

DISTRICT 11-E2 NEWSLETTER

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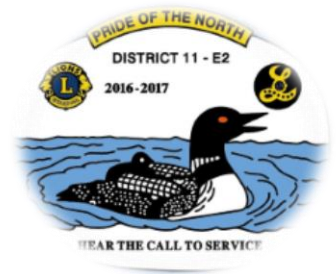
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JANUARY 2017



GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a great Holiday season.



At the December Council of Governors meeting, one topic of discussion was the recent decision by Michigan's Attorney General that prohibits any organization from collecting funds on Michigan streets.

This is a real problem because many clubs regularly collect for White Cane and other fundraisers on the streets or at intersections. Since this law has been enacted, many clubs have reported a significant loss of fundraising dollars. After much discussion, the governors voted to hire a lobbying group to have this law reversed.

Many thanks to Lion Thom Seymour for your service as 1st VDG--you stepped up when it was needed. Sadly, he chose not to continue on as District Governor due to personal circumstances.

Finally, I want to say thank you again to Zone Chair Gordon Harris from the Central Lake Lions Club for stepping up and taking the position of 2nd VDG.

Our District has "heard the call to service."

DG Carol





DIABETES AWARENESS

A Diabetes Game Plan

Develop a winning selfcare program with your diabetes health care professional.

Everyday: Self monitor and log blood glucose, keep track of your medications, eat well, exercise and examine your feet.

Every week to every month: Weigh yourself, build and follow a healthy meal plan and find a diabetes support group.

Every three to six months: Schedule a doctor's visit and a dental exam.

Every year: Be sure that your primary doctor tests your urine for any sign of kidney disease, screens your blood for cholesterol and triglyceride levels, also gives you a flu shot and updates on pneumonia, tetanus and hepatitis B vaccinations. Schedule an eye exam.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Trail Mix Hot Cereal

1/2 cup hot cooked cereal
2 Tblsp mixed dried fruit bits
2 Tblsp dry roasted nuts
2 Tblsp flaxseed

- Place cooked cereal in a serving bowl.
- Top with fruit bits, nuts and flax seed
- Makes 1 serving
Ccarbs per serving 28 g
- Start to finish 10 minutes

Lion Thom Seymour

MEMBER UPDATE

	DEC 2016	YTD 2016
Dec 1, 2016	1,001	1,028
+ Members	+0	+47
- Members	-1	-91
Dec 31, 2016	1,000	984
Net Gain/Loss	-1	-44

NEW MEMBERS

No New Members this Month



DECEASED MEMBER

BRUCE V WOODCOCK

EAST JORDAN

Joined 02/01/1968

45 Years of Service

MORE FROM THE GOVERNOR

With our District convention fast approaching, be sure that members of your clubs plan to attend, as well as making sure your alternates and delegates will also be in attendance. The committee is still working out the details for the mixer, but it will be a fun time! On Saturday morning, we will have the Cabinet meeting, followed by the Business meeting. PID Esther LaMothe will be our guest for the weekend. The Hillman Lions Club will be hosting the hospitality room Saturday night, so stop in and enjoy!

Registration information for the District convention in April will be mailed to club presidents and secretaries. I will be in the upcoming MD 11 convention in Traverse City in May is online at the MD 11 website and the *Lions Pride Magazine*.

DG Carol

CLUB ACTIVITIES

ALPENA—On December 6th, 24 Lions and spouses enjoyed the club's annual Christmas party.

ATLANTA—The club voted to contribute over \$2,000 for food, clothing and monetary assistance to local charities.

BEAVERTON—Adopted 25 "working poor" families, and donated Christmas gifts and food baskets to them. Handled the balloons for Gladwin's Festival of Lights parade.



