



February 2023

Lions District 11-C2 Newsletter

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From the desk of the Governor



As we make our way through the final days of winter and look forward to spring and sunshine, I hope you find love and joy in life.

Valentine's day gives us a day to show our love for those significant to us but as Lions we tend to show our love for each other and the community every day.

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart." — Helen Keller

The month of February is full of fun and fellowship. The first annual Polar Plunge at Bear Lake Camp is scheduled for February 18th. Come "jump" or be a cheerleader from the shore. I'm looking forward to a scheduled club visit with the Mason Lions and wrapping up the month at the Michigan Forum in Grand Rapids. If you are looking for a great event to attend for \$45, join us at the Michigan Forum. I will be leading a session on being a more empathic Lion and working with volunteers with hidden disabilities.

Happy Valentine's Day!

Love you all!

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Traci Tribley DG



February 14, 2023

Bit of Wisdom

**SLOW
PROGRESS
IS STILL
PROGRESS**

St. Johns Lions Club



Lions Stan Murray, Traci Tribble DG

DG Traci presented Lion Stan Murray with a plaque. His 90th birthday celebration photo placed second in the District's photo contest. The contest was based on the number of likes among numerous photographs submitted by several Lions Clubs. Lion Stan has the plaque proudly displayed on a wall at home, along with his Melvin Jones Fellow Award.

Around The District



February 20, 2023

Lansing Capital Lioness Lions Club

Christmas Party Fun!

This year the Lansing Capital Lioness Lions hosted Bretton Woods for our annual Christmas gathering. This was a bit more casual than in previous years & included fun with our own Tail Twister, a contest for the most festive holiday outfit and the ever-popular trivia. We also had a HUGE pile of warm Hats. Gloves as well as Socks, that were distributed to organizations to include in their holiday gift baskets. It will be fun to see what we can come up with for next year!



Holiday Attire contest runners-up:
Bretton Woods
Lion Craig Mes-temaker & Charlotte Burghdoff



And the Winner is... Charlotte.
Congratulations!

Mason Lions Club



Joe and Linda Pulver

Joe and Linda Pulver were guests of the Mason Lions Club last month to talk about their experiences "Hiking the Appalachian Trail in 2022." Expert walkers and hikers, they completed this, their longest hike, in 142 days and traveled across 14 states.

They started at Springer Mountain in Georgia at the beginning of the Appalachian Trail on March 14 and 2,194 miles later, they finished their trek at Mountain Katahdin in Maine on August 3. They shared with the Mason Lions their stories of the people they met from around the United States, but also from Germany, Switzerland, and the UK.

They told the club of the times they felt the hike was "much more than just a long walk in the woods." Near the end of the trail, they especially enjoyed the scenery and epic views of New Hampshire and Maine. The Pulvers shared how the trip wouldn't have been possible without their years of preparation and training doing ultramarathons and trail running. They also talked about the support from all their friends and family at home who sent dehydrated food supplies to the cities they stopped in.



Elsie Lions



Elsie Lions Club Wild Game Night, held on January 9, 2023. We had a fun night with many Wild Game dishes.

Our guest speaker was Chad Krumnauer from the DNR station Rose Lake, he summarized the 2022 Deer Hunt and answered many questions. We were honored to have several Past District Governors attending!

Around The District



Grand Ledge Lions



Lion Jim Voltattorni

Tail Twister Lion Jim Voltattorni auctioned off Douglas, the stuffed toy puppy from the Leader Dog Organization, at the January 10, 2023 Grand Ledge Lions meeting.

It went something like "Heyyy, bidda, bidda, bidda, I got 20, who'll give me 25" until the final "going once, going twice, Sold to the Lion in the front row" for \$45.

Following the bidding another \$20 was donated and the entire amount was sent to the Leader Dogs for the Blind to support their Puppy Dog Program in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

Eye Care Mission Request

Lion Dr. Tom Doyle PDG will be going on an eye care mission on March 12-26, 2023 to the island of St Maarten. If you have any District 11C-2 pins or MD-11 pins (any year) you would like to donate, bring them to the District 11C-2 convention March 11. They are used as gifts for the Lions who are sponsoring this mission and any volunteers who my help throughout the event. This is Tom's 13 eye care mission.



February 2, 2023

Service Project Photo Contest

The winners of the 2nd Round Service Project Photo Contest are:

1st Place – Delta DeWitt Ledges Lioness Lions Club – Lions Wendy Mater and Vicki White braved the cold winds to shop for 30 students for a local high school.

2nd Place Tie- Hartland Lions Club bellringing for the Salvation Army

2nd Place Tie- Region 4 Zone 1 held a zone project at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple stuffing 80 stockings.



GST

I have reached out to each club and sent information on reporting service and offered my assistance to any club that would like training on MYLCI and MyLion. I have also let clubs know that I am also able to enter service for them if needed. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like one on one training.

