



## MAY 2022

*Notable Quotes:* "You cannot explain away a wantonly immoral act because you think that it is connected to some higher purpose." - Jean-Luc Picard (Patrick Stewart)

## District Governor's Message

Greetings, fellow Lions,



District Governor  
William Gaines

Thanks to those of you who attended the 2022 District 11-E2 Convention. We enjoyed meeting and hearing from ID Allen Snider and his wife Susan. They represented Lions Club International very well. And seemed to enjoy the opportunity to visit the Boyne City area.

The District Honorary committee hosted a service event during the Friday night mixer; stuffing goodie bags for children after Kid Sight vision screening. It was good to see our past District leaders continuing to serve and I am looking forward to seeing that continue.

The Saturday training sessions were a terrific opportunity for learning about Lion leadership. All the training sessions were well attended. Incoming club presidents, vice presidents secretaries, treasurers and membership chairs learned information on leading their clubs effectively in the

upcoming year.

The state project presentations are always highlights of the convention for me. Learning the status and needs of the state projects is worthwhile. Hearing the experience of a cornea transplant recipient is more meaningful than reading about it in a flyer or brochure.

Many of our district committee chairs and leaders received awards at the business meeting and banquet recognizing their contributions over the last year. Please consider how you can serve as a leader in our District. The Global Leadership Team cannot do all the District Business on their own.

The election results are as follows: Second Vice District Governor Steve Murch will be First Vice District Governor, First Vice District Governor Jill Drury was nominated for and elected as Second Vice District Governor and Diane Skop of Houghton Lake was elected to a two-year term as Lions of Michigan Foundation trustee. The Honorary Committee plus the sitting District Governor selected Rod Leathers of Central Lake to serve as District Governor since the First Vice District Governor decided to step back from serving for the 2022-2023 Lions year.

Thanks to 1VDG Lion Jill Drury for chairing this convention. The Boyne Valley Lions and East Jordan Lions did an excellent job in pulling it all together. A fun time was enjoyed by those who attended.



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**District 11-E2 Website:**  
**[lionsdistrict11e2.org](http://lionsdistrict11e2.org)**

*Note:* This information is up to date at the time of this publication, but is subject to change as adjustments are needed.

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**Lions Of Michigan Multiple District 11-E2 Counties**

Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Gladwin, Iosco, Kalkaska, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon



ZONE 1	CLUBS	ZONE 3	CLUBS
N/A	Boyne Valley, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, East Jordan, Indian River, Mackinaw City, Petoskey	ZC/2VDG Steven Murch Alpena Lions Club <a href="mailto:stevemurch49707@gmail.com">stevemurch49707@gmail.com</a>	Alpena, Alpena Evening, Atlanta, Glennie, Hillman, Hubbard Lake, Mio
ZONE 2	CLUBS	ZONE 4	CLUBS
ZC Jim Broome Central Lake Lions Club <a href="mailto:jrbroome@charter.net">jrbroome@charter.net</a>	Central Lake, Elk Rapids, Grayling, Houghton Lake, Lewiston/ Lewiston Lioness Lions, Roscommon-Higgins Lake	ZC Sean Clarke Oscoda Lions Club <a href="mailto:seanclarke123@gmail.com">seanclarke123@gmail.com</a>	Beaverton, Hale, Harrisville, Lincoln, Oscoda, Prescott-Skidway Lake, Rose City,

## 2nd Vice District Governor's Message

### Greetings, fellow Lions,



We are coming down the home stretch of another Lions years and for many it's the end of being in a role of leadership, while others will continue on or take on more responsibility.

Every year we hold our elections, both at the club level and the district level. The district just held its elections and by this time your club should have held its election for the 2022-23 year, so if it hasn't you need to be holding those elections soon.

In many cases, there will be the same people in place as club leaders while other clubs will see many new faces. Neither option is wrong, as there are many ways to fill leadership positions. The important thing is that all members, whether elected to leadership or part of general membership, believe they have a voice in how their club

is run.

No one should have their voice stifled nor their opinions and ideas rejected. We all have things to contribute to our clubs and everyone should be encouraged to be as involved with their club as they want to be.

As Lions, we serve the communities we live in and if we discourage members to the point where they don't feel valued or appreciated they are going to go elsewhere ... or not serve at all. I have said it before and I'll continue to say it, we are only as strong as our weakest links and as Lions we help try to strengthen those weakest links.

If we allow our clubs to lose members who want to help that only lessens the impact we can have on our communities. MD 11 E-2, our district, is a rural district in northern Michigan and we all see how our small communities are limited in resources. As Lions, we help fill a void and it's important that we do so as well and as much as we can.

I encourage all club leaders to develop a plan to ensure that all members feel welcome and encouraged to contribute ideas and opinions. You never know when the next great service project or fundraising idea comes from. Nor, do we know where the next great club members or leader will come from, but one thing is certain – they won't come from someone who doesn't feel appreciated.

Our members are all part of the community, and they might be connect to a part of it that the leaders aren't. They might be aware of a need that other club members aren't, or they might see opportunities where others haven't even considered.

The same can be said about the district. We need to listen to everyone, as every member of every club in our district is a part of the district. I encourage you to let your voice be heard at both the club and district level.

As we continue to try and grow our clubs – and district – it is going to take all of us. There are two aspect to being a Lion – engagement and involvement. Not every one wants to be involved to the extent of being a leader or decision maker, but we all need to be engaged and feel welcome to be engaged with our club or district.

Being engaged and interacting with people and feeling a part of something that makes a difference in others lives is vitally important. If we feel part of something, in this case our Lions clubs, then we will work harder to help. And the more people work with the club the stronger the club is, and the stronger the club is the more it can do in the community. It works in the opposite direction, too, but let's focus on getting stronger.

Remember, We Serve.



## LCIF.ORG | A Letter From Your Chairperson



## From LCIF Chairperson Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

The generosity of Lions and Leos, through individual and club support, make it possible for LCIF to magnify our service around the world – especially in times of crisis. For those who have made individual donations to the foundation, I thank you. Is your club a Campaign 100 Model Club? If so, thank you for continuously supporting Lions efforts and collectively supporting those in need.