BELLAIRE—Our annual Christmas party was cancelled because of inclement weather; however, a limited amount of business was presented and acted on. The current total for our Koeze Nut fundraiser is \$2,704 with additional monies coming in. King Lion Bobbi Lukins announced that Lion Keith Shreve will be taking over as King Lion for the next two months due to her upcoming surgery. The next board and business meeting will be held January 12 at MeadowBrook Medical Care Facility with special guest DG Carol Athan and guest speaker, Mike Reiley. Bellaire High School student, Olivia Reed, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to attend the All State Band Camp and attend the International Convention in Chicago in June 2017. Payment has been sent to the All State Band. Donated to St. Luke the Evangelist Church in Bellaire for their winter heat assistance fund for the Bellaire community. Lion Norb Kollin delivered 250 pair of eyeglasses to Dr. Foote in Traverse City. Donated to John Rodger Elementary School.

Chairs Don and Bobbi Lukins thanked the Lions who sold 195 poinsettias. Proceeds will help community members. Donated to the Bellaire Community Food Pantry and NW Michigan Community Health Agency.



CENTRAL LAKE—Donation canisters in various locations in Central Lake and tent rentals are our current fundraisers. Donated to MeadowBrook Foundation (aids the elderly), Leader Dogs School for the Blind, Leader Dog Canine Development

Good
Food
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Antrim
Antrim



Program,
Samaritan
Bank
families in
County),
Relay for

Life (focuses on assisting cancer patients and related issues), Bellaire Youth Center, Ursula House (enhances adult life skills, LCIF, Eversight Michigan, Lions Bear Lake Camp, Madonna University Hearing Fund, Lions of Michigan Service Foundation, The Giving Tree (sponsored by local grocery store to purchase Christmas gifts for children who might not receive any Christmas gifts), Central Lake Little League Baseball (for equipment purchase), Moms and Tots (offers assistance to disadvantaged children), Antrim Baby Pantry, Bellaire Food Pantry, Luv Paks, Story Lady (purchases and reads books to elementary school children), NW Michigan Hospice, Central Lake Congregational Church Food Pantry, Christmas Tree Sales (210 trees, sold netted \$2,300 to be donated later).

CLUB ACTIVITIES /2

CHEBOYGAN—Hosted the blood drive at the Cheboyban Eagles and collected 50 pints of blood. Donated \$250 each to the Food Pantry, Lords Kitchen and Salvation Army, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Lions of Michigan Foundation. Donated \$100 to Together Lifting Children. Paid \$300 for two eye exams.

EAST JORDAN—Community businesses, churches and organizations decorate a campsite in the Tourist Park with a Christmas theme. Thirty-six entries lit up the park on December 16 to the delight of many young children. Lion Joe Krumholz provided a train display, and Lions' members provided hot chocolate and cookies. Lions and Lioness celebrated Christmas with dinner and a gift auction. Proceeds of over \$800 from the auction were donated to the local food pantry, Care and Share.

ELK RAPIDS—Served a free Christmas dinner to citizens in our club's geographical area. Meals were prepared and served in the Elk Rapids Cherryland Middle School. Lions and "friends of Lions" volunteered for this project. Meals were also delivered to seniors who were not able to attend. Leftover non-perishable food was given to the local food pantry.



ELLSWORTH—Donated to Good Samaritan of Ellsworth, Donated to District Projects: Hearing & Speech, Diabetes Awareness, Eversight Michigan, and Leader Dog.

FAIRVIEW COMINS—Donated money to Fairview school to purchase a classroom gift for grades K thru 6. Paid for tickets to the Shrine Circus, worked at the local food bank. Gathered greens and made wreaths to sell in the community.

GAYLORD—Sold Lewiston Lions Raffle calendars, and receive a portion of the sales. One hearing case approved. Collected used eyeglasses for recycling and took them to a Traverse City doctor who takes them on his mission trips. Newspaper and phone book recycling is an ongoing fundraiser. Purchased and cooked a dinner for community residents free of charge.



