



**DISTRCT GOVERNOR JACKIE GLAZIER'S MESSAGE**

Welcome June and warm sunny days. Happy Father's Day for all the dads out there.

Lions and clubs, are you ready to wrap up another Lions year? Our 2019-2020 year is quickly coming to an end. The month of June brings new officer inductions for each club. How are you as a club handling those duties this year? Make sure any event or activity you hold in your club, either by e-mail or a Zoom teleconference, all club members have been made aware of it and are included. Going into a new Lion year, club members should know who the club officers are. Clubs are FUN when Lions are all included and play a part. Keep checking on your club members during these times and keep everyone up to date on club happenings.

With service projects slowed, club reporting is going to be outstanding! Clubs will be posting and catching up. Thank you in advance.

Has your club found a great way to fundraise during these months? Share pictures and ideas on the Lions District page. As Lions—We Serve! These are times when we can benefit from each other and continue spreading our Lions name. Lions working together are an awesome thing.

Have Fun Lions! Keep Smiling! ☺ We Serve!

**First Vice District Governor Bill Koch**



Lions, we are going forward. All our clubs have had a rough time meeting, holding elections, and most important, doing service in our communities. Our fundraisers are GONE or on hold. Times are tough, but we are LIONS. The Great Depression, WWII, the Cold War, and many other problems we have survived. We will go forward with smiles and love in our hearts for people. We need to keep in touch any way we can: phone calls, e-mails, and/or letters. Think outside of the box about fundraisers. Throw it on the wall and see if it sticks. We have different clubs looking at different things: Taco Tuesday,

bottles and cans, selling face masks, for example. We are smart and we can figure out something!!

Now, I need your help!! All clubs need to hold elections by phone, e-mails, computer, or snail mail. Then, as soon as possible, send me or PDG Ron Gibson the officer's e-mail and phone numbers for the District Roster Book, and the last Monthly Membership Report.

Thank you in advance. We also need all clubs to advise Lion Karla Roebuck about a Lion who is ill so we can send a card or phone. We have a few Lions that have some medical problems in our District. Please include them in your thoughts and prayers. All of us have been affected by this terrible COVID-19 disease. We need to go forward with smiles on our faces, love in our hearts, and remember - WE SERVE! GO LIONS!



## From the desk of Second Vice District Governor Bill Bradfield

### Floods-COVID 19-Civil Unrest

These are three good reasons to have Lions that serve our communities in the great State of Michigan. Special thanks go out to those who have contributed to the needs of the flood victims in Midland and Sanford and surrounding areas including the LCIF Grants that were received supporting those affected by this tragedy. The COVID-19 Pandemic continues to ravage our World globally and in the State of Michigan. In our State alone there have been 56,884 confirmed cases and 5,463 deaths to date. It has affected our communities in so many different ways on top of the horrible death count with families not being able to pay last tribute to their loved ones. We thank all Lions that have been serving in our communities by assisting the needs of families across the state. The Civil Unrest that started by the death of George Floyd in Minnesota has not been seen at this level since the riots of 1968. They have taken place in many States including Minnesota, Illinois, Kentucky, California, Michigan, Kansas, Florida, New York, Texas, and many more. The Lions have risen to the challenge for 103 years and we will continue to do so again!

**WORD OF CAUTION:** Many aging Lions, and there are a lot of us, need to be very discreet about what we try to do during the pandemic. Especially people with **DIABETES, HEART DISABILITIES, HISTORY OF STROKES and RESPIRATORY COMPLICATIONS**. If you start to get Cabin Fever, call your Doctor and he will probably tell you to stay at home! Donations can be made from the safety of your home and they are just as important as a physical presence!

The dates of our new online D-PATH, diabetes management classes have been changed to June 25, July 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30. The classes are online and of no cost to the public or to Lions. We have just learned that diabetes places you in a bad situation to be exposed to the virus so now is the time to take advantage of the classes that MSU took so much time and money to develop. Contact your club President and ask to be placed on a list and Presidents will be asked to e-mail the information to me. No cost, No Travel, No Crowd gatherings, limiting all chances of getting the virus, and a chance to add years to your life. Now is the time to take action. The World needs all of us as Lions to solve all of these worldly problems, so Let's Go Lions!

