

# DISTRICT 11-E2 NEWSLETTER



*Notable Quote:* "The young man knows the rules,  
but the old man knows the exceptions."  
— Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

**August 2020**

## District Governor's Message



**Rod Leathers,  
District Governor**

Hello Lions of 11-E2,

I am doing a fundraiser for pediatric cancer. I will have my hair, beard and mustache shaved off at our 2nd Cabinet meeting on October 10th in Central Lake. My goal is to raise \$2,500 to send a family to Camp Quality. Any money above will be used for Pediatric Cancer. Details are in the newsletter and also on the district website at [lionsdistrict11e2.org](http://lionsdistrict11e2.org) or my club website at [centrallakelions.org](http://centrallakelions.org)

We are off and running on our membership challenge. As of July 30th Atlanta Lions Club has added one new member, Central Lake Lions Club has added one new member, Oscoda Lions Club has added one new member, and Hale Lions Club is leading with two new members.

Keep it up and remember the first club to add ten new members to the district total will have \$100 donated to LCIF in the name of their club. We started with five new members but we also lost four members, so we are now plus 1 for the Lion year. It's a good start in the right direction. Let's get every club on board with the new member competition next month. If everybody just asks one it will happen.

Our first cabinet meeting will be August 15th at 10 am at the St John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce St., Grayling, MI. Due to COVID restrictions we can only have the Cabinet Members and GAT attend in person. Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Committees Chairs and anyone else that would like to join must attend by zoom. Zoom info will be sent out prior to the meeting. Presidents and/or Secretaries need to forward the info to their club members.

Hopefully we are all finding ways to meet safely and continuing to perform service. I am looking forward to reading about the things our clubs are doing again. Our communities need us more than ever right now. Let's be checking with our schools and asking if there are things we can help with so they can start this fall safely. Remember "Where There's a Need, There's a Lion". Don't forget one Lion can make a difference.

I am looking forward to visiting all the clubs this year and I know our 1st and 2nd VDG's are also.

**"WE SERVE"**  
**— DG Rod Leathers**

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

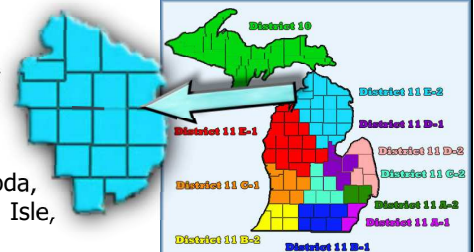
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### Lions Of Michigan Multiple District 11-E2 Counties

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



<b>REGION 1, ZONE 1</b> <b>ZC</b> <b>VACANT</b> Atlanta, Cheboygan/Cheboygan Lioness, Hillman, Indian River, Mackinaw City	<b>REGION 2, ZONE 1</b> <b>ZC Don McDonell</b> Oscoda Lions Club cdmcdonell@gmail.com AuGres Lioness, Hale, Harrisville, Lincoln, Oscoda/Oscoda Lioness, Prescott-Skidway Lake, Rose City, Whitmore Lioness	<b>REGION 3, ZONE 1</b> <b>ZC Jim Broome,</b> Central Lake Lions Club jrbroome@charter.net Bellaire Lioness, Central Lake/Central Lake Lioness, Elk Rapids, Ellsworth/Ellsworth Lioness
<b>REGION 1, ZONE 2</b> <b>ZC Steven Murch</b> Alpena Lions Club 989-340-1544 stevemurch49707@gmail.com Alpena Evening/Alpena Host, Fairview-Commings, Hubbard Lake, Mio	<b>REGION 2, ZONE 2</b> <b>ZC</b> <b>VACANT</b> Beaverton, Grayling, Houghton Lake, Lewiston/Lewiston Lioness Lions, Roscommon-Higgins Lake	<b>REGION 3, ZONE 2</b> <b>ZC John Cool</b> Boyne Valley Lions Club jcool@csbchx.com Boyne Valley, Charlevoix, East Jordan, Petoskey



### LCI President's Message

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

**Dear Lion,**

Together we have accomplished incredible, life-changing work around the world, but that good work has always begun with you. Your kindness and service unites your community in both good times and times of great need. And at all times, in all places around the world, where there is need, there are Lions. That is our strength and the inspiration for my presidential theme, "United in Kindness and Diversity."

This year, we will continue to safely serve our communities. Though we face many new challenges, we will respond as we always have — with kindness, commitment and innovation. I believe that when we serve together, we can unite our communities, and our world, to achieve a greater good for all.