GRAYLING—Screened nine children at the Baby and Toddler Closet (all passed, no referrals). Visited shut-ins and staff at Munson HealthCare Grayling Hospital, Grayling Nursing Center, Wargo's Adult Care Home, Northern Pines Rehabilitation, Crawford County Continuing Care Center and The Brook spreading Christmas cheer. Santa and his Lion Elves hand out stuffed animals donated by the Grayling Lions and candy canes donated by Save-A-Lot Food Stores. Donated \$330 to Lions of Michigan Foundation, \$385 to Leader Dog for the Blind, \$275 to Eversight Michigan, and \$440 to the various District projects. \$275 to Bear Lake Camp and \$275 to LCIF. Also donated to Crawford County Baby to

CLUB ACTIVITIES /3

Toddler Closet, \$250 to the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center for food baskets for the needy, and \$100 to an individual for medical equipment so he can feed himself. Provided an eye exam and glasses for an individual. Proceeds of \$578 from the sale of candy bars at Family Fare.

HALE—Awarded three scholarships, and provided several eye exams and glasses to members of the community in 2016.

INDIAN RIVER—Boy Scout Noah Morgan (son of club president) raised funds to purchase two new signs for the Indian River Lions Club. He coordinated the design of the signs with the officers and organized volunteers to assist in installing the signs as part of his Eagle service project.



LEWISTON LIONS—Assisted the Red Cross set up for a blood drive at St. Francis Church. DG Athan presented Club President Jim Hilgen-dorf, with the four-diamond patch for completing centennial service activities. Nathan Facsko, a 17 year-old student from Joburg-Lewiston High School, earned his Eagle Scout Rank from



Boy Scout Troop 18, sponsored by the Lewiston Lions. Nathan is also the first Eagle Scout from Lewiston in 17 years to become an Eagle Scout.

MIO—Held our wild game dinner and had a float in the Christmas parade. We made the following donations: \$600 to Mio Elementary School, \$200 to St. Mary's Food Pantry, \$200 to Montmorency-Oscoda Child Protection Services, \$500 to St. Jude's and \$200 to Coats for Kids. We took in \$142 from Lions Mint sales.

OSCODA—Held board meeting on December 1 at the United Methodist Church. Met for monthly meeting, celebrating Christmas with a meal, singing of Christmas carols. Brought Christmas socks filled with grooming supplies that will be given to the local homeless shelter. Donated \$300 for medical expenses for a baby. Held a Christmas party from 11:30 to 1:00 for local children where lunch was served, games were available for the children to play, and there was an opportunity to talk with Santa. Lion packed gift bags, loaded and unloaded the trailer and prepared for the event at the hall. The Lions entered a float in the Oscoda Christmas parade with Santa and friends with signs advertising the Lions. Used eyeglasses were packaged and sent to the recycling agency. Gift cards to local stores were given to a family for groceries and Christmas gifts for three children. The person did not ask, but a Lion found out about the family. The mother was so overjoyed that she wept.

PETOSKEY—Spouses and guests met at the Perry Hotel December 12 for our annual Christmas Holiday Dinner gathering. Some club business details were addressed as well.

PRESCOTT/SKIDWAY LAKE—President Karen Holston, Secretary Arnie Engster and Lions Chuck Preston, Debbie Engster, Terry Holston and Celiia Eymer shared a turkey dinner hosted by the Au Gres Lioness, and discussed our affiliation.

CLUB ACTIVITIES /4

Twenty-two pair of eyeglasses were collected and sent for recycling. Collected \$79 from mint sales. Fourteen members attended the December 14 meeting. Three members distributed food three days a week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at our local food pantry.

ROGERS CITY—Lion Barb Durflinger orchestrated a wonderful Christmas gathering for the two fifth grade classes at the Rogers City Elementary School. Thirty kids enjoyed playing games, with prizes awarded. They each received a Helen Keller book to read now and discuss at a later date. Tasty cookies, cupcakes and drinks ended the Christmas gathering. Lion Mike Eustice provided a festively decorated and elegant setting

for the Christmas party at Kortman's Restaurant on December 19. The social hour began at 5:30 pm, with dinner beginning at 6:30 pm. Twenty-one Lions and guests had a wonderful time including a raffle, with gifts donated from the community, also organized by Lion Mike. A gift exchange brought many diverse gifts that were appreciated by all attending. Much laughter and conversation was noted throughout the evening

ROSE CITY—Invited children to visit Santa at the Christmas party for the Rose City children. Children were invited to visit Santa. Each child received some toys, hats and mittens if needed and small bags of candy and cookies. The party was attended by 124 children at the Lions Cabin.

