



We Serve



Watch out for the kids on Halloween



**From the desk of
Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed,
President**

Hello Friends: In spite of the current pandemic and all of its ramifications, we still have the fundamentals we need: our health, our family, our friends, and our Lions family. With the political climate attempting to determine who and what we are by emphasizing and exacerbating our feelings of alienation and division, our Lions family provide and embrace our commitments to our community and to our Lions core—our motto “We Serve.” For example, our members have shown their strong commitments recently with two projects: a food truck and the Mullally Park playground equipment build, part of our dedication to serve to our local area.

Beginning with our first October meeting, in lieu of outside speakers, we will be asking you to share your stories with us: stories of survival in this era of epidemic, of commitment to your workplace, of family growth, of what has made you who you are. We would enjoy, especially, listening to your stories of what matters to YOU as a long-term Lions member—why you became a Lion and what keeps you a Lion. We hope that you will feel free to share your life as we call upon you and let us celebrate with you your journey to today.

We can find healing in our commitment, as Lions, as we set an example for our children of a force of unity and compassion, and an inspiration to others to join us. When we leverage our talents, abilities and time to make an impact, eliminate obstacles, and provide access to resources for others, we can affect lasting impact to them as well. Its why we become Lions. As we get things done, “We Serve.”

President Darnell Gundy-Reed

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Against the black void, looms the lunar sphere.
Hungry ghosts haunt, satisfied by fright.
Oh my! The children's faces blanch in fear.
And thus the small summit embodies white.



Dwindle do the autumn leaves to the ground.
From the fire, the cold meets its warm demise.
Halloween's favorite gourd, carved and round
And thus the middle is where orange lies. . . .

<https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/candy-corn>



**From the desk of
Lion Dennis Cobler, PID**

Fellow Lions,

When the COVID-19 pandemic started what seems like years ago time dragged on and on. Now 6 or 7 months into it time has become just as it always was before, a runaway train. Maybe it's just me but even keeping track of when this column is due is an effort as it springs upon me and without a gentle kick in the rear by my fellow newsletter writers it would pass me by very easily! Now that it has been said, let's get started on this missive.

There has been many of our members very busy these past few weeks since we last visited, serving the community with a food truck, building much needed ramps, providing two full days of manpower to erect equipment for another playground in Mullally Park, replacing worn out damaged service banners in the Veterans Memorial Park and placing the “Be Kind” signs in member's yards. That is a busy year for some clubs but this is just our September efforts!

There were some concerns that with the virus still with us and all of our other fund raising efforts placed on hold or cancelled that our raffle calendar project may face the same fate. I have been on the calendar committee for what seems like a zillion years and quite frankly felt it might be time for us to take a calendar break. However, we are off to our fastest start yet, a very large group of our past supporters lined up to get us off to a roaring start. Deposits for the club thus far for sales exceed \$4,000.00. The virus slowed us down for collecting the revenue from ad sales as we still need to collect from a few sponsors but even with this hurdle we collected enough to pay for the calendar printing. Thanks to all who are braving the storm to make sure that we are providing the budget money for next year's Board to continue the strong presence we have built over the past 40+ years. Once more, from just one committee chair and long time member, thanks for all you individually do to make the club I am so proud to belong so relevant.

Till next month, PID Dennis

[Scholarship Application on last page.](#)



An Editorial by:

**Lion Ed Weessies, PCST
Lions Tale Editor**

Fellow Lions,

Some good news. After five Covid positive tests my wife Janice has had a negative test. She, along with all the other residents at Robinswood, are still in quarantine. Hopefully the quarantine will be removed and there will be some sense of normalcy.

From all reports, our second meeting on September 1 was again a success. Lots of information along with fellowship. The board is working diligently to secure a space to meet as fall has arrived and weather can be an issue.

It does not matter how long a member has been a Lion, you are eligible to serve on the board, chair a committee or sponsor a new members. Once you have accepted membership you are qualified. When discussing becoming a Lion you are asked to do two things. First ask why they want to be a member. Hopefully it will be the same reason you have, to make a positive difference while having some fun. The other is, "Do you know that we pay dues to be a member?" Be sure to tell your prospective member it costs \$105 per year for them and if a family member wants to join it cost them \$79. Please note that from now until December 31st the New Member Fee of \$35 is being waived by Lions Clubs International. I have plenty of Invitation cards.

