

# Muskegon Northside Lions Club

## THE LIONS TALE

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### We Serve



From the desk of  
**Lion Kathleen Cobler,  
President**

Hi Fellow Lions,

I was just told that I have to write a column every month for a year. My reaction---really!

Oh well....here we go...

I'll start with a big thank you to Past President Darnell. She did a wonderful job under very trying circumstances. THANK YOU LION DARNELL!!! June has been a very busy month for service. It was a joy to see so many of you serving our community in so many ways. There will be plenty more opportunities—so stayed tune.

Our meetings in July will be ones not to be missed. Our first meeting, July 6th (note the date please) at 7pm, will have Dakota Crew speaking about the Boys and Girls Club. Since they are in a new location, it will be very informative to hear their plans for the future.

At our second meeting on July 20th, we will take time to remember our dear Windy Bradfield. Come ready to share some memories of your time with Windy. We will also be discussing what our future meetings will look like. Some changes are being proposed but we want to discuss them with the membership. Please know the board is there to hear your thoughts and ideas.

See y'all on the 6th.... Lion Kathleen



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

The club has been very busy this past month on service and fund raising projects and I for one am very appreciative of this fact. A club that does not participate in service projects and fund raising efforts soon become an extinct club. I have seen over the many years of Lions travel clubs that have ceased to exist because of a lack of community effort! After all, a service club without service is nothing at all.

Speaking of fund raising, and I do that a lot, I have brought forth the possibility of changing the calendar project into a single ticket that would act the same as the calendar with drawings the same as always. I have asked for feed-back on this with little interaction so I will be proposing once again this change at the first Lions meeting in July. There is a ton of pre-work to get the calendar ready to print, most of that involves getting the 36 ads selected and paid for, getting the copy to Frank DiPiazza who has to lay out the entire year, proof read and get it ready for the printer. Windy Bradfield solicited 2/3rds of the ads but he is gone and I can't replace him for this duty. Frank has done a yeomen's job on this project and I think it is time to cut him a little slack as well. We will discuss this more at the July meeting.

Until next month, PID Dennis

Hello Fellow Lions,

It is once again that time of year that our Lions dues are renewable!

Northside Lions' dues are payable on or before July 1, 2021 for the Lions year of 2021-2022.

If you have not already paid your dues, please let us know your intention.

You may respond to me at my e-mail below, or pay your dues while you are thinking about it. **Membership dues are \$105 per single, or an additional \$76 for spouse.**

Thank you for your continued membership in "your" Club.

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[Scholarship Application on last page.](#)



### An Editorial by:

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

Fellow Lions,

Welcome Lion Michael Hauelsen! Lion Michael was inducted on June 15th by Past International Director Gary Anderson. On Saturday, June 5th we will had our first pancake breakfast in a year at the LST. Great crew of eager Lions led by Lions Mike Simerick and Frank Krol. On June 15th we enjoyed our first meal in over a year with Cindy and Dave Short. PID Gary Anderson also installed our 2021-2022 board of directors. President Darnell gave a recap of our accomplishments even during the Covid 19. She thanked the membership for their continued service and most graciously thanked those Lions who helped her personally along the way during her year. President-Elect Kathleen Cobler outlined her plan for the 2021-2022 Lions' year.

On June 18th we had our last food truck for the Lions' year. Lion Jackie Ball chaired the event. On June 19th we held our second pancake breakfast at Walker Park in North Muskegon. As we started setting up the rain came down. Even with light rain folks came to get take out. Then the sun came out and folks came to enjoy our crew's great pancakes and sausage. We even had a North Muskegon resident give us a significant donation. We received many other donations that day. Just before noon the rain came back and we closed up shop. Our next pancake breakfast will be in North Muskegon again on July 17th in the same place which is a great location. It should be noted that the city council, the city manager and their staff were extremely helpful in this venture.

By the time you read this you should have gotten your membership dues invoice. If you are going to have any difficulty paying the whole amount, please contact President Kathleen Cobler, Secretary Pat Wiseman, your sponsor or myself. I know we can work out a plan for you.

The new member fee waiver has been extended until December 31, 2021. Any member can sponsor someone into Lions. We just hope you choose you candidates wisely as has been done

all along. Choose folks with a desire to serve our community and join in the fellowship of our club. 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 in our community 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 the cost for them \$76. I have plenty of Invitation cards. PLEASE continue to seek out more prospective Lions like we have had join recently.

