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"May the beacon of hope always shine bright"

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Saturday, May 17, 2025 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Dandy Lion Community Service Project DoubleTree Hotel lawn, Bay City

Fellow Service and Community Organizations!

The Lions of Michigan invite you to showcase your organization and participate in our Dandy Lion Community Service Event. This free outdoor show will take place on Saturday, May 17, from 2:00-4:00 pm, by the riverside of the DoubleTree.



The Lions of Michigan are excited to invite local service organizations to participate in the Dandy Lion Community Service Event, an outdoor booth show. There is no charge to be part of the outdoor event.

This special gathering is part of the Lions annual state convention, hosted at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bay City on May 15-17, 2025. Local community service organizations in the Bay City area will have the opportunity to showcase their missions, connect with fellow changemakers, and engage with Lion members from across the state and the Bay City community. Join us for an afternoon of impact, collaboration, and outreach.

"The Dandy Lion event is all about celebrating service and strengthening community partnerships," says Lion Doug Klein, Public Information Chair for Lions of Michigan. "We invite organizations of all sizes to join us in making a difference in this event free to exhibitors and attendees alike."

You must provide your own canopy, chairs, tables and displays for the event. Sign up for the Dandy Lion Community Service Event to showcase your work in a dynamic outdoor setting. Our indoor convention exhibitors may choose to participate also. See separate information on becoming an exhibitor at the multi-day convention.

To showcase your organization and reserve your spot, contact Wendy Burns, Executive Director, Lions Clubs of Michigan, at: wburns@lionsofmi.com or call 517-887-6640 ext. 103.

The Lions Clubs of Michigan is part of Lions International, the world's largest service organization, dedicated to humanitarian efforts, vision care, hunger relief, environmental sustainability, and more. Through community service and global initiatives, Lions make a lasting impact.



2025 MD 11 Lions Convention

Michigan Lions-Make Your Mark! LCI Guest PID Shea Nickell

May 15-17, 2025 DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI

Reservations: 989-891-6000 Room Rate: \$119 +tax/fees by 5.10.25

Booking Website: <https://book.passkey.com/go/2025LionsMD11>

Name _____ ☐Lion ☐Leo ☐Spouse ☐Guest

Club Name _____ District _____

Name _____ ☐Lion ☐Leo ☐Spouse ☐Guest

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Is this your first MD Convention? ☐Yes ☐No **How many years a Lion member?** _____

QUANTITY

AMOUNT

_____ Thursday 5/15/25 Picnic @ \$15.00	\$ _____
_____ Thursday Bus Trip to Krzysiak's Polish Rest.	\$ _____ -0- _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Lion/Leo	\$ _____
_____ Registration @ \$15.00 for each Spouse/Guest	\$ _____
_____ Friday Evening Welcome Party @ \$25.00/person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Breakfast @ \$16.00 per person	\$ _____
_____ Saturday Night Banquet @ \$40.00 per person	\$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Entrée: _____ Crispy Panko Chicken

Entrée: _____ Honey Lacquered Salmon

Gluten Sensitive _____ **Honey Lacquered Salmon** **Vegetarian** _____

Please Note any special needs (i.e., deaf interpreters, dietary restrictions, food allergies, etc.)

Everyone **MUST** pay the registration fee. No meal tickets may be purchased unless the registration fee is paid. Deadline for pre-registration and purchase of tickets is **May 8, 2025**. No refunds after **May 1, 2025**. Tickets and registration packets will be distributed at the Lions Registration Desk at the DoubleTree Bay City. They will not be mailed to you. The registration desk will be open Thursday at 5:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Saturday Banquet tickets may be picked up Saturday evening at the Ballroom entrance.

Mail to: Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911

or

Register and pay online at: www.lionsofmi.com



Lions Clubs of Michigan

SD10 and MD11, Lions International

The Lions of Michigan MD 11 Convention Committee is please to offer the opportunity for corporate and personal sponsorships for the
2025 Multiple District 11 Lions Convention
May 15-17, 2025 DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, Michigan

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Platinum Sponsor - \$1,000

Speaking opportunity during the Saturday Awards Banquet (up to 10 minutes);
Advertisement in the Lion Pride publication; advertisement in convention proceedings
booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your banner on display throughout event; insert
included in welcome packet

Gold Sponsor - \$500

Speaking opportunity at Friday's Welcome Reception/Dinner *or* Saturday Awards
Breakfast (up to 5 minutes); advertisement in convention proceedings booklet;
complimentary exhibitor table; your banner on display throughout event; insert included
in welcome packet

Silver Sponsor - \$400

Full page advertisement in proceedings booklet; complimentary exhibitor table; your
banner on display; insert included in welcome packet

Bronze Sponsor - \$300

Full page advertisement in proceedings booklet; banner on display throughout the
event; insert included in welcome packet

Heart of a Lion - \$150 Club Special!

Breakout Session or Coffee Break sponsor; advertisement in proceedings booklet;
banner on display

All sponsors who commit by April 1, 2025, will be listed on promotional materials, in the
Lion Pride publication, on the Lions of Michigan website and Face Book page. Checks
should be made out to Lions of Michigan and mailed to: Lions of MI, 5730 Executive
Dr., Lansing, MI 48911. Contact wburns@lionsofmi.com or call 517-887-6640 for
further details.



EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT - MD11 LIONS CONVENTION
FRIDAY - SATURDAY, MAY 16-17, 2025
DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, Michigan

Please reserve a display table for the undersigned at the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11 Convention, at DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI. Enclosed is a check covering the exhibition fee of \$85.00 for **Friday and Saturday**; the fee includes a ***business card sized ad*** in the State Convention booklet. \$50.00 is the fee for a **single day** and for an additional \$25.00 the *business card size ad* can be included in the State Convention booklet. The charge is fully refundable if, for any reason, the convention is canceled or moved to another city or in case of fire or other catastrophic occurrence to the property. All conditions stated in the letter of invitation shall be accepted and followed by all exhibitors and their representatives.

The undersigned releases the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, and its agents from any and all liabilities that may arise or be asserted as a result of participation in this exhibition. The Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. will determine the eligibility of any company or product for exhibit. Acceptance of an exhibitor for the convention does not imply endorsement of the product or services, nor does rejection imply lack of approval of the product or manufacturer.

Exhibitors shall take precautions to provide security to safeguard their property during non-show hours. It is understood that neither the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. nor DoubleTree, Bay City, MI (nor legal entities which own, lease and/or operate it), nor their members, officers, directors, or employees shall be responsible for injury to any person or persons for loss or damage to property belonging to the exhibitor or any person or persons while in transit to or from the hotel/conference center or while on the hotel/conference center property or otherwise. The exhibitor assumes complete responsibility and liability for all injury to any and all persons or property in any way connected with exhibitor's display caused by the exhibitor, his agents, representatives or employees. The exhibitor indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless the Lions of Michigan Multiple District 11, Inc. and the DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI (and legal entities which own, lease, and/or operate it), their members, officers, directors, and employees against any and all liability whatsoever arising from any or all damage to property or personal injury caused by exhibitor or his agents, representative, employees or any other person.



MICHIGAN LIONS! *Make Your Mark!*
EXHIBITOR AGREEMENT - MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION
FRIDAY - SATURDAY, MAY 16-17, 2025
DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI

Please reserve a display table for me on: _____ Friday only (May 16,m 2025) \$50.00
_____ Saturday only (May 16,m 2025) \$50.00
_____ Friday & Saturday w/ad \$50.00
_____ Boxed Lunch Sat. only @ \$50.00

Total _____ \$ _____

Exhibitor Hours:

Friday 9:00am - 6:30pm Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Do you require an electrical hook-up? Yes _____ No _____

CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE _____

ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

DATE _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Space is limited! Please submit by May 1, 2025

Register online:

<https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/up-coming-events/md11-convention>

Mail your registration:

Lions of Michigan, 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 103



MISSION 1.5 *We're on a mission to grow!*

MICHIGAN LIONS! *MAKE YOUR MARK!*
105TH MD 11 LIONS CONVENTION – MAY 15-17, 2025
DOUBLETREE HOTEL, BAY CITY, MICHIGAN
ADVERTISING OPTIONS

Listed below are several options to sponsor a personal or business ad in the
MD 11 Lions Convention Proceedings Booklet.

Placing an ad shows fellow Lions and Leos your support of the Lions of Michigan!

ADVERTISING RATES AND SIZES

Overall Booklet Size: 8" x 5 ½"

1. 1/4 page ad:	\$35.00
2. 1/2 page ad:	\$40.00
3. Full page ad:	\$45.00
4. Business card	\$25.00

Please note that all ads must be prepaid by **May 1, 2025**. Mail form to Lions of Michigan State Office,
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911; email to wburns@lionsofmi.com or fax: 517-887-6642

Name:	
Business Name:	
Billing Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Home Phone:	Business Phone:
Email address:	Cell Phone:
<input type="checkbox"/> Included is a print ready ad or message <input type="checkbox"/> Please design my personal or business ad to read (please attach detailed information for your ad)	
CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:	
Ad Size: 1/4 page 1/2 page Full page Business Card Size	
<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed is my check for \$	
Please bill my Credit Card: Card Number:	
Card Expiration Date:	Security Code:

Thank you for your continued support-See you in Bay City!

Mail form and advertisement to:

Lions of Michigan

5730 Executive Dr. Lansing, MI 48911

Questions? Call 517-887-6640 ext. 103



Lions Clubs International Foundation



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



As our 2024-25 Lions year winds down many of our clubs are awarding Melvin Jones Fellowships to valued members. The money to do this, \$1,000.00, comes from donations clubs have made to LCIF. The need for these donations continues. Immediate Past International President Dr. Patti Hill, this year's LCIF chairperson, asks individual members, and especially leaders, and clubs, to donate to LCIF. This can be a one time, or continuing donation. The benefits are far reaching, around the world and in our local communities. Our motto, We Serve, applies through the LCIF programs and the generous support you give. Thanks everyone!

PCC Ron Gibson
District 11B2 LCIF Coordinator

[Donate Online](#)

Lions in Iceland Provide Art Therapy for Ukrainian Children

Maureen O'Brochta



Throughout the war in Ukraine, thousands of refugees have fled from Ukraine to Iceland. "They are almost completely without belongings," said Past Council Chairperson (PCC) Laufey Jóhannsdóttir. "They have just the clothes and shoes they are wearing when they arrive at Keflavík Airport." With a strong desire to help the Ukrainian refugees, the Lions Club Eik Gardabaer in Iceland developed a plan and applied for a District and Club Community Impact Grant (DCG) from Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF).

The club used the DCG funds to hold art therapy workshops for children arriving from Ukraine who were suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome. "Most of the children have traveled for days or weeks in challenging conditions, having to leave everything behind as a result of the war," said PCC Jóhannsdóttir.

