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## B2 Beacon Lions of District 11-B2 "Sprinkle Kindness"

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### From the desk of the Governor



Wow, the first month of 2021 has come and gone. Seems like just yesterday it was Christmas....but what a way to end January with our first big snow storm of the year!! It is so pretty looking out the window today with my cup of nice hot coffee. It might be a good day to get out and do a good Lion deed and shovel your neighbors walk or driveway if they are unable to do so themselves. Or take your kids out to play in the snow or if you have a dog take them out to jump around in it but not too long as their little paws get cold very quickly.

I hope this finds everyone staying healthy. This past year has not been at all what anyone could have expected, especially me. I have not been able to fulfill my duties as you elected me your District Governor and I miss attending and helping out at your club events and visiting with all the GREAT Lions in our district. Many clubs are not meeting for a couple of months or only meeting via Zoom right now and *I completely understand your reasoning.* I want you all to stay safe. **If you are meeting via Zoom I'd love to join your meeting just to hear what all you are doing and see your smiling faces, so please email me the details including the Zoom link and I might just surprise you and join a meeting.**

I recently sent out a survey to Club Presidents and Secretaries regarding our District Convention as now is the time we need to start planning for it. After much deliberation I have decided that it is best to cancel our convention scheduled in April and look at the possibility of holding something in May or June and maybe even an outdoor event and still invite our International Director Steve Thornton and wife Becky to join us if possible. I would never do anything to put the great Lions of B2 in harm's way so this is for the best at least for now. We will still be holding elections electronically in late March or April and those details will be coming.

**Z4 Chair** Carol Young  
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**Z5 Chair – Vacant**  
**Z6 Chair – Vacant**



## District Governor Julie Mayuiers Cont'd.

First Vice District Governor Karol is still trying to fill positions on her cabinet and committee chairs so I ask that you **please** contact her if you are interested in any of these positions.

Mark your calendars as we want to try something different on **February 11 at 7:00 pm**. We are going to hold a **"Happy Hour / Open Forum"** that is open to **ALL** members in our district. This will be an opportunity for us to see each other and share ideas and learn from others. Our District GLT Jeff will be running the meeting so please join us by clicking the following link on February 11<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing all your smiling faces so please share this with all your club members ASAP!!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88419124192>

Meeting ID: 884 1912 4192 (there is no password)

Dial in: 646-558-8656



A new tri-fold brochure has been created and a sample sent to all Presidents and Secretaries asking for club contact information for customization. The District will provide each club with 25 copies to start with and then the template so they can print additional copies as needed. Zone Chairs will be contacting clubs to obtain details before February 12<sup>th</sup>.

In March we will also be holding trainings on Zone Chairs and Club officers via Zoom to encourage new Lions to step up in Leadership. If we don't continue to offer training and promote Leadership we won't have Leaders in the future. So I encourage you to watch for those details and then attend the meetings to learn about the various offices as it will soon be time to hold club officer elections.

I encourage you to sign up for the Virtual Michigan Forum on February 27<sup>th</sup>. They have many great presentations lined up. <http://lionsofmi.com/michigan-lions-forum/>

Our International Convention in Montreal for 2021 has been changed to a virtual event only. Click on the following for further details and registration. <https://lcicon.lionsclubs.org/>

Planning for USA/Canada Forum in Des Moines, IA September 9 – 11, 2021 continues. This is a great opportunity to hear great presentations and meet new Lions. In fact USA/Canada in 2018 is where CC Jeff and I first met our GST/ZC Lion Amy Thackston. She attended in Columbus all by her self just starting out as a Lion and look how far she has come!!! <https://lionsforum.org/>

No one knows better than I do that this has been a challenging year for Lions but I want to say **THANK YOU** for all you do and know that I am here for all of you and that I will be here helping First Vice District Governor FVDG Karol next year.

**Stay safe and thanks again for all you do** and continue to "Sprinkle Kindness".

# Governor's Calendar

**2021**

**February**

- 11: Happy Hour/Open Forum Zoom 7:00 pm
- 13: Mattawan Drive-thru Soup Supper
- 15: International Childhood Awareness Cancer Day – see flyer in Beacon to send cards
- 19: Council of Governor's - Zoom
- 27: Michigan Forum - Virtual



**March**

TBD: Cabinet Meeting

**April**

- 23 & 24: B2 District Convention – Cancelled
- 25: District Cabinet meeting - Cancelled



**May**

- 20 & 21: Council of Governor's – DoubleTree by Hilton, Holland
- 21 & 22: State Convention – DoubleTree by Hilton, Holland



**June**

- 17 – 19: Three Rivers Lions Ox Roast
- 25 – 29: LCIcon – Montreal – Virtual only





# Club Anniversaries



<u>Club</u>	<u>Charter Date</u>	<u>Years Old</u>
Marcellus	2/2/70	51
Richland/Gull Lake	3/3/54	67
New Buffalo	3/6/42	79
Schoolcraft	3/25/85	36
Sister Lakes	3/30/66	55

*Happy  
Anniversary*





# Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion Leader,

Due to the continuing concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the board of directors voted to transition the 2021 Montreal Lions Clubs International Convention to a virtual event that will be delivered totally online. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind as limiting international travel and large gatherings is key to global containment strategies.

Although we are disappointed that we won't be able to host this event in person, we are excited about hosting our first virtual international convention that can safely connect Lions from around the world. We are still finalizing the details of your new convention experience, and will share those with you as soon as they are ready.

Here are some important details about the 2021 virtual convention we'd like to share with you:

- Everyone's invited** – Our 2021 convention will be a virtual event that's open to all Lions and Leos around the world.
- Registration fees** – The registration fee will be US\$50 until March 31, then US\$75 beginning April 1. The registration fee for Leos will be US\$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.

This global health pandemic has forced us all to make decisions and changes that place health and safety first. However, we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions, we continue to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our global mission of service.

We appreciate your understanding during this challenging time for our organization and the world, and thank you for your incredible service as a Lion.

Regards,  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President



# Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion Leader,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is continuing to impact the work of Lions around the world. As you know, it has also created financial hardships for our Lions and the people for whom we care.

To support the incredible men and women serving with us, the International Board of Directors unanimously passed another resolution to help our clubs.

**Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the Board of Directors:**

•**Charter and entrance fees waiver** – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from January 1 through June 30, 2021.

•**Flexible payments** – No clubs in good standing on December 31, 2020 will be suspended or canceled through June 30, 2021 for late payment of dues. Full payment is required to be received before June 30, 2021 to avoid suspension or cancellation.

- ***Please note that clubs placed on financial suspension on December 31, 2020 will remain on suspension until the full balance is paid.*** Those clubs will still need to address their outstanding dues or make arrangements for repayment with the Accounts Receivable Department at Lions Clubs International to avoid cancellation scheduled for March 1, 2021.

These additional measures will help Lions facing financial hardships and give our clubs the support and encouragement they need during these challenging times. For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity, and together, we will overcome this.

The world needs Lions now more than ever, so thank you for your outstanding service and commitment to our communities and the world.

Regards,  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President





## Leo of the Year Award Nomination Form

This award is available to any current Leo club member who is in good standing, meets membership age requirements, has all the required endorsements, and is not a previous recipient of the award. Each multiple district or single district (not a sub-district of a multiple district) may nominate one Leo annually.

Leos considered for this prestigious award must have completed the following criteria:

- Demonstrated outstanding leadership skills by holding Leo officer positions. Please ensure leadership positions are reported in MyLCI.
- Achieved a superior record as a Leo in implementing successful service projects.
- Made an identifiable contribution to the development and growth of the Leo Club Program by recruitment of 4 Leo members.
- Achieved distinction in community or school activities outside of Leo club commitments.