Lion Michael O'Lonergan has stepped up to be the Zone Chairperson for our area. Let us all get behind Lion Michael and make his time a success! Lion Jill Mouw has BE KIND signs for those who need one or know of someone who would like one.

If you know someone without E-mail (besides the Hansens, and Rick Werschem) I will send them a newsletter. If you would like a newsletter or other publication printed, let me know.

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, Rol Crummel, Ray Genter, Dick Perri, Amy Viereck, former Lion Tom Carl, Rita King, Rae Ellen Simerick, and Jan Weessies. Lion Ray Genter still could use some visitors for conversation and to look at his model carnival that he is building. Call Lion Sharon to set up the visit. 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.

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"

**Being a traditionalist, I'm a rabid sucker for Christmas. In July, I'm already worried that there are only 146 shopping days left. ~John Waters**

### From the desk of

**Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary**  
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### Regular Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, June 2, 2021 at 7:00pm**  
**FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.  
by President Darnell Gundy-Reed.  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion Ed Weessies. Opening  
prayer was offered by Lion Kathleen Cobler.

### UPCOMING DATES:

1. Sat., June 12, 9:a.m. – Causeway Cleanup;
2. Sat., June 5 – Pancake trailer at the LST (trailer is 'up and running' and ready to go!) cost will be \$6 for all you can eat (of our great pancakes!);
3. Sat., June 19 – pancake trailer will be at the North Muskegon event on Ruddiman drive between the police station and the library.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. PID Dennis Cobler brought up a suggestion of perhaps a smaller version of our calendars (food for thought);
2. Lion Jim Irwin reported on the needy family our Club is supporting. He will have a wish list available for perhaps individual responses.
3. Lion Kevin Dean –picnic tables at Mullally Park are in need of attention. He would like to work on the first batch of tables beginning on June 7, 8, and 9 at 9:30 a.m. to meet at Mullally. All help is welcome!
4. Lion Jill Mouw has 'Be Kind' signs with her for those who would like more.
5. Lion Paul Hoppa reported that the pathway from E. Fenwood to Andre is in need of lots of attention. He has a sign up sheet for those who would be willing to help on that job.
6. Reminder that our June 15 meeting will include installation of officers for 2021-2022;
  - a. PID Gary Anderson will be at our meeting and presiding over the installation.
  - b. We will also have a catered meal by Dave and Cindy at a cost of \$16 per person.
7. A reminder from Lion Pat and Lion Ed that dues are coming due (July 1).
8. Lion Terry Sabo is part of the committee that secures programs for us. He is open to any ideas for future programs he can procure.

**Birthdays** included those for Lions Rich Carlson, Jill Mouw, Kathleen Cobler.

**Tail Twister** Lion Roger Dreikorn fined:

- a. Lion Paul Hoppa for getting ahead of the TT at a red light.

### BRAG BUCKS –

- a. Lions Terry and Denise Sabo- granddaughter likes our "Be Kind" signs;

- b. Lion Hoppas granddaughter is on a winning team of soccer;
- c. Lion Marilyn Eyestone's stepgrandson, 16 years old, a Grand Haven graduate will be an exchange student to Germany.

### 50/50 drawing

1. Won by Lion Kevin Dean, however, no Joker was drawn. Tonight's sales were \$54 to be added to the 'pot'.

**REMINDERS:** PID Gary Anderson will be with us at our next meeting which includes installation of officers as well as induction of a new member.

Lion Michael O'Longergan will be the Zone Chair for our District beginning July 1.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary

### Regular Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 7:00pm**  
**FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Meeting was called to order by  
President Gundy-Reed at 7:00 p.m.  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lion Cinda Cogswell.  
Invocation was offered by Lion Brad King.

PID Dennis Cobler introduced PID Gary and Cabinet Secretary Cheryl Anderson. We then went around the room as each table introduced guests.

Dinner was furnished by Dave and Cindy Short and included a delicious meal of baked chicken, cheesy potatoes, corn, salad fixin's, rolls, and cherry cobbler for dessert.

### INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER:

1. PID Anderson presided over the induction of our new member,
2. Mr. Michael Hauerisen.
  - a. PID Dennis Cobler is his sponsor.
  - b. Our Club members were invited forward to welcome our new member! Great to have you with us, Lion Michael!