Forty children ages 8 to 12 attended the six-week workshop. The US\$8,450 DCG helped provide two art therapists to lead the art workshops, art supplies, educational equipment including iPads for the children and a field trip to an Icelandic farm. "It is one of the most pleasant and heartfelt service projects I have done in my 40 years of being a Lion in Lions Club Eik Gardabaer," said PCC Jóhannsdóttir.



LCIF Melvin Jones Fellowship Celebration



We are honored to host LCIF Chairperson IPIP Lion Dr. Patti Hill on June 13th & June 14th, 2025.

There will be two events to meet and celebrate with Chairperson Dr. Patti in Port Austin, Michigan. On Saturday June 14th Chairperson Dr. Patti will personally present any Progressive or Melvin Jones Fellow to those that are in attendance and have achieved such recognition. The only charge for the events is a specified donation to LCIF in the club or person's name.

Friday June 13th, 2025, Chairperson's Reception 7:00 p.m.
\$2,000 donation to LCIF
admits 2 individuals to the private reception (space is limited)
Hors d'oeuvre & Refreshments

Saturday June 14th, 2025, 1:00 p.m.
\$100 donation to LCIF
Admits 1 individual to the celebration
Entertainment
Meal and Refreshments
Bird Creek Farms
282 Grindstone Road
Port Austin, Michigan 48467

I would like to reserve the following:

☐ Friday Chairperson's Reception \$2,000 donation. Please credit the following individuals P/MJF account(s).

Name	Membership Number	Amount
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Name	Membership Number	Amount
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Or		
Club/District Name	Club Identification Number	Amount

☐ Saturday Celebration \$100 donation. Please credit the following P/MJF account(s).

Name	Membership Number	Amount
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Or		
Club/District Name	Club Identification Number	Amount

This form and Checks can be mailed payable to LCIF and mailed to:

Lion Irene Cole 2445 Ruth Road Deckerville, Michigan 48427

Questions or to pay by credit card please call PID Lion Justin Faber (989)600-9009 or IPDG Jim White (810)858-9823.

Money sent directly to LCIF or paid online does not count towards this event.



Youth Camps & Exchange



Become a Host Family

*Contributed by Lion Elvie Marfil
State Youth Camps & Exchange Chair*



Is Hosting Right for Me?

Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences? Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you? Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding and the creation of global citizenship in youth? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange (YCE) Program!

Benefits of Hosting

Hosting an exchange youth is guaranteed to be a rewarding experience because:

- You experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- You learn about the exchange youth's customs and culture
- You open a new world of possibilities and thinking to the exchange youth
- You make a new friend - maybe a friend for life

Expectations of a Host Family

Room and Board

You are expected to provide room and board for the youth. It is recommended that youth be roomed with youth of similar ages and similar genders. Meals should be balanced and healthy.

Transportation

Typically, you are responsible for all of the youth's transportation during the exchange. Travel may include but is not limited to, transfers to and from the airport or train station, transfers to other Host Families or International Camp, transportation to and from any planned activities by you and/or the Host Club.

Financial responsibilities

Payment for cultural activities is dependent on the agreement made between you, the youth and the Host Club. Some programs offer stipends or scholarships for participating Host Families.



Youth Camps & Exchange

Selecting an Exchange Youth

The criteria for selecting youth differs from YCE program to YCE program. Hosting a youth is dependent upon desired age, gender, interests and nationality and upon the availability of the youth meeting those requirements. Your local YCE Chairperson will advise you of available youth or if arranged early enough, may seek a youth meeting your request.

You can learn more about the roles and expectations of a YCE Host Family by checking out the [YCE Host Family Handbook!](#)

Host Family Eligibility

Potential Host Families must be screened by the Host Lions Club and YCE Chairperson. The Host Lions Club and local YCE Chairperson must approve all host families. Screening items include, but are not limited to:

Age: Having experience with youth of similar age as the incoming youth.

Character: Your family should be understanding, interested in other cultures, open-minded, tolerant and have ability to communicate and/or deal wisely with youth.

Language ability: It would be helpful if one or more members of your family speaks the youth's language and/or English (most YCE programs require English as the preferred language), and could be necessary in some cases.

Knowledge of the YCE program and [policy](#): Your family should have some familiarity with the YCE program and/or hosting youth. If you are a non-Lion Host Family, you should be well informed on the scope and objectives of Lionism, and on the YCE program and [policy](#) by the local YCE Chairperson.

Living conditions: Your family should be able to accommodate an additional person in the home without discomfort or financial burden.

Family preferences: Your family are permitted preference regarding the youth's nationality, language, religion, gender or age.

Availability: It is important that you make sure your family's schedule allows accommodation to spend enough quality time with the youth.

How to Apply

Contact Lion Elvie Marfil: epmarfil5@gmail.com or 818-800-1060.

Youth Camps & Exchange Program
Lion Elvie Marfil
Multiple District 11 Chairperson

Open your heart and door to the world of Lions Youth Camps & Exchange Program. Please sign up to be a host family.

