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UPCOMING EVENTS University Club Downtown Grand Rapids Meetings begin at 12:15 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

----- We Serve -----

Monday, October 3, Lions Club Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

Tuesday, October 4, Wolverine Gas & Oil,

Tuesday, October 4, Eyeglass Recycling Session, 3 – 8:00 pm

Monday, October 10, Lions Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

Tuesday, October 11, Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services, Nancy Cluley

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Monday, October 17, Lions Club Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

Tuesday, October 18, International Aid: Nepal

Thursday, October 20, West MI Lions Clubs Projects Night,

Tuesday, October 4 Wolverine Gas & Oil, Keith Johnson & Richard Moritz

Wolverine Gas & Oil was started by Sidney Jansma Sr. in 1948. When Sidney Jansma Jr. joined him in August 1966, the company was already successful, so the best strategy was to continue with a strong emphasis on exploration. Following this strategy, Wolverine scored several successes with wells in the Niagaran, Trenton, Prairie du Chien and the Antrim formations in Michigan. In 2003, Wolverine discovered a prolific oil field in Utah, setting off a huge lease play there that resulted in many wells being drilled. Currently, Wolverine is producing and selling from the Covenant Field. The company depends on a highly trained exploration and production staff that uses the best technology to seek hydrocarbons throughout the United States.

Keith Johnson, Manager - Geophysics and Richard Moritz, Vice President – Land will join us for today's presentation. Mr. Johnson began working in oil and gas exploration in 1978. Before joining Wolverine in 1994 as Manager of Geophysics, he was Manager of Geophysics for Telesis Petroleums, Vice President of Geophysical Services for Hosking Geophysical Seismic Analyst for Seismograph Service Corp and a part-time Adjunct Geophysics Instructor at Central Michigan University.

Mr. Johnson's exploration experience has been primarily concentrated in the Michigan, the Sevier Thrust Belt of Utah, several Rocky Mountain Basins and some exposure to most of the sedimentary basins in the US and Australia. He has extensive seismic interpretation experience, has expertise in seismic survey acquisition parameter design and seismic data processing, and is proficient in all aspects of gravity and magnetic acquisition, processing and interpretation. He has served in various roles with numerous oil, gas and exploration organizations.

He holds a M.S. in Geophysics from Western Michigan

University was enrolled in the Graduate School of Geology and Geophysics at the University of Oklahoma and holds a B.A. in Geology from Winona State University.

Richard Moritz joined Wolverine in 1984. Mr. Moritz received his B.A. in Political Science and Economics from Hope College and his J.D. from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. He is a member of the American, Michigan and the Grand Rapids Bar Associations and serves on the Standing Committee of the Michigan Bar Association for Oil and Gas Law and on the Real Property Law Section Committee. Mr. Moritz has been a member of the Michigan Oil and Gas Association, where he was a past member of the Board of Directors, the Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen and the American Association of Petroleum Landmen. He is a frequent speaker at oil and gas conferences and seminars.

Tuesday, October 11 Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services, Nancy Cluley

The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (DHHS) is a non-profit agency that has been serving the greater Grand Rapids community since 1996. Its mission is to provide equal communication access, education and advocacy to the hard-of-hearing And Deaf as they pusue life's opportunities. It is a full-service agency for the Deaf and hard of hearing community that has filled over 3,000 interpreter assignments annually and provided American Sign Language classes, cultural awareness & sensitivity training, equipment assistance and advocacy. They are supported by Quota International, several foundations and other donations, including the Grand Rapids Lions Club. Hearing aids collected as part of our Eyeglasses Recycling Program are taken to DHHS.

Joining today is Mancy Cluley, who is the Program Manager, Hearing Services and Technology at DHHS.

Lion's October Birthdays

Steve Frendt October 1
G Keith Crittenden October 2
Arthur Palmer October 6
Mike Malinowski October 7
Kathy O'Bee October 10
Rebecca Eyestone October 11

West Michigan Lions Clubs Projects Night Thursday, October 20, 6:00 pm

As in past years, your Lions Board of Directors may choose at its September Board meeting to reserve a table for 10 members to attend the 25^h West Michigan Lions Clubs Projects Night. The Board meets on September 27.

The event will be on Thursday night, October 20, 2014 at English Hills Terrance (5179 West River Drive, Comstock Park 49231). A social hour begins at 6:00 pm, followed by a buffet-style dinner at 7:00 pm and the program at 7:30 pm. The evening typically adjourns by 9:00 pm. The buffet offers roasted beef, kielbasa sausage & sauerkraut, seasoned baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, warm bread, Prince Edward vegetables, garden pasta salad, tossed salad, seasonal fruit, anniversary cake, tea, coffee &water. A cash bar is available.