DISTRICT DIRECTORY CHANGES

VDG—Inside Cover—Position Open

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Region 2, Zone 1—Page 3

Zone Chair—Position Open

HALE LIONS—Page 37

Meetings will be held monthly, second Monday, 6:00 pm, at The Bear's Den Restaurant, M-65 north of Hale.

LIONESS LIAISON—Page 15
Carole Schultz, change email to:
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LIONESS

Page 46—District President Madeline Hiller—
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ADD:

*District 11-E2 Website:
e-district.org/sites/11e2

MD 11 Website:
lionsofmi.com

Lions Clubs International:
lionsclubs.org

ADOPT-A-CLASS

One of the Rogers City Lions activities that we started last year is the “Adopt-a-Class” project. Many schools have limited funds for extracurricular activities, and many teachers pay for materials out of their own pockets, so we felt it was a way that we could interact with students, help teachers, and teach students something about public service at the same time.



Our first project last year was to make a Christmas item that the students could use as a gift. The students used beach glass and the creativity was amazing! We went back the following week to help them wrap the gifts, and held a Christmas party, where we gave them a gift of a biography of Helen Keller that they read in class as a reading project.



Lion Melissa Zinke also brought in her guide dog, Nectar, and spoke to the students about being blind and how they should behave when they see someone with a guide dog.



The next project was the presentation to the class of two stand-up desks which 5th grade teacher Kris Tebo had requested. She told us later in the year that they were a big help with restless students, and she also used them as a reward for good behavior!

ADOPT A CLASS /2

We did two other art projects later in the year, a terrarium, and a concrete stepping-stone. We were able to schedule the stepping stone project at the time of the District Convention, so ID Lewis Quinn and his wife Lion Gayle were able to help with the project, as well as talk to the students about Alaska. Also during the year we presented the students and Mrs. Tebo with Liberty Day booklets to be used in their Social Studies curriculum.



Our service project for the year was to plant flowerpots and deliver them to the local nursing home. The students had a great time playing in the dirt, and the nursing home residents enjoyed the touch of spring in their rooms, as well as visiting with



We ended the year with a party, and presented each student with a stuffed Lion as a memento of the year.



We had a wonderful time during the year, and decided to continue the project this year. We began this school year with a Christmas party. We have several projects planned for the year, a Valentine's Day craft project, presentation of the Liberty Day booklets, a treat for St. Patrick's Day, assisting with their science projects, math tutoring, and more.

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM



STATE CHAIRPERSON OPENING—The GMT MD 11 State Chairperson position is open and will begin July 1, 2017. This 3-year term will end June 30, 2020. Interested Lions can apply through **January 31, 2017**. Interviews will take place in Lansing during the Council of Governors meeting Feb 18-19, 2017.

Please submit your resume to the state office via fax, email or mail:

Fax: 517-887-6642
Email: wburns@lionsofmi.com

Mail: Lions of Michigan
Attn: GMT State Chair
5730 Executive Dr.
Lansing, MI 48911

The **Global Membership Team (GMT)** provides a global structure for membership development, which is continuous, focused, and integrated. The GMT has a two-pronged *Invite for Impact* approach:

1. Start at least one new club.
2. Inform club officers and membership chairpersons about the training and tools available to them to recruit and engage members.

Complete information can be found online at www.lionsclubs.org, or by contacting the State Office at 517-887-6640 ext. 11.

