

# Muskegon Northside Lions Club



## THE LIONS TALE

### WE SERVE

### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Lions,

It's time to start flipping pancakes! It was an exciting May with the district convention on the LST and Multi-district convention as well as White Cane days. Now onto June with officer instillation, 2 pancake breakfasts, 2 Lions club general meetings and a food truck. June is the last month in our Lions calendar year and a good time to reflect on what we have done in the past 12 months and what might be ahead of us.

Although I hope to say this at our first meeting in June, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone in the club for their support this past year. There is no point in being president if no one shows up to our meetings, does the behind the scene work, or comes to our community or fundraising activities. Feel free to share with me or a board member a vision you have for our club. Thank you.

Until the next meeting,

Lion Michelle



### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

**JUNE 4 -  
GENERAL MEETING -  
OFFICER INSTILLATION  
6:30 PM, 1ST LUTHERAN**

**JUNE 18-  
GENERAL MEETING  
6:30PM, FIRST  
LUTHERAN & BOARD  
MEETING FOLLOWING**

**FOOD TRUCK -  
JUNE**

**JUNE 1 - PANCAKE  
BREAKFAST @ LST**

**JUNE 15 - PANCAKE  
BREAKFAST NM WALKER PAR**

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Please enjoy these photos from the 11-C1 district convention May 10. Photos courtesy of Lion Rich Carlson.



## Board of Directors 2023-24

**PRESIDENT LION MICHELLE BULLION**

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**LION PAUL HOPPA**

**MEMBERSHIP LION ED WEESSIES**

**TAIL TWISTER LION RICH CARLSON**

**LION TAMER LION MIKE SIMERICK**

## LIONS CLUB LEADERS:

**DR. PATTI HILL INTERNATIONAL, PRESIDENT**

**DISTRICT GOV 11C1 MICHAEL O'LONERGAN**

**OUR WEBSITE:**  
**MKGNORTHSIDELIONS.COM**



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## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS



**JUNE 1 JILL MOUW**

**JUNE 3 ZACK KRAUSE**

**JUNE 8 ANNE SCHALOW**

**JUNE 9 MARK MOREEN**

**JUNE 15 THERESA HANSEN**

**ROGER DREIKORN**

**JUNE 16 JILL JOHNSON**

**JUNE 17 KATHLEEN COBLER**

**JUNE 19 GARY WENZLAFF**

**JUNE 23 STEVE BOWNE**

**JUNE 24 KIM ARTER**

**JUNE 29 BRIAN WERSCHEM**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS WITH WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARIES AND CLUB ANNIVERSARIES!**

**HAPPY CLUB ANNIVERSARY TO 11 MEMBERS INCLUDING 4 WITH  
30 YEARS OR MORE - LIONS BOB SCHALOW (30), JIM WOLFFIS  
(39), RICH CARLSON (39) AND PID DENNIS COBLER (44)!**

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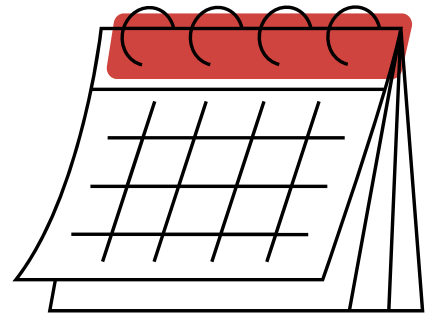


**Our newest (progressive) Melvin Jones recipient - Lion Pat  
Woods, with last year's recipient Lion Denise Sabo and MJ  
chair Lion Rich Carlson**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



**PANCAKE BREAKFASTS:  
AT THE LST, JUNE 1, SET UP 7 AM, SERVING 8 AM-12 PM**

**AT WALKER PARK IN NORTH MUSKEGON, JUNE 15, SET UP 7  
AM, SERVING 8 AM-12PM**



**Photos from White Cane Days courtesy of Lion Rich Carlson  
Thank you to Deb and Dale Roest who chaired the event**

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**FROM THE DESK OF THE  
DISTRICT GOVERNOR,  
LION MICHAEL O'LONERGAN**



**As another Lion Year comes to an end, a new beginning approaches us. It is wonderful to have a full board of dedicated Lions. Being a Board member and leadership comes with added responsibility. Part of that leadership responsibility should come with checking out the latest LCI updates for what each position has for changes, updates, or tweaks. Anyone not on the board should be thanking and helping those on the board continue to do this wonderful service that make us {NORTHSIDE} great.**

**The new Lions portal should be checked out by ALL LIONS. There is a huge amount of information on everything Lions. Some of the things are power points, movies, slides and pictures in easy-to-understand formats. At least go on and check YOUR personal information. Make sure it is all correct. Have a great summer and help out on one of our many service opportunities.**

**Yours in Service,  
DG Michael**





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## SPOTLIGHT ON LION ED WEESSIES



This month the newsletter presents to you one of four charter members in our club, Mr. Ed Weessies. The challenge in doing a biography on Lion Ed is the sheer volume of Lions history that Ed has in his almost 45 years as a Lion. Currently he is Membership Chair and Club Administrator. Born and raised in Kalamazoo he was a Hospital Corpsman in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1963-67. Ed married his late wife Jan in 1965. Together they have children Kimberly (Kim) and son Mike, a member of our club, and 5 grandchildren. Ed is active in the Roman Catholic Church. For many years he was the elected clerk for Laketon Township.

He was Charter Lion Tamer, Charter Night Chairman, and from 1982-2000 club secretary earning the 100% Secretary's Award each year. He has received more awards than can be listed on a single page. In July 2022, he was inducted into the Lions of Michigan Foundation's Hall of Fame.

District committees he has served on include Constitution and ByLaws, Credentials, Extension, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Leadership Development, USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, and Welcome Homes for the Blind. In some of these aforementioned areas Ed has also served on the multiple district level. He has chaired district conventions and served as Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer for PID Dennis Cobler when he was District Governor. He has received the International President's Award for Humanitarian Service in 1994 and the International President's Leadership medal in 2004. He has more than 10 progressive Melvin Jones fellowship awards. He has received the Granville and Betty Cutler Leadership award, a Ken Lautzenheiser and a Helen Keller award, and a SA Dodge Distinguished Service Award (MD11). My apologies to Ed for not including his other accomplishments. He is often the Lion behind the scenes filling out forms, getting permission for events, and seeing that service of other Lions members is recognized. We are proud to have him as a member of the Muskegon Northside Lions.



Photo credit: Lion Rich Carlson

**Our mystery member last month was  
Denny Loughridge.**

