



DISTRICT GOVERNOR JACKIE GLAZIER

Thank you Lion Ann for sharing this information. Lions of 11E1 please share this information with your fellow Lions. With all the great Lions in our district, I look forward to seeing and hearing about ALL the socks being bought/collected. Take pictures! Let's help our communities!

WE SERVE & TOGETHER WE CAN

December 4, 2022 is National Sock Day

Sock Challenge



The Governors in our state are being challenged to provide as many dozens of socks as we can collect for Children, Women & Men! Individual Lions members and District Lions Clubs . . . I challenge you! Start today! Look for sales! And buy, buy, buy! You don't need to deliver them to DG Jackie. Just take a picture or simply count how many dozen you and your club have collected by December 1 and send the pictures, or information, to our awesome Governor Jackie! Let's help her win the challenge while at the same time helping those in need.

Don't panic, the "Sock Hop" challenge doesn't end December 1st. Socks will be collected all year and taken to the Multi District Convention in Muskegon in May, where the final challenge ends! Plan to bring the socks, you and your club has collected, to our District 11E1 Convention at the Doherty Hotel in Clare on April 22 - 23! The socks will be given to homeless shelters and agencies in our District or in Muskegon. Start thinking of places that might need them in your area.

Send your ideas to Lion Ann Roeseler, District GST (ann.roeseler@gmail.com)



Hello Lions!

How are you coming with your sock collection? Lions around the state are getting excited about helping those in need. We can do so much good for children, women and men in need in our communities. How many pairs of socks can we collect when we all work together?

One of our zones asked if they could donate socks to the needy in their communities now, since the need is now. What a great idea! If you have a shelter or agency that serves your area, there's no reason the socks you are collecting can't go there before Christmas. BUT . . .

Please keep a COUNT, take a PICTURE and send me a list of the shelters and agencies names. Send your pictures and count to DG Jackie by December 2. The Governors are competing to see whose District can collect the most pairs of socks! (jackieglazier14@yahoo.com)

While you're at it, send pictures to me as well. I'll make sure they get in the District Newsletter! Keep collecting throughout the winter and spring. We are being asked to donate 25 pairs of Men's, 25 pairs of Women's and 25 pairs of Children's socks to Homeless Shelters in Muskegon May 20. That should be pretty easy with all of us working on this. Thanks so much for all you are doing!

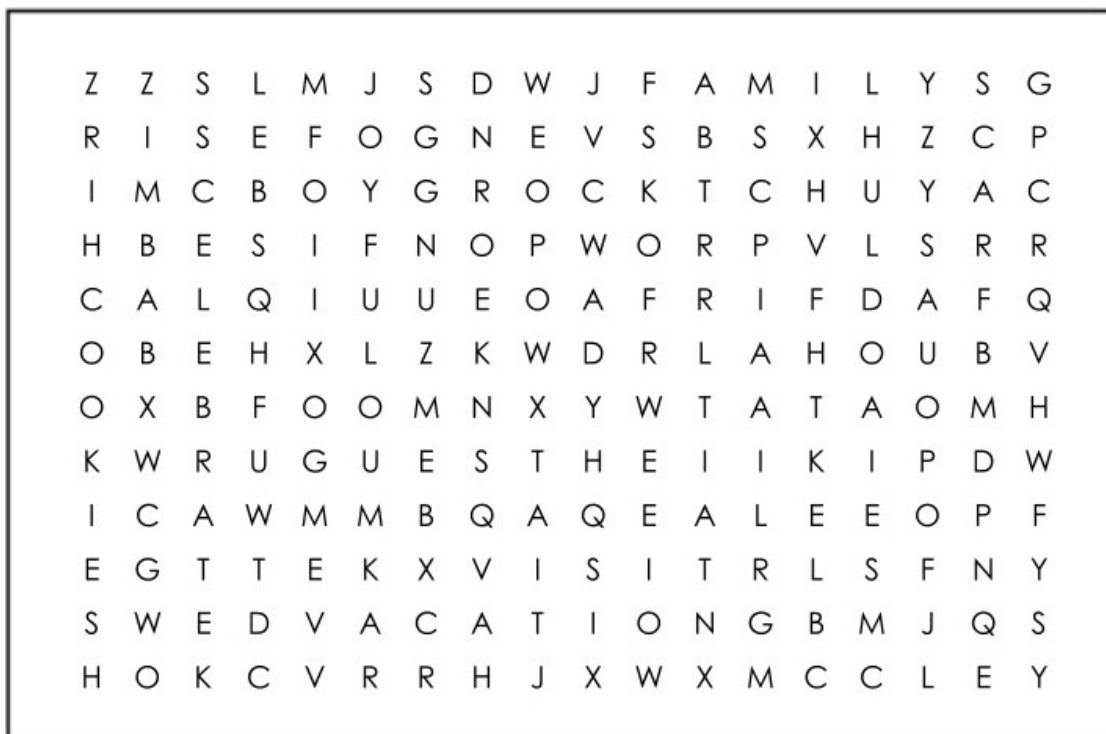
Lion Ann Roeseler (GST)

