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# B2 Beacon Lions of District 11-B2

"Lean on a Lion"

Julie Mayuiers, Editor April 2020 News



**B2** Beacon





A Message to the Lions of 11 B2:

"The purpose of human life is TO SERVE and TO SHOW COMPASSION and TO HELP OTHERS" - ALBERT SCHWEITZER

The world we live in has undergone a fundamental shift. This change in our lives came on quickly and as time has passed, it is only human to begin feeling discouraged and adrift. Blessings we might have taken for granted such as food, shelter and the ability to pay our bills becomes our focus and challenge. We are all in the same boat. Therefore, we felt it imperative to reach out to you as LIONS to encourage you to refocus your commitment to the spirit of the words once spoken by Albert Schweitzer.

Our neighbors are in great need. Necessities are for many a challenge. How can we respond as Lions to their needs? If past practice is the best indicator of future behavior, we know Lions SERVE. But how can we serve if we cannot meet and we cannot leave our homes? Here are some ideas for you to consider:

We plan;

We communicate;

We reach out to others serving;

We use our funds to help others;

We hold virtual meetings;

We exchange ideas and encouraging messages by email and face book:

We update our websites so they become interactive tools for our members and our communities;

We stay connected!



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"Think outside the box" virtual fundraising to help our communities.

Clubs can set up a **Zoom** Account to host virtual meetings. This should help all clubs to be able to hold elections via Zoom if they are having issues with other methods (mail, email, conference call). Go to <a href="https://www.Zoom.com/login">https://www.Zoom.com/login</a> to create an account.... it walks you through the steps.

# Here are some suggestions for ways to communicate:

**Skype** has been around for a long time, and while its desktop app is pretty weak, the mobile version is solid and it supports big groups with no real time limit (four hours per call, 100 hours per month), for free. https://www.skype.com/en/get-skype/

**FACEBOOK MESSENGER**- Messenger is a popular app for good reason — it works well for pretty much every kind of digital communication you might want to do with your friends. It supports up to eight people in free video calls with no duration limit, and when you are doing a two-person call it switches to a peer-to-peer structure, skipping servers and potentially avoiding congestion. Of course, it's also a Facebook product, meaning you'll need an account there — not something everyone is into. <a href="https://www.messenger.com/">https://www.messenger.com/</a>

**GOOGLE DUO-** plugging into your existing Google contacts and accounts and letting you do straightforward, unlimited video calls <a href="https://duo.google.com/">https://duo.google.com/</a>

Stay the course. Stay strong. Stay safe. We Serve!

District Governor John
First Vice District Governor Julie
Second Vice District Governor Karol



Note that the June Cabinet meeting previously scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup> has been postponed to June 27, 2020. At this time the meeting will be held virtually. Any questions, please contact District Governor John.



# For Sale by the District





We had built about a dozen of these stands to hold our banners for our District Convention before it was cancelled. They break down to 5' (the length of a banner) and all pieces come apart for easy storage. We are offering them to the clubs for \$20 each. They are first come first serve. Please contact Lion Jeff Mayuiers if your club would like to purchase one. 269-254-1936. Thanks

# **FVDG Julie Mayuiers**

#### Club Elections

Just a reminder that although many clubs have not met in person the past couple of months that Officers for the 2020 – 2021 year still need to be elected and reported on MyLCI or sending the PU101 Form to LCI by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Also, you need to submit the 2020 – 2021 Roster Book Officer page to me by May 20<sup>th</sup>. Elections can be held via email, snail mail, Zoom or conference call.

Every May/June sponsoring Lions clubs of Leo clubs must all per board policy enter their Leo advisor in the MyLCI at the same time that you do the new Lion officers. The Lion President or Secretary can update this Lion Leo advisor. If the Leo club is a school base and they have a faculty advisor this is perfectly ok, but in the system (MyLCI) you must list the Lion Leo advisor. This is the biggest problem right now when we say things are not updated. It doesn't matter that we are all on a lockdown state as the advisor should have been reported last May or June for this year. That's our biggest concern at the moment.