This application must be received no later than **March 1**. Only applications in which all questions are completed and have all required signatures will be considered valid. **Please, type responses. Do not submit any supplemental documents or applications to LCI.**

### Nominee

Leo Name \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Member ID (If available) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_ Join Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Leo Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Club ID \_\_\_\_\_  
Multiple District \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

### Endorsement

I certify that the information in this nomination form is complete and correct, and that the candidate meets all criteria for the Leo of the Year Award.

Leo Club Advisor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member ID Number  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Nomination

I understand that each multiple district may nominate only one Leo annually from an officially certified Leo club that is sponsored by a Lions club within the multiple district. I further confirm that this nomination has been approved by the multiple district council of governors, as applicable.

Council Chairperson\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member ID Number  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*Should the nomination be made by a single district (not a sub-district of a multiple district), the district governor of the single district may authorize the nomination by signing above.

Please type responses in the space provided below. Supplemental documents will not be accepted.

1. How did this Leo demonstrate leadership skills? List examples including offices held by the candidate and dates of service. Please ensure leadership positions are reported in MyLCI.

2. How did the Leo show a superior record in implementing successful Leo service projects? List the service project led by the Leo, include beneficiary numbers.

3. Did the Leo make contributions to the membership growth of the Leo club program? Please list the name and member id numbers of at least 4 new members recruited by the Leo.

4. List any additional awards or recognitions that the Leo may have received outside the Leo Club Program.

5. (For the Nominee) How has the Leo Club Program equipped the Leo for their future? Please provide the response in the space provided below.

Send completed form by **March 1** to  
[leo@lionsclubs.org](mailto:leo@lionsclubs.org) Lions Clubs International  
Leo Club Program  
300 W. 22nd Street  
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA



Put health and safety first by following COVID-19 guidelines from the CDC, WHO or local health authorities. Visit our Serving Safely page for resources to help you safely serve your community.



**We Serve**



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**United in Kindness and Diversity  
with International President,  
Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**

**Dear Lion,**

You and I share the belief that we have the power to make a better future for all people. Because Lions have a passion for what's possible. There may be challenges ahead of us, but there are opportunities too.

Let's continue to deliver hope to our communities. Let's continue to innovate and serve safely. Let's continue to keep our eyes and hearts open to new opportunities to make a difference every day in people's lives. Together, we can build a better future for our families, communities and the world we share.

Regards,

**Dr. Jung-Yul Choi**  
**International President**



## District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG)

District and Club Community Grants have enabled clubs like yours to do more for their communities. In just over two years, more than 1,000 of these grants—totaling US\$3.9 million dollars—have been used by Lions to make a significant impact in their communities.

Read our blog, "[Changing the World One Community \(Grant\) at a Time](#)," to find out more about this incredible program. And since eligibility is based on contributions to LCIF, your club may already be eligible to apply for a DCG. Discover how much you can accomplish with the support of LCIF when you [apply for a District and Club Community Grant](#).

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## International Peace Poster Contest

Give your community the opportunity to get involved from home by getting creative. For more than 30 years, Lions clubs have given young people the chance to become our partners in peace and inspire the world through our International Peace Poster Contest.

Learn how your club can [sponsor the Peace Poster Contest](#) through a local school or youth group and engage your entire community through a virtual exhibition. Peace Poster Contest kits go on sale beginning on January 15, 2021. So visit the LCI Shop page to [purchase your contest kit](#) and start planning today.

## The Impact of Your Kindness

Every one of your club's projects is an important part of our enduring service. And when you [report your service](#), you help us measure our global impact, support our clubs in new ways and bring attention to your service and the work of Lions everywhere.



Just like the work of the Lions of District 118R in Turkey, who served thousands of people this past October in the aftermath of a devastating earthquake. Their story, "[Be Our Guests](#)," is another example of how Lions like you are changing—and saving—lives. And remember that LCIF projects like these wouldn't be possible without [support from you](#).



**We Serve**



# Lions Clubs International

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Dear Lion Leaders,

I hope this correspondence finds each of you healthy and safe during these unprecedented times. This pandemic has stressed our organization, our nation, and the world like no one could have ever imagined. I firmly believe that during difficult times, true leaders shine. I am proud of each of you for not only stepping up to lead the charge, but to lead by example. General Patton once said, "A good plan, violently executed now, is better than a perfect plan next week." The fact of the matter is that we are thinking on our feet and as situations are thrust upon us. There is no textbook on how to handle the present state of affairs. Therefore, no matter what level of leadership, whether it be at the club level or on the international board, we must think and react swiftly and adapt to change. What aids us in the decision-making process? It's simple, your heart and your passion to serve. We know if we don't continue to do acts of service in our communities, people will be lost and alone in what arguably may be the most difficult points in their lives. The need today may be greater than ever before. Disasters don't stop because of a pandemic. Your community needs you; the world needs you. When we joined our clubs, we were drawn to our motto, "we serve". So, I ask you to continue to lead as you have never done before. Look for new ways to serve our communities, new members to aid us in the charge, and thrive to be the best leader that you can be.

Your International Board of Directors are here to serve by your side. The following are some recent actions taken by your board:

1. [Charter and entrance fee waiver through June 30, 2021](#). Any new club chartered, or any new member sponsored into our organization 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. We wish to not withhold one's membership for reasons that they did not have control over or had no opportunity to plan. Our hopes are that this will encourage our members to seek out the individuals that share the same passion as you and I and not have them turned away for financial reasons.

2. [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.

3. [The International Convention has now gone virtual.](#) With the potential tens of thousands of our members that would transcend in Montreal, Quebec, it would not be safe. The board recognizes the value of our members safety and while we realize there is no way to completely allow our members to feel the experience of an international convention, we are offering the next best thing, a virtual convention. This will allow even more individuals to have the convention experience. We will elect our new executive officers as well as new international board members.

Lastly, for my friends in CA1 (U.S.A. and Canada) I wanted to acknowledge the USA/Canada Leadership forum is still being planned. The forum will be hosted by the Iowa Lions in Des Moines September 9-11, 2021. I encourage each of you to register now and reserve your seat. If the forum is cancelled or you find you are unable to attend, a refund will be issued.

[Register for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Here](#)

Yours in Lionism,

Justin K. Faber

## 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Karol Chopp

Fellow Lions,

Well, it seems as though January has passed us by in a blink of an eye! As we are entering February let us begin get our clubs moving forward. There are many clubs that are doing zooms, or email communications. Please think about what you can do to keep your members communicating with each other. We have so much we can accomplish; we just need to do things in different ways.

Another thing that can be done while we are not as busy with our clubs is to do online trainings or webinars. There are so many to choose from!

Speaking of online events, we will be having our Lions of Michigan Forum online this year as well as our Lions International Convention. Not many people get a chance to attend an international convention so here is your chance! Please look for this information here in the Beacon.

Hard to believe this month would be when I was supposed to go to do training in Chicago with people from all over the world. It is disappointing but I have already made some great new friends who will be governors next year and I look forward to continuing getting to know them. Lions has given me so many new friends and I enjoy meeting people who have such similar views.

Wishing you a happy February!

Karol Chopp  
1st VDG 11B-2







We made it Lions!  
2020 is in the rearview mirror



and we are starting fresh in 2021.

To say we have some catching up to do is kind of an understatement. It's not the time to step back...it's the time to step up.

We need a Happy Hour Zoom Meeting. Every Lion is welcome to participate, let's all zoom together.....share our successes. Talk about our challenges and turning our clubs lights back on.

Participating in this Happy Hour Zoom time will be myself, MD11 Council Chair & 11B2 GLT, our District Governor Julie, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Karol, GST Amy and our GMT Rick. The only thing missing is you!

