# The Illinois Lion & Leo

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## **COUNCIL CHAIR SPEAKS**



Thoughts from the Council Chairperson Hello Lions and Leos of MD-1. I am honored and humbled to have been selected as the Council Chairperson for the Lions year 2020-21 by the incoming council of governors. I am excited to be able to serve the Lions of MD-1 and I am ready to get started.

Firstly, I want to thank IPCC Jerome Perez for his steady leadership during this past Lions year. Our organization is facing challenges we have not dealt with before and he did a great job of guiding us through everything. I also want to thank the outgoing council of governors I had the pleasure of serving with last year. I made friends I will have the rest of my life and I am proud of what the council was able to accomplish.

Congratulations to our incoming council of governors for taking office in your respective districts!! This year is going to

pose some new challenges to our organization. There is no roadmap or template for how to best navigate thru and emerge out of a pandemic. The council will work together and help each other figure out these things as we go. I know they will do a great job this year!!

Thank you to the incoming state committee chairs for stepping forward to serve. We are all grateful for the extra time and effort it takes to serve at the multiple district level.

This year one of my goals as CC is to help foster more communication between the COG and the GAT team. I have already discussed this with the stakeholders, and everyone seems ready to make that happen. This will help us be more proactive as we try to address needs, issues, ideas, etc.

You are going to be hearing a lot about NAMI this year. It stands for the North American Membership Initiative. This is a program LCI is launching to help grow our membership. It is critical to our future. Keep an eye out for more information about this program.

The dates and locations for this year's council meetings are:

2nd Council Meeting - September
 12, 2020, President Abraham Lincoln
 Hotel, Springfield

- 3rd Council Meeting December 5,
   2020, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel,
   Springfield
- 4th Council Meeting February 27, 2021, Holiday Inn, East Peoria
- 5th Council Meeting Lions of Illinois State Convention, May 14, 2021, President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield

It is time to begin our journey into a new Lions year and it will be unlike any that have come before. I know we will meet the challenges, overcome them, and emerge stronger.

In closing I want to thank you for all you are doing to serve your communities. Thank you for reading.

MD-1 Council Chairperson Joe Vinyard <a href="mailto:jvinyard1@comcast.net">jvinyard1@comcast.net</a>

### FROM GLOBAL LEADERSHIP CHAIR:



With the Covid-19 situation, LCI has increased its virtual offerings. On June 9, I participated in the NAMI webinar. NAMI stands for the North American

Membership Initiative. The initiative was piloted in several sights across the US and Canada. It is now being rolled out to all districts in the US and Canada. If you missed the webinar, it will be available soon on www.lionsclubs.org. Go to the website and put virtual events center in the search box. The upcoming events are listed for registration. Those that have passed are available to view and utilize. Any Lion can participate.

One of the pieces of the NAMI webinar was a listing of resources available to clubs, districts and multiple districts. To get to these exceptional resources, go to www.lionsclubs.org and put NAMI in the search box. There are resources to

- -Rejuvenate Districts with New Clubs
- -Revitalize Clubs with New Members
- -Re-motivate Members with New Fellowships and Exciting Service
- -Support District and Club Leaders
- -Market your Club or District

Each community has different needs. It is up to the local Lions Club to meet those needs through relevant activities that are meaningful to your members. What does your club need? What does your district need? The tools are there and waiting to be used. Check out the resources now!

-Lion Jama Wahl State Global Leadership Chair <a href="mailto:jamawahl@yahoo.com">jamawahl@yahoo.com</a> The story of LCIF is epic—filled with unlimited compassion and tireless support of Lions service. 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.



#### 1968

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...



#### 1972

LCIF awards first grant of US\$5,000 for flooding in South Dakots, USA.



#### 1973

The Melvin Jones Fellowship program is created as a way for denors of US\$1,000 to be recognized.



#### 1984

LCIF begins partnering with Quest international to implement the youth development program, Lions Quest.