We still need host families for the following participants:

<i>Country</i>	<i>Gender</i>	<i>Age</i>
Japan	Female	18
Hungary	Female	16
Italy	Female	19
Spain	Female	15
Turkey	Female	18

Thank you to the following Lions and Districts for hosting:

<i>District</i>	<i>Host Family</i>	<i>Host Club</i>	<i>Country</i>
A1	PDG Roshni Patel	Detroit Renaissance Lions Club	Belgium, France, & Mongolia (Female)
B1	CC Terri Huffman Lion Sandra Simon Lion Shawne Lige	Jackson Diabetes Lions Club	British Isles Czech Republic Finland (Female)
B2	2nd VDG Alice Kring	Buchanan-Galien Lions Club	France (Female)
C1	PDG Jim & Bev Farrell	Wyoming Lions Club	Austria (Male)
	Lions Mark & Susan Graves	Fruitport Lions Club	France & Finland (Male)
	Lion Frank & Cathie Krol	Muskegon Northeast Lions Club	Germany (Male)
C2	PDG Brent Beracy	Ashley Lions Club	Mongolia & Poland (Male)

This year we have 3 outgoing youth participants:

<i>District</i>	<i>Sponsored Club</i>	<i>Country</i>
B2	Buchanan-Galien Lions Club	Switzerland
B2	Buchanan-Galien Lions Club	Germany
C1	Muskegon Northeast Lions Club	Australia



Youth Camps & Exchange



Lions of Michigan - Youth Camps & Exchange Program

Lion Elvie Marfil, State Chairperson 2024-2025

818-800-1060 epmarfil5@gmail.com

Do you know a young person who would like to embark on a life-changing adventure?

The YCE program allows youths aged 15 to 21 the opportunity to travel to a foreign country where they will experience another culture up close and personal in a family environment.

********Deadline to apply: March 30, 2025********

Would you be willing to be a host family and open your home to a youth from another country?

Hosting Dates: July 26 – August 16, 2025; Camp Dates: August 3-9, 2025, at D-Bar-A Scouting Ranch

We are actively seeking host families for incoming youth exchange participants.

********Deadline to apply: June 30, 2025********

Join in on the adventure of a lifetime!





Youth Camps & Exchange (YCE) (Ages 15-21) SUMMER PROGRAM 2025 Help to foster tomorrow's Lions



Dates to Remember:

Incoming Youth Exchange participants to be in
Michigan 3 weeks (2 at host family; 1 at camp):

Youth arrival date: **July 26, 2025**

Camp dates: **August 3-9, 2025**

@ D-Bar-A Scouting Ranch
located in Metamora, MI)

Youth departure date: **August 16, 2025**

LEO's are invited to camp week (\$250)

Application deadline for Host Families:
June 30, 2025



Become a Host Family

Bring a new culture into your home!

Multiple District 11 is looking for families in the community who can open their hearts and homes for a few weeks during the summer of 2025 to host a Youth Exchange Ambassador. These young adults are part of the Lions International Youth Camps & Exchange program, bringing young adults from various parts of the world to the United States during the summer program July 26 – August 16, 2025.

We are actively seeking host families in Michigan for the following incoming youth applicants:

Country of Origin	Applicant Age	Country of Origin	Applicant Age
Argentina	Female - 16	Germany	Male - 18
British Isles	Female - 17	Hungary	Female - 16
Czech Republic	Female - 18	Italy	Female - 19
Finland	Female - 18	Spain	Female - 16
Finland	Male - 19	Spain	Female - 16
France	Male - 16		

Host families need not be Lions members, nor must they have children at home; they are responsible for the youth's room and board. Visiting youths come with spending money, costs for additional activities are at host family's discretion.

If you are interested in becoming a Host Family, please contact

State Chair Lion Elvie Marfil at 818-800-1060, email epmarfil5@gmail.com.

Facebook page: Youth Camps & Exchange - Michigan, USA

Link: [Lions of Michigan Youth Camps & Exchange](https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/youth-exchange) (<https://lionsofmi.com/index.php/youth-exchange>)

Your help is needed!!



39th ANNUAL Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes A GUARANTEED Fundraiser

GREAT PRIZES

Grand Prize - \$5,000

2nd-\$2,500 - 3rd-\$1,000 - 4th-\$1,000

5th-\$1,000 - 6th-\$1,000 - 7th-\$1,000

8th-\$1,000 - 9th-\$1,000 - 10th-\$1,000

SELLER INCENTIVES

1st-\$1,000 - 2nd-\$500 - 3rd-\$250 - 4th-\$100

EASY MONEY

30-99 Tickets Sold = \$3.50 Per Ticket For Club

100 - 249 Tickets Sold = \$5.00 Per Ticket For Club

250+ Tickets = \$5.50 Per Ticket For Club

DRAWINGS

TICKET SELLERS DRAWING

May 3, 2025

Lions of Michigan State Office

Lansing, Michigan

FINAL DRAWING

May 17, 2025

MD 11 Convention - Bay City, MI

The PRICE is RIGHT

\$10.00 Per Ticket

Attention-Attention-Attention

Do you have a friend or relative who has everything?

What better gift could you give than one that helps those in need? For a gift of \$10, you can buy a Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes ticket for a friend or family member, providing them with a chance to win several cash prizes, including the grand prize of \$5,000.

Upon receipt of your gift, we will mail a sweepstakes ticket stub and sweepstakes information to your honoree with a card acknowledging your gift.



lmsf.net - lhcmi.org

Lions of Michigan Foundation - Gift 39th Annual Sight & Hearing Sweepstakes

Donation Amount: \$ _____

Donor's Name(s): _____

Donor's Email Address: _____

Donor's Street Address: _____


City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Honoree's Name: _____

Honoree's Email Address: _____

Honoree's Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____



SENIOR VETERAN EXPO

MAY 5 / 9AM-NOON

ANTWERP ACTIVITY CENTER

..... **UP TO**

50 VENDORS!

FREE GIVEAWAYS!