I am honored to continue to serve another year as your International President. It will be my great privilege to stand together with you in service. Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President



**We Serve**

Info from LCI





## A special letter from your chairperson

**Gudrun Yngvadottir**

Dear Lion,

The last few months have been a time of challenge in our world. However, wherever there is challenge, there is opportunity for Lions. Our ability to respond so quickly to the coronavirus (COVID-19) is a result of our Foundation, and funds raised through Campaign 100.

Lions around the world are making great strides in helping communities in need as much as possible, safely. LCIF, your Foundation, has been there every step of the way—providing more than US\$4.5 million and more than 280 grants to COVID-19 relief efforts.

As Lions continue to support their communities through the pandemic, LCIF is providing critical assistance and preparing for a post-COVID-19 world. We can't forget the ongoing challenges people face every day. Those who are food insecure still fight hunger. Natural disasters devastate communities. Individuals struggle with the effects of diabetes. The need of our service is still there.

LCIF is ready to empower your service. Encourage your club or your district to apply for a District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) to serve your community's needs. Support the Foundation through a gift to Campaign 100. Commit to becoming a Model Club.

Be a part of the biggest comeback the world has ever seen.

The world is waiting.

In friendship,  
Gudrun Yngvadottir  
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

**WE CARE. WE SERVE. WE ACCOMPLISH.**

[\(Watch a Video on the LCIF website for more information\)](#)



A message from:

## **Jerome Thompson**

Past International Director, GAT Constitutional Area 1 Leader

### **Lions of North America Are Impacting Lives!**

Dear Club Leader:

I got a call one afternoon from a friend. The first thing that I heard as I answered the phone was, "Jerome, I think I am lost."

"Ok, stay calm. I will try to help you. Look around and tell me what you see. Then, tell me where you are trying to go."

After a short exchange, my friend discovered where she was; the wrong turn that was made; and, how to get back on course.

#### **COVID – 19 has us a little off course. Where are we?**

Even with the COVID crisis slowing us down, we impacted nearly 22 million lives in the United States and affiliate countries (CA 1). That is with only 49% of the clubs reporting at least one service project.

Because of the efforts of each club, we decreased our dropped members by 6% in the past year. Additionally, we reduced the number of clubs that turned in their charters by 10%. Congrats! Let's keep working on retaining those members that we have.

Lions are resilient! We will remain calm and learn to navigate the new normal that is emerging daily.

#### **Where are we going?**

Our challenge in 2020-21 is to work with our clubs to emerge from "COVID Hibernation" and return to what we do best – serving our communities.

We are going to utilize the North American Membership Initiative process in about 90% of our district to expand our footprint of service, engage more volunteers and provide opportunities for personal leadership development.

#### **How can you and your Club help?**

##### **Service**

- **Monthly report your service using MyLion. The process has been streamlined to allow you to report in a matter of minutes.**
- **Strive to report service activities that impact about 120 lives per member during the next year. If you have a club of 30 members, try to report service projects impacting 3,600 lives.**

##### **Membership**

- **Your DG team will be striving to charter a new club or two in the district. If you know someone who lives in the area, please ask them to join the new club.**
- **The Constitutional Area Goal is to add 44,000 Lions to existing clubs between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. Your club is asked to add at least one new member each quarter.**
- **The Constitutional Area Goal is to limit drops to no more than 33,000. Your club is encouraged to engage members in new service opportunities, new fellowship opportunities and to limit dropped members to three per club, if at all possible.**

Thank you for your leadership!! Working together we are going to show kindness to our members and our community. Your Global Action Team is here to assist. Please let us know what we can do to assist your club.

