

**DISTRICT 11-E1 CONVENTION
APRIL 21-23, 2006**

**BUSINESS MEETING
April 21, 2006**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by District Governor Janalee McClure.

Invocation by Lion Donald Veitengruber

Pledge by Lion Larry Wendt

Introduction of head table and **International Director L. Doug Sime, and wife Vale.**

Parade of Flags Lion PDG Dan Gibbons introduced the clubs as they paraded their banners. The following clubs presented banners, District Governor Banner; White Cloud; Vestaburg; Harrison Lioness; Harrison Lions; Remus; Onekama; Hart; Evert; Sheridan; Empire; Traverse City; Big Rapids; Greenville; and Fremont.

Remarks by I.D. Sime

Introduction of PDG's

TREASURER'S REPORT Lion Kerry McGinley presented his report and then made motion to accept as printed. Motion supported by Lion Chipman and passed by voice vote. Copy with the original minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution by Chippewa Lake Lions and Reg. 3 Zone3; Lions Karla Roebuck and Carl Homsher presented the following resolution to ID Sime. "The members of the Chippewa Lake Lions Club would like to thank the Lions Club International for listening to the Lions individual voices in their decision to address declining membership and dues issues by placing Family Membership on the ballot at the International Convention. Presented this 21st day of April 2006 at Traverse City, Michigan"

Campaign Sight First 11 by PDG Richard Daniels: Lion Dick stated the need and some of the plans of the forth coming campaign. All clubs will be visited and asked to help.

Michigan Eye Bank by VDG Lynnwood Mast: Lion Lynn explained the fund raising campaign that is now going on to help pay for the new bldg. that has been purchased and remodeled.

Constitution and By-Laws by Lion Bill Simpson: Lion Bill read the proposed changes to our Constitution that will be voted upon Sat. All members were presented a copy of these house cleaning proposals.

Sight Conservation by PDG Stan Preshaw: Lion Stan introduces Lion Larry Alman from the Greenville Lions Club who presented the proposal to make Camp Tuhsmeheeta a District project. This proposal will be voted upon on Sat.

Welcome Homes by PDG Dan Gibbons: Lion Dan introduced Nancy DeVogle from Welcome Homes who explained how Welcome Homes now functions. It was a very lively discussion.

Convention Report: Lion Pam Schroeder reports 172 registered Lions and guests from 50% of our clubs.

Credentials Report: Lion Gayle Morlock stated that as of tonight 50 delegates have been certified. This represents Lions from 21 clubs. The credentials will close tomorrow at 2:00 PM.

Open Mike: DG Janalee asked the members if they had anything that they wished to talk about. Lion John Hunt, pin chairman, made motion to sell all old pins in his possession for \$1.00. Jim Leszczynski from the Remus Lions Club supported the motion. The motion passed.

Lion Tony Rutledge reminded the clubs that funding for the Health Depts. testing of sight for children in school. This will also affect hearing test also. Not all health departments will cut this from their budget, but advises clubs to check with their departments now. Several Lions reminded Clubs that Kid Sight program can help these kids and we now have two cameras in the District. Lion Dan urged all clubs to schedule a date and get these kids screened. The Ear Lab is also available to clubs for testing. The Ear Lab will be at the Convention on Sat.

PDG Maguire urged all the clubs to buy a case of mints for the military. The cost is \$125.00 and the foundation will cover the cost of shipping.

PDG Brandt passed out copies of the District's Strategic Plan for 2005-06.

At 8:47 PM District Governor Janalee recessed the meeting until 2:00 PM Sat

SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2006

Saturday morning the following Forums were presented;

Meet the Candidates for International Director; Lions Esther LaMothe and Bill Hansen.

Lions Learning Center: presented by I.D. Sime

Growing Student Clubs in District 11-E1: presented by Lions Rutledge, Morlock and Spoors

Quest: presented by Lion Harry Johnson

Saturday at lunch time I.D. Sime installed 11 new members:

Club	New Members	Sponsor
Hart	Adam Dennert & Vince Goldberg	Terry Dykama
Empire	Joan Kilgore	Richard Daniel
Wellston-Dublin	Marie Cole	Tom Silverthorn
	Ron Cole	John Makinea
Mesick	Charlotte Nisbet	Andy Wuotila
	Kim Nyman	Carl Robinson
Onekama	Ruth Wolak	RoseAnn Maue
White Cloud	Mary Ann Allen	Ray Williams
	Terry Allen	Ray Williams
Clare	Allen White	Lynnwood Mast

Our Luncheon speaker was Allen White, a brand new **LION**.

