

Lions District 11-C2 Newsletter

Editor: Lion Robert Tetzlaff PDG

February 2021





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From the desk of the Governor

Hello Lions, Lioness and Leos of 11-C2



Happy February 2021!! I hope all of the clubs are off to a good start, to make 2021 a fantastic year. If you are looking for help setting up zoom to conduct your meetings, please reach out to Ray Robbins. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ray for all of his hard work and dedication helping all

of our clubs with their zoom needs.

I would like to thank everyone that took the time to join the January Cabinet Meeting via zoom. We had 25 people on zoom, which I think maybe a record number for zooming on the Cabinet meeting. Other good news, is that the \$35 initiation fee is being waved thru June 30, 2021. Please take this opportunity to continue your recruiting efforts and use the famous words, "Just Ask".

We are hopeful and excited that we might be able to hold our Convention in person March 19th, 20th and 21st. We will keep you posted if this changes and we aren't able to gather in person. Fingers crossed that we will be able to gather together. We are planning to conduct the convention via zoom for people who are not able to attend in person. We are hoping to see many of you, and be able to celebrate with our great Lioness clubs, and are looking forward to them coming into our district as Lioness/Lions clubs in the future.

If your club has not scheduled a visit for me to come visit your club, please contact me. I really enjoy coming out to see everyone. If your club needs anything at all, please reach out to the district team anytime, we are here for you. Happy Valentine's Day!!

Lion Kurt Stromlund DG

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Durand Lion Club

Susan Hatherill Sponsor-Ed Hatherill

Elsie Lions Club

Roseanne Weyersbery



Governors Travels

Feb 1 - District Convention Meeting via Zoom

Feb 9 - Michigan Forum Meeting via Zoom

Feb 10 - Eversight Gift of Sight Golf Classic Meeting via Zoom

Feb 18 - Hartland Lions Club Monthly Meeting

Feb 19 - Lioness Virtual Happy Hour

Feb 20 - Council of Governors Meeting via Zoom

Feb 27 - Michigan Forum via Zoom

Feb 6 - Lioness Cabinet Meeting via Zoom

Grand Ledge Lions Club

There are endless needs created by the Covid 19 pandemic and just as many ideas to answer those needs.

The need to keep students supplied with educational reading materials as school classes, libraries and other gathering places not available, rates high among those needs.

Lions President Brandi Bauer responded recently to a request for help from Grand Ledge Public Schools' Literacy Coach, Ann Anderson. A small building has been donated to the schools for use as a library of books to be loaned out as needed to Elementary students in the city.

Ms. Anderson asked the Lions to help build more of these "Little Comets' Libraries" for placement around the city as a source for free books.

With little encouragement needed, Lions Lysle Finney and Duke Love went to work and soon had built their interpretation of the type of building needed.



Lion Lysle Finny



Lion Duke Love



This model has recently been installed by the School System at Delta Center and a second unit has been delivered.

The School system will install and outfit the Libraries and provide the appropriate books.

East Lansing/Meridian Lions

Bottle Collections

Our club, via Lions Carrie Agnew and Lion Lary Hill have also collected on returnable at their respective Kroger locations and have collected an additional \$120.00 + \$10.00 to go with Lion Deb Stuart's efforts witch was \$243.00. The monies collected will go in our Sight & Hearing Account for our club to allow us to support charities and communities.

To get the Hotel rate of \$87.00, the Comfort Inn has extended the cut off date to March 12th.

Bridge Trivia:

Bridge trivia answer from last month: Gordie Howe International Bridge

Thank you to all that answered the Bridge Trivia questions. There will be a drawing to see who the winners of the contest are on Friday night of the convention. The winners will get a free Friday night meal ticket at the convention. Thank you for all who played.



If 2020 and the start of 2021 has taught us anything it is exactly what Albert Einstein said many years ago "In the middle of every difficulty lies opportunity."

Just as many folks, my work schedule has been affected by the pandemic, at first, I was frustrated. I moped around and tried to find things at home to fill the gap. I cleaned, organized and drove my husband crazy. What to do? I know, Volunteer more!

I didn't have to look very far, there are so many opportunities right now. This is a great time to work on a committee with your club or even a state project. Most committees meet online, and can be

done from home. I know many are taking this time to update bylaws, policy manuals, or create unique fundraising ideas.

I have been contacting clubs to see how I can help with organizing meetings, answering questions, and just trying to stay positive. As we move forward, remember each of us in our Lions' family is struggling, either dealing with no socializing or just trying to come up with new ideas.

So, as we celebrate Valentine's day, I will celebrate full of good wine, good food, and especially with good friends like you. Happy Valentine's Day 2021.

Lion Traci Tribley 2nd Vice DG

The District Cabinet meeting was held on January 23, 2021. It turned out to be a big success. There where 10 Lions in person and 26 Lion via Zoom.

Below are pictures of the meeting. Thanks Lion Ray for setting up the Zoom meeting and the pictures.











