

LION PRIDE WE SERVE

A PUBLICATION OF THE LIONS OF LOWER MICHIGAN - MD 11

HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO OUR MICHIGAN LIONS IN DISTRICT 10 AND MULTIPLE DISTRICT 11! WE ARE "MICHIGAN STRONG"



Join us February 27, 2021: THE SERVICE MUST GO ON! Michigan Lions Virtual Forum

Special Guest KeyNote Speaker: Daniel Marney Elkins

Read all about it on page 8 of the Lion Pride!

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PEACE POSTER WINNER ANNOUNCED

The winner of the MD 11 2020-2021 Peace Poster is Kaushani Mukherjee, and 11 year-old middle school student from Hillside Middle School, Northville, District 11 A1.

The Governors voted her poster as the overall winner this year, depicting the message "Peace through Service" in a beautifully artistic expression. Miss Mukherjee will receive a monetary prize in the amount of \$300.00 from Multiple District 11. Congratulations to Kaushani and the Northville Lions for their sponsorship of the Peace Poster Contest.



MERRY CHRISTMAS 2020

For mail returns see ID statement.

UPCOMING

Events:

DECEMBER 10
HAPPY HANNUKAH



DECEMBER 25
CHRISTMAS DAY



JANUARY 2021
WELCOME 2021

FEBRUARY 19
VDG TRAINING
MT. PLEASANT HOLIDAY INN
AND SUITES

FEBRUARY 19-20
COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS
MEETING MT. PLEASANT
HOLIDAY INN AND SUITES

FEBRUARY 27
MICHIGAN LIONS
VIRTUAL FORUM
The SERVICE Must Go On!



Check our website for updates and additional information
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> PRIDE NEWS



Pre-Santa!

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S Pride
WENDY BURNS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Nostalgic Christmas.

Nostalgic Christmas. The memories can conjure up laughter and tears for me, many times at once and at any given moment these days! Recollections of past celebrations flood my mind and I immediately need to send a group message to my siblings, asking if as a 2nd grader, did I really walk alone from home to downtown Lapeer to Christmas shop and visit Santa in his house? Did Mom know I went on this adventure alone? Did I have my own money?? I also dropped in on the Knapp's Department store Santa- just to be sure he had my list. Or we'll discuss the year Santa left a puddle of melted snow on the entryway floor after a Christmas Eve snowfall, preventing us from visiting relatives that day. And the year the ice storm left my mother stranded at the hospital until mid-day on Christmas. What was a major disappointment then is a great memory today! I'll hear a carol on the radio and I'm spinning back to the year my brother Mike organized the four of us to sing "Let there be Peace on Earth" to our parents on Christmas Eve. As the third-born, I felt cheated to only have my solo consist of "be" but what a gift to any parent!

I could lament "those were the days!" but really, those were just the early days. The most recent 40 years have been filled with memories of raising family and now watching my adult kids raise their family, instilling holiday traditions which will be remembered for years to come. Even 2020 will be recalled with the same nostalgia in the future.

Lions, you have made many memories and dreams come true for those in need. Your continued service shows throughout this publication. Turkeys donated, food baskets delivered, sleighs full of toys checked off the list. You've turned cans into cash and live fundraisers into virtual events. Comforters have been provided to those in need, as well as clothing, masks, gas and cash cards and you've even built ramps.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. Many, in fact, and they are alive and thriving in Michigan. May you continue to change lives through your many acts of kindness and service in 2021.

Happy Holidays, Lions!

Lion Wendy Burns, Executive Director



Post Santa

Mike, Steve, Wendy and Ellen Reath, 1961

Spotlight on Hunger in Michigan

We serve to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.

Currently in Michigan, 15.9% of children do not know where their next meal is coming from. People facing hunger in our state are estimated to report needing \$653,547,000 more per year to meet their food needs.

www.feedingamerica.org

Latest Impact

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - With unemployment rates elevated and food banks reporting increased demand, the number of people experiencing food insecurity is rising due to the pandemic. Many Michigan Lions are working hard to fill the void during times of hardship. You are encouraged to check with your local food bank/food pantry to learn more about their needs and how Lions can assist. Whether you donate money, food, help package boxes for distribution or assist in cleaning the warehouse, your SERVICE is of value! And don't forget: Record your service hours!

Michigan – Total Population 9,962,311

Was 1,369,250 (13.7%) Insecure (2020 Projection to be 18.7%)

Michigan – Child Population 2,175,821

Was 345,130 (15.9%) Insecure (2020 Projection to be 23.6%)



Hunger

**IS ONE OF OUR GLOBAL CAUSES.
 WE WANT TO AID IN HELPING
 FEED THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD.
 BY HELPING FEED OUR COMMUNITIES,
 WE HELP FEED THE WORLD.**





From the Desk of District Governor Kurt Stromlund - MD 11C2



The motto "We Serve" is the bond that all Lions share and that will never change. During this challenging year I have never be prouder of all of our Lion members. President Choi's theme this year- United in Kindness and Diversity is what we all should be striving for, and I know all Lions are exhibiting this in their communities. Being a Lion has always meant so much to my family and I. We so enjoy helping our communities with our fellow Lions. We have been called upon to think in different ways to fundraise and meet. Many clubs are rising to the challenge of this year, with innovative ways to help their communities. Now more than ever, many of our communities are in dire need of our Lion services. It makes me proud to know how much our fellow Lions are contributing to their communities in a safe manner.

As you know the North American Membership Initiative is working to increase our members. Please continue to work on it and take advantage of the membership

initiation fee being waived by the Lions Club International thru December 31, 2020. Feel free to "Just Ask" friends, family and other acquaintances if they know about the largest service organization in the world. Let them know how much serving your community means to you and what it will mean to them. In closing I would like to share a quote form Helen Keller- "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Our family wishes you a safe Holiday season!
DG Kurt Stromlund



As we move toward the winter months it will be crucial for your clubs to meet in a safe environment. If your club is struggling to meet in person and you haven't set up zoom meetings, please reach out to your district IT committee. The IT committees have been working endlessly to ensure everyone has access that would like it.