I would like to Thank the Lions who attended the Fall Festive and Parade of Checks this year. Was it different then other years, of course! Did Lions have fun, of course! After two years, most of us would like to put it behind us and move forward. I wanted to offer an opportunity for Lions to come and enjoy the company of other Lions in our district. District Projects did offer information on their projects and spoke with any Lion who had questions. All Lions were encouraged to speak if they chose. Lions participated in games and did word puzzles, but exchanging club information seemed to be the big hit. Lions being together is always a huge bonus. Money was collected for the District and State projects. Thank you Lions and Clubs for all you do and give.

Next month's newsletter will have our district Peace Poster winner. Thank you to the clubs who participated in the Peace Poster project.

*Sending Holiday Cheer and Festive Wishes to ALL Lions this Holiday Season.
Peace be with you ALL.
Merry Christmas and Seasons Blessings from DG Jackie and Lion Steve*

Word Search



Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

CELEBRATE
COOKIES
DECORATIONS
FAMILY
FOOD
GOODWILL

GUEST
HAPPY
JOYFUL
NEW YEAR
PARTIES
SCARF

SNOWFLAKE
VACATION
VISIT

1ST VDG Jim Patterson's Message



As I start writing this, it has just turned November. The temperature is in the high 60s. Trick or Treating is over and the Halloween decorations have just come down. Our family is now trying to find a date when we all can get together for a Christmas celebration. Kind of a strange combination of events. I don't remember life being this complicated years ago. On the other hand, maybe it was; we humans have a way of forgetting the bad and remembering only the good.

The members of my home club will be helping a local agency deliver Harvest Baskets on November 18 this year just as we have done for several years now. Delivering those baskets to shut-ins and folks on hard times brings home just how important the things we do as Lions are. Some have no family and are so starved for companionship they invite us in for conversation. It is often hard to leave them in their loneliness.



Other clubs in our district provide a holiday meal free-of-charge to any and all. The members perform this act of kindness for several reasons. One of the more important ones is because many of those who come are there as much for the company as for the meal. So for those people, we Lions are the glue that holds our community together.

Think about that for a minute: The services we Lions provide helps make a community out of a group of people. These people will enjoy the meal, the conversation and the fellowship. Their sense of belonging will last for days. And they will remember that, in the midst of their loneliness or hardship, they met some good people.

You are important. What you do is important. "We Serve" is more than a motto, it is a mission. And you take on that mission willingly - out of compassion - out of a sense of responsibility - out of kindness. You are all good people and go that extra mile.

From our family to yours in this holiday season, we send you the warmest and most sincere wishes for the best of all possible Christmas holidays and hope you are blessed with a happy and healthy New Year.