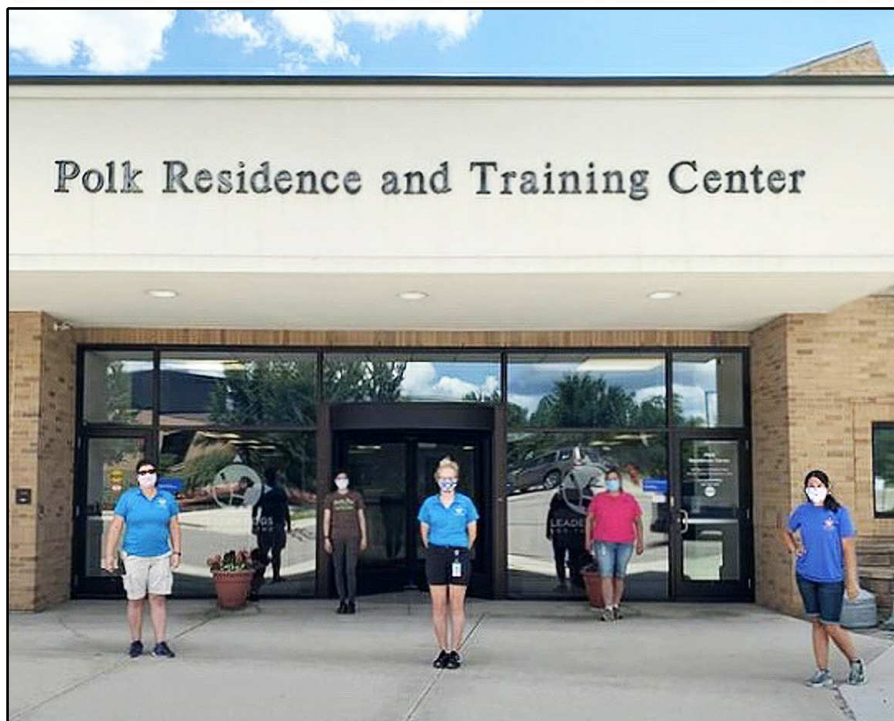
Sincerely,

**H. Jerome Thompson**



**Today's a big day at Leader Dog!  
We're finally welcoming back our first  
class of guide dog clients! The class is  
smaller than usual to help ensure we  
can maintain our safety measures.  
Pictured are some of our instructors  
on campus, ready to get started with  
training.**

**Photo description: A group of six  
female guide dog mobility instructors  
stands outside the glass doors of the  
Polk Residence Center on Leader  
Dog's campus. They are all standing  
at socially distanced positions and  
wearing masks.**



# Council of Governors COVID Guidelines

The District Governors of Michigan have compiled the following procedures to help Lions cope safely with COVID-19

My fellow Lions,

Meeting safe and the safety of all our Lions members and guests is all of our responsibility. From the State Office to the District Governors all the way down to the club level. To help us all I'd like to provide you with this safety meeting outline. Where ever you might gather these guidelines could save many should the COVID virus come calling. This can be applied to indoor meetings as well as outside meetings. This outline was designed by PID Jenny Ware and I feel it is very well done.

1. Outside have simple entry area set up. All Lions are asked to use the front door for a single point of entry.
2. Masks are to be worn upon entry where they will sign in and provide a contact number.
3. Masks are to be worn upon entry and at all times during the meeting if able. Masks will be provided if needed.
  - a. For those that are not able to wear masks due to medical conditions, you will not be asked about your health. We honor your privacy.
4. COVID screenings will be completed at the door. Please fill out the screening with either your own pen or a sanitized pen will be available.
  - a. These forms will be placed into an envelope and sealed for protection of confidentiality. The envelope will be given to the Cabinet Secretary.
5. Your temperature will be taken with a Touchless Thermometer. If your temperature is 100.4 or greater, you will be asked to leave the building and contact your doctor's office for further direction.
6. Physical distancing of 6 feet will be expected. Seating will be arranged to reflect this standard.
7. If food and beverages are being served, contact your local Health Department for guidelines to be followed.

Our State of Michigan Governor has established Regions within our state. The guidelines may differ depending on where you are located. Be sure to research the criteria for your Region, especially right before the event as guidelines can change quickly. For instance here in southwest Michigan, Region 3, we are limited to an indoor meeting of 10 people or less and outdoors of 100 people, with all meetings practicing the things we have outlined and the need to follow social distancing.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers 269.254.1936.

Thanks and stay safe!

Council Chair Jeff Mayuiers



## COVID-19 Screening Tool (Date)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have any **new or unexplained** of the following potential signs/symptoms of illness? Check all that apply:

- |                                       |                        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| a. Fever _____                        | f. Chills _____        |
| b. Cough _____                        | g. Muscle Pain _____   |
| c. Sore Throat _____                  | h. Loss of taste _____ |
| d. Shortness of Breath _____          | i. Loss of smell _____ |
| e. Repeated shaking with chills _____ |                        |

***If yes to any of the above please leave the building after completing this form and signing.***

2. Temperature: \_\_\_\_\_

***If temp is 100.4 or higher, please leave the building after completing this form and signing and call your primary medical doctor's office.***

3. Have you had close contact with a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 person in the last 14 days?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes If Yes, When: \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_ No

***If yes, please leave the building after completing this form and signing and continue to quarantine.***

4. Have you been tested for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

- a. Voluntary Tested, asymptomatic:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes When: \_\_\_\_\_ Results: \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_ No