#### 1985

LCIF awards first Major Catastrophe Grant of US\$50,000 for earthquake relief in Mexico



#### 1986

The Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship program is established to give Lions a way to extend their commitment and support to LCIF.



#### 1990

SigntFirst program begins and goes on to prevent serious vision loss of more than 30 million people. Campaign SigntFirst is later launched, raising more than US\$145 million for SigntFirst projects.



#### 1997

LCIF partners with the China Disabled Persons Federation for SightFirst China Action.



#### 199

LCIF embarks on a partnership with The Carter Center to combat river blindness and trachoma in Latin America and



#### 2001

The September 11 Disaster Relief Fund raises US\$3 million to help victims. LCIF begins partnership with Special Olympics International to provide vision screenings to athletes through the Opening Eyes program. LCIF and the World Health Organization launch the world's first-ever initiative to combat global childhood blindness.



LCIF acquires rights to Lions Quest program. LCIF and Johnson and Johnson Vision establish the Sight for Kids program to provide vision screenings and eye health education for children in Asia.



#### 2004

Lions mobilize more than US\$15 million for South Asian tsunami relief, making this the single largest disaster reconstruction project in LCIF history. Learn more about LCIF's Disaster Relief efforts.



#### 2005

Campaign SightFirst II kicks off at the Lions International Convention in Hong Kong, raising more than US\$200 million. Lions raise US\$5 million for Hurricane Katrina relief.



#### 2007

LCIF is named the #1 non-governmental organization in the world with which to partner by an independent Financial Times study.



#### 2008

The largest single personal donation of USS3 million is pledged to LCIF.

LCIF and Habitat for Humanity partnership builds its 1,000th home.

Lions donate USS3 million for China Sichuan earthquake relief.



#### 2009

Lions Quest celebrates its 25th anniversary. Lions raise more than US\$6 million for Haiti earthquake relief.



#### 2010

Lions provide vision screening to the 211,000th Special Olympics athlete. In partnership with Bausch + Lomb, LCIF launches the Pediatric Cataract Initiative.



The 318,070th Lion becomes a Melvin Jones Fellow and the 58,126th Lion becomes a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. LCIF mobilizes more than US\$21 million for Japan relief efforts following the earthquake and tsunami. LCIF awards its 10,000th grant, bringing the total amount awarded to US\$708 million.



#### 2012

LCIF celebrates ten years of partnership with Johnson and Johnson Vision through the Sight for Kids program, screening almost 17 million children for vision problems. US\$10 million is raised for vaccinations through the One Shot, One Life: Lions Measles Initiative as part of a challenge from the Bill and Melinda...



#### 2013

LCIF partners with the GAVI Alliance and DFID to continue to fight measies, committing to raise US\$30 million by 2017. LCIF expands its partnership with Special Olympics International to include more than just vision screenings. Lions and LCIF help The Carter Center and OPEA celebrate the elimination of river blindness...



#### 2014

LCIF expands Sight for Kids partnership with Johnson and Johnson Vision Care to Kenya and Turkey. Lions and LCIF help The Carter Center and OPEA celebrate the elimination of river blindness in Ecuador. LCIF receives its third consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for its effective fiscal management and commitment...



#### 2015

LCIF, Lions and partners celebrate the donation of the 500 millionth dose of azithromycin, an antibiotic used to fight trachoma. LCIF receives its fourth consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, Lions Quest launches its updated and streamlined curricula. Learn more about LCIF's impact.



#### 2017

Since its founding in 1968, LCIF has supported more than 13,000 grants, totaling more than US\$1 billion. LCIF receives its sixth consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for its effective fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency.



LCIF celebrated 50 years of empowering Lions to make a profound difference. Funded entirely by charitable donations from Lions and partners, the foundation has awarded more than USS1 billion through nearly 14,000 grants focused on vision, youth, disaster relief, and humanitarian programs.



#### 2018

Past International Presidents Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada and J. Frank Moore III, Campaign Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, proudly announced Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service at the 101st Lions Clubs International Convention.