MICHIGAN FORUM



The registration form is included in this newsletter and also online at lionsofmi.com. NEW this year is an activity on Friday night before the Forum—the **Backpack Project** (info later in the newsletter).

If you haven't submitted your registration form, please remember to do so!! To date, we have 28 registrations. I have a feeling I will be entering for the other 250 attendees the week of the Forum!!

One final note: Please consider asking your club to purchase an ad for the proceedings booklet, showing support of the Forum, advertising upcoming events, etc. (I've included a copy of an ad last as an example.)

Lion Wendy

From the Editor: This is the 18th Michigan Lions Forum. . If you have never attended this forum, it is a well-planned, one-day event that offers camaraderie with fellow Lions and an opportunity talk with representatives from our State Projects. Choose up to four forums offering a wide range of topics, lunch with keynote speaker John Drake (who founded the Lingate Orphanage in the Phillipines), Visually Impaired Scholarship presentation, and raffle PRIZES! The Forum concludes after lunch.

EVERSIGHT MICHIGAN

Eversight Michigan District Chair Dennis Richardson received this message from Alison Wright to include in our district newsletter:

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and a Happy New Year! Attached are flyers for two of Eversight Michigan's upcoming events: **Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows** and 2017 **Donate Life Day** (Buddy Day). Thanks so much!

Alison Claerhout Wright • Community Relations Manager • Eversight *Making Vision a Reality*



The flyer is for the "Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows" event. It features a yellow central panel with a blue and teal border. At the top left of the panel is the Eversight Michigan logo with the tagline "making vision a reality". To the right is a green starburst graphic that says "New sponsorship & team opportunities! See back for details". The main title "Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows" is in a large, dark blue serif font. Below it, the date and time "Sunday March 19, 2017 Noon-3:30 p.m." are in a bold, dark blue sans-serif font. The text "Eversight Michigan invites you to bowl with us to help support our Gift of Sight program that provides sight restoration to the uninsured." is in a smaller, dark blue sans-serif font. The venue "Bel-Mark Lanes, 3530 Jackson Rd., Ann Arbor MI 48103" is listed below. The donation details "A donation of \$25.00 per bowler provides 2 games of bowling, shoes, 2 slices of pizza & unlimited soft drinks" are in a dark blue sans-serif font. At the bottom, contact information for Victoria Launiere is provided: "For more information, please contact Victoria Launiere at (734) 780-2673 or email vlauniere@eversightvision.org". The flyer is decorated with bowling ball and pin icons in the corners and a large illustration of a bowling ball hitting pins at the bottom center.

Michigan
Eversight
making vision a reality

New sponsorship & team opportunities!
See back for details

Bowling for Brighter Tomorrows

**Sunday March 19, 2017
Noon-3:30 p.m.**

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3530 Jackson Rd.,
Ann Arbor MI 48103

A donation of \$25.00 per bowler provides 2 games of bowling, shoes, 2 slices of pizza & unlimited soft drinks

For more information, please contact Victoria Launiere at (734) 780-2673 or email vlauniere@eversightvision.org



REGISTER FOR DONATE LIFE DAY 2017

Mark your calendars and line up your buddies for Donate Life Day—Wednesday, April 12, 2017!

Eversight Michigan, Gift of Life Michigan, and Lions and Lioness Club volunteers will join Secretary of State branch managers at local branch offices to promote donation and encourage Secretary of State customers to join the Donor Registry. Volunteer "buddies" will provide information to customers about signing up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry. Join us for this great cause!

Because of Lions and Lioness like you, 1,476 people joined the Donor Registry on Donate Life Day 2016. Let's make 2017 another memorable year—become a volunteer and encourage others to give the gifts of life, sight and mobility!

After submitting the registration form, more detailed information regarding your local branch office's participation in the Secretary of State Donate Life "Buddy" Day will be mailed to you in March.