Please plan on taking part. We hope to have someone from every club on this Zoom Happy Hour.

The date is February 11

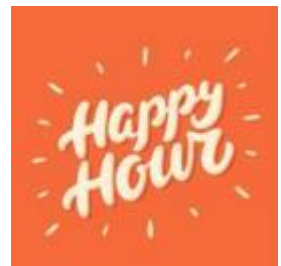
Time is 7:00 p.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88419124192>

Meeting ID: 884 1912 4192 (there is no password)

Dial in: 646-558-8656

Let's celebrate and grow together as Lions!!



## GST

Fellow Lions,

In February I want to continue to encourage all of you to serve your communities as much as your club is able. Remember that even the smallest acts make a difference!

This month I want to focus on reporting. Our district only had 7 clubs report service so far this Lion Year. I know so many more clubs are doing amazing things and we want to hear about them! Did you know that any club member can enter your service project into MyLion to start the reporting process? It's so easy! I encourage all of you to give reporting a try and if you need help please reach out to me anytime.

Please take the time to read the attached instructions on reporting and check out this link for more great reporting resources.

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/service-reporting>

Regards,  
Lion GST Amy Thackston



# MyLi<sup>n</sup>

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How to report and  
celebrate service



**Lions Clubs International**

1. On lionsclubs.org, select  
"Member Login"



2. Log in to your Lion Account



3. Select the MyLion icon



Click "Report Past  
Activity"



The screenshot shows the 'EL PASO FIVE POINTS' dashboard. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Report Past Activity, Plan Future Activity, My Activities, and Metrics. A red arrow points to the 'Report Past Activity' link. The dashboard displays three key metrics: 918 People Counted, 29 Service Activities Completed, and \$0 Loan Counted. Below these metrics is a section for 'Upcoming Activities' with two cards: 'Food Collection and Food Bank' and 'Meal Preparation and Distribution'. At the bottom, there is a footer section with links for Contact Us, Privacy Policy, and Terms of Use, and a contact number for Lions Clubs International.

Click "Report +"

reporting officers will  
click this button



The screenshot shows the 'Report Past Activity' page. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Report Past Activity, Plan Future Activity, My Activities, and Metrics. A red arrow points to the 'Report +' button. The page displays two sections: 'Unreported Activities' and 'Reported Activities'. At the bottom, there is a footer section with links for Contact Us, Privacy Policy, and Terms of Use, and a contact number for Lions Clubs International.

## 6. (A) Complete the form

### (B) Select "Report"

The screenshot shows the 'Report Past Activity' form in the Lions Clubs International system. The form is titled 'Report Past Activity' and has a 'Report this activity' link. It is divided into four sections:

- 1. Activity Level:** Includes fields for 'Activity Level' (Club) and 'Club' (dropdown).
- 2. Activity Details:** Includes fields for 'Activity Creator' (dropdown), 'Activity Duration' (radio buttons for 'Single Day' and 'Multiple Days'), 'Start Date' (calendar), 'Activity Type' (dropdown), 'Signature Activity?' (checkbox), 'Cause' (dropdown), and 'Project Type' (dropdown).
- 3. Share:** Includes a 'Who can see this?' dropdown menu.
- 4. Story:** Includes a 'Description' text area with the placeholder 'Tell your story about this activity.' and a '+ Add Photo' button.

At the bottom of the form, there are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Save', and 'Report'. A red arrow labeled 'B.' points to the 'Report' button.

## 7. Select "OK"

The screenshot shows the '4. Story' section of the form. A modal dialog box is displayed with the text 'Successfully Submitted!' and an 'OK' button. A red arrow points to the 'OK' button. Below the dialog box, the '4. Story' section is visible, including a 'Description' text area with the placeholder 'Tell your story about this activity.' and a 'Featured Photo' section with a photo of a lion and a '+ Add Photo' button. At the bottom of the form, there are four buttons: 'Cancel', 'Delete', 'Save', and 'Report'.

Learn more at [lionsclubs.org/service-reporting](https://lionsclubs.org/service-reporting)







Fellow Lions I hope you find this informative. This month we are going to look at ways to build club membership. There are many ways that a club can get the word out that you are seeking new members even while we are still under Covid-19 restrictions. We can still send letters to business owners asking them if they would be interested in joining or like to sponsor an employee that would be interested. Join your local Chamber or its equivalent. By joining these organizations, it will give you an easier way to obtain a list of their members which you can contact, plus when sending letters of interest, you can also add your club trifold. Bulletin boards are also a good way to advertise your club's interest in new members. There are many different places that have bulletin boards Grocery stores, laundry mats, employee lunchrooms, schools. You can also put your trifold in realtors' welcome packets. Visitor Bureaus, many have a calendar on the internet. Take out an ad in the local newspaper or trade paper stating you are looking for new members.

Yours in Lionism  
11B2 GMT  
Lion Rick Young  
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# Defense Against Diabetes

Here's an update on where we stand with our monies from our D.A.D grant. As we started with the grant, we had a total of \$22726 made up from \$5681 donated from 11B2 then LCIF granted us \$17045 for a total of \$22726.

We invested 25% and received the remaining 75% from LCIF. We were able to get a grant approved for Bronson's Pediatric Diabetes program for \$10521.40.

At this point in the program, we have \$11917.65 remaining to be used. We have submitted a proposal for a grant of \$12,000 for Type II diabetes training. We are awaiting a response from LCIF on the request. We know we are asking for a little more than we have left in the grant program. Our hope would be we could figure out how to make up the difference.



This picture is from Bronson's Children's Hospital staff. Pictured are Dr. Gregory Tiongson, Director for the Children's Hospital, and staff members with a THANK YOU to all Lion's Clubs in 11B2.



Pictured in this photo are PDG Marsha Brown- district 11B2 DAD Grant Coordinator, PCC Don Brown, and Bronson Representative, Heather Oestrik.



PDG Marsha Brown  
DAD Grant  
Coordinator 11B2



# 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

## DRAWINGS

### TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 1, 2021  
Lions of Michigan State Office  
Lansing, Michigan

### FINAL DRAWING

May 22, 2021  
MD 11 Convention - Holland, MI

**The PRICE is RIGHT**  
\$10.00 Per Ticket

## *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  
35th 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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There's still plenty of time to purchase tickets for birthdays or other holidays.





# LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 EXECUTIVE DRIVE - LANSING, MICHIGAN 48911

VOICE: 517 887-6640

FAX: 517 887-6642

WEB: [www.lmsf.net](http://www.lmsf.net)

December 1, 2020

## Tax time is coming.....

Dear Michigan Lion:

On June 28, 2018, Governor Rick Snyder signed Public Act 255, creating a Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund within the Michigan Department of Treasury to assist our foundation in collecting donations to help improve the quality of life of people in our state with unmet needs. Public Act 255 of 2018 added our Lions of Michigan Foundation to the list of only nine Michigan charities eligible to receive donations directly from Michigan tax payers when they file their annual state income tax return.

As each qualified charity is required to collect \$50,000 in donations annually through this special program to guarantee eligibility for the future, we are asking for any help that you can provide to ensure that we remain eligible. Just a donation of \$5 to \$10 to our foundation from each Michigan Lions member or a family member or friend on the Michigan Voluntary Contribution Schedule (MI Form 4642) would ensure that we cannot be removed from the list of qualified charities.

Since 1984, our Lions of Michigan Foundation has operated programs that address serious human needs in our state. By working in partnership with our Michigan Lions Clubs and other community service organizations and charities, we provide disadvantaged Michigan families with access to affordable eye care, hearing aids and services aimed at helping people succeed academically and socially, gain and retain employment, maintain independence and prosper in life. We support our member Lions Clubs and their communities to help make them stronger and more viable.

