

LION PRIDE WE SERVE

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Joint Statement from Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, Optimist International, and Rotary International

Woven through the fabric of virtually every community on earth, service clubs of Kiwanis International, Lions Clubs International, Optimist International, and Rotary International are working safely and diligently to maintain connections with each other and our neighbors so that we can cope with and overcome the effects of COVID-19. We are leveraging the strength of our combined networks of 3.2 million members to provide comfort and hope to those feeling the effects of isolation and fear. And we are focusing our collective skills, resources and ideas to support frontline health workers and first responders as they battle this disease and save lives. In these times of uncertainty, your local service clubs remain committed to meeting the challenge of finding innovative ways to take action together to help communities around the globe heal and thrive – and become more united than ever.

“The global effort against COVID-19 depends on actions taken in every country. As people of action, this is our time to connect with each other to offer immediate help to people in need.” – Mark Daniel Maloney, Rotary International President, 2019-2020.

“The scale and magnitude of this global pandemic requires our world’s citizenry to heed the advice and cautions of the experts. The work and plans of our collective members and volunteers must not cease! Our immediate response after the crisis will be necessary to support local governments responding to the many social and economic challenges that will ensue in its aftermath.” – Adrian Elcock, Optimist International President, 2019-2020.

“Great challenges test us, but they also bring us together. Lions are finding new ways to safely serve. Our Lions Clubs International Foundation has granted over one million dollars to help communities facing extreme rates of COVID-19, and additional grant requests are being received daily. Our communities depend on service clubs, and we will be there, supporting and strengthening them together.” – Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, Lions Clubs International President, 2019-2020.

“During these difficult times, we’re seeing everyday heroism across the globe. I encourage us all to recognize the health and safety professionals who are putting their own health at risk for the greater good. To the educators, grocery workers, delivery drivers and the countless professionals who can’t stay home, the Kiwanis family thanks you. We all play an important role in keeping our friends and neighbors safe. Please follow the advice of the World Health Organization, your local health agencies and the instructions given by your Government. Please, stay safe.” –

Daniel Vigneron
Kiwanis International President, 2019-2020.

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UPCOMING Events:

JULY 4
Independence Day 

JULY 31
VDG Training 10-4pm
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant

JULY 31 - AUG 1
Council of Gov. Meeting
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant

SEPTEMBER 17-19
USA/Canada Forum
CANCELLED

SEPTEMBER 25-27
White Cane and Candy Days

OCTOBER 2
VDG Training 10-4pm
Treetops Resort, Gaylord

OCTOBER 2-3
Council of Gov’s Meeting
Treetops Resort, Gaylord

NOVEMBER 6-8
Leadership Institute
Houghton Lake

Check our website for updates
and additional information



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Louisville
Kentucky

September 17-19, 2020

It is with great sadness that the Forum Executive Committee has decided to cancel the 2020 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville, Kentucky. As we said earlier in the year, the safety of our attendees is our number one concern. We had hoped for a significant flattening of the curve on cases of COVID-19 throughout our geographical area but that has not been the trend. Travel between the United States and Canada has also been a concern.

Although the planned Forum is still three months away and conditions could improve over the summer, there is enough uncertainty that we feel it best to make the decision to cancel now.

The Forum will offer a choice of a full refund or a rollover of your registration fees to the 2021 Forum. You must make that choice in writing by e-mailing our Registrar at registrar@lionsforum.org or by mailing your choice request to PO Box 723, Rapid City, SD 57709-0723. Please do not call the Forum office to request a refund or transfer of funds to 2021.

Our goal for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum has always been to provide a rich learning experience and a social environment where we see our old friends and make new ones. This 44th Annual Forum promised to be one of

the best as the City of Louisville has so much to share with us.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the City of Louisville and to the Kentucky Lions for inviting us. We hope to back soon.

Lion Harvey Whitley, PID
2020 Forum General Chairperson

**SEE YOU IN 2021 IN
BEAUTIFUL DES MOINES,
IOWA**



> PRIDE NEWS



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S Pride

WENDY BURNS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



When Lions wake up every day, ready to SERVE. The past 15 weeks have tested us, challenged us and motivated us.

Coming off the “high” of the Michigan Forum in February, Lions were energized by all they had learned and ready to gear up for District Conventions, the MD 11 Convention, local Spring festivals and the Lions International Convention in Singapore. When the unthinkable happened, we were forced into a slower pace. We were challenged to reimagine ways to hold meetings and provide service. Suddenly, teleconference calls and ZOOM videoconferencing weren't all that intimidating. Meetings were held. Plans were made.

As you read through the club happenings in this issue of the Lion Pride, you will quickly realize that Lions service did not stop due to Covid-19. Lions have been actively working in communities as best they can. Many received grant assistance from LCIF and invested in programs and supplies to combat the virus. District A2 worked with a local distillery to make hand

sanitizer and provided 400 1-gallon jugs to emergency responders. When devastating flooding occurred in Midland and surrounding areas, Lions were there with \$30,000 in grant money and ready to assist in the recovery efforts.

It takes more than a 100-year pandemic, a 500-year flood and the 17-year locust invasion to put a stop to our 103-year old organization of Lions. Thank you for continuing your hard work of service to our state. Let us all strive to abide by our motto:

WE SERVE.

Yours in Service,

Lion Wendy Burns, Executive Director



STATE OF THE LIONS

When choosing our District 11D1 slogan almost three years ago I borrowed from Helen Keller. She said “Alone I can do so little, together we can do so much”. Our district motto that year took a portion, “Together We Can”, and our Michigan lions have continued to prove it works.

Each and every one of you has a special set of skills that you've added to our efforts, helping to obtain the results that we've experienced this year.

Your Council of Governors hit the ground running even before their year started. A volunteer team updated the policy manual and, when needed, they continued to tweak it as the year progressed.

A second COG team worked on budgets, trying to find ways to stretch the decreasing dues income and make ends meet. Their final recommendation was to ask for the first MD dues increase in about 20 years.

The council fully supported the recommendation and asked our Constitution and By-laws Chair, Ed Weesies, to prepare a resolution to put before the MD delegates. Lion Ed accomplished this quickly and the council approved the resolution for presentation to and a vote by the delegates at the Multiple District Convention.

In my opinion, this process showed not only a concerted effort to look at all the options, but also a healthy amount of grit in bringing a dues increase to the table.

Along the way we've had lots of support from our MD committee chairs as they gave us what was needed to make informed decisions.

We also had assistance from our current International Director Justin Faber and the recent Past International Directors Jenny Ware, Esther LaMothe, Gary Anderson, Bill Hanson and Dennis Cobbler who preceded him. NAMI (North American Membership Initiative) was the project they took on and it continues on the front burner today.

Then we got hit with the COVID-19 Pandemic and our Lions never missed a beat. They continued to serve throughout the state. Remember those skill sets? The next thing you know we're doing meetings by Zoom and I've picked up that new skill too.

Your council kept rocking when the State of Michigan was put on “stay at home” orders. We met by Zoom and the council accepted and made official the recommendation of the MD Convention committee to cancel this year's convention in Holland and reschedule it for next year at the same location. They also decided to drop the two resolutions that would have been voted on at that MD convention so that we didn't have to figure out how to safely have that vote.

Next year's council will pick up the ball and keep it rolling.

LCIF offered \$10,000 grants to assist with the Covid-19 Pandemic and at last count we've had 4 district grants approved to take care of their local Covid-19 related needs.

During the year LCIF grants for a Food Bank freezer, an all-inclusive playground, renovation of a walk-in diabetic prevention center and an upgrade to a recreational walking trail were also applied for and approved by LCIF due to your concerted efforts at the district and club level. These

grants totaled over \$220,000 while our MD year-to-date total donations to LCIF is \$113,898.20 per LCIF Chair Connie Shelton. That's better than a 2:1 ratio return on those donations.

And then we had the bursting dams and all the damage where our Lions stepped in again to assist. Grant applications were again submitted and we received 3 more \$10,000 grants from LCIF to help people recover from the flood damage by providing food, water and other supplies to those affected.

I applaud every Lion for all you do to make a difference. “We Serve”

Our 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors not only provided valuable input at the council meetings but they also assisted their DGs in helping make a successful year at the district level.

I very much appreciate the efforts of our State Treasurer, Paul Hemeryck, who also chairs our Leadership Institute. Thank you Paul!

We could not have done without the extraordinary talents of our Executive Director, Wendy Burns, who puts her heart and soul into keeping everything coordinated. The MD Convention, Michigan Forum, District conventions, state flags, Lion Pride and so much more have her hand to help and guide them. Thank you Wendy!

Vice Council Chair Paul Hodges did an outstanding job of stepping in when my health issues became apparent. His words at the COG meeting were: Go home and take care of yourself, we've got this.” And indeed you did. Thank you!

Lastly, I want to thank each and every Lion for all you've done during the course of this year to help us be successful. “Together We Can” and “We Serve”.

Please take care of yourselves and stay safe out there!

Council Chair Jeff Hunt 2019 -2020

Racism has no place in our world.

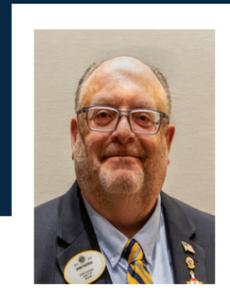
Our organization depends on the incredible diversity of our members around the world because great things can only be achieved when we are united.

