



DISTRICT GOVERNOR JIM PATTERSON'S MESSAGE

As you read this, I am finalizing details of handing over the reins of leadership into the very capable hands of District Governor Elect Tom. From Second Vice to today, it has been a magnificent ride but now it is nearly over. And that's the way it is supposed to be: the old gives way to the new. New leadership brings new ideas and methods - a fresh look at the status quo never hurts any organization. I urge you to give DGE Tom your support and friendship.

Of all the gifts I've been given throughout my tenure, both physical and spiritual, the most precious gift I have received from my fellow Lions is friendship. Wherever I've been in our great district, I've met many very fine people - great Lions all - but what has touched me most is their offer of friendship. I will be forever grateful for this wonderful gift.

As a retired teacher, I have been driven to inform our clubs of the many resources available to help further their mission of service. From dealing with disaster to finding help for those with failing sight and hearing, so many clubs have learned of cost-effective ways to help. We even managed to get a couple small grants to aid community projects. And I hope my battle cry to become more social media savvy is having some effect because the electronic age has moved much faster than we have. Finally, here's to everyone who allowed me to twist their arm to serve, who patiently answered my never-ending questions, who picked up the ball I tossed and ran with it - farther and faster than I ever thought possible. Even though I know this is not thanks enough, I offer my sincere "Thank You!" to everyone who answered the call to serve this Lions' year. You all are the finest group of people I've ever had the pleasure to work with.

1ST VDG/DG Elect Tom MacNaughton

Greetings Lions:

I am looking forward to being your next Governor. I can't believe all the positions I have to fill. At present I need volunteers for the following positions: Convention, Peace Poster, Region 3 chair; and Region 3 Zone 1 and 2 chairs; Tail Twister; and GET; PR; and Childhood Cancer. I may have talked to some of you about these positions and, if so, please remind me that you are willing to serve.

I have my last day of training coming up at the International Convention and need to have these positions filled by that time. I have to leave home on June 17 so to say I am up against a deadline is an understatement.

I am looking forward to visiting your clubs. I am trying to put together a schedule of where I am and when. I am also doing scholarship auditions for Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and I am trying to tie the schools and clubs I visit into the same schedule. What I mean is, if I am at a school during the day that evening I will visit

the local club. That being said, is there Lions out there who have an extra bed or couch that I could use? I have offers from PDG Janalee McClure and PDG Peggy Walls in the middle of our District but I need places particularly in the South of our District.



For those of you who don't know me, I grew up in Howard City, Michigan and graduated from Tri-County High School. I attended CMU and graduated with a Bachelor of Music degree. I was a Band Director at Maple City Glen Lake Schools for 30 years. I retired for about 10 minutes and accepted a position with Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. I have worked for Blue Lake for 25 years. I was Band Director of the Junior High Band there for 6 years. I met in coming groups from Europe at airports in Toronto, Chicago and Detroit for 15 years and have been a scholarship representative for 25 years. I was a member and past president of the Maple City-Cedar Lions from 1978-2005 and from 2021 to present. Last year I served as Zone chair and have just completed 3 years as Lion of Michigan All State Band Chair. We Serve!

In the next issue I will spell out my goals and my motto.

Home Club – Cedar-Maple City Lions Club

Contact info: 231-631-7682 or tomamacnaughton@gmail.com

2nd VDG Elect Linda Wellman

It is a privilege to share in the leadership of an organization dedicated to helping others.

A favorite quote states:

“The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things.” R. Reagan

Let's work together to make 2024-25 a remarkable experience for all of us.