LCIF provides funding support to Lions to improve the outcomes for children with cancer.

CHILDHOOD CANCER QUICK FACTS:

- Each year, 300,000 children are diagnosed with cancer diobally
- The average age of children diagnosed is six
- Only 37% of children with cancer survive (rate varies by region)

DID YOU KNOW?

LCIF is partnering with Global HOPE to address the discrepancies in survival rates in developing and developed countries.



February 15, 2021

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 and I will send you the zoom connection information. The schedule is set, but the times may be somewhat soft.

Schedule – tentative times

- 1:00 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
- 6:00 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 Bline/Sight Conservation Chair

District 11-C2 Convention 2021

It's Convention Time!



Grab your mask, get your vaccination (if you feel inclined) and join us in Mt. Pleasant for the last joint convention with the District Lioness, Lions and Leos.

Comfort Inn & Suites, March 19-20-21, 2021. Prices King/Queen \$87.00 Call 1-989-772-4000. Make sure you tell them Lion's 11-C2 Convention to get the rate of \$87.00 a night.

Fun Friday Night planned including Bridge Trivia, Scavenger hunt, Music, Dancing, Karaoke and raffle prizes.

Saturday will be full of Fellowship, Awards honoring well deserved Lioness, Lions and Leos, and a parade of Banners showcasing the longest serving club, the newest club and all clubs in attendance. Please bring your banner. For questions regarding the parade banners, please call or email Lion Traci Tribley 989.277.7437 or tracitribley@gmail.com.

Our beautiful Memorial service will round out a fun filled weekend on Sunday morning. Please get those deceased Lions and Lioness forms to Lion Bob Tetzlaff acee44@msn.com so we can honor everyone we have lost since March 2019.

Hope to see you all there!

Lion Traci Tribley 2nd Vice DG

To get the Hotel rate of \$87.00, the Comfort Inn has extended the cut off date to March 12th.



February 14, 2021

DECEASED LIONS/LIONESS

Member's Name:	
Club:	Years of Service:
How many family and/or Lions/Lioness me	mbers will be attending?
This is mandatory so that we do not run ou	t of food.
Club Positions Held:	
District Positions Held:	
List any Special Awards Received, include a	ny Military Service:

PLEASE complete this form and furnish photo for each member of your club who has passed away since February of 2019 and post marked by February 15^{th} , 2021 to:

Lion Robert Tetzlaff 5308 Sunrose Ave Lansing MI 48911

Note: If you are using a digital photo please enclose the file in an email to acee44@msn.com

2021 Delegate Certification Form - District 11-C2

According to the District 11-C2 Constitution and <u>By-Laws</u> Article VII, all Lions Clubs in good standing with Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 11 and District 11-C2 are entitled to one (1) vote for each ten (10) members or major fraction thereof, as reported on your January Member Report Form. The major fraction referred to is five (5) or more members.

The number of delegates your club is entitled to for the District 11-C2 Convention is determined as follows: To be counted, the person must have been a Lion for one year and one day as of February 1, 2021, meaning they must have been listed as a member by January 31, 2021. (Note - They do not have to be a member that long to be a delegate.)

When you complete your Member Report Form for January, you can compute the number of delegates and alternates your club is entitled to and select your representative(s). List their names below on the **left** side of this form and include whether each representative listed is either a "delegate" (D) or an "alternate" (A). Return this form no later than February 16 of the given fiscal year to:

Lion Lloyd Kilbreath PDG Credentials Committee 7501 Cole Road Durand, MI 48429

Your representative(s) must register for the convention at the Registration Desk first and then they must sign this form AT THE CONVENTION and pick up their delegate sticker from the Certification Desk. All delegates MUST BE REGISTERED AND CERTIFIED in order to vote at the business sessions.

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NOTE: **This is NOT a Convention Registration Form**. All Lions must register before they can be certified to vote. Please advise your delegates to arrive early. The Certification Desk will close at an appointed time which will be displayed at the Certification Desk. Any Lion who is not in line at that time will not be certified as a delegate and will not be allowed to vote at the business session.

Lions Club of and Region/Zone:_____

President's Signature: — Secretary's Signature: _



Plan now to attend The Greatest (FREE) Virtual Show on Earth: The SERVICE Must Go On!

Sessions include:

ZOOM 101 for the Non-Tech Lion (led by PDG Mike Scott)

Lions Serving Safely (led by MD11's Global Service Coordinator Evelyn Cooper)

LEOs - Empowering Youth Who Serve (Led by Lion Nicole Nessler-Stuhec)

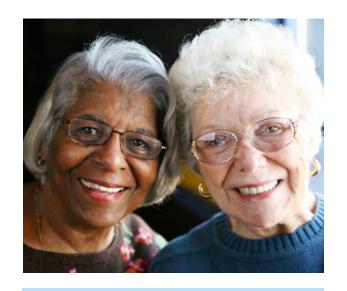
Maggie's Wigs4Kids (a Childhood Cancer project of the Lions of Michigan, led by Maggie Varney)

The Service DOES go on! (ID Justin Faber)

Our keynote speaker will be Vice District Governor Daniel Marney Elkins of Delaware. His topic will be How to Evolve Our Service to Survive.