Each district is asked to donate items to a service project for Kid's Food Basket in Grand Rapids on Friday night of the Michigan Forum February 24-25th. Our district was asked to donate 100 snack sized packages of crackers/chips. VDG Ted Hamilton has our contribution and will take to the Forum.

Join us on Friday night for a service project to be held at Kids' Food Basket, Grand Rapids. 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. KFB is located at 1300 Plymouth NE, Grand Rapids.

Kids' Food Basket supplies thousands of children in West Michigan with a Sack Supper to ensure they have increased access to healthy food each day. Once the packs are ready, volunteers from KFB will add a fresh vegetable and fruit in a decorative bag to turn it all into a Sack Supper, ready to be delivered to a child's school.

Lions can help to supply and package the contents of these meals at the KFB location in Grand Rapids during our service project night on Friday, February 24, starting at 7:00 p.m

Each district is also asked to donate 25 pair of women's, 25 pair of men's and 25 pair of kids socks that will be brought to the MD11 convention in Muskegon in May and donated to agencies there. If your club would like to donate, please contact me to make arrangements to pick them up.

Eyeglass Collection Contest (As of January 21st 2023)

The current clubs who have submitted their counts for the eyeglass collection are as follows:

Grand Ledge 1586 glasses 12 hearing aids

Dewitt Breakfast 2200 glasses 1 hearing aid

Bretton Woods 2017 glasses 4 hearing aids

St Johns 1476 glasses plus hearing aids

Charlotte 1007 glasses 40 hearing aids

Hartland 324 glasses 1 hearing aid

Bath Twp 80 glasses

Bancroft Lioness Lions 56 glasses 3 hearing aids

Remember you have until March 1st to turn in glasses to the state office and send your counts to Lion Chrissy Andre. If your club is missing from the list, please contact Lion Chrissy Andre. [Chrissyandre113@gmail.com](mailto:chrisseyandre113@gmail.com)

EYEGLOSS COLLECTION BIN CONTEST

We will be having an eyeglass collection bin contest at the Celebration of Service Event on March 11th at the Comstock Inn in Owosso. Clubs should bring their most creative eyeglass collection container or send a photo of their container to Lion Chrissy Andre (chrisseyandre113@gmail.com). Clubs can also submit a photo by going here on the [Eyeglass Collection Challenge Form](#). Photo entries must be received no later than March 1st, 2023. Photos and containers will be on display during the Celebration of Service Event, and each will be assigned a number. Attendees of the event will be able to vote for their favorite container. The top three containers with the most votes will receive a certificate.

Eversight 4th Quarter Report 2022

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a restful, enjoyable holiday break and are excited to renew partnerships and provide sight-saving transplants and research for even more individuals in 2023!

But first, below is an update on Eversight's work during the final quarter of 2022.

Tissue Transplants

In Michigan, 440 donors selflessly gave the gift of sight as cornea/eye donors from October 1 to December 31, 2022. Below is a breakdown of how donated tissues were used.

Cornea Tissue Transplant Recipients by State	Tissues Placed for Research	Tissues Placed for Surgeon Education
MI - 374	MI - 138	MI - 51

Research & Innovations

In 2022, Eversight's research team published three highly significant and impactful research articles. The first was on understanding the effect of increasing povidone-iodine exposure on corneal tissue and its impact on the growth of microorganisms. This research conducted by Eversight developed an innovative protocol for all other eye banks to follow that can improve outcomes for corneal transplant recipients and reduce risk of infection after corneal transplantation.

The second study, published in the prestigious and high-impact factor journal 'Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences' discovered the important biological process of visual phototransduction in the retina collected from cadaveric human tissue procured and processed by Eversight. This study allowed Eversight's research team to gain additional recognition amongst our peers as a leading research-driven eye bank. This work serves as an example to the ophthalmic research industry that cadaveric ocular tissues play an important role in understanding the physiology and pathology of various ophthalmic diseases and the visual photo-transduction process.

The final study revealed histopathological assessment of retinal blood vessel changes in a patient with COVID-19, providing a deeper understanding of the impact of COVID-19 on the retina. This study was published in the journal 'Graefe's Archive for Clinical and Experimental Ophthalmology.'

Education & Training

In the final quarter of 2022, Eversight staff held 13 educational wet lab trainings for 79 surgeons, residents and fellows at partner institutions on three common types of cornea transplant procedures: Descemet Membrane Endothelial Keratoplasty (DMEK), Descemet Stripping Automated Endothelial Keratoplasty (DSAEK) and Deep Anterior Lamellar Keratoplasty (DALK). During these sessions, surgeons practiced graft insertion and positioning with individualized, real-time insights from trained, highly experienced surgeon instructors.

