

LION PRIDE WE SERVE

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COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS



The Governors were able to attend the 5th and final Council of Governors meeting in person, recently. Pictured above: Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers, DG David Wilbert, DG Harold DeMott, DG Leo Schaefer, DG Sami Makhoul, DG/VCC David Anderson, DG Bill Koch, DG Julie Mayuiers, DG Rod Leathers, DG Bob Hohendorf and DG Joe Maki. Unable to attend, DG Kurt Stromlund. The event was held in Holland. Segments of the MD 11 Lions Virtual Convention were filmed during this time, including the Memorial to honor those we've lost and the service project held at Hungry for Christ, located in Hamilton.

For mail returns see ID statement.



101 YEARS: HOW OUR PAST HAS SHAPED OUR FUTURE



Join us for a Virtual MD 11 Lions Convention June 12 as we highlight Service, Hunger, Environment and History, along with a special message from LCI President Choi. This event is FREE to all Lion members.

Conventions may look a little different this year, but the need to celebrate our success has not changed. Journey with us as we tour the Hungry for Christ Foodbank freezer, purchased with the assistance of a \$45,000.00 LCIF Grant totaled over \$100,000.00. In honor of President Choi, a tree planting ceremony will take place at Paws With a Cause, recognizing his leadership and passion for the environment.

New to Zoom? Ready to break through the fear-factor associated with leading your first Zoom meeting? ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE: FROM NOVICE TO PRO IN 30 MINUTES or LESS is a session designed with YOU in mind! Q&A will follow this session and you are encouraged to come prepared with whatever challenges you may be facing. Our history is our legacy. Learn where we came from with a trip through the years during a History of Michigan Lions. We're making history again, as we march into our next 100 years.

Registrations details have been sent to Club President's and Secretary's to be shared with members, and can also be found on the Lions of Michigan website, as well. Reserve your spot for June 12, 2021! Once you have registered, you will be able to have full access to the Convention Webinar on the day of the event as well as after it airs on the Lions YouTube Channel.

UPCOMING

Events:

JUNE 1
HELEN KELLER DAY

JUNE 7
LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL BIRTHDAY

JUNE 12
MD 11 VIRTUAL CONVENTION
Register now at
Lionsofmi.com

JUNE 25-29
103 LIONS INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION
VIRTUAL EVENT

JULY 4
INDEPENDENCE DAY

AUGUST 6
VDG TRAINING
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant MI

AUGUST 6-7
COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS MTG
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant MI

AUGUST 7
LMF HALL OF FAME DINNER
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant MI

SEPTEMBER 9-11
USA/CANADA FORUM
Des Moines, Iowa

Check our website for updates and additional information



> PRIDE NEWS



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S PRIDE WENDY BURNS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



We're running full steam ahead at the Lions of Michigan State Office as the end of our Lion's year quickly approaches. Lion leaders are wrapping up the final details of the 2020-2021 year, while incoming leaders have been getting the jump on 2021-2022.

This has been a unique year, but one met with an enthusiastic team led by Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers. Council meetings were not put on pause. Lions business continued to happen; new clubs continued to form and service to community became more focused and driven. You could easily say this was the Year of the Lion!

As a Council, we all came together recently in Holland. We celebrated outstanding Lions in an outstanding year. Many of our traditional convention activities went on as they would under normal circumstances, such as the Awards Dinner, Flag Ceremony and Memorial Recognition, but in a slimmed down version. All these events were filmed by our videographer, Shane Davis of Rockford, MI., and will now become part of our MD 11 Lions Virtual Convention to air on June 12. (Shameless plug to register now!)

What would a weekend of fellowship be without a hospitality room? Our Convention Co-Chairs, Dave and Brenda Hacker, saw to it that we were well-snacked and hydrated. Stories of the past year were shared, as well as stories from back in the early days of individuals becoming new Lions. I witnessed so many beautiful moments in that weekend. Lions proudly carrying the flag to represent their military career. Lions accepting award recognitions with tears and gratitude. Lions generosity from around the state in giving financially to our service project of the weekend, Hungry For Christ.

It was a weekend for growth and new beginnings as we launch into our 102nd year as Michigan Lions. We are ready for 2021-2022 and the possibilities that lie before us.

Make this the year you dive deep into your Lions Club. Attend the Leadership Institute, the Lions Michigan Forum and the MD 11 Lions Convention this coming year. Take advantage of the knowledge and training offered and invite your friends and business associates to join you in the journey. Let's continue to make this, the Year of the Lion!

Your Newest Melvin Jones Fellow,
Lion Wendy Burns, Executive Director



by PDG Dave Wineman
Area Leader
Midwest Lions Alliance

You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else.

~ Melvin Jones



For the past Lions year, 25 district governors in the Midwest Lions Alliance (Michigan, Ohio & Indiana) have given their best to serve their districts. Service, Leadership and Membership have all come into play. As Lions Clubs International has termed it, they have built their "legacy". This has been a year of genuine testing. The new normal was anything but normal. This past year tested our governors. All the years of preparation and road maps turned into unfamiliar territory. At times it was a maze. Dead ends followed by trial and error to do their best at leading almost 30000 Lions in our 3 states. A successful governor, be it in service, leadership or membership was truly flying by the seat of their pants. Listening to our governors over the past year, there were times when they felt challenged, cheated, happy, heart broken, exhausted and exuberant. This group of governors have had the full range of emotions. Some of them lost genuine

friends to sickness. Others had to lead their districts through loss. All of them lost out on face-to-face inductions as governors. The option of getting together, enjoying each other's hospitality, was not an option.

Sad story? Yup. Tragedy? Tragic things happened, but the actions of our leaders were anything but a tragedy. This group of governors were tested to a higher degree than many of us have ever seen. Think about it. Do service, but don't have a gathering. Get new members, but don't talk with people. We all should have been good at leadership and training. Hold on a minute though. Most of the governors never used communication platforms such as Zoom. They learned. They led. They made the most of it. (Some of us may say that we got so good at Zoom, it is time to forget a little!)

Do you ever wonder what it was like when Melvin Jones started to lay down the very foundations of our organization? What the training was like? Hint... There was not any. How did he communicate? It wasn't Zoom! How many districts and members were there? Zero! The weight of the organization fell on his shoulders. Clearly, he had to overcome unknowns. So, what did Melvin Jones have? We could all agree he was motivated. The heart of a Lion! He had a desire for service.

It was also very apparent that Melvin Jones was a team builder and player. From the moment he invited other organizations together to form Lions Clubs he was working with others as a team. He understood that many hands make light work. He understood that in order to accomplish really great things, we had to come together as a team. This still holds true today. With enough mind and muscle power almost any challenge is within our grasp. Pool our resources and the Lions are one formidable force.

This past year we have seen this determination firsthand in the leaders and Lions around us. It was remarkable how our leaders organized and came forward. Instinctively they knew that the service must go on. The knowledge that we must go on was not so remarkable. The fact that we stopped talking and started the walking was the important fact. It wasn't about a legacy to protect. It was so much more natural than that. It was about a legacy in the building. The growing and maturing of our organization. More than any recent year, we were challenged, tested, and are emerging stronger and more determined. This past year gave us the opportunity to live the Melvin Jones quote more than ever.

"You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else"
~ Melvin Jones

The quote is old. But this year we proved it true. This year took the quote off the paper and put it into the heart of our organization. We were moved, and we made a difference.

AS we close out this year, bear in mind our leaders and the challenges. We came together as a team. Take the time to honor our leaders. Stand when your governor enters the room. Follow the lead and act as a team. Sometimes leaders and challenges don't fit the goals and plans. Leaders and Lions seize the moment, form teams and move forward.