Your donations to LCIF help make so much of our service possible, as the needs continue to increase around the world. As humanitarians, our organization continues to grieve for those impacted by the crisis in Ukraine and surrounding countries in Europe. In our first story below, you will see how Lions are responding to the crisis, empowered by LCIF funding made possible by your support. As Campaign 100 enters its final two months, and we strive to meet our US\$300 million goal, we ask you to continue to commit your participation as we help build bridges across borders and our differences.

CAMPAIGN | 100



LCIF • EMPOWERING SERVICE™

## Be Part of History

Only two months remain in the largest fundraising campaign in Lions history. Giving makes you a part of Lions history and helps you earn limited-edition Campaign 100 recognition! To all those who have already made a contribution to the campaign, we thank you for your continued support.

**YES, I'LL MAKE HISTORY**



A message from:

**Jerome Thompson**

**Past International Director,  
GAT Constitutional Area 1  
Leader**



With 90 days to go in this fiscal year, we are closer to finding positive membership than ever before. Our success is due to you and the Global Action Team working to celebrate the successes of each club. I am appreciative of everything you have done in your role as a Club Leader. It is time for us to pour a little gas on the fire. If we could find positive membership growth of about 900 in April and May, then we could very well end the year with greater service, greater membership, and more leaders. We would have reversed a 40+ year trend.

## March Success

### Service

- YTD Lives impacted 21,976,134
- Clubs Reporting - 50 %

### Membership

- March net growth of +961 YTD +596

### LCIF

- \$ 7,556,494 - contributions YTD
- Clubs participating - 53%
- Lions Participation - 3%

## How can you help in the next 30 days?

1. Review the [Lions Quest Webinar recording](#)
2. Report at least one service project (Video below explains how to report a project in 3 minutes or less)
3. Elect and report 2022-23 club officers
4. Encourage members to make a contribution to LCIF of \$10 or greater

[Watch the Service Reporting Tutorial](#) >

**DISTRICT NEWS**

Lions Clubs International

**District Goals Submission Deadline Is Approaching**

First vice district governors/district governors-elect (FVDG/DGEs), the last day to submit your district's 2022-2023 District Goals is May 30, 2022. Be sure to submit any Global Membership Approach plans under the Membership section of the submission platform.

[SUBMIT NOW](#)

**Request a Leadership Succession Report**

The new Leadership Succession Report features a comprehensive list of all active Lions who have served as a club president over the last five years. The report also features Lions who are currently serving at the district level. Send us an email to request your copy today! [CONTACT US](#)

**Update Your 2022-2023 Club Officers**

The deadline to update any new club officers for 2022-2023 is May 15, 2022. The current club president or club secretary can use MyLCI to designate next term club officers.

[GET STARTED](#)

**Leadership Development Institute Grant Program Coming Soon**

Grant applications for 2022-2023 will be available in June 2022. Review the website and learn about the grants available for the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI) and Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI). [GET STARTED](#)

**Multiple District and District Grant Program Coming Soon**

Leadership Development grant applications for 2022-2023 will be available in June 2022. Review the eligibility requirements and learn about the grants available to support development training expenses for first and second vice district governors in your multiple district and for zone chairpersons in your district. [LEARN MORE](#)

**2021-2022 Learning Year End Is Coming**

Council chairpersons, district governors and Global Leadership Team (GLT) coordinators, ensure your multiple district/district is getting credit for the training events completed this year. Confirm training events have been reported in Learn by your GLT coordinator.

[LEARN MORE](#)

**FVDG/DGE eLearning Phase 3 Now Available**

We're continuing FVDG/DGE training with Phase 3 of eLearning courses available in the 2021-2022 FVDG/DGE Learning Path in the Lions Learning Center (LLC) using your Lion Account login credentials. Review the FVDG/DGE Program Overview for the new course titles. [LEARN MORE](#)

**Represent Your Global Action Team**

Global Action Team merchandise is available in the Lions Shop. Represent your team with pins, tablecloths, banners and more! [SHOP NOW](#)

**Find Everything You Need to Start a New Club**

Looking to start a new club? Customizable materials and resources are available to help you successfully start a club. [LEARN MORE](#)

**Help Leos Continue Their Service**

District and multiple district Leo chairpersons, work with your Leo club advisors to ensure plans are developed for Leos serving in their final year as an Alpha or Omega before their records are automatically closed on June 30, 2022. Find out more about how the Leo-Lion program can help Leos continue their service. [LEARN MORE](#)



## Lions Clubs International

### Dear Lions Club Officer,

Congratulations on your Lions club officer elections for the upcoming Lions year! You have taken the first step to helping your club continue to grow. Now that you have elected your officers, it is important to report them to Lions Clubs International in [MyLCI](#) or your local reporting system. You may also complete the [Club Officers Reporting Form \(PU101\)](#).

When you report your officers, your club will continue to receive important information such as updated billing statements as well as have access to your club's roster to make updates. It will also allow you to keep your meeting information current. Reporting your officers will update your district and multiple district and LCI so you can continue to receive support. In addition, your club will be able to display the correct club officer information on the Club Locator for the new Lions year.

Encourage your club's newly elected officers to visit the [Lions Learning Center \(LLC\)](#) and take the club officers training courses available as they prepare for their terms.

On July 1, 2022, your new Lions club officers will have immediate access to MyLCI as they begin their journey leading your club successfully in the coming year.

We recommend that you provide your new officers with the helpful information below as they prepare for their upcoming term in office:

[Club President/Vice President e-Book](#)

[Club Secretary e-Book](#)

[Club Treasurer e-Book](#)

[Club Membership Chairperson e-Book](#)

[Club Service Chairperson e-Book](#)

[Improving Club Quality Webpage](#)

[Facebook Group - Improving Lions Club Quality](#)

We look forward to supporting you and your club. Please contact us if you have any questions by phone at (630) 468-7084 or email at [clubofficers@lionsclubs.org](mailto:clubofficers@lionsclubs.org).