From the Desk of District Governor Rod Leathers - MD 11E2



*'Twas the night before Christmas
And all through the land
Not a creature was stirring
'Cause covid shut us down again.*

*But the Lions said
"We refuse defeat
We will serve with pride
We cannot be beat"*

*They took away our meetings
In our grand meeting rooms
But that didn't stop us
Because we have Zoom!*

*We're still serving our communities
As best as we can
Wearing our masks
And sanitizing our hands.*

*Thanks to LCIF grants
We've gotten money to help out
To make hand sanitizer
Which was needed, no doubt!*

*Handicap ramps
Are still being constructed,
We're sewing face masks
So our school kids can still be instructed.*

*We cleaned up the roads
We provided eyeglasses
We helped the food pantries
And provided online diabetes classes.*

*To raise money we sell raffle tickets
And calendars too
We ring bells for The Salvation Army
Just to name a few.*

*Now the needs in our community
Are felt even more
And that's why the Lions
Continue to ROAR*

*As we continue our mission
To help mankind
Let's do it with a smile
And keep service in mind*

*Our district is still active
We continue to serve
We won't let Covid
Throw us a curve*

*Let's go forth with kindness
Never let that out of our sight
Merry Christmas to all
And to all a goodnight*

*Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and remain safe
and keep a smile upon your face.*

DG Rod

> DATES TO REMEMBER

From the Desk of Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers "THE GIFT"



Okay, it's almost Christmas, I want everyone to think back to a time when there was a gift you really, really wanted! Think about the anticipation, the excitement you felt just before you opened it. Then the joy you felt when you were opening it and how you felt after you opened it. It was like oh, I finally got it...It's mine, and no

other gift could compare. This one was that special!

Now think how happy whom ever gave you that gift felt...knowing they gave you something that meant that much to you or was that special. That's the purpose behind every gift. Giving you something they really wanted you to have. They cared enough to think of you and give it to you as their special gift to you.

Now, ever receive a gift you completely hated? You were like, oh joy what am I going to do with this. Remember how you felt then and how do you react to the giver?

Well now can you think of a gift no one wants to give or receive? As Council Chair of MD11 its part of my obligation to do all I can to keep us all safe. Recently we changed our Council Meeting from face-to-face to Zoom Meeting. The reason...so no one gives a gift or gets a gift called Corona, they surely don't want. We on the Council have had a portion of our group infected with the virus. One being hospitalized and is now home on oxygen.

Talking about a bad gift to give or receive!! It was with that mindset that I encourage you to be vigilant and remain safe. Practice social distancing and wear your mask! Protect yourself and those you love and your fellow Lions. This holiday season don't be the one that gives a gift no one wants, and in turn hopefully no one will give a gift like that to you either!!

To my fellow Lions and all your families....
Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!
CC Jeff Mayuiers



Lions 2020-2021 District Conventions Save the Date

- A1
April 16-17, 2021
Frankenmuth
- A2
April 16-17, 2021
Park Place, Traverse City
- B1
May 7, 2020
C1
May 21, 2021
DoubleTree, Holland
- C2
March 19-21, 2021
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant
- D1
April 9-11, 2021
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant
- D2
March 26-28, 2021
DoubleTree, Grand Rapids
- E1
April 24th-25th
Big Rapids
- E2
April 16-18, 2021
Boyne Mountain, Boyne Falls
- D10
April 23-25, 2021
Harris, MI
- MD11
May 20-22, 2021
Holland DoubleTree,
Holland



The Lion in the Corner
by CC Jeff Mayuiers
for PID Bill Hanson

Lions are like flowers
Some in full bloom, some yet to bloom.
But I encourage us all to pay attention
To the Lion in the corner of the room.
Those that sit back; oh so quite
With their thoughts held in reserve
Yet come leaping from their corner
Always willing and ready to serve.
These Lions, they seek no recognition
But are our projects main supporters.
So don't forget to recognize
The Lion in the Corner!

Dates to Remember 2021

Saturday, February 27, 2021
Lions Michigan Virtual Forum

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

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

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



From the Desk of IDPG Michael Scott GLT



Who remembers the Apple campaign from the late '90s that coined the phrase "Think Different.?"

Here's to the crazy ones.

The misfits.

The rebels.

The troublemakers.

The round pegs in the square holes.

The ones who see things differently.

They're not fond of rules.

And they have no respect for the status quo.

You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify or vilify them.

About the only thing you can't do is ignore them.

Because they change things.

They push the human race forward.

While some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius.

Because the people who are crazy enough to think

they can change the world, are the ones who do.

-Steve Jobs

As it turns out, this perspective is relevant to far more than selling computers. Creating a diverse and inclusive environment isn't only the right thing to do: It can also be a powerful tool for driving innovation and helping our association reach new heights. Embracing diversity is essential because it captures the reality of the world we live in.

Diversity can bring a variety of new perspectives and experiences to the leadership team. When our teams are composed of people with similar backgrounds and opinions – we run the risk of creating "echo chambers" that cause us to see the world through a narrow lens. Instead, if your club includes members of different ethnicities, ages, and cultures, as well as a gender balance – you'll be supporting a culture of inclusion where these differences are respected, supported, and valued. Unique voices and opinions - bouncing off one another can give rise to out-of-the-box thinking. By offering a platform for the open exchange of ideas, we will all benefit from the fresh ideas and advancement across our state. Please let me know if you any comments or questions,



Lion Mike Scott
MD 11 Global Leadership Team Coordinator
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Individual Recognitions

Recognizing Generosity

Generous giving deserves generous recognition. Lions Clubs International Foundation offers extensive recognition programs to thank individuals and clubs advancing Lions service through support of Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.

Individual Recognition



Campaign 100 Donor Base Pin

A Campaign 100 donor base pin is presented to donors who have cumulatively given US\$100+ to Campaign 100. Donors who support Campaign 100 beyond the US\$100 level receive pin attachments according to the giving levels indicated above.

Campaign 100 Donor Base Pin Attachments

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> NAMI NEWS



Report by Dave Wineman
North American
Membership Initiative
Area Leader

H.O.P.E.



**VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS ANNOUNCE
2021-2022 COUNCIL CHAIR**



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 throughout the remainder of this year.