#kindnessmatters





FROM THE DESK OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR JOHN POSTELLI - MD 11 B2



The quote “May you live in interesting times” is actually a Chinese curse. It means it is better to live in uninteresting times. Recently we have not been so blessed! During times of trouble and angst, we can take solace by turning to humor to lighten the darkness. We face a fearful and unprecedented health concern. It is imperative we remain courageous! I have read that those that have been refined and hardened by the fire of hard times have come out of the furnace better than when they entered. It is said that that they have a renewed strength having walked through the fire and now are as hardened steel.

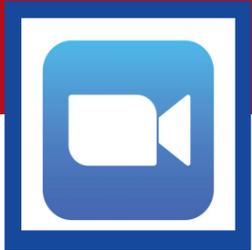
We cannot let fear of the unknown paralyze us. We should not be naïve. We must maintain communication. Share ideas. Be prepared. Know we are not alone. In other words, we must now adapt to doing our mission of service in new ways. As Lions, we are a type of first responder. We embrace the axiom- “Where there is a need there is a Lion”. Not one of us has faced this type of challenge in our collective lifetimes. Lions must learn new ways to serve without jeopardizing our personal health. We cannot serve others if we cannot serve. The discussion about how we serve in this current environment is just beginning. The needs will soon become evident. Our plans to meet those needs safely will soon be developed. Stay the course. Be confident we can make a difference.

In closing, I would like to share with you a quote from an unlikely source- the late Jimmy Dean- yes the Pork Sausage King! Jimmy is quoted as saying “I can’t change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination”. Words to live and serve by.

Sharing in Service,

Lion John Postelli
MD 11 B2 District Governor

LIONS OF MICHIGAN AND THE ZOOM BOOM!



For Your Information the Lions of Michigan isn’t just now jumping on the Video Conferencing craze going on during the Covid19 crisis.

The various restrictions put in place on meeting size, travel and Social Distancing have forced people all around the world to come up with ways to keep in touch and conduct business without everyone actually being there.

The news media is full of reporters and TV hosts working from home and their production staffs not in the office but still able to function. Thanks to many different technologies a lot of things can be done even if everyone involved is far apart.

The MD11 IT (Information Technology) Committee during the 2018-2019 Lions year received the approval of the Council of Governors to investigate and finally adopt a Video Conferencing service for use by the Lions of Michigan. The recommendation for adopting the Zoom Video Conferencing platform as the standard for all Lions of Michigan was approved and money was budgeted to implement that service.

Since then the MD11 IT Committee has been working on setting up the equipment where it is needed and the methods on how to use it. With an increase in the IT Committee’s budget approved by the 2019-2020 Council of Governors the IT Committee has done additional work on getting better equipment for the Lions State office and getting other equipment for doing conferences and meetings.



**MD11
Zoom Video
Conference Call
at Lions State Office
on July 20, 2019 Training of
MD11 Committee Chairs
Eight Lions in State office,
six Lions on video connection
and five on telephone only**

MD11 IT Committee Zoom Video Conferencing has been used by:

Council of Governors to conduct interviews for MD11 position’s of candidates that could not be physically present at the COG meetings. Most recently they conducted their last regular Council of Governors meeting with three Lions in the State Office and up to 46 other Lions joining them on Zoom.

Many MD11 Committees, District Committees and District Cabinet meetings have conducted their meetings with Zoom. Some were where some of the group met in a central location and those that could not attend physically joined in the meeting via the Zoom platform.

Many meetings of Lions have been conducted where everyone is on a computer, iPad, tablet or smart cell phone or even a regular phone call.

We got off to a good start last year however we can do more and do better now. We want all Lions, Districts, Clubs their Committees and Board of Directors that need to conduct Lions business to try using the Zoom Video Conferencing service we offer. You may want to try a virtual Club meeting, many Clubs already have. This is not just a temporary offer, we need it now more than ever and it was a useful tool before the current crisis and it will be after.

The MD11 IT Committee Zoom Pro Account allows us to set up and conduct as many meetings as we want. The restrictions are that we can only do one group call at a time. We can have up to one hundred (100) callers, the host and 99 callers and call duration of up to twenty-four hours. Because we have had such a high demand for Zoom calls we have had some scheduling conflicts. That is being resolved and several Districts in the State have set up their own Zoom Pro Accounts so they can schedule calls in their District as needed.

A Free Zoom Account that everyone can set up is a great option for Lions that want to have short meetings. A Free account lets you do video conference calls with up to 100 callers but has a forty (40) minute time limit. Every person with a Free account can set up meetings and easily join other meetings as needed.

For those Lions or individuals that don’t have a smart phone, mobile device, desktop or laptop device you can still participate in the conference calls as an audio only, telephone caller. Zoom provides dial in connections for the phone calls. However the numbers are not Toll Free and are not local numbers. So the caller should have a land line or cell phone with a good or unlimited long distance calling plan.

Remember the Zoom service is not limited to Lions business. With a personal free account you can stay in touch with friends and family. There are now countless

examples of people using Video Conferencing for everything from weddings, church services, classroom learning, hosting late night TV shows and news programs of all kinds. Just watch TV live and you’ll see the countless examples.

We recommend that if you don’t already have a Free Zoom Account you start one as soon as you can. You only have to have one personal Zoom account. You can use that same User Name and Password on any of your devices. Setting up a Zoom account is easy, go to the Zoom download link <https://zoom.us/download> then select the Sign Up It’s Free button. You will need to download the Zoom software for each of your electronic devices that you want to connect with. If you have a home desktop computer you may need to get a Webcam that you can plug into it to make Zoom work. Most laptops, tablets, iPads and smart phones have a camera and microphone in them and are ready for use. The Zoom website helps you download computer software, but you must download the correct App for your mobile device. For iPads and iPhones go to the Apple Store, for Android devices go to the Play Store, find the Zoom Cloud Meeting app and download it.

For those of you that think you’re “technologically challenged”, the MD11 IT Committee is available to help you set up your account and start using the Zoom platform. A list of the MD11 IT Committee members is at the bottom of the article.

If you want to schedule a Zoom Video Conferencing meeting the Lions of Michigan State Office will soon be set up to take reservations and schedule them in the MD11 Zoom Video Conferencing service. Consult with your District Governor or District IT Committee Chair to see if your District has its own Zoom Pro Account. Once the State Office is open, contact the Lions State Office at lions@lionsofmi.com and they will schedule the call and you will host and conduct the call. Until then contact MD11 IT Chairperson Ray Robins at rayrobins@sbcglobal.net and he will schedule it for you.

We are currently all in the COVID-19 crisis together, but apart. Let’s use this tool to help bring us together as Lions so we can continue to practice our motto of “We Serve”.

One piece of advice, Practice, Practice and more Practice, set up calls, join calls and play with all the features it’s easy to use once you have practiced. You need to use Zoom to get used to it. You’ll have fun.

Your Zoom screen in the Gallery View

Members of the 2019-2020 MD11 IT Committee members are:

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E2	Marie Leathers	marie@centrallakerealty.com
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LEO CLUBS

A YOUTH PROJECT FOR ALL LIONS CLUBS

Does your Lions Club have a youth project in your community?

If not, have you considered starting and sponsoring a Leo Club? This is a great opportunity that many Lions Clubs should take advantage of. MD-11 has been fortunate to have Lions members who have been willing to step forward and promote LEOS in their community. We still have a lot of work to do in many Districts to start new Leo clubs. Each District has a District Leo Chair who can help you get started on how to get a new Leo Club started.

Leo clubs bring new opportunities for every community. Leos create many exciting community service projects as well as provide many leadership opportunities for the youth who are part of the Leo club. Also we have found that Leo members will become Lions members once they have aged out of a Leo club.

Every District in MD-11 should have a minimum of four Leo Clubs. The challenge is there for your District to grow Leo Clubs and I am willing to help your Lions Clubs make this happen. Those Lions Clubs who have started and sponsored a Leo Club know of the advantages and excitement of having a Leo Club in their school and community. Please take the time to find out about what Leo Clubs can do in your community.

I want to thank those Lions who presented at the Michigan Forum on Leos and to those who attended the Leo session. It is important to continue promoting and supporting the growth of Leo Clubs in MD-11. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Leo Chair in your District or contact me, PDG Terry Walters, Leo Chair for MD-11. My phone number is 734-474-6914 or email me at twalters02@comcast.net

MD 11 SEEKS ASSISTANT STATE TREASURER

Multiple District 11 will accept applications for the position of Assistant State Treasurer. This newly created position is designed to assist and mentor with the current State Treasurer and will help to oversee the finances of the following accounts: Lions Clubs of Michigan; Lions of Michigan All State Band; Lions Leadership Institute; Lion Pride Publication; Defense Against Diabetes.

The person selected for this volunteer position must have experience in providing financial information, researching and analyzing accounting data; preparing reports; knowledge of SAGE accounting software.

Deadline to submit: July 15, 2020. Letters of interest and resume can be emailed to wburns@lionsofmi.com or mail your information to:

Wendy Burns, Executive Director
Lions Clubs of Michigan
5730 Executive Dr.
Lansing, MI 48911

ANNUAL NONPROFIT CORPORATION REPORT DUE DATE

October 1st is the deadline for filing your club's annual Nonprofit Corporation Report. The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs mailed out the report forms in mid-July. You may file online at www.michigan.gov/corpfileonline, but I have found this to be a little complex!

It's just as easy to fill in the info boxes and mail it on its' merry way to Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. They are also very helpful on the phone! Contact Corporations Division at (517) 241-6470. A \$20.00 filing fee is required.