Our foundation provides funding for equipment, supplies and program expenses for Project KidSight and the resources necessary for our Michigan Lions to help children suffering from vision loss. Through our Emergency Individual Assistance Program, our foundation helps military families and veterans who have emergency needs, and we help people who suffer from severe vision and hearing disorders that can only be corrected through surgical intervention or costly medical procedures. Through our Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Program, our foundation helps low-income people who suffer from hearing loss maintain self-sufficiency. And, through our Emergency Disaster Relief Program, we help families affected by natural disasters, including severe storms, flooding, fires and tornados.

We greatly appreciate any support that you and your family members and friends can provide to assist us in raising the \$50,000 required to remain as one of the charities eligible to receive donations through Michigan income tax return filings. With your help, we can continue to play a significant role in solving the social, economic and health care issues facing our state.

Sincerely yours,

Pam Schroeder  
President

Chad McCann  
Executive Director

Enclosures

## A Public Charity

*Dedicated to improving the quality of life of people in Michigan with unmet needs.*

## 2020 MICHIGAN Voluntary Contributions Schedule

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use this schedule to make a donation from your refund to any of the organizations listed below. If you are not receiving a refund, your donation will increase your tax due. Check the box associated with the dollar amount you wish to contribute in columns A or B or enter a specific dollar amount greater than \$10 in the space provided in column C. Enter the total of your contribution for each line in column D. For detailed descriptions of each fund, see the reverse side of this form. Include with Form MI-1040.

Type or print in blue or black ink.

**Attachment 18**

Filer's First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Filer's Full Social Security No. (Example: 123-45-6789)  _____
If a Joint Return, Spouse's First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Spouse's Full Social Security No. (Example: 123-45-6789)  _____

	A.	B.	C. Other Amount (greater than \$10)	D. Total Contribution
1. American Red Cross Michigan Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	1. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
2. Animal Welfare Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	2. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
3. Children's Trust Fund - Prevent Child Abuse Michigan.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	3. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
4. Fostering Futures Scholarship Trust Fund ..	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	4. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
5. Kiwanis Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	5. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
<b>6. Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund .....</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$10</b>	<b>\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span></b>	<b>6. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span></b>
7. Michigan World War II Legacy Memorial Fund .....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	7. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
8. Military Family Relief Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	8. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
9. United Way Fund.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>	9. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>
10. Add column D, lines 1 through 9. Enter total of column D here and carry amount to your MI-1040, line 22.....				10. <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 10px;">00</span>

This form must be included with your MI-1040 to ensure your contributions are properly credited to the designated fund(s).

## Instructions for Form 4642, Voluntary Contributions Schedule

Michigan taxpayers can contribute \$5, \$10, or more to any of the following funds on the *Voluntary Contributions Schedule* (Form 4642). **Contributions to these funds will increase your tax liability or reduce your refund.**

### American Red Cross Michigan Fund

The American Red Cross is always there for you and your community, helping to alleviate suffering caused by disasters big and small. The Red Cross shelters, and provides emotional support to Michigan residents and beyond; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. By mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors, the Red Cross responds to more than 60,000 disasters annually. In Michigan, last year more than 6,000 volunteers logged more than 200,000 hours assisting others. On average 91 cents of every dollar the Red Cross spends is invested in humanitarian services.

### Animal Welfare Fund

The outside world can be a harsh, scary place for homeless pets. And throughout Michigan, small towns and big cities alike struggle to find the resources they need to provide medical care to the animals they rescue. Through the Animal Welfare Fund, the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) offers grants to Michigan's registered animal shelters to help support spaying and neutering programs for shelter dogs and cats up for adoption. Grants also help support many anti-cruelty and proper care programs around the state. Shelters also use grant monies from your generous donations to help care for animals that are seized as part of animal cruelty cases.

### Children's Trust Fund - Prevent Child Abuse Michigan

The Children's Trust Fund (CTF) supports services throughout Michigan to prevent child abuse and neglect. CTF funds home visitation services; respite care; services for families with incarcerated family members; and parenting education and support. CTF supports a statewide network of local Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Councils. Examples of local Council work are teaching professionals about mandated reporting; teaching parents and caregivers about infant head trauma prevention and infant safe sleep practices; and establishing baby pantries to provide diapers, formula, and clothing. In the coming year, CTF and its local Councils will lead statewide efforts to build local responses to the opioid crisis.

### Fostering Futures Scholarship Trust Fund

Fostering Futures Scholarship provides scholarships to young adults who have experienced foster care to help them achieve a college education. Approximately 13,500 students are in the Michigan foster care system and many students do not have family support after they age out of the system. Nationally, about 75 percent of students express a desire to attend college, less than 10 percent enroll in college and less than three percent graduate college. Scholarships are awarded via an application process and paid directly to the students' college or university to assist with tuition, fees, room, board, books and supplies. For more information visit [www.fosteringfutures-mi.com](http://www.fosteringfutures-mi.com).

### Kiwanis Fund

Kids need Kiwanis! Kiwanis clubs around the world, work to impact the lives of the children and families within their communities through leadership programs, hunger prevention, scholarships, reading programs, grants and so much more. Every Kiwanis club is unique because we cater our programs to the unique needs of the kids in our local communities. Your donation will be given to a club in your area and used entirely for our programs, keeping your contribution and its impact local. For more information about Kiwanis, go to [www.MiKiwanis.org](http://www.MiKiwanis.org)

### Lions of Michigan Foundation Fund

**The Lions of Michigan Foundation is a Public Charity that was created in the early 1980's to help Lions Clubs provide services in Michigan communities. The organization is dedicated to the improvement of the quality of life of people in Michigan with unmet needs. The Lions of Michigan Foundation works together with Michigan Lions Clubs and other charities to deliver services aimed at helping children and adults with sight and hearing deficiencies excel in school, retain employment and maintain self-sufficiency. For more information, visit [www.lmsf.net](http://www.lmsf.net) or write [info@lmsf.net](mailto:info@lmsf.net).**

### The Michigan WWII Legacy Memorial Fund

Honor Michigan residents who served in World War II. Officially recognized as the state's tribute to its contributions during the war, the memorial will span three quarters of an acre and provide a year-round destination to tell Michigan's unique story and educate future generations. More than 600,000 Michigan residents served on the war front while countless others served on the home front producing necessary planes, tanks Jeeps and K-rations. Help us pay tribute to the legacy of Michigan's Greatest Generation who sacrificed so all are inspired by the values, ideals and deeds that ensured our freedom today. The goal for dedication is 2020. The time to support is now. Don't let our heroes fade away. [www.michiganww2memorial.org](http://www.michiganww2memorial.org)

### Military Family Relief Fund

The Military Family Relief Fund provides grants to qualifying families of military members in either the Michigan National Guard or Reserves who are called to active duty as a result of the national response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

### United Way Fund

Contributions to the United Way Fund (of America) will be used to improve the lives of Michigan residents by mobilizing the caring power of communities to provide for basic needs, including, but not limited to, food, clothing, and shelter.



## Lion Mints Products

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12 Pieces/Roll  
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The LION MINTS PROGRAM is a time-tested and proven fundraising project for Lions Clubs throughout the world. Lion Mints provide visibility for your Club throughout your community. The Lions emblem certifies that the Lion Mints Program is an official Lions Club fundraising activity. Our quality products project a positive image of your Lions Club year around.



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# CAMPAIGN 100

*Together we can*

*Together we will*

Changing the world. It's why you became a Lion. It's also why Lions Club International Foundation- our foundation- is empowering your service through it's most ambitious fundraising campaign in history.

***Donate Today!***

*Give what you can. Every dollar counts.*

**Go to: [lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/campaign 100](https://lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/campaign-100)**

**REMEMBER:**

*Where there's a need, there's a lion!*

Thank you in advance for caring.