Contact info: [hoxeyvillain@hotmail.com](mailto:hoxeyvillain@hotmail.com) or 231-222-5143

### ELECTION RESULTS!

The Election is complete. Congratulations to the 2020-21 Leadership team for District 11-E1!

District Governor Bill Koch, White Cloud Lions Club

1st Vice District Governor Bill Bradfield, Cadillac Lions Club

Lions of Michigan Foundation Trustee Pete Conarty, Midland Lions Club

Thank you to all the delegates who voted in this election during the pandemic. We appreciate your willingness to vote remotely!

Steve Adsmond  
Fremont Lions Club  
District 11-E1 Elections & Nominations Chairperson

***DISTRICT 11 E-1 LEADERS OF THE MONTH 2019-2020***



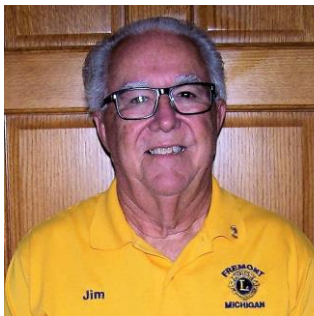
**TINA AND MIKE HOY  
AUGUST 2019**



**BRUCE FREDRICK  
SEPTEMBER 2019**



**PEGGY FRANK  
OCTOBER 2019**



**JIM PATTERSON  
NOVEMBER 2019**



**KEN HISEY  
DECEMBER 2019**



**STEVE ADSMOND  
JANUARY 2020**



**ANN ROESLER  
FEBRUARY 2020**



**KARLA ROEBUCK  
MARCH 2020**



**We Serve**



RAY WILLIAMS JR.  
APRIL 2020



DIANE FLEMING  
MAY 2020

The above Lions are the outstanding choices for District 11 E-1 Lions of the Month 2019-20. They are Lions that have been active for several years in their Lions Club and on the District Lions level in various positions. This group does not incorporate all of our outstanding Lions in the District but a glimpse at some of our active Lions, who have not been a District Governor and have contributed to make District 11 E-1 an outstanding and effective Lions District.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LIONS OF THE MONTH 2019-20. - Lion Pete Conarty, District GLT

### ***LEADERSHIP!***

This is the last Leadership article for this Lions year, 2019-2020. It has been an unusual year and unsettling in many instances. It has terminated the ability of our District and Club Officers from completing their agendas for the year. It has put a cog into our club activities and fundraising abilities. However, it is important that we thank District Governor Jackie Glazier, our District Cabinet and our District Chairs for their service. The torch will pass at the end of this month and our new District and Club Officers will need our help to revitalize and inspire new ideas for our clubs. We will need once more to be a vibrant force in our communities.

Congratulations to the Ewart, Big Rapids, White Cloud and the Central Montcalm Lions Clubs, who stepped up to the plate during this stay at home crisis and were able to sell 100 plus sweepstakes tickets for the Michigan Lions Foundation raffle. A job well done!

This year, I featured 11 of our Lions in the Leader of the month articles that ran each month in the District Newsletter. These are Lions that serve 110 percent in their clubs and at the District level but have not been a District Governor. I need your help!! In the 2020-21 newsletters, I would like to feature each month a Lion from any Lions club who is outstanding and is a leader in that club. Send your suggestions to me via e-mail and I will follow through to the extent possible. Let me know why that Lion is very important to your club. Stay safe and healthy!