Global Development

In December, Eversight and the Department of Health – Abu Dhabi (DoH), the regulator of the healthcare sector in the Emirate, are partnering to establish the first eye and tissue bank in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The partnership was formalized at the recent International Conference for Initiatives on Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation in Abu Dhabi.

Eversight will handle the development and implementation of comprehensive medical standards, quality assurance protocols and standard operating procedures in compliance with all laws and regulations of the UAE and in accordance with eye banking best practices. The DoH will be responsible for obtaining all necessary approvals for the establishment and operation of the eye and tissue bank, serving as an importer for corneas and other eye-related tissues into the region and working to integrate the eye/tissue banking program with the UAE National Program for Organ Donation. This initiative will also strengthen mutual collaboration in activities related to knowledge sharing, human capability building and clinical research.

Eversight also continues to meet with Pakistani partners to discuss ongoing training and development initiatives, via a combination of virtual and in-person meetings.

SERVICE AREA Updates

MI: In November, 52 individuals registered for Eversight's first-ever Virtual Baking event with the renowned Zingerman's Bakehouse. This event raised a total of nearly \$1,500 to support organ and tissue donation and transplantation. Additionally, on Giving Tuesday this year, contributors gave nearly \$6,000 in support of Eversight's mission to restore sight and prevent blindness. Thank you to everyone who participated in the fun while supporting the gift of sight!



District LCIF Coordinator Monthly Newsletter

I would like to give a big shout out to the clubs that were on the districts first LCIF zoom call. We had representation from 12 clubs, and they were able to get all kinds of great information to pass along to their clubs. The following clubs have not assigned a LCIF coordinator yet:

Bellevue
Dimondale
East Lansing Meridian
Eaton Rapids
Elsie
Ithaca
Laingsburg
Lansing Capital Lioness/Lions
Lansing St. Stephens Community
Maple Valley
MSU Campus
Vermontville
Wacousta
Webberville

This is an important part of your club and can be added in the officer's section of my LCI. If you would like to show someone in your club or community recognition of their hard work with a Melvin Jones Fellowship award, this can be done by making \$1,000 donation to LCIF. The following clubs have enough to award at least one or more Melvin Jones fellowship Awards:

Dewitt Breakfast Club
Dimondale
Durand
East Lansing Meridian
Eaton Rapids
Grand Ledge
Laingsburg
Ovid
St. Johns
Stockbridge
Wacousta

If you have any questions, please free to reach out to your club coordinator or District Coordinator. I have attached the form to submit someone for the [Melvin Jones Fellowship](#) award.

We will be planning a quarterly zoom meeting in January, watch your emails for more information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Kurt Stromlund
District LCIF Coordinator
Stromlund@comcast.net
810-923-4252

The Lions Creed

From DeWitt Lions Club

We Achieve Success
Who lives well, laughs often, and loves much:
Who gains the respect of intelligent people
and the love of little children:
Who fills their niche and accomplishes their task:
Who leaves the world better than they found it,
whether it be by an improved poppy,
a perfect poem, or a rescued soul:
Who never lacks appreciation of the earth's beauty,
nor fails to express it:
Who always see the best in others
and gives the best they have:
Whose life is an inspiration
and whose memory is a benediction-
We are Lions

**Lions 11C-2
Celebration Of Service**



Our Guest Speaker

**Past International Director
Bob Block – MD1 Illinois**

**Friday/Saturday March 10-11 2023,
Comstock Inn and Conference Center
300 E Main St Owosso MI 48867**

District 11-C2

Celebration of Service

March 10th-11th, 2023

Comstock Inn

300 E Main St. Owosso, MI

Friday Night

Service Project & Hospitality Room

Saturday

**Vendors, Continental Breakfast,
Memorial Service & Awards Lunch**



**To get the discounted hotel rate of \$85 call the hotel
directly (989) 725-0999 and use code "Lions Club"**

***Due to limited accessible rooms, please book early ***



District 11-C2 Celebration of Service Registration Form

Comstock Inn 300 E Main St. Owosso, MI

March 10-11th, 2023



****Please fill out a separate form for each Lion/Leo/Guest****
Registration Deadline is February 25th, 2023

Name _____

Club Name _____ Years of Service _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

Check Each Event You Plan on Attending

		<u>Cost per person</u>
_____	Friday Night Service Project 7:00pm	\$ FREE
_____	Saturday Continental Breakfast 9:00am	\$ FREE
_____	Saturday Memorial Service 10:00 am	\$ FREE
_____	Saturday District Business Meeting/Elections 11:00am	\$ FREE
_____	Saturday Awards Luncheon Taco Bar 12:00pm	\$ 20
		TOTAL DUE _____

Special Needs: Gluten Free _____ Diabetic _____ Vegetarian _____ Vegan _____ Other _____

Please make checks payable to **Lions District 11-C2, payments can be made in advance or at the door. Credit cards will be accepted at the door for registration and 50/50 raffles. Mail/Email registration and any pre-payment to **Lion Chrissy Andre 501 E Pond View Drive, Morrice MI 48857** chrissyandre113@gmail.com*

