



LBLC

CAMP CONNECTIONS

NEWSLETTER

Connecting our community with the latest stories, updates, and events from Lions Bear Lake Camp. Stay informed and inspired as we continue our journey together year-round.



What's Inside ?

Camp Updates

Big moments are happening at Bear Lake Camp. Inside, you'll find details from our most successful Ice Plunge to date and highlights from our kickoff dinner as we officially begin another year of camp, community, and connection.

LBLC Spotlights

This month's Spotlights shine on two people who help keep Bear Lake Camp moving forward every day. Inside, meet Board Member Jim Patterson and Staff Member Arlinda Pickett, whose dedication behind the scenes makes a real difference for our campers, guests, and community.

Campfire Chats

From icy plunges to warm hearts, this month's Campfire Chats captures the spirit of community at Bear Lake Camp. Inside, you'll find Ice Plunge highlights and a special spotlight on our Camp Champion, the Dive Team from Deerfield Township Fire and Rescue.

Stay Connected & Get Involved

Stay connected and get involved—there's always something happening at Bear Lake Camp! Explore our upcoming events, follow us on social media, and consider making a donation to help us continue changing lives.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NOTE TRACI TRIBLEY



Winter brings a different kind of quiet to Bear Lake Camp. The trails slow, the lake freezes, and the cabins rest for a moment, but behind the scenes, the work never stops. January reminded us of that in a big way as our team spent four full days doing a complete kitchen deep clean, pulling everything out and scrubbing from top to bottom to prepare for the busy seasons ahead. Right in the middle of that winter stillness came our biggest fundraiser of the year, the Ice Plunge, a powerful reminder of what happens when our community shows up together, from volunteers and jumpers to sponsors and supporters, all helping make this incredible day possible. Now, as winter slowly loosens its grip, we're shifting gears once again as retreat season begins to pick back up and summer planning moves forward in earnest, with staff hiring, programming, menus, maintenance projects, and registrations all already underway. Summer at camp doesn't simply arrive, it's built piece by piece through months of preparation, teamwork, and care. Bear Lake Camp doesn't run on seasons, it runs on dedication, and even when the cabins look quiet and the lake is frozen solid, there is always something happening here. I'm deeply grateful for our staff who show up every day, our volunteers who give their time, and our supporters who believe in this mission. Winter offers a moment to reflect, and as we look ahead to retreats, campers, and all the moments yet to come, my heart is full of gratitude for the community that carries this camp forward year round.



CAMP UPDATES: WHAT'S NEW AT BEAR LAKE CAMP

Stay up to date with everything happening at Lions Bear Lake Camp in Camp Updates! From exciting developments and upcoming events to the latest news from around the camp, this section will keep you informed on all the ways we're growing and evolving to serve our campers and community.

A Record-Breaking Ice Plunge

What started as a cold winter morning turned into one of the most powerful days of the year at Bear Lake Camp. Our Ice Plunge was officially our biggest yet, raising an incredible \$35,000, welcoming over 150 attendees, and cheering on 42 brave jumpers who took the plunge in support of camp. From the laughter on the dock to the cheers along the shoreline, the energy was unforgettable. Guests warmed up afterward with four different homemade soups, fresh bread bowls, a full salad bar, and cookies for dessert, turning a chilly day into a cozy celebration of community. Events like this don't come together by accident. They happen because people care, show up, and believe in what this camp means to the children and families we serve. This year's plunge also carried special meaning, as we announced that future events will be known as the Rich Pfeiffer Memorial Ice Plunge, honoring Rich Pfeiffer, a past board president and devoted supporter whose love for this camp and this event ran deep. His spirit was felt throughout the day, reminding us why we do this work. We are already looking ahead, with next year's plunge set for January 30, 2027, and if this year showed us anything, it's that this community is strong, generous, and ready to keep making a difference together. Thank you to every jumper, volunteer, donor, sponsor, and attendee who helped make this record-breaking Ice Plunge such an incredible success.



Kickoff Dinner

This year's Annual Kickoff Dinner and Parade of Checks was one of those nights that reminds you why this work matters. We were grateful to have the evening hosted by the Shelby Township Lions Club, with the Fraser Lions Club providing both the meal and the space for everyone to gather. Lions from many clubs filled the room, sharing food, conversation, and a common purpose. It was a simple evening, but a meaningful one, rooted in connection and support for Lions Bear Lake Camp. Board President Jim Leach presented Al Kassin Founder's Awards to Jay Caldwell and Jack Patton in recognition of their years of dedication and continued support of camp. Their commitment has helped shape Bear Lake Camp into what it is today, and it was special to honor them in front of so many fellow Lions. The heart of the evening came from our guest speakers, counselor Sara Caldwell and camper Karsen Rounds. Through personal and deeply moving videos, they shared their experiences at camp. They spoke about learning new skills, building friendships, and finding confidence in ways that stay with them long after summer ends. Their words brought everything back into focus and reminded everyone in the room who this camp is truly for. The night wrapped up with our Parade of Checks as clubs stepped forward one by one in a simple but powerful show of support for Lions Bear Lake Camp. It was one of those moments that settles in quietly. Watching that line form. Seeing familiar faces. Feeling the room come together around a shared belief in this place and the kids we serve. It wasn't about numbers. It was about community. Just people showing up for something that matters. Thank you to every club, every volunteer, and every supporter who helped make this evening what it was. Your belief in this camp helps ensure that children and families continue to experience the growth, connection, and sense of belonging that Bear Lake Camp brings, year after year.





