

CABINET SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Lions and Leos of Multiple District 33:

In spite of the challenges imposed by the pandemic, the Lions of District 33k continued their legacy of service in the cities and towns they serve. The year started off with an air of uncertainty. Without a roadmap of how to serve in the midst of a global pandemic, we needed to contemplate what the long-term impact would be on our members both in their personal lives and communities.

After a slow start, we were able to pivot, embrace the technologies at our fingertips and conduct Business As Usual. Once we understood the ground rules of the new normal, many of our clubs held Zoom meetings and continued the work they do to help others.

Some clubs made food insecurity their priority and assisted the many food banks, pantries and organizations in the district that provided meals to those in need. Other clubs worked with organizations directly to respond to the pandemic among vulnerable populations. These included social service organizations focused on supporting low-income households, small businesses, older adults, people with disabilities, and other populations vulnerable to the physical, mental and economic impacts of the pandemic.

We were able to hold our customary Advisory meetings as well as cabinet meetings via Zoom. Our Midwinter, unique in every way, was held virtually as well. It took place the weekend of February 12th and 13th. District Governor Dr. Deb Wayne's guests included International Director Robert "Bob" Black and his wife Lion Linda from Illinois. They were impressed with the fun we had and the number of Lions that joined our virtual convention.

As usual, the Lions of 33k were exceedingly generous with their donations to Lions causes and their own communities, to the tune of \$106,160.95 for Midwinter donations, and a total of \$244,110.67 when local donations are included. Such a tremendous amount of support from our "Special K" Lions.

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Through these challenging times, we have maintained a membership of over 1700 Lions. We are down 34 members from last year but consider these numbers somewhat satisfactory given the current situation. We have seen a resurgence of live meetings as vaccinations become more prevalent among our members. We hope that members will start bringing guests to the meetings that will consider becoming Lions. We are in the process of starting a new club and we are hoping that we can finish this effort by the end of year.

District Governor Dr. Deb has maintained a positive outlook throughout the year. Her tireless effort and steadfast leadership have inspired the Lions of District K to find creative ways to serve and is positioning District K for a strong finish.

Respectfully submitted,

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