Leo membership by the advisor cannot be updated in the MyLCI if they have not been reported as the advisor.

If the Leo club is no longer functioning, the "Leo 86 Cancellation Form" (located on lionsclubs.org) needs to be completed and returned to <a href="mailto:cynthia.wicklund@lionsclubs.org">cynthia.wicklund@lionsclubs.org</a>

There are still two Zone Chair (Zone 3 & 5) positions that are open and a few Committee Chairs that need filled for next year.

I'd be happy to provide the Committee Chair Job Descriptions if you would like to learn more about any of the committees. So please contact me at <a href="mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com">jumayuiers@gmail.com</a> or 269-254-1938....we especially need everyone to step up and help out at this time.





# 2020 - 2021 Roster Book Contacts

# Please email to Julie Mayuiers - jumayuiers@gmail.com

# As soon as possible following elections or NO later than May 20th

Club Name	
Meeting Location	
Meeting Time & Days	
(Ex: 1st & 3rd Wed.)	
President	
Name	
Street Address	
City, Zip	
Email	
Phone (C)	
Phone (H)	
Secretary	
Name	
Street Address	
City, Zip	
Email	
Phone (C)	
Phone (H)	
Treasurer	
Name	
Street Address	
City, Zip	
Email	
Phone (C)	
Phone (H)	



# **Club Anniversaries**



<u>Club</u>	Charter	Years
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Old</u>
Kalamazoo Westside	5/15/02	17
South Haven	5/16/96	23
White Pigeon	5/29/45	74
Bloomingdale Gobles		
Kal Haven	6/6/94	25
Comstock	6/11/70	49
St. Joseph	6/15/28	91
St. Joseph Twp.	6/19/81	38
Baroda	6/19/84	35





## **GLT**



We are experiencing something we could have never imagined in our wildest dreams. As Lions we are doers. We are driven to help our communities and our fellow man. Yet we as Lions find ourselves nearly paralyzed. This is not only here my fellow Lion's; this is all over the world. Lions everywhere have been told to step back, stay at home, protect yourself and your family.

As Lions we have always said family first and the COVID-19 pandemic has tested that for all service organizations. We can only speculate what the post COVID-19 pandemic world will look like. We can only hope we as Lions will be able to get back to our motto "WE SERVE" very soon.

For now, understand so many of our valued fundraisers have had to be cancelled. Our State & District Conventions have been cancelled. Even our face-to-face club meetings have been put on hold. Our younger Lions have come to the rescue in many clubs. They continue to meet via Zoom or Skype or teleconferencing. It is those clubs that are currently setting the bar because so many clubs have just stopped meeting and almost communicating. Yet new District Officers need to be elected. This is now set up allowing all approved club delegates to vote beginning May 17th. We also need to elect our new Club Officers as well.

As the District GLT, I will be conducting New Club Officer Training. Tentatively I will try to get this set up in June providing we are allowed to hold meetings by then. If not, club officer trainings are also available online <a href="https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-officers-training">https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-officers-training</a> and can be completed in the comfort and safety of your own home. It is my personal feeling when we all gather together, we can share more information and experiences versus the online versions. If any Lion has any questions or concerns that pertain to leadership, please do not hesitate to drop me an email or text.

GLT Jeff Mayuiers wimayuiers@gmail.com 269-254-1936



# **GMT**



Fellow Lions, as we go through this pandemic and in searching for this month's article, has been challenge. What has come to mind is what is called "Virtual Clubs". As we push forward the advancement of technology, more and more organizations are moving to the cyber world. Below you will find how LCI is answering that call. If you know of any group that might fit within these guidelines that follow, please get in touch with me at roaddog roaddawg @yahoo.com or at the phone number above.

Yours in Lionism
GMT Lion Rick Young

#### **Virtual Club**

Virtual Lions clubs use their phones and computers to serve their communities. These clubs establish a presence in a virtual space, and coordinate their in-person service efforts using a variety of virtual channels.