2ND VDG Robert Roebuck's Message



Contact info: bob49342@chartermi.net or
231-250-1955.
Home Club - Chippewa Lake-Mecosta Lions Club



Upcoming Calendar Dates:

- Our next cabinet meeting is January 14, 2023 at the White Cloud Lions Den.
- Michigan Forum, Airport Doubletree Hotel, Grand Rapids - February 24 - 26, 2023
- District Convention - Save the Date of April 21 & 22, 2023. We will have our convention in Clare. Our theme is "Going Camping with DG Jackie" More information to come in future newsletters.
- MD 11 Convention, Muskegon, May 18 - 20, 2023

YOUR SERVICE SHOULD BE COUNTED

Unfortunately, many Clubs in our District are not reporting their service activities on LCI's MyLion. My job as the District Global Service Chair is to encourage and assist clubs in reporting their service! **What can I do to help you report your club's service?** Please email or call me for assistance now or at any time this year. **Please let me know how I can help you! WE CAN DO BETTER!**

Ann Roeseler ann.roeseler@gmail.com (989-615-3959)

Why is it important? Why should I take the time to report service? Reporting your service to Lions International gives them important information about how many Lions are serving as well as the number being served. LCI needs to know the impact they are having in communities around the Globe. Without our reports, numbers do not truly reflect the important work we are doing. When asked, "What does your club do?" most clubs are happy to talk about their service! LCI needs to be able to do that also.

That being said, **who** can report service? Anyone in your club can initiate a service report on MyLion. But an officer (President, Secretary, or Club Administrator) will need to officially "report" it. This could help very busy officers if someone else in the club could do the groundwork. There really is no reason why each Club shouldn't be able to report at least one service project this year! **Instructions below on How to get into "MyLion" to report service!**

HOW TO REPORT YOUR CLUB'S SERVICE

Did you know that any Lion can create an account and view or write service reports! If you have not yet registered, here's what to do . . .

1. Go to "lionsclubs.org/en"
2. Click on the "**Member Login**" button at the top of the page.
3. This will take you to the Login page. If you have logged in before, enter your Lion's Account ID (I use my email) and Password (don't lose it!) If you have never opened an account, **click on the green "Register" button.**
4. You will then enter your First Name, Last Name and **Member ID** (This is your Lions Club member number - If you don't know your member ID, ask your secretary, or call/email me.
5. After that you are on your own! I think you will then create an Account ID and Password. You may be asked your District (**11E1**) and your Club name and/or number. (Ask your secretary or me if you need your club number.) I registered several years ago, so I'm relying on old memory! Make it simple and keep it safe, you will need it each time you log in unless you check the box "Remember Me".
6. Once you are in the Member Portal you will see 5 blue buttons at the top of the page. Click on the "**MyLion**" button which will take you to your club's service reporting page.
7. I find it easiest to report an activity after it is finished! Then you can fill out the information required and click "Report" all in the same session. If you want to try that, click on the "**Report Past Activity**" button at the top of the page.
8. Required areas are **Activity Name**, **1. "Activity Level"** should be automatically filled in for you. Use toggle switch to change if needed. **2. "Activity Details"** include the *Date* of your activity, *Type*, *Cause* and *Project Type*. Toggle switches make this section quick and easy! **3. "Share"** -Also a toggle switch - I usually select "everyone." **4. "Story"** - Your description of the project which can be as simple or as wordy as you want it!
9. Next is "**Photo Gallery.**" If you have a picture on your computer from your project, please upload one or more. This is not required. If you don't add a photo, a canned cover photo is provided.
10. Last, but VERY important, save your work by either clicking on "**Save as Draft**" or "**Report.**" If you are finished and don't plan to get back in to make changes, please click "Report." If a non-officer in your club is writing the report it should be saved as a draft and an officer notified that it is ready for review and reporting! As you can, see the only step that takes time is the description.

What Else Can Be Reported? You can also report **Donations, Fundraisers & Meetings!** In fact, everything you as Lions do can be reported! And some Districts are reporting everything!