Thank you for your outstanding service!

Sincerely,

Your District and Club Administration Division Support Team



## REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Dear Lions Club Leader:

As we start our second century of service, we are investing in the future of Lions Clubs—our Leos. Our Leo Club Program started here in the United States almost sixty years ago and today continues to flourish with more than 7,280 clubs worldwide, 165,703 Leos in 152 countries. Just last year, Leo Clubs completed 30,092 projects. These clubs have served 6,381,616 people, and they are not stopping anytime soon.

We have united to encourage and inspire our Leos to be the great change we need for Lions' continued success. Our vision is to empower and further educate our Leos in areas of leadership and community engagement/development. With that said, Leo advocates gathered to form the USA/Canada Leo Leadership Forum. This Forum is the first of its kind in our Constitutional Area. A Forum organized for Leos by Leos.

From all over the United States, Canada, and Multiple District 60 "Islands of the Caribbean" and other affiliated territories, our Leos share a common set of values. They serve with enthusiasm, constantly striving to make positive, sustainable change to our communities. They inspire their peers and share their talents with those in need. They make an impact on our Lions and reinvigorate our lifetime commitment to serve in this organization. These values give our Leos the power to make a profound impact, and with "LIONS" on their side there can be no limit.

Our Leo Leadership Forum will provide Leos with various workshops in leadership, public speaking, community development, etc. These workshops will be developed by experts in the subject and co-facilitated by Leo leaders. At the completion of the Leo Leadership Forum, our Leos will receive their High School Degree. Moreover, we will offer fun activities so Leos can inspire and learn from each other and later bring home their newfound knowledge and share it with their clubs. This forum aims to make a demonstrated commitment to our Leos, who we believe are the future of Lions.

We hope you may consider donating any amount to our Foundation. Your generous donation will help our Foundation forward our mission of better supporting our Leos through our annual Leo Leadership Forum. As a sign of our appreciation, all donors will be recognized with a club patch or forum pin.

Sincerely,

Leo Lion Pablo Romano  
President, USA/Canada Leo Leadership Foundation, Inc.

Leo Jonathan D. Magaw Jr  
Chair, Leo Forum Advisory Council





**Golf for Good!** The Eversight Vision Classic is national to raise awareness and charitable support for sight-saving transplants and vision research. Eversight is the nation's largest nonprofit community-based eye bank network, working to restore sight and prevent blindness through the healing power of donation, transplantation and research.

**Register by 5 p.m. ET Friday, May 6** to receive your welcome package including instructions, scorecard, golf ball sleeve and exclusive Eversight golf gear. Registration is \$50 per golfer to benefit Eversight charitable programs and vision research.

**Golf anywhere, anytime between May 26-June 18** and email a photo of your scorecard to [philanthropy@eversightvision.org](mailto:philanthropy@eversightvision.org). Golfers are responsible for green fees at their course of choice. Scores will be calculated and winners announced on June 18.

#### **For competitive golfers**

The outing will be best ball. To allow us to accurately award top score, please golf at an 18-hole course with course rating of 70.0 or higher and slope rating of 120 or greater. Ratings are typically available on the golf course website or scorecard.

New contest for 2022: Best Women's and Men's individual scores!

#### **For non-competitive golfers**

Golf at any course, individually or as a foursome. Complete 9 or 18 holes.

#### **For everyone-non-golfers, too!**

Bid to win during the Golf for Good! Online Silent Auction June 10-18 to support Eversight charitable programs.

You also have the option to contribute with a tax-deductible gift at [eversightvision.org/give](https://eversightvision.org/give).

Thank you for supporting Eversight!

#### **Special rates at these featured courses!**

These courses graciously offer special rates for registered Eversight Golf for Good! Golfers.

#### **Michigan**

Washtenaw Golf Club

2955 Packard St., Ypsilanti, MI 48197  
(734) 434-2150 or [dhatch@washtenawgolfclub.com](mailto:dhatch@washtenawgolfclub.com)

Special rate: Senior rate for tee times booked. Rates vary by day and tee time. Call to schedule and mention "Eversight" to receive this exclusive rate.

#### **Ohio**

StoneWater Golf Club

One Club Drive, Highland Heights, OH 44143  
(440) 461-4653 or [info@stonewatergolf.com](mailto:info@stonewatergolf.com)

Special rate: \$60/golfer for tee times booked before 10:30 a.m. on weekdays and after 2 p.m. on weekends. Includes 18 holes with cart. Call Ned Weaver to schedule at (440) 461-4653

**Questions?** Contact [Amanda Frederick](#) or (800) 247-7250 ext. 2616.

# MICHIGAN LIONS CAMPAIGN 100 RAFFLE

## DRAWN AT STATE CONVENTION ON SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2022

### AUBURN HILLS MARRIOTT CENTERPOINTE



**Club Wyndham Smoky Mountains in TN**  
**Donated by ID Justin Faber Value: PRICELESS**  
 3 night stay 1 bdrm Deluxe – date is dependent upon availability ---  
**MUST be used by Sept. 30, 2022** - Here is the link with pictures  
<https://clubwyndham.wyndhamdestinations.com/us/en/resorts/wyndham-hotels-resorts/united-states-of-america/tennessee/sevierville/>

**AN ORIGINAL ACRYLIC PAINTING “ WINTER LANDSCAPE” SIGNED BY PIP JOE PRESTON,**  
 Co-Chair of LCIF Campaign 100,  
 LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL.  
**FRAMED ( 18X22 ) Value: PRICELESS**



**NAMING RIGHTS TO A MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD**



**VALUE: \$1,000 ANONYMOUS DONOR**



**2 night Package Includes: Our Award-Winning Elk Viewing Carriage or Sleigh Ride, Gourmet Dinner & Wine Tasting**  
 2 Nights Lodging  
 2 Breakfasts  
 Summer & Fall Golf is Optional & Available at a Discounted Rate  
 Winter Activity Passes Inc: Cross Country Skiing & Snowshoeing  
**DONATED BY: Lions of District 11E2 & Thunder Bay Resort**  
**VALUE: \$650.00**