Forming a virtual club is a great option when individuals are pressed for time, restricted by geographic proximity to a club, or have limited mobility, among other reasons.

## **Chartering a Virtual Club**

The process and policies of chartering a virtual Lions club are the same as chartering any Lions club, while considering the following:

- A virtual club's district will be determined by the district of its sponsoring club as well as the geographical location of its members.
- Seventy five percent of the club's charter members must live or work within the multiple district where the club is chartered.
- Club name must follow LCI naming conventions, and can include identifying terms such as Virtual, Online, etc.
- A virtual club's constitution and by-laws can be revised to accommodate processes for the resolutions of disputes and virtual voting.



# GMT Cont'd.

#### A Virtual Club in Action

Virtual clubs rely on a variety of platforms to provide meaningful service, maintain member engagement, and develop new leaders. Some types of tools that are key to effectively support the actions of the club are listed below. Each club is different, and should choose the tools that work best for its members.

MyLion was purpose-built to help all clubs plan service and connect online, and will be a key resource for your virtual club. Lions International recommends starting with MyLion and MyLCI to facilitate your club's service efforts and communication.

Non-Lion platforms listed below are offered merely as examples. Lions International does not officially endorse, nor provide any incentive, discount or rebate, for the virtual platforms and applications mentioned.

• **Meeting platform:** For all members to participate in the decision-making process, it is important to choose a meeting and communication platform that support simultaneous participation.

**Examples**: Skype, WhatsApp Group/Conference, GotoMeeting, Zoom, and Facebook Group call, and traditional conference calls.

• **Document exchange platform:** To keep all club documentation in order and easily accessible to its members.

**Examples:** Office 365, google Mail, and Slack.

• **Financial platform:** To keep track of club finances, dues, funds raised, and make payments with ease.

**Examples:** A club's bank's online services, Paypal, and Square.

• **Voting platform:** To allow for ease of tracking as well as confidentiality of votes in club related matters.

Examples: Google Survey, SurveyMonkey, and Simply Voting.

• **Service Project Planning Platform:** To plan, promote, help implement, and report service projects.

**Examples:** MyLion was built expressly to help Lions like you plan service projects. Other platform options include Facebook and SignUpGenius.

• Social Media accounts: To maintain a presence in virtual platforms visible to Lions and non-Lions where news, service activities, and recruiting information can be promoted. **Examples:** MyLion App, Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and Instagram.

# **MyLCI and Virtual Clubs**

Virtual clubs are considered a management and meeting style. These clubs can share details on how they meet virtually by clicking the ONLINE flag located in the Meeting Location section of MyLCI and completing the appropriate fields.





We regret to inform you that due to lack of response from the Leo Clubs and Advisors we will be postponing a Leo Convention this year. We need input from all the Leo Clubs in order to organize a Leo Convention that is of interest to the Leos.

As we look to the new year we encourage all Leo Clubs to send their new club officers and advisors contact information to 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Julie Mayuiers so that this information may be included in the Roster Book for 2020 – 2021. Send this information to <a href="mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com">jumayuiers@gmail.com</a> no later than June 1. Also remember to submit this information to LCI.

We encourage all Leo Clubs to send articles to be included in the B2 Beacon just the same as our Lions Clubs do. We want to know what service projects you have been up to and what you have coming up so Lions and everyone else can support you by attending. Send flyers for upcoming events at least 6 weeks in advance of event if possible so there is ample time to get in the B2 Beacon and send articles and photos after the events to <a href="mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com">jumayuiers@gmail.com</a>.

All Lions, Leos and Advisors can also receive the B2 Beacon electronically if they provide their email to FVDG Julie Mayuiers. This may also be an opportunity for Leos to obtain new ideas for service projects or to attend another Leo Clubs events to help out or just support them.

We look forward to hearing what all the Leos have been up to.

# **LMSF**

A message from the President of the Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

It is the hopes that his message finds all of you safe and well. I am writing this to inform you all of some very important decisions that took place at our Zoom Board Meeting on May 2, 2020.

