



Lions District 11-C2 Newsletter

Editor: Lion Robert Tetzlaff PDG

May 2020



From the desk of the Governor

Hello Lions, Lioness and Leos of 11-C2

I want to begin by thanking each and every one of you that signed on to the April 29th District 11C2 Cabinet Meeting via ZOOM. It was so good to see and hear all of you, and we got some business taken care of. Congratulations to PDG Lion Lloyd Kilbreath on being named to the Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame! And congratulations to Lion Ed Arthur, President of the Laingsburg Lions Club, on receiving the Ralph Lynam award. And finally, congratulations to District Governor Elect Lion Kurt Stromlund, First Vice District Governor Elect Tracy Temple, and Lions of Michigan Trustee Lion Jim Dunn, who each won their election by a landslide.

The clubs in our District have done very well in entering their club officers for the 2020-2021 Lions year. We have about half of the clubs yet to enter their upcoming officers. PDG Ray Robins would be happy to assist any club that needs help with entering this information into MyLCI. I am confident you will be hearing more from Lion Ray in the coming weeks.

On July 1, I will be taking on some new roles in our district. I look forward to learning many new things, and I can't wait for us to be able to meet again in person as we have been so used to doing in the past. Meetings via ZOOM definitely serve their purpose, but I miss hugs from my Lions family. Take care, Lions family and friends...we will get through this together, but apart.

Lion Becky Hamilton DG

District 11-C2 Officers

Governor: Lion Becky Hamilton
1st Vice Gov.: Lion Kurt Stromlund
2nd Vice Gov.: Lion Tracy Temple
Secretary: Lion Brian Shepard
Treasurer: Lion Robert Phillips
IPDG: Lion Mike Golden

Zone Chairs

R1-Z1: Lion Mike St. Dennis
R1-Z2: Lion Janet Amidon
R2-Z1: Lion Michael O'Bryant
R2-Z2: Lion Mae Luchetti
R3-Z1: Lion Traci Tribbley
R3-Z2: Lion Ed Arthur

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DeWitt Breakfast Lions Club



Left, Lion Tom Doyle and new Lion Joe Zilenski

New member Joe Zilenski was inducted Saturday April 25, 2020 via ZOOM with District Governor Becky Hamilton and International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. His sponsor Lion Tom Doyle presented Lion Joe's Certificate of Membership, Lions Pin, Name Tag, DBLC and LCI pens, information booklet "What the heck is a TailTwister", and Lions decals.

We look forward to having Joe join us at a regular meeting soon.



May 25, 2020

Bit of Wisdom



Laingsburg Lions Club

Laingsburg Lions Club- upcoming events May 23-24, 2020 our famous chicken dinner from 12-2 as take out behind Twilligers Tavern Laingsburg.

Our springtime raffle tickets are on sale now 1-\$10, 3-\$20. Contact Ed Arthur @ 517-886-5338. The top prize is a \$5799.00 John Deere 540R zero turn lawn mower. The drawing at 6:00pm on May 25, 2020 in front of Leonard's hardware downtown, need not be present to win. We could really use your support!



May 10, 2020

East Lansing/Meridian Lions Club



The East Lansing/Meridian Lions are still collecting pill bottles. [Fly attached](#), you will have to contact a member to find out where the drop off is located.

Lions Bear Lake Camp

The annual Lions Bear Lake Camp fundraiser has been re-scheduled for Friday, June 5, at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with social time at 6:00, followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30. The cost is \$15 per person. Each club is asked to bring an unwrapped gift valued at \$10 or more for a silent auction. Members of the public are welcome. [Attached is a flyer](#). Advance reservations will be appreciated.

New Roster for 2020-2021

Lions, just a reminder that your Update of Club and Officer information (the old PU-101) are due April 15. Club Officers, these can only be submitted online by going to the Lions International website going into the MyLCI section. Then into your Club section to update the Club Information and then fill out your Officers for next year by going to Officers, Select Term then Next Year.