- b. Testing through order of your doctor or local Health Department for possible contact with COVID positive person:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes When: \_\_\_\_\_ Results: \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_ No

***For b. only: If yes and the results are pending or positive, please leave the building and continue to quarantine.***

**I have answered these questions truthfully. If I become ill while in the building with any of the above symptoms, I will leave the facility.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



**Marie Leathers****GST News:**

During the 2019-20 Lion year did your club create a high-impact service project within one of the global cause areas, including diabetes, childhood cancer, environment, hunger or vision? Be sure to nominate your club for the Kindness Matters Service Award! The deadline is August 15 to submit your club service activity. More details including criteria and forms can be found on the district website [lionsdistrict11e2.org](http://lionsdistrict11e2.org).

**IT News:**

Is your club struggling to keep up with the technology of today? Do you need help to hold a Zoom meeting, set up a Facebook page or website, or report your service in MyLion? Contact your IT Chair at 231-350-0286 for help!

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## Lions Clubs International – Service Activities Kindness Matters Awards Program Overview

### Kindness Matters Service Award

This service award is designed for clubs who create high-impact service projects within one of the global cause areas, including diabetes, childhood cancer, environment, hunger or vision.

Overall objectives include:

- ▶ Encouraging creativity and recognizing high-impact service projects
- ▶ Rewarding clubs for high-caliber service activities within each of Lions Clubs International's global causes
- ▶ Identifying potential service activities for adoption and dissemination to a broader audience
- ▶ Please note: Clubs can send nominations for only one cause per year; multiple nominations from the same club for multiple causes will not be accepted

**District Diabetes Chairperson Diane LaBeau**

Hello Lions!

District Governor Rod Leathers has asked me to be the District Diabetes Chairperson this year. I will be contacting all the clubs in the next two months to discuss possible plans for using the Diabetes Grant funds allotted to our district. I have included a flyer for a Diabetes Path zoom class from Michigan State University Extension starting in October. Would you please make this flyer available to businesses and clinics in your area? And please consider getting it out on social media and your club's website or Facebook page.

I look forward to talking with you and gathering your ideas on how we can move forward with programs to increase awareness of diabetes management through diet, activity and screening clinics as appropriate during this time of "physical" (rather than social) distancing.

Lion Diane LaBeau,  
Central Lake Lions Club

**See flyer on the next page**





## Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health)

### DATE & TIME:

Mondays

1-3 pm

October 5, 12, 19, 26 &  
November 2 & 9

### LOCATION:

Online

### COST:

Free—open to Michigan residents

### REGISTER:

[Click here to register](#)



*This series is funded  
by a generous grant  
from Lions Club*



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



### WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Adults of all ages interested in diabetes may attend, including adults with prediabetes, type 2 diabetes, their family members and caregivers. You must have the ability to use audio and video features to participate in this online workshop.

### DESCRIPTION:

Diabetes PATH is a self-management workshop where you learn tools to manage diabetes. Over the course of 6 weeks, you will learn strategies to help you:

- deal with difficult emotions,
- develop a healthy eating and exercise plan,
- set goals,
- problem solve, and
- a variety of other tools to manage diabetes.

### CONTACT:

Contact Naomi Hyso at 231-845-3362 or [hysonaom@msu.edu](mailto:hysonaom@msu.edu) to register or if you have questions about the workshop.

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## August 15, 2020 Zoom Cabinet Meeting Invitation

Our first cabinet meeting of the year will be Saturday 8/15 at 10 AM. Due to the Covid restrictions, only the cabinet members will be able to attend in person. ACommittee chairs, Club Presidents and Club Secretaries should log into the meeting using the Zoom link below or call in using one of the phone numbers.

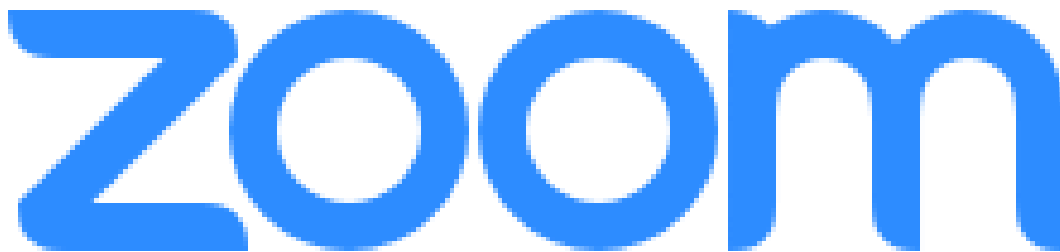
Cabinet members and committee chairs who are planning on doing written reports should have them to me no later than Wednesday 8/12. If you will not have a report or will be doing an oral report, please let me know so that can be reflected on the agenda. Let me know if you have any questions.