If you have any questions, please contact Alex Teska:
Phone: (800) 247-7224, ext. 2673 • E-mail: ateska@eversightvision.org • Fax: (734) 887-2510

Detach this registration form and mail in to:
Alex Teska, Eversight Michigan, 4809 Venture Dr. Ann Arbor, MI 48108

If contacted by the media before Donate Life Day or while at the Secretary of State branch office, please assist them in sharing our message about promoting the Michigan Organ Donor Registry.



MAIL REGISTRATION FORM:

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____
 Name of Lions/Lioness Club (if applicable): _____
 Please enter your preferred Secretary of State branch office:
 City: _____ Street: _____
 My personal connection to donation/transplantation (if any) is:

 [e.g. Donor family member, transplant recipient, waiting recipient, living related donor, etc.]
 Preferred time: ☐ 11 a.m.–1 p.m. ☐ 1–3 p.m. ☐ 3–5 p.m. ☐ 5–7 p.m.

THANKS TO MORE THAN
200 VOLUNTEERS
ON DONATE LIFE DAY
LAST YEAR
WE REGISTERED
1,476 NEW
DONORS!

LEADER DOGS OF MICHIGAN

District Leader Dog Chair, Julie Haase received this update from Beth Slade Beth.Slade@LeaderDog.Org for our newsletter.

Welcome to Your Leader Dogs for the Blind!

The 77-year partnership between Lions and Leader Dogs for the Blind (LDB) started with "\$400 and a hatful of ideas." Together we've assisted people who are blind and DeafBlind in all 50 U.S. states and many other countries. LION Magazine listed LDB as one of their "10 Brilliant Breakthroughs in Service." LDB is your community's resource with all of our programs provided free of charge.

Leader Dog empowers people who are blind with the skills needed for independent daily travel by offering:

Guide Dog Training—Leader Dog provides highlytrained, qualified guide dogs to people who are legally blind, 16 years or older, with basic orientation and mobility skills, and can physically and mentally use and care for a dog in the intended manner. In 1991 LDB began providing guide dogs to people who are both hearing and visually impaired.

- **Accelerated Orientation & Mobility Training**—Commonly known as white cane training, this residential program pairs clients and instructors 1to1 to quickly help clients obtain the basic orientation and mobility skills needed to travel safely with a cane. About 50% of these clients return to train with a Leader Dog.
- **GPS Training**—Like your car's GPS, this handheld technology allows clients to know where they are, what direction they are traveling and what businesses are nearby. Previously, clients needed to rely on others for this information. All guide dog clients from the U.S. and Canada receive this device free of charge.
- **Summer Experience Camp**—A unique summer camp for teens ages 16 and 17 who are legally blind combines summer fun with an introduction to guide dogs, leadership training and the opportunity to spend time with peers who are facing similar challenges. Your club's support has enabled LDB to provide Leader Dogs to over 15,000 people *who live in all of our communities*.

To learn more about Leader Dog or for prospective clients to begin the application process, visit www.leaderdog.org. Check out some videos at <https://www.youtube.com/user/leaderdogvideos/videos>.

Lions Engagement Coordinator
Leader Dogs for the Blind
1039 S. Rochester Rd. • Rochester Hills, MI 48307
Direct (248) 218 6421 •Toll Free (888) 777-5332

To learn more about our programs and services
visit LeaderDog.org

Leader Dog client Jason and his Leader Dog navigate a large city each day thanks to Lions Clubs across the country. Lions created what is today Leader Dog serving clients from across the country.



BACKPACK PROGRAM AT THE FORUM

DG Carol asked me to forward this information which was presented at the Council of Governor's meeting this past weekend.

At the Forum this year (Feb 17) attendees can participate in a Centennial Service project. There is a list attached of items requested for the backpacks which will be prepared. If your club has people attending the forum, please let them know about this so they can bring items for the backpacks if you wish to participate. If there is no one from your club attending, please consider either sending items from the list to the next cabinet meeting (Jan 7 at BJ's in Gaylord), or if you wish to make a financial contribution to the project, you can either send a check to CT Tom Otto, or send it with your club representative to the cabinet meeting, and we will purchase items for the backpacks on your behalf.

