



We Serve



I was unable to publish the December Tale in December, and I have posted this now so our minutes can be seen by those unable to attend the Board Meetings. This Issue was published May 5, 2018. So sorry for the delay.

-Lion Frank DiPiazza, Publisher.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas.



From the desk of Lion Barb Pellerin, President

Greetings Fellow Lions:

Our first meeting in December will be our Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 5th

at 6:15 p.,m

Then we have the Kid's Shopping on Sunday, the 10th at 12:30. Meeting at First Lutheran and shopping at Family Dollar on Whitehall Road next to Great Lakes Food and then back to the church to wrap presents, have refreshments and a visit from Santa

A regular meeting and board meeting afterwards on the 19th. Dandy Lion and Santa are planning to visit the Children again this year. Times and places to be announced at the Christmas party.

Please get the calendar money and slips returned as soon as possible. The names need to be put into the system before December 31st.

Lots of the Snowbirds will be leaving Michigan and not returning until the Spring. Those of us remaining will still meet in January.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Barb Pellerin, President



From the desk of Lion Dennis Cobler, PID

The only thing on my plate this month other than the Christmas party and some wrap up plaque placements it to finalize the raffle calendar project for yet another year. We have as of this date sold enough calendars to meet all the prize

requirements so everything we sell now goes into our community projects fund. Thanks to all of you Lions that have sold your allotted amount of calendars and I am sure it will be another thank you to those that still have some but are planning on selling them. You have heard many times how this project funds at least half of our community fund and this year will be no different.

The Veterans Park is starting to look like something, think it will be spring before everything gets done unless the weather holds like it is currently doing. A very big "THANK YOU" to all of you Lions that were part of the 700 hours that it took to make

the two bridges look so very good! I want to also include the members of the Muskegon Rotary and their youth group that helped as well. It was fun to include another good service club in this effort.

Enjoy your Christmas season, from my family to all of you, my Lions family.

Until next month, PID Dennis

Beginning in December anyone that wants to can meet 9:30 am every Thursday morning at Mr. Quick's for coffee/hot chocolate/or breakfast just to stay in touch. Many of us will be leaving for the sunny south, the rest of us can enjoy Lion style company.



An Editorial by: Lion Ed Weessies, PCST Lions Tale Editor

Fellow Lions,

From time to time I discuss membership. There are many reasons for bringing more members. One is strength in our club giving us more to work on our projects. There is one reason I have not, by design, mentioned. That being our (the USA and Canada) declining membership while Japan and India continue to grow. At the current rate India could be the new home for our Association. They are the fastest growing area in the world. We continue to lose representation on the International Board of Directors. So what does that mean to us? It could be the origin of Lions could be lost and that the Lions of the USA and Canada will be directed by the Lions of India. Our focus is going to change. So what can our club do to change this? Be an example by sponsoring new, younger members who will help maintain our club's future. Share our success with area Lions and maybe our success will make it to the Lions of the USA and Canada and once again we can be the driving force of our Association. It is worth a try.

I have challenged all of you to bring in just one new member. It is an easy process. It starts by being proud of being a Muskegon Northside Lion. Then you need you seek out folks who you would like to spend time with raising funds and doing community service projects. Then the tough part - ask them to join our club. Sounds easy and it is. You just have to want to do it.

By now the two walk bridges to the island at the Veterans' Memorial Park have been restored and placed on their foundations. Another project to be very proud of.

The month of December does not have a whole lot going on except the sale of our raffle calendars. Make sure you get



busy and sell your allotment and get the stub and money to your captain. It sure would be great to have them all sold by the first of December and I know it can be done. We do have one community service project this month and that is our annual Kids' Christmas shopping trip. More on this later. PLEASE mark your calendars for these events so when the sign-up sheet goes around or you get a call to work or attend you can say "YES."

Speaking of calendars. Please and try to have all your raffle calendars sold by the first of December. I am sure we can do this. Do not forget to submit to your team captain the money and the registration stubs. Make sure the info on the stub is legible.