If you have questions about Zoom, please contact Lion Marie at [marie@centrallakerealty.com](mailto:marie@centrallakerealty.com), or 231-350-0286.

Hope to see you all, in person or virtually, on 8/15.

CST Barb Durlinger  
989-742-2790  
[lionbarb@comdac.com](mailto:lionbarb@comdac.com)

**For the Zoom link please contact Lion Marie Leathers at [marie@centrallakerealty.com](mailto:marie@centrallakerealty.com) or 231-350-0286.**

The Zoom logo is displayed in a large, blue, sans-serif font. The letters are bold and rounded, with the 'z' and 'm' having a slightly more stylized, modern feel. The logo is centered horizontally and takes up a significant portion of the page width.



# Calendar of Events

## **AUGUST 2020:**

**District Cabinet Meeting** — August 15, 2020 — 10:00 a.m. — St John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce St, Grayling, MI — Cabinet officers will be allowed to attend in person — will be available via Zoom. Contact Marie Leathers marie@centrallakerealty.com or 231-350-0286 for Zoom invitation

## **OCTOBER 2020:**

**District Cabinet Meeting** — October 10, 2020 — 10:00 a.m. — Veterans Center, Central Lake, MI — Cabinet meeting will be available via Zoom. Contact Marie Leathers marie@centrallakerealty.com or 231-350-0286 for Zoom invitation.

## **DECEMBER 2020:**

**District Cabinet Meeting** — December 12, 2020 — 10:00 a.m. — Actual site TBD Cabinet meeting via Zoom. Contact Marie Leathers marie@centrallakerealty.com or 231-350-0286 for Zoom invitation.

## **MARCH 2021:**

**District Cabinet Meeting** — March 06, 2021 — 10:00 a.m. — Tait's Bill of Fare, 111 E Dwight Ave, Oscoda, MI. Will be available via Zoom. Contact Marie Leathers marie@centrallakerealty.com or 231-350-0286 for Zoom invitation.

## **APRIL 2021:**

**District Convention** — April 16-18, 2021 — Boyne Mountain.

## **JUNE 2021:**

**LCI Convention** — June 25, 2021 — Montreal, Quebec, Canada



## PASSINGS



Prescott/Skidway Lake Lions: "Lion Randy Springer passed away after a long battle with cancer. Our sympathy goes out to Randy's family. He was cremated and no arrangements are available at this time."

## NEW MEMBERS

Oscoda Lions welcomed new members **Peggy Clarke** (sponsor Sean Clarke), **Elie Hunt** (sponsor Carole Schultz), and **Heather Tait** (sponsor Connie Heinrich)

Central Lake Lions inducted Eric and April Cikity, and Rebecca James, the first new club member of the new fiscal year.

## *On the Mend*

**NONE RECEIVED**

## Boyne Valley Lions

### July 2020

- Boyne Valley Lions board granted a request to reimburse an applicant for contact lenses - \$310. The needy applicant passed all screening criteria and was approved by Lion Todd Sorenson.
- Other Lion donations have been tabled until fund raising activity for the club can begin again.
- Some storm drain markers have come off. Lions Gow, Larry and myself replaced labels where required in the downtown area.
- Although not official, it is highly likely that the Drag Races will be canceled this year. The drag races are one of the Lions largest fund raising activities of the year. Lion Mike Cain will keep us posted.

## Central Lake Lions / Lioness

### July 2020

Central Lake finally had the opportunity to induct Eric and April Cikity who had joined the club during the lockdown. They have already been doing service for the club - Eric joined in on road cleanup, and April, owner of Fairytale Photography, has jumped right in to assist the marketing chair with photos and publicity. —



— Rebecca James is the first new club member of the new fiscal year. With Rebecca's talents as an industrial seamstress along with her heart of service she will be a tremendous asset for the club, and will be helping to sew masks for the club's next service project.

Membership chair Bob LaBeau has set a goal for the club to have a total of 70 members by the end of June 2021, which celebrates the end of Central Lake Lions 70th year serving in their community. Only 16 to go to reach their goal!

Tail Twister Sara Goldberg brings fun and enthusiasm to the club meetings.