Registration is now open at: www.lionsofmi.com

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation	Lions of Michigan
<u>Lions Mints</u> <u>Mints for the Military</u> 2021 Lions of Michigan Foundation Group Cruse	2021 Lions of Michigan Scholarship for the Visually Impaired Lions Pride, Web Version



DIABETES PATH

Helping you take charge of your diabetes!

Where:

Zoom Video Conference (requires a computer or device with internet access) Meeting link will be sent to registered participants

When:

Thursdays from 6:00-8:00pm

Info Session:

February 25 from 6-6:30pm

Sessions 1-6:

March 4, 11, 18, 25 April 1, 8

To register contact:

PATHPrograms@nkfm.org or call 800-482-1455

Lions Club Contact:

Lion Tom Doyle 517-881-9684 tomdoyle1225@gmail.com

Limited spots, register soon

During registration, please indicate if you need special accommodations in order to participate. Since this is a full six-week workshop, new participants are unable to join after week 2.

Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) is designed to provide skills and tools to help people living with type 2 diabetes and their support system live a healthier life. It is a fun, interactive, six week workshop led by certified leaders.

Learn how to:

- Manage everyday activities by making an action plan
- Avoid complications
- Learn to balance your blood sugar
- Improve your communication skills with your family and your health care provider
- Understand the importance of monitoring your blood sugar
- Manage symptoms and decrease stress
- Improve your overall health and increase your energy



of Michigan







"The Amerian Diabetes Association identifies this program as meeting the Diabetes Support Initiative criteria for support programming."





DISTRICT 11-C2 FOOD DRIVE

DISTRICT 11-C2 CONVENTION. MT PLEASANT. MARCH 19-21

According to a survey by the Michigan Public Health Institute, the number of families and individuals who are suffering from food insecurity has quadrupled in the past 8 months due to the pandemic. With the new hunger initiative this year, as a service project at our District Convention, we will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Community Compassion Network Food Pantry in Mt. Pleasant. We are asking all Lion/Lioness/Leo Clubs to bring items with them and drop off Friday/Saturday at registration or at the exhibitor table on Saturday.









Most Needed Items:

Cash Donations Canned Meat/Fish Soup Macaroni & Cheese **Boxed Meals** Applesauce **Peanut Butter** Jelly Pasta Rice/Instant Potatoes Cereal Baby Food Juice Boxes Fruit Cups Granola Bars Diapers/Wipes Personal Hygiene

Please check all expiration dates
*Expired products not accepted. *

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT

Lion Chrissy Andre 989-627-3808 chrissyandre113@gmail.com

Lion Jenny Stromlund 810-923-4251 stromlund@sbcglobal.net



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 15th, 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!

- Kids Kicking Cancer 27600 Northwestern Hwy #220 Southfield, MI 48034
- Maggie's Wigs 4 Kids
 30130 Harper Ave.
 St Clair Shores, MI 48082

- Camp Quality 5 E Main St #6 Boyne City, MI 49712

Lion Laura Hunt, MCCC Chair



District 11-C2



ZOOM RAPPY ROURS

Theme will be annouced the week before

January 15th and February 19th 7-8pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8686871119

Hosted by District Lioness II-C2



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 EXECUTIVE DRIVE - LANSING, MICHIGAN 48911

VOICE: 517 887-6640 FAX: 517 887-6642 WEB: www.lmsf.net

December 1, 2020

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

Enclosures

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Executive Director

A Public Charity

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 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.

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2.	Animal Welfare Fund		\$5	\$10	\$	00	2.		00
3.	Children's Trust Fund - Prevent (Abuse Michigan		\$5	\$10	\$	00	3.		00
4.	Fostering Futures Scholarship Tr	rust Fu	nd \$5	\$10	\$	00	4.		00
5.	Kiwanis Fund		\$5	\$10	\$	00	5.		00
6.	Lions of Michigan Foundation	Fund .	\$5	\$10	\$	00	6.		00
7.	Michigan World War II Legacy M Fund			\$10	\$	00			00
8.	Military Family Relief Fund			\$10	\$	00	8.		00
9.	United Way Fund		\$5	\$10	\$	00	9.		00
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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.

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

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 or write 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

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.



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 Michigan State O

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					
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Honoree's Street Address:					
		Zip Code:			

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Justin K. Faber INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR 2019-2022 2891 East Forester Rd. Deckerville, MI 48427-9753, USA Tel. Res: 810-376-4534 Mobile: 989-600-9009

Dear Lion Leaders,

Email: spcfab@hotmail.com

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 thrusted 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,

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