Lion Pete Conarty District GLT, E-mail - [mlpjc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mlpjc@sbcglobal.net)

## **DISTRICT 11 E-1 2020 CLUB OFFICER TRAININGS CANCELLED**

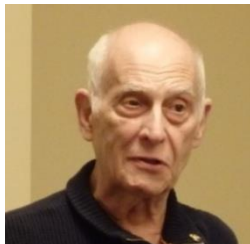
Due to the restrictions placed on group meetings - small groups, distancing, etc., the three Club Officer Trainings planned for the 2020-21 officers have been cancelled. These were the May 30 meeting at the Harrison Lion's Den, June 6 in Big Rapids at the Safety Building, and the June 13 meeting at the Onekama Lion's Den. Plus the fact that many clubs have not had an opportunity to meet and elect officers, unless they have taken the opportunity to do so by phone or electronic means. If the opportunity exists in the future to have one or more of these training sessions, we will plan them. Stay safe and healthy! - Lion Pete Conarty, District Leadership Coordinator



## 2020 HALL OF FAME

District 11 E-1 has two inductees for the Hall of Fame.

**PDG Andy Watson** will be inducted as the deceased member to the Hall of Fame in August. Lion Andy was a member of the Midland Lions Club for 49 years and a very active member of our district and state. He was involved with the Michigan Eyebank for 15 years and involved with the Lions of Michigan Foundation for about 15 years. Lion Andy was dedicated to Lionism.



**PDG Pete Conarty** will also be inducted in the Hall of Fame. Lion Pete has been very active in his 37 years of Lionism on all levels. He was on the board of his club for 30 plus years, worked his way up the ranks and became Governor of our district. Lion Pete was also active on the state level as chairman for the Newsletter Editors. He has been a member of the Lions of Michigan Foundation and is currently the Fund Development chair now for three years. Pete is an all around Lion.

The Hall of Fame will be held August 1, 2020 in Mt. Pleasant. Join us for an evening to celebrate these two Lions into the Hall of Fame.

## Lions

***FREE Space to put your Club's News!  
Please contact us to be included in the next issue  
of the District 11E-1 Newsletter.***

***Editors, Mike and Tina Hoy***—Please submit your club information in Word and pictures as an attachment. Please contact us at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354.

## ***Service Stories***

Each Lion and every club is changing lives in ways both great and small. Service is a personal journey that impacts the people serving and the people we serve. We make an effort to post club service stories under the District Club Happenings section of the Lion Pride. Has your story been shared? Contact ***District 11E-1 Newsletter Editors, Mike and Tina Hoy***—Please submit your club information in Word and pictures as an attachment. Please contact us if you have any questions or comments at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354.

**Please submit materials for July 2020 Newsletter by June 19, 2020.**

# CLUB NEWS



## Empire Lions

Just before the Pandemic Shut-down, the Empire Lions Club inspected, cleaned, and graded over 350 pairs of donated glasses for those in need. Here are Lions Claude Fields and Roger Merillat grading the glasses.

(In the background is Lion Harry Johnson who leads District 11E-1 Eye glasses Mission trips Project.)

## Fremont Lions

The Fremont Lions Facebook page has an item about donating to the TrueNorth food pantry. We solicited donations from our members who ponied up \$590. The board agreed to match up to \$500 turning that into \$1090. We were able to donate that on #GivingWednesday through GoFundMe and they matched \$1000 so our original \$590 turned into a \$2090 donation.

We are postponing our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. **Happy Anniversary!!!**

## Coleman Lions

We are still not meeting, just communicating by email and phone. We will be accepting scholarship applications next week and will probably be reviewing those through email too!



Lion Al Mueller, representing both Coleman Lions and the Coleman Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts as Executive Director of the local Scouts, delivered six hanging flower baskets to the Coleman Senior Center. The Scouts which are sponsored by Coleman Lions Club recently had a successful flower sale fundraiser. The flowers were donated as a thank you for allowing the Scouts to serve special meals and to provide entertainment to those having lunch at the Senior Center. They were gratefully received by Director Sheryl Watson.

## Central Montcalm Lions

Central Montcalm Lions were recognized in Spring 2020 issue of the LION magazine for their 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary April 10. **Congratulations!!!**

## Midland Lions

Midland Lions Club in Action for Flood Relief on May 29, 2020.