#### 2018

LCIF receives its seventh consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for its effective fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency.



#### 2019

LCIF has received a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator for the eighth consecutive year. This puts us in the top 4% of all non-profits with accountability, responsibility, and transparency.



#### 2019

LCIF launches Hunger grant program to help Lions support school based feeding programs, food banks, feeding centers, and similar facilities that provide food to people when they need it most.



#### 2019

LCIF launches Childhood Cancer grant program to improve the quality of life for children receiving treatment and their families.



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.



#### 2020

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.





#### **Grow Your Vegetables!**

One community garden blossoms into a cutting-edge sustainability center.



#### Lions Make Historic Donation to Fund Genetic Research

San Diego Lions made a US\$400,000 gift to support the UC San Diego Shiley Eye Institute's BioBank.



## From Trash to Cash

New Zealanders bring fundraising to a fashionable new level.



#### Skills, Meals, and Hope

Lions worked to help the nation's growing number of homeless children by taking them off the street and providing them a safe place to stay, along with food and education.



#### She Doesn't Do Eyeballs

Diabetic Retinopathy "Dictator" Uses New Technology to Screen more than 6,500.



#### **Keeping Watch**

Dog sniffs out deadly drops in blood sugar.



#### Recycling, Service and Creativity Come Together

Lions help remove and recycle trees for those in need.



#### Leo Sees a Future of Giving Back

A young girl helped by Lions decides to become a Leo.



#### A Way to Say 'I Love You'

A New York father joins the Lions to help his sightimpaired daughter.



#### Lions' Efforts in 2007 Result in New Therapy in 2018

Working with the University of lowe to help conduct



#### Saving Sight with Lions KidSight USA

Helping provide eye screenings to children across the United States.



#### Lions Protect Indonesian Children from Measles and Rubella

Working toward a goal of immunizing 70 million children.



#### Team Up for Beach Games in Brazil

Lions and Leos help out at the Special Olympics Beach Games



#### New Technology Helps the Blind to "See" Through Touch

Lions help create state-of-the-art printing house for



#### LCIF And Partners To Provide Gender Equity Intervention



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NOTE: The MD1 state office office official email address for all business and correspondence is: <a href="mailto:SST@illinoislionsmd1.org">SST@illinoislionsmd1.org</a>.

MD1 website refreshed for the 2019-2020 Lion Year!

Prior information can be found in ARCHIVES section and PAST News

& Information section.

#### **Council of Governors**

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## We Serve

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#### 2019-2020

Council Chairperson Jerome Perez (1J)

- 1-A Joan McMillan (Secretary)
- 1-BK Joe Vinyard (Vice Council Chair)
- 1-CN Ann Ragsdale
- 1-CS Helen Ferguson
- 1-D Richard Delp (Tail Twister)
- 1-F Susan Hastings
- 1-G Kathy Dieker (Chaplain)
- 1-H Tony Holland
- 1-J Jerome Perez (Council Chair)
- 1-M Dave Johnson (Treasurer)



#### District & Club Websites



Create Your Own Lions e-Clubhouse Website



#### News, Info & Events





















## Lions of Illinois Foundation



## Inaugural Lion Mario J. Gumino Memorial Golf Classic

Greetings Lions, Family and Friends,

I am reaching out to let you know that the, Lions of Illinois Foundation was contacted by Seneca Ridge Golf Course yesterday.

They regret to inform LIF that due to the restrictions, they will not be able to accommodate our Lion Mario J Gumino Memorial Golf Classic that was scheduled to be held on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

They have reschedule the event for next year Saturday, August 7th, 2021.

Thank you for your understanding and patience concerning this event.

Sincerely,

Trish Fisher

Lion Trish Fisher Executive Director

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## 2020 JOHN DEERE CLASSIC CANCELLED; CHARITY PROGRAM CONTINUES

Because of the continuing COVID-19 restrictions around events and public gatherings in the surrounding area, the 2020 John Deere Classic has been cancelled, tournament officials announced today.