Cheers!
Dave Wineman, Area Leader

PS... Be an important part of the team. Make it a point to seek out your DGE or other leader and ask if you can pitch in. What you are asked to do may not have been in your plan. It may be a genuine opportunity to be a leader!

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www.lionsclubs.org/nami

CHECK OUT THE NEW MIDWEST LIONS ALLIANCE
YOUTUBE CHANNEL AT
WWW.MWLIONS.TV

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP



by PDG Brent Beracy
MD-11 Global
Membership Team

I'd like to start by thanking the District GMT's, Council of Governor's, ID Lion Justin and the liaison committee for their support, guidance, leadership and teamwork throughout the 2020-21 Lions year. The year has presented our MD with unexpected hurdles and we've met those challenges head on in these changing times, a testament to the quality and resourcefulness of Michigan's leader's.

Even though this Lions year is not quite over, I'd like to recognize the continued efforts of all of the district's membership teams; 2020 was a tough year, but with perseverance we are positioned to end this Lion's year with less Lions lost than our 5 year average. This momentum can carry through our upcoming year as we continue to build new community partnerships as well as new clubs.

I'd also like to congratulate district A1 DG Dave Wilbert and his team who are chartering 1 new club (Detroit Greater St. John) as we approach year end. District C2 DG Kurt Stromlund and his team who have chartered 3 new Lioness/Lions clubs (Bancroft Lioness, Lansing Capital Lioness, and the Delta DeWitt Ledges). District D2 DG Sami Makhoul and his team have also chartered 3 new clubs (Deerfield Lions, Harsens Island Lioness, and the Michigan Healthy Cyber Lions club). Great work Governors!

The continued hard work of our district teams also shows when we highlight the most important part of our team, YOU, the Lions Clubs of Michigan who have grown your membership 20% or more despite 2020's challenges:

11-A1
Greater H.P. Detroit
Downtown +20%
Southgate +550%
Wayne +20%
Westland +20%
11-A2
Beverly Hills +53.33%
New Baltimore +67.31%
Sterling Heights +72.73%
11-B1
Bedford Area +120%
Hillsdale +22.22%
11-B2
Portage +37.50%
11-C1
Martin +40%

11-C2
Elsie +52%
11-D1
Great Lakes Bay Area Sports
+45.83%
Carrollton +63.64%
Flint Downtown Host +40%
11-D2
Anchor Bay +22.22%
Peck +37.50%
11-E1
Luther +40.38%
11-E2
Hillman +20%
District 10
Chocolay Township +25%
Mountain +28.57%

Our DGE's throughout our great state have been diligently planning, team building and goal setting for our next Lions year expecting to carry forward our successes. We're not at the finish line yet, so Michigan Lions, keep up the good work, our communities count on us. Where there's a need, There's a Lion!

PDG Lion Brent

LIONS MEMBERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Desk of Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers Your Leadership is needed NOW, more than ever!



If you have ever watched the movie Apollo 13. Let me remind you of a scene from the movie that is so appropriate for our Lions Clubs today. The scene was the part where they had been staying in the space Lem that was only designed to land on the moon. It was time for them to move back into the space module itself that had been sitting empty and lifeless for several days. As they entered that cold lifeless space module, they had to complete a startup sequence. When they turned the switch to repower up the space module to begin the sequence remember how the lights slowly began to flicker.

It made you wonder if they were going to be able to come on and stay on. Then as they started adding heat and other things, condensation began to form. It concerned them enough they radioed and asked the question "Ah Houston, what is the chance of these panels shorting out." The answer was "understood but all we can do is try them and see."

Now think about our Lions Clubs. So many of them are just now starting to re-fire up. They are working to get those lights to flicker back on. We know some Clubs have not been able to survive and even reach this crucial stage. However, those that have need our help more than ever! We are Houston for our fellow Lions! We need to provide them encouragement and leadership. We need to give them answers. We need to assist them as they return to be an active club in their community once again! The time is now to serve the needs of the many.



Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers
MD 11 Council Chair
2020-2021
Jeff Mayuiers
269-254-1936

Leadership is an Action...Not a Position



Governors and guests from MD 11 recently attended the District 10 convention held at the Island Resort Casino in Harris, near Escanaba, Michigan.

PID Connie LeCleir-Meyer, Wisconsin, was the LCI guest speaker. Pictured above: Lion Ed Weessies, Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers, DG Julie Mayuiers, Lion Colleen Maki, Governor Joe Maki, Lion Susan Hohendorf and DG Bob Hohendorf.

IN MEMORIAM PDG DAVID EBERLEIN

PDG Dave Eberlein passed away in April. He was District Governor of MD 11 D2 from 2003-2004. Lion Dave dedicated his life to Lions and the community of Sebewaing, working as an EMT and helping so many in need.



He was the District GMT leader for 18 years, he was a

dedicated member of the GAT TEAM. Lion Dave served as the MD 11 Strategic Planning Chairperson for many years, and held numerous positions in the District and state.

He was a treasure of knowledge and history of the District. Lion Dave taught me how to succeed as a District Governor by drawing a historical line outlining PDG's successes and failures, he told me to capitalize on the success and avoid the pitfalls! His advice was very valuable and the District succeeded in growing in membership and adding 3 new clubs: Deerfield Lions Club, Harsens Island Lioness / Lions Club the Michigan Healthy Lions Cyber Club.



DISTRICT GOVERNOR SPOTLIGHT DG JULIE MAYUIERS 11 B2

Who would have thought just 15 months ago when the District Governor Elects left St. Charles that we would have been faced with the past years restrictions.....none of us!

Our district has tried to think outside the box this past year with ways of holding fundraisers to continue to do what we do best..."WE SERVE"! There have been drive-thru soup suppers, spaghetti dinners and corned beef and cabbage dinners to name a few. Holiday food and toy distributions continued for many clubs as well. Drive-thru Easter Bunny events started things off last Spring and continued this year. Our Leos have also been busy with Christmas caroling at homes, Jelly Bean baskets for Easter and food basket distributions.

Despite all of the restrictions our clubs have still managed to stay active and in communication with their members. Some clubs went to Zoom meetings while some clubs chose to take a hiatus from meetings for the winter months. But things are starting to change and clubs are starting to hold small in-person meetings and planning for Summer events to take place with guidelines in place obviously.

The District was finally able to hold it's Projects Morning giving on May 8th. I am proud to say that the initial collection was over \$38,000 that the clubs donated to the State and District Projects we support. We had 19 of our 35 clubs that were 100% participants meaning they donated funds to all of our Projects. There are clubs that are still donating even after the event.

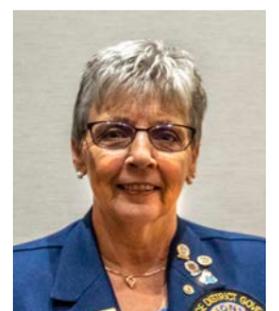
In connection with the Projects Morning the Buchanan Galien Club held their annual Great Eyeglass Collection and collected more than 39,000 pairs of used glasses to donate to a club in Grand Rapids that refurbishes them and turns around and donates to third world countries.

I am very proud of all the clubs in B2 that helped out with both of these events!!! Smiles will be put on many faces both here and abroad by their generosity.

The future is looking like fundraisers are getting back on track while still keeping social distancing in mind with more spaghetti dinner drive-thru's, Ox Roast and Ham & Bean soup drive-thru's and Magic Week festivities to name a few.

Thank you to all the Lions and Leos in B2 for all you do and keep up the GREAT work!!!