**SPORTS PACKAGE -- TICKETS TO MULTIPLE COLLEGE SPORTING EVENTS**

**(Must contact ticket holder to make arrangements for mutually agreed upon game) —**  
 College Sporting Events include: (2) tickets for U of M football game (by PDG Dave & Lori Zeller); (2) tickets for MSU basketball game (by Ryan Thies); (4) tickets on 50 yd. line for Grand Valley State football game (by PID Gary & Lion Cheryl Anderson);  
**VALUE: PRICELESS**

**GROUP OF “10” ASSORTED GIFT CARDS OF \$25.00 EACH VALUE: \$250.00**  
  
**DONATED BY LCIF DISTRICT COORDINATORS & DISTRICT GOVERNORS**

**ONE OVERNIGHT STAY AT BOYNE MT. RESORT & (2) \$50 DINNER GIFT CARDS**  
  
**DONATED BY: Boyne Mt. Resorts; Magnum Hospitality; and Boyne City Taproom VALUE: \$200.00**

# LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION 36th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Your Lions Club can earn easy money for your local projects and help the Lions of Michigan Foundation by selling tickets for the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes. The more tickets you sell, the more money your club earns - up to more than 1/2 of your total ticket sales. The Oscoda and Alpena Lions Clubs earn more than \$2,500 annually from their participation in the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes. **YOUR CLUB CAN DO THE SAME!**

Each year, our foundation partners with Lions Clubs throughout Michigan to help people with sight and hearing disorders, and the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes provides the bulk of the necessary funding for that help. There are no risks for your club to participate in the Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes – only benefits. And, **REMEMBER**, you might also win one of the many cash prizes available, including the \$5,000 Grand Prize!

**30 - 99 TICKETS SOLD = \$3.50 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB**  
**100 - 249 TICKETS SOLD = \$5.00 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB**  
**250+ TICKETS SOLD = \$5.50 PER TICKET FOR PARTICIPATING CLUB**

Try these marketing ideas, and you will be surprised at how easy it is to sell tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes. **YOUR CLUB CAN'T LOSE.**

1. Ask all of your members to buy and sell one ticket each. This will double ticket sales statewide, and it would provide tens of thousands of dollars for eye care and hearing aids in Michigan.
2. Obtain Board approval to buy Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes tickets in the club's name, or encourage each club member to donate \$10 to buy tickets in the club's name. Every year, some of the top prizes are won by Lions and Lioness Clubs.
3. Encourage your club members to buy tickets for their friends and family members. The tickets make great gifts for Christmas (stocking stuffers), birthdays, anniversaries or any special occasion, especially for that person who seems to have everything. Wouldn't it be great if a family member won the \$5,000 Grand Prize? Send the tickets to friends and family members with a letter that explains what Lions are doing to help people in need and why we are doing it.
4. Invite community groups (band boosters, scout troops, etcetera) that your club supports to help sell tickets. Give the group their share of the proceeds.
5. Plan to sell Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes tickets for a weekend or two at a local super market or other high volume location or event. Set up a table to display Lions information and your Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets. Make up posters and signs, and pass out pamphlets that explain what Lions do and how the money collected helps people in your community.
6. Nearly all Lions and Lioness Clubs hold 50/50 raffles for our administrative fund. Try changing the format during the months of the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes, December-April. Give the 50/50 raffle winner a \$10 Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for each \$10 of 50/50 raffle winnings.
7. Consider organizing a spaghetti dinner, auction or another special fundraiser to raise money to purchase tickets for the Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes in your club's name - that is a winning idea for your club and our foundation.

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# 36th 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 7, 2022  
Lions of Michigan State Office  
Lansing, Michigan

**FINAL DRAWING**  
May 21, 2022  
MD 11 Convention - Auburn Hills, MI

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

### *Attention-Attention-Attention*

Do you have a friend or relative 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.



[lmsf.net](http://lmsf.net) - [lhcmi.org](http://lhcmi.org)

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Gift  
36th 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2022 MD 11 Lions Convention

Hello Fellow Lions!

We are just one month away from the MD 11 Lions Convention – Growing Together! We welcome LCI guests PIP Joe Preston and Lion Joni Preston with gusto!

Here are a few things to know as you prepare for this year's convention:

**Deadline to reserve a hotel room for the group rate of \$89.00 is April 29.** Don't miss out on this great rate!

**70's Night/Gong Show!** We have a few time slots left -register soon! Dress in your best 70's outfits and wow the judges with your groovy, timeless, style!

**Bus Transportation to the Picnic:** Meet at the hotel and take the bus to River Bends Park for the pre-convention picnic. Just \$5 round trip

**This year's S.A. Doge Recipients:** Congratulations to both PDG Jim Williams, A1 and PDG Dennis Lautzenheiser, B1, on being selected as this year's recipients. Honor them with your attendance at the Saturday Night Awards Banquet! (There is no registration fee to attend just the banquet)

**Group Service Project:** This year we will collect and package vegetable seeds to donate to Food Banks throughout the state. See the attached list for details. The event takes place Saturday, May 21. Drop in and help package up seeds for this important service project!

We are so excited to see you there as we learn, network, celebrate and be LIONS -Growing Together again!