We Serve

Need a ride? Call and schedule at Van
Buren Transit two weeks in advance:
(269) 427-7921

Hosted by the Mattawan Lions Club



NILES LIONS CLUB

QUARTERS IN PADDLES UP

■ QUARTER AUCTION FUNDRAISER ■



Friday, May 9th
6:00 Doors Open
6:30 Auction Begins

AM Vets Post 1978
1117 Bertrand Rd.
Niles, MI

Dinner available for
purchase through
AmVets.

TICKET INFO:

Purchase in advance or at the door.

\$10 for single number paddles.
\$50 dollars for Golden Paddles-
included in every bid. Golden
Paddles need not be present to win.

Contact us at :

NilesMiLionsClub@gmail.com
to purchase tickets in advance.

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/nilesmichiganlionsclub

AUCTION ITEMS:

- Home Decor
- Kitchen
- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Gift Baskets
- Handyman Items
- Wine and specialty food

FUNDING
EYE GLASSES
& VISION
ASSISTANCE
TO THE NILES
COMMUNITY
SINCE 1926



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Spring Workbee

May 10th, 2025

Registration 8:00 AM

Cleanup 9:00 AM

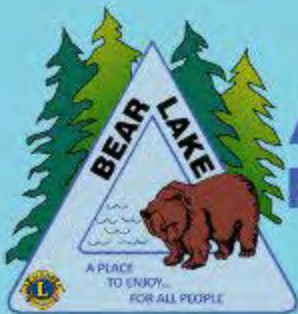


LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Easy, Medium, and

Advanced Tasks available

Please bring your own gloves and tools



PLEASE RSVP TO:

**Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 N Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446**

**traci@bearlakecamp.org
jwalling@bearlakecamp.org**

Hats & Hounds

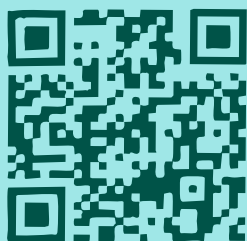


Enjoy an unforgettable evening, Tuesday, May 14, filled with live bluegrass music by Round Creek Trio, southern-inspired drinks and bites, raffles, games, and a Best Dressed Hound & Handler Contest-all while supporting a great cause!

All proceeds will go towards helping PAWS provide life-changing Assistance Dogs for people with disabilities.

Personal pets are allowed if they are over 16 weeks old, fully vaccinated, leashed, and under the control of their owner for the entire duration of the event.

**Can't attend but still want to make a difference?
Donations are always appreciated!**



Tickets are \$25 per person and include all food and drinks!
To purchase your tickets or donate, scan the QR code or visit: onecau.se/hatsnhounds
RSVP by May 9th



BASKETBALL



Mattawan High School's unified sports program features a basketball team. The program promotes the unification of students with and without disabilities through sports.

MAY 16 6PM

FREE ADMISSION!!!!

MATTAWAN HIGH SCHOOL'S TROY WRIGHT MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM



Sponsored by the
Mattawan Lions Club



Spaghetti Dinner

BENTON HARBOR-FAIRPLAIN LIONS CLUB

The DANK

2651 Pipestone Road
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Saturday, May 17, 2025

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Adults - \$10.00 | Children 6-10 Yrs. - \$5.00 | 5 Yrs. & Under FREE

***Cash Bar**

***50/50 Raffle**

**Proceeds to support the Benton Harbor Youth
Baseball & Softball Association*



We Serve

CARRY OUTS AVAILABLE

•• Please bring used eyeglasses for donation ••

Bangor Lions Club 35th Annual Golf Outing

LAKE CORA HILLS
GOLF CLUB

**\$75
PER
PLAYER**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT OF THE BANGOR LIONS CLUB!!

**SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025
FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE**

**18 Holes of Golf
Lunch, Golf Cart are
INCLUDED!!!**

EVENTS

Longest Drive - Men/ Women
Closest to the Pin - Men/Women
Longest Putt Made - Combined
Orange Ball Team Event
Door Prizes & 50/50 Raffle

AGENDA

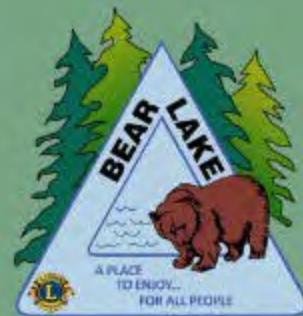
7:30 - 8:20 AM Golf Registration & Donuts
8:30 AM Shotgun Start
TBD Lunch, Awards, and Happy Hour

**Register TODAY - Contact
Irene or Chris for details**

269-377-4762 Irene Troutman
or 269-365-5231 Chris Rigozzi

cmrigozzi@yahoo.com

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP OPEN HOUSE



**JULY 12TH 2025
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Tour Camp
Meet the Staff
Family Friendly Event
Snacks Provided**

RSVP Online or contact:



810-245-0726

traci@bearlakecamp.org



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2nd Annual Sister Lakes Lions Club Golf Outing

**Pipestone Creek Golf Course
6768 Naomi Rd. Eau Claire, Mi.**

Saturday, July 26th 2025

Registration at 8:00 am

Shot Gun Start at 9:00 am



Please join us for our upcoming four-person golf scramble event, which we are hosting in memory of our dearly departed members. This is going to be a really fun day on the course with plenty of exciting prizes and gimmicks to keep things lively. Your support, through either participation or sponsorship, will make a meaningful difference to the community and those in need.