Governor Julie Mayuiers, 11 B2



> LCI CON 2021 NEWS



Lions Clubs International

We're excited for you to join us at LCIcon 2021, Lions Clubs International's first-ever virtual convention! This new, exciting convention format gives every Lion around the world the opportunity to connect with each other and partake in the excitement that is LCIcon. You'll be able to experience all your favorite aspects of convention, including:

- Touring virtual exhibit halls
- Connecting and networking with fellow Lions
- Enjoying world-class entertainment
- Hearing from our leaders and keynote speakers

We proudly welcome Malala Yousafzai to Virtual LCIcon 2021!

Malala will be the Keynote Speaker on Monday, June 28. There are not many young women who have survived an assassination attempt or become the youngest Nobel Peace Prize Laureate. Even with all of her accomplishments,

Malala does not consider herself extraordinary.



USA / CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

**SEPTEMBER 9-11, 2021
DES MOINES, IOWA
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!**

*MISSION: TO DEVELOP LEADERS,
MOTIVATE AND EDUCATE ATTENDEES,
PROVIDE AN OPEN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS,
AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND GOALS OF
LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL.*



The Forum Planning Committee and Iowa Lions are planning for an exciting, in-person USA/Canada Forum this year in Des Moines, Iowa. Complete details on Keynote Speakers, seminars and registration can be found on the website: www.lionsforum.org

Keynote Speakers include Vice President Douglas Alexander and Michelle Ray. Michelle is a keynote speaker, author and thought leader and renowned for her expertise on leadership, accountability, resilience, change and building outstanding cultures.



GREAT LEADERS ARE MADE IN MICHIGAN!

Lions of Michigan Leadership/Graduate Institute Coming Soon!

Attend the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute and join the ranks of Lions who have gone on to become the leaders in our state. The Lions Leadership Institute is a unique opportunity for individuals to learn and develop lifelong leadership skills, which can be applied to their job, their Lions Club, and their life.

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided.

It develops more leaders, and more leaders translate into greater service.
Training makes Lions more effective.

Attending the Leadership Institute gives participants the tools and confidence to become more effective leaders. The skills learned can be applied to their job, their Lions Club and their everyday lives.

Participants learn key components of team building. By sharing ideas, success stories and humanitarian endeavors, Lions learn how to influence membership and become more open-minded and receptive to change.

How will the institute improve Michigan Lionism?

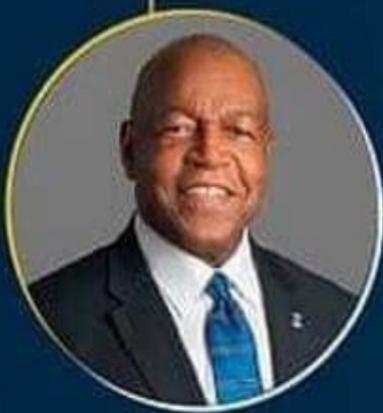
The Leadership Institute provides each district with a pool of trained leaders. Lionism is also improved by creating more responsive and dynamic Lions Clubs throughout Michigan.

Our Leaders

(2021-2022)

• Lions Clubs International •

Vote for:



Douglas Alexander
(Int'l President)



Brian Sheehan
(1st Vice President)



Dr. Patti Hill
(2nd Vice President)



Fabrício Oliveira
(3rd Vice President)

LCICon2021
103RD LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
JUNE 25-29

2021-2022 COUNCIL CHAIR, PDG DAVE HILL, 11 B1



CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCIL CHAIR ELECT, PDG DAVID HILL.



PDG Dave served as District Governor, 11 B1, 2016-2017. In addition, he has held positions as GMT Committee Member, Diabetes Grant Committee, Bear Lake Board of Directors, Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee and beyond.

During his term as District Governor and/or District GMT the following successful membership initiatives were accomplished:

- University of Michigan Lions Club – Chartered March 2017
- Branch Area Diabetes Lions Club – Chartered March 2018 (first diabetes specialty club in Michigan)
- Jackson Lions Diabetes Club – Chartered June 2019
- Jackson Quest South East Lions Club – Chartered 2020
- Jackson County Professional Virtual Lions Club – Chartered 2020
- Michigan Center Lioness Lions Club – Chartered 2020
- Chelsea Lions Club – Re-established club 2019

The Council looks forward to working with Council Chair-Elect Dave during the 2021-2022 Lions year.

CONGRATULATIONS

> MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lions of Michigan HALL OF FAME

The Lions of Michigan Foundation officially opened the **LIONS OF MICHIGAN HALL OF FAME** on July 25, 2009 to begin celebrating the rich history that Michigan Lions have at all levels of our association - local, state, district and international. The goal of the Hall of Fame is to keep alive the memory of our great leaders and to document their service so that Lions in the present and future can share a sense of the service that our great state has given to our association. Nominations for the Hall of Fame must be submitted to the Lions of Michigan State Office no later than March 1 of each year.

The 2021 Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, the 12th Annual, will be held on August 7, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Comfort Inn and Suites located at 2424 South Mission - Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Lodging is \$100.00 plus tax per night for a standard guest room. Lodging reservations can be made by contacting the Lions of Michigan State Office at 517-887-6640 - info@lmsf.net or by calling the Comfort Inn at 989-772-4000 and requesting the Lions of Michigan Foundation group rate.

CONGRATULATIONS 2021 INDUCTEES

P D G N A N C Y D I N G S - 1 1 - B 2
P D G J I M M A Y N A R D - 1 1 - C 1
P D G L L O Y D K I L B R E A T H - 1 1 - C 2
P D G W E S W A G E S T E R - 1 1 - D 2
P D G P E T E C O N A R T Y - 1 1 - E 1
P D G A N D Y W A T S O N - 1 1 - E 1
P D G D A V E Z E L L E R - 1 1 - E 2

2021 Hall of Fame - Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Registrant(s): \$25.00 Each = \$_____

Choice of Entrée: Shrimp Alfredo - #: _____ Roasted Pork Loin - #: _____ Eggplant Parmesan - #: _____

Lions or Lioness Club: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, MI 48911 - 517.887.6640 - www.lmsf.net

DEADLINE: Monday, July 12, 2021



MD-11 LEO POSTER CONTEST-2021

Purpose: To develop a poster to be used by all Leo Clubs in Michigan to promote Leos and to provide information for others to join Leos or learn about what Leos do. This would be a promotional tool for all Leo Clubs to use. Each Leo Club would receive 5 posters in the Fall.

Theme: Leos- Leadership-Experience-Opportunity

Eligibility : Any Leo member who is a member of a Leo Club in Michigan.

Size of Poster: The size of the poster must be 8 1/2" X 11" or 11" X 17 "

Judging Criteria would include:

1. Color
2. Message
3. Neatness
4. Eye- Catching
5. Creativity
6. Meets the Theme
7. Draws Interest about Leos
8. Informative

Deadline for submission: June 24, 2021

Need to have at least three submissions for the Contest.

All Entries need to be emailed to: twalters02@comcast.net or mailed to :Terry Walters , 6847 Wellington Drive , Dexter, Mi. 48130 and received by June 24,2021.

Prize Award for winning poster-\$50.00 to Leo who designed the poster and \$50.00 to the Leo's Club.

Poster Contest sponsored by MD-11 Leo Committee
Questions? – Call Terry Walters, MD-11 Leo Chair at 734-426-4983

MD-11 LEO UPDATE...



Even though many Leo Clubs have not been able to meet over the past year, there are Leos who have been Actively providing service in their communities. Presently there are about 30% of the Leo Clubs who have been able to do activities even though their schools have been in session virtually!

The Leos did hold a virtual meeting with 38 Leos and Advisors taking part. Plans are moving forward to hold a Leo Leadership Camp this summer. There are two new Leo Clubs that should be completed by June. This has been the best time to start new Leo Clubs because the youth are looking for things they can do while sitting at home during the pandemic. Students do want to serve and be involved in their schools and community.