Service Stories and submissions to "LIONS CONNECTIONS"

We post club service stories and/or news under the "Club News" section of the District 11E1 newsletter. Has your story been shared? Our District 11E1 newsletter is forwarded to Lions of Michigan for consideration in the LION PRIDE.

Please submit articles in Word [Please no PDF files] and pictures in jpeg format as an attachment for the January 2023 Newsletter by December 19 to Lions Mike and Tina Hoy at hoym@charter.net or call 989-832-8354.

Any District 11E1 Lion can submit articles and/or pictures for the newsletter. We encourage all clubs to participate as this is your newsletter! ***"LIONS CONNECTIONS"*** Editors

LMF

Lions of Michigan Foundation is now selling their Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets. We have been challenged by District 11E2 to see who can sell the most tickets. Let's make Governor Jackie proud and sell lots of tickets.

Your club can make this a fundraiser and get money back from the foundation. Sell 30 - 99 tickets gets your club \$3.50 per ticket; 100 - 249 gets your club \$5 per ticket; 250 plus will get your club \$5.50 per ticket. There is also a ticket seller drawing, so let's work together for the Foundation.

PDG Dan Gibbons, Trustee

PDG Dan Gibbons and PDG Pam Schroeder want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

District 11E1 Convention Registration Form

April 21 - 22, 2023 Doherty Hotel 604 N. McEwan St., Clare

Make Room Reservations by calling 989-386-1562. Rooms are \$110 a night + taxes before 3/21/23.

Please print clearly and enter information for each person attending

CAMPING WITH GOVERNOR JACKIE

| Name | Lion | Guest | Registration | Friday | Breakfast | Lunch | Banquet | Total |
|------|------|-------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------|---------|-------|
| | | | \$10 | \$15 | \$18 | \$20 | \$25 | \$88 |

All meals will be Buffet. If you need special diet, let me know:

Club _____

Due by April 2, 2023. After that, the registration fee is \$20 per person. Make checks payable to **District 11E1 Convention**. Payment must be included with form. Send to Lion Pam Schroeder, P.O. Box 326, Onkama, MI 49675+

Address and phone number of person filling out form: _____

CLUB NEWS

WEIDMAN LIONS

The Weidman Lions Club has had a very busy fall this year. In September, we assisted the "Community Cancer Services" with their Cancer Walk by serving food to their participants. We handled a food service at Witbeck Grocery in Clare, MI and were able to keep any donations given. We also were happy to resume the food sales at the Wheatland Music Festival which had been suspended for the last two years because of the pandemic. They had about 12,500 attendees and the club was able to make several thousand dollars so we can get back to our normal donations. We also handled our Adopt A Road cleanup with the help of the Central Michigan University softball team. They were happy to assist because it helps with their community service time.



COLEMAN LIONS

Nine Coleman Lions Club members and seven guests learned about Paws With a Cause from district chairs, Mike and Tina Hoy on November 7. Mike's service dog Cowboy showed how he can fetch Mike's cane and items dropped on the floor.



Meridian winner—Kearnin Alexander

Among the guests were the 7th grade students from both Coleman and Meridian Junior High Schools. They, their parents, and their art teachers were all invited to the potluck supper and meeting. Each student was presented with a check for \$50 and a certificate.