We are rounding on nearly half of a year in Area 1I (That's OH, IN and MI). Many have heard me speak about FUN, and making Lions FUN. For you that have not, it stands for Friendly, Upbeat and Nice. That's the people part of Lions. So often we concentrate on doing service, being service, providing service. Then there is another aspect of Lions, get new members, engage members, lead members. This past year, more than any year in my 63 years of life, I have witnessed people lose HOPE. So here we sit. It's Christmas time. All buttoned snugly in our homes. Now there is a Norman Rockwell picture. It doesn't feel anything like hope! Where is the good cheer?

Hope is about people! We foster hope through Lions Service. We spread hope through Membership. But, what is hope? It's the people part of Lions. At Christmas time we talk about it. We sing about it. We spread it with good cheer. But what is it? Here is my Christmas 2020 definition...

Christmas 2020 needs to be a time of HOPE or Happy, Optimistic, Positive & Enthusiasm.

Perhaps this Christmas we can do our very best service by spreading HOPE. When times are tough, maybe even seemingly impossible, we can still choose to be HAPPY. We can spread happiness. Be it in person, through Facebook, email, snail mail, telephone, you name it. Spread happiness deliberately. On purpose. Make it a point to be HAPPY. It is contagious! More contagious than COVID.

With all the baloney we have been through, people need to see optimism. It is one of the essential ingredients of HOPE. Look forward to a new and better day tomorrow or next year. How do we accomplish optimism? How about a POSITIVE attitude? How about the next time we hear someone criticize someone else, we choose to say something nice as a reset? How about we take a deep look at ourselves and see the best? How about the people around us? Can we see the best and help them develop to their very best potential? Of course, we can! More than ever people need a pat on the back, be it real or virtual. Be the first to bring that optimism. Do it with a POSITIVE comment or gesture.

And how do we spread this good cheer? With ENTHUSIASM! Believe in the good. Hide behind nothing! Be simple. Be plain. How many times have we chickened out and regretted it later? If you are happy, optimistic and positive how can you screw up? What's holding us back? No room for fear this Christmas. We need to approach the season of Christ's blessings on us with enthusiasm. We all have a reason to be happy, optimistic, positive and do it enthusiastically! It is a choice we make.

So, as we close the year 2020, we can choose to be Happy, Optimistic, Positive & Enthusiastic. We have been given all sorts of blessings. More than stuff. We have the opportunity to spread HOPE to those around us. We do it through service, sharing opportunity (membership) and an attitude of love and blessings.

Our gift for that person who has everything or is impossible to buy for? For the person who doesn't know where to turn? Same gift that was given over 2000 years ago. HOPE!

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www.lionsclubs.org/nami

NEVER MISS A MEETING AGAIN! 
Video Communications

For many years Lions have held committee meetings at the state level via Free Teleconference Call, a toll free service used to hold meetings remotely.

Thanks to Information Technology Chair PDG Ray Robins and his IT team, Lions have utilized ZOOM Video Conferencing for holding "face-to-face" video meetings. ZOOM can be accessed through your desktop or your mobile phone, and is very user-friendly.

Both options are available for Lion members to use as a means to effectively continue doing business, without interruption.

For more information on use of the teleconference line, contact the state office at **517-887-6640 ext 11.**

To inquire about ZOOM Video Conferencing, contact your District IT Chair, State IT Chair Ray Robins, or the Lions state office.

Stay connected, Lions!

Lion Pride Magazine

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PASSING OF PDG JOHN CIOROCH, 11 A1



District 11 A1 has lost a loyal, hardworking Lion. PDG John Cioroch of the Bedford Lions Club passed away in October. This year marked PDG John's 50th year as a Lion. At his visitation, the Bedford Lions turned out to honor Lion John and his family with a short presentation and commemoration of his remarkable 50 years of service. DG David Wilbert also presented Lion John's wife and family with a 50-year member chevron in honor of his service.

PDG John Cioroch served the Lions in District 11 A-1 from 1980-1981 and was an outstanding leader. He will be greatly missed.

TRI-STATE LIONS MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE 2020-2021

“Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.” Thomas Edison

2020 has been delivering to us change that we had never dreamed possible, and not exactly the change we might have wished for. Regardless of what our dreams and wishes may have been, the pandemic of 2020 changed our world in ways that won't long be forgotten.

Lions clubs from lake-to lake across our great state have had to adapt to these changes by making choices. Some of our clubs have chosen to completely shelter in place until a vaccine is



available; some have chosen to modify their meeting places and styles to accommodate regulations and personal safety. World-wide, all Lions clubs are dealing with this change. Depending on which direction your club has decided upon, just know that there are still ways to serve your community and club. If you are from a club choosing to shelter, are you taking a few moments each week to call and check-in with other club members? How about a few calls to check-in on neighboring clubs in your zone? These are simple ways to defeat the snowball of depression that comes from being isolated by the virus.

Don't let the pandemic of 2020 be the reason your club gives up service to your community, and don't be afraid to continue to “Try just one more time.”

Here are just a few examples from around our MD the creativity of Lions:

- Many clubs-Like the Branch Area Lions Club - are partnering with other nonprofits to provide manpower during the pandemic. Food Banks in particular have enjoyed the help from Lions, call your nearest food bank. They always have a truck to unload, shelves to stock, packaging to be done, etc.

- Our nursing homes are full of people who have gone months without visiting their family. Some clubs send cards, even including a phone number to call, just to say hi.

- The Ovid Lions have installed Wi-Fi in their Lions Hall and have posted hours of operation so school children without internet have a warm place to keep up with their studies.

- And even during a pandemic, the leadership of District 11-D2 just chartered a new Lions Club! Welcome to the pride Deerfield Lions Club!

Finally, just so you can't say “Hey, GMT, put your money where your mouth is!”

As MD GMT, I've accepted a Tri-State membership challenge with Ohio and Indiana between December 1st and March 31st. Lions, all I ask of you is to wear your Lions pin daily, and “Just Ask, Would you be a Lion?” one more time. Do that, and on May 22nd 2021 in Holland at our MD convention, you can watch as the leaders from Indiana and Ohio MD's stand and honor the accomplishments of Michigan Lions from coast to coast!

*We Can Do It!
Lion Brent*



> MICHIGAN LIONS NEWS



THE SERVICE MUST GO ON!

MICHIGAN LIONS VIRTUAL FORUM

SATURDAY
February 27
2021

Join us at 9:00 a.m.
for this free event



- (5) 20-minute breakout sessions including:
- Serving Safely
 - Leos in a Virtual World of Service
 - Zoom 101

Keynote Address by
VDG Daniel Marney Elkins:
How do we Approach
the Younger Generation?