Lion Wendy

Wendy Burns, Executive Director

Lions Clubs of Michigan

5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

Direct Line 517.887.6640 ext. 11 Fax 517.887.6642

[www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

## G R O W I N G   T O G E T H E R

**2022 MD 11 Lions Convention**  
**Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac**  
**Reservations direct: (248) 648-6019**  
**Group Rate: \$119/Night (plus fees & taxes)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Spouse Guest

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lion Spouse Guest

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Is this your first MD Convention? Yes No    How many years a Lion member?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**QUANTITY**

**AMOUNT**

_____ Thursday Picnic @ \$12.00, May 19, 2022	\$ _____
_____ Thursday Bus Transportation \$5/person	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each N/C Leo	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse/Guest	\$ _____
_____ Friday Evening Buffet @ \$23.00 per person	\$ _____
_____ Friday Night Welcome Reception Only (free)	# _____
_____ Saturday Breakfast @ \$15.00 per person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$35.00 per person	\$ _____
Entré Choice: Grilled Chicken _____	
Salisbury Steak w/Mushroom Demi Glaze _____	
Gluten Free _____ Vegetarian _____	<b>Total:</b> \$ _____

**Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)**

Everyone MUST pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless registration fee is paid. (**Excludes Saturday Banquet**). Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is May 9, 2022. No refunds after May 10, 2022. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 4:00; Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance. **Mail to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911**



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP  
3200 N. Five Lakes Road, Lapeer, MI 48446



April 18th, 2022

## INTRODUCING INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LION TRACI TRIBLEY

Dear Lions, Friends, Family, and Supporters of Lions Bear Lake Camp,

I would like to introduce myself to you as the new Interim Executive Director for Lions Bear Lake Camp, and take the opportunity to thank Shelly O'Henley for all she has accomplished for the camp and wish her luck in her new endeavors.

Professionally, I have a background of 20+ years in management and customer driven consulting experience. I have been involved in Lions for over 17 years, and I am the current Vice District Governor of District 11 C2. I am the State Chair and District Chair for Lions Bear Lake Camp, as well as District Leo Club Advisor. I am a 2021 Lions University Bachelors Graduate and am on the path to receiving my Lions University Masters in Calgary this fall.

I began volunteering at Lions Bear Lake Camp when I first joined Lions, and found the camp to be a passion of mine from the beginning. I joined the Board of Directors and Executive Board in 2017, and have served as secretary for both, as well as HR Committee Chair, Finance Committee member, and Board Development Committee member. Last summer I had the privilege of working in the kitchen during camp season, which gave me the opportunity to build relationships with the staff as well as experience camp firsthand.

My husband Tim and I reside in Bancroft, MI and have raised 5 amazing children and are blessed with 13 beautiful grandchildren. Our kids and grandkids are all very involved in both Lions and Leos, and enjoy helping and serving others.

Whether through Girl Scouts, 4H, or the Leo Club, I have always had a strong devotion towards mentoring and supporting youth to develop leadership and life skills. I am excited and honored to take on this new role and look forward to a great summer and camp season. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions you have. I appreciate all of your continued support and dedication to Lions Bear Lake Camp.

Gratefully,

**Lion Traci Tribley**

Interim Executive Director

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STATE OF MICHIGAN



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN,  
I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim

April 23 – May 2, 2022  
as  
WHITE CANE WEEK

WHEREAS, the white cane has become an international symbol, identifying individuals who are blind or who have low vision and alerting Michigan drivers to observe caution for the safety of drivers and pedestrians alike; and,

WHEREAS, for decades, White Cane Week efforts have supported projects and organizations that benefit people who are blind or who have low vision and help provide examinations, eyeglasses, and white canes to those in need; and,

WHEREAS, during this week, we encourage people throughout Michigan to learn more about White Cane Week and to support projects and services that facilitate the independence of people who are blind or who have low vision; and,

WHEREAS, the Lions Club of Michigan is an organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all people, particularly Michiganders who are blind or who have low vision, and providing opportunities for these individuals to achieve greater autonomy; and,

WHEREAS, we recognize the dedicated volunteers of the Lions Club of Michigan for their continued commitment to community service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim April 23-May 2, 2022 as White Cane Week in Michigan.

*Gretchen Whitmer*  
Gretchen Whitmer  
Governor





April 29-May 1  
2022

# 11-E2 District Convention



## Service Project



Stuffing goodie bags for children after Kid Sight vision screening.



# Hello and Welcome!

The Boyne Valley Lions would like to welcome everyone to Boyne Valley and the Lions 11 E2 District Convention at Boyne Mountain Resort. As co-hosts of the convention with East Jordan Lions, we are confident that you will have a great time this weekend!

The Boyne Valley Lions Club would also like to sincerely thank the East Jordan Lions Club for their tireless help and assistance in making sure our convention is a wonderful success.

Enjoy the sights, sounds, and fellowship of our Lions adventure!



## Convention Banquet Photos

By D. Durffinger



**ALLEN SNIDER  
INTERNATIONAL  
DIRECTOR**

Allen Snider, from Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada was elected to serve a two-year term as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 103rd International Convention, June 25 through June 29, 2021.

He has 36 years of experience as a construction millwright and operating engineer at General Motors. Toward the end of his career, he also took on the position of mobile equipment manager. In retirement, he is farming garlic, lavender and sunflowers.

Director Snider became a Lion in 1981 when he joined the St. Davids and District Lions Club where he has since served multiple terms as club treasurer and president. At the district level, he served a district governor and held leadership roles on the Global Membership Team and Global Service Team. He is on the board for the Lions Home for Deaf People and was also Preservation Hearing Chair at MDA.

In recognition of his service, Director Snider has been honored with two International President's Awards and several International President's Certificates of Appreciation. He is a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship recipient, a Helen Keller Fellowship recipient and is a life member of the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. Director Snider is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Snider has been an Alderman for the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, a trustee for the Lincoln County Board of Education and is currently the Chair of the Committee of Adjustment for Niagara-on-the-Lake. He has also been a member of the local Royal Canadian Legion since 1977 and has received the Volunteer of the Year Award for Service Clubs in his community.

Director Snider's wife, Susan, is also a Lion, as are his son, Richard, and daughter, Jessica. Director Snider is also proud to serve alongside the many other Lions in his extended family

**Awards**

ID Lion Allen Snider was the guest speaker at the District Convention Banquet on Saturday evening.