### INSTALLATION of 2021-2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- PID Gary Anderson presided over the installation of the Board of Directors. (A complete listing will be included in the newsletter.)

### RECAP OF 2020-2021 year:

- President Darnell Gundy-Reed expressed her thanks to our Club for the support given her as President this past year. There were many things to celebrate as we looked back, including, community involvement (Mullally Park upgrades); White Cane Days; Christmas shopping for the kids; Noah Project; Mission for Area People; needy family; support from First Lutheran for a meeting place; celebration of 5 new members; -- just to name a "few"!





**GOALS FOR 2021-2022** by President-elect Kathleen Cobler – more projects for the North Side as well as fun – food – fellowship – and SERVICE!!

### PASSING OF THE PINS:

- Lion Kathleen to 3VP Doug Krause;
- Lion Gundy-Reed to President Kathleen; and
- Lion Kathleen to Lion Darnell a plaque for her service, as well as pins for her vest.

### BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND CLUB ANNIVERSARIES were acknowledged.

### 50/50 drawing –

- Lion Anna Alderman's number was called, however, no Joker was drawn. The pot now stands at \$925.00!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

### FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Meeting was called to order  
by President Gundy-Reed

### ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:

Pres. Darnell Gundy-Reed	LT Mike Simerick	
1st VP Kathleen Cobler	TT Roger Dreikorn	A
2nd VP Jim Irwin	<i>Directors</i>	
3rd VP Michelle Bullion	1st Year Jackie Ball	
Secretary Pat Wiseman	1st Year Deb Roest	A
Treasurer Brad King	2nd Year M. O'Loneragan	
IPP Dick Perri	2nd Year Jill Mouw	
A = Absent Excused	At Large D. Cobler	
	Membership E. Weessies	

- Motion made by Lion M. O'Loneragan, seconded by Lion J. Irwin to approve the minutes of the May Board meeting.
  - Motion approved.
- Motion made by Lion E. Weessies, seconded by Lion M. O'Loneragan to accept the treasurer's reports as submitted, subject to review.
  - Motion carried.

### ADMINISTRATIVE:

- Motion made by Lion E. Weessies, seconded by Lion M. O'Loneragan to approve the membership request of Mr. Michael Hauseisen.
  - Motion approved.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Lion J. Mouw reported that the "Be Kind" signs have all been distributed and a donation of \$30 has been received toward the signs.
- Reminder from Lion J. Ball that we will be participating in a food truck on Fri., June 18 to be held at Fifth Reformed Church. She reported that volunteers from our Club are signed up to work and she will be reporting back to our Club on the success and if we want to participate in future food trucks.

- Lion J. Irwin gave an update regarding the family that we have assisted. A new refrigerator has been purchased and delivered. There may be on-going needs. Lion Irwin will keep us updated.

### FUNDRAISING:

- Upcoming events include Candy Days and Pancake Wagon dates.
  - Lion M. Simerick reported that the pancake wagon was in need of new faucets (\$142) and the event at the LST in serving regular menu brought in a total of \$691. A great success!!

### ROUND TABLE:

- Lion M. O'Loneragan is the Zone Chairman for our District. He has requested some guidance in his new role.
- Motion was made by Lion M. O'Loneragan, seconded by Lion J. Irwin, to adjourn.

We adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary

### Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

The story of LCIF is epic—filled with unlimited compassion and tireless support of Lions service. Founded in 1968, the mission of LCIF is "To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants."

For more than 50 years, we've dedicated our energies to increasing the ability of Lions everywhere, helping them empower the communities they serve. With every grant we give, our history grows, along with the impact of Lions. Today, we couldn't be more proud of where we stand, or more excited about the future of our work.

### 2020

**SightFirst** – one of LCIF's most notable programs – celebrates 30 years of funding efforts to fight the major causes of preventable and reversible blindness and provide services to persons who are blind or have a visual impairment. Discover more about SightFirst's vision for all.

LCIF Board of Trustees approve a 2-year strategic partnership between LCIF and Global HOPE. This partnership will cooperate in building long-term capacity in Africa to treat and dramatically improve the prognosis for children with cancer and blood disorders in Sub-Saharan Africa.