First and foremost we felt it was in the best interest of all Lions to cancel our Hall of Fame Banquet that was to be held in Mt. Pleasant on August 1<sup>st</sup>. A decision was also made to put all KidSight and Hearing Screenings on hold until our next Board Meeting in January or February of 2021...yes Lions, 20201!

We also met at the State Office and drew the 4 Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes tickets for the clubs selling raffle tickets. We will meet in Holland on May 16<sup>th</sup> and draw the remaining winning tickets. This was done after consulting with the State Licensing Committee who advised us that the tickets must be drawn at the location and on the date specified on the tickets.

It was also decided to cancel our Group Cruise slated to take place in 2021 and readdress that fund raiser for 2022.

For now Stay Safe – Stay Home – and keep in mind you have the heart of a Lion!

Jeff Mayuiers
President
Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

Dear Lions Bear Lake Camp Family,

First, let me introduce myself as Shelly O'Henley, Executive Director of Lions Bear Lake Camp, succeeding Dennis Tomkins after his retirement.

COVID-19 has changed the way we do everything in our lives, including the way we are now doing business at Lions Bear Lake Camp.

The Lions Bear Lake Camp Board of Directors is meeting regularly to assess camp's response to the COVID-19 crisis which continues to change rapidly. We are monitoring the situation closely; any decisions about programming will be based on recommendations from federal and state government health organizations and what is best for our Lions Bear Lake Camp family.

The following contingency plans have been implemented to ensure that Lions Bear Lake Camp thrives on the other side of COVID-19:

- · Lions Bear Lake Camp will remain closed effective immediately through minimally May 31, 2020 or when it is deemed safe for our camp to function.
- · Keeping the safety of our employees in mind, we have intermittently laid them off.
- Due to travel restrictions, I will be working from my home and will do my best to continue the great relationship we have with our Lions Bear Lake Camp family.
- Please contact me in the following ways:

Shelly@bearlakecamp.org and 810-837-0119

Finally, as you can imagine the loss of revenue is going to be determinantal. We ask that if you have the ability, please make a personal donation and we ask our clubs, that have supported us throughout the years, to continue your support as we need it now, more than ever before.

· You can make an online donation by click on this link:

http://bearlakecamp.org/index.php/make-a-donation/make-a-donation-main-menu Or via mail:

Lions Bear Lake Camp, 3409 N. Five Lakes Road, Lapeer, Ml. 48446

I know you share my concerns that this crisis will affect the operation of Camp's 2020 season. I also know that we all want to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Ultimately, we want the Lions Bear Lake Camp experience to be a safe one for you, your family and our staff. Please continue to share our message with your family, friends and fellow Lions members.

Together We Serve,

Shelly

#### P.S. POSTPONED DATES and EVENTS:

Buffalo and Boar Wild Game Fundraiser Dinner, scheduled for April 4, 2020, is tentatively POSTPONDED until June 20, 2020, UNLESS the mandates do not allow.

If we are unable to host the dinner in 2020,we will refund ticket money.

Work Bee, scheduled for May 9, 2020, is TENTATIVELY POSTPONED until the mandate allows.

Golf Outing Fundraiser, scheduled for May 17, 2020, is TENTATIVELY POSTPONED with no reschedule date as of now.

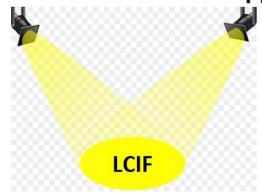
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, scheduled for June 13, 2020, is TENTATIVELY POSTPONED with no reschedule date as of now, but we will have a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in the future.

Shelly O'Henley, Executive Director

Lions Visually Impaired Youth Camp, Inc.

DBA: Lions Bear Lake Camp Cell: 810-837-0119 Office: 810-245-0726 Fax: 810-245-0750

# Each month in the Beacon, we will highlight the projects that District 11-B2 clubs support.



What is LCIF? LCIF stands for Lions Clubs International Foundation.