Peace Poster Contest



Coleman winner—Kenley Guza

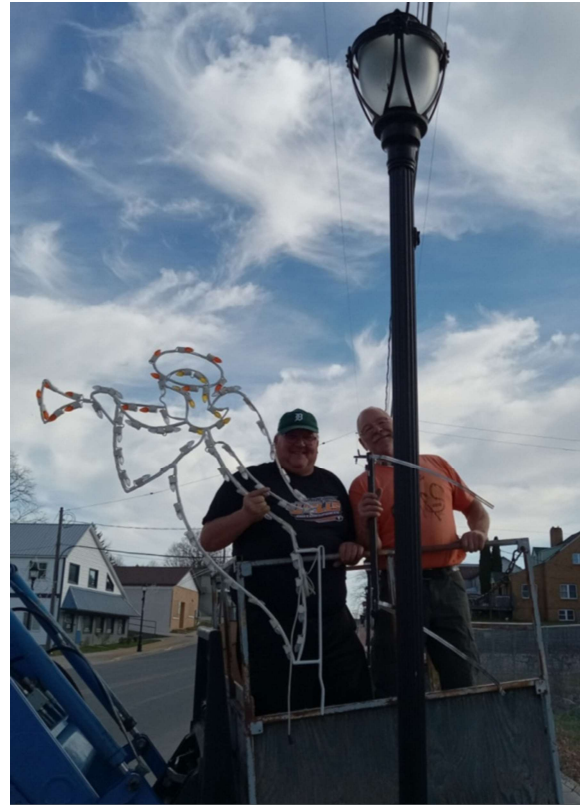
Turkeys Donated—Coleman Lions donated 12 turkeys and stuffing to the Coleman Food Pantry for the annual Thanksgiving baskets. Also donated was a check for \$200. November 17, 2022

CRYSTAL LIONS

Crystal Lions Club putting up the Christmas decorations. We took advantage of the last nice day to get the Christmas Ornaments up on the telephone poles.



Crystal Lions Club, with 1st VDG Jim Patterson, awarded Lion Laura Smith with collecting the most money during white Cane weekend.



KINGSLEY LIONS



The Kingsley Lions Club participated in Kingsley's Halloween "Trunk or Treat" on October 31, 2022. We anticipate that over 400 wonderfully (and inventively) dressed children and adults came through.

Wonderful time for all.



EDMORE LIONS

In cooperation with Christian Endeavor in Edmore and other local groups, the Edmore Lions Club donated \$1,000 to the "Holiday Giveaway Extravaganza" scheduled in early December! The giveaway will include clothing, coats, blankets, food boxes, a hot meal and more. This is in support of Feeding America projects in our area. Also the Edmore Lions Club contributed \$250 to a local Vestaburg family for expenses incurred from the loss of a family member in a recent devastating house fire.

The Manistee Lions Club announces they are participating in a "Sock Drive" for homeless and underserved families of Manistee. As part of the Lion's Clubs of northwest Michigan, the sock drive is a project to continue the Lions Club service to the community. The project to be undertaken by Lions Clubs in Manistee, Kaleva, Onkama, Mesick, Arcadia and Frankfort.

The project kicked off on November 1. It will run through March 2023. All socks collected in the month of November in Manistee will be given to the non-profit ECHO His Love and other service agencies to distribute to local homeless and underserved families. Socks collected after that date will be given to other underserved families throughout the state by the Lions of Michigan. Collection barrels have been placed at five locations in Manistee. They are at the VFW, American Legion, Wagoner Community/Senior Center, Manistee Catholic Central School and Manistee City Hall. Socks are needed for men, women and children. The socks need to be new and in original packaging if possible.

Please help provide for the homeless with the "most requested item" in shelters across the country. Help make an effort to ease the suffering of homelessness and support the Manistee Lions Club project. Pictured: Shelley Green (left) and Rose McLaughlin (right) donate socks at the Senior Center Lions Club collection barrel.



The Manistee Lions collected and distributed 125 pairs of socks to ECHO, one of our homeless shelters and to Choices of Manistee, a domestic abuse shelter. To date we have collected 474 pairs of socks.

**WOW!!! GREAT JOB
MANISTEE LIONS!!!!**

CENTRAL MONTCALM LIONS





The Central Montcalm Lions were happy to host First Vice District Governor Jim Patterson at our November meeting. Lion Jim braved the snowy roads to spend the evening with us and shared many wonderful ideas and opportunities with us. Thank you First Vice District Governor!!!

We were also able to attend the Sheridan Fire Department's pancake supper and present them with a check that they will use to purchase a new piece of equipment. The Lions appreciate our local fire fighters and their service to our community.

BIG RAPIDS LIONS & STANWOOD LIONS

Big Rapids and Stanwood Lions Clubs participated in Mecosta County Giving Day.