For details, check the Lions of Michigan website at
<http://www.lionsofmi.com>

Michign Lions Virtual Forum 2021 THE SERVICE MUST GO ON!

Special Guest KeyNote Speaker: Daniel Marney Elkins

We're all familiar with the expression, "The show must go on!" You say the star trapeze artist ran off with the tiger tamer? No matter, the show must go on! The star singer got laryngitis? The show must go on! Show managers don't want to disappoint their audiences and so they find a way to make the show a success in spite of the odds.

And so it is with Lions service. There's a wide world of people out there who need our service in spite of limitations placed on our activities: "The service must go on!" so that we don't disappoint them.

The event will be fast-paced with five 20-minute sessions focusing mostly on Lions service in Michigan. There'll be a session called "Zoom 101 for Non-Techies" so everyone can see how easy it is to set up your own meetings.

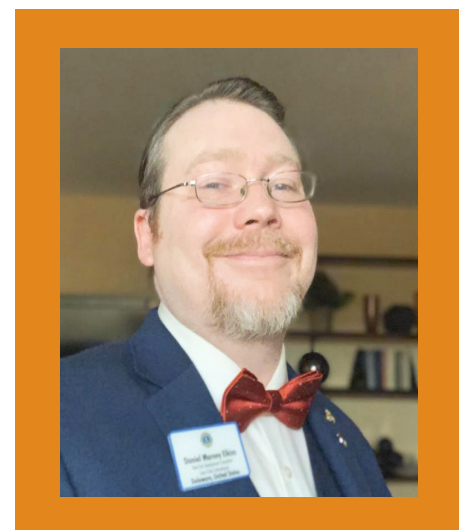
We'll have a keynote address by VDG Daniel Marney Elkins of Delaware. He will talk about how to reach the younger generation. After all, bringing in new, younger, members is part of keeping our service going!

Stay tuned for more details after the first of the year. There will be emails with more information, too. We hope to see you there!

Wendy Burns, Executive Director
Karen Routson, Chair, Michigan Lions Forum 2020 – 2022



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DG Kurt Stromlund & Family 11C1



Leader Dog Floyd D10



DG David Wilbert 11A1



VDG Bill Bradfield 11E1



DG Rod Leathers, 11E2, only has eyes for Santa!



VDG Brian Betzold D2



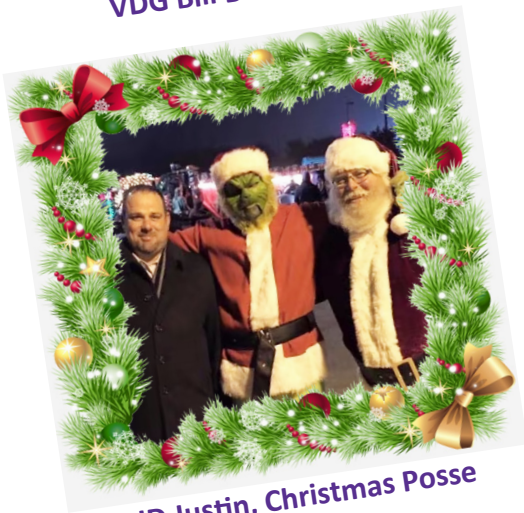
PDG David Wineman NAMI Area Leader



PDG Brent Beracy GMT Chair



Lions Laura Hunt Cancer State Chair



ID Justin, Christmas Posse



VDG Shawn Wightman



1953 Karen Routson MI Forum Chair



VDG Karol Chopp B2



VDG Bill Gaines 3 Generations



Lion Gary Perala playing Guitar



Wyandotte Lions Club President Theresa Jamula



CC Jeff and DG Julie



DG Julie Mayuiers



DG PDG Ron and LuWonna Coleman A1



ID Justin Faber

> NEWS



35th ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT PRIZES

1st-\$5,000 - 2nd-\$2,500 - 3rd-\$2,000
4th- \$1,500 - 5th-\$1,000 - 6th-\$500
7th-\$400 - 8th-\$300 - 9th-\$200 - 10th-\$100

SELLER INCENTIVES

1st-\$750 - 2nd-\$500 - 3rd-\$250 - 4th-\$100

EASY MONEY

30-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club
100 - 249 Tickets Sold = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club
250+ Tickets = \$5.50 Per Ticket For Club

The PRICE is RIGHT

\$10.00 Per Ticket

It's RISK FREE

No Promotional Costs & No Sales Commitments

*** DRAWINGS ***

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 1, 2021
Lions of Michigan State Office - Lansing

FINAL DRAWING

May 22, 2021
MD 11 Convention - Holland, MI

LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION RAFFLE TICKET ORDER FORM

Please send _____ tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes to:

Club: _____

Name: _____

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Attention Holiday Shoppers



Do you have someone on your gift list who has everything?

What better gift could you give than one that helps those in need? For a gift of \$10, you can buy a Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for a friend or family member, providing them with a chance to win several cash prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Upon receipt of your gift, we will mail a sweepstakes ticket stub and sweepstakes information to your honoree with a card acknowledging your gift.

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Holiday Shoppers Gift
34th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Donor's Name(s): _____

Donor's Email Address: _____

Donor's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Honoree's Name: _____

Honoree's Email Address: _____

Honoree's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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11 A1



DG Dave Wilbert
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With great sadness, the district reports the loss of PDG John Cioroch who passed away on October 25. Lion John served the district in every area of leadership and as District Governor from 1980-1981. Lion John was a devoted and proud member of the Bedford Township Lions Club with perfect attendance for 50 years!



Two Helen Keller LCIF awards were presented recently to Lions Sooz Williams and Joann Gardner. Congratulations to both on these well-deserved award recognitions.



Lion Larry Wegrzyn received a 50 year membership chevron by Governor David Wilbert.



Congratulations to District and MD 11 contest winner, Kaushani Mukherjee. Kaushani is 11 years-old and attends Hillside Middle School. Northville Lions Club sponsored this year's contest, Peace through Service. Kaushani will receive a \$300 prize from the Lions of Michigan.