Hotel Information:

Comstock Inn
300 E Main St.
Owosso, MI 48867
[\(989\) 725-0999](tel:(989)725-0999)

**REGISTER
ONLINE BY
SCANNING THE
QR CODE**



Book your room by February 10th, 2023 and use code "LIONS CLUB" to receive the discounted rate of \$85

District 11-C2 Deceased Lions Memorial Form



March 11th, 2023, 10:00am

Comstock Inn, 300 E Main St. Owosso, MI



Member's Name _____

Club _____ Years of Service _____

Club Positions Held _____

District Positions Held _____

Special Awards/Military Service _____

Special Memories/Stories _____

Number of Family Members Attending _____

**Continental Breakfast will be free of charge between 9-10am. If Family Members wish to stay for lunch, clubs will be responsible for the meal charge. Please fill out a registration form for each family member attending.*

To make this more of a celebration of service, we would like to include meaningful photos of each deceased lion performing service or showcasing their interests. Please complete this form and include photos for each member who has passed away since February 2022 by February 25th, 2023.

Lion Karen Ketola
6738 Scofield Dr Grand Ledge, MI 48837
517-927-4834
Karket1116@gmail.com



LIONS DISTRICT 11-C2

Celebration of Service Committee



Lions Clubs of District 11-C2,

Greetings from the Celebration of Service Committee! We hope everyone is having a great year so far serving your communities.

We know March seems like it's a long way off, but it's time to start thinking about our Celebration of Service event, AKA Convention, and we need your help. Last year's basket raffles were a huge hit, and we would like to be able to assemble some amazing baskets again this year. We are asking each club in the district to support the Celebration of Service event by contributing financially so we can purchase raffle items. We would like to see most funds come in as soon as possible so we can purchase items needed during the holiday sales to get the most for our money. Please consider supporting this fun event to keep the camaraderie alive in our district.

If any Lions members would be interested in assisting the committee in planning the Celebration of Service event, or if you have any questions, please reach out to Lion Chrissy Andre (chrissyandre113@gmail.com) or 989-627-3808.

Please send checks to District Treasurer Lion Bob Phillips, 429 W Harris Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813, made out to District 11-C2, and in the memo line please add COS Raffle.

Yours in Service,

Celebration of Service Committee

PS- Stay tuned for more information to come about Celebration of Service planned for March 10th-11th, 2023 at the Comstock Inn in Owosso.

2023 Delegate Certification Form - District 11-C2

According to the District 11-C2 Constitution and By-Laws Article VII, all Lions Clubs in good standing with Lions Clubs International, Multiple District 11 and District 11-C2 are entitled to one (1) vote for each ten (10) members or major fraction thereof, as reported on your January Member Report Form. The major fraction referred to is five (5) or more members.

The number of delegates your club is entitled to for the District 11-C2 Convention is determined as follows: To be counted, the person has to have been a Lion for one year and one day as of February 1, 2023, meaning they have to have been listed as a member by January 31, 2022. (Note - They do not have to be a member that long to be a delegate.)

When you complete your Member Report Form for January, you can compute the number of delegates and alternates your club is entitled to and select your representative(s). List their names below on the **left** side of this form and include whether each representative listed is either a "delegate" (D) or an "alternate" (A). Return this form no later than February 16 of the given fiscal year to:

Lion Lloyd Kilbreath PDG
Credentials Committee
7501 Cole Road
Durand, MI 48429

Your representative(s) must register for the convention at the Registration Desk first and then they must sign this form **AT THE CONVENTION** and pick up their delegate sticker from the Certification Desk. All delegates **MUST BE REGISTERED AND CERTIFIED** in order to vote at the business sessions.

Total number of qualifying Lions in your club as of February 1, 2023 (see criteria above).

This section to be completed by Club Secretary			This section to be completed at
D = Delegate A = Alternate			Convention Certification Table
Name	D	A	
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	0	0	
	0	0	
	0	0	
	0	0	
	0	0	
	0	0	
	0	0	

I hereby certify that the delegates and alternates listed above are in good standing with Lions Clubs International, Lions of Michigan District 11-C2.

Lions Club of _____

Region /Zone _____

President's Signature _____ Secretary's Signature _____

NOTE: This is NOT a Convention Registration Form. All Lions must register before they can be certified to vote. Please advise your delegates to arrive early. The Certification Desk will close at an appointed time which will be displayed at the Certification Desk. Any Lion who is not in line at that time will not be certified as a delegate and will not be allowed to vote at the business session.

The Melvin Jones Fellowship Program



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

The Melvin Jones Fellowship Program is a generous way to show commitment to the humanitarian work of LCIF.