As soon as you get your officers entered send an email to Lion Ray Robins rayrobins@sbcglobal.net. Let him know you have completed your Clubs "PU-101". If you need assistance he can help walk you through doing it.

Lioness District President email Lion Ray with your cabinet officers for the 2020-2021 year.

Lioness Clubs Presidents email Lion Ray with your officers for the next year.

This years Roster Book will be a challenge, please get your information in as soon as possible.



May 16, 2020



May 15, 2020

Eversight Michigan Report 4/29/2020

Submitted by Lion Kurt Stromlund DGE and Lioness Kay Olson PDP

As a sight restoration nonprofit operating in a field where health services fall under the “elective surgery” category, Eversight operations have been severely impacted by the COVID-19 crisis. More than 95% of our revenue comes from the tissue we recover and provide for corneal transplants. In addition to the lack of capacity in our nation's hospitals, on March 18, the American Academy of Ophthalmology issued a statement that “All ophthalmologists should cease providing any treatment other than urgent or emergent care immediately.” The impact on our ability to place tissue was immediate and severe.

Eversight is fully engaged in identifying vital sustainability and operational funding through all means, including grants, loans and federal support. In addition to these activities, we have taken steps to achieve our key goals: keep staff safe, employed and with benefits during this difficult time; sustain organizational viability and be ready to deliver when the restrictions on corneal transplants are lifted.

Eversight is one of the largest eye banks in the U.S. - we want to be ready to meet the needs of those who had to postpone this life-changing surgery because of COVID-19. Unfortunately they will be forced to endure this crisis with various levels of failing sight.

MD 11 Convention

MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION UPDATE: Please note that due to safety concerns relating to the coronavirus, the decision has been made to cancel this year's MD 11 Lions Convention in Holland.

In addition to cancelling the convention, ballot proposals to have been voted on at the close of the business session have been withdrawn.

The date for next year's convention in Holland will be May 20-22, 2021. If you have already made your room reservations at the DoubleTree Holland, the hotel has agreed to hold your room for next year. **AFTER May 30, 2020, you may call the hotel to make reservations for May 2021 by calling. 616-394-0111.**

For those of you who have mailed in your registration forms, checks will be mailed back to you.

If you should have any questions contact PDG Bob Sturgis, pdgsturgis@aol.com or the state office, 617-887-6640 ext. 11.

Please stay healthy, everyone! Stay home. Limit shopping trips to once a week. Sounds so simple!

Lion Wendy

2020 Census

The 2020 Census is here. Have you filled out yours? It is easy. I filled mine out on the web and when you are done you can print out a receipt in case a scammer shows up at your door. If someone calls on the phone, ask for important information, threatens you with jail time for not answering questions, HANG UP. Even if they come to your door, they will not ask for this information and if they visit you at home ask for pictured ID.

It is not too late to respond to the 2020 Census! Make sure you are counted!

Urgent: Respond now to prevent an interviewer visit to collect your response.

Please respond now at my2020census.gov or complete and return the paper questionnaire we sent you earlier. If you are unable to respond online or need assistance, please call toll-free 1-844-330-2020.

Lions of Michigan Service Foundation

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Update on LCIF Grants

Even in these up-side-down times Campaign 100 is swinging upwards! We reached the half way point on 4/3/2020 with **\$150,051,214**.

CONGRATULATIONS! LCIF has been able to award 29 grants totaling \$1,161,070 in response to COVID-19 – Grants are being awarded through Disaster Relief!

Thank you everyone for doing what you can by promoting online or Text to Donate contributions.

Stay Home & Stay Safe!