Home Club - Luther Lions Club

Contact info: 503-799-3105 or lindakwellman@hotmail.com

The Fremont Lions Club Appreciates District Governor Jim Patterson for his leadership of our District 11E1



**Our Club asks you to SAVE the DATE for
Jim's Appreciation Luncheon,
Saturday, August 24, 12:00 noon
at the Stone Lodge, 4465 W. 48th St., Fremont MI**



Upcoming Club Officer Training



Topics planned during the training:

Awards Available (District, State, International)

Projects (District, State)

Dues & Financial Responsibilities

Accessing the new Lions Portal

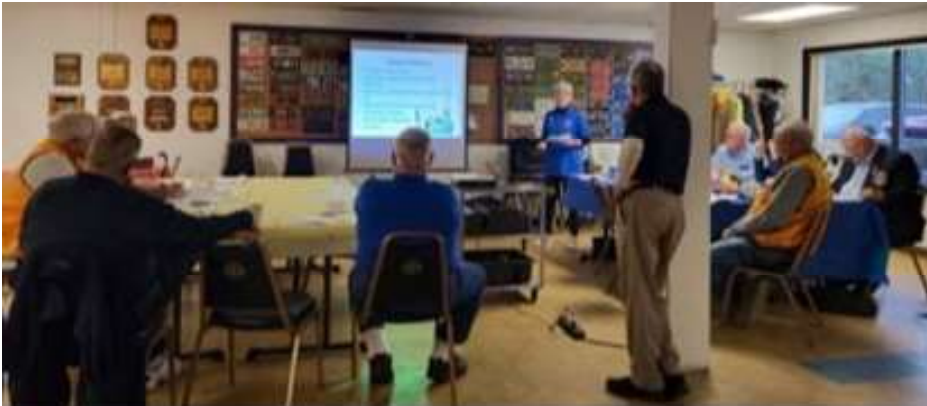
Officer Training (President/VP, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.)

When you're RSVPing for a training session, please include the officer training needed (President/VP, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.).

Hosted by: Greenville Lions Club
Date/Time: **June 1 (Saturday) from 9-11am**
Location: First Congregational Church, 126 E Cass St., Greenville, MI
Refreshment: Coffee, water, and donuts
Cost: No Cost
RSVP: Lion Mike Kreitner, mkreitner@live.com or call/text 616-881-4004 by May 25

Host by: Mt. Pleasant Lions Club
Date/Time: **June 22 (Saturday) from 9-11am**
Location: Isabella Commission on Aging, 2200 S Lincoln Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI
Refreshment: Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice and pastries
Cost: No Cost
RSVP: Zone Chair Diane Fleming, flemi1dl@cmich.edu or call 989-772-5556 by June 14

You may also RSVP for either of the sessions to PCC Jeff Schafer, Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator, jeff.schafer1@comcast.net or call/text 812-325-3130.



The District had their first club officer training earlier in May up in Region 1 (Kaleva - Traverse City area). The Kaleva Lions Club hosted the event where we had 18 Lions in attendance representing 7 clubs. The team covered various topics to include Lions' Awards, Fellowships, State and District projects, District Governor Elect Tom MacNaughton's goals for the upcoming year, Lions

Portal access, and sessions on President/VP, Secretary, and Treasurer's responsibilities.

A big "Thank You" to those that helped with the numerous presentations which include DG Jim Patterson, DGE Tom MacNaughton, PDG Al Roeseler (District GMT) and Lion Ann Roeseler (District GST), PCC Jeff Schafer (District GLT), and PDG Bill Koch. The Kaleva Lions Club served an amazing pastie dinner during the training session.



Letter from the Editors of *LIONS CONNECTIONS*

Lions of District 11E1,

We thank you all for the opportunity to have served the District as Editors of *LIONS CONNECTIONS* (the District 11E1 newsletter). This is our last issue that we will publish. We have enjoyed the process over the past 5 years. Thank you to all the Lions who have supported us, mentored us, and contributed to its publication. We will continue to be members of the Midland Lions Club and District 11E1, but our roles will change. We will still co-chair the PAWS With A Cause District Project, contribute pictures to the newsletters, and attend conventions.

Please welcome Lion Paula Rigling from the Arcadia Lions Club. Lion Paula will be taking over as Editor of *LIONS CONNECTIONS* with the July 2024 issue. Please provide support and encouragement as you had for us. We feel confident that Lion Paula will do a great job.

Lion Paula's contact info is paula.rigling2@gmail.com

WE SERVE!!!
Lions Mike & Tina Hoy



DG Jim presents Lions Mike & Tina, each, with a "Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Award" at the recent District Convention. This was for their work on the District 11E1 newsletter.