The MJF Program was established in 1973 in honor of Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Clubs International. The MJF program recognizes donations of US\$1,000 to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

New MJFs receive a pin, commemorative plaque and a letter from the LCIF Chairperson. If the donor so chooses, he/she may use their donation credit to recognize another individual with a MJF.



The Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Program

The Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship (PMJF) provides an opportunity to advance in the Fellowship program. For each subsequent donation of US\$1,000 beyond the initial MJF donation, donors receive a unique PMJF pin in accordance with their level of giving. Like MJFs, donors can recognize another individual with PMJF donations.

Areas of Giving

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) will now be able to help more people than ever before by making an even greater global impact with a focus on vision, youth, disaster relief and humanitarian work. Donors will receive MJF and PMJF credit when directing their support to:

- **The Empowering Service Fund**
- **The General Disaster Fund**

Empowering Service Fund: Any of LCIF's causes (sight, youth, disaster relief, humanitarian support, diabetes, childhood cancer, hunger, the environment).

Disaster Relief: Enables LCIF to direct the funds to the area's most in need following disasters to provide for immediate, mid and long-term relief. The Foundation will be able to immediately provide funds for large-scale disaster relief, rather than collecting and distributing funds over a period of weeks or months.



Did you know...

Districts, clubs and individuals can donate to LCIF through the Melvin Jones Fellowship Program, but only an individual can receive the recognition. MJF applications using collective donations from multiple donors must be accompanied by written consent from all donors to use their donations for MJF recognition for the individual specified on the application.

Melvin Jones Fellowships can be named in honor or in memory of an individual.

Melvin Jones Fellowships do not need to be paid in full at one time; minimum installments to LCIF of US\$100 can be paid over a five-year period to total US\$1,000, at which time the MJF Application is completed.

Complete the MJF application on reverse side or download from www.lionsclubs.org and submit with payment. If MJF payment has already been credited by LCIF, you can submit the MJF application online under the Ways to Give section at www.lionsclubs.org.

Melvin Jones Fellowship Application



Individual Completing this Form

Name _____ Date _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

1. Area of Giving

Please check one

☐ Empowering Service Fund

☐ Disaster Relief Fund

(Each choice above is eligible for MJF credit)

☐ Other _____

(May not be eligible for MJF credit)

MJF Credits to be used from previous donation:

*Please Note – This section should only be used if sufficient funds have already been deposited with Lions Clubs International Foundation

Use Credits From: _____

ID#: _____

2. Contribution Details

Donor Name (individual, club, company, foundation) _____

Donor ID _____

Donor Club _____

Donor District _____

Amount of Contribution _____

☐ Full Payment ☐ Installment ☐ Final Installment

Donors making personal donations towards MJF also receive credit as a Lions Share Program Member. The Lions Share Program recognizes three levels of support: US\$50 (One star) US\$100 (Two stars) US\$200 (Three stars).

☐ **Yes! In addition to receiving MJF credit, I would like to receive a Lions Share Pin for my donation.**

Gift Type

Make donations via the web at www.lionsclubs.org

☐ US\$ Check Enclosed (payable to LCIF; drawn on US bank)

☐ Wire/Bank Transfer (Please attach bank transfer receipt)

☐ Local LCI Deposit (Please attach bank deposit ticket)

☐ Cash (Mail donations along with the Donor Contribution Form to address provided)

THE FOUNDATION USES A LOCK BOX SERVICE TO RECEIVE AND PROCESS ALL DONATIONS.

3. Recipient of Recognition (Individual person)

Type of recognition requested (please check one) Fellowships cannot be presented to businesses or organizations

☐ MJF ☐ PMJF ☐ To Be Named Later

☐ Memorial Plaque in memory of deceased

Recipient Name (Exactly as it is to be engraved on plaque) _____

Recipient ID# (if applicable) _____

Recipient Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Club of Recipient _____

Club # _____ District _____

For Memorial List name of MJF surviving family member to whom Memorial plaque will be given. (Needed for recognition letter which accompanies plaque.) _____

4. Shipping Information

PLEASE NOTE: MATERIALS CANNOT BE SENT TO PO BOXES.

Ship to Member ID # (if applicable) _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Recognition is sent once donation and application are received and processed at headquarters. Please allow a minimum of 15 days in the U.S. and 30 days elsewhere for shipping.