The tournament will, however, continue its commitment to the 2020 Birdies for Charity campaign, including a promise to deliver at least a five percent bonus to all participating organizations. Last year, the tournament raised \$13.8 million for 543 organizations.

"Because of the ongoing health and safety concerns related to the coronavirus pandemic, the difficult decision was made to cancel the 2020 John Deere Classic," said tournament director Clair Peterson. "While we considered several alternatives for the Classic, this was the choice that made the most sense for our guests, the players and the Quad City community at large."

A spokesman for John Deere, which has been title sponsor of the tournament since 1998, mirrored Peterson's comments.

"Our top priority is the health and well-being of players, fans, volunteers and support staff of the John Deere Classic," said Mara Downing, Vice President Global Brand and Communication. "We know this announcement will come as a disappointment to the Quad City area and to the broader golf community. We look forward to celebrating the 50th playing of the tournament in 2021."

Peterson emphasized that the tournament and John Deere remain committed to providing organizations that participate in the Birdies for Charity program with a five percent bonus over what they raise.

"Thanks to John Deere's ongoing support, we are able to promise a five percent bonus even though we are not having the tournament," Peterson said.

Meanwhile, the Birdies for Charity program already has instituted minor procedural changes because of the pandemic. For example, instead of the Birdies staff physically passing out pledge forms, charities may access printable forms on the Birdies for Charity website – <a href="https://www.birdiesforcharity.com">www.birdiesforcharity.com</a>.

In addition, donors are encouraged to make their pledges electronically to reduce the number of paper touch points normally involved in the process. Each penny pledge received will be converted to a flat \$20 donation per penny (example .01/birdie = \$20), and all donors will be eligible for a random drawing for the traditional prizes, including the grand prize of a 2-year lease on a Lexus NX sports utility vehicle.



The Oak Lawn Lions Club served lunch today to the Oak Lawn Police Department and to the Fire Department which has 3 stations. Governor Joni McMillan presented a check to the Pilgrim Faith Church Food Pantry from the Oak Lawn Lions Club for a \$1000.00. We thank all of our first responders for the work they are doing for their community.



Genoa-Kingston Citizen/Student of the Year 2020

#### Presented by **Genoa Lions**

In the past years the Genoa Lions have invited the 12 recipients of the Citizen of the Year Award and their parents to a dinner and award ceremony mid April. Dinner was always served prior to the award ceremony with pork chops hot from the grill served along with a battery of salads and desserts prepared by the Masonic Lodge, great food for a good cause. Brent O'Daniell the current Superintendent of G-K School District, would give a brief greeting to those assembled in the Sanctuary. He would then introduce the Principal for the first and second graders. The Principal or an interested teacher

would introduce the student to the audience and sing their praises. This would continue from first grade all the way to the senior in High School. Unfortunately, this year, due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the Ceremony and Dinner have been cancelled. This cancellation was required by the guidelines of the State of Illinois.

The Lions and the school district staff firmly believe that the 12 students should still be recognized for their achievements so this is how the Genoa Lions wish to proceed. An Award Letter from the Genoa Lions with an accompanying Citizen of the Year medal will be mailed to each of the 12

recipients. Additionally, this press release and a photograph from a past year will be sent to the DeKalb Chronicle for publication. This press release will also be forwarded to the School District.

As much as this watered-down celebration of the 12 deserving students saddens the Genoa Lions, it is the best solution for all of us at this time. But most importantly, these deserving students should be recognized for being exemplary student citizens this year

Rene' A. VanDerHeyden Genoa Lions Secretary

## We need your help...

Carlinville Winning Communities is asking the Carlinville Lions to assist with car parking for the annual Indepedence Day fireworks display. The event is scheduled for *Friday*, *July 3* at the Macoupin County fairgrounds. Please contact <u>Lion Jerry</u> <u>Eiffert</u> to sign up or to ask for details. Send email <u>here</u>, or call (217) 854-7909.