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

Fellow Lions, One leadership forum that is coming this fall is the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville, Kentucky from September 5th through 7th. The last location which was closer to us was in Grand Rapids (2015) and Columbus, Ohio (2018). The forum will not be closer to our district again through 2027, so register now and enjoy a great weekend in Louisville with Lions from across the USA and Canada for two days of 80 seminars and four motivational speakers, including of course the International President, Fabricio Oliveira.

The website to register online is www.lionsforum.org and included is a pdf to register by mail. [See below, pages 5 & 6] -PCC Jeff Schafer, Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator

48th ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Louisville, Kentucky

Thursday, September 5, 2024 - Saturday, September 7, 2024

The first event begins on Thursday at noon and the Forum ends after the closing banquet on Saturday evening.

Please book your hotel stay accordingly.

Registrant A

SUB-DISTRICT LION LEO NON-MEMBER

Name
 First Last Initial Nickname (Titles will not be included)

Mailing Address
 Street Number/PO Box City State/Prov Zip/PC

Phone () E-Mail
 Home Phone Cell Phone Please print clearly

This is my First Time Attending a Forum I was invited to the Forum by
 (name of mentor must be listed to receive credit for your attendance)

Forums attended Highest Office Held Past Present

Please check all that apply:
 Special Meals: Diabetic Vegetarian Hindu Vegetarian Other
 (Please specify needs and include any allergies. It may not be possible to accommodate all special meal requests)

Hearing Challenged Visually Challenged Physically Challenged Specific needs
 (Please let us know how we can help with your specific challenge, i.e.: hearing device, Braille, wheelchair access...?)

I am a Pin Trader I will need a table for pin trading Number of tables needed
 (Pin trading tables will be available at \$60 each)

I would like to participate in the Strides Event on Thursday afternoon, September 5, 2024. (Cost is \$25 per person)
 T-shirt size

Registrant B

SUB-DISTRICT LION LEO NON-MEMBER

Name
 First Last Initial Nickname (Titles will not be included)

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HOUSING

Hotels: Reservations must be made with this form. Do not register directly with the hotel. Please rank hotels by order of preference. Rooms cannot be reserved without \$150 US deposit.

HOTELS	RATE	DISTANCE TO CENTER
Galt House (Headquarters)	\$164	2 blocks
Courtyard by Marriott	\$155	2 blocks
Embassy Suites	\$179	3 blocks
Hampton Inn	\$144	1/2 block
Holiday Inn Express	\$149	7 blocks

THESE ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE ROOM RESERVATIONS CAN BE FINALIZED!!

Arrival Date Departure Date
 # in Room # of Beds
 Sharing Room with
 Special Room Requests:
 Room requests will be made on a first come-first served basis

CANCELLATION POLICY: If you must cancel your registration and/or room, notification must be in writing to the Forum Registrar. Any cancellations received between July 1, 2024 and August 1, 2024 will be subject to a \$50 per person cancellation fee and forfeiture of the Hotel Deposit. After August 1, 2024 no refunds will be issued. Cancellation notification must be received on or before August 1, 2024. Please send cancellation notice to: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, 21 Giants Dr, Rapid City, SD 57701. Phone (605) 723-4007; FAX (605) 791-0950; Email: registrar@lionsforum.org

HELP US BETTER PLAN FOR YOUR ARRIVAL

I will be arriving by:
 Air Ground

REGISTRATION FEE covers the cost of the seminars and four designated meals (Thursday evening banquet, Friday noon lunch, Saturday noon lunch, Saturday evening banquet). All attendees must pay full registration fee to participate in any of the meals or seminars. Individual meal function tickets will NOT be available.

Hotel rooms CANNOT be assigned until registration fee and hotel deposit are received. ALL REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE MADE ON A FIRST-COME FIRST-SERVED BASIS.