Lion Roger Dreikorn and his team consisting of Lions Cinda Cogswell, Jackie Ball and Jill Mouw will be co-coordinating our food truck events. Any one wanting to be on this committee should let Lion Roger know. What a team!

This is a repeat. To all the committee chairs and co-chairs. PLEASE contact President Darnell Gundy-Reed at 740-2616 or at darnellgundy_reed@yahoo.com or me of you intention to remain on your committee or if you wish to be replaced. Members who have not joined a committee and wish to do so please contact President Darnell. Everyone is doing a great job but we all get tired out too.

When we return to meeting indoors, Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed and I will continue to keep our members informed as to community service and fund raising projects as well as other special activities. Our use of a special table where information and signup sheets for up coming fundraisers and community services

projects, updated member rosters, a few newsletters and the tip box. If you know someone without E-mail (besides the Hansens, and Rick Werschem). If you would like a newsletter or other publication printed, let me know.

With the current situation of the Covid-19 virus, we will continue to have an E-mail contact for our members. From time to time, Lion Kathleen Cobler will pose a subject and I will send it out to all our members. It is designed to keep in touch with our members, hear their thoughts during this time when we are not meeting. When you respond PLEASE respond to all.

Last but not least, you all are asked to continue to keep those of our members, former members and their family members that are ill or recovering or have passed away in your thoughts and prayers. They include Lions Lupe Alviar, Windy Bradfield, Rol Crummel, Pat Wiseman and former Lion Tom Carl, Rita King (Lion Brad's wife), and Jan Weessies. I am sure there are others we need to be thinking about. Please keep me posted as to who might be ill, been in an accident, lost a loved one or had surgery. We are a family.

For those members that have not been attending meetings, you were missed. It is hoped that when we return to meeting as before we will have a full house! Everyone brings something good to our meetings even if it is only a smile!!!!

*Lion Ed Weessies, Editor
Muskegon Northside "Lions Tale"*

From the desk of

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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 WALKER PARK, NORTH MUSKEGON, MI

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Darnell Gundy-Reed

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion Frank Krol.

The Invocation of offered by Lion Jim Larson

Report on handicapped accessible play-ground at Mullally Memorial Park Lange Complex

– Lion Ron Hansen and

– Laketon Township Treasurer Lori Archer.

This project is scheduled to take place on September 15th &

16th. On the 15th there will be opening of boxes and laying out of parts. On the 16th the assembly will take place. A "Thank you" from North Muskegon High School Post Grad Committee was read.

President Gundy-Reed reviewed the actions of Board of Directors and that the board has been meeting since May. She expressed her gratitude for such a dedicated, hard working board.

Board members report:

1. 1st Vice President Kathleen Cobler reported that our Activities budget will remain the same as 2019-2020. We have the funds for annual donations and community service projects. She also presented the "Be Kind" signs the board bought for members to place in their yards.
2. 2nd Vice President Jim Irwin reported that although he has been able to ship 250 pill bottles he could have shipped more had it not been for the fact that some of the bottles were not clean inside and out.
3. 3rd Vice President Michelle Bullion discussed the food truck scheduled for September 10 at First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Need at least 20 volunteers starting a 3 pm. She also discussed the need for the club to do more public advertising using the social media to help with fund raising and membership.
4. Treasurer Brad King reported the club accounts are up to date. Dues invoices from Lions Clubs International and District 11 C1 (which includes Multiple District 11 dues) have been paid.
5. Secretary Pat Wiseman has volunteered to chair the call committee.
6. Lion Frank Krol reporting for Lion Tamer Mike Simerick stated that the pancake trailer will be ready for 2021.
7. Lion Paul Hoppa made note that his granddaughter Kendal Hoppa wants pancakes for her graduation party. He will get with Lion Mike.
8. Director Jackie Ball was absent due to exposure to Covid 19.
9. Director Deb Roest reported that Lions Pat Woods, Barb Pellerin and Paul Hoppa were the Kids' Shopping Trip team. Because of the Covid issue one idea for this event was to give gift cards rather than taking the kids shopping. Other ideas welcome.
10. Lion Deb and Lion Dale are hoping to coordinate White Cane Tag Days next year.
11. Director Michael O'Lonergan made note that on the Mullally Park project, members can come and go as they pleased but please help out.
12. Director Jill Mouw emphasised the need for volunteers at the food truck.
13. Director Dennis Cobler reported that our club along with the Fruitport and Ravenna Lions purchased a specialized printer for visually impaired youth. Calendars have been distributed to team captains.
14. Membership Director Ed Weessies reported that he followed the idea of other members and posted on Facebook the calendars sales and why it was so important to sell them this year as we could not have any other fund raisers. He has over 40 requests to buy calendars. He asked that members be sure to report any changes to their contact information or to report any members or their family members with health issues or injuries.