For registration and sponsorship: Scan the QR code below or fill out the form on the back and send a check to Sister Lakes Lions Club 66991 95th Ave. Dowagiac, Mi. 49047. For hole sponsors, checks must be recieved by 7/12/2025. For golf only 7/19/2025

Hole Sponsors:

Gold Sponsorship: \$500

Includes: Sign displayed on course and 4 golfers.

Silver Sponsor: \$100

Includes: Sign displayed on the course

Registration for Golf Only:

Team (Four Golfers) \$400

Includes: Golf & cart for four players

Team Individual Pay: \$100 per golfer

Includes: Golf for one player with a team.

Limited to the first 100 paid golfers.

- Includes: 18 holes of Golf and Cart
- Morning Doughnuts, Coffee, Juice
- Dinner afterwards at the course
- Games, Gimmicks, and Gifts
- Prizes, Raffles, and Trophies
- 1st Place Prize
- 2nd Place Prize
- Last Place Prize
- Longest Drive (Men) Prize
- Longest Drive (Women) Prize
- Closest to the Pin Prize

To Pay
Online
Scan Here



For questions or if you would like to donate merchandise please contact: Dan Wilson Phone: (269)487-0079 or Email: sllionsclub@yahoo.com

For individuals interested in playing but who do not have a team, we would like to assist you. Please email us at sllionsclub@yahoo.com, and we will make every effort to put a team together for you.



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- ☐ **Team Pay for Golf Only - \$400**
Includes: Golf for 4 People
- ☐ **Team Individual Pay - \$100 per Golfer (Include Team Member Names)**
Includes: Golf for 1 Person in a Team
- ☐ **Gold Sponsor - \$500**
Includes: Hole Sign and Golf for 4 People
- ☐ **Silver Sponsor - \$100**
Includes: Hole Sign on Course

Contact name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Golfer 1: _____ **Email:** _____

Golfer 2: _____ **Email:** _____

Golfer 3: _____ **Email:** _____

Golfer 4: _____ **Email:** _____

Sponsors name and wording as it will appear on sign(s)

If you would like to include a logo on the sign, please email to:
sllionsclub@yahoo.com

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The South Haven Black River Lions Club
Annual Fundraiser

BBO On The Bluff

American Legion Post #49
129 Michigan Ave., South Haven, MI

Saturday, August 23rd

4:00PM - 9:00PM

**\$10 PRESALE & \$15 AT THE DOOR
ALL YOU CAN EAT FOOD UNTIL 8PM**

Live Music
OCDK
2nd Band TBD

Kid Hour
4p-5p
**Face Paint,
Caricatures, &
More!**

*50/50
every hour*

Silent Auction



**Pre-Sale Tickets available in June until August 21st at the American Legion Post 49,
Wolverine Ace Hardware, Chamber of Commerce, Shoreline Dance Academy, or email
Lion Nila (nila.dubas490@gmail.com)

**LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION—2026 GROUP CRUISE
ROYAL CARIBBEAN - SYMPHONY OF THE SEAS
MARCH 1, 2026 - 7-NIGHTS - ROUNDTrip MIAMI, FL**

2 People - Price Includes \$100 Onboard Credit Per Cabin

4V - Interior Cabin: \$2,145.20
\$1,486.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 149 square feet

2S - Central Park View Interior Cabin - \$2,629.20
\$1,970.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 191 square feet

2D - Ocean View Balcony Cabin: \$3,413.20
\$2,754.00 + \$400.20 Taxes/Fees + \$259.00 Gratuity - Size: 182 square feet + balcony



☐ I would like a quote for a _____ Cabin ☐ I would like a 4V Interior Cabin

☐ I would like a 2S Interior Cabin ☐ I would like a 4D Ocean View Balcony Cabin

Stateroom Deposit - \$250 Per Person: ____ Check ____ Credit/Debit Card ____ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Credit/Debit Card Number: ____ - ____ - ____ - ____

Expiration Date: ____ CVV Code: ____ Zip Code: ____

Signature: _____

Legal Names: _____ - Birth Date: _____

_____ - Birth Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 EXECUTIVE DRIVE - LANSING, MICHIGAN 48911

VOICE: 517 887-6640

FAX: 517 887-6642

WEB: www.lmsf.net

March 7, 2025

Dear Lions:

Our Lions Foundation has been very busy providing services and financial support to our Michigan Lions Clubs and Districts. Again this year, we have provided services in every Michigan Lions District, including:

PROJECT KIDSIGHT: We worked with 79 Michigan Lions Clubs and 418 Certified Vision Technicians and Volunteers to check the vision of 25,570 children. We referred 2,812 children to eye doctors for follow-up care.

EMERGENCY INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE and DISASTER RELIEF: We provided 17 grants totaling \$35,000 to help people in 9 of our 11 Lions of Michigan Districts with eye surgeries, emergency aid for veterans and military members, medical treatment, low vision needs and mobility assistance.

EYE CARE ASSISTANCE: We provided eye exams and eyeglasses for 101 adults and 56 children in all 11 Lions of Michigan Districts.

HEARING AID ASSISTANCE: We provided hearing aids to 121 people and testing and other audiology service for 30 people in 10 of our 11 Lions of Michigan Districts.