Please note: The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be documenting the Forum for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed, photographed, or recorded at this event. Your registration is your consent for use of these images and recordings by the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

Registration Fees (US \$)
 Rooms cannot be reserved without \$150 US Deposit

	Early Bird	Postmarked after March 31, 2024	Postmarked after May 31, 2024	Postmarked after July 31, 2024
Registrant A	\$295	\$325	\$340	\$365
Registrant B	\$295	\$325	\$340	\$365
Leos	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$175
Hotel Deposit	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150
Strides Event Reg A	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Strides Event Reg B	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Pin Trading per Table	\$60	\$ 60	\$ 60	\$ 60

Total Amount Due Now \$

PAYMENT

By Credit Card:
 I authorize \$ to be charged to my credit card. Signature
 card number exp date security code (3 digits on back)

I have included a check in the amount of \$ Please make check payable to: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

Mail your complete registration form to the Forum office: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, 21 Giants Dr, Rapid City, SD 57701; Phone (605)723-4007; Fax (605)791-0950; Email: registrar@lionsforum.org
 Online registration available at: www.lionsforum.org

CLUB NEWS

EMPIRE LIONS



Here are some photos from the Empire Lions Club pancake breakfast on April 28th.

Left to Right, Lions Larry Krawczak, Linda Peppler, Bob Graham, and Sandy Wilson serving a hungry customer.

Left to Right, Lions Dave Taghon, Tom Pykosz, Nancy Pykosz, and Margaret Bacon waiting for more people to serve.



Farthest to Closest to camera, Lions Mike Bolton, Rich Andersen, and Roger Merrillat cooking up a fresh batch of food.



LUTHER LIONS

May was a very active month for our members and ended with a Memorial Day Parade sponsored by our Lions Club, followed by a 2-day Community Flea Market. We were honored by our DG Jim Patterson attending our meeting and announcing our President, Linda Wellman, was elected to be the next Second Vice District Governor.

June 2nd is our all you can eat Father's Day Breakfast (8-10:30am). Cost is \$10 adults, \$5 for children 6-12 yrs., and kids under 6 are FREE.

June 13th is Luther Lions Club Feeding America. Line Up starts at 2 pm. No idea on what we will receive and food is given out until gone.

June 21st the Luther Lions will be having a BINGO night. Doors open at 5 pm. Early birds start at 5:30 pm and Bingo starts at 6 pm. Food and Non-alcoholic beverages will be available. Proceeds will go towards our Feed America's food distribution.

June 26th from 5 pm until 6:30 pm is our monthly Lions Club Dinner. It will be grilled chicken with all the fixings. Cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 6-12 yrs., 6 and under are FREE.

Hope to see you at one of our events!

ARCADIA LIONS



Arcadia Lions Celebrated Arbor Day with Major Tree Planting Program Celebration

In 2023, the Township of Arcadia had to remove 40 old-growth sugar maple trees throughout the village due to disease and the danger to members of the public from dead limbs falling. The village created a tree committee to oversee the project and to replant trees in the village.



The Arcadia Lions Club was able to donate \$10,000 toward the first phase of the tree replanting project using funds raised through their annual Arcadia Daze Festival. The tree committee recently oversaw the planting of 15 trees, or 40% of what was removed last year and planted a 16th tree, an Autumn Blaze Red Maple tree at Finch Park on April 26th as part of an Arbor Day Celebration.



Arcadia Lions have served as members of the tree committee, helped plant trees and have taken on the weekly task of watering the trees over the next year. Thanks to a loan of a tree watering tank from Sievert's, a local

Arcadian Maple Syrup Producer, watering the trees can be done in just under 90 minutes.



Arcadia Lions Sponsored Life-Saving CPR Classes for Fellow Arcadians



Last year, during our Arcadia Daze 5K race, one of the runners had a heart attack at the finish line. Luckily, there were three physicians who had also just finished the race, and they performed CPR and used an AED to save his life and he's now fully recovered. This incident raised the need for more members of the community to be trained in CPR, so the club, using funds raised through Arcadia Daze, paid for two Red Cross



CPR classes that were held on Friday, May 17th.