We Serve



MIDLAND LIONS COATS FOR KIDS annual service project. **WE DID IT!!!** There were **57 coats** collected which broke last year's record of 51.



Service Project—Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army

A big thank you to Lions Roger Frazer, Pete Conarty, Al Ducham, John Clever, Dave Romenesko, & Scott Berry for all their help on November 25, 2022.

Midland Lions will also be “ringing the bell” at the mall for the Salvation Army on Friday, December 2, 2022.

Lion Dave Romenesko

Lion Scott Berry

- Annual **service project**, **SENIOR CHRISTMAS DINNER**, Wednesday, DECEMBER 7
- Annual **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**, for special needs kids, is held at the Midland Country Club with Santa Claus and Jewls the Clown. This will happen on December 13 as our last **Service Project** for the year.

District Projects



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

Cowboy Hoy, Hearing/Assistance Dog



Light Up Leader Dog for the Holidays

Light Up Leader Dog is just over three weeks away! For each \$10 gift, you can have a luminary placed on our campus to show your support. Many other supporters have also taken this opportunity to place luminaries in honor of special people and pets in their lives. Whether your luminary represents you or someone important to you, your gift will help our campus shine with love and support this holiday season. We hope to light up the campus with over 2,000 luminaries this year!

You're invited to the campus! You're invited to join us on campus for some Light Up Leader Dog holiday cheer on Saturday, December 10 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.! You can browse the new marketplace, partake in some warm, winter beverages and great food (available for purchase), enjoy holiday music and stroll the luminary-lit paths! Admission is free, but donations are certainly appreciated. More information is available on our website at leaderdog.org/light-up-leader-dog. We hope to see you there!

USED HEARING AID DONATIONS Remember we accept used hearing aids of any age or condition. All used hearing aids are recycled with one of the hearing aid manufactures. Lions of Michigan Foundation is given credits to be used towards the purchase of new hearing aids. Most Clubs collect hearing aids with their glasses. If you have hearing aids for recycling give them to our Foundation Reps., your Zone Chairs, or Lion Peggy Frank at 616 217-6840 for pick-up.

Scholarship for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Applications for the Deborah Love=Peel Scholarship for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing are currently available in conjunction with The Lions of Michigan Foundation. The applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2023. Applicants must show proof of hearing loss, have a GPA of 2.6 or

higher, registration at a college, university, or trade school, with a letter of recommendation. This is \$1,000.00 scholarship for higher education.

The applications can be sent to any member of District 11 E1 via email in a PDF or snail mail to be forwarded to eligible students. If you have any questions or would like a copy of the scholarship application, please contact Peggy Frank at pfrank1219@yahoo.com or 616 217-6840

EYEGLOSS MISSION TRIP 2022

Due to the lack of doctors, we have had to cancel the Eyeglass Mission for October. We are planning a trip for the middle of February 2023 (*destination Puerto Penasco, Mexico*). If you are interested in participating, you can contact PDG Harry Johnson at 231-745-4524 or lionharry1947@gmail.com for all the details.

LIONS ALL STATE BAND IS BACK

The 2023 Lions Band will attend the Boston Convention. The band in its performances has contributed to the Lions of Michigan being known worldwide. We hope to have a band of 150 members and with your help we can achieve this. Our goal is to have fifteen members per district.

Any Michigan band or flag corps student can become a LMASB member by qualifying in one of several ways: by auditioning online, by receiving a 1st division rating at a festival on a solo or by being a member of their music organizations All State Band. This is a very exciting group to belong to as they meet other students from around the state with like interests. These become lifelong friends as they travel together and become better musicians and leaders.

In addition to qualifying for the Boston Band these students will automatically qualify for the next band going to Melbourne, Australia. Wow, what memories. The cost to the student for the Boston trip is \$1999 it will include 7 days and 6 nights and will cover all travel, meals, lodging and admission fees on the trip. During the trip they will visit Boston, New York, a theme park, and possibly VA homes and/or hospitals. The band will perform in the Lions Parade and the convention.