### Before Lions parking assistance



### After Lions parking assistance





## FOOD ITEMS NEEDED\*:

- Canned Beans
- Canned Fruit/Veggies
- Canned Soups
- Peanut Butter
- Pasta
- Rolled Oats

\*all donations must be non-perishable

## **CONTACTUS:**

for more information on how to donate

LION Hina Trivedi: 630-951-0012

LION Ben Zoleta: 815-546-5777

LION Chantimar Sriaroon: 630-670-7773

LEO Shravi Kothari: 224-318-6835

LEO Shina Trivedi

## "A CELEBRATION OF SERVICE"



## We honor and say Thank You to those Lion members who have gone before us.



The names presented here are from May 2019 thru June 26, 2020

#### District 1-A

John Ryder Brookfield La Grange Park PDG Lou Torres Calumet City Vickie O'Farrell

> Chicago Central George Pappas Jr.

Burbank

Howard Peterson Chicago Beverly Ridge

Miguel Vallejo Chicago Eagles Wings

Walter E Wiese

Chicago East Side Alberta O'Shaughnessy

Chicago Logan Square Gershon Alcantara Jr.

Chicago Mabuhay Centennial

Miguel Comejo III Chicago Mabuhay Centennial

Mark Myers Glenwood

Dirk Vanderhout Glenwood

Robert West

Lansing

Mary Alice Barry Oak Lawn

Bernice Kosobucki

Oak Lawn

Jeffery Weiner River Grove

Donald Farnham

Riverside Township

John Storcel

Riverside Township Verginia Bernard

Stickney Forest View

Dorothy Kopicki Stickney Forest View

Charles Iglinski

Stickney Forest View

**Dwight Riester** 

Thornton

Donald Bimler

Westchester

Joseph Guzman Willow Springs

#### District 1-BK

Gary Cook Beecher John Charles Dean Beecher

PDG Terry Gatlin

Beecher

Antoinette "Toni" Pacholski

Beecher

John Wyatt

Bellflower

John Randall

Bolingbrook Tom Schuldt

Buckley

Eugene Barton

Cornell

William Barton

Cornell

Barry Highland Cornell

Norman Bates

Clifton

Joseph DeGuile

Coal City

Lester Wellenreitter

Danvers

John Price

**Dwight** 

Herbert Voights Dwight

Darrell Johnson

Fairbury

Harold Carstens

Flanagan

William Dueringer

Gibson City

Martin Kruthe

Hudson

PDG Frank Anderson

Joliet Noon

Rex Easton

Joliet Noon

Floy Pelletier

Lockport

Daniel Haley

Long Point

Michael Morse

Malden

Robert Jones

Marseilles

Maurice Faber

Mendota Chris Underhill

Minooka

Cory Illum

Momence Stanley Jensen

Momence

Albert Flaherty Princeton Edmund Marco Serena Don Reese

Serena

Michael Schlappi

Towanda

Robert Coleman Yorkville

#### District 1-CN

Robert Astrough

Breese

Jerome Rekemper

Breese

Donna Comer

Central City Lioness

James Maxey

Central City

Michael Young

Central City

PDG Robert Herbere

Collinsville Noon

Larry Sheilds

Collinsville/Maryville Evening

Michael Terry

Dupo/East Cardondelet

Elmer Brockmeier

Mascouthah

Judy Osbourne

Mount Vernon

Ricky Hecht

Mount Vernon

Kenneth Dean Brehm

Nashville

PDG Stanly Schmidt

Okawville

Albert Evans

Smithton John Ford

Smithton

Jim Clinton Beimfohr

Swansea-Belleville Midtown

Charles 'Art' Ford

Valmeyer Lions

#### District 1-CS

Randall Cavins Jr.