District 11E-1, with the work and guidance of DG Jackie Glazier and PDG Lion Laura Johnson [Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) Committee representative] applied for a LCIF Emergency Grant to benefit Midland County for flood relief. A \$10,000 grant was approved and we were able to begin providing needed supplies to those in the flooded areas of the county especially the town of Sanford and parts of Midland. The Midland Lions are working with the local ACE Hardware to obtain the necessary supplies to give to those in need for their clean-up efforts.



Lions loading vehicles at ACE Hardware with cleaning supplies, masks, and gloves.



Midland Lions making delivery at Midland High School, one of the distribution sites. It was reported that these items were exactly what they wanted.

Supplies purchased through ACE included special masks, chemical gloves of various sizes, splash goggles, bleach, concrobium for mold, mops, sponges, trash bags, and buckets. This is just the first phase. We will monitor needs and adapt to what is needed in the next phase. Thanks to all the Lions who helped including our DG Jackie Glazier.

Volunteers were DG Lion Jackie Glazier, Midland Lions Al Ducham, Jim Dunlap, Lori Shelby Hall, Darren Hall, Tina Hoy, Mike Hoy, Dick Ivan, Bud & Mary Lawry, Dave Romenesko, Mark Schultz, and Dave Stark.





Lions making delivery at Meridian Elementary School (another distribution site).

Midland Lions had their first board meeting via Zoom on May 18, 2020. We have not been able to have any regular meetings. We had to cancel our big Hole in One fundraiser, but we hope to have our annual Chicken BBQ fundraiser with some modifications. The second half of our White Cane fundraiser was canceled as well.

## ***District Projects***



Please Note: There is currently a *pause* in presentations due to COVID-19. When you are ready for a **PAWS** presentation, please contact us at [hoym@charter.net](mailto:hoym@charter.net) or 989-832-8354.

Lion Mike is getting more excited about his **PAWS** dog. We are reading the Assistance Dog Handbook (or as Mike likes to call it, the owner's manual). We are making room for a big dog crate. We also have to find a new home for our current pet dog, Miss Emma, who just turned 14 and is hard of hearing. PAWS policy is that we cannot have another dog in the home. We will keep you updated.  
Lions Mike & Tina Hoy, Co-Chairs, **PAWS With A Cause**.

### **Leader Dog**

Leader Dogs for the Blind Virtual Summer Experience Camp 2020

Camp dates: Sunday, June 21-Friday, June 26, 2020

Application deadline: Friday, June 5, 2020

This free camp experience gives teens 14-17 years old in the U.S. and Canada an awesome lineup of virtual activities to build their independence! Participants will explore mobility options like guide dog travel, build leadership skills and make lasting relationships with peers. Using Zoom video conferencing, we will lead two 30-minute virtual sessions each day at 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Teens can look forward to a Q&A session with a guide dog mobility instructor, a game session, a private Facebook group to keep the fun going through the week and lots more! Presenters include Leader Dog O&M Instructors, Leader Dog guide dog mobility instructors and some special surprise guests! Participants will receive a free LDB Virtual Summer Experience Camp t-shirt and a chance to win other prizes including a Humanware Victor Reader Trek.

To confirm your commitment for this week of fun, please complete the online application by Friday, June 5. You'll need to check your email regularly after applying for updates and more information!



## District Eyeglass Mission Trip Update

Although the Corona Virus has put a damper on our Eyeglass Mission trip for this year, our team is still working on wearable eyeglass stock to take with us. We have now obtained a contact in Costa Rica for 2021. He is discussing this possibility with his committee on his end. The Clubs are still getting raw material for our upcoming mission trip. Thanks to all of you Lions for your continued support to this worthwhile project.

Thanks, Harry Johnson, PDG [His contact is [lionharry1947@gmail.com](mailto:lionharry1947@gmail.com) or 1-231-745-4524.]

### Used Hearing Aid Donations

Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps. Lions Pete or Pam, your zone or region chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.