2020-2021 LION CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 31-August 1
1st Council of Gov's Meeting
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant

Friday-Saturday, December 4-5
3rd Council of Governors Meeting
Holiday Inn Express, Mt. Pleasant

Thursday-Saturday,
September 17-19
USA/Canada Forum
CANCELLED

Saturday, February 27, 2021
Lions Michigan Forum
Holiday Inn Gateway Centre, Flint

October 2020
Michigan Lions Membership
Month

Saturday-Sunday,
February 27-28, 2021
4th Council of Governors Meeting
Holiday Inn Gateway Centre, Flint

October 2-3, 2020
2nd Council of Governors
Meeting
TreeTops Resort, Gaylord

April 23-May 2, 2021
Michigan Lions White Cane
Recognition

Friday-Sunday,
November 5-8
Lions Leadership/Graduate
Institute
Houghton Lake, MI

May 21, 2021
5th Council of Governors Meeting
Holland DoubleTree Hotel, Holland

May 20-22, 2021
MD 11 Lions Convention
Holland DoubleTree Hotel, Holland

LIONS STATE OFFICE

As you make plans to re-engage in Lions activities, please continue to do your part in protecting yourself and those around you from Covid-19.

While individual action has the greatest bearing on reducing the spread, personal hygiene, continued distancing, safe workplace practices and other guidelines outlined by Governor Whitmer's Executive Order should be followed. We must all work together to stop the spread of coronavirus.

When making plans to stop in the Lions of Michigan office, please try calling ahead when possible to pick up supplies. By calling ahead we can have your items packaged and ready for pick up, reducing time spent in the office.

Thank you for helping us all to remain healthy and stop the spread of Covid-19!

ATTENTION STATE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS!



There will be a training held July 18 at the Lions of Michigan State office and via ZOOM video conferencing, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to inform both committee chairpersons and committee members of their duties as a member of one of the many state committees.

Included in this training will be information on the following:

- Defining your role as State District Chair/District Chair
- Reporting to the Council of Governors
- How to conduct a teleconference or videoconference meeting
- What the Lions State Office can do for you
- Budgeting for your committee

Contact Lion Wendy Burns to confirm your attendance. 517-887-6640 ext 11 or email wburns@lionsofmi.com

KINDNESS MATTERS - DG SCOTT BERRY, MD11-A2

It was my honor and privilege to serve the Lions of District 11-A2 as their District Governor for 2019-2020 year. It was definitely a pleasure sitting on the Council of Governors with all the other District Governors from the State of Michigan, Executive Director Wendy Burns, and Council Chair Jeff Hunt. It was quite a unique year, but one thing is still evident. **Kindness Matters.**

Two years ago, my coworkers and I attended the Martha T. Berry Foundation's Annual Awards Dinner which helps provide needed essentials at their facilities to enhance the quality of life for residents who cannot financially provide for themselves. As I was waiting for the event to begin, I noticed on the other side of the hall a beautiful lady sitting by herself. I left my fellow colleagues and their spouses to go talk to her. Her name is Beeswan. She was the wife of the event's photographer and she knew no one at the event. She was 82 years old and her husband was 69. We talked for 10 minutes and then the dinner began, and I went back to my table. After the conclusion of the dinner, I noticed she was by herself again. I walked back over to her. We talked for just over 45 minutes and I walked out with her and her husband. In that 45 minutes she told me she was born in the countryside of Georgia, the youngest one of nine children, met her first husband and then moved to Michigan. Her first husband died from cancer and two months later met her current husband who had lost his wife the month earlier. We talked about everything that night, I made a new friend and why did I do this? **Kindness Matters.**

Prior to the 2019-2020 District Governor leaving for Milan, Italy, we had to take 3 online courses through the Lions Learning Center. One of the courses was specifically centered around harassment of all types and proper etiquette for Lions to emphasize. This was not just meant to be used at the International convention but for Lions throughout the year. The Lions Clubs International Convention brings a wide range of customs and cultures together in a single spot. Knowing how to act is essential. Remember **"Kindness Matters.**

For those that don't know me, I am a licensed funeral director in the state of Michigan. One thing that became very clear in my first 16 years of being a funeral director is that "Kindness Matters". I meet with individuals and families at their most vulnerable time, the death of a loved one. I will never show my anger or frustrations to the families I serve, because no matter how bad a day I am having, I know their day is worst. Kindness Matters. People have a wide variety of backgrounds that they come from. Different social capabilities, networking skills, economic status, schooling, etc. The sum total of all of our experiences in our life makes up our personality. Each one of us is different and unique and we need to embrace each other's uniqueness. I ask that all people are slow to anger and tolerate of others so we can be united as one, serving those in our global causes of Diabetes, Hunger, Vision, Childhood Cancer, and Environment. Serving others is one of the many ways of showing kindness and if there is one thing that I know is that can never be too much kindness.

Well before my year as District Governor, I emphasized that Kindness Matters and still do to this day. I am pleased to see that Lions Clubs International has started the Kindness Matters Service Award which will be giving annually. Starting July 1, 2020, the Kindness Matters Service Award Nomination Form will be available from Lions Clubs International's website. Exact details will be forth coming but for more information, search Kindness Matters Service Award on Lions Clubs International's website.

"Kindness Matters.

At Home and Around the World."

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT REPORTING 2020-21 CLUB OFFICERS

Fiscal year 2020-2021 is quickly approaching! We are asking the clubs you represent to report their new officers as soon as they have been elected. Here's why this is important:

- The new club officers will be able to access MyLCI on July 1.
- When clubs report their officers in MyLCI, the information is immediately available to your district and to international headquarters so no extra paperwork is necessary.
- The Club Locator on the Lions' website displays their new officers.
- Timely monthly reporting by the clubs in your district will provide up to date and accurate district/multiple district membership reports.

How to report

- Reporting club officers is easy using MyLCI. Click video to view a short video demonstration.
- Clubs not using MyLCI can report officers using the Club Officer Reporting Form. Mailing instructions are included on the form.

Update other club information

We have let the club officers in your district know that this is also the ideal time to:

- Verify their own contact information in MyLCI.
- A valid email address is essential for using MyLCI 2020-21 and beyond.
- Verify the new officers' email address, mailing address and phone number.
- Check to ensure the membership roster is up to date. That will help the incoming officers get a good start in the new Lion year.

Contact us at:

MemberServiceCenter@lionsclubs.org
 Phone: 630-203-3830
 Fax: 630-706-9295

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 11-A2



Lions Clubs International, District 11-A2

Prepared by 2019-2020 District Governor Scott Edward Berry

Club Spotlight

Shelby Township Lions Club

Being one of the largest clubs in District 11-A2, Shelby Township Lions Clubs has 82 members and a great leadership backbone.

Shelby Township Lions Club was instrumental in obtaining a matching grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation in the amount of \$100,000. A significant contribution not only came from the club, but we were also able to use funds from the Kiwanis Foundation and the local Kiwanis Clubs to assist in the matching part of the grant. During the increase of cases of COVID-19, Shelby Township Lions Club reported the lack of hand sanitizer for first responders and the district was able to obtain an emergency grant for \$10,000 from Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Shelby Township Lions Club's great leadership backbone is dictated by the fact that each club officer only holds the position for one year and then a new Lion takes over the position. This philosophy mandates several Lions in the club already know all the club officer position and providing a continued rotation of leaders and strength in the club.

The Shelby Township Lions Club hosts a comedy night; a fight night "Knocking Out Blindness"; AFC/NFC Conference Championship Party; Annual Holiday Wine Tasting; The Rock Tribute Show supporting Leader Dog for the Blind; amusement carnival; Run, Wag, and Roll Benefit supporting Kids at Play All Inclusive Playscape and 4 Paws and 1 Heart; Basketballs and Cigars event; and is currently accepting donations to buy lunches for the local nurses, doctors and employees of hospitals during the COVID-19 pandemic. The fundraisers and events that have paid admissions draw well over 3,500 people each year.

Shelby Township Lions Club is able to award four \$2,000 scholarships to service minded individuals entering college each year and helps many families during times of hardship.

If you would like to contribute to the Kids at Play All-Inclusive Playground in Shelby Township or provide a lunch for hospital doctors, nurses, and employees of Henry Ford Hospital or McLaren Macomb Hospitals, please visit at www.shelbylionsclub.org and donate online.

Thank you to the Shelby Township Lions Club for all you do, the great leadership you create and the great way of showing how to be a Lion.

We Serve.

> LIONS MD 11 - NAMI NEWS

NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE



June 2020 NAMI News

Congratulations Michigan Lions! All of Michigan including the multiple district has opted into NAMI. Nationwide, 86% of the districts have opted into the program. That is great news. We can do this as Lions working together!

One common theme I have heard over and over in the (lengthy list of) meetings that I have attended is that the best way to succeed at NAMI is to get started early. Gosh, I want us all to be successful. Why not start today? So, over the next few days let's pledge to do just a wee bit each day. As a matter of fact, let's make that an annual commitment. Just a little bit. Sure, some days we may miss here and there. Some days will take a big commitment. My wife Lindy always says, "Slow and steady wins the race."

New Club Development Webinar Series: Every Monday in June is the club development series that the International VP's are putting on. These are a series of webinars. They run at 8 PM eastern, 7 PM central and are generally about an hour long. Here you can pick up ideas and get first class direction on where the leadership of our organization is headed. Success is very dependent on knowing what our leaders are thinking. Sign up for these at <https://lionsclubs.org/en/virtual-events-center>. There will be webinars each month so keep checking back to this address.

Michigan NAMI Champion: Lion Brent Beracy is the NAMI Champion for the state of Michigan. Brent is an excellent go to person to learn more about the NAMI process. You can contact Brent at pdgberacy@gmail.com.

New Club Presidential Leadership Award: Start a new club in June or July and both the outgoing and incoming governor receive a Presidential Leadership Award. Why wait?