There was a great presentation on Leos that was part of the Michigan Forum in February. Nicole Stuhc-Nessler, District 11-B1 Leo Chair, was the presenter.

If your Lions Club would like to sponsor a new Leo Club, contact your District Leo Chair or contact Lion Terry Walters, MD-11 Leo Chair at twalters02@comcast.net or call 734-474-6914. You will find this to be the greatest Youth project you can do for your community!

Eversight

making vision a reality

The Eversight State Committee held their third Zoom Committee meeting on March 31st and April 1st. The meetings have been well attended and committee members have been kept up on the activities of Eversight through the current pandemic.

Eversight staff are still working at home but continue to reach out to all Lion's Clubs and Districts about their activities as well as providing Lion's Clubs with information they want about Eversight. They can provide information to Lions at their meetings through Zoom. Presently, Eversight is making plans for their fundraising projects that are coming up this summer in the Spring.

Their annual Golf Outing which will again be held virtually from May 28th-June 18th.

This year there will be a luncheon held at Washtenaw Golf Club in Ann Arbor on June 19th. Lions members and clubs can help with the Golf for Good event by registering a team, doing a sponsorship, or provide items or the Silent Auction which will be a part of the Golf Outing.

Eversight certainly appreciates the continued support of all the Lions Clubs during the pandemic. They realize that many clubs have not been able to hold their fundraisers or hold meetings over this past year. Eversight continues to provide the gift of sight for many people. If you have any questions feel free to contact Alex Teska at Eversight or contact your District Eversight committee member.

USA LIONS CLUB "CARDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT" PROJECT

THIS spring the USA Lions club started a "Cards of Encouragement" project for elderly people in care homes.....



We realized as a club that many elderly people had been isolated from seeing family and relatives due to the pandemic environment. I heard

of one man who had not actually "seen" his wife in a year, so we purchased some packs of beautiful cards from Usborne books (who do cards for a cause fund raisers) we bought 20 boxes (and duly received half the cost back from Usborne books.)

Our club then took a little time to write out words of encouragement, humor, spiritual encouragement etc (30 cards per club member), they were then bought back in at our next meeting, we put 15 cards at a time in an envelope with a covering letter/explanation to 40 different care homes in our local area. This is one of those projects that we may never really see first-hand – the reaction of some of those people. However several years ago we did something similar as a district project at our convention, and we did get several responses from carers who said that it really lifted people up and they got smiles. Several of them kept the cards in view for quite a while.

If you are interested in doing a similar project this is the link for Usborne Books Fundraising..... and or contact lindy@abadata.com for more information.

<https://www.literacybookstore.com/fundraising/>



> LCI CON 2021 NEWS

**Lions Clubs International****International Board of Directors Approves Revised Dues Adjustment Resolution**

Lions Clubs International supports clubs and members around the world so we can advance our global mission of service together. Our international support and the work of Lions Clubs International is fueled by the international dues of our incredible members.

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The International Board of Directors voted in October 2019 to approve an international dues adjustment resolution that would be voted on at the 2020 International Convention, but it was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The board recently approved a new dues adjustment model that will be voted on at the 2021 International Convention.

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust dues by \$7 over a three-year period.

Under the proposal, international dues would be adjusted according to the following schedule:

\$3 increase on July 1, 2022
\$2 increase on July 1, 2023
\$2 increase on July 1, 2024

Why an international dues adjustment is needed?

We realize the association has been reluctant to adjust dues over the years, and we have not adjusted international dues since 2011. The proposed adjustment will help cover our costs and allow us to suitably serve our members' needs. With that said, the Board of Directors did not take this issue lightly, nor are we minimizing the value of each dollar that our members contribute.

A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products such as our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as the Learning Management System (LMS), development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and others tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand and our membership.

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. In addition to committee members, some of the State Chairperson terms will expire June 30, 2020.

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 2021-2022 District Governor, or Lion Wendy Burns, wburns@lionsofmi.com for further information.

2021-2022 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

**LCI ANNOUNCEMENTS****Charter and entrance fee waiver through June 30, 2021!**

Any new club chartered, or any new member sponsored will be exempt from the standard fee to become a member/club. The board understands at this time, many people want to serve but are financially strained.

Flexible Payments through June 30, 2021.

Clubs that were in good standing on December 31, 2020, will not be suspended or canceled for nonpayment of dues. The Board understands that many of our current members face financial hardships because of the pandemic. Members that have paid dues for 10, 20, 30 years have now struggled to continue their financial obligation because of the pandemic. We are passionate about each one of our over 1.4 million members and understand that each one of those members touches on average the lives of 50 individuals each year.

LCI Convention, Montreal goes Virtual

Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world. The registration fee will be \$50 until March 31, then \$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be \$30 regardless of date. Convention is currently scheduled for June 25-29. Additional event and registration details will be provided soon.

Current registrants

– Lions who are currently registered for convention will receive an email soon with more information about their registration options.

Elections

– Executive officer and international director elections will be conducted electronically, and voting procedures will be forthcoming.

Convention updates

– Check our convention website LCIcon for convention updates and details as they become available.

LION PRIDE MAGAZINE

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HELP THE PIE MAN RAISE MONEY FOR THE LIONS OF MI



Lion Mark likes to walk. Walking is good for you. Walking to Florida is Better!!! From White Cloud, Michigan to Homestead, Florida!

Mark, AKA Pie Man, is raising money for the Lions of Michigan, White Cloud Lions Club and St Jude's Hospital.

Lions are asking for donations to support his effort. None too big and none too small!!!!!! 98 % of all donations will go to Lions and St Jude's Hospital. Announcements will follow!!!!!!!!!! When he starts and Where is he at????

Help PIE MAN RAISE MONEY on THIS LONG WALK
GO PIE MAN GO



All donations should be sent to:

Lions of Michigan Foundation
5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911

Memo Line: *Pie Man Walk*

Website:

<http://www.lmsf.net/index.php/donate-to-lions-of-michigan-foundation> Pay

Pal: Info@lmsf.net

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LionsofMIFoundation>

> COUNCIL OF GOVERNOR NEWS

COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS



The Governors were able to attend the 5th and final Council of Governors meeting in person, recently. Pictured above: Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers, DG David Wilbert, DG Harold DeMott, DG Leo Schaefer, DG Sami Makhoul, DG/VCC David Anderson, DG Bill Koch, DG Julie Mayuiers, DG Rod Leathers, DG Bob Hohendorf and DG Joe Maki. Unable to attend, DG Kurt Stromlund. The event was held in Holland. Segments of the MD 11 Lions Virtual Convention were filmed during this time, including the Memorial to honor those we've lost and the service project held at Hungry for Christ, located in Hamilton.