Our Christmas meeting is in the planning stages. Do you have something to share with the club? Committee chairs are asked to submit the dates of your fund raisers and community service projects to Lion Frank DiPiazza, our publisher, or myself giving us more news of what we are going to do not just what we have done. You are also reminded to submit a report on any events of the club so they can be reported to Lions Clubs International. This also helps our members plan on what they can assist on. On activities we are planning, please let me know so I can get the info posted in our newsletter as well as forwarding the information to our district newsletter and state magazine. You are also asked to share the details with Lions Kathleen Cobler or Frank DiPiazza so they can post them on our Facebook page. The Internet is a great way to spread the word of what we do. Don't forget pictures!

If your contact information changes please notify Lion Secretary Pat or myself. That information is especially important for Lions International and the Lions of Michigan as their magazines are mailed to you.

If you have a program that requires a projector and/or screen please advise Lion Michael O'Lonergan or myself as far in advance as possible. We do not keep that equipment at the church.

We no longer have the temporary place to store our float as that property has been sold. We are still in need of a new place to store our parade float – inside preferred. The float is 7' 6" wide by 18' long by 4' high. It will need to be accessed twice a year. Please contact me if you know of a location. 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 Dennis Cobler, Frank DiPiazza, Barbara Pellerin, Cheryl Schneider, former Lion Tom Carl, Marcy Dreikorn, Jan Weessies and the families of Lion Kevin Dean, Lion Myra Dutton, Lion Ed Mouw, Lion Kirk Chauvez, Lion Larry Seastrom and former Lion Art Wolffis. I am sure there are others. 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.

May you and yours enjoy the beauty of fall as it draws near. If you are a hunter please be safe.

Lion Ed Weessies, Editor
Muskegon Northside "Lions Tale"

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Regular Meeting Minutes November 7, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:p.m. at First Lutheran Church by President Barb Pellerin.

1. Pledge of Allegiance was led by PID Dennis Cobler. Invocation was offered by President Pellerin. President Pellerin was also the table picker: head table, then guests, and then around the room. Dinner consisted of scalloped potatoes, corn, meatloaf, salad and fixins, with cherry cobbler for dessert.
2. Our program consisted of a representative from AMBUCS, Dick, who presented the program. AMBUCS provides bikes for those who are unable to be mobile on their own; creating independence and mobility for people with disabilities.
3. **Service:** President Pellerin reported that the bike trail passed out candy to approximately 50 kids.
 - a. PID Cobler reported
 - i. that both of the bridges at the Causeway are in place! There have been approximately 700 hours of manpower and monies from the Community Foundation as well as the Rotary add up to \$5,100 for the project. Great job from everyone who participated!
 - ii. Lion Roger Driekorn was presented with a Gold Membership pin for his participation in adding to the Lions membership for the 100 Centennial.
 - b. Lion Deb Roest reported
 - i. that Sunday, December 10 will be the Kids Shopping. Meet at First Lutheran at 12:30 p.m.
 - ii. Lion Deb also reported that the VFW 8846 will be offering free meals to any veteran on Nov. 11.
 - c. Lion Windy Bradfield reported
 - i. that all ramps are finished for this year. There were 8 completed this year.
4. **Fundraising:** Lion Dennis Cobler reported that our calendar fundraiser is moving right along. The drawings will begin in January 2018.
5. **Administrative:** Lion Marilyn Eyestone reminded us that our Nov. 21 meeting will be a potluck.
 - a. Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed reminded us of our Christmas party to be held on Tues., Dec. 5 at First Lutheran beginning at 6:15 p.m. There will be an upcharge of \$4 per person. Gift exchange will be a Christmas ornament; ladies buy a ladies/men buy a man's ornament. Cost should be about \$10.
 - b. Tail Twister: Those Lions fined were: Liion Michael O'Lonergan = Packers; Lion Ron Hansen = eating dessert first!; Lion Bradfield = eating dessert first!; all those who voted today = GOOD FOR YOU!!
6. Sang Happy Birthday to November birthday in our "Lions way"; Congrats to Lion Kim Arter who celebrated an anniversary in November.
7. BRAG BUCKS – O'Lonergans celebrated their anniversary with both a 'civil' and 'church' ceremony.
8. Secret Greeter was Lion Hoppa who chose Lion Mike Simerick as the winner of the \$5.00.
9. 50/50 - winner of the drawing was Lion Rick Werschem,

however no Joker was drawn, thus the pot is now at \$569.00.