Through these two classes, led by Ruth Cunningham of Crystal Mountain Resort, 28 members of the town were trained in CPR, AED use and other emergency medical training. There were Lions, volunteers at the local community center, community center board members, members of the township staff, members of Trinity Lutheran church, and a local doctor's office who participated in the classes. It's thanks to the generous support of Arcadia townspeople who support the annual festival, which is the club's primary fundraiser, that we're able to sponsor community events such as the tree project and CPR training.



STANWOOD LIONS

Sienna Ososki was presented the Stanwood Lions Club \$1000 Education Scholarship at the awards presentation at Morley Stanwood High School.



ONEKAMA LIONS

The Onekama Lions Club celebrated their Charter Night and celebrated 57 years since the Club started.

Congratulations to Mike Haske for "Lion of the Year" and Richard Lenz for "Helen Keller Award". We also had several Lions with years of service awards!



We also inducted a new Lions members John and Sheila Spencley, Chelsea Willis and Nolan and Bre Bowers! Welcome to the Club!

**Congratulations to all!
Another great night to be an Onekama Lions member!!!**



The Onekama Lions Club held a Quarter Paddle Auction on Saturday, May 4th. We had a full house and sold 250 paddles and nothing cost more

than 4 quarters to bid on. Cash and various items were donated from area businesses, community members, and Onekama Lions Club members. A total of cash, donations, and food donations totaled \$10,031 that were given to benefit the Onekama Lions Club. There were a total of 160 items auctioned off which included golf packages, handcrafted items, homemade goodies, lots of restaurant certificates, and even cash! The Onekama Lions Club and the community are anxiously waiting for our next Quarter Paddle Auction!





On May 15th the **Onekama Lions Club** attended the Onekama High School awards ceremony where King Lion Joe Skiera handed out four \$1,000 scholarships!

COLEMAN LIONS

The Coleman Lions Club awarded scholarships (total of \$900) to two Coleman High School seniors during their awards day earlier in May. In addition, CW Gordon Sales and Service awarded a \$300 scholarship to another Coleman High School student.

Two members of the Coleman Lions Club (PDG Sheryl and PCC Jeff Schafer) attended the Lions of Michigan (MD-11) State Convention that was held in Grand Rapids. They participated in the Thursday night picnic hosted by the Rockford and Sparta Lions Club; business meeting, attended training sessions, met Past International President (PIP) Sid Scruggs, and visited many of the vendors that participated in the convention.

Members of the Coleman Lions Club held their annual White Cane Day on Saturday, May 4. Their White Cane collection locations were scattered throughout Coleman and Sanford where they collected over \$900. A big "Thank You" to the Coleman and Sanford community for their generous donations.



BALDWIN LIONS



The Baldwin Lions Club completed their first Highway cleanup for 2024. We were assisted by 8 members of the National Honor Society and their advisor. We were able to clean our entire 2 mile stretch of M-37 in only 2 hours! We picked up 22 bags of trash and broken car parts! In exchange for their help, our club makes a generous donation towards the Honor Society trip.

The Baldwin Lions held their major fundraiser of the year on May 19th. Selling the "official" collector pins for over 35 years on the grounds of the local airport, with over 20,000 bikers present, which netted the club about \$3,000!! We even had our youngest Lion, Gavin, in charge of selling water!





Greenville Lions Club Kreitner Memorial Golf Classic

"In memory of Lions passed"



DATE: June 8th, 2024
TIME: Registration at 8:00 am. Shotgun start at 9:00 am.
PLACE: Candlestone Golf & Resort
8100 Storey Road
Belding, MI 498809

ENTRY FEE: \$75 per golfer (\$300 per team)

Entry Fee Includes:

Green Fees - 18 Holes
Cart
Catered Lunch
Each Player will receive a "Goodie Bag"

Contests:

Hole-in-one
Longest Drive
Closest to the pin
Longest putt
& many more.....



Elite Sponsor:



Format:

Tournament will be played in 4-person scramble format. Individuals are encouraged to sign-up and will be placed on a team.

Premier Sponsors:



Please return the bottom section with your team entry fee.