2:00-2:15 PM Region meetings were held with the following Lions being elected:

Region 1 Bob Gray Region 2 Larry Morlock Region 3 Carl Homsher

2:20 PM Business meeting called back to order by Governor Janalee McClure

Invocation Don Veitengruber

Pledge Larry Wendt

INTRODUCTIONS I.D. Sime was introduced as was visiting Governor Mitchell Smith from 11-E2.

RULES REPORT Lion Bill Simpson read the rules for the election meeting. Motion by Lion Bill to accept as reported. Supported by Lion Tony Rutledge. Motion passed.

CREDENTIALS REPORT Lion Gayle Morlock stated that the credentials were closed and there were 73 delegates from 25 clubs at the convention. It will take 37 votes to win. Motion by Lion McMorris to accept the report. Supported by Lion Simpson. Motion passed.

NOMINATIONS CHAIRMAN Lion PDG Beck explained the procedure how we were to make the nominations. He acted as the official time keeper.

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION; PDG Jerry Brandt nominated Lion John Sovey. Lion PDG Dan Gibbons supported.

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR; District Governor Janalee nominated Lion Bill Raymor. Supported by PDG Gibbons.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR; PDG Chipman nominated VDG Lynwood Mast for District Governor for 2006-2007. Supported by Lion Harry Johnson.

2:40 PM Nominations were closed. A motion was made by Lion PDG Harry Johnson to cast a unanimous vote for John Sovey as Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee. Supported by PDG Brandt. Motion carried.

PDG Richard Perrin explained the voting procedure, and the voting began.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JANALEE RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL 7:00

**SATURDAY EVENING 7:00 PM
BANQUET**

District Governor Janalee Introduced International Director L.Doug Sime and Vale. Also introduced were the following District Governors visiting our convention; DG Craig Bishop and Jan from 11B-1, DG Hank Bosma from 11B-2, DG John Emrick and Marie from 11C-1, DG Toby VanRiper from 11C-2, DG Terry Bowerman and Pat from 11D-2 and DG Mitchell Smith from 11E-2.

Before dinner the DG asked PDG Dan Gibbons to announce the winners of the MARDI GRAS PARADE. 12 Clubs entered the contest; Evart, Kaleva, Sheridan, Traverse City, Honor, Vestaburg, Hart, Harrison, Fremont, Onekama, Baldwin, and White Cloud. Lion Dan presented Little Red Wagons to all participants, but 4 were judged the winners. 4th place Fremont, 3rd place Onekama, 2nd place Baldwin and 1st place was White Cloud.

PDG Richard Perrin was asked to come forth and announce the results of the election. The changes to the Constitution were approved. Camp Tuhsmehta was approved as a

District project. Lion John Sovey was elected as Trustee of the Lions of Mich. Foundation. Lion Bill Raymor was elected as VDG for 2006-2007 and Lion Lynnwood Mast was elected as Governor for 2006-2007.

Dinner

At 8:35 PM, the meeting was called back to order.

DG Janalee introduced her family and thanked the **WHITE CLOUD LIONS CLUB** for all their support. She presented the president a plaque of thanks.

The King Lion of the Fremont Club, Ron Gibson, came forward and presented a Lions of Mich. Foundation Ken Lautzenheiser Award to District Governor Elect Lynn Mast.

District Governor Janalee McClure presented 6 Ken Lautzenheiser Awards to the following Lions for their dedicated service; Lions Jim Chipman, Richard Daniel, Andy Wuotila, Pam Schroeder, John Hunt and Bill Simpson.

The DG asked IPDG Chester Kudla to assist her in presenting two 100% Presidents Awards from Lions International to Lion Mark Harrison of the Onekama Lions Club and Lion John Monahan of the Mt. Pleasant Lions Club.