Hope to be able to make a presentation to your club soon!

PCC Don Brown

District 11B2

Campaign 100 Coordinator

***"Together we can do more"***

*donandmarsha@live.com*

269-762-2760



## Leo of the Year Award Nomination Form

This award is available to any current Leo club member who is in good standing, meets membership age requirements, has all the required endorsements, and is not a previous recipient of the award. Each multiple district or single district (not a sub-district of a multiple district) may nominate one Leo annually.

Leos considered for this prestigious award must have completed the following criteria:

- Demonstrated outstanding leadership skills by holding Leo officer positions. Please ensure leadership positions are reported in MyLCI.
- Achieved a superior record as a Leo in implementing successful service projects.
- Made an identifiable contribution to the development and growth of the Leo Club Program by recruitment of 4 Leo members.
- Achieved distinction in community or school activities outside of Leo club commitments.

This application must be received no later than **March 1**. Only applications in which all questions are completed and have all required signatures will be considered valid. **Please, type responses. Do not submit any supplemental documents or applications to LCI.**

### Nominee

Leo Name \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Member ID (if available) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_ Join Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Leo Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Leo Club ID \_\_\_\_\_  
Multiple District \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

### Endorsement

I certify that the information in this nomination form is complete and correct, and that the candidate meets all criteria for the Leo of the Year Award.

Leo Club Advisor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member ID Number  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Nomination

I understand that each multiple district may nominate only one Leo annually from an officially certified Leo club that is sponsored by a Lions club within the multiple district. I further confirm that this nomination has been approved by the multiple district council of governors, as applicable.

Council Chairperson\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Member ID Number  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*Should the nomination be made by a single district (not a sub-district of a multiple district), the district governor of the single district may authorize the nomination by signing above.

Please type responses in the space provided below. Supplemental documents will not be accepted.

1. How did this Leo demonstrate leadership skills? List examples including offices held by the candidate and dates of service. Please ensure leadership positions are reported in MyLCI.

2. How did the Leo show a superior record in implementing successful Leo service projects? List the service project led by the Leo, include beneficiary numbers.

3. Did the Leo make contributions to the membership growth of the Leo club program? Please list the name and member id numbers of at least 4 new members recruited by the Leo.

4. List any additional awards or recognitions that the Leo may have received outside the Leo Club Program.

5. (For the Nominee) How has the Leo Club Program equipped the Leo for their future? Please provide the response in the space provided below.

Send completed form by March 1 to  
[leo@lionsclubs.org](mailto:leo@lionsclubs.org) Lions Clubs International  
Leo Club Program  
300 W. 22nd Street  
Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA



# Please join us for the Michigan Lions Virtual Forum

## The SERVICE Must Go On!

**LIONS INTERNATIONAL**

### 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>

<http://lionsofmi.com/michigan-lions-forum/>

# **Saturday 27th February 2021 - 9am-12pm**

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**5 Session Topics include:**

**Maggie's Wigs4Kids**

**led by Maggie Varney**

**ZOOM 101 for Non-Techies**

**led by IPDG Mike Scott**

**The Service DOES Go On!**

**led by ID Justin Faber**

**Leos in Action**

**led by Lion Nicole Nessler-Stuhec**

**Lions Serving Safely**

**led by PDG Evelyn Cooper and a panel of experts**

**Keynote Address:**

## **How to Evolve our Service to Survive**

**Join VDG Daniel Marney Elkins**

...as he discusses how Lions Clubs all over the world are faced with the challenges of having to find ways to continue to serve in the "new normal" of a world that has been impacted by a global pandemic. Join VDG Daniel for an interactive learning presentation about how to evolve and adapt to ensure that we fulfill our commitment to empower volunteers to serve their communities and to meet humanitarian needs.

**The Service Must Go On and We must Serve to  
Survive!**



## Get Ready for the Michigan Lions Greatest Virtual Show on Earth

As we present:

**The SERVICE Must Go On!**

**Saturday, February 27**

Join us for 5 inspiring breakout sessions geared toward SERVICE programs and ideas to incorporate into your Lions Club.

Listen to keynote speaker VDG Daniel Marney Elkins as he addresses ***How to Evolve our Service to Survive***. In these difficult times Lions Clubs all over the world are faced with the challenges of having to find ways to continue to serve in the "new normal" of a world that has been impacted by a global pandemic. Join VDG Daniel for an interactive learning presentation about how to evolve and adapt to ensure that we fulfill our commitment to empower volunteers to serve their communities and to meet humanitarian needs. The Service Must Go On and We must Serve to Survive!

Lion Daniel Marney Elkins is a professional drug prevention specialist and is the director of the Bellevue Prevention and Outreach Center. He specializes in creating youth leadership programming by teaching strategic thinking and service learning. Lion Daniel is one of the founders of the Lions Virtual movement and is also part of the executive committee for the North American Membership Initiative's Young Lion Task Force. He also serves as a new club development consultant for Lions Clubs International. Lion Daniel was also just recently elected as 2nd Vice District Governor of the state of Delaware which is District 22-D.



2021 LIONS OF MICHIGAN VIRTUAL FORUM:  
THE ***SERVICE*** MUST GO ON!  
LION PRIDE ADVERTISEMENT SPECIAL:

**¼ PAGE AD FOR JUST \$40.00**

**Take advantage of this special advertising rate to showcase your club's service and support of the Michigan Forum. Advertisements will appear in the February and March issues of the Lion Pride.**

Please submit your camera ready advertisement for inclusion in the Lion Pride via email to: [wburns@lionsofmi.com](mailto:wburns@lionsofmi.com)

Deadline for the February Pride: January 19

Deadline for the March Pride: February 22

## **MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION, MAY 20-21**

The MD 11 Lions Convention planning committee is hard at work planning the details of the 2021 convention, to be held in Holland at the DoubleTree Hotel May 20-21. For those of you who have never attended the MD 11 Lions Convention in the past, you are encouraged to attend!

LCI President Choi is our invited guest speaker, and we are optimistic about his travel to Michigan. We are in constant contact with the hotel staff in the planning of this year's convention. At this time, the committee is planning for an in-person event with the option to move to a virtual event if warranted.

Paws for a Cause will be our host for the pre-convention picnic on Thursday, May 19. We are excited to partner with Paws for a Cause and tour their facility. The picnic is a great opportunity to meet with Lion friends from around the state and affords everyone in attendance the chance to meet with President Choi in a relaxed environment.

Reservations at the hotel can be made by calling 616-394-0111. Mention Lions of Michigan when making your arrangements.

Watch for future updates and announcements!







# LIONS CONVENTION PICNIC

Paws With A Cause National Headquarters  
4646 South Division, Wayland, MI 49348  
25 miles east of the Doubletree Hotel in Holland  
Come visit our campus, tour our facilities, learn about  
Assistance Dog training and meet some PAWS® clients!



Thursday  
May 20, 2021  
6:00 p.m.

Enjoy a picnic dinner, facility tour and demonstrations and an evening with Lion friends.

**Special guest LCI President Choi** will be joining us at this event for a special ceremony!

Cost: \$10 per person - please make checks payable to Lions of Michigan/mail with form below.