Community Service and Fund raising Committee activities

Members report:

15. Lion Krol made note that teams for placing the flags on the Veterans' Memorial Causeway Park are all set for the rest of this year.
16. Lion Ron Hanson reported that the ramp crew has 3 ramps scheduled and that they have completed 14 ramps to date. Great job!

Questions/Comments:

17. Lion Eyestone asked if there is any thought about a meeting place when the weather turns? She suggested Russ' might be available.
18. Lion Hoppa commented on our club's leadership team getting meetings going. Many club have yet to meet. All board members are involved. The club may need to think about possible meeting changes such as meeting at First Evangelical Lutheran Church without meals.
 - a. He stated that the club was making a donation to the family on Fenner Road whose home burned.
 - b. The scholarship committee will be planning for the up coming graduating seniors at North Muskegon and Reeths-Puffer High Schools.
19. Lion Windy Bradfield reported that last year his doctor told him he had stage 4 cancer in various parts of his body. Now he is cancer free below the neck.
20. Tail Twister – Lion Krol – stand-in:
21. Club anniversaries –
 - a. Lion Luther 4 years
 - b. Lion Gundy-Reed 8 years.
22. Wedding anniversaries –
 - a. Lions Genter 51 years,
 - b. Lion Baauw 31,
 - c. Lions Bullion 19 Years,
 - d. Wenzlaff 5 years.
23. Birthdays –
 - a. Lions Ron Hanson,
 - b. Rol Crummel,
 - c. Deb Roest,
 - d. Denise Sabo and
 - e. Clara Spicer.
 - f. The Lions traditional "Happy Birthday" was sung.
24. The Board of Directors are scheduled to meet at Lion Ed Weessies' home at 7:00 P.M. on September 22.
25. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for October 6 at Walker Park at 7:00 P.M. weather permitting.
26. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.
Submitted by Lion Edward Weessies, assistant to the secretary.



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday September 22, 2020

AT LION Ed Weessies' HOME

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.
by President Darnell Gundy-Reed.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

President Darnell Gundy-Reed

1st VP Kathleen Cobler	LT M. Simerick	A
2nd VP Jim Irwin	TT R. Dreikorn	A
3rd VP Michelle Bullion	1st Dir. J. Ball	
Secretary P. Wiseman	1st Dir. Deb Roest	
Treasurer Brad King	2nd Dir. J. Mouw	
IPP D. Perri	2nd Dir. M. O'Lonergan	
Dir. D. Cobler	Membership E. Weessies	

A = Absent Excused

A **motion** was made to approve the minutes of the August Board meeting by Lion Roest. Seconded by Lion O'Lonergan. **Motion approved.**

A **motion** to accept the treasurer's report subject to review was made by Lion Weessies, seconded by Lion Ball. **Motion passed.**

Administrative:

- Meetings at First Evangelical Lutheran Church – Lion Kathleen Cobler has received permission for us to meet in the Family Life Center. We must use only chairs, wear masks and practice social distancing. **Lion Roest moved** that we hold a regular meeting on the first Tuesday of October with the board meet after the regular meeting. Motion seconded by Lion O'Lonergan. **Motion approved.**
- Six members have yet to pay their dues.
- Member Christmas Party – Lion Darnell. This item will be discussed at the regular meeting on October 6.
- Calling of absent members – Lion Weessies. Topic was deferred to another meeting.