The packs can either be distributed in our district, or left at the Forum to be distributed in Lansing. Please contact your local school system to see if they are doing any kind of backpack program, and we will see that they receive them. Let me know as soon as possible if your school system wants some of the backpacks so we can allocate what we pack in Lansing. But even if your school system does not participate, please consider making a contribution to assist needy children elsewhere in our district, or in Lansing. I hope to see lots of you at the Forum. This project really sounds like fun! Let me know if you have any questions.

CS Barb Durflinger
[989-742-2790](tel:989-742-2790)
lionbarb@comdac.com

LIONS MICHIGAN FORUM CENTENNIAL SERVICE CHALLENGE: "PROJECT BACK-PACK" FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2017

Be a part of our history-making Centennial year by participating in the large group Centennial Service Challenge: *Project Back-Pack*, on Friday night before the Forum, February 17, starting at 7:30 p.m.

All clubs participating will be able to submit service hours to LCI.

"Project Back-Pack" is an effort to supply food for needy kids on the weekend – a time when many may go hungry. You are encouraged to reach out to your local community for donations, where possible. Bring your supplies to the Michigan Forum on Friday, February 17, for packaging. Backpacks can be distributed to your local schools, or left at the Forum for donation to the Lansing area public schools.

Below is a list of items for back-packs that will be needed:

Back packs
Tuna
Peanut Butter
Macaroni & Cheese
Fruit Juice (boxed)
Pastas
Oatmeal
Fruit Bars
Soup

With the help of Michigan Lions and our business partners, we can make a difference in the lives of so many of our hungry neighborhood children!

Lions Michigan Forum Committee

Registration Form

Please complete both sides of registration form
and send it along with a check
or credit card information to:
Michigan Lions Forum
5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911
Fax# 517-887-6642

Name _____
Club Name _____
District _____
email _____

Names of Registrants

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

_____ Registrants at \$40.00/person* \$ _____

*Registration fee is \$40.00 for reservations received
before January 30, 2017. After 1/30/17 \$45.00 and
Lunch & Forum materials cannot be guaranteed.

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

☐ Visa ☐ Master Card ☐ Discover

Card No.: _____

Exp. Date: _____

CVC/CID Code: _____

Signature: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
Lions of Michigan

List food allergies or dietary requirements:

Check here for the forum book on CD ☐
(For visually impaired only)

REGISTER EARLY!
This event will fill quickly!

THE CAUSEWAY BAY LANSING HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

Lions Room Rate is \$89.50

6820 South Cedar Street

Lansing, MI 48911

Telephone: 517-694-8123

Fax: 517-268-9755

**Hotel Reservation
Deadline:
January 30, 2017**



Large Group Service Project

Join us Friday night, Feb. 17
as we work together on a large group
service project! Club members attending
may report service hours to LCI.



MICHIGAN LIONS FORUM

FEBRUARY 18, 2017

Mail registration form to:
Lions of Michigan State Office
5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911
Telephone: 517-887-6640
Fax: 517-887-6642

*Enjoy Statewide fellowship with
Lions, Lioness and Leo Club members*

Every Registrant Receives:

- Official proceeding booklet
containing information on breakout
sessions and speakers
- Commemorative Pin
- Luncheon
- Program

**Must be registered by 1/30/17 to Guarantee
Lunch & Forum Materials**



New Mountains to Climb...New Ways to Serve

Schedule of Events

Friday, February 17, 2017

Registration 7:00 p.m.

Large Group Service Project 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Hospitality Suite - Presidential Parlor 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 18, 2017

Registration 7:00 a.m.

White Cane Supplies, Exhibit Tables 8:00 a.m.

Opening Remarks/Welcomes 8:00 a.m.

Session 1 Breakout Sessions 8:30 a.m.
(choose one of four)

Session 2 Breakout Session 9:30 a.m.
(choose one of four)

Session 3 Breakout Session 10:30 a.m.
(choose one of four)

Session 4 Breakout Session 11:30 a.m.
(choose one of four)

Lunch, White Cane Scholarships, Keynote
Presentation, Closing Remarks & Door Prize
..... 12:30 p.m.