All band members become “Leos” and learn our motto “WE SERVE”. Be sure to include them in club activities when they return home. These are our future Lions so I am sure you will make them feel welcome.

What about the donations our club already gives to the Band? That all goes to cover the cost of instruments, instrument repair, music, building rental for rehearsals, travel expenses for the directors, medical personnel, and CEO travel expenses. None of these expenses are passed on to the students they only cover the cost of their trip. Students will be coming to your club for support as they raise the \$1999 for the trip. Please be as generous as possible to these future Lions.

A video promoting the Band is available on U-Tube at: <https://youtu.be/b4MCSAEkLg>; 

KIDSIGHT

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| Dec 13 | Sanford W/Coleman Lions | Dick | |
| | | | Santa House at the Sanford Museum grounds. |
| Dec 14 | Sanford W/Coleman Lions | Dick | |
| Jan 17 | Calvary Baptist Acade | 8:45 am | |
| Jan 18 | Calvary Baptist Acad | 8:45 am | |

WE ALL EAT!

We all eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner or supper, unless we are dieting and skip a meal. Are you eating the same menu and need innovative ideas of what to prepare for these meals? The Michigan Lions Service Foundation has come to your rescue. They have a new cookbook with recipes from Lions across the state of Michigan. Staying at home during COVID has encouraged more of us to try our hand at gourmet cooking and change our usual menu. Cookbooks sell for \$15.00 and can be purchased from your Foundation trustees Pam Schroeder or Pete Conarty. If a club would like to sell

them as a fundraiser, the Foundation will reimburse you \$5.00 per cookbook for twenty plus cookbooks sold.

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 their hearing loss. Lions Clubs or other nonprofit organizations who sell 20 or more cookbooks collectively will receive a \$5 rebate for each book sold to be used for their local projects.

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!

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Cookbook Order and Donation Form

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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 \$_____.

Payment Method: ___ Check ___ Credit Card ___ Pay Pal (info@lmsf.net)

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV Code: _____

Signature: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Lions Club or Business Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

5730 Executive Drive - Lansing, Michigan 48911 - 517-887-6640 - 517-887-6642 (Fax) - info@lmsf.net

15th

MICHIGAN PIN SWAP - September 21, 22, & 23, 2023

Lions Pin Trading Club of Michigan

White Cloud Lions Den, 294 N. Charles (M-37), White Cloud, Michigan 49349

Thursday, September 21st -Meet & greet from 6 to 9 p.m. -including light supper, snacks & Bingo.

Friday, September 22nd -Pin Trading starts at 9 a.m. at the Den. Annual crazy hot contest at lunchtime and our wine testing event in the evening before dinner. Friday will be 'Game & Card' night. (BYOB)

Saturday, September 23rd -Trading starts at 9 a.m., brunch about 10:00 a.m. We will have 50 -50 drawings, silent and live auctions, the official Business Meeting and Memorial Service during the week-end. Hope you join us for a great time. Bring something for our live auction.

Pin Trader Rooms are available at: Trailside Motel, 231-679-2188

The Shack Bed and Breakfast, 231-924-6683

Please make check payable to Lions Pin Traders Club of Michigan (LPTCMI) Mail check and form to PCC Janalee McClure, PO Box 177, Brohman, MI 49312 by September 10th please. Questions? Email: janalee@riverview.net 231-689-1321 or PDG Pain Schroeder e-mail: dgibbons4870@charter.net 231-889-4870

Name _____ Guest _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

How many for Thursday night _____

Registration Pin Trader _____ X \$45.00 = _____ includes all meals and 1 table

Spouse or Guest _____ X \$20.00 = _____ includes meals

Extra Tables _____ X \$5.00 = _____

Total Amount Due \$ _____ Check # _____

Not a Pin Trader? Come to the swap and check out all the pins. We love guests and there is no cost just to look