Carterville

Floyd Waggoner Carterville

Jack A. Buzbee

Desoto

#### District 1-CS

(continued) Bruce Summers

Du Quion Charisse Matthews

Mounds

Linda Braun

New Athens

Kent Fuller

New Athens

Brenda Kay Edwards

Sparta

George Tomlinson

West Frankfort

#### District 1-D

Jack Holcomb

Albany

Gerald Meier

Albany

Robert Spillane

Apple River

Donald Toole

Ashton

William Zuromski

Belvidere

Orvin Bergsmith

Davis

William J. McCorkel

Durand

Sally Koch Forreston

Lillian Osran

Freeport

Janice Fruit

Kirkland

Norman Standish

Lanark

Adrian Book

Leaf River John Grove

Leaf River

Stephen L. GerbodeL

Lena

Richard Eicksteadt

Marengo

Michael Martin

Mount Carroll

Ed Curry Pearl City

Margaret Myers

Pecatonica

Harold Er

Prophetstown

Gail Goodell

Prophetstown

Robert Peterson

Prophetstown

Darrell Sampson Prophetstown

Kent Chidley

Rochelle

Robert Roth

Rockton

Paul Meier

Shannon

Omar Wilhelms

Shannon

Donal R Cliffe

South Beloit

Bradley Reich South Beloit

Arlyn Koehler

Tampico

Merle Hubble

Winnebago

Phillip Summer

Winnebago

#### District 1-F

Barbara Scalet

Arlington Heights Lions Club

Edmund Wichman III

Barrington

Sandy Granoth

Buffalo Grove

John Kessler

**Evanston Sunrise** 

Don Borgwardt

Fox Lake

Pearl Nerroth

Gagewood

PDG John McCann

Gagewood

Greg Kane

Grayslake

Diana Valdivieso Mount Prospect

PDG "Ginger" Troiani

Niles

Carl Roll

Niles

Nicholas Blasé

Niles

Hermann Blattner

Niles

Nancy Wilcox

North Chicago

Joseph Sebastian, Jr.

Park Ridge Tina Meland

Wauconda

Isabelle Buckner

Waukegan Uptown

Philip Leable

Winthrop Harbor Mike Damko

Winthrop Harbor

#### District 1-G

Roger Mohrman Camp Point

Harold Boldt

Chapin

Norman Kleinschmidt

Chapin

Thomas Ohren

Edwardsville Melvin Ihnen

Golden

Kennth Bevering

Hamilton

Darell Bellm

Highland

Bob Epperson

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Hull

Elwyn Deege

Liberty

Duane Leech

Liberty

J R Linenfelser Marine

James Meadows

Marine

William Kretzer

Mendon

Don Mealiff

Mendon

Loren RossPalmyra

Ronald Weller

Palmyra

Carrol Hoover

Pittsfield

PDG Richard Howell

Plainville

David Reisschauer

Virden Donald Mitrchell

Wood River

#### District 1-H

Francis Hornung

Bartonville

Susan Hornung Bartonville

Richard Sellers

Coal Valley Ronald Field

Colchester

Robert D. Howe Eliza

Leo Cash Jr.