Next, ID Sime assisted the DG as they presented the following certificates of appreciation; Sight Conservation Award to the Greenville Lions Club; Achievement For Leo Clubs to Lion Laurene Homsher; Certificate of Service for Diabetes Awareness to Lion PDG Richard Daniel; New Horizon Award for a Diabetic Awareness Program to the White Cloud Lions Club, and also a Certificate of Service for Hearing and Speech and Work with the Deaf to Lion Gayle Morlock.

International Directors Address;

The International Director presented International President Appreciation Awards to Lions Tom Silverthorn and Karla Roebuck for all their hard work on the Information Technology Committee.

ID Sime also presented his Friendship Banners to DG Janalee, VDG Lynn, PDG Richard and Jackie Perrin, PDG Jerry and Kay Brandt, and Lion Pam Schroeder.

50/50 Raffle was a great success with 4 winners who all turned their winnings over to District Treasurer, Kerry McGinley, to help purchase an ED U KIT in the memory of **PDG Ed and Betty Fluegge**.

Recessed until 9:00 AM SUNDAY

SUNDAY APRIL 23
9:00 AM

9:00-9:30 Memorial Service VDG Lynnwood Mast presiding.
Music by Lion Ted Bailey

22 Lions and Lioness were remembered for all their support for our Lions Clubs.

10:00 Awards Breakfast

Introduction of all dignitaries present.

Breakfast

After breakfast the DG introduced PDG Stan Preshaw, the Peace Poster Chairman. Lion Stan urged the clubs to get involved. Now is the time to start. The District winner this year was Gabrielle Kuznicki. She was sponsored by the Cedar-Maple City Lions Club. Her family was with her, and Lion Stan presented her with a \$100.00 U.S. Savings Bond and a Christmas ornament with a Peace Dove on it.

The DG presented awards to her cabinet. She presented a Crystal Lion Award, which was a beautiful crystal lion, and a certificate of appreciation.

The Kaleva Lions Club sponsored a Branch Club this year and the DG gave a Crystal Lion Award to the following Lions from Kaleva; Ken Kuuttila, John Makinen, Carl Hawkins, and Frank Hall.

The following White Cloud Lions received Crystal Lion Awards for their efforts in feeding the cabinet members through out the year; Ruth Gleason, Mary Allan, and Larry Allen.

Governor Janalee presented briefcases to her voting cabinet along with plaques and certificates of appreciation. The briefcases had the individuals name on it. The Governor and Laddie Lester purchased these briefcases themselves.

A Special Award was presented to Pam Schroeder for helping the governor as a special assistant, and Laurene Homsher as time keeper for the Cabinet meetings, Larry Wendt as Lion Tamer, and Tom Silverthorn as Web Master.

Certificate of Appreciation for hosting the ID was presented to PDG Dick and Jackie Perrin and PDG Jerry and Kay Brandt.

Environmental Award was presented to Lion Andy Wuotila for his hard work on this committee. The first annual District Award goes to the Mesick Lions Club. This year there were 4 entrees. Besides Mesick, Big Rapids, Honor and Fremont had projects and were honored at the cabinet meetings.

Lion of the Year Award was presented to Lion Tom Silverthorn for his work on our Web Site.

Governors Appreciation Pins were presented to the following Lions; PDG Stan Preshaw, Kerry McGinley, PDG Richard Perrin, Larry Morlock, Carl Homsher, Tony Rutledge, Larry Wendt, Bill Raymor, Don Veitengruber, Pat Hopson and 1st Laddie Lester.

Governor Janalee presented a Plaque and Gavel to Dist. Gov. Elect Lynn Mast.

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented by ID Sime to IPDG Chester Kudla from Lions International for an outstanding job as District Governor for 2004-2005.

District Governor presented gifts from the District to International Director Sime and Vale. As requested, the District gave a donation to LCIF, and Janalee gave them each a Beautiful Crystal Lion.

DGE Lynn Mast spoke for a few minutes thanking everyone for their support. The 1st cabinet meeting will be Aug. 13th. Place to be determined.

Before closing the Convention, District Governor Janalee thanked everyone for all their hard work and support throughout the year. A standing ovation was given to DG Janalee McClure.

Convention closed at 11:25AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Chipman
Cabinet Secretary