10. With no other business, we adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary

Regular Meeting Minutes November 21, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:p.m. by President Barb Pellerin at First Lutheran Church.

1. Pledge of Allegiance was led by PID Dennis Cobler. Invocation was led by Lion Paul Hoppa. Lion Hoppa was also the table picker – guests and head table first, then tables with ‘guests’, followed by all others. This was our potluck evening with many spouses and guests. We also welcomed back Lion Cheryl Schneider following her accident at the last food truck. She had fallen and the result was a broken hip. Following surgery, she received rehab at Mary Free Bed Facility in Hackley Hospital. We were so glad to have her back with us. A fun evening to share.

2. Service:

a. Lion Deb Roest reminded us of the Kids Shopping on Sunday, December 10. Meet at First Lutheran at 12:30 p.m. and proceed from there to Family Dollar on Whitehall Road. Sign up sheet was distributed.

3. Fundraising:

a. PID Cobler reported that \$10,000 has been deposited for the calendar sales. There are still calendars to be sold, so please get the monies in as soon as possible.

b. A new sign was displayed for the Muskegon Northside Lions. Lion Lupe Alviar paid for the sign to be used at our events where we are working. (Many special thanks to Lion Alviar!)

4. Administrative:

a. Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed reported on the Christmas party to be held on Tues. Dec. 5 at First Lutheran. If anyone is available, please consider being at First Lutheran at 11:a.m. on Dec. 5 for setup. Gift exchange will be a Christmas ornament (price range from \$5-\$10); ladies for ladies and men for men. Evening will begin with appetizers from 6:15-6:45, dinner at 7:00. Help will also be needed for take down.

5. Additional announcements:

a. Lion Cheryl Schneider thanked all of the Lions who helped with the food truck at Shiloh Tabernacle. She also expressed thanks for all the Lions who visited her while in the hospital and send cards. (Glad to have her back!)

b. We were also glad to have our Lion, and State Representative, Terry Sabo with us tonight!

6. Tail Twister: TT Roger Dreikorn fined the following: Lion Anne Schalow – pie to table before we ate; Lion Kathleen Cobler for bring her dessert to the table before dinner; Lion Anna Alderman for being ‘uppity’; Lion Terry Sabo having no Lion ID;

7. BRAG BUCKS: Lion Dreikorn and wife Marcie’s car broke down in Fremont and several men stopped by to see if they could help; Lion Terry Sabo-#6 grandchild is on the way; Lion Chris Ruppel – kidney donation from

the youngest daughter to oldest daughter happening soon; Lion Dreikorn celebrating from Sweden visit that second cousin has found the ‘family’ farm. We then sang Happy Birthday to Lion Sabo – in our normal ‘Lions’ way!

8. Secret Greeter: was Lion Frank Krol who chose Lion Windy Bradfield as the winner of the \$5.00.
9. There was no 50/50 drawing tonight.
10. Our meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. with Board meeting to follow.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Pat Wiseman, Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes November 21, 2017

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:25p.m. by President Barb Pellerin at First Lutheran Church.
2. Roll Call Of Officers:
- a. Present:
- i. President Pellerin
 - ii. Treasurer Wolffis
 - iii. 1st VP Hoppa
 - iv. 3rd VP Gundy-Reed
 - v. IPP M. O’Loneragan
 - vi. TT Dreikorn
 - vii. Dir. Bullion
 - ix. Dir. Cobler
 - x. Dir. Ruppel
 - xi. Dir. L. O’Loneragan
3. Additions/Corrections to Agenda: A-1, C-1, D-1
4. Motion by IPP. O’Loneragan, seconded by Treasurer Wolffis to accept the agenda with additions. Motion Carried
5. The minutes were not yet published at the time of the meeting so approval was tabled until December.
6. Motion by IPP. O’Loneragan, seconded by TT. Dreikorn to accept the Administrative and Blind Fund Reports for the month October as presented. Motion Carried
7. Under President Reports, President Pellerin appointed Dir. PID Cobler Head of the 2018 Melvin Jones Committee.
8. Under Service, 1st VP Hoppa reported that Kids shopping was on target and just about ready.
9. Under Administrative, Dir. PID Cobler reported on Causeway Work which some of which is successfully completed and lots of other things well under way. Dir. PID Cobler also made a motion to buy plaques for three major contributors who are Steven Jackson, Steve Erickson, and John Noling for \$85 each. Totaling \$255. TT Dreikorn seconded. Motion Carried
10. Under Administrative, 1st VP Hoppa reported that due to several unforeseen circumstances Northside Lions had not made our usual donation toward our use of the facilities at First Lutheran. After discussion the consensus was to get caught up. 3rd VP Gundy/Reed made the motion to donate \$550 with second by Dir. Ruppel. Motion Carried
11. Motion by Dir. Ruppel, and seconded by TT. Dreikorn to adjourn our meeting. We adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lion IPP Michael O’Loneragan