Good news in the district as the Southgate Lions Club has sponsored a new branch club, Greater St. Johns Church Lions Club. The club will charter soon with an anticipated 20 new members. Congratulations Southgate Lions, and welcome to the greatest service organization in the world, Greater St. Johns Church Lions!

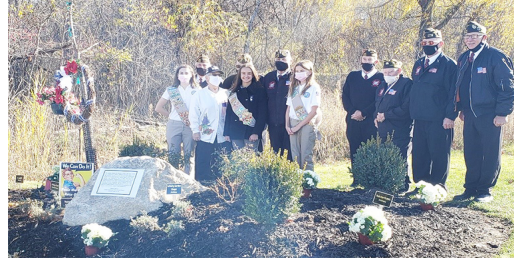


Governor David presented Cabinet Secretary Deborah Love her 25 year membership chevron.

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DG Leo Schaefer
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At the Richmond Lions Club zoom meeting Lion Brenda Edwards (eye glasses collection) and Lion Doug Conner (mints & coin donation) gave updates to members. While the pandemic made it necessary to make some temporary changes to locations and methods of collection they are making the changes and continuing to serve our community. THANKS LIONS BRENDA & DOUG !

The Rochester Lions Club supported the fundraising activities of local Girl Scout Cadette Malana Mentier. She is shown here receiving cans/bottles from Lion Bruce MacGregor to support her Silver Award project to honor women veterans.



The Royal Oak Lions Club adopted two families for the Holidays this year. Shown here are the gifts assembled for one of the families.



Royal Oak Lion Udo Hess is shown here collecting for the Salvation Army, an activity that they have participated in for many, many years. For the tenth year in a row they have raised in excess of \$11,000!

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District A1 Convention will be held in Frankenmuth, April 16-17, 2021.

Our invited guest speaker is PID is Nicholas "Nick" Xinopoulos. He is from the state of Indiana.

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District 11A-2 has always tried to look out for all of the members when making all decisions. The members of all clubs need to feel safe when attending meetings, events and conventions.

Due to the present COVID circumstances, the

decision has been made to cancel the District 11A-2 Convention for 2020-2021. The health and well-being of our members supersedes the purpose of the convention and the camaraderie that we will all be missing. We will be scheduling a Zoom meeting

for the election just like last year. More information will be forthcoming.

Wishing all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Governor DG11A-2 and First Lady, Leo & Sharon Schaefer

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Due to the COVID situation in Michigan, the members of the Adrian Breakfast Lions held a condensed version of their annual radio auction fundraiser in October (it had been scheduled for April). Instead of the usual seven-hour auction, it was shortened to four hours because of a venue change and site restrictions. Our sponsors, donors, and patrons came through and the club was able to raise over \$6,000.00. Thanks to all those who helped us so we could continue to serve our community.

At the beginning of the 2020-21 school year, the members of the Adrian Breakfast Lions donated over 100 articles of new clothing with a retail value more than \$1,000 to the "Families in Transition" program of Adrian Public Schools. They also presented a check for \$250. The program serves students and their families that need food, shelter, and clothing. The donation has become an annual event for the club. *Shown above are Charlene and Don Dickerson, Program Director Angela Pooley, Terry Hicks, Bob Guy, & Larry Atkin*

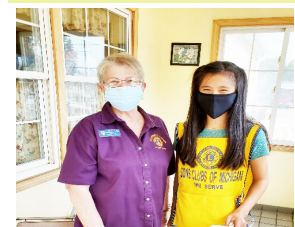
Ann Arbor Evening - Donated 6 adult twin-size comforters to Alpha House for their shelter families. And thanksgiving Baskets to a local charity that supports families in need. This year we donated 4 & "baskets" in clear, lidded storage containers filled with canned fruits, vegetables, cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing, corn bread, mashed potatoes, yellow cake mix, chocolate frosting, Nestle chocolate chips, mini marshmallows, toilet paper, paper towels, a \$20 Walmart gift card, and mac-n-cheese!



Battle Creek Cereal City – They were able to meet outside this fall and are now doing Zoom meetings for the club and the board. They had 3 outdoor service projects: Road clean up in September, Kalamazoo River clean up in October, and Winter Camp clean up in November. Currently, like the Pennfield club, they are gathering food and planning delivery of Christmas dinner boxes for 24 local families.



Clinton Lions Club - It took most of the morning to count and conduct all the bottle deposits, but I finally finished and wanted to share that the final amount, \$6,319.30!



Jackson Eyeopeners - Diane Schweda and her granddaughter Chloe were part of our team of workers at A & A Market for White Cane / Candy Days. We earned \$434. Thank you, Chairman Carole Briggs, for organizing this successful fundraising event.

Battle Creek Host – This fall longtime member & president, Diane Klecker, passed away. She brought a lot of joy to the club with her piano playing and will be missed. Due to the virus, they can no longer meet at the County Medical Facility. They have been meeting in small groups at a local church or homes, when possible. They are working on their annual Christmas book and hat giveaway to local children.

Concord Lions Club – Are not meeting at this time Despite this, the Concord Club is still serving their community. They contributed a major amount to the Concord Christmas Basket and donated concession items to them as well. They are helping parents who struggle by contributing primarily gas cards to the Concord schools to distribute as needed. They are open to helping monetarily for other community or district needs.

The Eyeopeners make generous contributions monthly. Here are a few recent ones: \$50 to Food Bank every month, Hearing Aids for local woman \$125, Eye Exams and Glasses for two people, \$57 and \$88.89, \$50 to LCIF \$100 for Penrickton Christmas Party, \$100 to Interfaith Shelter for cereal and disposable serving containers, \$100 to Winter Camp for Blind for gift card prizes.

Bedford – This fall the Bedford Lioness club merged with the Bedford Lions. This will help both former clubs succeed, as there is strength in numbers. They have a great Lions Club building to meet in and rent out, however COVID restrictions have cancelled those plans. Hoping for things to improve and get back to meetings and serving the area with those great dinners.

Hanover - Horton Lions Club – Continues to meet having about the same attendance as they have had in the past. They have two major fundraisers during the year – the Fourth of July Chicken Broil and helping with the Rust and Dust Tractor and Farm Show the end of August. Both events had to be cancelled this year, so they are investigating other more online methods of raising money such as raffles or auctions.