Monthly Webinars: Most months we will have a webinar to help support the NAMI process. If you would like to be added to the email list please let me know. (My email is dw@abadata.com.)

Pass Information On: NAMI is meant to be shared and from the ground up. Your ideas shared may make the difference to the clubs around the state. If you are a zone or region chair you have instant access to share information and make a difference. The best way to make your team successful is to share information, keep busy and stay positive.

LCI's Webpage on NAMI: I know some of us are not completely certain of NAMI yet. Let's say that we have been challenged to do a great job with NAMI. We all have a heart of service. This is the one place where we can best find the framework to direct our energy so that we work in a cohesive group. We all want to hang with the herd so to speak when it comes to going through unfamiliar territory. Here is your map. www.lionsclubs.org/nami

FEET ON THE GROUND: OK, we all knew this was coming. Action requires just that, **DOING SOMETHING!** No matter where you are in the NAMI process, there is one thing that we can do, and should get in the habit of doing... **ALWAYS CARRY A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION** with you. Opportunity is not really opportunity if we let it slip away. One important tool in our success is that little piece of paper and a friendly voice behind it.

So, to summarize, what little things can I use to fill my quest of doing just one little thing every day? Here are some answers:

- Sign up and attend the new club webinar series every Monday in June: www.lionsclubs.org/virtual. (Every month there will be New topics!)
- Visit www.lionsclubs.org/nami and familiarize yourself enough to ask questions and visualize your district
- Share NAMI with someone every day
- Contact the state NAMI champion or myself with questions. Get a quick start!
- Watch for NAMI webinars.
- Always carry a membership application
- Pass this information on!
- Be POSITIVE! (That's for everyday!)

Wishing you all a great start to the Lions year ahead. Our peers have trusted us to lead. Let's make the best of it by getting right at it with great preparation and moving forward slow and steady.

Cheers!

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Check out the future of Lions:
www.lionsclubs.org/nami



WHITE CANE AND CANDY DAYS SEPTEMBER 25-27

Due to the restrictions put in place by Governor Gretchen Whitmer's, a proclamation declaring Lions White Cane Week in Michigan was suspended. Clubs may have found opportunities these past few months to hold White Cane sales in a variety of ways while practicing safe protocols. For those who have put sales on hold, you may want to consider September 25-27 as an alternate date.

The Lions of Michigan Foundation will hold their annual Candy Days sale the last weekend in September. Conducting both Candy Days and White Cane together will give you the chance to use up any pre-ordered White Cane supplies while supporting the Foundation's Candy Days sale. Please review any Executive Orders prior to all events and continue to be diligent about practicing physical distancing.

WHITE CANE ORDER FORM

Lions/Lioness Club Name _____
District _____ Date _____

SHIPPING ADDRESS: Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____

BILLING ADDRESS: Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

Check here to pick up at the Forum!

UNITS	ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL
	Miniature Plastic White Canes	1000/bag	\$140.00	
	Punched Cards	500/bundle	\$15.00	
	String Tags	1000/box	\$57.00	
	White Cane Stickers (roll)	1000/roll	\$25.00	
	White Cane Appliques	500/bundle	\$65.00	
	Bib Apron	Each	\$14.00	
	Waist Apron	Each	\$8.00	
	White Cane Placemats	500/bundle	\$21.00	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (large)	Each	\$7.50	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (small)	Each	\$5.50	
	Extra Eyeglass Box Stickers (set of 3)	Each	\$3.00	
	White Cane Law Pamphlets	250/bundle	\$20.00	
	Certificate of Appreciation	Each	.60¢	
	White Cane Bookmarks	100/bundle	\$10.00	
	Leader Patch	Each	\$3.00	
	Leader Pin	Each	\$3.00	
	Individually Wrapped Mints (Peppermint or Wintergreen)	750 per box	\$20.00	
	42" Wooden Cane	Each	\$15.00	
**You will be billed for shipping and handling fees.			** Shipping and Handling	
			TOTAL:	

Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com
Mail to: Lions of Michigan • 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911 • (517) 887-6640 ext. 10 • fax: (517) 887-6642

WHITE CANE AND CANDY DAYS SEPTEMBER 25-27

LCIF \$10,000.00 DISASTER RELIEF GRANT FOR DISTRICT 11D1

Michigan District 11D1 served the underserved areas Saginaw County and Spaulding Township affected by huge rainfall and consequent dam break in Mid-Michigan. A 4.7" rainfall occurred in the mid-Michigan area, specifically in and around Midland, in a 36-hour period from Sunday, May 17th to Monday, May 18th. This huge amount of water compromised dams in the area, rupturing the Edenville Dam and breaching the Sanford Dam.

Both dams are in Midland County. The water from these dams flow into the Tittabawassee River (Midland & Saginaw Counties), Shiawassee Flats (Spaulding Township) and the Saginaw River (Saginaw County). The Tittabawassee River overflowed its banks spreading devastation to low lying residential areas of Saginaw County. Down river from that, one of the numerous dikes in Spaulding Township broke due to water pressure from the Edenville Dam break, flooding a very impoverished township. Two of the most northern counties in District 11D1 is Saginaw and Bay County. Although Midland County was greatly affected, that is District 11-E1.



Volunteer requests and publicity for the services provided by the LCIF Disaster Relief Grant to the Tittabawassee River victims and Spaulding Township included: Face Book Shares, "Lions of District 11D1" article by Jon Beckers for the Midland Daily News, articles written by Lion Matt Tetloff for the Lions recognition on food vouchers given to struggling land owners, and signage during distribution.

Donations to Midland Flood Victims through United Way – 100% In Kind / May 19, 2020

Before the LCIF Grant was approved, donations from Target and Sam's was acquired and donated to the disaster victims. That included 3 palletes of water, 24 blankets, 12 sets of towels and wash clothes, and 36 boxes of granola bar snacks. These were donated to collection sites for Midland County. Disaster relief was organized by United Way of Midland.



Face Book Posted on May 25th 2020 -

The LCIF Disaster Fund Plan for District 11D1 is in place. Volunteers needed. For those that volunteered earlier, please use this information to join the team. Others are welcome also. The donation of time is about 3 hours. Possibly work teams will be mobilized later after speaking to the homeowners affected and also to the volunteer team members.

- Mission: To deliver a case of water and 2 meal tickets per person in the household to homes listed as flood victims along the Tittabawassee River and south. Three area restaurants have been contacted, will prepare the meals as need until the June 8th expiration, and will be paid with the \$10000 LCIF Grant for the meals. Wear LIONS apparel.
- Meet: Sam's Club Saginaw, the north garage door just west of the loading dock. Teams of 3 will be formed there, assignments will be given and water picked up. Volunteers in a team may choose to move their car closer to their assigned area.
- Time: 11am, Wednesday, 5/27
- Volunteers needed: 15+ people (5 teams of 3). If anyone has a hand truck that can be borrowed, please respond also.
- Homes: 80-90 homes have been identified. Addresses will be provided.
- Please respond in FB if you will attend or text or messenger Lion Matt Tetloff or Lion Deb VanTol. Thank you.

Example of Food Voucher – Big Boy, Bridgeport; Log Cabin, Freeland; Riverside Restaurant, Freeland; and Flannigan's, Saginaw were restaurants that worked together with the Lions to provide food for the families. A limited menu was created and each restaurant honored the \$10 voucher that was given to each member in the household that was affected by the flood. In the most devastated areas, 2 vouchers person was gifted.



Twenty-four LIONS from Gaines, GLBAS, Linden, Auburn Williams Clubs and a 11-D2 rep helped distribute, cleaning supplies, water, and food vouchers to approximately 100 Saginaw homes affected by the flood. Makes a LION feel good, "We Serve." Homeowner's gratitude made it all worthwhile. Thank you, volunteers.

Facebook Posted on May 29th, 2020

Area Disasters...Spaulding Township, an underserved area of Saginaw County, needs the LIONS help. Lions Clubs or personal contributions are accepted. The \$10000 LCIF Disaster Relief Grant to District 11-D1 has \$2700 left after spending \$7300 on Saginaw and Tittabawassee Township.

Over 300 residents/ 100 families were served with the \$7300. The District 11D1 Disaster Team wants to do more and serve more. Spaulding Township needs our help too! Please help with your donation. Clubs or individuals make your checks payable to District 11-D1 Disaster Relief. PM this page to get the address of where to send the check. Excess funds collected will start a District 11-D1 Disaster Relief Fund. Spaulding Township will have LIONS, boots-on-the-ground Tuesday, June 2.