PID Linda Tincher

LCIF Vice Area Leader IL, IN, KY, MI

LCIF Grants

LCIF is giving priority consideration to support regions with extreme rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases. The focus will be on addressing those needs that exist within local medical and emergency management systems that are coordinating efforts with the World Health Organization (WHO) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

For consideration, applications need to:

1. Follow the Emergency (EMR) grant criteria of having at least 100+ people infected (confirmed cases) in the immediate area/district.
2. US\$10,000 maximum grant amount.
3. Funds available only to address active and immediate cases; not future outbreaks. Disaster Preparedness grants are excluded.
4. Funds should be used for Lions to work with local medical and emergency management services that are addressing the outbreak. This could be for sourcing medical supplies, quarantine-related expenses, etc. for those infected.
5. Funds may not cover personal expenses for those infected or quarantined.
6. Another option is to consider Multiple District level grants, as appropriate, for areas with a significant number of cases (5,000+) over several districts.
7. All requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

For inquiries on emergency grants please contact lcifemergencygrants@lionsclubs.org.

LCIF Donations and Campaign 100

Donations for our COVID-19 response are being accepted through LCIF's General Disaster Fund. Please [make a donation](#) to help us in the fight to keep our families and communities safe. All donations to this fund are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellows and Campaign 100. Please be aware acknowledgements and recognition for LCIF donations will be delayed due to COVID-19.

LCIF recognizes and thanks its Campaign 100 International Committee members, area leaders, multiple district coordinators, district coordinators and club coordinators for their dedicated efforts to empower Lions' service both locally and globally. Our campaign leadership is in the process of evaluating the impact that the COVID-19 crisis is having on Campaign 100. In the weeks to come, we will provide you with more information about how Campaign 100 is adapting to address this unprecedented situation.

Campaign 100's support of Lions' service is more important now than ever. LCIF would like to take this opportunity to encourage all those who are working hard in support of Campaign 100 to prioritize health and safety, while remaining connected with your fellow Lions and the LCIF staff supporting you. Thank you for safely communicating the mission and impact of LCIF in your communities.



Greetings, Lions,

Per state mandate, the Leader Dogs for the Blind campus in Rochester Hills, Michigan is currently closed.

Because many staff members are working remotely, the performance of our systems may be impacted and response times may be affected. Some business operations requiring physical presence at the office will be limited, such as donation recognition letters, recognitions (e.g. Founders Tributes, puppy sponsorship materials) and club supply orders. We will address these areas as soon as possible upon returning to campus.

Our Lions team is still available through the usual channels:

Beth Slade, Director of Philanthropy for Lions Engagement:

Beth.Slade@Leaderdog.org, 248-218-6421

Kathy Gilchrist, Lions Relations Specialist, KGilchrist@Leaderdog.org, 248-659-5012

Mike Dengate, Lions Engagement Specialist, MDengate@Leaderdog.org, 248-650-7102

Kathleen Breen, Lions Events and Logistics Specialist, KBreen@Leaderdog.org, 248-218-6407

All client classes have been postponed and will resume as soon as possible. For any client-related needs, please call our main number at 888-777-5332.

Rest assured that we are taking all steps necessary to continue to provide outstanding care for our dogs in the canine development center.

Together We Serve,

Lions Beth, Mike, Kathleen and Kathy

Your Leader Dog for Lions Engagement Team

Empty Pill Bottle Drop-off Location



Organized by the East Lansing
Meridian Lions Club

We send the pill bottles to
Matthew 25: Ministries. The
program fulfills the dual
needs of improving medical
care in developing countries
and caring for our environment



If box is full please contact Noreen – 517-694-0754



District 11-C2 Annual Lions Bear Lake Camp Fundraiser



Friday August 14th, 2020

Doors open at 5:30pm

Social at 6:00pm

Buffet Dinner at 6:30pm - \$15.00 per person

Followed by Silent Auction, Raffles and games

Masonic Temple

200 River Street, Grand Ledge Mi

*Each Club- please consider donating an
unwrapped \$10/or more gift for auction*

Advanced Reservations Appreciated

Lion Traci Tribley
5283 E Cole Rd
Bancroft Mi 48414
(989)277-7437

RSVP by August 10th, 2020
with check & registration

Lioness Phyllis Blackburn
12464 Madonna Dr
Lansing, MI 48917-8617
(517)627-5203

Club Name _____ Number attending _____
Names of those attending:

This event is sponsored by the Lions & Lioness of District 11-C2