Jackson Host - Celebrated Lion Ed Rockwell's 103rd birthday (11/19) during their Nov meeting. DG David P. Anderson welcomes Ed Rockwell to Lions as he becomes their OLDEST new member" at the age of 103.

11 B2



DG Julie Mayuiers
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Congratulations to Carolyn Young submitted by the Buchanan-Galien Lions Club and chosen as the B2 Peace Poster Winner. Carolyn's poster went on to the December 5th Council of Governor's meeting where the state winner was chosen. Carolyn will be recognized at our District Convention in April.

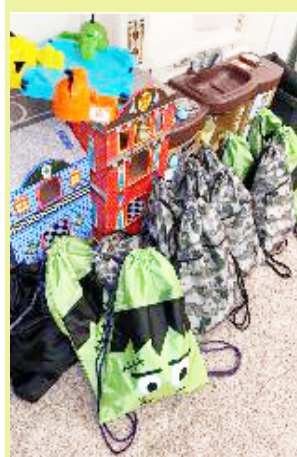
Last month, District Governor Julie Mayuiers and husband CC Jeff were guests of the Buchanan-Galien Lions Club. DG Julie gave an update of what is happening in the district, spoke of her unusual year as District Governor with all of the COVID challenges, and provided info on some upcoming Lions events. GLT/PDG Jeff spoke briefly on Lions Worldwide activities, his Lions of Michigan State Council position and the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation and other resources available to assist our local Lions Clubs.



The club also announced and displayed this year's top three Buchanan Middle School Peace Posters and contest winners (shown L to R) 1st place Carolyn Young, 2nd place Bella Sherwood, and 3rd place Jack Sherwood.

Lion Elvie Marfil, Zone 3 chair was asked by Kalamazoo West Lions Club to induct their new member Lion Tamara "Tami" Withers last November 12, 2020, sponsored by Lion Donnie Dill.

Portage Lions Club participated this year to its First Annual Tree Walk. We decorated our tree with a Lions Logo as tree topper; a Lion with dove on each side that signifies peace. We used the District Governor Julie Mayuiers theme "Sprinkle Kindness" and the Lions Motto "We Serve". Our ornaments show our Global services such as: Vision, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, Hunger, Youth, Disaster Relief, Environmental and Humanitarian services. We also partner and volunteers with First Day Shoe Fund, Portage Community Center and our local Ophthalmologist/optometrist and refer patients in need of examination and eyeglasses. Come out to Celery Flats Park all season long and make some new memories with friends and family.



Helping children in crisis one "Bag of Love" at a time was a project from community member Tina Fagerman, and the Portage Lions club met the challenge to provide! Lion Amy Blankshain collected items for Portage Public Schools such as socks, toys, sanitizers, crayons, notebooks etc., while Lion Elvie Marfil collected items for Trestlewood Pediatrics such as bar soaps, body washes and body lotions. Lion Elvie also purchased and donated "Cinch Sac" back packs in the name of the Portage Lions Club. The club also prepared and distributed Thanksgiving baskets to 107 families in the Portage community.

St. Joseph Township Lion elves load the sleigh for the annual Toys for Tots delivery by head elf Keith Stevens.

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11 C1

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LCIF Grant for \$45,000.00 has been received by 11-C-1 and money used for the freezer project. A ribbon cutting was held in September by members of Hungry for Christ, Tyson, and Lions Members from Allegan, Hamilton, & Martin. Hunger for Christ is a large Food Bank located in Hamilton. They are in the process of expanding their operation and increasing the size of their freezer capacity. This expansion project increases the size of their freezer to 40' X 100' (54,400 cu. ft.). The cost of this project is going to be more than \$96,000.00.



Rockford Lions and Leos were out and about with their White Cane Drive and roadside cleanup project. Bonus: Finding a \$20 during the cleanup!



Lakewood Lions: We are so thankful for all the extraordinary people who make up our Public Safety Services, and who protect and serve us in so many ways. We include all our Military, Medical and First responders, Fire Fighters, and our Police Officers - the Men and Women in Blue! The club recently hosting several members of the Lake Odessa Police Department at our November 10 Club Meeting.



Marne Lions Club held a Trick or Trick drive thru on October 31. Approximately 35 vehicles with some cute goblins received a sweet treat!



FUITPORT LIONESS – Met on November 3 and held a conference call with PID Jenny Ware gathering information on possibly becoming the Fruitport Lioness Lions Club!

Muskegon Northside Lions are planning their annual Kids Shopping Trip. They will also be supporting the Mission for Area People by donating needed items for teens ages 15-18 and to the NOAH project by donating needed items and food for the cats and dog



Wyoming Lions inducted 4 new members with assistance from DG Bob Hohendorf. New Lions are: Matt Kavaluskis, Beverly Pelkey, Dakota Burch and James Yeck Also, at our meeting PDG Julie May gave a short presentation on North American Membership Incentive, and they awarded a few chevrons to recipients for their many years of services as Lions they were PDG Kyle Austin, Lions Tressa Conrad, Les Tudor and Jack Sluiter.



11 C2

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East Lansing/Meridian Lions hosted Maggie Varney, Maggie's Wigs4Kids, who spoke about the wigs and support services she supplies to 50 counties in Michigan. She promotes childhood cancer awareness; 75% of kids survive now. She has served 4800 children and their families. She works 7 days a week (@90 hours a week right now). She described lively tearoom celebrations with princes, princesses and pirates. Children get beanie babies, a wand, a crown and a teacup and saucer. She also gives comfort bags with pillow cases, travel pillows, blankets, games, cards, Kleenex and hand sanitizer.



Grand Ledge was host to many local dignitaries on Veteran's Day. Fitting well with that occasion was the new entryway and deck completed just days earlier and an opportunity for Legion Members to recognize the many donors that contributed to that end. Among those persons invited to accept such recognition was Lion Lysle Finney, representing the Grand Ledge Lions Club. A Certificate of Appreciation was received for Outstanding Service and Assistance to the American Legion's Programs and Activities. Certificates were also awarded to others for their part in the Post's very noticeable improvements which included a flagpole from the Grand Ledge School System, and to donors making possible the computerized lighted sign out front.