Saginaw & Tittabawassee Twnshp.	Prepared for 90 homes	
Sam's Club	2 pallets of Water	\$268.08
Sam's Club	Bleach, water, paper towels	\$1128.18
Lowe's	Donated / 90 buckets	Donation
	Printing 600 food vouchers	Donation
Flannigan's	200 / \$10 meals	\$2000
Riverside Restaurant	200 / \$10 meals	\$2000
Log Cabin Restaurant	200/\$10 meals	\$2000
Spaulding Twnshp.	Prepared for 82 homes	
Aldi's	Chlorine Bleach	\$78.71
Home Depot	70 buckets	Donation
Big Boy Restaurant		
	Printing 450 food vouchers	
Sam's	Paper Towels	

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34TH ANNUAL SIGHT & HEARING SWEEPSTAKES

MAY 2, 2020 – TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

Prize	Winners Name	City/State	Ticket No./Club Seller
1 st Prize - \$750.00	Bill Chase	East Jordan, MI	6944 – East Jordan Lions
2 nd Prize - \$500.00	Bill Walter	Ortonville, MI	3398 – Ortonville Lions
3 rd Prize - \$250.00	Coleman Lions Club	Coleman, MI	9950
4 th Prize - \$100.00	Millington Lions Club	Millington, MI	14754

MAY 16, 2020 – SWEEPSTAKES DRAWING

Prize	Winners Name	City/State	Ticket No./Seller
1 st Prize - \$5,000.00	Debbie Baker	Frankenmuth, MI	2965 – Frankenmuth Lions
2 nd Prize - \$2,500.00	Crystal Lions Club	Crystal, MI	10111
3 rd Prize - \$2,000.00	Sandy Van Tol	Bay City, MI	4613 – Auburn-Williams Lions
4 th Prize - \$1,500.00	Lennon Lions Club	Lennon, MI	13745
5 th Prize - \$1,000.00	P-G Inc.	Oscoda, MI	1200 – Oscoda Lions
6 th Prize - \$500.00	Kal Haven Trail Lions Club	Bloomingtondale, MI	8700
7 th Prize - \$400.00	Sally Zoyiopoulos	Marion, MI	19018 – Ewart Lions
8 th Prize - \$300.00	P-G Inc.	Oscoda, MI	1192 – Oscoda Lions
9 th Prize - \$200.00	Wayne Willis	Ortonville, MI	3307 – Ortonville Lions
10 th Prize - \$100.00	Madeline Hiller	Houghton Lake, MI	798 – Oscoda Lions

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION 5-2-20 DRAWING IN - HOLLAND MI



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AND THE 5-16-20 DRAWING
AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON
HOTEL
IN HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.**

Lions of Michigan SERVICE FOUNDATION, INC.

2021 Hearing Care Calendar Raffle



DR. ROBERT MATHOG Lions Hearing Centers

\$1,500 Grand Prize - \$6,150 Total Cash Prizes

LIONS OF MICHIGAN SERVICE FOUNDATION, INC.

RAFFLE LICENSE NUMBER: C29500

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

TICKET NUMBER: 000

Michigan Daily 3 Midday Drawing Number: 12:50 PM

If a winner is not determined by the Daily 3 Midday Drawing, a separate drawing of the sold tickets will occur at the Lions of Michigan State Office in Lansing, Michigan between 1:00 PM to 1:30 PM

\$100.00 DRAWINGS: 1/6/21 - 1/20/21 - 2/3/21 - 2/17/21 - 3/3/21 - 3/17/21 - 3/31/21 - 4/14/21 - 4/28/21 - 5/12/21 - 5/26/21 - 6/9/21 - 6/23/21 - 7/7/21 - 7/21/21 - 8/4/21 - 8/18/21 - 9/1/21 - 9/15/21 - 9/29/21 - 10/13/21 - 10/27/21 - 11/10/21 - 11/24/21 - 12/8/21 - 12/22/21

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GRAND PRIZE DRAWING - May 1, 2021 - 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Lions of Michigan State Office - Lansing, Michigan

1st Prize: \$1,500.00 - 2nd Prize: \$500.00 - 3rd Prize: \$250.00

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION - 2021 CALENDAR RAFFLE ORDER FORM

Please send _____ calendars. These calendars are for _____ Lions Club/District, and we will be selling them on behalf of the foundation to raise funds for our Lions Club/District. We understand that if we sell 10 or more calendars, we will earn \$5 for each calendar that we sell.

Please send _____ calendars. These calendars are for personal use. I have enclosed \$20 per calendar for a total payment of \$_____.

Name: _____ Business Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

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WHO SUBSCRIBES TO THE LION PRIDE?

- Every Lion member in the state of Michigan
- Members of Lioness Clubs throughout Michigan
- Lions State Projects
- Clubs also purchase extra subscriptions for doctors offices, banks, libraries and businesses in Michigan
- Members of the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors

The Lion Pride Magazine, which was introduced 40 years ago tells the "we serve" story of Lionism in the state of Michigan. It's an excellent public relations vehicle when placed in public libraries, physician and dentist offices, barber shops and other public establishments.

The Lion Pride magazine is delivered eight times a year. Combined issues are January/February, April/May, July/August and September/October.

Updated 6/20/16

AD SIZE/ RATE PER INSERTION	1x	3x	6x	8x
Back page	\$297	\$282	\$252	\$234
Non-Lion rate	\$495			
Full page	\$297	\$282	\$252	\$234
Non-Lion rate	\$495			
2/3 page	\$213	\$201	\$171	\$156
Non-Lion rate	\$355			
1/2 page	\$162	\$147	\$129	\$117
Non-Lion rate	\$270			
1/3 page	\$148	\$136	\$124	\$112
Non-Lion rate	\$185			
1/4 page	\$135	\$126	\$113	\$99
Non-Lion rate	\$150			
1/6 page	\$95	\$81	\$77	\$72
Non-Lion rate	\$105			
1/8 page	\$80	\$72	\$65	\$59
Non-Lion rate	\$88			

* Rates for black and white ads only, add a one-time fee of \$100 to rates above for black plus spot color. Spot color will vary every issue. Call for space availability.

Advertisement sizes		
AD DIMENSIONS	WIDTH	HEIGHT
Back page	10-3/8"	6-1/4"
Full page	10-3/8"	13-1/2"
2/3 page	10-3/8"	9"
1/2 page	10-3/8"	6-3/4"
1/3 page	5"	9"
1/4 page	5"	6-3/4"
1/6 page	5"	4-1/2"
1/8 page	5"	3-3/8"

* Deadline to submit art work is the 15th of the month preceding the next month's issue. (e.g., deadline for November is October 15).

The Lion Pride Magazine can help you reach our exclusive audience of Lions, Lioness and businesses throughout Michigan. With more than 40 years of publishing a quality product Lions rely on the magazine to promote their local and state level projects.

Lions trust the magazine to provide useful and accurate information about different districts and projects throughout the state - that's why the investment you make by advertising in the Lion Pride goes a long way. By Advertising in the Lion Pride you boost your company's exposure among the Lions of Michigan.

For Questions about advertising, Contact:
Lions of Michigan State Office
517-887-6640

All advertisements are subject to the magazine's discretion. Spaces are limited according to the deadline and available on a first come, first served basis.

WE SERVE



There are many ways to serve the membership of MD 11. Participating as a district representative on one of our many State Committees is one of several opportunities.

Below is a list of all State Committees. Please let your District Governor know if you would like to serve on one of these many committees.

The MD 11 Policy Manual states each committee shall have district representation and will appoint a Vice Chairperson of each. All interested Lions are asked to contact your 2020-2021 District Governor, or Lion Wendy Burns, wburns@lionsofmi.com for further information.

2020-2021 Lions of Michigan State Committees

- Lions All State Band
- Lions Bear Lake Camp
- Constitution and By-Laws/Rules
- District Editors Advisory
- Global Leadership Team
- Global Membership Team
- Global Service Team
- Hearing
- Hunger
- Information Technology
- Lions Clubs International Convention
- Lions Clubs International Foundation
- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Leo Clubs
- Lions Michigan Forum
- Lions Quest
- MD 11 Lions Convention
- Michigan Eversight
- New Voices
- Public Relations/Social Media
- Reading Action Plan
- Sight Conservation/Diabetes
- White Cane
- Youth Exchange

NEW GLOBAL ACTION TEAM TO TAKE OFFICE JULY 1



The Council of Governors selected new GAT leaders for the 2020-2021 Lions year. They are:

- PDG Brent Beracy, MD 11 Global Membership Chairperson
- PDG Evelyn Cooper, MD 11 Global Service Chairperson
- IPDG Michael Scott, MD 11 Global Leadership Chairperson

On behalf of the Lions of Michigan and Council of Governors, thank you to our Global Leadership Team and your leadership of the past 3 years: Lion Lula Gardfrey, MD 11 Global Membership; PDG Jeff Mayuiers, MD 11 Global Leadership, and PDG Diane Wehby, MD 11 Global Service.



11 A1

DG John Daoud
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Detroit Westtown Hartford Lions, PDG Shirley Kelly and Michelle White along with District Governor John Daoud and Monica Daoud were present with many other District 11-A1 Lions at Pantry of Plenty for set-up and distribution of food to the community.



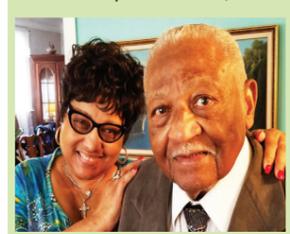
Livonia Lions, with support from other Livonia Service Clubs, sponsored a display table featuring flowers and chocolates for all SMML staff working on Mother's Day. This special recognition was well received by the SMML Staff, who expressed their thanks and appreciation for the overwhelming support shown by the community during these unprecedented times.



The Display is ready to Celebrate Mother's Day at S M M L. Flowers and Chocolates greet the midnight shift as they head toward home and needed sleep. Smiles abound as these nurses partake of carnations and Sanders Chocolates. An ICU nurse collects carnations and candy for her Department.

Chocolates greet the midnight shift as they head toward home and needed sleep. Smiles abound as these nurses partake of carnations and Sanders Chocolates. An ICU nurse collects carnations and candy for her Department.

Detroit Renaissance Lion's Club is proud to announce the celebration of its Lions born in the month of March. Among them are Lions Paul Dillard, PID Larry Young, Stephanie Purvis, and Lion Charles Edmonson's spouse Pat. HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH LIONS! "WE SERVE" (1st photo: PID Larry's Daughter Olive Cherie Richardson & PID Larry), (2nd photo: GLT Michael Harper, 2nd VDG Roshni Patel, rear Pres. Harold Stephens PDG, Lion



St. Mary Mercy Hospital Livonia opened a Comfort Care Unit, a hospice for Covid 19 patients. The Livonia Service Clubs (Lions, AM Rotary, Jaycees and Kiwanis) donated flowering plants for all to enjoy!