Peace  On Earth

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.

HOLTON-TWIN LAKE LIONS CLUB

Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm
Northside Pub, Holton Road

SOUTHSIDE LIONS CLUB

Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 6:30 PM
Whitlow's Restaurant, 4610 Airline Road

RAVENNA LIONS CLUB

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

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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 -

"**L**oving **I**ndividuals **O**ffering **N**eeded **S**ervices"

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!"

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

In Lions' year **2016-2017** the
Muskegon Northside Lions
performed 76 service activities
with 3285 service hours.

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EVENT & COMMITTEE CHAIRS - 2017/2018

First VP Lion Paul Hoppa >> SERVICE

Food Truck	Lion Cheryl Schneider & Lion Roger Dreikorn
NM Parade	Lion John Emrich & Lion Ed Weessies
Eye Glasses Collection	Lion Jim Wolffis & Lion Rich Carlson
Ramps	Lion Windy Bradfield & Lion Ron Hansen
Hearing Screening	Lion Michael O'Lonegan & Lion Paul Hoppa
Causeway Lighting	Lion Dave Olsen & Lion Dennis Loughrige
Kid's Christmas Shopping	Lion Deb Roest & Lion Barb Pellerin
Seaway Flags	Lion Frank Krol & Lion Jim Larson
Scholarships	Lion Jan Snyder & Lion Paul Hoppa
Adopt A Pathway	Lion Paul Hoppa & Lion Kim Arter
Kid's Sight First	Lion Kathleen Cobler & Lion Jan Snyder
Santa & Dandy Visits	Lion Michael Simerick & Lion Chris Ruppel
Emergency Family Fund	Lion Paul Hoppa & Lion Cheryl Schneider
Tree Planting	Lion Michael O'Lonegan & Lion Frank Krol
Friends of WL Easter Egg Drop	Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed & Lion Roger Dreikorn
National Walk to School	Lion Paul Hoppa & Kim Arter

Second VP Lion Dick Perri >> Fundraising

Pancakes	Lion Michael Simerick, Lion Gwen Glatz, Frank Krol
Calendars	Lion Frank DiPiazza & Lion Dennis Cobler
Mint Sales	Lion Windy Bradfield & Lion Dave Olsen
Candy Days	Lion Tom Hoffman & Lion John Emrich
White Cane	Lion Deb Roest & Lion Dale Roest

Third VP Lion Darnell Gundy-Reed >> Administrative

Newsletter	Lion Ed Weessies & Lion Frank DiPiazza
Webmaster	Lion Frank DiPiazza & Lion Ed Weessies
Programs	Lion Jim Larson & Lion Cheryl Schneider
Historian	Lion Anna Alderman & Lion Ed Weessies
Melvin Jones Awards	Lion Barb Pellerin & Lion Paul J Hoppa
Attendance	Lion Pat Wiseman & Lion Michael O'Lonegan
Constitution & By-Laws	Lion Ed Weessies & Lion Michael O'Lonegan
Socials & Spouse's Night	Lion Paul Hoppa & Lion Ray Jasicki
Calling Committee	Lion Linda & Ray Jasicki
Planning Committee	Lion Roger Dreikorn
Photographer	Lion Dave Olsen
Publicity	Lion Terry Sabo & Darnell Gundy-Reed
Secret Greeter	Lion Jim Irwin
Pledge of Allegiance	Lion Tom Hoffman
Meeting Meal Scheduling	Lion Marilyn Eyestone & Lion Pat Wiseman
Membership Ads	Lion Ed Weessies & Lion Dick Perri

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"