ENTRY FORM:

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

email: _____

Please make check payable to "Greenville Lions Club"
Send entry form and payment to: PO Box 721 Greenville, MI. 48838 For
more information, call 616.255.5031

BIG RAPIDS LIONS CLUB GOLF OUTING 2024

Wednesday, June 12th at Clear Lake Golf Club, Big Rapids

Scramble Format—Shotgun start at 10:00am

Registration starts at 9:00am

All funds raised support Big Rapids Lions Club projects: eyeglasses, leader dogs, BR 3rd grade dictionaries, hearing aids, food pantries, kid's sight eye screening, Hemlock Park Splashpad and more.

Your fun day at Clear Lake Golf Club includes 18 holes of golf with cart, coffee and donuts at registration, hot dogs at the turn, and grilled hamburgers with salads on completion of your round; team and individual winners, raffle drawings, corn hole, and putting contest. Also enjoy other contest holes throughout the course.

Team entry is \$300.00 per 4 person team—men, women or mixed. Teams are limited to the first 20 registered. Deadline to register is June 1, 2024.

TEAM CAPTAIN _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

Player #2 _____

Player #3 _____

Player #4 _____



SPONSORSHIP/DONATIONS

- | | AMOUNT |
|--|----------|
| 1. Gold Sponsor—\$525.00
Includes 4 person golf team, tee sign on course, 2' x4' color business banner. | \$ _____ |
| 2. Silver Sponsor—\$275.00
Includes 2' x 4' color business banner, tee sign on course. | \$ _____ |
| 3. Hole Sponsor—\$75.00
Tee Sign on course | \$ _____ |
| 4. Prize/Cash Donation | \$ _____ |

TOTAL DONATION \$ _____

MAIL ENTRIES OR DONATIONS TO:

Big Rapids Lions Club Golf Outing
P.O. Box 807
Big Rapids, MI 49307
or
Email team names and entries to
brlionsgolfouting2024@gmail.com

Make checks payable to Big Rapids Lions Club/Golf

FREMONT LIONS

Fremont Lions Club held their annual Pancake Breakfast at the Fremont Airport in partnership with the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association). The antique fighter planes put on a great show flying in formation. The club cooked scrambled eggs, sausage and pancakes on their black stone griddles and served 438 people. Photos show ring leader and breakfast chair District Governor Jim serving up food. New Lion Shannon Barstow, newly certified for Diabetic Retinopathy Screening, used the Lion Diabetic Retinopathy Ambulance to screen 20 people and had 3 referrals. PDG Bill Koch screened 18 kids in the Kidsight Trailer and 3 referrals.



MIDLAND LIONS

WHITE CANE FUNDRAISER -- The Midland Lions Club spring White Cane fundraiser did very well. White Cane total comes to \$1,552.71 for 38 man hours which comes to \$40.86 per hour. We have one more White Cane fundraiser in September.

Lion Dave Romenesko

Lion Mike Hoy & King Lion Art Kuper



Midland Lions Awards Night May 21, 2024



Lion Pete Conarty announced the awards.



Lion Sandy House "Melvin Jones Fellowship"



**Lion Dave Romenesko
"A. Charles Weir Sight
Conservation
Fellowship"**



**Lion Karl leuter
"Ken E. Lautzenheiser
Fellowship"**



**Lion Dick Ivan
"Lion of the
Year"**



**Lion Pete Conarty
"Heart of the
Lion"**

**Lion Sandy House
"Certificate for 20 years of
Service"**



District *Projects*



I would like to come and visit your club for a presentation. Please contact me through Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at hoym@charter.net or 989-832-8354. Cowboy Hoy, Hearing/Assistance Dog



Here is the website link: <https://www.leaderdog.org/lions-club/resources/>
Each month, a newsletter page will be uploaded to our website.
Lion Beth, Director of Lions Engagement
Leader Dogs for the Blind
1039 S. Rochester Rd. • Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115
Direct (248) 218 6421 or Toll Free (888) 777-5332

Lions of Michigan Foundation

Donations are greatly appreciated. There are more requests for disaster relief and individual help than we have seen in some time. We help many people all around our district, so if you missed the Parade of Checks, you can still send your checks to the foundation. The foundation helps many people, but we cannot do it without your club donations.