Lions Bear Lake Camp staff is always willing to attend events throughout the state to share our mission and programs! Please contact Shelly O'Henley, Executive Director, to schedule a speaking engagement. shelly@bearlakecamp.org (810) 837 0119



The Clinton County Champion's branch club learned about the Lions Eyeglass recycling Program during their November meeting. It was a hands-on project sorting and packaging over 50 dozen pairs of eyeglasses to send to the Grand Rapids eyeglass recycling center. The hard sided eyeglass cases in good condition were bagged or delivery to the East Lansing/Meridian Lions to use in their hygiene kits project.

Millionaire Parties Update: Holt Lions Club reported that Millionaire Parties are still not able to operate due to the pandemic guidelines. The Michigan Gaming Control Board established minimum requirements for resuming millionaire party events. These guidelines essentially made it impossible to profitably operate an event. The earliest we might see another event is in 2021, if modifications can be made to the regulations that will keep players and dealers safe, yet profitable. The next scheduled event is in April 2021.

The District is running a six-week Diabetes Path- Helping you take charge of your diabetes course. This is available free of charge to all Lions members and their families. The class starts on January 19th, and runs every Tuesday from 10:30am-11am. Dates are January 19th, 26th, February 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd. To register contact: Lion Tom Doyle Phone: 517-881-9684. Email: tomdoyle1225@gmail.com. Spots are limited, please register soon

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Dorr Lions PDG Jim and Lion Betty Maynard delivered a truckload of eyeglasses to the Lions drop off eyeglass box in Grand Rapids. The club provided turkey and potatoes to over 80 families this Thanksgiving, creating a drive-through event for customers.

Grand Valley State Lions participated in Zoo Goes Boo! Helping at the John Ball Zoo in

Grand Rapids to make trick or treating a fun event at the Zoo!

MARTIN Lions Club welcomed three new members to the Martin Lions! Congratulations Lions Rev. Derek Noorman, Abby Harrison and Leslie Hodsdon and their sponsor Lion Rob Porter

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Bretton Woods Lions Congratulates Lions Phil Scozzafave and Steve Pollo. DG Kurt Stromlund present a 20-year Chevron to Lion Phil and a 15-year Chevron to Lion Steve.

Thank you for your long time commitment and service!

DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club eye glasses donations this Lions Year, 2020/2021.

2020 pair of used glasses and

447 pair of new readers for total of 2467 pair.

Any health items your club may have accumulated can be donated to the District for loan/donation to those in need. Items needed are canes, crutches, walkers, wheel chairs, etc. Contact Lion Jim Dunn, Dewitt Breakfast Lions Club.

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11 D1

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Flushing Lions have been looking for innovative ways to raise funds for needy projects. We have a small group of Crafters who have been making various crafts. Dryer balls are selling for \$4 each or 3/\$10. As well as cat toys and pin cushions at \$5 each. This is on top of the over 45,000 bottles and cans we have returned. Those interested can contact Kristin Shively at our email address of FlushingMiLions@gmail.com. Shown are pictures of the Crafter's products. They are also hosted a Scentsy party which has resulted in \$140 profit for almost not work

Frankenmuth Lions, on a very windy and nasty day in November, teamed with the Frankenmuth Morning Rotary Club to build 22 Plexiglass shields for use at the Frankenmuth schools. The shields will have casters added so they can be moved to any location needed.

Flint Downtown Lions Club may not be large but we are making big strides. We have done some community outreach where we went out several times to give sack lunches to homeless people that may not have been able to access other sources. We have put in some physical labor and much time to organize community volunteers and donations to build a garden and playscape at a local school. It is progressing nicely. However, we could still use things such as a rain barrel, rocks, weed barrier, deck screws and more lumber.

Linden Lions have set up their Christmas Trees in the parking lot next to Ace Hardware in Linden and are now selling trees to the early birds. If you are considering a live tree, give us a look-see. We have premium trees at a reasonable price.

Shields Lions members set up their Christmas Display at Roberts Park in Thomas Township. It is a drive-by event this year due to the COVID outbreak. The display will be December 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12,



11 D2

DG Sami Makhoul
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For over 20 years the Applegate Lions have provided a concession for the shoppers at the Western Tree Farm in Applegate, working four weekends serving some of the most delicious chili, hot dogs, cider, soda, coffee and cookies. This is a Lions and family event for the members. Many others in the club and their family members are also included in this endeavor. COVID-19 can't stop these fine Lions.

Pictured is ZC Rich Cochrill, Lion Deb Steeb, Brady Steeb and Emma Ginther.



Memphis Lions came together to help a stroke victim with his back porch and steps. He could not climb a regular-stairs with the average rise on the steps. He needed a closer rise to lift his leg a shorter distance, and the Memphis Lions took quick action to remedy the situation. WE SERVE!



Yale Lions installed two new members at their regular meeting. Pictured is sponsor Dart Arnold with new member, Lion James Peck, President John Tomaschko, new member, Lion Coleen Hughes with sponsor Lion Tim Bobcean. Yale Lions were working on their Goodfellow paper drive set for the end of November. There are many clubs doing Goodfellow papers. It has been extremely difficult to get any kind of fundraising going during this extreme time of the COVID-19 decease.

Lexington Lions Club just completed its Goodfellow drive by purchasing \$20,000 worth of Kohl's gift cards for 100 Sanilac County children in the foster care system. Volunteers shopped with the children at Kohl's to purchase clothes as needed and some toys for Christmas. In addition, this week we will deliver food collected by the Cros-Lex Middle School students to Project Blessing in Lexington. Lexington Lions have recycled enough plastic film, 2000 pounds of it, through the Trex Recycling Challenge to earn 8 park benches from Trex, four of which have been placed at the Lexington Mobile Home park.

DG Sami Makhoul -The COVID 19 pandemic of 2020, inspired and motivated me to start "THE HEALTHY LIONS CLUB". The club will include health care professional, MD's, Chiropractors, Nurses, First Responders, Nutrition coaches and anyone who is in the Health Care Field. The Club will be a hybrid club; that is will meet in person and via Zoom. The "Well Coffee House" in Sandusky will be the club home. The membership is open to any one regardless of health care background and your residency! We will meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:30 pm EST. The Mission Statement is "to empower volunteers to Serve their communities and provide needed Health Care advise at home and all over the world, through Lions Clubs International."