The golf putting challenge was fun for the "Country Clubbers" and the "Country Folks"! Shown in photo: Winner of the challenge Lion Gary Wight (top left), Lion "Melvin" (top right) and Lions Diane and Bob LaBeau (bottom) —



—The Road Cleanup Crew participated in the MDOT Adopt-a-Highway on the 2 mile stretch north of Central Lake and finished just before the storm blew in! Shown are: Lions Mike Ring, Malcolm Shore, DG Rod Leathers, Diane LaBeau, Bob LaBeau, Floyd Seal, Steve Sherman, Eric Cikity and Burt Young.



## East Jordan Lions

### July 2020

The East Jordan Lions provide wood to Tourist Park during the summer months. They cut and split 3 truckloads of it. They bundle it so campers can enjoy campfires at night.

Pictured are: Bill Chase, Denny Gocha, Mike Crick, Don Folsom, Adam St. Onge and Bob Noll. —



The East Jordan Lions did the 2 mile M-66 highway clean up south of town.

— Pictured (From Left); Bill Chase, Pam Crick, Adam St. Onge, Jan Carr, Tim Streufert, Dave Carr, Don Folsom, and Bob Noll.

Not pictured: Photographer Linda Gocha

## Mackinaw City Lions

### July 2020

Activities from July 8 meeting minutes:

- **Treasurer's Report** – Laura reported \$5,331 in Administrative Fund, \$24,160 in Building Fund, and \$10,222 in the Service Fund.  
☐ Laura noted that the \$500 that had been approved for District 11-E2 Flood Relief had been sent.
- **Secretary's Report** – Dave M reported that all the members and officers for the 2020-2021 year had been updated in MyLion. Also, with some losses, current membership is 30.
- Lion Les reported that the city called and informed him that the DNR wanted our viewfinder on the state dock removed immediately. Lions Les, Chuck and Dave M. removed it. It was a profitable viewfinder. Pat Wyman, City Manager, indicated he will help in finding a place to relocate it.

**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





## Hillman Lions

### July 2020

The Hillman Lions held their Installation of 2020-2021 Officers at a picnic event held on July 14. Additional awards were also given out at the outing.

Hillman Lions enjoying the picnic fixings at the Installation event —



—The Melvin Jones Fellowship Award was presented to Lion Mark Pankner



—The John Neal Fellowship was awarded to Lion Linda Harris



The Ken Lautzenheiser Fellowship went to Lion Faye Lewis —

### Certificates Of Appreciation Were Awarded to:



Lion Lisa Ferguson



Lion Mike LaTulip



Lion Mark Pankner



Lion Barb Durflinger



Lion Jean Manning



Lion Michael Fochtman:



**Hillman Lions Officers** (from left): Tail Twister Mike LaTulip, Membership Chair Mark Pankner, DG Rod Leathers, Treasurer Barb Durflinger, President Michael Fochtman, Secretary Jean Manning, Publicity Chair, Lisa Ferguson —



## Oscoda Lions

### July 2020

Oscoda Lions Club held its Annual Installation of Officers and Awards night outside because of Covid-19. Everyone was wearing masks. PDG Wayne Schultz installed the Officers, 1st Vice Governor Bill Gaines installed 3 new members, Peggy Clarke, Eile Hunt and Heather Tait into the Club and IPP Bill Palmer presented the John S Noel Fellowship award to Lion Robert Tasior, Lion of the Year award to Lion McCaffrey and the Ken E. Lautzenheiser Fellowship award to 1st Vice Governor Bill Gaines.



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IPP Bill Palmer presented the Ken E. Lautzenheiser Fellowship award to 1st Vice Governor Bill Gaines



IPP Bill Palmer presented the Lion of the Year award to



L to R: Front Row: Lions Newana Visser - Tail Twister, Julie Burrel - Treasurer. Second row: Lions Jane Meyer - Program Director, Bill Gaines - Lion Tamer, Dirk Thompson Hunt - 2nd Vice President. Back Row: Lions Wayne Schultz, Mary Jo Rehberg - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Bill Palmer - Global



New Members: McCaffrey

L to R: Peggy Clarke, sponsor Lion Sean Clarke – Eile Hunt, sponsor Carole Schultz - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Gov. Bill Gaines – Heather Tait, sponsor Connie Heinrich

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## Oscoda Lions

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### July 2020

The Oscoda Lions Club "Ramp Crew", 1st VDG Bill Gaines, and Lions Tony Priebe and Chuck Andrena, traveled to Gladwin yesterday (July 29) to the home of a 91 year old lady who had great difficulty getting up and down the steps to her home.

The picture attached shows the ramp with 1st VDG Bill Gaines, Chuck, Tony and the lady on her newly constructed ramp.