The foundation is ready to send out the Sight and Hearing Tickets, encourage clubs to use them as a fundraiser. For every ticket you sell you can receive money back to use in your clubs, the more you sell the more you get for your club.

There are still cookbooks for sale. You can get them from Chad for \$10 each and sell them for what you would like, also a fundraiser for your club.

Lions Clubs International Foundation

Each of your clubs should have a club coordinator for LCIF. Please forward their name and address information to PDG Pam Schroeder. My address and phone info are in the Roster Book.

It is not too late to make your yearly donation. Your donation can go toward a Melvin Jones, and when you have \$1,000 into LCIF, you can present a Melvin Jones Fellowship to someone for their dedication to Lionism. Many clubs have the funds into LCIF for a Melvin Jones that can be presented. If you need more info contact PDG Pam.

Donations are used to help clubs around the world. Some donations have also come back to Michigan to help with disasters. Grants can also be applied for, if your club has donated to LCIF.

DISTRICT MISSION TRIP 2024

Now that the COVID has pretty well cycled out, I would like all clubs in the District to please ask their local eye doctors and/or ophthalmologists if they would like to participate in another eyeglass mission. We have the glasses ready to go but need volunteers to go with us. For a worthwhile trip it will give you a hands on experience of what Lions do in foreign countries with those used eyeglasses. **Please call PDG Harry Johnson at 231 745-4524 and leave a message if I'm not home. We are currently looking to go to Puerto Penasco, Mexico, this October.** Please contact PDG Harry Johnson for more details lionharry1947@gmail.com

BEAR LAKE CAMP OPEN HOUSE

Hi fellow Lions in District 11E1. There is an affordable opportunity below for all of us, including myself, to get to see firsthand all the great things being accomplished at Lions Bear Lake Camp, that up until now, a lot of us have only been reading about. Let's have a big show of support for this Lions State Project Camp by having an impressive delegation of Lions from the Central and East side of the state show up at this event on September 13th and 14th. We can then all see firsthand how effectively our District donations are being used and report back to our clubs. This Team building, Educational, and Fellowship is open to **ALL LIONS**. Hope to see you there!

Lion Steve Glazier Bear Lake Lions Camp
11E1 District Chair



LIONS OF MICHIGAN WEEKEND September 13th-14th, 2024

Dear Lions,

You're invited to join us for an unforgettable weekend at Lions Bear Lake Camp on September 13-14, 2024!

Experience the beauty of our 120-acre campus as you immerse yourself in exploration, education, and enjoyment. From engaging tours to team-building activities, this weekend is designed to foster fellowship and enrich your Lions experience.

Event Details:

- **Date:** September 13-14, 2024
- **Location:** Lions Bear Lake Camp
- **Address:** 3409 N Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, MI 48446
- **Cost:** Lodging and meals provided at no cost
- **Meals:** Dinner, breakfast, and lunch included

Schedule:

- **Friday:**
 - 6:00 PM: Warm Welcome
 - 6:30 PM: Dinner followed by a bonfire and smores
- **Saturday:**
 - Throughout the day: Engaging activities and a chance to experience camp
 - 3:00 PM: Conclusion and Farewell

Don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow Lions, learn more about Lions Bear Lake Camp, and enjoy the full camp experience! This event is open to all Lions of Michigan members.

Please RSVP by August 31st to secure your spot. Space is limited, so reserve your spot today!

We look forward to seeing you there!

In Service,

Traci Tribley
Executive Director



SEPTEMBER 13-14TH, 2024
Friday Welcome 6:00PM
Dinner 6:30 PM
Saturday Wrap Up 3:00 PM

WHO IS INVITED:
District Governors, VDG's,
2VDG's, LBLC District
Committee Chairs, Board
Members, MD 11 GAT Team,
New Lions, ALL LIONS

**Tours, Teambuilding,
Education, Fellowship**
Enjoy spending time with fellow
lions and learning more about
your state project Lions Bear
Lake Camp.