Round-trip transportation via bus will be available from the hotel to PAWS for \$5 per person -

***The bus will leave the hotel at 5:30 p.m.***

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ #of attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

RSVP your attendance, or include with your convention registration form, to:

Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing MI 48911

***We look forward to a doggone good time with our Lions of Michigan friends!***



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**CELEBRATING 101 YEARS OF SERVICE TO MICHIGAN!**  
**2021 MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION**  
**May 20-21, 2021**  
**SPONSOR AGREEMENT**

**LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP:**

\$1,000.00 Platinum Sponsorship \_\_\_\_\_

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\$ 400.00 Silver Sponsorship \_\_\_\_\_

\$ 300.00 Bronze Sponsorship \_\_\_\_\_

\$ 150.00 Heart of a Lion \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and mail to:**  
**Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive**  
**Lansing, MI 48911**  
**517.887.6640 ext. 11**





## Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

Dear Lion's Partner:

When you, your family, friends, or members of your community find yourself in need of eyeglasses, hearing aids, wheelchair ramps, food baskets, a park spruced up or a helping hand, who do you turn to? Your local Lions Club.

Why? Because you know that *"Where there is a need, there is a Lion."*

You also know that your request will be met with an attitude of caring, professionalism and trust. You can rely on Lions to heed the call to action and to remain true to our motto –**We Serve**.

The Lions of Michigan state office oversees the business operations of this amazing service club, representing 375 clubs and a membership of 9,700. It is with great pride that we offer our members learning opportunities to strengthen their clubs and their leadership skills through programs such as our annual Michigan Lions Leadership Institute, Michigan Lions Forum and the Multiple District 11 Lions Convention.

Michigan Lions will be celebrating our 101<sup>st</sup> year of service at our MD 11 Lions Convention May 20-21, 2021. The convention will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in beautiful Holland, MI. In an effort to provide the very best service to our membership we are seeking donations to enable us to offer program offerings and an overall enhanced convention experience.

Your sponsorship is extremely important because it offers immediate resources that will be directed to those attending the convention in May. Everyone on the planning committee is working hard to offer the best to our membership and together, we thank you for your generous partnership and continued support.

Yours in Service,

Lions of Michigan MD 11 Convention Committee

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## **Lions Clubs of Michigan**

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

**CELEBRATING 101 YEARS!**

### **UNITED IN KINDNESS & DIVERSITY – HOW OUR PAST HAS SHAPED OUR FUTURE**

The Lions of Michigan are pleased to offer the opportunity for Corporate,  
Club and Personal Sponsorships for the  
2021 Lions of Michigan Annual MD 11 Lions Convention  
DoubleTree Hotel, Holland  
May 20-21, 2021

### **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:**

#### **Platinum Sponsor - \$1,000.00**

Speaking opportunity during the Saturday Awards Banquet; Full page advertisement in Lion Pride publication; Social Media recognition; advertisement in the convention proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### **Gold Sponsor - \$500.00**

Speaking opportunity during the Friday evening Welcome Reception and Dinner *or* Saturday Awards Breakfast; Full page (7.5" tall x 4.5" wide) advertisement in proceedings booklet; Social Media recognition; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### **Silver Sponsor - \$400.00**

Speaking opportunity during the Friday Welcome Reception; Full page (7.5" tall x 4.5" wide) advertisement in proceedings booklet; Social Media recognition; complimentary exhibitor table; insert included in Welcome Packet; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### **Bronze Sponsor - \$300.00**

Thursday pre-convention picnic or Hospitality Room Sponsor; Listing in proceedings booklet; Social Media recognition; complimentary exhibitor table; insert included in Welcome Packet; your banner displayed throughout entire event

#### **Heart of a Lion Sponsor - \$150.00**

Breakout Session Sponsor – Advertisement in proceedings booklet

All sponsors who commit by **April 1, 2021** will be listed on the promotional materials, recognition at the convention, in the Lion Pride, on the Lions of Michigan website and Facebook page. Checks should be made out to **Lions of Michigan** and can be mailed to: **Lions of MI, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911**

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**Virtual Winter Camp for the Blind**  
**February 6, 2021 from 1 pm to 5:30 pm.**

We have had a great response from Lions around the state to the virtual Winter Camp and donation of Gift Cards for our Raffles. We have also received cash donations which will be used to purchase cards or defray some of the expenses of postage for the camp craft activity. The Winter Camp team extends our greatest thanks for your generosity. If anyone would still like to donate funds toward our general Winter Camp program, we would be very grateful.

We currently have 73 participants registered, who will be eligible to participate in the raffle (campers only please).

Eversight Michigan has generously donated the use of the Zoom account, which will accommodate up to 300 people, so we have lots of room for guests. We would like to extend an invitation to any Lions who would like to zoom in for the afternoon. If you would like to participate, please contact Roger Bosse at 269 578-3684 or [rogerbosse@att.net](mailto:rogerbosse@att.net) and I will send you the zoom connection information. The schedule is set, but the times may be somewhat soft.

**Schedule – tentative times**

1 pm Welcome to Winter Camp – Bosse/Turner/DG Anderson

1:30 pm Bible Discussion/Devotion with Mike Geno

2 pm Nature/Bird Study with Adam Brandemihl

2:30 pm Break for 10 minutes

2:45 pm Craft Activity with Denise Griffin and Crew

3:15 pm Learning and Adaptive Resources with Sabrina Simmons, Bridgid Turner, and WMU Students

3:45 pm Talent Show/Memories

6 pm Close of Winter Camp

We thank the Lions of Michigan for their interest and support of Winter Camp for the Blind! If you would like to have a presentation for your club, please contact Roger Bosse. Phone and email listed above.

Lion Roger Bosse, Winter Camp for the Blind/Sight Conservation Chair





## Introducing "Lions Cards for Kids!"

### A Covid – safe, fun project anyone can do!

#### ***Would you write even just one quick note of support for a child fighting cancer?***

In recognition of International Childhood Cancer Awareness Day on February 15<sup>th</sup>, your Michigan Childhood Cancer Committee (MCCC) has an easy challenge for every Michigan Lion!

Make or buy a card of encouragement for a child battling cancer. It can be as simple as you like, or you can go "all-out" with stickers, glitter and other decorations. Just write from your heart or Google and Pinterest will give you tons of ideas. Whatever you choose, we challenge our 12,000 Michigan Lions to send out a card...or three! This could also be a fun family project and can of course be done anytime throughout the year.

Once it's done, send it to one of the addresses below. Our Lions focus projects will get them to the kids. Easy peasy! Make sure to sign them from "Lion Your Name Here."

#### **A big "Thank You" from the kids, and from all of us on the MCCC!**

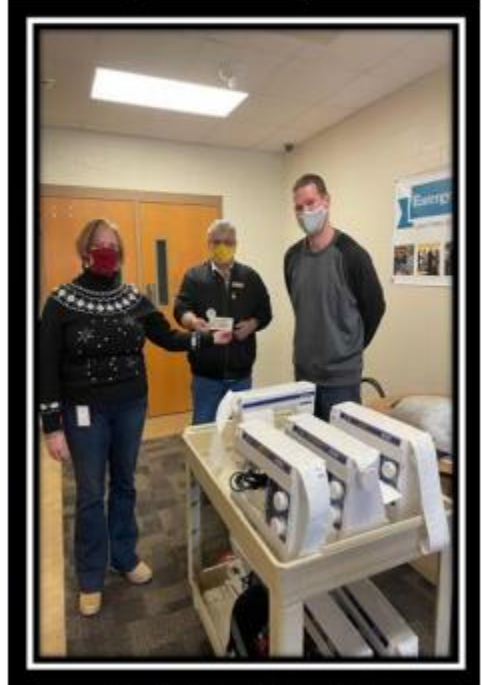
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| - Kids Kicking Cancer<br>27600 Northwestern Hwy #220<br>Southfield, MI 48034 | - Camp Quality<br>5 E Main St #6<br>Boyne City, MI 49712 |
| - Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids<br>30130 Harper Ave.<br>St Clair Shores, MI 48082     |  |

Lion Laura Hunt, MCCC Chair

## Coloma Lions

## Covert Township Lions Club

Covert Township Lions  
President, John Keener presents a



check to Principal Claire Kliss.