The host club for the event is the Lyon - Muir Lions Club. This event represents the coming together of many Lions Clubs from Western Michigan to celebrate the Lions goal of service and for many clubs to present donations for Lion State and Regional Projects who serve visually impaired people.

It's a great time for members to learn about the causes the Lions of Michigan support. Many Lions Clubs present their donations to their chosen charities at this event. However, since the Grand Rapids Lions Club presents its donations to our charities throughout and at the end of the year, our President often reports this fact rather than handing out specific checks.

During the social hour before the buffet dinner, attendees can visit and talk with representatives for some of the Lions' statewide and District 11C1 projects:

- * ABVI
- * All State Band
- * Bear Lake Camp
- * Eversight

- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- * Lions of Michigan Foundation
- Paw's with a Cause
- * Sight Seer Radio.

If you want to attend, please contact Craig Nobbelin at 616-458-0471 or c.nobbelin@yahoo.com no later than Wednesday, October 12, 2015.

Great Learning & Leadership Opportunity Lions Leadership Institute:

The Lions of Michigan will hold the 18th annual Michigan Lions Leadership Institute and the Lions Graduate Institute on Friday – Sunday, November 11-13, 2015 at the R.A. MacMullan Center in Higgins Lake, Michigan. The cost for the institute, including 2 nights lodging and 6 meals, is only \$175.00 per person. *Any Lion can attend, with our club paying the registration fee for our members*.

Institute. This is for Lions who

At the same time, the Lions of Michigan will also offer a Lions
Graduate Institute for those who have already attended the Leadership Institute. This is for Lions who want to enhance and better utilize their own presentation skills, leadership skills and skills for Lions leadership and success

In a casual atmosphere in a wooded area on the north shore of Higgins Lake, presenters will conduct sessions in a relaxed, informal setting. Group sessions include personality styles, personal

effectiveness, the essence off leadership, listening and speaking skills, managing change, settings goals, team building and conflict resolution. Housing is in lodges with semi-private rooms and shared bathrooms. Past participants have said that the food is great!

Reservations are due September 30, but the space is limited. Members should call or fax the Lions of Michigan office to reserve a spot (Phone: 517-887-6640 or Fax: 517-887-6642). Please let Craig Nobbelin know if you are attending (616-458-0471 or c.nobbelin@yahoo.com).

Other Lion News

Lion Tom Dandridge's Art Show: A reminder that you still see his art exhibition - pastels, pen & ink and charcoal - until October 31 at <u>Westminster Presbyterian Church</u> in downtown Grand Rapids. Westminster is located two blocks south of Fulton Street on Jefferson Avenue. Parking is in the parking lot just south of the church. You can visit the show on Sunday and from Monday through Thursday between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. Check with Tom Dandridge if you have questions about his art: tdandridge1@comcast.net or 616-863-9241.

ArtPrize: Mei Chow (Craig Nobbelin's wife) will have a water color painting in ArtPrize again this year, titled "Spirit of the Night" (Vote Code: 62652). It is being displayed at First Park Congregational Church, 10 Library Street NE, Noon – 8:00 pm every day during ArtPrize.

Save the Date: Mark your calendars! The Meijer Kids Shopping day is scheduled for Saturday morning, December 10, 2016 at the Meijer Cascade store.

District 11C1 "Pulse" Newsletter: Our Lions District publishes an electronic newsletter every 1-2 months. We will be forwarding the "Pulse" so you can get an idea what is happening in other Lions Clubs in the district. Perhaps one of these activities will spark your imagination to suggest an idea / activity that our club might implement.

Our Endowment at the Grand Rapids Community Foundation: As of June 30, 2016, the balance of our endowment fund as \$718,219.85. This year, the balance was bolstered by the significant bequeaths from the Chuck and Zita Harris estates, but also from the contributions from Lions members and a small percentage (5% or 10%) from our two largest, successful fundraisers this year.

Membership Message – Necessary for Thriving as a Club: Our club needs new members to survive and thrive. Each of us must be involved in recruitment. As the depiction by Lion Lynn and Lion John at the last meeting demonstrated, what is your next step? Simply <u>ask someone</u> – a colleague, friend or customer – to a luncheon meeting or service activity. Share information about the Lions with them. Then, follow-up to see if they might be interested in joining – and <u>ask them!</u>

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