RSVP ONLINE
SCAN QR CODE OR EMAIL
TRACI@BEARLAKECAMP.ORG

3409 Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446
bearlakecamp.org
810-245-0726
@lionsbearlakecamp

ARRIVE WHEN YOU CAN, LEAVE WHEN YOU NEED



JUVENILE DIABETES CAMP 2024

Mark your calendars! Juvenile Diabetes Camp at Lions Bear Lake Camp is happening July 21-26, and we want your child to be a part of it!

We understand the concerns and challenges that come with sending a child with T1D to an overnight camp. That's why we're dedicated to providing a flexible and accommodating schedule that meets the needs of both campers and parents. Whether you'd like to join your child for a few days or the entire week, we're here to support you every step of the way.

At Juvenile Diabetes Camp, your child will:

- Learn valuable life skills
- Bond with peers who understand their journey
- Enjoy the magic of camp through engaging outdoor adventures and team-building exercises
- Enjoy activities such as swimming, ziplining, fishing, archery, arts & crafts, nature, and more.

Our staff members undergo additional training to ensure they're equipped to provide the specialized care and support that campers with T1D require.

Join us July 21-26 as we embark on a journey of learning, growth, and adventure at Juvenile Diabetes Camp. Together, we can make this summer an

unforgettable experience for your child.

Register now to secure your spot, and feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. We're here to support you every step of the way. Don't have a child with T1D? Please help us by spreading awareness of this amazing opportunity for youth with T1D.

Warm regards,

Traci Tribley
Executive Director

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP JUVENILE DIABETES CAMP 2024

JULY 21-26
YOUTH WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES
AGES 5-16

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP
3409 N Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446

Overnight camping experience for youth with T1D. Experience a fun filled week of activities and education while building life long friendships, gaining confidence, and acquiring new skills. Parents are welcome to accompany first time campers.

\$40 Registration Fee

ARCHERY . SWIMMING. BOATING. FISHING. CLIMBING TOWER.
CHALLENGE COURSE. ZIPLINE. ARTS & CRAFTS. GAMES & MORE!

PLEASE CALL IF CUSTOMIZATION IS NEEDED FOR
ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES/DATES

810-245-0726 www.bearlakecamp.org info@bearlakecamp.org

MICHIGAN YOUTH EXCHANGE/LEO CAMP

* *at Lions Bear Lake Camp* *



AUG 11-17, 2024

CALLING ALL MICHIGAN LEOS!

JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE WEEK-LONG SESSION AT LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP. THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO DIVE INTO A WORLD OF ADVENTURE, LEADERSHIP, AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

CAMP ACTIVITIES: FISHING, SWIMMING, ARCHERY, BOATING, ZIPLINING, ARTS & CRAFTS, NATURE, & MORE

GLOBAL CONNECTIONS: INTERACT WITH YOUTH FROM AROUND THE WORLD! .
DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE MEMORIES, BUILD FRIENDSHIPS, AND UNLEASH YOUR POTENTIAL!



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Michigan Youth Exchange/LEO Camp 2024

Lions Bear Lake Camp

3409 N Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, MI

August 11-17, 2024

Personal Information

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Age _____

District _____ Club Name _____ Position _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address if different from above _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact Information

Emergency Contact Person _____ Phone _____ Relation _____

Food Allergies/Dietary

Special Dietary Needs _____

<i>COST \$150</i>	Included in Price: Lodging All Camp Activities All Meals
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Important Information: Please provide your own linens/pillows and personal toiletries. Cabins are equipped with twin-sized bunk-style beds, bathrooms, and showers. Any outside food or beverages must be contained in the lodge and are not permitted in cabins. Lions Bear Lake Camp is a nut-free facility.

Additional Forms: Once registered, a health history form will be sent that will need to be filled out prior to camp. A Climbing Tower/Zipline Consent form will also need to be filled out for child to participate in those activities.

Payment: Please send the registration form along with a check payable to **Lions of Michigan, Memo: Youth Camps & Exchange, 5730 Executive Dr. Lansing, MI 48911**

Signature _____ Date _____

Special Olympics



District 11E1 Lions volunteering at Opening Eyes on May 30 & 31.