Galesburg

Susan Goodale Galva

Robert Wiley

La Harpe

Effie Fitzpatrick Milan

Mary Lou Spaulding

Milan

Carol Pullen

Monmouth Keith Linden

Orion

Jacqeuline Perrin Orion

Ronald Garlish

Pekin Geraldine Howard

Pekin

Carolyn Dodge

Peoria Heights-Suburban

Willis D Miller Peoria Heights-Suburban

Dale Taets

Rock Island Evening

Robert Crosier Roseville

Victor Twomey

Roseville

#### District 1-J

John St. Clair Aurora Shirley Litchfield-Bird

Bartlett

Glenn Min

Ratavia

Joseph Salerno Bloomingdale

Elsa Vaintzettel

Burr Ridge-Hinsdale

Oakbrook

Mike Ferguson

Darien

Bob McDonnell Darien

Savio Vigliemo

Darien

Wallace Brown

Downers Grove

Harry Spatoro Downers Grove

Suzanne Powell

Dundee Township

Dennis Reisbich

Dundee Township

Glen Carlson

James Cotti

Elbum

James Gillett

Elbum

Vern Halsey

Elbum

Clifford Johnson

Fiburn

James Bacak

Elgin

Susan Diamond

Elmhurst

John Wartinbee

Elmhurst

Lowell Cutsforth

Fox River Grove

Robert Langeness

Geneva

Donald Swanson

Geneva

PDG Paul Gergolia Glen Ellyn

Joe Spapperi Itasca

Galen Graham

Lisle

June Brock

Huntley Area

PDG Mario J Gumino

Huntley Area

Kenneth Hintzsche

Maple Park

George E. Gould

North Aurora

Linda Joelo

Roselle

Raymond Narodowiec

Roselle

Joseph Barshinger

Shabbona

Robert Purdy

Shabbona

Eugene Listy

Sycamore Doris D. Wallace

Sycamore

Gerald Bauman

Union

Lionel De Grand

Union

Robert Gruel

Union

John Nienhuis

Union

Edward Lambke

Wheaton

Joseph Morrissey

Wheaton

#### District 1-M

Harold Bell

Arthur

Lois Peterson

Athens

William Rider

Athens

David Rice

Blue Mound

Paul Roy Stephen Casev

Kenneth Brown

Coffeen

Gene Paul Schroeder Danville

Gary Glascott

Georgetown

Melvin Reifsteck

Gifford

Gary Bell

Hume

Don M. Lucas

Kansas

Carol Protz

Lema

Rick McElmurry

Mahonet

Paul Larry Bales

Mattoon Worth Bishop

Mount Zion

Dallas Seitz

Moweagua

Mark Fred

Palestine

Wendell Goodwin

Palestine

Elwin Doyne Reinbold

Palestine

Harry Curtis

Pana

Kenneth Dennison

Paris Robert Fairchild

Rochester

Nathan Wilcoxon

Rochester

David Cox

St. Elmo

Joseph Denton

Shelbyville

Dwight Rentfrow Stewardson

John Little

Tolono

Wayne Hale

Vandalia Betty Hancock

Villa Grove

Robert Durbin Witt

Charles Golitko Witt



## May we dedicate our lives and service efforts in their memory.

Our sincere appreciation for our Council of Governors 2019-2020 for providing the names of our deceased members. PDG John Joseph & Bobbi Honiotes - 1-BK 'Celebration of Service' 2020





Disposable latex gloves are being packaged by **Westmont Lion** Sandy for Lion Jim



Liceago's display for the Westmont community.

Westmont Lions Chris Svitek and Debbie Richey distributed face masks made by Lion Chris' wife in front of the local Jewel-Osco. Lions' candy was also available for a donation. A total of \$118 was collected for the Lions' efforts.



**Malta Lions** participated in the DeKalb County Community Gardens Grow Mobile program. One of the participants said, "The

Lions Club delivered a box to me. Was like Christmas. Opening it and going through each item was fun. For a one-person home, I will have many meals and several snacks. Thank you everyone. Especially Tom and Brenda. Also Vicki and Denny, making sure I was on the delivery list. I appreciate all of you."



Cary Allen from Basics DeKalb County, which is housed in the Regional Office of Education, gave away diapers at the DeKalb Community Gardens pop-up event sponsored by **Waterman Lions Club.** 



**Elburn Lions Club** created a chance to help support Pat Hill, a former Elburn Lion and a community resident battling cancer for six

years, with its first-ever Virtual Fundraiser! Originally, a benefit was scheduled for April 2020 but needed to be canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, so everything was switched to an online format. A total of 70 raffle items had been collected and there was to be a 50/50 raffle. Tickets were sold through an online link until 12:00 Noon on June 3, 2020. The winners of the raffle items were drawn via Face Book Live on June 3, 2020 at 5:00 PM. All tickets were to be received at the clubhouse by 12:00 Noon, June 3, 2020 with payment. Any tickets orders & payments that came after 12:00 Noon deadline on June 3, 2020 were considered a donation to the Pat Hill Medical Fund. The virtual fundraiser consisted of items that were donated by local businesses and residents for the benefit. A total of \$6,800 was earned for the Pat Hill Medical Fund and presented to Pat and her two children, Alexa and Tyler, by Elburn Lions Club President Lion Chet Cybulski. Pat Hill, son Tyler, and daughter