Memphis Lions will once again donate food baskets for families in need this Holiday Season. St. Clair Community Foundation has awarded a grant to the Memphis Lions to assist with the cost of the baskets. The Lions also work closely with Medilodge of Richmond to provide Christmas cheer and presents to four residents without family support. The food baskets will contain canned food, personal hygiene products, paper products, a ham and all the trimmings for a traditional Christmas dinner. Memphis Lion Nancy Thomson runs these programs and implemented the grant request.

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The D2 Convention committee will continue in 2021 to hold a raffle based upon the nightly 3-digit Michigan Lottery draw. Every dollar we receive through the raffle is a dollar Lions will need to pay for meals and other services at the 2021 District convention in Grand Rapids.

Tickets were mailed to CLUB SECRETARYS. Now that they have arrived please try to sell

all you can. The deadline for the sale of the tickets has been extended due to the COVID virus. It will be necessary to contact the Bowerman's by email or phone if you need additional tickets to sell. Checks need to be made out to 11 D2 Convention Committee.

PLEASE make and keep a copy of all tickets sold and their buyers. This is a great help if something happens to the tickets in the mail. We need

your help. These make great Christmas gifts or stocking stuffers! Thank you, Terry & Pat Bowerman 810-724-0818 (tandpbowerman@yahoo.com)

11 E1



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OLLIE JUENDEL
 In October 1960, Ollie Juengel joined the Midland Lions Club. He has been a 115 percent Lion ever since. Ollie is involved in every fundraiser and activity that his club sponsors. He never says no when asked to participate. Ollie has been president of the Midland Lions, a member of their Board of Directors and has chaired many committees over his sixty years as a Lion. At 91 years old, he chairs the Lions Mint Committee and is active on the recycling of used eyeglasses committee. He is the Midland Lions representative on the PDG Bob Stoppert Awards Committee. Ollie serves his community through the Midland Lions Club and gives of his time and talent generously. Ollie has received many awards for his service: Outstanding Lion of the Year, Melvin Jones Fellowship, the Michigan Lions Foundation's highest award, the John Noel Fellowship, for outstanding humanitarian service to mention a few. Ollie served in the army for two years and was an educator for 36 years. He taught vocational agriculture, was the first principal of Bullock Creek High School for ten years, Bullock Creek's Assistant Superintendent of Schools for 15 years and a Superintendent for 3 years (one year at Bullock Creek before retiring and two in another school district). Ollie's favorite past times—attending his grandchildren's sports events, gardening and walking to enjoy nature. Congratulations Ollie on your service to Lions and to your community!!!



The Central Montcalm Lions were happy to present Central Montcalm Athletic Director Kris Kolbe with a check to help support our local student athletes!!!



Coleman Lion Curt Gordon was a big hit dressed as a Lion during the Trunk-or-Treat October 30 in the Coleman Family Center parking lot. He and Lion Pam Render handed out bags of candy to around 250 children.



On November 2, Coleman Lions honored Peace Poster winner, 12 year old Charisma Gingerich. Lion Al Roeseler presented her with a certificate and check!

The club made a donation of 5 turkey's to the Coleman Food Pantry for their annual food baskets. This is half as many as were needed the last several years! We think this is due to the numerous mobile Food Pantry giveaways that have come to Coleman this fall during the pandemic. It is heartening to know that our community is so well taken care of!



Mt. Pleasant Lions Club held a recent service project. The club donated supplies of coloring books, stickers and games, along with Lions logo bags and made a donation to McLaren Central Michigan hospital. The bags will be given to children who are patients at the hospital.



Midland Lions Service Project Ringing Bell for Salvation Army at Midland Kroger Shift change – Lion Pete handing bell off to Lion Mike. Lion John Clever takes over.

11 E2



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Central Lake Lions are ringing the bells on behalf of The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign. Donations will help northern Michigan communities with food, shelter and Christmas gifts for children who may otherwise go without. They are ringing every Friday and Saturday until Christmas Eve. Great job, Lions!

Glennie Lions Club: Weird year is right! We are concluding our Rifle Raffle and even that turned out strange. We sold out our 6000 raffle tickets 2 weeks early. The only other time we sold out was last year and that was about an hour before the drawing. And we expected a slow year? We also partnered with the Alcona County VA, Lincoln VFW, Rogers Family Foods and 5 area churches to give out 22 food baskets for Thanksgiving. We are extremely proud of that because it started 2 years ago with the Glennie Lions giving out 12 food baskets to the area churches.

Oscoda Lions held their annual Thanksgiving Dinner with a limited number of members and guests so we could practice social distancing. Along with the fine turkey dinner, newly elected President Peggy Clarke presented June Pursey with a \$500 check for Coats for Kids. First Vice District Governor Bill Gaines installed three new members Eric Szymanski Sponsored by Lion Bill Palmer, Pat and John Nixon Sponsored by Lions Nancy and Chuck Andrina.



East Jordan Lions Club welcomes new members Richard Russell and Linda Reich.



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White Cloud Lions Club: Small service project or BIG service project?
 a. A 92 year old veteran can no longer take care of his yard. Lion Mark volunteered to do a Small service project. He spent two afternoons raking and cleaning up the complete yard of the veteran's home. The veteran thought it was a BIG service project. Thank-you Lion Mark.
 b. A recent widow going thru chemotherapy called the White Cloud Lions Club to see if they were doing a Thanksgiving Dinner

for the public. We weren't. So Lion Janalee did a Small service project by preparing a take-out dinner for her and Lion Peggy did a Small service project by picking it up and delivering the Thanksgiving dinner to the widow for her first Thanksgiving dinner alone. The widow thought it was a BIG service project. You Decide. Small or BIG? Lions are doing many service projects that some Lions call Small but others call BIG because it impacts them directly by bringing some sunshine into their lives.

"Toys for Tots" & "Coats for Kids" Service Project

The Midland Lions Christmas Party has been canceled due to COVID. However, our activity to help children in Midland County – Coats for Kids & Toys for Tots – that has been held in conjunction with the party, will go on. We have been able to supply 20-25 coats and numerous toys to these projects over the last ten years. We want to continue that contribution from our Lions.

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Boyne Valley Lions Club started a White Cane Go Fund Me page and has collected \$300 in the last 60 days.

Lincoln Lions have been called upon twice recently, when two law enforcement officers suffered the loss of their homes by fire. In each case the Lincoln Lions donated \$500 to help the families with immediate expenses.

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