Community Service:

- Be Kind signs – Lion Kathleen. Four members have donated funds to purchase an additional Be Kind signs.
- Kids Christmas Shopping – Lion Deb. Because of the uncertainty of the Covid 19 issue, our regular process of taking the children shopping and providing a lunch and wrapping gifts we will be looking into provide gift cards to the store

and establish certain days for shopping. Gift cards would not to be used for alcohol or tobacco products. Members would be at the store on dates chosen to assist. More to come.

Fundraising:

- Fund Raising - ? Go Fund Me Page –
 - It was discussed that should we proceed with this fund raiser that the money raised would be designated to a local need that would be receptive to donors.
 - One idea was for school supplies normally provided by students. This could help low income students.
 - Lions Ball, K.Cobler and Hoppa to look into the students' needs and bring information to the board.

Round Table:

- Lion Hoppa made note the Emergency Action fund provided \$100.00 to the family on Fenner Road whose home.
 - It Was destroyed by fire. They were told to contact Lion Hoppa if the Lions could help further.
- Lion Mouw reported that the food truck cost was \$630.00 and 20 volunteers provided 72 hours of assistance.
 - The number of families is yet to be received.
- Motion** to adjourn was made at 8:10 P.M. by Lion O'Lonergan, seconded by Lion Bullion. **Motion approved.**



Northside Lions' Upcoming Events

Fellow Lions,

Please mark the following events on your Lions' Calendar:



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- Oct 6 Regular Meeting, Gym at First Lutheran Church
- Oct 10 IPDG Paul Hodge – 11C1 Awards & Recognition Luncheon – Lunch at 1:30pm, Awards at 2pm, Location: Paws With A Cause
- Oct 10 BBQ Benefit for Lions Chris and Kitty Fortier, Ravenna Conservation Club from 4pm – 7pm
- Oct 15 29th Annual District 11C1 Projects Night – info coming soon!
- Oct 31 Halloween
- Sep 17-19 USA/Canada Forum **Canceled**
- November Lions Leadership Institute – Virtual – Info and dates TBA
- Nov 11 Veterans Park Flags on Labor Day, Lion Jim & Penny Larson

Birthdays

- October 1**
Mike Baauw
- October 16**
Larry Holstrom
- October 17**
Myra Dutton
- October 22**
Marilyn Eyestone

Wedding Anniversaries

- October 4**
Frank & Evie DiPiazza
- October 13**
Ron & Theresa Hansen
- October 13**
Doug & Pam Krause

Club Anniversaries

- October 1**
Kevin Dean 7 yrs
Theresa Hansen 7 yrs
John Metz 7 yrs
- October 6**
Zim Zook 28 yrs
- October 15**
Brad King 1 yr
- October 16**
Gary Foster 2 yrs
- October 20**
Marilyn Eyestone 5 yrs
- October 21**
Ron Hansen 23 yrs



Living our Mottos - **We Serve** - "We Do It Better - Together!"



Even during these trying times, Lions find time to help.



Some projects require a lot of hands. The Northside Lions turn out to help. The Kids at Mullaly Park are going to love this.



We have some of the best people in our Club.



Lions show up to help with the Food Truck.



We help distribute food to those in need. Thanks First Lutheran for sharing your Parking Lot.



It's not just can goods that we deliver.

Local Area Lions Clubs

MUSKEGON NORTHSIDE LIONS CLUB

Meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6:30pm
First Lutheran Church, 1206 Whitehall Rd NM

MUSKEGON HOST LIONS CLUB

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 12-Noon
At the Muskegon County Visitor Bureau, 610
W. Western Avenue, Muskegon

WHITEHALL-MONTAGUE LIONS CLUB

Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at
The American Legion, Colby St., Whitehall

FRUITPORT LIONS CLUB

Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at
6:30pm
Whitlow's Restaurant, 4610 Airline Rd.