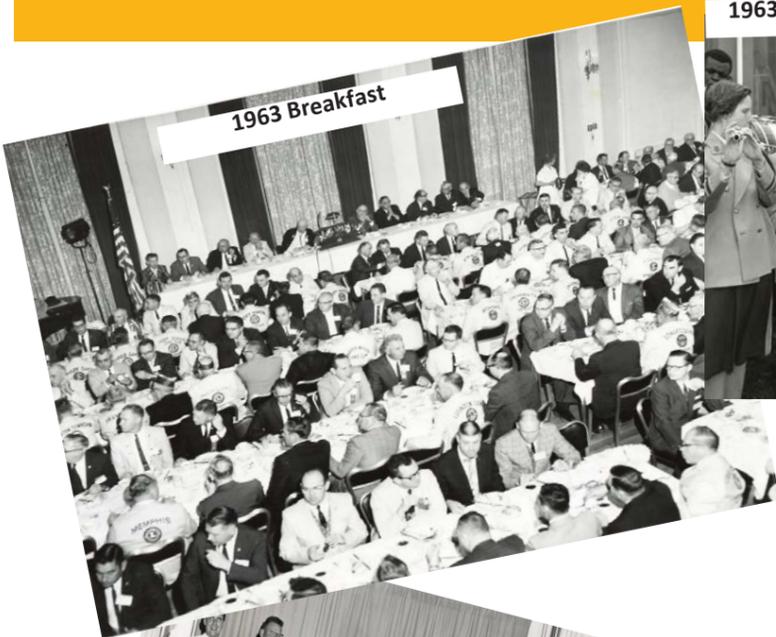
1963 Lions all State Band



Lions LCU.VP Jorge Bird



1963 Breakfast



1961-1962 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS: DGs E.L. Gardner, A1; Roger Heath, A2; Elwood McLeod, B1; Lee Auble, B2; Theodore Cook, C; Claude Marsh D; Cyril Bennett, E



1963 Banquet



HISTORY TIME

1963 Governors and their wives ready for a big night at the Annual Lions Convention Banquet



1963-1963 District Governors: Leonard Butler, A1; George Hart, A2; Everett Byington, B1, Vic Friday, B2, Ben Simon, C, Joe Chesny, D, William McCready, E





11 A1

DG Dave Wilbert
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Lions from District 11 A1 who packaged up over 600 boxes of food for seniors in the Detroit area, working with Focus Hope.



Bedford Township Lion, Denzil Bell saw a need to help feed our community after the effects of COVID. With all of our food programs shutting down even our churches had to stop their food programs during this time. So Denzil took presented his idea of feeding our community to our Lions Club. As always when our club sees a need they jump right in to help, and it was an undertaking that all the Lions became passionate about. With the help of Lion Chef Todd Hershberger the owner of The Eerie Diner it became a reality. For 39 weeks Lion Chef Todd prepared meals consisting of chicken or meatloaf, corn, potatoes and gravy, and with the dedication of a team of Lions putting the meals together and another team of Lions passing them out in front of the Bedford Township Lion's Den in Temperance. We would start our distribution at 4:00pm and there would always be a line-up, sometimes even 45 minutes before we started. This ran for 39 weeks and totaled 6,552 meals. We even received recognition with one of our local TV stations and was featured on the 10:00 and 11:00 news. We have stopped for now but we plan on reevaluating each month to see if there is still a need for meals in our community.



Greater Metro Detroit Lions Club held a garage sale on May 1. Along with garage sale items, vendors offered items for Mother's Day gift giving. They also took bottle and can donations. Our online auction is online at www.justjameen.co/auction/ and goes through May.

The District is collecting pop & soup can tops to support the Ronald McDonald House (for Children's Cancer). Go to our website today and make a monetary donation <http://metrodetroitlions.org>. For further information contact Lion Phyllis Turner



1st DG Roshni Patel & Lion Michelle White, along with other Lions throughout the District passed out thousands of KN95 protective mask to various community organizations throughout the District!



District A1 Lions were on the move collecting White Cane donations.



DG Wilbert recently swore in 6 new members into the Greater St. John Lions Club. The district has grown by 23 new members in this QUARTER! Great job Lions! Let's keep that momentum going strong.

Members of the District's grant team have been working hard to secure money to increase our hunger service initiatives : DG Dave Wilbert, 1DG Roshni Patel, 2DG Matt Collins, Lion Cathy Adams, Lion Daniel Rathburn, Lion Michelle White, GLT & Hunger Committee Chair. Defeating hunger is a huge undertaking. It will require the effort of everyone, everywhere—and all Lions.

Global Statistics:
 1 in 9 people is (are) chronically hungry.
 Chances of food insecurity ~10% higher for women.
 At least 50% of children under age 5 have hidden hunger--lack of essential nutrients.
 2 billion people lack regular access to nutritious and sufficient food.
 25% of children are stunted due to lack of nutritious food.
 Sources: World Health Organization, WhyHunger, UNICEF, United Nations.



11 A2

DG Leo Schaefer
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The Troy Community Lions had help during their White Cane Fundraiser held at the Troy Hollywood Market during the weekend of April 30, May 1 & 2. Pictured is Lion Barbara Myhal, Troy Community Lions Vice-President, and Future Leader Dog Puppy, Dakota. Thank you to puppy-raiser Nancy Columbo (not pictured) for bringing Dakota out to help. The Troy Community Lions raised more than \$4,000 during 2 weekends soliciting for White Cane.

Lion Mark of the White Cloud Lions Club will be raising money to support the Lions of Michigan Foundation, St. Jude's Children's Fund and the White Cloud Lions Club. How? By walking from White Cloud, MI to Homestead, Florida! Donations are being accepted through the Lions of Michigan Foundation website: <http://www.lmsf.net/index.php/donate-to-lions-of-michigan-foundation>

The Lake Orion Lions Club recently inducted four members into their club, including 18-year-old Caleb Boomer. Caleb represents three generations of Service through Lionism, including Caleb, his parents and his grandparents. Shown here immediately after his induction are James Boomer, Lauraine Pettinato, Jim Pettinato, Caleb Boomer and Angela Boomer.



Lake Orion Lions Club Jubilee will be held June 24-27, downtown Lake Orion. Enjoy carnival rides and fireworks at dusk over Lake Orion. Congratulations to DGE Jim Leach, Jr., 1st VDG Shawn Blaszczyk and 2nd VDG Kelley Unruh! Join A2 at the convention, held at Bear Lake Camp on Sunday, June 6!



Lioness Appreciation Night! June 25, 6:00 p.m. at the Sterling Heights Lions Club. Raffle prizes, 50/50, food, cash bar and a great show of appreciation to Lioness, past and present, for their endless dedication and support throughout their 40 years of service!

Welcome New Lions!
 The Beverly Hills Lions Club welcomes Kristin Rutkowski, sponsored by Gordon McMullen
 The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes Don Mark, sponsored by Tammi Marx
 The New Baltimore Lions Club welcomes George Evlogiminos, sponsored by Tammi Graber
 The Ortonville Lions Club welcomes Matt Griffiths, sponsored by Edward Albertson
 The Shelby Township Lions Club welcomes Gregg Kiehle, sponsored by Jeff VandenBrouck

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2020-2021 District Goals



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE WILBERT'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 130

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US\$300 million.

In addition to my district

joining the NAMI program as part of membership growth throughout the state we will also work with the MD-11 GST to increase our reporting of service projects from our clubs. District 11 A1 aims to have a 80% reporting success rate by end of fiscal year.

Further, with the state GLT we will meet and train our up and coming district leaders, in partnership with other district leadership throughout MD-11. District 11-A1 will be

a leader in the multi district in this regard.

Within 2020-21 fiscal year, 80% of incoming club officers will complete positional training.

Club integration and support - Every club in the district will partner with a neighboring club to build rapport, communication and support with each other.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR LEO SCHAEFER'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 23

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's

target goal of US \$300 million.

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11 B1

DG Dave Anderson
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Cereal City Lions Club will hold a garage sale fundraiser in early June.

Jackson Eyeopeners Lions Club held a successful White Cane campaign in April, collecting \$645. Special thanks to AA Market for hosting club members for two days.

Congratulations to LEO LOUISA STUHEC, Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11 Leo of the Year! A plaque will be presented to her on behalf of MD 11 in recognition of her leadership in the WIHI Leo Club, 2020-2021.