Yvonne Avery receives a donation of flowering Kolanchoe succulent plants for delivery to the SMML Comfort Care Unit.

Two CCU nurses share their appreciation for the Kolanchoe.

Lion Dolores Buk is an active member of the Trenton Lions Club since 2013 participating in all the Trenton Lions Clubs Fundraising Projects. One of her special talents is crocheting mats for the homeless. She has crocheted thirty mats so far. Each mat takes almost 800 plastic shopping bags, which are cut into strips and then crocheted to make the mats. Some of the mats have been given to one of the local churches for distribution and some of the mats have also been given directly to homeless persons. A "big thanks" to her for taking on this special heart-warming project.



Vicky Carey Membership Chair, seated PID Larry Young, Lion Marilyn Dillard (representing spouse Charter member Paul Dillard), 3rd VP Sabrina Simmons, Lion Derek Segars, PP), (3rd photo: PID Larry and Ron Coleman PDG)



Detroit Renaissance Lion's Club had an incredibly positive and interactive event. The panel discussion, moderated by Rev Jonathan Betts Fields, included Joi Greear, Shkina Granberry and Kyrion Smith. The Millennial and Gen X panelists shared their prerequisites for joining a service organization and what kept them engaged. The audience, different age groups, listened attentively. Ideas and experiences were shared with the common agreement that we all want to serve our communities.



Detroit Westtown Hartford lions Club

Detroit Westtown Harford Lions Club.

As we move to being even more of a digital-age: the Detroit Westtown Hartford has updated its Facebook page created by Lions Julian Bethune and Michelle Turner-White.

Please join us by liking our page, when on Facebook, go to:

Detroit Westtown Hartford Lions Club and hit the like button.



11 A2

DG Scott Berry
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Mt Clemens Lion Donald "Digger" O'Dell is shown here thanking Mt Clemens Lion's President Gary Stahl for all of the support given to the Wertz Warriors for the Special Olympics Winter Run and for their donation of \$1,000.00 to the cause. Lion O'Dell has been the Chairman of this worthwhile event for the past 38 years.



Lions District 11-A2, with support from LCIF, provided 400 1-gallon sized hand sanitizer containers to first responders, fire departments, and essential workers. The hand sanitizer was produced at Blake's Hard Cider in Armada, MI. Blake's hand sanitizer meets Work Health Organization standards to support the frontline health workers and to the public. Raymond DeBuck of DeBuck Construction, Inc. of Shelby Township donated time and truck for transportation. The Lions of 11-A2 and LCIF would like to thank all the firefighters and first responders for all they do especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Sterling Heights Lions Club delivered 22 party trays from Jets Pizza to Henry Ford Hospital in Clinton Township – 660 slices of pizza for the doctors and nurses and other health care workers. Money for the pizzas was donated by the Sterling Heights Lions Club, and members of the Sterling Heights and Clinton Valley Lions Clubs.



L-R: a hospital staff member, Lions member Dale Solitro, Jets employee Lisa Kipp, and Lions Jim Oak and Eileen Maciasz.

New Baltimore Lions gifted every Senior at New Baltimore Place Apartments a washable cloth mask with our Coronacare Initiative. Stay safe...We Serve!



Richmond Lions were able to pay tribute to one of our fellow Lions that passed away. Lion Larry Haslehuhn has been a member of Richmond Lions Club for over 21 years. He helped us start many projects and was ALWAYS there helping in any way that he could. So, in remembrance of Larry we did what Larry did best and that was to serve our community. We were able to reach out to 27 families by delivering food baskets and make a difference! Here's to you Lion Larry!



Lake Orion Lions Club recently installed new member Jacob Leach, son of PDG/2VDG Jim Leach, Jr and ZC Kim Leach. He is the 4th generation Leach family member installed



into our club. Samuel Leach, Jacob's great-grandfather, became a LO Lion in 1947 and was a Lion for 52 years. He brought in his son, Jacob's grandfather, Jim Leach, Sr. in 1961 and he was a Lion for 54 years. Following in his dad's footsteps, Jim Leach, Jr, Jacob's dad, was installed into the LO club by his Grandpa Sam in 1993 and he has been a Lion for 27 years. To say Lions has been an everyday part of the Leach household is an understatement!

CLUB

Happenings:



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> REGION NEWS

11 B1



DG Michael Scott
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Ann Arbor Host Lions Club White Cane Drive has been REIMAGINED! Ann Arbor Host Lions Club Our White Cane Fundraiser is in full swing via Go Fund Me! We have raised \$680 of our \$2,000 goal!



Quest South East Jackson Lions Club recently became a chartered club under the umbrella of Lions Clubs International. The celebration took place at Second Missionary Baptist Church. Lions from other chapters within the state were there to support and celebrate this newly formed Lions Club. The keynote address was delivered by Lions Past International Director, Esther LaMothe. Presidential Certificates were presented to chapter President Louvenia Shack-Seals and 1st Vice President LaWanna Brown.

The club banner was presented by current District Governor, Mike Scott. Remarks and presentation of recognition certificates from the City of Jackson - Mayor Derek Dobies, United States Senate - Senator Debbie Stabenow, U. S. House of Representatives - Congressman Tim Walberg, The State of Michigan - Senator Mike Shirkey, State Representative Julie Alexander, Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist, III and Governor Gretchen Whitmer were presented by Mayor Dobies. Vice District Governor David Anderson also gave remarks.

The Club Charter was signed by the membership, officers were installed by PID LaMothe, and remarks were received from Past District Governor and Guiding Lion, Roberta Sexton and Chapter President Louvenia Shack-Seals. Guests and program participants were wowed by musical selections sung by talented Tyrecia Lane, Granddaughter of President Louvenia.



Jackson Cascades Lion Chuck Sinclair is presenting the Jackson Cascades Lions Club donation of a new sewing machine to the ladies at the Jackson Friendly Home. The machine will be used to sew the face masks for the health care providers. Thanks to Jackson Friendly Home.



11 B2



DG John Postelli
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Paw Paw Lions supported the Senior Class of 2020. The community came together to have a parade for the Paw Paw High School graduating class of 2020. The graduates were the participants of the parade in decorated cars, most standing in moon roofs and waving to the well-wishers. It was a lot of fun and perhaps it is something that should be done every year to honor the achievements of those future Lions.



Paw Paw Lions are the largest club in 11-B2. What do they do during a pandemic? Simple, WE SERVE! Maybe not in the usual way, but the needs of the community did not go away with the spread of the novel coronavirus. We just had to be a bit creative...



Aside from having all our board meetings on-line via Zoom, we have used the platform for "cocktail parties" on Wednesdays. Through this constant communication we can identify community needs and share how we are meeting those needs.

St. Joseph City Lions Club congratulates Lion Ren Baldwin on being the recipient of the MACUL (Michigan Association of Computer Users in Education) 2020 President's Award. Good job Lion Ren. The President's award recognizes and honors MACUL members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in the use of technology to improve education.



Mattawan LEO Club celebrated their 5th anniversary cake and pizza, and prepped for their annual bingo night. The proceeds will go to a local family whose son has a rare brain cancer. They have raised over \$3400.

Currently, the club has 75 members This past year, they have held a food drive to benefit the seniors and diabetics in their community. They raised over \$3000 in food and monies to donate to the Mattawan Area Pantry. In November, they helped Mattawan Lions Club begin construction on a greenhouse for the community garden. December, they rang bells for the Salvation Army and raised \$2,758.55. January was busy transforming 150 adult t-shirts into shopping bags for the local pantry. February they made thank you cards for veterans and sent them through the Operation Gratitude program. They have also started a Relay for Life Team called Wright's Wildcats, in honor of their teacher who was just diagnosed with cancer. The team will be raising funds and walking at the Van Buren County Relay for Life on June 27th at Paw Paw Middle School from 10am-10pm. Here's to many more years of service for our community!



Portage Lions Club of Michigan Spearheaded by Vickie C., recently sprang into action as they cut fabric, wire, and elastic and started sewing masks for the local hospital. One member made homemade hand sanitizer and another member assisted by sharpening scissors for cutting the fabric. Jessica Lynn of Tekonsha, MI. stepped in and donated masks to her community. Lion Sharon Bennett of Kalamazoo West helped out as well as members of Lions Clubs in Paw Paw, Three Rivers, Bangor, and other Clubs in District 11-B2 all helped out! **This only goes to show this pandemic will not stop any Lions to carry its motto "We Serve".**



Lion Herb Grassow and his Leader Dog, Baxter, are raising money for Fighting Blindness, Beacon of Light with a virtual walk. Our entire club has been taking recyclable cans and bottles to the local Ace Hardware to raise money for ear surgery for a local youth.

Through our on-line video chats and meetings, we discovered that one of our own club members needed help shopping. Then we expanded to helping others in the community. We are constantly checking with our local food bank to ensure they have what they need. Several club members have been helping with school's food distribution.

Saint Joseph Lions Club is pleased to assist the Emergency Shelter Services (Homeless Shelter) during this Covid-19 Crisis. In the past, the club has made monthly donations to the shelter providing healthy snacks. Because the club has not been able to hold its weekly meetings during this crisis, we have not been able to collect and deliver the items to the shelter. Because of this, the club has made a generous donation to the shelter to help provide the items they need to operate the shelter during this national emergency



Receiving the donation is (R) Reshella Hawkins, Shelter manager from Saint Joseph Lion Ed Heiden (L).