RAVENNA LIONS CLUB

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Ravenna Conservation Club



Melvin Jones
Founder

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2020 - 2021

PRESIDENT	LION DARNELL GUNDY-REED
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	LION KATHLEEN COBLER
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	LION JAMES IRWIN
3RD VICE PRESIDENT	LION MICHELLE BULLION
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TAIL TWISTER	LION ROGER DREIKORN
MEMBERSHIP	LION ED WEESSIES, PCST
PAST PRESIDENT	LION HENRY R. (DICK) PERRI

DIRECTORS:

At Large-	LION DENNIS COBLER, PID
1st Year-	LIONS JACKIE BALL, DEBORAH ROEST
2nd Year-	LIONS JILL MOUW, MICHAEL O'LONERGAN

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS,
PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THEM.*

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The Slogan

The slogan of the association is "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety" (LIONS).
An unofficial slogan penned by Past International President Sid Scruggs -
"Loving Individuals Offering Needed Services"

The Motto

The motto of every Lion is: "We Serve"
What better way to express the true mission of Lionism.

The Club Motto

"We Do It Better - Together!"

District 11C1

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Ionia
Kent
Muskegon
Ottawa



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Our Leadership

District 11 C1, Region 1, Zone 1

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, International President
District Governor Lion Robert Hohendorf, OD
Lion Gary Anderson, Past International Director
Region 1 Chair - Jack Brewer,
Zone 1 - Heidi Tice

Muskegon Northside Lions Club

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EVENT & COMMITTEE CHAIRS - 2020/2021

First VP Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed >> SERVICE

Food Truck	Lion Roger Dreikorn, Chairperson, Lions Cinda Cogswell, Jackie Ball and Jill Mouw.
NM Parade	Lion Ed Weessies
Eye Glasses Collection	Lions Jim Wolffis & Rich Carlson
Ramps	Lions Windy Bradfield & Ron Hansen
Hearing Screening	Lions Michael O'Lonergan & Paul Hoppa
Kid's Christmas Shopping	Lions Deb Roest & Barb Pellerin
Seaway Flags & Causeway Lighting	Lions Frank Krol & Jim Larson
 Scholarships	Lions Dave Olsen & Dennis Loughrige
North Muskegon & Reeths-Puffer Application	Lions Jan Snyder & Paul Hoppa
Adopt A Pathway	www.muskegonnorthsidelions.org/LionsScholarship.pdf
Project Kid Sight	Lions Paul Hoppa & Kim Arter
Santa & Dandy Visits	Lions Jan Snyder & Jan Irwin
Emergency Family Fund	Lions Michael Simerick & Chris Ruppel
Friends of WL Easter Egg Drop	Lions Paul Hoppa
	Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed

Second VP Lion Kathleen Cobler >> FUNDRAISING

Pancakes	Lions Michael Simerick, Frank Krol
Calendars	Lions Frank DiPiazza & Dennis Cobler & Jim Irwin
Mint Sales	Lions Windy Bradfield & Dave Olsen
Candy Days	Lion Jim Irwin
White Cane	Lions Deb Roest & Dale Roest

Third VP Lion Jim Irwin >> ADMINISTRATIVE

Newsletter & Website	Lions Ed Weessies & Frank DiPiazza
Programs	Lions Terry Sabo
Historian & Photographer	Lions Anna Alderman, Ed Weessies, & Dave Olsen
Constitution & By-Laws	Lions Ed Weessies & Lion Michael O'Lonergan
Calling Committee	---
Publicity/Social Media	---
Meeting Meal Scheduling	Lions Marilyn Eyestone & Jill Mouw, Lions Paul Hoppa & Denise Sabo

Are you on a committee? Do you see something that interests you? Please see one of the VPs to volunteer for membership to one of these committees or events.

If by chance you are asked to help, please do so. "Many hands make light work"

The Benefits of Being a Lion

When you become a Lion, you become part of a global network of volunteers working together to make a difference.