This donation will provide repair to seven sewing machines for the Covert/Lakeshore Sewing Club. Principal Kliss was grateful as this gift will help talented students.

Thank you again Covert Township Lions Club.

**Mattawan Lions Club**

**Mattawan Lions Club Invites you...**

***Saturday, February 13...4-6pm***

**Antwerp Activity Center**

**24821 Front St.,**

**Mattawan. 49071**



**We Serve**



***Four heart healthy soups to choose from!***

**Cabbage potato...**



**Chicken noodle...**

**Hearty mild chili...**



**Vegetarian creamy broccoli cheddar...**

***All meals come with your choice of crackers, French bread or corn bread muffin , cookie, and a bottle of water!***

**Donations for this Drive Thru dinner will be used to support the Mattawan community .**

***Suggested donation \$5.00 per person***

Questions about this evening can be sent to: [Mattawanlionsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:Mattawanlionsclub@yahoo.com)



## Paw Paw Lions

Large-scale project earns Michael Hartman Eagle Scout status

Jan 14, 2021



Pictured, from left, with the Paw Paw Lions Club's new electronic sign monument are Lions Mike Hartman and Mike Hartman Sr., Boy Scouts Troop 169 Scoutmaster Scott Anderson, Life Scout Tommy Coles, Eagle Scout Michael Hartman, Life Scout Matthew Hartman, and Lions Joy Hartman, Rob Courter and Don Brown

## Hartman achieves Eagle Scout status

**PAW PAW** — A Paw Paw Boy Scout has earned his Eagle Scout status and helped the Paw Paw Lions Club at the same time.

Michael Hartman, a member of Boy Scouts Troop 169, came up with the idea for an electronic monument sign for the Lions Club in June 2019.

"I felt that the Paw Paw Lions Club ... needed a better way to advertise the charitable works it sponsors," said Hartman, who envisioned a 10-by-12-foot brick and electronic sign display.

He planned to raise funds for the project through a spaghetti benefit, a tiered donor package and by selling grape pies.

When his Eagle project paperwork was signed in December 2019, the

project was underway. He met with businesses, individuals, Lions Club members, friends, community leaders and other service organizations.

"I soon found out what a charitable community I have been blessed to live in," Hartman said.

However, when the COVID-19 pandemic hit, he was forced to cancel the benefit dinner and find other funding.

Ground was broken on the project in June, with a footing poured in July. Next, trenches for the electrical wiring needed to be dug.

"I had four Scouts helping in 98 degree weather. My brother, Matthew, a Life rank Scout, was working two days after his wisdom teeth were removed. We worked for eight hours digging in an old road bed. ...

Next, the blocks were laid. Then, it was time for the brick," Hartman said.

But then, he learned his bricklayer could no longer donate the labor. So he and his mother drove to homes of people they were told were bricklayers. They were eventually led to James Brylowski, a representative for Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Local 2 Michigan, who said the union does several service projects a year.

"I was stunned," Hartman said. "That one act of kindness saved me thousands of dollars and kept my project moving forward."

In October, Howard Hipes, a bricklayer instructor, and Zack Overton, a bricklayer's apprentice, completed the brickwork. They

spent more than a week on the sign.

The electronic portion of the sign was installed at the end of October. Ground was leveled, top soil brought in, and grass seed and straw laid after Thanksgiving.

Hartman said at one point in the project, he had eight Scouts from Troop 169 working. One Scout, Tommy Coles, and Hartman's brother, Matthew, were there every time he needed help.

Hartman's project included 1,500 service hours. He said, by comparison, most Eagle projects average 150 service hours. Hartman was told the electronic sign accounted for half of the donations received by the Paw Paw Lions Club for its Community Christmas Baskets program.

## Portage Lions Club

### Act of Kindness

Portage Lions Club of Michigan received an email from Lions International regarding a resident of Portage needing some Holiday cheer. Sister, Cris wanted to give her sister, Joanne, some gifts for Christmas. She reached out to Lions Clubs International for help.

Lion Ruth Phillips called and asked what they wanted and needed for Christmas. The sisters requested the following: Recliner Chair, pots and pans, blankets, bedding, night gowns, and yarn among other things.

Lion Holly MacEwen went shopping for a recliner chair and donated 50% of the cost. Lion Amy Blankshain shopped for blankets and bedding. Lion Laura Berry made night gowns and donated some other items. Lions Bill and Ruth Phillips shopped for yarn, Lions Elvie, Alyssa, and cub Alaina Marfil donated stainless steel pots and pans. Lion Jarrod Permenter wrapped and delivered the gifts on Christmas Eve.



# Portage Lions Club



Portage Lions Club  
3832 Florinda Avenue  
Portage, Michigan 49002

January 11, 2021

Lions Club International  
300 West 22<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Oak Brook, Illinois 60523-8842

Attn: Legal Department

Dear Sarah Gryniewicz,

This is Lion Elvira "Elvie Marfil" of the Portage Lions Club.

On September 25, 2020, the Lions legal department granted us a permit to use the Lions logo on a face mask provided we indicate the club's name on it.

Legendary Creation, LLC was the distributing company that we made an agreement with to produce the masks. Unfortunately, due to business ethics, we cut ties with them.

We have a new arrangement with American Screen Printing, 6605 Lovers Lane, Portage, MI. 49002, Business Phone 269-323-8511, email: [americanscreenprinting@gmail.com](mailto:americanscreenprinting@gmail.com), contact: Josh Geiger.

But this time we would like to use Lions and LEO logos with the club's name printed on it. Please see the attached sample. Incentives we receive from the sale will still go toward LCIF and Campaign 100.

Respectfully yours,

Lion Elvie Marfil  
Portage Lions Club, District 11-B2  
818-800-1060  
[Epmarfil5@gmail.com](mailto:Epmarfil5@gmail.com)

# MASK

## Fundraiser

Adjustable

Adult Size



Actual Mask Logo Design



### For More Information

Lion Elvie Marfil  
818-800-1060  
Epmarfil5@gmail.com

### Make Check Payable to:

Portage Lions Club  
c/o Lion Elvie Marfil  
3832 Florinda Avenue  
Portage, MI 49002

### Venmo:

William Phillips  
@PortageMILionsClub

### Distributing Company:

American Screen Printing

## Pricing

10-11 Masks	—	\$10 each
12- 47 Masks	—	\$9 each
48+ Masks	—	\$8 each

- All Sales are Final -
- Expect 1 - 2 weeks for completion -

**ASP**  
American Screen Printing  
CUSTOM TSHIRTS & MORE  
[www.americanscreenprinting.com](http://www.americanscreenprinting.com)  
8022 Leavenworth • Portage, MI 49002 • PH: 269.223.0011



# MASK Fundraiser

## MASK ORDER FORM

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name and State	Lions Mask	LEO Mask

## Medical Equipment Items to Loan

Contact Lion Judy Pullins, Sister Lakes Lions for wheelchairs, canes and crutches.

269-277-8821 or [pullins1852@gmail.com](mailto:pullins1852@gmail.com)



Three Rivers has a wheelchair to loan.

269-273-2424

Mattawan has 2 walkers and other mobility aids. Contact Kim Copenaver

[partylikeabanker@yahoo.com](mailto:partylikeabanker@yahoo.com) or 269-251-6553



# Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



**2021**

## **February**

- 13: Mattawan Drive-thru Soup Supper – flyer in Beacon
- 15: Childhood Cancer Awareness Day – see flyer in Beacon
- 20: Council of Governor's - Zoom
- 27: Michigan Forum – Virtual

## **April**

- 23 & 24: B2 District Convention – Cancelled, may do something in the summer
- 25: District Cabinet meeting location tbd

## **May**

- 20-21: Council of Governor's – DoubleTree by Hilton, Holland
- 21-22: MD 11 State Convention – DoubleTree by Hilton, Holland

## **June**

- 25 – 27: LCIcon - Montreal virtual only

## **August**

- 1 - 4: Camp Leo
- 5 – 7: Colon Magic Week

Please note that all events are subject to change/cancellation due to COVID-19. We encourage you to check with the events hosts before driving to an event.