Portage Lions Club in collaboration with South Portage/Ramona Park Neighborhood was able to donate more than 500 face masks to local hospitals, medical clinics, police, sheriff, and fire departments.



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Adrian Breakfast Lions Radio Auction – April 25 from 8:30 am – 4 pm on 95.3 WQTE

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Three Rivers Lions Club lost their shed to a fire in February. DHHS contacted the club and generously donated \$1300. The shed stored extra toys for the annual Christmas Food & Toy distribution, turtle derby track, and newly purchased equipment for the annual Ox Roast. DHHS has what they call Friday Jeans Days and employees pay \$2 to wear jeans and then the funds are donated to various local service organizations. The Lions work with DHHS closely to help families in need during the holidays. Shown accepting

the check are Lion Jeff Mayuiers, DHHS employee Malea Jacobs, and Lion Julie Mayuiers. Jeff, Julie, and Lion Doug Gross are co-chairs of the project.

In March Lions Tom and Brenda McWatters and Jeff and Julie Mayuiers spent the day tearing down the burnt shed at their club. They filled a large construction dumpster as well as their normal dumpster which had been filled once before.





11 C1

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Lyons-Muir Lion Earl Howell built the club a new sign with contact information for their building/hall rental. Belinda Cadena worked on the lettering for the sign. With the help of Lions Earl Howell, Marv Ludwick and the Department of Public Works, the sign was installed on M-21 in Muir, MI.



Northside Lion Cheryl Schneider and friend Julie Martin were making masks to give to the local residents, due to the shortage of masks in Rio Grande Valley. One of the local communities had issued a mandate, if out in public, you must wear a mask or be fined. Lion Cheryl continues to serve her local community. Even outside the state of Michigan!



Grand Valley Campus Club Lions Cheryl Anderson, and Sam Merring along with the assistance from Lion Ken Adamy with Project Kidsight screened 23 children at the GVSU Children's Center.



Grand Valley Campus Club hosted their annual Dinner in the Dark, serving a spaghetti dinner and presentations for Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Rockford Lions have been holding their membership and board meetings virtually with great success! They were able to help fund some emergent needs for North Kent Connect and Cherry Street Health Center.

Rockford Leos held a flower and candy sale on Valentine's Day.



Sparta Lions donated \$4000 to North Kent Connect to feed people in need in Northern Kent County and \$1000 to the Sparta Baptist Church Hygiene Pantry. Donations of \$1000 a piece have also been made to the following charities: Sparta Baptist Church, Church of the Nazarene, and Sparta United Methodist (All 3 participate in the Hand to Hand Program), Holy Family Food Program, Mamrelund Lutheran Food Pantry and North Kent Connect. A total of \$11,000 has been put out in our community to feed and provide essentials needed since the beginning of 2020.

Lakewood Lions have held another successful BBQ Event completed. At a rate of over 600 meals per hour, we sold all of our 943 chickens and had a record net profit of \$3,000. Many thanks to all the great Lion's volunteers and those equally great "Lion's at Heart" Volunteers who helped us too: The Lake O Village, the Boy Scouts, the Ionia County Health Department, and our LO Village Police.



11 C2

DG Becky Hamilton
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DeWitt Lion Breakfast Club was not able to present their scholarships to the DeWitt High School students this year. This is because of the COVID-19 "Stay at Home" order the 2020 DeWitt High School Awards Night had to cancel this year. The three Scholarship Winners were mailed a Trophy, a pen/flashlight, a check for \$1,000 and an invitation to the two-club picnic (when the restriction ends) or visiting a club meeting.

The three recipients were: Ms. Kate Beligowan plans to become a Physician and study at Michigan State University. Ms. Olivia Schafer plans to be a Genetic Counselor or a Pharmacologist and study at the University of Michigan. Mr. Grant Wilkins plans to be a Physician's Assistant and eventually a Chiropractor and start his studies at Lansing Community College.

Bretton Woods Lioness Club members have been busy with personal activities while others are working remotely or doing work around their home and other property. Most of the Lionesses were on hand to celebrate the 94th birthday of Lioness Beverly Byrnes in style with a parade, balloons, gifts, and friends. Even a WLNS news team showed up to join the celebration.

Lioness Bev with Lioness Sandy Henkey and her dog, Ollie. Happy Birthday!



DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club - President Patrick Donlon introduced Doug Steffen from the Clinton County Road Commission, who enlightened the den on where the taxes from Gasoline come from and where they are spent. He also explained the road and bridge projects planned for Clinton County this year. Three detours for bridge work will affect travels this summer. They have been scheduled to not interfere with school or Ox Roast. President Donlon thanked Mr. Doug Steffen for the informative program and presented him with a den pen and coffee cup.



Lion Patrick Donlon Pres. & Doug Steffen

Bretton Woods Lions Club - The Weekend Survival Kits program is dedicated to fill the weekend food gap by mobilizing an army of volunteers to pack and deliver food kits for delivery to participating schools every other week. By discreetly tucking food kits in the backpacks of the participating kids every other Friday we are confident that the kids will come to school on Monday morning ready to learn. In the kits there are enough food basics to make 6 dinners, 4 lunches, 4 breakfasts, and 2 to 4 snacks. Bretton Woods Lions along with other area organizations package up the meal kits.

Holt Lions Club - All those pictured are seniors from Holt High School. They all attended a seminar on "Emotions" in Washington DC and presented a program about Men's Emotions. They discussed that men's emotions are all held inside, which could be bad for your health. Showing your emotions is not a sign of weakness. It releases energy and another way to release is not sitting behind your desk too long, take a walk, etc. The same holds true for women also.



L-R: Brandon Currin Instructor, Eli Haidimous, Jack Proebstle, Cameron Turner, Logan VanEnkevort

Grand Ledge Lions welcome new member Lion Makell Thomas during the Grand Ledge Lions Club's general membership meeting. In younger years Makell began tagging along with his grandfather, Lion Steve Peake, on Lions work projects and was noticeably enthusiastic about helping the Lions. That was then, this is now, as Lion Makell is busy with a career and anxious to serve as a Grand Ledge Lion.



President Lion Don Yuvan, Lion Makell Tomas, Lion Steve Peake Sponsor

DeWitt Lions Breakfast Club inducted new member Joe Zilenski via ZOOM with District Governor Becky Hamilton and International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. His sponsor Lion Tom Doyle presented Lion Joe's Certificate of Membership, Lions Pin, Name Tag, DBLC and LCI pens, information booklet "What the heck is a TailTwister", and Lions decals. We look forward to having Joe join us at a regular meeting soon.



Grand Ledge Lions ramp crew was called again to serve a local resident early this month of May. Lions Don Yuvan and Riley Spayde are shown here on the topside and appear to be wondering if Lion Lysle Finney needs help or if he has just found a comfy nap spot.



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WYOMING LIONS CLUB ISO ASSISTANCE!

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Wyoming Lions are organizing a pancake breakfast and are in search of any tips, and guidance to help them with their first pancake breakfast event.

616-881-3012 - 1st VDG Bob Hohendorf

Muskegon Northside Lions
 Easter Egg Drop at Walker Library - April 4th @ 11 am

If your club or you have any helpful suggestions - PLEASE contact the Wyoming Lions and share your knowledge and

Muskegon Northside Lions
 White Cane Tag Days - May 1-2

District 11-C1 Convention
 - May 15-16 at the Holland Doubletree Hotel in conjunction with MD11 the State Convention

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DeWitt Lions President Patrick Donlon introduced Mrs. Liz Heinz - Board member of Niemann Disease Foundation. Niemann-Pick disease is a rare, inherited disease that causes the body unable to metabolize fat (cholesterol and lipids) within cells. These cells malfunction and, over time, die. Niemann-Pick disease can have an impact on your nerves, brain, spleen, liver, bone marrow and, in severe cases, lungs. There are three types of this disease, type A and B, and Type C. There are about 500 cases in the United States. She spoke of how it affected

her family and the loss of their children.

Lion Patrick Donlon & Mrs. Liz Heinz



In 2019 Durand Lions Club sponsored a Christmas light contest. First place winner, Nancy Rathfon shown with Durand Lions President Lew Deisler.



Laingsburg Lions held a community spaghetti dinner in February at the Laingsburg Methodist Church. We had 9 Lions members and 1 guest working this event for the community. We served 131 meals to the community. Lion Ed Kemp, PDG Eric Schuman, guest Tania and Lion Del Dreja



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Bay City Lions Club has been helping with the Salvation Army Food Drives and our Leos, teachers, and friends (pictured below) joined us in phase 2, completing our special project Lions/Y garden and community memorial tree planting.

Chesaning Lions Club donated \$500 towards Spaulding Township fund to help those affected by the dam breaking. Chesaning Lions members and other volunteers helped the Saginaw CAC pass out food boxes at the Chesaning Lions hall.

Flushing Lion Yetiva Allen has been busy with her sewing machine finishing the community quilt with about 25 hours spent for the Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC), as well as making masks and hats for hospital workers, and community members. Masks have also been made for the staff at the Liberty Family Dining where our meetings are held.



Kingston Lions Club delivered 7 fleece lap robes to the Extended Care Facility of Marlette Community Hospital - arriving in time for them all to be used for their parade for the patients. Our community service has consisted of helping prepare lunches for 376 school children and then working at the drive-in food pantry for approximately 100 families, and volunteering to do filing at the Hospice office. We were notified of the need of a braille reader for a blind 4-year-old boy in our community. Thanks to the support of the District Sight Committee, donations from members and the club treasury, we were able to provide the \$1,050 to procure the device.

Linden Lions Club donated \$200 to the Lions of Michigan for the district project and \$500 to the Spaulding Disaster Relief.