"We spent about 6 hours each on construction, 3 hours each on travel, 1 hour each loading and unloading materials plus Tony and I spent about 3 hours each on design for a total of 36 man hours. Materials cost \$524.24, \$500 from Lions District 11-E2 and \$24.24 that Kay and I will pick up. This was the 50th handicap ramp constructed by Oscoda Lions crews."

"The lady and her granddaughter who cares for her were truly appreciative of everyone's efforts and support. I have attached copies of four receipts in two files. Three of those receipts cover the materials purchased while the fourth represents materials we took, but didn't need to use to complete the ramp. It's better to have a few extra materials than start a job and not have what you need to complete it."

—1st VDG Bill Gaines



## Petoskey Lions

### July 2020

On Wednesday, July 8, 2020, Petoskey Treasurer, Lion Dave Carlson, presented a \$500 check to Wallace C. Glasscock Memorial Scholarship winner Tiffany Fettig. The Petoskey High School senior topped a group of 8 very worthy applicants.

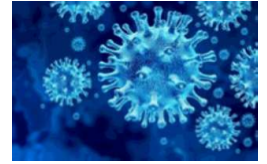
Due to Covid-19 presentation of the check was postponed from May to July. Having an outdoor meeting place at the Petoskey waterfront offered a safer environment to get the the task done, agreeable to all parties. Tiffany plans to attend Grand Valley State University this Fall.



## Prescott/Skidway Lake Lions

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"We lost a very good member of our Prescott/Skidway Lake Lions this past Sunday. Randy Springer passed away after a long battle with cancer. He was a past president, mint chairman, did our wood products that we donated for District conventions, and was always helpful with White Cane or road clean-up projects. He lost his wife in May after 52 years of marriage and our sympathy goes out to Randy's family. He was a Vietnam vet and member of The American Legion. He was cremated and no arrangements are available at this time."

**CORONAVIRUS UPDATES – JULY 1**

This is a snapshot of what the World, Nation, and State of Michigan looked like on **AUGUST 1, 2020**. The numbers may be significantly higher by the time you read this as the COVID-19 pandemic continues. (Info from CDC & MI gov. Websites)

**World Statistics**

**Confirmed Cases: 18,013,191 ♦ Deaths: 688,718**

**United States Statistics ♦****Michigan Statistics**

**Confirmed Cases: 4,764,318 ♦ Confirmed Cases: 91,332**  
**Deaths: 157,898 ♦ Deaths: 6,457**

**DISTRICT 11-E2 STATISTICS**

11-E2 Counties	Cases Confirmed	Deaths
Alcona:	24	1
Alpena:	111	13
Antrim:	32	0
Arenac:	36	3
Charlevoix:	38	2
Cheboygan:	32	2
Crawford:	88	5
Emmet:	49	2
Gladwin:	50	2
Iosco:	109	11
Kalkaska:	36	4
Montmorency:	7	0
Ogemaw:	37	2
Oscoda:	18	1
Otsego	113	10
Presque Isle:	14	1
Roscommon:	42	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>59</b>

Note: Statistics may change up or down as corrected data is received



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## Cause & Effect In Action

Another month, and COVID-19 numbers continue to soar throughout the U.S., especially in the Southern and Western states, with Midwest states poised to see new infection records set if current trends continue. It's depressing to watch the COVID-19 infection rate graphs move downward for several months, and then soar to new heights in the past month. Many states, if not most by the time you read this, will have recorded numbers climb as high as the supposed April "peak", or higher.

The reason for this resurgence is simple: Too many American citizens are ignoring or purposely defying the safety protocols medical experts laid out for our protection — congregating together at beaches, bars and other recreation or business sites, without masks, no social distancing, and haphazard soap and water hand washing, giving the virus just what it needs to continue spreading. Premature opening of recreational and business sites backfired. Instead of bringing the economy back, it is slowing the recovery. Many states have postponed further steps to open things up, and some are reinstating safety protocols they had discontinued. Whether it's disagreement with government policies, a lack of faith in science, belief in alternative "facts" spread from hoaxers, extreme political media, and misleading data from unreliable internet sites, counterproductive actions have exposed more people to COVID-19, stalled the containment of the virus, and set back the economic recovery.

COVID-19 is not your father's flu. Globally, about 3.4% of reported COVID-19 victims have died. By comparison, seasonal flu generally kills far fewer than 1% of those infected. Children and young adults are statistically less apt to die if infected, but there have been increasing deaths of infants, children, teens, and young adults, mostly (but not all) due to complications of existing health conditions. And they can be virus carriers, spreading the infection to others. Studies in certain areas have reported children under 10 to make up around 10% of confirmed COVID-19 cases, and some reported areas had adults under 30 accounting for about 40% of confirmed virus cases.