Who are they and what do they do? LCIF began in 1968 to help support Lions in making a difference in their community. They are the charitable arm of Lions Clubs International. They have received the 4 Star Rating from Charity Navigators for 8 years in a row. LCIF awards grants around the world to communities and people in need. Lions Clubs and districts can apply for grants to increase their service impact in the areas of Vision, Diabetes, Environment, Hunger, Childhood Cancer, Youth, Disaster Relief and Humanitarian Efforts. For example, as of the end of April 2020, 166 LCIF grants were awarded totaling \$3,208,655 in the fight against Covid-19, with more being awarded every day

**How do we get involved?** Your club can make a donation to LCIF at Projects' Night every fall. LCIF has fellowships available for your club to award. A donation of \$1,000 will allow your club to bestow a Melvin Jones Fellowship on a deserving person. You also have an incredible opportunity right now to become a part of Campaign 100. Lions are being counted on to donate \$100 per year for 3 years. You can set up a payment plan or pay it all at once.

**Does 100% of my donation support LCIF service?** Yes. Each donation supports LCIF programs for the short-term and long-term. The largest program expenditure is grants. The foundation's investment income is sufficient to cover administrative and fundraising expenses.

**How are LCIF grant programs funded?** The vast majority of grant funding is made possible by donations from Lions clubs and individual members worldwide. LCIF does not receive any portion of Lions membership dues. Gifts from foundations, corporations, governments, non-Lions and interest earned on investments also provide funding.

For more information about LCIF, go to https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-foundation/mission

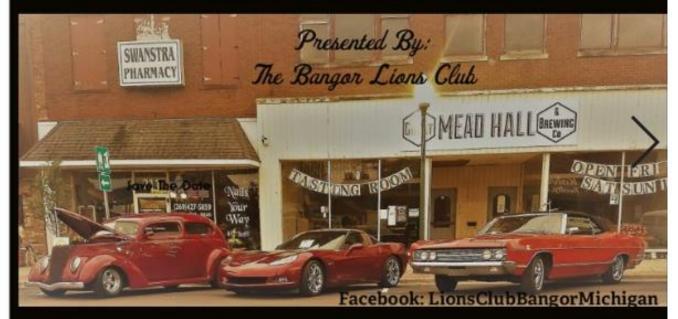
For more information about Campaign 100, contact LCIF Chair, PCC Don Brown or go to <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/campaign-100">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/campaign-100</a>





# Save the Date!!!

# Bangor Apple Festival Car Show - Save The Date!



Saturday, October 10th 2020 10AM - 2PM Downtown Bangor (Monroe St.)

One Trophy Per Entry! Contact: Lion Dick Ely 269.416.0020

# **Lawton Lions**

### Every Monday, until Oct 12, 2020

# Lawton Lions Club Queen of Hearts Raffle

#### Barn Brewers Brewery

The Lawton Lions Club will be holding a Queen of Hearts Raffle drawing starting 10/21/19 on Mondays through 10/12/20 at Barn Brewers Brewery in Lawton. Drawing dates excluded are 5/25/20 & 9/7/20. Tickets are \$1 each and will be available at the Barn and with Lions Club Members, at any time. Additionally, Lions Club Members will be at the Barn on Mondays from 5-8pm selling tickets (drawing is at 8pm). This raffle is a unique and fun game full of excitement that builds each week, so grab some tickets, friends and test your luck...the winner could be YOU! Look forward to seeing you at the Barn!



# **Portage Lions Club**

# Save our Landfills

# Collecting

# CLEAN, EMPTY, UNLABELED MEDICATION BOTTLES WITH CAPS



# PORTAGE LIONS CLUB THANK YOU!

Call: Ruth 269-345-4622 or Elvie 818-800-1060

Matthew 25: Caring for a Needy World with the Things We Throw Away.

# **Portage Lions Club**



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

Now, it's time to raise funds!

Masks are available for purchase at \$5.00 each- adult size \$4.00 each- young adult (7-12 years) \$3.00 each- child (3-7 years)

Postage not included.