As our world unites to address the COVID-19 pandemic, LCIF is responding to the immense challenges facing humankind.

### 2021

LCIF goes virtual with Foundation Fridays! Lions and Leos around the world are finding new ways to connect with LCIF and in their communities.

The LCIF-Special Olympics partnership is celebrating 20 years of free vision screenings for athletes through the Opening Eyes program. Since partnering, more than 445,000 athletes have been screened and prescription eyewear provided to more than 189,000 athletes globally.



### Northside Lions' Upcoming Events

Fellow Lions,

Please mark the following events on your Lions' Calendar:

Jul 4 Flags - Independence Day - Sunday, Lions Jan I. & Jim I.

Jul 20 Regular meeting, and Memorial to Windy Bradfield

#### Pancakes

Jul 17 Walker Park, N. Muskegon City Hall and the Walker Memorial Library

Aug 21 Walker Park, N. Muskegon City Hall and the Walker Memorial Library

Sep 6 Flags - Labor Day - Monday, Lions Lana O. & Michael O.

Sep 10-11 Candy Days



**4TH OF JULY**  
**LET FREEDOM RING**  
**GOD BLESS THE USA**

**We Serve**

### Birthdays

July 6

Jim Larson

July 10

Patty Woods

July 11

Jan Snyder

July 16

Cheryl Schneider

July 18

Rick Werschem

July 22

Carl Luther

### Wedding Anniversaries

July 1

Rick Werschem & Marilyn

July 9

Pat Wiseman & Raymond

July 17

Chris Ruppel & Gayle

### Club Anniversaries

July 1

Kathleen Cobler 12 yrs  
Brian Werschem 6 yrs  
Rick Werschem 6 yrs

July 15

Anne Schalow 12 yrs

July 21

Angelica Dreikorn 6 yrs  
Stephen Dreikorn 6 yrs







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



Lions Pancake Wagon, back in operation, Walker Park, North Muskegon.



Lions Jackie Ball and Pat Woods...



Lions Doug Krause and Denny Loughrige...



Coastie Lion Ed Weessies, PCST Salute to the Military at the District Convention.



Lion President Kathleen Cobler, working the project at Mullally Park, along with Lion Denny Loughrige.



Our Latest Melvin Jones Fellow, Lion Kevin Dean.,



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### 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 2021 - 2022

PRESIDENT	LION KATHLEEN COBLER
1ST VICE PRESIDENT	LION JAMES IRWIN
2ND VICE PRESIDENT	LION MICHELLE BULLION
3RD VICE PRESIDENT	Lion DOUG KRAUSE
SECRETARY	LION PAT WISEMAN
TREASURER	LION BRADLEY KING
LION TAMER	LION MICHAEL SIMERICK
TAIL TWISTER	LION ROGER DREIKORN
MEMBERSHIP	LION ED WEESSIES, PCST
PAST PRESIDENT	LION DARNELL GUNDY-REED

#### DIRECTORS:

At Large-	LION DENNIS COBLER, PID
1st Year-	LIONS ANNA ALDERMAN PAUL HOPPA
2nd Year-	LIONS JACKIE BALL, DEBORAH ROEST

THESE LIONS HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE YOU.  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS,  
PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THEM.

### Over 48,000 Lions Clubs

Every Lion and club is supported by our international association. More than 300 Lions International staff members are constantly working on tools and technology to enhance your service.

### Lions Clubs International

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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

Allegan  
Barry  
Ionia  
Kent  
Muskegon  
Ottawa



[SMiLE \(Social Media including  
Lions Everywhere\)](#)

### Our Leadership

#### District 11 C1, Zone 1

Douglas X. Alexander, International President  
District Governor Lion Ronald Riebschleger, DDS  
Lion Gary Anderson, Past International Director  
Zone 1 Chair - Michael O'Lonergan,

#### Muskegon Northside Lions Club

Lion Kathleen Cobler, President  
Lion Dennis Cobler, Past International Director

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Publisher, Lion Frank DiPiazza, PCT





### EVENT & COMMITTEE CHAIRS - 2021/2022

#### **First VP Lion Jim Irwin >> SERVICE**

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

#### **Second VP Lion Michelle Bullion >> FUNDRAISING**

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

#### **Third VP Lion Doug Krause >> 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	Lions Pat Wiseman, Anna Alderman, and Jill Mouw
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.