45<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Lions District 11-E2  
Convention  
Banquet  
April 30, 2022

**BANQUET**

Saturday April 30, 2022

Call to Order..... 1VDG Jill Drury  
 Invocation..... Lion John Drury  
 Introduction of DG..... 1VDG Jill Drury  
 Introduction of  
 Cabinet & Guests..... DG Bill Gaines  
 POW/MIA Ceremony .....IPDG Rod Leathers  
**DINNER**  
 Introduction of  
 International Director..... DG William Gaines  
 International  
 Director Address..... ID Alan Snider  
 District Awards..... DG William Gaines  
 International Awards ..... ID Alan Snider  
**50/50 DRAWING**  
 Closing Remarks ..... 2VG Steve Murch

**Abbreviations and what they mean:**

**LIONS**

**ID:** International Director  
**DG:** District Governor  
**VDG:** Vice District Governor (1st & 2nd)  
**CS:** Cabinet Secretary  
**CT:** Cabinet Treasurer  
**PDG:** Past District Governor  
**CC:** Council Chair (Chairperson of the  
 Multi-District Council of Governors)  
**PCC:** Past Council Chair  
**PVCC:** Past Vice Council Chair

ALPENA ALPENA

*Lions*

*District 11 E2 Convention  
 Memorial Service*



*Sunday, May 1, 2022  
 Boyne Mountain Resort  
 Boyne Falls, Michigan*

*In Loving Memory of Lions April 2021—2022*

*Alpena Lions—Bernie Lamp, Jr.  
 Alpena Evening Lions—Ed Wojcicki  
 Beaverton Lions—Richard Lee, Richard Roehrs, Terry Peden  
 Boyne Valley Lions—Mike Wagner  
 Central Lake Lions—Norma Clement, Raymond Heise,  
 William Stenback, Chris Van Lonkhuyzen  
 Cheboygan Lions—Bernard Beethem, Thomas Pilon  
 East Jordan Lions - William Dunson, Steve Poole  
 Grayling Lions - Robert Prause  
 Hale Lions—Sally Jordan  
 Houghton Lake Lions—Marjorie Benjamin, Murl Randall  
 Hubbard Lake Lions—Arnold Degen, James Nye  
 Indian River Lions—Patty Ann Croft, Marcy Gordier  
 Lincoln Lions—John Robinson  
 Mio Lions - Norm Detrich  
 Prescott Skidway Lake Lions—Arnold Engster, Robert Forro  
 Rogers City Lions—PDG Gus Malnberg  
 Roscommon Higgins Lake Lions—Gary Bousfielle*

## **-THANKS for a Great District Convention Experience at the Boyne Mountain Resort-**

- The Boyne Valley Lions and the East Jordan Lions for working hard to get it right and hosting the event. Great Job , Well Done!
- 1VDG Lion Jill Drury for chairing the Convention, overseeing everything to create a successful event.
- DG Bill Gaines and the rest of the District Leadership for their work and input to support this Convention  
(It was especially good to see DG Gaines recovering well after his recent heart surgery, doing his part as usual.)
- Lion Marie Leathers for getting the Zoom technology up and running so all the members who couldn't or didn't come in person would be able to watch the activities.
- All the club members who did show up and take the opportunity to participate in the activities and social moments at the event.
- International Director Allen Snider for representing the LCI and being a guest speaker at the Saturday evening banquet.
- The Lions receiving well-earned Awards for their work and participation, helping to make this district a vital part of the Lions organization.

**Election Note: PDG Rod Leathers will be the DG for 2022-2023.**



**A little Trivia:** Our logo contains a capital “L” in its center. It stands for Law, Liberty, Loyalty, Love and Life. It’s on a circle representing Lions and Lions Clubs, around the world, all bound together as one. Lions heads, profiled, looking in opposite directions, are representing a Lions looking in every direction for an opportunity to give unselfish service. Looking back toward our accomplishments, in past years and ahead for opportunities yet to present themselves.

**More Trivia:** The Lions Colors- Purple stands for loyalty to country, friends, and to one’s self and to integrity of mind and heart. Gold symbolizes sincerity of purpose, liberality in judgment, purity in life and generosity of mind and heart toward his fellow man.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MAY 2022

**Mother's Day** — May 8, 2022

**Lions of Michigan MD 11 Convention 2022** — May 20-21, 2022 — Auburn Hills

**Memorial Day** — May 30, 2022

## JUNE 2022

**Summer Solstice — First Day of Summer** — June 21, 2022

**The 104th Lions Clubs International Convention in Montréal** — June 24-28, 2022..  
LCIcon 2022 Montréal, Canada ...



## PASSINGS



Alpena Lions lost Lion BERNARD R LAMP JR on 4/10/2022

Charlevoix Lions: Lion NICK KLING passed away on 04/17/2022

Lewiston Lions: the passing of Lion THEODORE J GEBOSKI JR. came on 04/06/2022

*We honor those who have passed; with sympathies & condolences to family & friends*

## NEW MEMBERS — APRIL

Beaverton Lions: inducted new members THEODORE J GEBOSKI JR. & RYAN ROBERTS on 04/04/22, (Sponsor Glenn Smith) & LOUIS STORNELLO on 04/13/22 (Sponsor Robert Killian)

Boyne Valley Lions: welcomed new member BETHANY HEDGEPTH on 04/13/22 (Sponsor Lawrence Taylor)

Central Lake Lions: new member RAY KUIPER joined on 04/21/22 (Sponsor Randal Miller)

Lewiston Lions: DENISE BAKER became a new Lion on 04/01/22 (Sponsor Diane Bisonnette)

Mackinaw City Lions: on 04/01/22 VIRGINIA BREW joined the Club (Sponsor Charles Brew)

## *On the Mend*

NONE REPORTED

### Boyne Valley Lions

**APRIL 2022** The Boyne Valley Lions, with the East Jordan Lions, hosted the 2022 11-E2 District Convention at Boyne Mountain, from April 29-May 1. Kudos to the BV Lions volunteers who worked hard to make the Convention work. Upcoming activities: — *Camp-Wide Work Day - Saturday, May 7th 9am – 3pm*  
 — *Buff up Boyne May 7th.*  
 — *Lions sponsored Mushroom Festival May 12th - May 15th*  
 — *Adopt-a-Highway cleanup May*

### Central Lake Lions

**APRIL 2022**



Central Lake Lions Club recently sponsored the local Boy Scout Troop. One of the scouts made a presentation to the club to tell how he was raising funds to fill duffle bags with supplies for children entering foster care for his Eagle project. The club was able to donate the remaining funds he needed in order to complete his project.