Don't see your event listed here....email flyers and details at least one month in advance to [jumayuiers@gmail.com](mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com) to have it included.



District 11 B2 has a new Facebook page (11 B2 Lions). Like and follow this page for all new of 11 B2. If you want items posted on the Facebook page, please send them to Lion Tammie Grabowski at cheftammie@gmail.com

Please note that the **Cabinet Secretary is Sheree Sorensen**. Please send all obituaries to her for distribution to the District. Sheree5354@gmail.com

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Please click on the following links to access further information on these topics.

Lions of Michigan <http://lionsofmi.com/>

Lions Pride <http://lionsofmi.com/lion-pride/>

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

<https://www.lmsf.net/>



Asking for your help...

Let everyone know if you have a club member or family member needing support with a Get Well Wish, Condolence or Congratulations.

*Please email me [jumayuiers@gmail.com](mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com) with members name, address, phone, hospital, reason, whatever you'd like to provide and I will publish in the B2 Beacon for the District to support them with well wishes, prayers, condolences or whatever.*



Prayer

*How to do nothing  
and still think you're helping*



Please keep these Lions and/or family members who have recently lost loved ones in your prayers. If you'd like to drop them a note I've included their addresses.

**PDG Donna Romanak** had a little slip and fall and could use some prayers and cheering up. Her address if you want to drop her a card is 31177 CR 681, BANGOR, MI 49013 9559.

**Lion Richard "Rick" Widdis** of the Baroda Lions passed away unexpectedly on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Visitation is Monday, February 1 at Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Hwy., Bridgman. Funeral will be Tuesday, February 2, at 11:00 p.m. also at Pike Funeral Home. Please keep the family and club in your prayers. Condolences can be sent to his spouse Angie at 10790 DATE RD BARODA, MI 49101 9609.

**Just spread a little sunshine and kindness and call a fellow Lion just to check on them and see if they need anything.**





I recently wondered where some of the photos and stories were coming from that were published in the Lions Pride from our district so I reached out to the State Office only to be told that if they don't have enough submissions they have to go searching on FB and websites for things to fill the pages with. I have heard numerous times "why doesn't our club ever appear in the Lions Pride". Well the answer is quite simple. **Just ask your PR person to send me the information for the B2 Beacon so I can submit to the Lions Pride.**

### **So.....Club Presidents**

PLEASE have your PR person email me so I have their contact information and we can keep in touch to share your club happenings, both past month and future. This is especially important with upcoming events so we can include on the next few months calendar and hopefully encourage Lions from other clubs to attend your events also. Attending other clubs events also provides your clubs with new ideas.

The more eyes that see your events the better attendance you will have!!!

Flyers for future events need to be to me the sooner the better. It's always good to post at least a month in advance **but no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for next months publication.**

Julie Mayuiers  
jumayuiers@gmail.com

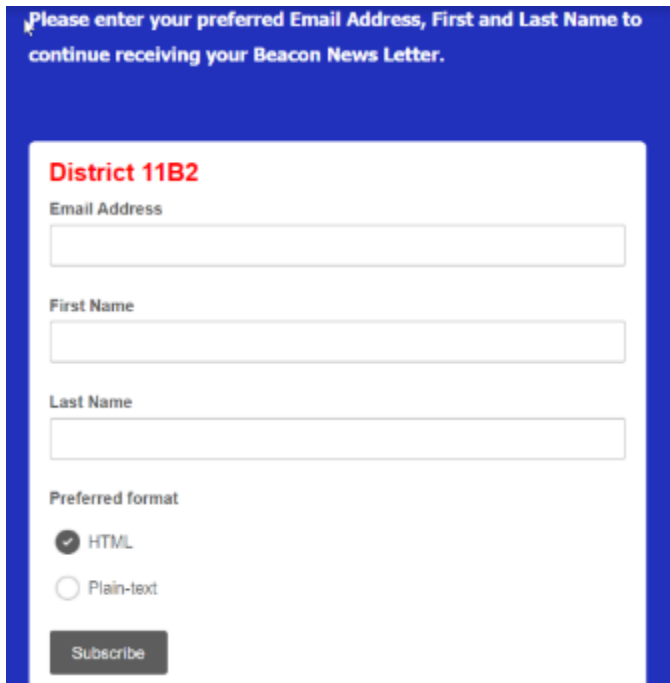
**IMPORTANT Please read**



Previously there were over 300 Lions receiving the B2 Beacon in our District. Since having to switch to a Mailchimp account to be able to send the B2 Beacon out only 126 Lions have signed up with Mailchimp. It is very easy to do and we want to get the newsletter in the hands of as many Lions as possible to keep them up to date on club happenings and also what clubs have been doing.

**Please** share this information with everyone in your club so that they can receive the Beacon direct in their email.

Go the following website <http://eepurl.com/hb2Gcf> . You will see this screen .

The image shows a web form for District 11B2. At the top, a blue banner contains the text "Please enter your preferred Email Address, First and Last Name to continue receiving your Beacon News Letter." Below this, the form is titled "District 11B2" in red. It contains three input fields: "Email Address", "First Name", and "Last Name". Below these is a "Preferred format" section with two radio buttons: "HTML" (which is selected) and "Plain-text". At the bottom of the form is a grey "Subscribe" button.

Fill in the required information and press subscribe.  
This will allow Mailchimp to add you to the database and me to send you the Beacon.

Thanks Julie Mayuiers, B2 Beacon Editor

## B2 Beacon Editor

Be sure to email me everyone in your club that would like to receive the electronic B2 Beacon and I will be happy to add them to the list. If your email changes be sure to let me know also.

We want to know what your club has been up to so please send articles in Word (.doc or .docx are best) and photos as .jpgs separately whenever possible.

Deadline is the 28<sup>th</sup> of the month to receive information for publishing in the next month's newsletter. If you know you will have something to submit on an event happening between the 28<sup>th</sup> and end of the month, please let me know by the 28<sup>th</sup> and I will hold off finalizing until I receive your information. I would like to have the final edition published by the end of the first week of every month.

All flyers for events that you'd like included in the B2 Beacon must be sent to me at minimum 45 days prior to event and especially important if event is happening in first 10 days of the month. There will no longer be separate emails with flyers and event information being sent out.

**NOTE: Submissions for Lions Pride Magazine are also now to be submitted to Julie Mayuiers who will then submit articles to Lions Pride Magazine. Please do not send anything directly to the magazine.**

Julie Mayuiers  
B2Beacon & Lions Pride District Editor

[jumayuiers@gmail.com](mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com)

P: 269-254-1938

District Web Page

[www.e-district.org/sites/11b2](http://www.e-district.org/sites/11b2)

Webmaster – Julie Mayuiers

When events are posted on the District Calendar, a flyer for that event can be linked to that posting. When your club has an event to post on the calendar, just send the flyer to [jumayuiers@gmail.com](mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com). Julie will use the information for the calendar and put up the link to the flyer....it is that simple. **The catch is that the flyer can only be accepted as a .pdf, no other format will work.**

**Recycle your Lions Pride and Lions Magazine by cutting out your mailing label or covering it with a white label with your club's contact information. Then place them in your local library, doctor's offices, etc. and try and recruit new members this way. Also place a label on a copy of the B2 Beacon and leave in the same locations to encourage others to see what Lions are all about and how WE SERVE!!!**