DONOR ADVISED - SPECIAL PROJECT FUNDS: We provided funding and services to support 20 Lions Club, District and non-profit organization special projects and programs.

We are totally dedicated to helping Lions Clubs provide assistance to those in need in their communities. Our funding is derived from donations, the Lion Mints Program, and our annual Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes, which provides a great opportunity for your club to raise money for your local projects while also supporting our Lions Foundation's statewide projects. Your Lions Club should have already received Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets to sell. The tickets sell for \$10 each, and the proceeds are shared with participating Lions Clubs in accordance with their total ticket sales.

30 to 99 tickets sold – Lions Club receives \$3.50 per ticket

100 to 249 tickets sold – Lions Club receives \$5.00 per tickets

250+ tickets sold – Lions Club receives \$5.50 per ticket

In addition, Lions Clubs or individuals who sell Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets are eligible to be included in the Ticket Sellers Drawing on May 3, 2025 at the Lions of Michigan State Office with prizes of \$1,000, \$500, \$250 and \$100. The drawing for ticket purchasers will take place on May 17 during the breakfast of the MD-11 Convention in Bay City, and the Grand Prize is \$5,000; 2nd Prize is \$2,500; and eight additional prizes of \$1,000 will be randomly drawn.

If you would like additional information or if you have any questions, please contact me or the office at 517-887-6640 or info@lmsf.net.

Together in service,

PDG Paul Hodge, OD, President
paulhodgeod@hotmail.com

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Lions/Lioness Club Name _____

District _____ Date _____

SHIPPING ADDRESS:

BILLING ADDRESS:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

YES! I WANT TO PICK UP AT THE LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM ON MARCH 11 _____

UNITS	ITEM	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL
	String Tags	1000/box	\$60.00	
	White Cane Stickers (roll)	1000/roll	\$32.00	
	Bib Apron	Each	\$14.00	
	Waist Apron	Each	\$8.00	
	White Cane Placemats	500/bundle	\$21.00	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (large)	Each	\$8.50	
	Eyeglass Collection Box (small)	Each	\$6.50	
	Extra Eyeglass Box Stickers (set of 3)	Each	\$3.00	
	White Cane Law Pamphlets	250/bundle	\$20.00	
	Certificate of Appreciation	Each	.60¢	
	White Cane Bookmarks	100/bundle	\$10.00	
	Leader Patch	Each	\$3.00	
	Leader Pin	Each	\$1.50	
	*NEW White Cane Lapel Pin with red tip	500 Quantity	\$85.00	
If shipping is required, you will be billed for shipping and handling fees.		TOTAL:		

Order Form Online: www.lionsofmi.com

Mail to: Lions of Michigan • 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911 • (517) 887-6640 ext. 10 • fax: (517) 887-6642



Order & Application Forms

[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD APPLICATION & ORDER FORMS](#)

Lions of Michigan Foundation Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers

For a gift of \$10, you can purchase a new Lions of Michigan Family Kitchen Cookbook with hundreds of recipes submitted by Michigan Lions and their family members and friends



Lions of Michigan Hall of Fame Nomination Form

The LIONS OF MICHIGAN HALL OF FAME is a project of the Lions of Michigan Foundation. The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor those individuals who have had a significant impact on Lionism in Michigan and to preserve a memory and record of their service.

Mints For MILITARY

The Lions of Michigan Foundation is proud to recognize the brave men and women serving our nation in the United States military. We have Lion Mints Care Packages ready for distribution.



Lions of Michigan Foundation

Give to the Lions of Michigan Foundation

The LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people in Michigan with unmet needs by helping them become more independent. We provide emergency assistance and services aimed at helping people with sight and hearing deficiencies excel in school, secure and retain employment and remain self-sufficient. Your contribution will help us change lives



11B-2 Club News

Buchanan-Galien



L-R Lion 1st VP Jeff Welsh, Geneva Tabor, Anja Tabor, Adam Burck.

The Buchanan-Galien Lions held their monthly club meeting on April 10th. Adam Burck (Executive Director of the Buchanan Area Senior Center) gave an update on the status of the Senior Center programs, services offered, activities and upcoming events.

Sisters Geneva and Anja Tabor shared their desires of participating in the upcoming Youth Exchange programs. Geneva hoping to be able to spend 2 weeks in Switzerland and Anja a week in Germany. Geneva also gave an overview of her 2024 trip to Australia last year and All State experience.

On Saturday April 19th the Buchanan Leo's- with the assistance from the Buchanan Lions and Miss Buchanan- hosted the Community Annual Easter

Egg Hunt. Also known as the "Fastest Three Minutes in Buchanan" the event was well attended again. And as always, the Easter Bunny and Lions Club Lion were very popular with the children.





11B-2 Club News

Hartford

It's been a long winter but we are looking forward to the summer and Concerts in the Park. As you may have heard, the city of Hartford is planning changes to Ely Park. We originally thought it would start earlier in the season but recently found out that changes will come later than originally expected. So.....long story short, we will have six concerts starting on June 19th with two concerts each in June, July and August. We look forward to relaxing with everyone while enjoying our park and the music presented on Thursday evenings

June 19 - Black River Band
(A little bit of everything)

June 26 - Lake Effect Jazz Big Band
(A mix of traditional and modern jazz)

July 24 - The Tim Dudley Show
(All your Elvis favorites)

July 31 - Otsego Jazz Ensemble
(The ultimate big band sound)

August 7 - Stranded Hobos
(Rock favorites)

August 14 - Blue Shoes
(Big band style)

Kal-Haven Trail



Spring kicks off with Hwy Cleanup. Kal Haven Lions Patsy Richardson, Bill Gingas, Tim Tinney, John Stassek, Dave Mead and Jerome Miller cleaned up the 2 mile stretch of Hwy M40 North of Gobles. Lions Bill Gingas and Tim Tinney wonder how to handle some recent storm damage.