PDG Rod Leathers inducted Ray Kuiper as the 72nd member into Central Lake Lions club during their 72nd year as a club. Presenting his certificate is Lion Bob LaBeau, standing in for Ray's sponsor Lion Randy Miller.

### East Jordan Lions

**APRIL 2022**

Grand prize winners of bicycles in the East Jordan Lion's Club Easter Fun and Games event are Stella Barrow and Oliver Bayless. More than 100 kids took part in the activities on Saturday, April 16th at the Elementary School. The East Jordan Lions had 14 games set up and gave away prizes and candy.



Kudos also to the East Jordan Lions volunteers who worked with the Boyne Valley Lions to put on a great District Convention for 2022.

## Hale Lions

### APRIL 2022

10A - Wednesday, March 23, 2022

#### LOCAL NEWS



*Photo by Ryan Herzog*

**MYSTERIOUS GROUP** — The cast of the Hale Lions Club murder mystery pose before the dinner to show off their flamboyant outfits.

# Hale Lions Murder Mystery serves food, raises funds

by Ryan Herzog

The Hale Lions Club hosted a Murder Mystery over the weekend, Saturday, March 12 for an afternoon of intrigue, excitement and Italian food.

Hosted in the cafeteria of the Eagle Point Plaza, family and friends of the Tortellini brothers gathered together for the last wine auction their winery may ever hold.

Hale Lion and event co-coordinator Cheryl McDonell said murder mysteries are a good excuse for the community to go outside.

"We get to do something in the winter that's not sitting at home. It usually gets everybody out and about when it's cold outside and not a lot going on."

The Tortellini Brothers Winery was established in 1909 by Frank Tortellini, producing "very rare and very coveted" Cabernet Sauvignons.

Frank died and his estate is up for sale, with some family members winning and others losing.

Troubles started with Georgio's death, Frank's Grandson. His will named some people while leaving

others out.

The cast of kooky characters were played by various lions club members and friends of said members.

Roger Houthoofd played Carmine Blance, Georgio Tortellini's driver and executor of his estate.

Amanda Goodman played Olive Tortellini, Georgio's eldest daughter. She wants to sell the winery to her boyfriend, Joe Bob Biggs.

Cheryl McDonell played Toni Tortellini, one of Georgio's daughters who would do anything to hold on to the winery.

Cindy Holland played Jessie Jones, a local law and FBI reject who claims her father was unjustly fired from the Tortellini Winery.

Paul Grabastanowicz played Joe Bob Biggs, a land developer who owns acreage neighboring the winery.

Don McDonell played Nigel Tuesday, a lily-livered mama's boy who's often taken advantage of because of his wealth and his inability to say no.

Larry Holland played Angel "The Eggplant" Serra, Carmine's

tough guy crony.

Finally, Sandi McParlan played Nannie Nurse Cratchet, Nigel's home care nurse and substitute mother.

As the dinner began, Carmine was murdered, and later on so was Toni.

Joe Bob was the culprit, "and he did it for the money. He had an opportunity to make a large amount of money if he got the winery and he had to knock off a couple people to get there," said Don McDonell.

His wife Cheryl researches murder mysteries to play for these dinners when they want to raise funds for the Lions.

80 people attended this hour and 45 minute event. 13 people figured out who did it. They got a gift certificate from the Victorian cafe and a bottle of wine.

Don said the key to crafting a good murder mystery is to focus on interactions and have a good group of players that get out there and mingle with the crowd.

Funds were raised for the Hale Area Lions Club general fund.



# Hillman Lions

## APRIL 2022

### Hillman 5th grade Earth Day project

We did an Earth Day project with the Hillman Elementary 5th graders using recycled materials. Lots of fun for everyone!



**CORONAVIRUS UPDATES April 01, 2022**

This is a snapshot of the World, Nation, and State of Michigan statistics on **MAY 4, 2022**. Numbers may be significantly higher by the time you read this as the COVID-19 **Variants** continue to infect more.

(Info from worldometer.info, ourworldindata.org, WHO, CDC & michigan.gov. & other health websites)

<b>World Statistics</b>	<b>Cases: 514,959,418</b> ◆ <b>Deaths: 6,266,767</b>
<b>U. S. Statistics</b>	<b>Cases: 83,240,101</b> ❖ <b>Deaths: 1,021,581</b>
<b>Michigan Statistics</b>	<b>Cases: 2,425,946</b> ❖ <b>Deaths: 36,002</b>

**Age: 5+: 1 or + Dose**

**Vaccinations (1 or more doses) Summary:**

**World: 65.4%** — **United States: 82.5%** — **Michigan: 67.17%**

(Statistics may vary monthly as new information and corrections are applied)

**DISTRICT 11-E2 STATISTICS**

= Highest No.     = Lowest No.

11-E2 Counties	Cases Reported	Deaths	% Vaccinated
Alcona:	1,733	71	62.52%
Alpena:	5,728	139	61.29%
Antrim:	4,365	65	65.39%
Arenac:	3,210	67	58.04%
Charlevoix:	4,916	60	70.28%
Cheboygan:	4,618	103	61.98%
<b>Crawford:</b>	2,585	<b>31</b>	59.00%
<b>Emmet:</b>	<b>6,428</b>	85	<b>74.59%</b>
Gladwin:	5,580	114	54.98%
<b>Iosco:</b>	4,814	<b>143</b>	63.72%
Kalkaska:	3,564	60	53.89%
Montmorency:	1,732	48	60.98%
Ogemaw:	4,357	106	51.51%
<b>Oscoda:</b>	<b>1,437</b>	55	<b>49.32%</b>
Otsego:	5,643	100	61.50%
Presque Isle:	2,070	58	67.18%
Roscommon:	4,635	114	62.11%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>67,415</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>Total Avg: 61.08%</b>

Confirmed cases include individuals with a positive NAAT/RT-PCR test for COVID-19. Probable cases include individuals with either a positive rapid antigen detection test OR COVID-19 symptoms and an epidemiologic link to a confirmed COVID-19 case, but no diagnostic test.