Other troubling aspects of the COVID-19 virus continue to emerge. Beyond respiratory distress, some symptoms of neurological irregularities are showing up in patients, including brain damage — strokes, seizures, loss of taste and smell, and slower-than-normal cognitive speed. Heart damage in the form of heart attacks and sometimes-deadly clots is a major concern, as are cases of acute kidney damage in patients, most who are diabetic, have high blood pressure, or suffer from chronic kidney disease. A number of patients who fight off the virus are suffering from long recovery times and some ongoing severe complications that may be life long.

A big question now is whether to open schools this fall, or wait until the Pandemic is contained. While some parents, teachers, and students may be eager for schools to reopen, many feel the virus resurgence makes it potentially too dangerous to have students and teachers back in closed classrooms. Reports say an estimated 1 in 5 teachers have already decided not to return this fall. Then there are the support staff — bus drivers, janitors, cafeteria servers — most are high risk older adults who may not risk returning either. Schools may open, but to what level of proficiency? And what is this mask controversy? Patriotic citizens have followed the Pandemic health experts' recommendations. However, some individuals have rejected mask-wearing as if it were a disease in itself. Masks aren't always comfortable or stylish and don't provide 100% protection like a hazmat suit, but they are proven to substantially reduce the risk of virus transmission. World-wide studies show mask-wearing populations have case numbers drop. Cases increased where the mask-wearing percentage was low. We've all seen the placards displayed that say "No Shirt - No shoes - No Service", accepted by the general public for decades without protest marches. We need to update to "No Shirt - No Shoes - No Mask - No Service." Health practices that curtail a Pandemic virus from spreading shouldn't be controversial in a mentally balanced society.

The anti-maskers and deniers are Pandemic equivalents of drunk drivers. Impaired drunk drivers risk death or injury to themselves, and to everyone they meet on the road. People not wearing a mask or social distancing risk getting infected with the virus, or spreading the virus to others they encounter if they already have it (whether they know it or not). And if counter-productive activities aren't bad enough, it's reported that allergy and infectious diseases health expert' Dr. Anthony Fauci and his family have been receiving death threats "because Covid-19 is a hoax". We really need a torrential outpouring of Kindness, and a massive dose of reality...

There is some good news in this COVID-19 Pandemic. Human trials of promising Coronavirus vaccines have started, and if successful may be available by the end of the year or the beginning of next year. What we've learned from this COVID-19 gives us an opportunity to build on our experiences and avoid our current mistakes, to do it right in the next pandemic that will happen sooner or later. We have the power, if we have the will, to end this Pandemic.

For now, we have to deal with the fact that this COVID-19 Pandemic is not going away anytime soon. How long it lasts depends on how well we practice the "3 W's" — Wear a mask. Watch your social distancing. Wash your hands with soap and water. Limited close contact limits spreading the virus. Stop exhaled droplets, stop the COVID-19 virus.

We Lions help people, and taking proper precautions and doing things right is the best help we can give.



*Picture Of The Month*

Sign of the times, spotted at the Legs Inn in Cross Village, MI  
August 5, 2020



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\* Photos: Should be 300 pixels for good quality.

Include names of individuals in photos, &/or describe what the photo is showing.

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**DON'T BE LEFT OUT!**

# Help clean up our District Governor and Support a good cause!



Want to join DG Rod in supporting a good cause? He's raising money for Central Lake Lions Club Charities in support of pediatric cancer programs. ***Hair, beard, and mustache shave - all must go!*** You can watch live on Facebook or Zoom from 11-E2 District Cabinet meeting October 10, 2020.

Your contribution will make an impact, whether you donate \$5 or \$500. Every little bit helps. A link to the Facebook Fundraiser can be found at [LionsDistrict11E2.org](https://LionsDistrict11E2.org) or you can mail a check to Central Lake Lions Club Charities, PO Box 279, Central Lake, MI 49622 with Pediatric Cancer in the memo. **Thank you for your support.**

The donations will be used in support of pediatric cancer programs with the 1st \$2,500 going to send a family to Camp Quality Michigan, a camp for children and their families battling cancer. Anything over that amount will be divided between Camp Quality, Maggie's Wigs for Kids, and Kids Kicking Cancer all 501c3 organizations which Lions of Michigan supports.