Special Instructions/Notes _____

**Lions Clubs International Foundation
Department 4547
Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547
USA**

Tel: 630-203-3836

Web site: www.lionsclubs.org

E-mail: doporaassistance@lionsclubs.org

District 11-C2 Annual Bear Lake Camp Fundraiser



Friday, April 14th, 2023

Masonic Temple

200 River Street, Grand Ledge Mi

Doors open at 5:30pm

Social at 6:00pm

Buffet Dinner at 6:30pm - \$15.00 per person

Followed by Silent Auction, Raffles and Bingo games

*Each Club- please consider donating an
unwrapped \$10/or more gift for auction*

Advanced Reservations Appreciated

Lion Traci Tribley

RSVP by April 10th, 2023

Lion Phyllis Blackburn

**5283 E Cole Rd.
Bancroft Mi 48414**

**12464 Madonna Dr.
Lansing, MI 48917-8617**

(989)277-7437

(517) 627-5203

Club Name _____ *Number attending* _____

Names of those attending: _____

This event is sponsored by the Lions of District 11-C2



**BEAR LAKE
CAMP**



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP ANNUAL BUFFALO & BOAR WILD GAME DINNER

**APRIL 8TH
2023**

TIME & LOCATION

5:00 PM Doors Open
6:00 PM Dinner
6-10:00PM Program
Metamora Lions Club
3790 N. Oak St.
Metamora, MI 48455

\$50 per person
\$360 Table of 8

Includes:

- Dinner
- 3 Drink Tickets
- Hourly Drawings
- Event Favor



Order your tickets online

www.bearlakecamp.org
under the "events tab"

Tickets also available at:
Metamora Golf & Country Club



For More Information Contact

Event Chair Jack Patton PDG japlapelp@gmail.com 248-535-9011
Executive Director Traci Tribley traci@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726

Tickets are limited to the first 250, get yours early!



DISTRICT 11-C2

Eye-glass Collection Challenge

JULY 1ST, 2022-MARCH 1ST, 2023

1ST-3RD PLACE RECOGNIZED IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

1-10 MEMBERS, 11-20 MEMBERS, 21-30
MEMBERS, AND 31+ MEMBERS

REPORTING

* Box and deliver eyeglasses to the state office by March 1st, 2023. The state office is not recording glasses turned in.

- You must fill out the online reporting form, or contact Lion Chrissy Andre so your counts are entered correctly for the challenge.

REPORT ONLINE

forms.gle/FrPgzp1KcsscfxJh6

chrissyandre113@gmail.com

989-627-3808

NEW THIS YEAR!!

CREATIVE COLLECTION BIN CONTEST!!

Get creative! Bring your fun and interesting collection bin with you to convention or send a picture of it to Lion Chrissy by March 1st, we will be awarding 1st-3rd place based on popular vote at the convention!

Mints for the Military

550 Peppermint Drops

550 Wintergreen Drops

72 Fizzy Rolls

72 No Sugar Added Rolls

4 Decks of Playing Cards





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,

but we need the names and addresses of more service men and women to recognize. Please help us by displaying and distributing this flyer in your community.



LIONS OF MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

5730 Executive Drive
Lansing, Michigan 48911
517-887-6640
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January 12, 2023

Dr. Tom Doyle
Lions Club International

Re: Tri-County Office on Aging's Diabetes PATH workshop

To whom it may concern:

Tri-County Office on Aging (TCOA) has been working with Lions Club International, specifically Lions of Michigan District 11C-2 with Dr. Tom Doyle, since January 2020 on the Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Toward Health) workshop. Diabetes PATH is a 6-week, evidence-based program to help individuals take control of their health and improve their self-management skills. The workshop was originally developed by Stanford University and TCOA has been directly offering it to residents of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties since 2015.

With the financial help from Lions Club International, TCOA has offered workshops in several formats to fit the needs of the community, including in person, virtual via Zoom, and mailed tool kits + weekly phone calls. The funds have also allowed TCOA to purchase 50 copies of the updated book for the workshop, "Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions."

Since January 2020, TCOA has offered 3 in person workshops, 2 in person workshops that transition to virtual at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, 6 virtual workshops, and 9 mailed tool kits + weekly phone calls workshops. Combined, we have been able to reach 143 residents in our service area. With the funds still available, TCOA will continue to offer workshops in these different formats, and additional funds will go toward a leader training scheduled for March 2023 in Lansing, MI.

We appreciate the Lions Club International partnership and support for Diabetes PATH. If you have any questions, please contact me anytime.

Sincerely,

Christine T. Histed
Registered Dietitian/Evidence Based Programs Manager
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Diabetes PATH Leader Training

Learn to help others manage diabetes

Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Towards Health) is a 6-week workshop that helps people with diabetes, pre-diabetes, or a caregiver of someone with diabetes, learn skills to help manage their condition, and improve their quality of life. Topics include healthy eating, physical activity, monitoring blood sugar, managing emotions, action planning, and much more.

Become a Diabetes PATH Leader!!

A Diabetes PATH leader should meet the following qualifications:

- Possesses good listening and interpersonal skills
- Is enthusiastic and dependable
- Is a role model for healthy behaviors and is non-judgmental
- Has some experience with and is comfortable speaking in front of a group
- Ideally has life experience with diabetes, but it is not required
- No prior teaching experience or healthcare education is required, but it is a plus
- Fluent in English but bilingual in Spanish is a plus

Things to know:

- You must attend all four days of the training
- Lunch and all materials are included
- Registration fee is \$115 per person. **Tri-County Office on Aging will cover this fee for volunteers.** For individuals facilitating the workshop as part of their work, we ask your organization to cover the registration fee.

