with our projects during her many years as a Lioness. Welcome to Walled Lake resident Lion Joe McKeivitz transferring from the Northwest Detroit Lions Club, and to Lions Robert Feldstein Bill Larges, and David Nauman, transferring from the former Bloomfield Lions Club.

Lion Laurie will be installed as a new Lion, and Lions Joe, Robert, Bill, and David will be similarly recognized at our club's 53rd Annual Charter Night Dinner on Thursday, November 17. VDG Lions Jim Pettinato and John Kontos will visit and participate in the program activities. Two PDG District Governors have been invited, and six members of the former Farmington Area Lions Club will also attend at which time various awards of membership will be presented. All Lions are asked to attend and share in this "Celebration of Lionism".

Let's warmly welcome these four new members to our Lions Den and to our Charter Night Recognition Celebration. A special thanks goes to our Membership Committee chaired by Lion Marion for extending the hand of fellowship and welcome to our newest club members.

It's GREAT to Be A Lion!



Donald J. Kuechle
Donald J. Kuechle, President 2011-2012

L-iberty, I-telligence, O-ur N-ation's S-afety

*District 11-A2 Governor Lion Bob Bobee's
Motto: "Children are the Future"*

*Lions International President Lion Wing-Kun Tam's
Motto: "I Believe"*

VISITING DIGNITARIES



RC Lion Chuck Spadafore and ZC Harold Lange say thanks to the Lions of W-WL for their accomplishments, membership growth, and for the support of Lions District 11-A2 activities.

FUND RAISER FUN 4 – U

Come one, come all to the Big Boy Restaurant on Wednesday evening, November 9th when Lions of Wixom-Walled Lake will 'Greet & Seat' patrons and 'Clear & Clean' tables. Bring family and friends.

Order sumptuous dinners from Big Boy's Fabulous Menu. Bring 'Cheer & Big Smiles' to this Charity Fundraising Event. Lions Marion, Ed, Ray, Don, Wendy, Steve, Joe, Jane, & John have volunteered to 'serve' patrons from 6-9 pm after first being 'coached' at 5:30 PM by the Big Boy's manager.

Dinner patrons will receive a 'Special Thank You Value Gift Pak' containing a variety of Lions brochures, a Leader Dogs soft lens cloths pack, and a 50/50 Raffle ticket to purchase. A new raffle will be held at each of three dining hours to yield three different winners. Raffle participants must be at least 18 years of age to enter and need not be present to win.

Thanks to Big Boy's support of the Lions as 10% of the proceeds at this 'Fun 4-U Fundraiser' will be donated to the Lions for use in helping local individuals, fire and police departments, and libraries of the Commerce, Walled Lake, and Wixom communities, and also, for other Lions charities. Put the attached announcement flyer on your refrigerator door as a reminder to your family that 'dinner's on you' that night at the WL Big Boy/W-WL Lions 'Fun 4-U Fundraiser'.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

“No pessimist ever discovered the secrets of the stars,
or sailed to an uncharted land,
or opened a new doorway for the human spirit.”

Helen Keller

IN MEMORY OF DECEASED LION

NILE R. “DICK” RUSSELL

April 02, 1922 - October 08, 2011

The Wixom-Walled Lake Lions offers its solemn tribute to our friend and fellow Lion Nile ‘Dick’ Russell and offer praise and thanksgiving for his life and service in Lionism. He adopted and lived according to the Lions Code of Ethics. He is a credit to Lionism and is admired by all who knew him. We as Lions are proud to have served Lionism with him.

To his wife Margaret, children, grandchildren, and other loved ones we sincerely give our heartfelt sympathy.

A Lions Club memorial contribution honoring Lion Russell was sent to the Penrickton Center for Blind Children.

THE TAIL TWISTER ASKS

Do you know how the town of Novi got its name?

DOG BUSTERS

Professional Dog Whisperer, Chuck McBride of Novi is scheduled to will visit and speak to the club membership Lion Marion met this gentleman at the Lions information booth on Pet Awareness Day. Chuck will speak at your dinner meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2012.

Significant Dates in American Life

Nov. 02 Regions 1 & 2 Meet at Novi 6 pm
Nov. 06 Standard Time Begins - Turn Clocks
 Back One-Hour
Nov. 08 **Election Day - Go to the Polls & Vote**

Nov. 11  **Veterans Day** 

Nov. 24  **Thanksgiving** 

Happy Birthday Wishes

November 05 Lion Robert Law
November 13 Lion Ed DeCourcy
November 20 Lion Beulah Gray

November//December Meetings at Big Boy

Directors Meet: **Thu. Nov. 03, 2011 6:00 PM**

Speaker: S. Evitts ‘Lakes Area Relay for Life’

Dinner Meeting: **Thu. Nov. 03, 2011 7:00 PM**

Charter Night: **Thu. Nov. 17, 2011 7:00 PM**

VDG’s, PDG’s, FA Lions and spouses witness award
and certificate recipients recognized

Directors Meet: **Thu. Dec. 01, 2011 6:00 PM**

Dinner Meeting: **Thu. Dec. 01, 2011 7:00 PM**

Christmas Party: **Thu. Dec. 15, 2011 7:00 PM**

Will Santa & Elves arrive in time this year?