## Bear Lake Camp

As the Board of Directors, staff, and I have evaluated the evolution of the Coronavirus, we have watched and realized that the systems that camp is dependent upon to keep children safe are not in place for the Summer of 2020. This means for the Summer of 2020, we are transitioning our operations to include summer activities, but we will **NOT** open our residential operations onsite this summer for check-in of campers.

The staff and I are working diligently to develop many new and exciting offerings for the summer that will be offered online via Facebook and/or other platforms to accommodate our audience. We are collaborating with many organizations across the United States, who are offering programming just like ours, in order to make sure our programs remain universally accessible and top notch. Both The Visually Impaired Camp and Deaf and Hard of Hearing Camp will continue to be held during the same weeks in July that are already on the calendar.

Once the setup is completed, campers can start registering!! The registration will be done via Facebook (or a more universally accessible platform), in which we will be asking for demographics and consent forms, which allow your child to participate. This camp is being offered for free.

The hope is that sometime this fall we will be able to regroup in person, for a day event, to reconnect with our friends and staff! So please stay tuned for that opportunity. Also, the Open House is postponed and we are working to reschedule that in late August and/or combine it with our in-person day event that we are trying to host. Again, please stay tuned for more information.

As noted above, the Lions Bear Lake Camp Board of Directors has made the very sad and tough decision to cancel residential camp, with the new opportunity to host a Virtual Camp for all of our campers and their families.

PLEASE CALL (810) 837-0119 FOR INQUIRIES.

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[Shelly@bearlakecamp.org](mailto:Shelly@bearlakecamp.org)

*Shelly O'Henley, Executive Director*



## Lions of Michigan and the Zoom Boom!

For Your Information the Lions of Michigan isn't just now jumping on the Video Conferencing craze going on during the COVID-19 crisis.

The various restrictions put in place on meeting size, travel and Social Distancing have forced people all around the world to come up with ways to keep in touch and conduct business without everyone actually being there.

The news media is full of reporters and TV hosts working from home and their production staffs not in the office but still able to function. Thanks to many different technologies a lot of things can be done even if everyone involved is far apart.

The MD11 IT (Information Technology) Committee during the 2018-2019 Lions year received the approval of the Council of Governors to investigate and finally adopt a Video Conferencing service for use by the Lions of Michigan. The recommendation for adopting the Zoom Video Conferencing platform as the standard for all Lions of Michigan was approved and money was budgeted to implement that service.

Since then the MD11 IT Committee has been working on setting up the equipment where it is needed and the methods on how to use it. With an increase in the IT Committee's budget approved by the 2019-2020 Council of Governors the IT Committee has done additional work on getting better equipment for the Lions State office and getting other equipment for doing conferences and meetings.

MD11 IT Committee Zoom Video Conferencing has been used by: Council of Governors to conduct interviews for MD11 position's of candidates that could not be physically present at the COG meetings. Most recently they conducted their last regular Council of Governors meeting with three Lions in the State Office and up to 46 other Lions joining them on Zoom. Many MD11 Committees, District Committees and District Cabinet meetings have conducted their meetings with Zoom. Some were where some of the group met in a central location and those that could not attend physically joined in the meeting via the Zoom platform. Many meetings of Lions have been conducted where everyone is on a computer, iPad, tablet or smart cell phone or even a regular phone call.

We got off to a good start last year, however we can do more and do better now. We want all Lions, Districts, Clubs their Committees and Board of Directors that need to conduct Lions business to try using the Zoom Video Conferencing service we offer. You may want to try a virtual Club meeting, many Clubs already have. This is not just a temporary offer, we need it now more than ever and it was a useful tool before the current crisis and it will be after.

The MD11 IT Committee Zoom Pro Account allows us to set up and conduct as many meetings as we want. The restrictions are that we can only do one group call at a time. We can have up to one hundred (100) callers, the host and 99 callers and call duration of up to twenty-four hours. Because we have had such a high demand for Zoom calls we have had some scheduling conflicts. That is being resolved and several Districts in the State have set up their own Zoom Pro Accounts so they can schedule calls in their District as needed. A Free Zoom Account that everyone can set up is a great option for Lions that want to have short meetings. A Free account lets you do video conference calls with up to 100 callers but has a forty (40) minute time limit. Every person with a Free account can set up meetings and easily join other meetings as needed.