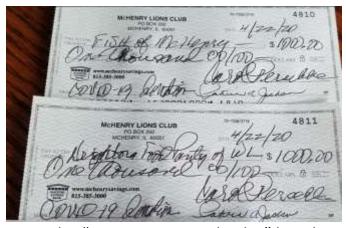


**Hinckley Lions Club** members prepare pork chop dinners for a drive-through fundraiser

in May. More than one way to "skin a cat" when clubs can't do it the traditional way!! Good thinking, Lions!



DeKalb Community Gardens Director Dan Kinney, center, and two **Waterman Lions** put groceries in one of 87 cars that arrived at the pop-up food distribution event held in Waterman.



It may be "just writing out checks," but the **McHenry Lions Club's** donations to two local food pantries (\$1,000 each) does a lot of good for a lot of people during this time.

Aurora Noon Lions Club sponsored a "Moove the Milk" promotion to feed area residents. Sarah Dunnigan (I) of Oswego loads up a patron's car Sunday with milk and other dairy products from Aurora



Interfaith Food Pantry during a free drivethru milk pantry at Jaycee Park in Oswego. Aurora Noon Lion Becky Dunnigan, (r) Interfaith Food Pantry outreach coordinator and Sarah's mom, handed out 130 gallons of milk plus yogurt, butter and cheddarcheese shreds.



Crystal Lake's electronic sign, originally funded by **Crystal Lake Lions Club**, congratulates a local business in town for all to see.

Aurora Noon Lions Club member Bill Poss, owner of Luigi's Pizza in Aurora, serves dessert to fellow Lions Monday, June 15, when the club resumed in-person luncheon meetings at Luigi's. Due to COVID-19, meetings were held on the Zoom video conferencing platform since March.









On June 13th, **Channahan Lions Club** members of our group donated \$50.00 gift cards from Script to 20 members of our community and spent the afternoon passing out to Nurses in our community.



Streator Hardscrabble From a safe social distance Treasurer Karyn Dzurison and incoming Club President Donna Mikolajczyk presented a \$1500 check in support of Streator Unlimited, the local social service agency serving those with disabilities, to John Mallaney, Executive Administrator.

**Spring Valley Lions** on June 23, DG Joe Vinyard installed new members into the club. (L-R) Mickey Ryman, District Governor Joe Vinyard, Melody Burgess, Linda Strahorn. He also inducted the



officers for the upcoming Lions year. (front row) Melody Burgess, treasurer Linda Strahorn; (back row) Mickey Ryman, District Governor Joe Vinyard, president Richard Hafley.

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District Governor Joe presents Lion Melissa 'Missy' Honiotes with the District's 2020 Melvin Jones Fellow honor. DG Joe wanted to present the MJF to Lion Missy before she

made the move to Florida. Cabinet Secretary PDG Charlie Siefert and DG Joe arranged a surprise 'send off' party to make that happen. Lion Missy has been the District's Newsletter Editor, Leo Advisor, & Scholarship Chair for the past three years. She is a 16 year member of the Joliet Noon Lions where she has been the Leo Advisor for the last 7 years. Lion Missy is the daughter of Bobbi and PDG John Joseph Honiotes, and the granddaughter of Ann and PDG Andy Honiotes. Not only is she a third generation Lion, she also becomes a third generation Melvin Jones Fellow honoree.

## Fellow Lions: I want the following -

- Names and e-mails of all District State Magazine Sub-Editors ASAP.
- Articles from all State Charirpersons so that we can inform and educate all Lions & Leos in MD1
- News Items from all Districts in MD1. 3. Cut off date to send your club news is each month before 25<sup>th</sup>.

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