Leader Dogs for the Blind - Announcement

Sue Daniels: Named CEO of Leader Dogs for the Blind Rochester, MI: Honorable Judge Paul Teranes, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Leader Dogs for the Blind, announced the immediate appointment of Susan M. Daniels as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Leader Dogs for the Blind. She had previously served as Chief Financial Administrative Officer (CFAO) of Leader Dogs. "As we performed our due diligence and reaffirmed our criteria for a CEO, we were very fortunate to have a person established within the organization who has consistently met or exceeded all of our requirements. In addition, we have the added benefit of continuity of mission and operational objectives with Sue leading the organization", Judge Teranes said. "She is a visionary leader, and has been recognized by her peers as performing at the very top of her profession. She has constantly stressed the need to maximize our strengths and address our opportunities in this especially challenging economic climate, while never losing focus of the mission the clients and the associates". Daniels holds a CPA and has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of MI, Dearborn. She completed the Women's Executive Leadership Experience through Paragon Leadership International and is a proud graduate of Leadership Greater Rochester and Leadership Oakland. She is a recipient of the 2011 Crain's Detroit Business CFO of the Year Award (nonprofit sector), recognizing outstanding financial executives. Prior to her arrival at Leader Dogs for the Blind in 2004, Daniels was the Chief Financial & Administrative Officer for the Southeastern Chapter of the American Red Cross for nearly 10 years. Sent on behalf of Judge Paul Teranes by: Amy M. Kuta Executive Assistant to the Interim CEO Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Friendship

*The glory of friendship is not in the
outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile,
nor the joy of companionship; it is in the
spiritual inspiration that come to one when
he discovers that someone else believes in him
and is willing to trust him with his
friendship.*

Ralph Waldo Emerson

May the friendship of fellow Lions always be built on trust

The Novi Lions Club

Proudly Presents

Ester E. LaMothe



For

International Director

Wixom-Walled Lake Lions Club Immediate Past President Lion Ed DeCourcy meets with International Director candidate Lion Esther E. LaMothe at the November 2, 2011 District 11-A2 Joint Region/Zone meeting hosted by the Novi Lions Club. Pictured are: Lions of Michigan CC Roger LaMothe, MD-11 Council Chairperson 2011-2012, and IPP Lions of Michigan Foundation; candidate Lion Ester LaMothe, and Lion Ed DeCourcy. Lion Esther LaMothe's International and MD Activities are most impressive, her work with numerous foundations, the awards & recognitions many, and her civic activities, professional career in education, and her strong family values, all support and advance her candidacy for International Director.



Lions Ed DeCourcy and Ray Froling represented the W-WL Lions and enjoyed dining with Lions Esther, Roger, and host club Novi Lions learning from others in attendance of many success stories told by club presidents, secretaries and others at this most informative evening of Lions fellowship.

Brain Study Challenge



A Lion's keen strong mind can read this:

7H15 M3554G3 53RV35 7O PR0V3 H0W 0UR
M1ND5 C4N D0 4M4Z1NG 7H1NG5!

1MPR3551V3 7H1NG5!

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7H15 LIN3Y0UR M1ND 1S R34D1NG 17
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4B0U7 17, B3 PROUD! 0NLY C3R741N P30PL3
C4N R3AD 7H15! C, I new U could do I7!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING



Thanksgiving is celebrated on the fourth Thursday in November, and has officially been an annual tradition in the United States since 1863, when during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of thanksgiving to be celebrated on Thursday, November 26. As a federal and popular holiday in the U.S., Thanksgiving is one of the "big six" major holidays of the year, and is a part of the broader holiday season.

The event that we Americans commonly call the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated to give thanks to God for guiding them safely to the New World. The first Thanksgiving feast lasted three days, providing enough food for 53 pilgrims and 90 Native Americans.

The New England colonists were accustomed to regularly celebrating "thanksgivings"—days of prayer thanking God for blessings such as military victory or the end of a drought.



VETERANS DAY



In the USA, Veterans Day annually falls on November 11. It is the anniversary of the signing of the armistice, which ended the World War I hostilities between the Allied nations and Germany in 1918. Veterans are thanked for their services to the United States on Veterans Day.

Veterans Day honors those who served the United States in all wars, especially veterans. Veterans Day is intended to honor and thank all military personnel who served the United States in all wars, particularly living veterans. It is marked by parades and church services. A period of silence lasting two minutes may be held at 11am.