Vaccination % = number of county residents vaccinated (1 or 2 doses) divided by the total county resident population 5+

## COVID Update: Transitioning

The U.S. is no longer in the grip of the COVID-19 pandemic, despite the Coronavirus's continuing global threat, according to Dr. Anthony Fauci. But Fauci also warns that people should still be mindful of the disease. "The United States and the entire world is still experiencing a pandemic, but there are different phases of the pandemic," he said. "And what we are in right now is somewhat of a transitional phase, out of the accelerated component into hopefully a more controlled component." — *Excerpts from NPR interview - April 28, 2022.*

While national numbers have fallen recently, some areas are currently seeing rising cases – but deaths not so much. A recent surge in Puerto Rico reported new cases at a per-capita rate more than six times the national average. The spike began just 5 days after the island lifted all its pandemic restrictions in late March. Different estimated numbers show that unvaccinated people have 85% to 90 % or more of the severe cases and hospitalizations from COVID. They also make up 98% or 99% of COVID deaths. As of May 1, 2022, the number of both confirmed and presumptive positive cases of the COVID-19 disease (vaccinated or unvaccinated) reported in the U.S. had reached over 81 million. The COVID virus and its variants may become like regular flu epidemics – unless a vicious virulent variant emerges.

## Why We Do What We Do

One of the universal questions humans inevitably ask is “why do people do the things they do?” Back in my school years, one of the psychology premises I learned was that every person is really 3 personalities — the person you want others to think you are, the person you you think you are, and the person you really are. Knowledge has moved on since then. A few years ago I listened to a Ted Talk episode in which inspirational speaker Tony Robbins explained the 6 human needs that motivate people to do what they do, and why they do it. The short version follows below.

We all have needs, not just for basic survival, but 6 profound needs that must be fulfilled for a life of quality:

**Human Need #1: Certainty:** Assurance you can avoid pain and gain pleasure. You need to feel secure and safe about the future. A life filled with certainty has to stay the same – a nearly impossible expectation to fulfill. So, you artificially control your environment by changing your expectations or by avoiding new situations or people – assuring that your actions will either avoid pain or gain pleasure, which then fulfills the basic human need for certainty.

**Human Need #2: Uncertainty/Variety:** The beauty of uncertainty is the experience of constant variety and change. This basic human need can take it to an extreme – engaging in frequent job or relationship changes for the sake of variety; taking unnecessary risks to achieve the adrenaline jolt they crave. If uncertainty is one of your top 6 human needs, you will be unafraid of taking risks and will not avoid new situations or people.

**Human Need #3: Significance:** This human need includes receiving recognition, a desire to be seen, heard and listened to – in short, you want to be noticed. You measure significance by what you believe makes you unique compared to everyone else around you. Recognition provides you with a sense of validation that makes you feel seen, special and/or needed. Recognition is a major driving force behind human behavior because it provides us with a measurement system to analyze and track our significance; a very important part of keeping up employee productivity.

**Human Need #4: Connection/Love:** If connection/love is your top basic human need, you are constantly seeking out a close relationship with someone or something. You truly understand that love wakes you up to the gift of life. People need love, and this can lead to some incredibly fulfilling relationships – but it can also cause you to sacrifice self-care in order to take care of others or maintain a partnership.

**Human Need #5: Growth:** Those whose foremost core need is growth are always striving to be better and learn more. They are very good at their jobs, but tend to move on quickly as soon as they believe they've reached their full potential. Though their constant striving for betterment ensures they will never be bored, they can err on the side of perfectionism and neglect the rest and relaxation they need to keep stress levels manageable.

**Human Need #6: Contribution:** The secret to living is giving, and those who experience contribution as one of their top 6 human needs know this better than anyone. If you have a need to contribute, you will likely make a big difference in your community. However, you can lose sight of the fact that giving begins at home and neglect those closest to you as you change the world.

Many of your behaviors are based on which of your needs are – or are not – being met. Depending on which of the basic human needs are foremost in your personality, you could be spending a lot of time consciously or subconsciously meeting one or two of them. And if you don't succeed, it could negatively impact your overall sense of well-being.

Knowing which of your 6 human needs is your primary driver and how this affects your ability to connect with others and develop healthy relationships is crucial to your understanding of what fuels you.

So, which top need(s) do you think fit you — and which would be found in the ideal Lions member?

Info From Tony Robbins & Other Websites

**BE KIND. MASK UP + SOCIAL DISTANCE + WASH HANDS + VACCINATION = STAY SAFE!**

# Picture(s) of the Month



## The Grand Canyon

Nature doesn't get any, well, grander than the Grand Canyon. The size of it boggles the mind when you actually see it stretch out to the horizon before you.

Averaging 4,000 feet deep for its entire 277 miles, it is 6,000 feet deep, more than a mile, at its deepest point and 18 miles at its widest. For comparison, it is about 270 miles from Petoskey to Detroit; the Grand Canyon is just a few miles longer.

The Canyon was formed by water erosion that began 70 million or more years ago, though parts of it have been created as soon as 6 or 7 million years ago.



## You Make the News – We Publish It!

Didn't find any mention of YOUR Lions Club in this issue?

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**NOTE:** Submissions received after the 4<sup>th</sup> of the month will be printed in the next month issue

- **Activities:** Service Projects, Fundraising Events, Club Events – What You DO!
- **Club Milestones:** Awards, Club Officers, New Memberships, Passings – What Is Happening With Your Members!
- **Photos of Service Activities, Fundraising Events, Awards, etc.**

\* **Photos:** Should be 300 pixels for good quality. Include names of individuals in photos, and/or describe what the photo is showing. **Text:** Include dates and names (if applicable) for all events submitted. Text will be edited as needed for space, spelling, corrections, etc.

This District is complex, with a variety of things going on throughout. We can learn much from each other, and I'd like to see more communication among Clubs for the growth and benefit of all.

**Don't be left out!!**



## Racism has no place in our world.

Our organization depends on the incredible diversity of our members around the world because great things can only be achieved when we are united.

#kindnessmatters