Prize Drawings 2:45 p.m.





FRIDAY February 17, 2017 7:30-9:00 p.m.
(optional session for early arrivals)

- Large Group Service Project
- Hospitality Suite -Presidential Parlor open to all 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY February 18, 2017

Session 1 Selections: 8:30 a.m.-9:20 a.m.

- Laugh for your Health
Lion Cheryl Schneider
- Lions Orientation
PDGs Bill VanWinkle and Fred Simpson
- Influence of Women in Lionism
PDG Karen Routson
- Keep it Clean, Keep it Legal
Lion Margaret Shultz

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Session 2 Selections: 9:30 a.m.-10:20 a.m.

- Effective Presentations: The Steps to Being a Successful Communicator
PID Esther LaMothe
- Eversight Michigan
Lion Diana Kern, Executive Director, Eversight
- White Cane Week: Conforming to New Rules and Getting the Most Out of Volunteering
PCC's Paul Hemeryck and Bob Jenkins
- Getting out of the Club Box
PDG Norm Stutesman

Michigan Forum Breakout Sessions!

Fifteen informative sessions to choose from!

Keynote Speaker

John Drake and his wife, Judy, founders of the Lingap Center, an orphanage in Toledo City, Cebu, Philippines. As the Keynote



Speaker, John will share the story of how a dilapidated building that housed 26 abused, abandoned or orphaned children was the motivation to try and make a difference in the lives of children who seemed to have no hope. Considered a catalyst for change, then Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo named John an 'Outstanding Toledano', and adopted son of Toledo City.

John's purpose in life is to help the abandoned, abused

and neglected children of the Philippines. Listen to his inspirational story Saturday, February 18, and hear how we all can make a difference in the lives of others.

Join us as we continue tradition of service and leadership through Lionism!

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Session 4 Selections: 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

- How to Organize a Club Service Project
PCC Don Brown
- Recruiting in the 21st Century: New Ideas for Bringing in Members and Chartering Clubs
CC Justin Faber and DG Dave Wineman
- Diversity in Lionism
PDG Evelyn Cooper
- Focus on Leo Clubs: 2 of 2-Part Workshop
ID Jenny Ware and Lion Kayley Langland

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Lunch 12:30 p.m.

White Cane Scholarship Presentations
Key Note Speaker - John Drake
Door Prize Drawings

Prize Drawing - 2:45 p.m.

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Friday Night Session 7:30 p.m.

- ☐ Large Group Service Project
- ☐ Hospitality Suite - Presidential Parlor 9:30 p.m.

Saturday Sessions:

Session 1 Breakout Session - 8:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ Laugh for your Health
- ☐ Lions Orientation
- ☐ Influence of Women in Lionism
- ☐ Keep it Clean, Keep it Legal

Session 2 Breakout Session - 9:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ Effective Presentations: The Steps to Being a Successful Communicator
- ☐ Lions Centennial PR/Media Campaign
- ☐ White Cane Week: Conforming to New Rules and Getting the Most Out of Volunteering
- ☐ Getting out of the Club Box

Session 3 Breakout Session - 10:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ LCI 100th Celebration: Celebration 101
- ☐ Eyeglass Mission Trip
- ☐ Eversight Michigan
- ☐ Focus on Leo Clubs: 1 of 2-Part Workshop

Session 4 Breakout Session -11:30 a.m. (Check One)

- ☐ How to Organize a Club Service Project
- ☐ Recruiting in the 21st Century: New Ideas for Bringing in Members and Chartering Clubs
- ☐ Diversity in Lionism
- ☐ Focus on Leo Clubs: 2 of 2-Part Workshop

12:30 p.m. - Lunch, White Cane Scholarships, Keynote Presentation, Closing Remarks & Door Prize Drawing