Ann Arbor Host - Donated 148 warm socks, gloves, hats and scarves to Delonis Center, Hope Clinic, and the YMCA for the homeless. Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels (AAMOW) spoke at AA Host's February membership meeting. They have served a lot of people during these unprecedented times. AA Host donated \$200 to Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels.

Virtual voting has ended and the votes have been counted. We would like to congratulate Vice District Governor Terri Huffman on becoming District Governor Elect! DGE Terri and her team are finalizing their plans in order to hit the ground running July 1st. The cabinet selected Immediate Past District Governor Mike Scott to serve as our LOMF Trustee. We would like to congratulate IPDG on his LOMF appointment.

2021 - 2022 officer reporting is now overdue. If you have not already updated LCI, please do so as soon as possible. This is a very important step to ensure our leaders are receiving updates from Lions Clubs International (LCI), the Multiple District (MD), the District (11. B1). It also enables club leadership within the district to communicate with one another.

Tekonsha Lions and Tekonsha Lions Wellness Branch Club teamed up to participate in highway cleanup through the MDOT Adopt-A-Highway program in April. Service through commitment to their community is their goal.



Tekonsha Lion's Wellness Branch Club/Tekonsha Lion's April 2021



11 B2

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The Buchanan-Galien Lions Club invited the staff from the Buchanan Area Senior Center to be their guests for this dinner meeting. Miss Buchanan 2020 Jade Smith was the program speaker and she spoke about the upcoming Blossomtime events. Lion President Mark Skene shared the White Cane Proclamation received from Governor Whitmer. Team assignments schedule for the clubs White Cane days scheduled for April 30 and May 1 was handed out. 1st VP Lewis Lambert spoke

to of the history of the upcoming Eye Glass Challenge to be held May 8th in combination with the Projects Morning event in Lawton.



Edwardsburg Lions Club selected four Edwardsburg high school graduates to receive a \$500 scholarship to the secondary school of their choice. They also held their first highway cleanup. Thank you, Edwardsburg Lions, for making sure the community gets cleaned up!



The Lakeshore Lions hosted a drive through Easter celebration where each child received a bag full of Easter eggs from a Lion or Blossomland Queen. Close to 200 bags were distributed and the smiles were endless.



The Buchanan-Galien Leos had a drive through Easter stuffed animal and candy give away event. Over 150 cars participated- including the Easter Bunny himself!

The Mattawan Leos made and donated 42 survival bracelets for Vietnam Veterans for the Operation Gratitude Program. The High School Leo Club, Green Team and NHS all teamed up to pick up litter around their middle school and high school campuses.



The Three Rivers Lions Club participated in White Cane week, collecting tons of donations at Harding's and Bullseye. Great job for planning and seeing this event through, Lions!



The Paw Paw Lions Club worked the annual Paw Paw Invitational track meet this spring. How fun! Eyeglass donations have been at an all time high with the club sorting and counting 2,238 eyeglasses for the Great Eyeglass Donation. Sounds like the Lions Clubs of Michigan have some healthy competition!

The Portage Lions Club has done a lot of sorting of eyeglasses this spring. We're proud of all the members who have taken great initiative within their community to do this!

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Happenings:



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVE ANDERSON'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 40

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million.

- 1. 100% club participation in LCIF's Campaign 100

by the end of the FY. 2. Grow district 11.B1 by more than 40 Lions by the end of the FY.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR JULIE MAYUIER'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 1

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million.



11 C1

DG Robert Hohendorf
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Allegan Lions Club did their job to clean up the environment by conducting a highway clean up. With the assistance from Scout Troop 91/191 and many Allegan Lions, clean up was a success.



Cedar Springs Lions and Cedar Springs Women's Club joined forces to hold a successful kettle corn fundraiser. They sold out quickly and all money raised will go to the Cedar Springs Women's Club Scholarship program.



Martin Lions Club made 300 packs of trail mix to go into backpacks for the Weekend Blessings Program for kids attending Brandon Elementary. The church kitchen offers space to put the packets together.



Rockford Lions celebrated Saint Patrick's Day With friends from the Grand Rapids Lions Club in downtown Rockford outdoor area. Everyone had a great time including our newest mascot Teddy and two new friends, who signed up as members that day after seeing how much fun the club is! VDG Lion Ron Riebschleger (a Rockford Lion) is a huge supporter of visitations between clubs! Sharing ideas each club's company makes everything more interesting.

Middleville Lions received generous donations from their community during their White Cane weekend just outside the Haring's Market. As a club, they raised just over \$800! The donations help fund local parades, events, and activities within their community. They are also planning the Middleville Lions Club Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31.



Rockford Lions raised \$4500 over two days collecting for White Cane and held a success pop-can drive, turning in thousands of cans for cash. Thornapple Valley and Wyoming Lions also helped with the can drive, making this a great Lions event.



Marne Lions held their annual Friday Night Fish fry from February 12 to April 1. This year the 8 - week Friday night event was managed as take-out meals only. Serving just over a total of 1800 meals. A huge thank you to all our dedicated Lions and volunteers, especially Lion Penny who baked over 1800 cupcakes as well! Their next upcoming event they will partner with the Marne American Legion, and Wright Township to hold the 73rd annual Memorial Day Parade and Marne Fest 2021

Fruitport Lions Club 40 Annual Bike Day and Ride took on a new twist this year by converting to a virtual event. Money raised will benefit the Leila and Cyrus Poppen Hospice Residence in Fruitport. The Fruitport Lioness club has bridged over and will become The Fruitport Lions Lioness Specialty Club. The Fruitport Lioness club was chartered in 1991, and with the Lioness bridge program they will retain their many years of service to their community. CONGRATULATIONS LIONS!

Lakewood Lions Club will hold their Annual Chicken BBQ on June 6 and will host a Golf Outing on June 19.

Rockford Lions Club kicks off summer with "The Start of Summer Celebration". The event includes a beer tent sponsored by Rockford Lions. The Northside Lions were out collecting donations during April 30th and May 1st for their White Cane weekend. The funds they collected were very generous and will be used in their local community.



11 C2

DG Kurt Stromlund
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Bretton Woods Lions-The Lions of Michigan Foundation has approved a grant for a local resident to pay for special eyeglasses with a telescope lens. Bretton Woods Lions assisted with the application process. She will get her new eyeglasses in May.



Charlotte Lions Club purchased a new bench to be placed on Lovett St., near the other bench the club purchased and placed on Market St.

East Lansing/Meridian Lions-The Michigan Police Unity Team rides bicycles from St. Joseph Michigan to Petoskey Michigan in honor of those officers that have lost their lives in the line of duty. This is a four day event with the ride taking three days. Along the route they stop and have a short memorial for officers especially if they are in the area the officer worked.

Grand Ledge Lions -Adopt-a-Highway Chairman Gerry Goffin reported a cool, but successful clean-up along highway M-43 on April 21, Earth Day. 9 Lions filled 29 bags of trash for the State of MI. Lion Gerry Coffin gave special recognition to Riley Spayde for taking on 2 routes; Lion Lysle Finney did a route on his own, and Lion Terry showed up in spite of knees that were crying "please don't go". Lion Gerry said that he had enough workers to cover all the routes but, hey, Lion Gerry I just can't believe that Lion Dick signed up for your 5 year work crew bonus plan.



Club Pres. Don Cook, Lion Ken Davis, Homeowner, and Lion Roger Keck

Ashley Lions are re-using one of our 3 wheelchair ramps that we own, on what I believe to be at least our 9th installation. This was for a girl in the area with diabetes who recently lost her leg.