Lakeshore



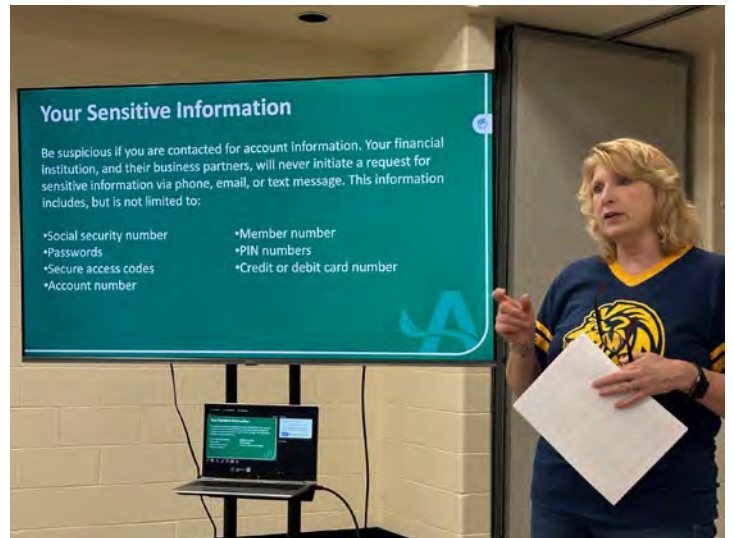
At our last meeting we were pleased to have Mr. Stevensville come to speak to us about the Miss Stevensville Scholarship Organization. The kids in this organization have bright futures ahead of them and we were happy to be able to contribute \$500 towards their scholarships. You can also meet the Stevensville royalty at our upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on April 19th at Roosevelt Elementary.



11B-2 Club News

Mattawan

On April 19, in conjunction with the Mattawan Business Association's Easter Egg Hunt, the Mattawan Lions held their annual Spring Carnival at the Antwerp Activity Center. Lots of games and lots of fun for all.



At their April Program Night, Mattawan Lions special guest was Lion Kim Copenhaver, who gave us a presentation on all types of Fraud that exist in the world today and how to avoid being taken in. Some of the examples she cited of fraud that internet crooks use were almost unbelievable. A most interesting and topical lecture.

Mattawan LEOs

The Mattawan High School LEO Club took advantage of a semi-warm spring day to do some clean-up around the campus.





11B-2 Club News

St. Joseph

For our Thursday, April 3rd program, Lion Dennis Lundgren introduced Lion Mike Medo who shared an innovative new construction product he has been developing using hemp and lime. Known as Hempcrete in the industry, his product has the



potential to change the landscape of construction as it is environmentally less impactful and comes from a sustainable source. Lion Mike has developed a block made entirely of Hemp for building. He is working with Andrews University to perfect the product and has already filed 7 patents on formula

and mold designs. Globally hemp is being used in Europe, Japan, and the UK. It is much more affordable than traditional building materials and comes from a renewable source that can be easily grown. Lion Mike's hemp blocks are energy efficient, fire resistant, and can be made more cheaply than traditional materials. This is a practical solution for healthier, safer, and more sustainable buildings. Lion Mike is hoping to bring his new "building blocks" to the market in our area and is convinced that as a product they are going to be an integral part of construction in the future.

For our April 17th program, after a brief welcome by Lion Edlefson, Lion Dennis Lundgren introduced Kelly Mathenia who works as a sponsor/chaperone for the SJHS Blossomtime Royalty. She had seniors members of the court with her. They included Addison Covert, Miss St. Joseph,



and 3 Kings; Micah Jhalla, Bradley Sheldon, and Elvin Vu. All four are seniors this year and excited to have been part of this unique experience. They shared a little about the highlights of the competition experience which includes such things as answering questions on the fly, a men's swimsuit competition, learning dance routines for the pageant, and other unique service activities. The students handled the many questions by our members with grace and humor. They are truly a delightful group of young people!



Tail Twister Chuck is up to his hijinks today and all Lion Tom Jennings can do is read the evidence and pay up.



General News!



Westside	May 15, 2002	23 Years
South Haven	May 16, 1996	29 Years
White Pigeon	May 29, 1945	80 Years

Thank you for all your years of service!



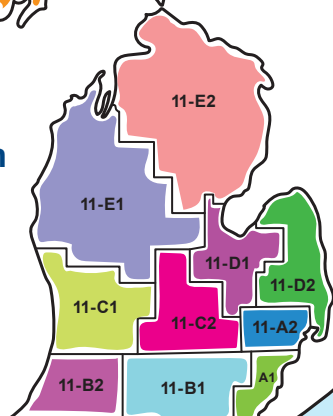
Lions clubs needing to replenish their mints inventory and save on shipping costs, please contact PDG Julie Mayuiers at jumayuiers@gmail.com **no later than March 13**. Clubs that contact Julie can pick up their mints at the District Convention on March 29th at the LMF table between 9 – 11:30 am.



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Michigan Lion Districts



2024-25 District 11B-2 Zone Chair Map