Diabetes PATH Leader Training Dates

Thurs., March 16, 2023	8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Friday, March 17, 2023	8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Thurs., March 23, 2023	8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Friday, March 24, 2023	8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Training location: Tri-County Office on Aging
5303 S. Cedar St. Building #1
Lansing, MI 48911
Community Room A

Registration Deadline: Friday, March 3, 2023

To request an application or for more information contact:

Christine T. Histed at 517-887-1450 or histedc@tcoa.org





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November 7, 2022

Dear Lions of Michigan Member:

There is a tremendous amount of need that exists in Michigan and throughout the United States. The number of Michigan families that are struggling and require a helping hand grows each and every year. To address the need, we are asking for the help of our Michigan Lions and friends who are in a position to help or help more.

Your support will help us meet the challenges that lie ahead, touching lives one person at a time. Your contribution will help a child see or hear better in school; it will help a person suffering from vision or hearing loss keep their job; it will provide temporary living expenses for victims of fires, floods and tornadoes; it will provide emergency assistance for people suffering from sight and hearing disorders and other medical conditions that require treatment with expensive surgeries or medical procedures, it will provide emergency financial assistance for military members and veterans dealing with an unexpected life event; and it will help improve the quality of life for disabled individuals throughout our state.

As Michigan Lions, we have the opportunity and the ability to make Michigan a better place to live for everyone. Your contribution will help change someone's life. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Together We Serve,

Steven M. Van Tol
President

Chad A. McCann
Executive Director

Enclosure

A Public Charity

Dedicated to improving the quality of life of people in Michigan with unmet needs.



Lions of Michigan FOUNDATION

We would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Our daughter attended a playgroup, and she had a picture taken by a very special camera. The Lions Club's free eye screening was a blessing to our family. Victoria had a juvenile cataract in her left eye. The doctors believe she was born with a defect in the back of her eye, and it was never identified during her well-child check-ups. If it was not for the Lions Club, Victoria would have lost her vision in that eye.

Amy F. - Gobles, Michigan

It is so nice to be able to see again and to actually write a handwritten letter. Thank you so very much, and may god bless you for all that you've done helping me get eye surgery. I was living in misery not being able to see. You can't imagine what that is like until you lose your vision. I can't begin to explain just how good it feels to be able to work again and to actually be able to look out the window and see even the tiniest sprinkle of snow.

Scott M. - Big Rapids, Michigan

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for your help in getting my hearing aids. I cannot put into words what it sounds like to hear the little things. For instance, I have to tell my daughters to not talk so loud. I also heard my cat "meow" for the first time, and for the first time, in a long time, I heard my car blinker—wow! I knew I was having issues with my hearing, but I did not understand the gravity of it. Once I received my hearing aids, my world was reopened. My life will never be the same, and I will never look back. Thank you!

Holli G. - New Lothrop, Michigan

Mikey's Fund is named after a very special person, Michaela Hagemann – whom my parents nicknamed "Mikey". Mikey, born with Down Syndrome, was in her early forties, far surpassing her anticipated life expectancy. Although she had developed cataracts, doctors were reluctant to perform surgery due to anticipated limited benefits. However, when my parents took Mikey to Lansing Ophthalmology, Dr. Moore told them that having Mikey enjoy a high quality of life far outweighed any reason not to undergo surgery. Dr. Moore performed cataract surgery on Mikey, and the results helped her enjoy her time through her last days.

When Mikey passed away in January of 2003, my parents, James and Pauline, called Lansing Ophthalmology and expressed their gratitude for the difference that the medical treatment had made in Mikey's life. They desired to "give something back" by making a financial gift to provide eye care for those who could not otherwise afford it. With the help of Lansing Ophthalmology and the Lions of Michigan Foundation, we created Mikey's Fund to help provide eye care for children in need.

Jackie M. – Albion, Michigan

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I WANT TO HELP NEEDY FAMILIES

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.

☐ Enclosed is my gift for \$ _____ to the Lions of Michigan Foundation.

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Lions of Michigan Foundation Dr. Robert Mathog Lions Hearing Centers

Cookbook Fundraiser



Lions Clubs are well known throughout the world for the services we provide to help people with hearing and vision loss. Nearly a century ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions Clubs to be "Knights of the Blind," and she declared that "the problems of deafness are deeper and more complex, if not more important, than those of blindness. Deafness is a much worse misfortune, for it means the loss of the most vital stimulus — the sound of the voice that brings language, sets thoughts astir and keeps us in the intellectual company of man."

Our new Lions Hearing Centers Cookbook was developed to create awareness for the treatment of hearing loss and to provide funding for our Michigan Lions Affordable Hearing Aid and Hearing Screening Programs, which offer affordable hearing care options for Michigan residents.