Mayville Lions were able to complete their annual flower planting in 18 barrels around the village. A local greenhouse generously donated all the flowers. The village contributed by replacing numerous barrels that were beyond repair.

Freeland Lions Club thank all the volunteers that helped provide food to over 550 families with our food drops. We are working on a couple more for the next month. When the Eastern Michigan Food Bank gets us the dates for them, we will post the events on our Facebook page.



11 D2

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Almont Lions Club asks all Lions to join us in praying for our president, Pat Ohlert. Pat has recently been diagnosed with cancer and is currently having chemo treatments. Pat is a 24+ year Lion who has served the Almont Lions in an OUTSTANDING manner. He has served as Club President and as Club Secretary. Pat is a Melvin Jones Fellowship recipient.



Elkton Lions John Champagne & Jeff Zarnke ...True Servants of the People. ANY town would be blessed to have these two guys in your Community. They are non-stop putting other people first. Their families are by their side and their biggest supporters! Everything I work on with the Elkton Lions...in addition to our beyond remarkable club (voted #1 small town Lions Club that has "Elk" in the name and a water tower with a smiley face) if John and Jeff aren't leading, many of these projects would never even get started. They genuinely believe in the motto "SERVICE BEFORE SELF".



Legion and Memphis Schools, with Memphis Lions delivered food and medicine to the seniors and shut-ins Memphis schools is offering food daily to feed the needy. Lion Bobby Janssens is pictured right.



Memphis Lions Club, is supporting the Leo club, and college students are especially important to the club and the community. It is hard to keep a positive outlook concerning the current situation, but we find ways to make it happen. When the opportunity came along to help... we all said YES! There is still the need to serve the people. Our Lions group is always prepared to dig in and help out.



Emmett Lions Club Blood Drive was held and we collected 24 pints of blood. This was the 104th blood drive held by the Emmett Lions, and 4,124 pints of Blood that has been collected for the Red Cross. With each pint able to help 3 people we have helped 12,372 people.

PDG Chuck Belesky, Lions Jeff Troy, Ken (Buckwheat) Walsh, and P.P. Paul Krause, not pictured Lion Dave Truetle

Bad Axe Lions are having a bottle/can drive to raise funds for the COVID-19 pandemic.

Memphis Lions are still making facemasks and surgical hats for the front-line workers at hospitals and Memphis community citizens.



For the last 5 weeks the Elkton Lions Club, Huron County, have been hosting "Pop Up Food Pantries" with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. Not all clubs have the manpower or resources that some of the larger clubs like Elkton. The Owendale Lions and Port Austin Lions have helped with the food distribution. The Elkton Lions are extremely fortunate to have many members that are committed to this project. Elkton Local Fire Departments have also assisted in serving the community.



Pearl Beach Lions would like to thank the 100's of people who stepped out on their porch We apologize for not being permitted to throw candy to the supporters. It was heart-warming to see all the smiling faces, and cheers.



Elkton & Owendale Lions hosted a successful pop up food pantry at Lakers Schools for the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. Over 1,500 people were given several days of groceries in support of the Corona 19 Virus Relief for families that have lost their jobs or been laid off. Thank You Lions!



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Almont Lions Club has donated \$1500.00 to the Eastern Michigan Food Bank in response to the covid-19 threat and a reported shortage of donations. This donation is to be divided equally between the Almont Vineyard Church's Manna Ministries and the Dryden Linked Hearts Food Pantries.

Anchor Bay Lions would like to thank all our front-line heroes and those that nominated one

during our THANK A LOCAL FRONT LINE HERO campaign. We are proud to announce that EVERY person that was nominated during the months of April and May were given a \$50 certificate to a local restaurant. Specials thanks to Bobby Macs Bayside, M29 Diner, and On the Rocks for staying open to serve our community delicious meals.

Metamora Lions assisted at the Memorial Day Parade and service at the cemetery.

Ft. Gratiot/Burtchville Lions had the distinct honor of helping The Elks put flags on the gravesites of our veterans at Sunset Cemetery.

USA Lions Club are holding a Blood Drive at the American Legion in Sebawaing on 7th July, from 2 - 8pm call 989 450 3644 to sign up or find out more.



11 E1

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Empire Lions Club inspected, cleaned, and graded over 350 pairs of donated glasses for those in need just before the Pandemic Shutdown. Here are Lions Claude Fields and Roger Merillat grading the glasses.

(In the background is Lion Harry Johnson who leads District 11E-1 Eyeglasses Mission trips Project.)



Coleman Lion Al Mueller, representing both Coleman Lions and the Coleman Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts as Executive Director of the local Scouts, delivered six hanging flower baskets to the Coleman Senior Center. The Scouts which are sponsored by Coleman Lions Club recently had a successful flower sale fundraiser. The flowers were donated as a thank you for allowing the Scouts to serve special meals and to provide entertainment to those having lunch at the Senior Center. They were gratefully received by Director Sheryl Watson.

Midland Lions Club in Action for Flood Relief. District 11E-1, with the work and guidance of DG Jackie Glazier and PDG Lion Laura Johnson [Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) Committee representative] applied for a LCIF Emergency Grant to benefit Midland County for flood relief. A \$10,000 grant was approved and we were able to begin providing needed supplies to those in the flooded areas of the county especially the town of Sanford and parts of Midland. The Midland Lions are working with the local ACE Hardware to obtain the necessary supplies to give to those in need for their clean-up efforts.



Lions loading vehicles at ACE Hardware with cleaning supplies, masks, and gloves.



Midland Lions making delivery at Midland High School, one of the distribution sites. It was reported that these items were exactly what they wanted.

Supplies purchased through ACE included special masks, chemical gloves of various sizes, splash goggles, bleach, conrobium for mold, mops, sponges, trash bags, and buckets. This is just the first phase. We will monitor needs and adapt to what is needed in the next phase. Thanks to all the Lions who helped including our DG Jackie Glazier.

Volunteers were DG Lion Jackie Glazier, Midland Lions Al Ducham, Jim Dunlap, Lori Shelby Hall, Darren Hall, Tina Hoy, Mike Hoy, Dick Ivan, Bud & Mary Lawry, Dave Romenesko, Mark Schultz, and Dave Stark.



Lions making delivery at Meridian Elementary School (another distribution site).



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Boyne Valley Lions chose their new officers for 2020-2021 with a 40% voter turnout for this year's electronic ballot. The nominated candidates are overwhelming winners. Thanks to all those Lions who cast their votes.

Central Lake Lions Club reached the milestone of 70 years of service on May 23, 2020. Since they couldn't have a traditional celebration the Lion mascot did some dancing in the streets! They also provided cupcakes with every takeout meal on that night

at Touch of Class, who is the caterer for their regular meetings.

Mike Dengate from Leader Dog did a Zoom presentation to 20 members, including Hall of Famer Don Seifried, who must spend this summer in Florida. Don has never used a computer before, but with a little help from some friends he is now able to see and stay in touch with his club. He shared what things were like in the club when he joined in the 60's and also shared a picture of him pinning a White Cane onto then Governor Bill Milliken at the Capital building in Lansing in 1974. He had just declared White Cane week for the Lions Club.



Cheboygan Lions recognized 3 Cheboygan graduates with \$500.00 scholarships. Covid-19 has placed everything in a holding pattern as a club.

East Jordan Lions donated 400 pairs of vinyl gloves to Charlevoix Hospital since there was a shortage. They were extra gloves from our river trash and pop can pick up events.

Petoskey Lions evaluated 8 High School Senior's scholarship applications, with several exceptional candidates to choose from. Lions finally chose senior Tiffany Fettig as winner of the \$500 2020 Wallace C. Glasscock Memorial Scholarship. We congratulate Tiffany and wish her great success.

Alpena Lions Club donated \$1,000 to the Boys and Girls Club of Alpena to help it serve meals to kids while the school district was shut down due to COVID-19.

Boyne Valley Lions, with the assistance of the East Jordan Lions Club, have agreed to host the Regional Convention in April 2021. Both Lion Jill and Lion Joe are on the planning committee.

Central Lake Lions Club received a generous donation from PDG Gordon Harris that will ensure that the school scholarships will still be given out even with the cancellation of the fundraiser dinner. Raffle ticket sales are also picking up to help fill the gaps of canceled fundraisers. Some of the Central Lake Lionesses have switched gears from making eyeglass cases to making masks at home. Some are donating the masks to local merchants and community members, others have teamed up with "Seamstresses for Safety" for distribution to hospitals, medical personnel, and offices, and first responders.



Tom Breakey from the East Jordan Lion's Cub is helping put the trash cans and return containers out again on the East Jordan River at three locations. This is done to keep the Jordan River clean. The cans are returned by the East Jordan Lions Club to help fund their projects.



Central Lake Lions/Lioness - When the schools closed, Central Lake superintendent Lion Lenore Weaver called on the Lions and Lioness Clubs to donate art supplies to send home to the students. The clubs donated enough to buy the needed supplies which were ordered through Bachmann's Store, a local store that has always been very supportive of the Lions and Lioness Club's activities.



Oscoda Lions Club held its 13th annual bowler fundraiser. Close to 100 bowlers participated. Everyone had a great time. Because of the great generosity of the businesses in the community everyone received a prize. The Oscoda Lions want to thank everyone who participated and all the businesses for their generosity; we could not have raised \$2500 for our charities without their help



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Fremont Lions Facebook page had an item about donating to the TrueNorth food pantry. We solicited donations from our members who ponied up \$590. The board agreed to match up to \$500 turning that into \$1090. We were able to donate that on #GivingWednesday through GoFundMe and they matched \$1000 so our original \$590 turned into a \$2090 donation.

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