Ms Hannah Gotschok and President Anthony Spagnuolo DeWitt Lions Club -President Spagnuolo introduced Ms Hannah Gotschok, Executive Director of SAFE CENTER, Safe-Center was formed in 1983, but became an official non profit organization in 1984, when Janet Holden realized the need for an agency to help victims of intimate partner domestic violence. With help of concerned citizens and many volunteers, SafeCenter was the first safe place for battered women and their children. SafeCenter now serves all gender identities who have experienced intimate partner domestic violence or sexual assault. SafeCenter works with many community partners including law enforcement, social service agencies, schools and the healthcare community to prevent violence and promote justice and healing for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Our Mission: Educate. Prevent. Advocate. Empower.
 Our Vision: End domestic violence and sexual assault.
 Emergency Shelter: SafeCenter provides temporary and safe housing for women and children. While in shelter survivors are provided with meals, personal care items, advocacy, and counseling. We do not currently house adult men, but we are happy to assist male survivors with finding a safe place.



East Lansing/Meridian Lions -On Friday, 4/23, Lion Deb Stuart, her brothers Geoff and James, Shelly, Michael and Michelle dedicated a Pin Oak Tree to MSU in honor of their parents, Lions Roger and Barbra Stuart. They planted it across from the Student Union Bldg. and Beaumont Tower on Campus. 25 people and the East Lansing Meridian Lions Club were in attendance.



Hartland Lions Club new member Lion Yvonne Covalli and Sponsor Lion Kurt Stromlund



Charlotte Lions-Governor Kurt Installing New Member Lion Diane Barnes. Sponsor, Lion Connie O'Neil

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2020-2021 District Goals



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR ROBERT HOHENDORF'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 30

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million. Strengthen Communication

flow (speed and directness) from members and their clubs to the district and district to club and club members.

Club officer and cabinet member education (duties/responsibilities/expectations) for 100% of the newly elected Lion and 60% of the repeating Lion club officers. Education/Expectation awareness for 100 % of all Zone Chairs and all district committee appointments.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR KURT STROMLAND'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 3

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million. My District will be looked at

as a Leader on the Multiple District Level Club officer and cabinet member education (duties/responsibilities/expectations) for 100% of the newly elected Lion and 60% of the repeating Lion club officers. Education/Expectation awareness for 100 % of all Zone Chairs and all district committee appointments.

Ensure my District Committee

Chairs are Communicating with the Multiple District Chairs and qualify for the Team Excellence Award

> REGION NEWS



11 D1

DG Harold DeMott
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Chesaning Lions Club Easter Egg hunt was held at ShowboatPark in Chesaning. Pictured: Brody Priest, age 8 from Montrose, Chase Ford, age 2 from Oakley, Chloe Plonsky, age 9 from Chesaning.



Flint Downtown Lions Club is so proud of our little club. With the help of Grand Blanc girl Scout group 7629, Jeff Hunt of the Bay City Lions Club, people from the Flint community and our own Club members, we were able to collect and make over 30 blankets for children in need. We appreciate everyone who was able to participate in our blanket making event and are grateful to be able to make a small difference in the life of a child.

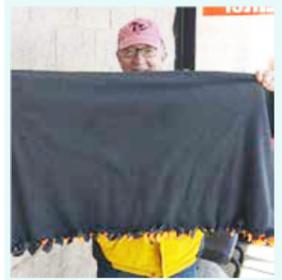
Frankenmuth Lions Club is holding a raffle for a Weber SmokeFire Wood Pellet Grill. All proceeds go towards the annual Frankenmuth Lions High School Scholarships Drawing to be held at the Lions Club regular meeting Sept 15, 2021. The Weber SmokeFire Wood Pellet Grill is a \$999 value, donated by Frankenmuth True Value. Thank you for your generous donation! Tickets available through any club member.

Frankenmuth Lions Shenanigan's at Frankenmuth Schools

The District has a Zoom account which is available for any club or committee meeting. Send a request to this email: district11d1@gmail.com to request a zoom meeting. or call 989-430-9500. Zoom meetings are scheduled on a first come basis.



Flushing Lions Clean Main Lodge at Bear Lake. On April 14, 2021, 5 members of the Flushing Lions Club went to Bear Lake and cleaned the main Lodge. Additional dates will be scheduled to clean individual cabins, Shown in the Team Picture are Lions Yetiva Allen, Irene Spinney, Peggy Yats, Kristin Shively and Steve Bueche. Two of the 5 are visually impaired and one of those is completely blind. Also are pictures of them cleaning windows and sweeping the floors. A total of four hours were required for the complete cleaning.



11 D2

DG Sami Makhoul
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Ft. Gratiot/Burtchville Lions held a highway clean-up through the Adopt-A-Highway program for the spring 2021. Many members volunteered for this annual work day project. This makes it a whole lot easier when members work together and goes so much faster. Their next summer cleanup is scheduled for the week of July 17- 25. Doing their contribution to the environment.



Memphis Lions Club held their spring clean-up this year. Last year we were all on lockdown and nothing was done. This year we really cleaned a lot debris off the highway. It is good that we are allowed to this as it makes the area look so much better. Eight members turned out to help. Volunteer now for the July cleanup!

Applegate Lions Club presented to the Applegate Fire Dept. a Trex bench in honor of recently passed club Treasurer Sandy Kochanski. In addition, the club presented a check to the Fire dept. as part of their annual donation to help fund their operations and to further their help to the community. Applegate Lions Club, Port Sanilac Lions and many family and friends gather at the Applegate Fire Dept. to put together another pop-up food pantry for the community. 140 families and 430 people were able to take advantage of the food bank. Another example of community organizations coming together to help those in need.



Pictured are Club President Mary Bokach, Fire Dept. Chief Wayne Zander, Kochanski family members, and members of the Applegate Fire Dept.



Croswell Lions Club received a Certificate of Thanks from the U. S. Census Bureau. The Club had helped the Census Bureau representatives by setting up a table for them outside the Lions Hall during the Croswell Lions sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive in August. Representatives were there to assist people in filling out their Census Forms. Kathy Bensal, Croswell Lions Club President, accepted the certificate from Cheryl Loomis, PRC, who also serves as coordinator for the Blood Drive.

Otter Lake Lions: has been collecting pull tabs on beverage cans for donations. In 2018—635 pounds, and in 2019—638 pounds, netted approximately \$300/year. The District has recycled 13,287 pounds of tabs and donated \$7,821.03, since PDG Peggy Farnsworth started this project during her year as Governor, and she remains active in managing the project which benefits not only Ronald McDonald House families but the environment, as well. Over the past 19 years, that's six tons of aluminum. It also, costs nothing. Lion Peggy is still waiting for more tabs to take to sell. Contact her regarding your donations.



Port Sanilac Lions Club donated a Trex bench to the Port Sanilac/Carsonville Elementary School. Many students, teachers, Lion Deb Sweet and Principal Cathy Stewart were present for the presentation.



USA Lions Club volunteers built a ramp in record time for local residents in Sebawaing in April.



Metamora Lions working with the community to enhance their children's playground at their hall. The club was able to recycle playground equipment at a school in Lapeer to install on the premises. The members working together to provide a safe play area for all the local children.

CLUB 2020-2021 District Goals

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR HAROLD DEMOTT'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 39

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR SAMI MAKHOUL'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 80

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million.

Participate and comply with NAMI Participate with LCIF campaign 100 1-Leadership 2-Membership 3-Service 4-LCIF 5-Fundraising 6-Communication. Cyber clubs, Model Clubs, The world is on line UNITED IN KINDNESS AND DIVERSITY THROUGH SERVICE

Team Work and Accountability. Leadership Goals 100% of all Region, Zone and Cabinet

Officers trained by September 2020 90% of all Club Officers trained by October 2020. 70% of Committee Chairs trained by November 2020 Develop a plan for 3 Guiding Lions by October 2020 Develop a printed Succession Plan for Future District Leadership by December 2021



11 E1

DG Bill Koch

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Harrison Lions
Harrison Lions are taking on-line orders, with deliver in May. Proceeds go to the Harrison Library. A new library is in the works! This is our fourth year selling onions and we sold more than last year.