With your help, we can continue to change the lives of thousands of Michigan residents who need and depend on the Lions Clubs of Michigan and our partners, sponsors and friends for the treatment of the their hearing loss. As a Public Charity, all contributions to the Lions of Michigan Foundation are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. We appreciate your support!

Cookbook Order and Donation Form

☐ I would like to purchase _____ cookbook(s) for \$15 each for a total of \$_____.

☐ I would like to make a donation to the Lions Hearing Centers in the amount of \$_____.

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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

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Build Your Booth Show Success

by Lion Doug Klein

What if you threw a party and nobody came? That's what it sometimes feels like at a booth show. If your Lions Club is typical, there are several times a year when you will participate in booth shows. Many clubs are shocked that so few people stop at their booth, but here's the truth: people make their minds up about your booth as soon as they see it. It only takes a second for them to determine whether they are interested in what you have to offer.

Your job is to make the most out of that second. Whether held inside or outside, the usual "two folding chairs behind a table" setup desperately needs changing. You are virtually invisible to people walking in front of your booth if you are sitting in a folding chair right behind a table. First, get any tables up to counter height and push them to the front of the booth. If possible, leave room to stand next to them, not behind them. If you need to relax a bit between visitors, bring a sturdy tall stool to perch on.

Backup staff who are ready to engage can stand behind the table. Put the folding chairs in the back of your booth and use them only for in-booth breaks or side conversations. Any additional staff should be able to rise, move forward, and engage as necessary. Below are some other simple steps you can take to increase your chances of meeting, engaging, and connecting with supporters, donors, and prospective members at your next event:

- Member staffers should be friendly at the show. A simple smile and hello make it easier for people to talk with you. Have your most engaging people there to engage the attendees. And contrary to popular opinion, it's not all about extroverts. In fact, your introverts may make better staffers because of their skills in listening to other people.
- Having well-trained staff is a necessity at shows. They are meeting people face to face and need to be able to ascertain their interests quickly. Have them minimize discussions with other staff to focus on the attendees. If appropriate, they should also be able to capture contact information and follow up personally after the show.
- Personalize your approach. Prepare several possible questions for starting conversations with attendees who walk by the booth. You can say something simple like: "Do you have any old eyeglasses or hearing aids stashed away at home somewhere?"
- Know your assets. You should be able to explain and articulate what makes your club stand out in your community. This is particularly important when you are introducing a new project or working to revitalize a familiar one.
- Dress up. A "Lions look" ensures that people can identify your members right away, even when walking around outside the booth. Lions-themed clothing and gear makes members look distinctive and look like they're having fun!
- Be responsive. If people look thirsty, offer a bottle of water. If they look tired, offer them an opportunity to sit down. (That's why you put the folding chairs at the back of your booth!)
- Stay hydrated. The reason many staffers have sore feet after working a show is more a product of dehydration than improper footwear. When not in use, stash your water bottle somewhere handy, but just out of sight.
- Get small giveaways to attendees. Tie them to your promotional message. Make sure the gifts you purchase are relevant to your audience. In another related article, we'll talk about the PR value in holding contests and sweepstakes.
- Consider adding a subtle appeal to the senses. Maybe a pleasing scent can be diffused -- or bring along fresh-baked cookies or popcorn.
- Good graphics are a great way to tell your story. When designing your materials think about the target audience. You want to pique their interest, so they want to talk to you and build a relationship.
- Only display information you want to showcase. People don't need to know everything about your club upfront. You can stash additional items behind or below and pull them out when appropriate to your conversation.
- Follow all the show guidelines. Always follow the rules. Remember, being invited back is very important. For example, if they say, "no balloons," don't do balloons! If they say, "stay in your booth," don't move out in the aisle.

There is no promotion quite like word of mouth. Talk with attendees! Flyers, brochures, and business cards only "aid word of mouth," they do not substitute for it. Bringing people to your booth is a matter of making your booth a great place to be. If you've got fun and games and the next booth doesn't, people will pass them by to get over to you. If you follow all these tips, you will have great success gathering attention with a small space and a positive return on investment. Good luck at your next show!



Lion Doug Klein regularly passes along tips to help your club sharpen its public relations and marketing efforts. He has been a member of the Mason, Michigan Lions Club since he retired in 2018 as a Lansing Community College adjunct professor of public relations, communication, business, and marketing. He is currently serving as Mason Lions Club Secretary and District 11 – C2 Public Relations Chair. A member of the Public Relations Society of America since 1983, he has held their prestigious APR designation (Accreditation in Public Relations) since 1996. He was inducted into the American Marketing Association's national honorary Alpha Mu Alpha in 2012. Contact him with any public relations or marketing questions at dougklein@wowway.com or (517) 775-8601.