For those Lions or individuals that don't have a smart phone, mobile device, desktop or laptop device you can still participate in the conference calls as an audio only, telephone caller. Zoom provides dial in connections for the phone calls. However the numbers are not Toll Free and are not local numbers. So the caller should have a land line or cell phone with a good or unlimited long distance calling plan. Remember the Zoom service is not limited to Lions business. With a personal free account you can stay in touch with friends and family. We recommend that if you don't already have a Free Zoom Account you start one as soon as you can. You only have to have one personal Zoom account. You can use that same User Name and Password on any of your devices. Setting up a Zoom account is easy, go to the Zoom download link <https://zoom.us/download> then select the **Sign Up It's Free**

button. You will need to download the Zoom software for each of your electronic devices that you want to connect with. If you have a home desktop computer you may need to get a Webcam that you can plug into it to make Zoom work. Most laptops, tablets, iPads and smart phones have a camera and microphone in them and are ready for use. The Zoom website helps you download computer software, but you must download the correct App for your mobile device. For iPads and iPhones go to the Apple Store, for Android devices go to the Play Store, find the **Zoom Cloud Meeting** app and download it.

For those of you that think you're "technologically challenged", the MD11 IT Committee is available to help you set up your account and start using the Zoom platform.  
For District 11E-1 contact **Karla Roebuck** [kroebuck@greenridge.com](mailto:kroebuck@greenridge.com)

If you want to schedule a Zoom Video Conferencing meeting the Lions of Michigan State Office will soon be set up to take reservations and schedule them in the MD11 Zoom Video Conferencing service. Consult with your District Governor or District IT Committee Chair to see if your District has its own Zoom Pro Account. Once the State Office is open, contact the Lions State Office at [lions@lionsofmi.com](mailto:lions@lionsofmi.com) and they will schedule the call and you will host and conduct the call. Until then contact MD11 IT Chairperson Ray Robins at [rayrobins@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rayrobins@sbcglobal.net) and he will schedule it for you. We are currently all in the COVID-19 crisis together, but apart. Let's use this tool to help bring us together as Lions so we can continue to practice our motto of "We Serve".

**PLEASE NOTE:**

There have been a few questions in regards to the ballot proposals to have been voted on at the MD 11 Convention. In early April, the proposal for a dues increase has been withdrawn by the Council of Governors.

There is a lot going on in the districts! I anticipate the next Lion Pride will be mailed at the end of May or early June.

Thank you! Lion Wendy

***Messages from Gudrun Yngvadottir, Chairperson, LCIF***

● ***An Important Announcement Regarding Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service***  
*The timeline has been extended by one year, through June 30, 2022.*

● ***LCIF has provided more than \$3,500,000 to COVID-19 relief efforts.***



## *Welcome to the Month of June 2020*

*June 1 is Helen Keller Day  
Also, Say Something Nice Day*

*June 5 is World Environment Day*

*June 6 is D Day  
Also, Eyewear Day*

*June 7 is Lions Clubs International Birthday  
Also, Cancer Survivors Day*

*June 8 is Best Friends Day*

*June 14 is Flag Day*

*June 20 Summer Begins*

*June 21 is Father's Day*

*June 27 is Sunglasses Day*

*June is Aquarium Month  
Candy Month  
Camping Month  
Country Cooking Month  
Dairy Month  
Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month  
Great Outdoors Month  
Iced Tea Month  
Rose Month  
Soul Food Month*

For more fun and ideas for spending your time, visit [www.NationalDayCalendar.com](http://www.NationalDayCalendar.com)



“We do not know one promise these men made, one pledge they gave, one word they spoke; but we do know they summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue.”

James A. Garfield  
May 30, 1868, Arlington National Cemetery