Thank you for your support

# St. Joseph City Lions Club

Congratulations are in order to Lion Ren Baldwin on being the recipient of the MACUL(Michigan Association of Computer Users in Education) 2020 President's Award. Good job Lion Ren.

The President's award recognizes and honors MACUL members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in the use of technology to improve education.



2020 MACUL President's Award:

Ren Baldwin



# St. Joseph City Lions Club

The Saint Joseph Lions Club is pleased to assist the Emergency Shelter Services(Homeless Shelter) during this Covid-19 Crisis. In the past, the club has made monthly donations to the shelter by providing items such as:

- Healthy snacks such as fruit snacks, fruit cups, granola bars, etc.
- Cleaning supplies such as disinfectant, bleach, and laundry detergent, to name a few.
- Plastic forks and spoons, styrofoam/paper plates and cups. napkins and paper towels.
- Garbage bags and yard waste bags.
- Breakfast cereal, breakfast bars, etc.

#### for shelter operatons.

Because the club has not been able to hold its weekly meetings during this crisis, we have not been able to collect and deliver the items to the shelter. Becaus of this the club has made a generous donation to the shelter to help them provide the items they need to operate the shelter during this national emeergency.

Receiving the donation is Reshella Hawkins(R), Shelter manager from Saint Joseph Lion Ed Heiden(L) to assist the shelter during the Covid-19 crisis.



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August 2 - 5, 2020

Camp Warner Grand Junction, Michigan

# Camp Leo the Lion

A residential summer camp for children (10-18 years old) with disabilities from Berrien, Cass and Van Buren counties

Presented by the Lions and Lioness Clubs of Southwestern Michigan in partnership with Berrien RESA

Camp applications are available at Blossomland Learning Center 711 Saint Joseph Avenue, Berrien Springs, Michigan (269) 473-2600

Scholarships are available!





# Upcoming Events to add to your calendar!!



Memorial Day

### May

## 15: Deadline for filing Officer Reporting Form (PU101)

17 – 24: District Elections, Constitution & ByLaws Amendments, 2019 Business Meeting and Finance Report voting

25: Memorial Day

**June** 

1: Helen Keller Day

5: World Environment Day

7: Lions Clubs International Birthday

27: Virtual Cabinet Meeting - details to follow

# **August**

2 - 5: Camp Leo, at Camp Warner, Grand Junction, MI

# September

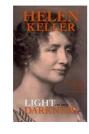
17 – 19: USA/Canada Leadership Forum – Louisville, KY – registration forms coming soon

### **October**

10: Bangor Car Show - Save the Date!!

















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 Natalie Postelli. Please send all obituaries to her for distribution to the District. natalie@Postelliandpostelli.com

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

Lions of Michigan <a href="http://lionsofmi.com/">http://lionsofmi.com/</a>

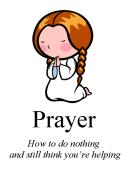
Lions Pride <a href="http://lionsofmi.com/lion-pride/">http://lionsofmi.com/lion-pride/</a>

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

<a href="https://www.lmsf.net/">https://www.lmsf.net/</a>

Asking for your help...

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



Please email me <u>jumayuiers@gmail.com</u> 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.



Please keep these Lions in your prayers as they are not feeling quite up to par lately. If you'd like to drop them a card I've included their addresses.

Lion Jim Oestrike (had foot/ankle surgery) 907 Pine Street Three Rivers, MI 49093

Lion Lowell Dill (brother of PDG Bill Dill) passed away. He was a member of Kalamazoo Westside for the past 11 years. Being blind himself he knew how blind people needed all the help they could get.







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**th of the month for next months publication.

Julie Mayuiers jumayuiers@gmail.com

# **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 if 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

P: 269-254-1938

District Web Page <u>www.e-district.org/sites/11b2</u> 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 <a href="mailto:jumayuiers@gmail.com">jumayuiers@gmail.com</a>. 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.

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