We finished our lottery and the lucky winner was Ron Trzeciak. The profit, after expenses, was \$465.

Harrison Lions are doing a Spring raffle with the drawing in June. Twelve gift cards will be given away. There will be a drawing for gift cards for our local businesses as a way of saying thank you.

Bingo is going well, 2 nights a week, on Tuesday and Thursday.

We have given out a scholarship of \$500 to a high school student for college. We are making plans and sharing ideas for the summer.



Harrison Lioness Club has disbanded and some of the ladies have joined the Lions.

DG Bill Koch inducted new Lion Members, Dan Brown (sponsored by Cindy Sharp), Cindy Sharp (sponsored by Lion Kay Brandt), and Heidi Stover (sponsored by Lion Barb Sovey). It was at the April 22nd meeting. WELCOME NEW LION MEMBERS!!!

Coleman Lions participated in the City Scavenger Hunt on April 3 by handing out candy and clues to children when they arrived at the Lions Hall. The clue indicated where they needed to go next! About 85 children participated. The three Lions working the event had a good time! We also loaned some games to the Girl Scouts for use at the park before and after the hunt.

On April 17, five Coleman Lions and six friends of Lions worked on US 10 to clean up trash. In the three hours, 49 bags of trash were collected from the 2 mile stretch of highway which includes the M-18 ramps. Last year we were unable to do a clean-up due to the coronavirus which explains the 10 or more bags of trash this year!



Edmore Lions participated in road side clean up on 1.5 miles of M-46 near Edmore on 4/22.



Edmore Lions sponsored Easter Egg hunt on 4/3 in Curtis Park in Edmore.

White Cloud Lions are happy to be having our monthly fish fries again with safety being a top priority. We have been meeting regularly and have added members. May 14th is our next fish fry.



The Central Montcalm Lions have had a busy month. We were fortunate to be able to make a donation to IM Kids 3rd Meal. This organization provides meals to children at six local schools so that they have something to eat in the evening. We also chose our 2020 Citizen of the Year and our 2021 Scholarship winner, which is presented to a graduate at Central Montcalm High School. We are in the planning stages of our golf fundraiser, which will be held on June 18th in Greenville. Go Lions!!!

The Kaleva Lions are meeting the first Monday of the month at 6:29 p.m. Pasties are made every Thursday. All are welcome to come see us. Stanwood Lions

Stanwood Lions Club has made a commitment to serve on Saturdays at the Morley Community Center Sales. We started on April 24th and will be there every Saturday through September. All proceeds will benefit club projects. Come on out and see us!



Here is an upcoming event for Fremont. Our first pancake breakfast in over a year! The 7th Annual Fly In Pancake Breakfast is Saturday, May 29 at Fremont Airport.

Cost: \$8 Adults/kids under 5 Free Helicopter and Airplane rides starting at \$35 Adults/\$25 kids under 10
Fremont Lions Club!!
<https://www.facebook.com/FremontLions>

Luther Lions

We shared a small celebration at the end of March with one of our founding members Lion Don Robbins. It was his 100th birthday and we also shared a corn beef dinner with our members. DG Bill Koch attended and gave Lion Don accolades and certificates of appreciation. Lion Don was in his usual talkative self and gave a lot of history behind the founding of the Luther Lions Club. He thoroughly enjoyed it as well as our club.



Weidman Lions Club cleaned up a stretch of Weidman Road between Weidman and Beal City on April 24, 2021. Left to right: Lions Al Marshall, Butch Glass, Tom Girvin, Bob Thompson and his granddaughter, Joslynn Stailey, Doug Middleworth, and Bernie Baldwin. The old timers of the Weidman Lions Club are looking for young members to take over this project.



Mesick Lions
Come to Mesick and enjoy the Mesick Lions Mushroom Festival ~ May 7 - 9th!



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East Jordan Lions cleaned and munched the berm in Community Park near the disc golf entrance. Pictured are Sherry Pursel, Bob Noll, Sue and Don Folsom, Libda and Bill Chase. Not pictured is Pam Crick and Linda Gocha.



Alpena Lions Club assisting with the unloading of over 1300 pair of shoes that were donated to the United Way for distribution in Northeast Michigan. We Serve!



Alpena Lions help unload boxes out of the back of an enclosed trailer.

Boyer Valley Lions Club held another successful pasty fundraiser. In a show of appreciation to the Boyne City High School Hospitality for use of their kitchen, pastie supplies, and coaching from Chef Cole, the BVLC Board of Directors agreed to donate \$300 to their program. After all expenses were tallied, the Lions raised \$1,523.782! BV Lions are working with Schmidt Amusements for a potential May 13th - May 16th Event - the Boyne Mushroom Festival. Schmidt Amusements is keeping track of crowd size with the sale of wrist bands. BVLC will distribute event coupons to the following: Family Fare - 2000 coupons; BP - 500 coupons; Kilwin's - 500 coupons; Challenge Mountain - 500 coupons. The club looks forward to participating in this event.



Alpena Lions turn out for the annual Sytek Park Clean-Up. Thunder Bay Tree Service was on-hand to take care of the debris from trees and downed branches.



Hillman Lions hard at work on a pop-up food pantry. 189 Families were served!



Central Lake Lions Club has begun their annual fundraising campaign: tent rentals. This is a major fundraiser for the club, and if your club or anyone in need of an event tent and are located in the area, be sure to contact Central Lake Lions! 231-944-0587 or den7rich@gmail.com.

A special grant from the Lions of Michigan Foundation to our District helped a family obtain a special swivel seat chair for their little girl with special needs. Below is a response from the mother and a picture of the girl on her new seat. "Thank you all for the donation of a swivel seat for our daughter. It has made things easier and much safer for both our daughter and our family!"

Graying Lions are making plans to refurbish & improve a gazebo they built years ago, on city property located near the hospital. A golf tournament fundraiser is in the works and will be held at the Grayling Country Club on June 19. The club is also working with the Grayling Primary School about holding a Project Kidsight screening.

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2020-2021 District Goals



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR BILL KOCH'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 140

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's

target goal of US \$300 million.

Asking all clubs to visit an other club and to connect with each other on various projects. Asking that all members are involved in every activity with ideas, actions and support. Try to get a campus program.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR ROD LEATHERS'S GOALS

Our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership) Growth Goal of 41

By the end of the 2020-2021 fiscal year, our district will support LCIF in its endeavor to achieve Campaign 100's target goal of US \$300 million.



Lion support means the world to our mission.

Last year was not what anyone expected, to say the least. The pandemic shook the nation and the world, but through it all, Lions Clubs showed up for our communities.

Despite the challenges, Lions helped Eversight raise more than \$91,000 to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for Michiganders who are blind and visually impaired.

There is still much to be done.

This year, Eversight expects the need for sight-restoring surgeries to be even greater than in years past as the COVID-19 vaccine becomes more widely available, and patients begin to schedule the sight-restoring surgeries put on hold at the height of the pandemic.

The goal is to raise \$50,000 by June 30. Your support allows us to continue serving as a leading eye bank and meet the needs of the community locally and abroad.

Thank you for your loyal support during these extraordinary times.

Alex Teska, Director of Philanthropy
(734) 780-2675 | ateska@eversightvision.org

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1. Make your club's annual donation.
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3. Share our cause with family and friends –sponsor a Facebook Fundraiser.
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