LBLC SPOTLIGHTS: CELEBRATING OUR CAMP COMMUNITY

In LBLC Spotlights, we shine a light on the dedicated individuals and partnerships that help make Lions Bear Lake Camp extraordinary. Each month, we'll highlight a staff member and board of directors member. These are the people and collaborations that drive our mission forward, ensuring that every camper experiences the magic of Bear Lake Camp.

Jim Patterson Board Member

Jim Patterson brings a lifetime of service, leadership, and quiet dedication to Bear Lake Camp. A retired high school industrial arts teacher, Jim and his wife Sherri have been married for 26 years and share a big, busy family that includes children, stepchildren, and ten grandchildren. He's also an amateur musician who has played guitar and sung since age 15. For years, Jim performed monthly and donated all of his earnings to the food bank at TrueNorth Community Services. Jim joined the Fremont Lions Club in 1981 and has spent decades giving back through hands-on projects, fundraising, and leadership. From helping launch scholarship programs to guiding major organizational updates and overseeing long-running fundraising events, Jim has consistently stepped forward when work needed to be done. That same steady commitment carries into his role with Bear Lake Camp. Jim brings experience, problem-solving skills, and a servant's heart to the board, always focused on strengthening the camp and supporting the children and families we serve. Whether it's navigating complex processes, supporting fundraising efforts, or lending his voice to long-term planning, Jim approaches everything with care and follow-through. He has served in numerous Lions leadership roles, including District Governor, and has received multiple honors over the years. But what matters most to us is simple. Jim shows up. We are grateful for his guidance, his consistency, and his belief in the mission of Bear Lake Camp. Thank you, Jim, for helping ensure this special place continues to grow and change lives.



Arlinda Pickett Kitchen Prep/Dishwasher

Arlinda first joined our team in the fall of 2023. After taking some time away, she returned last summer, and we've been grateful to have her back ever since. Today, she plays an important role in both kitchen prep and the dishroom, helping keep operations running smoothly while supporting staff and campers alike. Her work touches nearly every part of the day. From preparing ingredients to keeping dishes moving through the kitchen, Arlinda helps ensure that meals are ready and spaces stay clean and organized. She also lends a hand during major camp fundraisers, stepping in wherever she's needed to help make these events successful. What makes Arlinda special isn't just what she does, but how she does it. She shows up with a quiet consistency and a willingness to help that makes a real difference. When something needs attention, she doesn't wait to be asked. She simply steps in. Her steady presence brings calm to busy moments and reliability to long days. Behind every meal served and every fundraiser hosted are people like Arlinda, working hard without seeking recognition. It takes dedication, patience, and heart to support camp in these ways, and Arlinda brings all of that to her role. We are thankful for her commitment, her flexibility, and the care she puts into everything she does. Arlinda's contributions help create the welcoming, supportive environment that defines Bear Lake Camp. Thank you, Arlinda, for being part of our camp family. Your efforts matter more than you know, and we're grateful to have you on our team.





CAMPFIRE CHATS: STORIES THAT WARM THE HEART

Welcome to Campfire Chats, where we share the inspiring stories and unforgettable memories from our past campers and groups. Each month, we'll also spotlight our Camp Champion, someone who embodies the spirit of Lions Bear Lake Camp. These are the moments and people that make our camp so special—stories that continue to spark joy long after the campfire's last ember.

Ice Plunge Fun



Deerfield Township Fire & Rescue Dive Team Camp Champion

Some partnerships are built on consistency. Others on trust. Our relationship with the Dive Team from Deerfield Township Fire and Rescue is built on both. Every year when the Ice Plunge approaches, we know exactly who will be standing beside us. Their Dive Team shows up ready, prepared, and committed to keeping everyone safe. Before the first participant ever steps onto the dock, they are already hard at work, assisting Jesse, our Assistant Director, with cutting the hole in the ice and making sure everything is set up properly. Once the plunge begins, their presence is constant and reassuring. Team members are positioned in the water and on the dock, watching closely, ready to assist at a moment's notice. It's not easy work. It's cold, demanding, and requires complete focus. Yet they do it year after year with professionalism, care, and a genuine willingness to help. The Ice Plunge is our largest fundraiser of the year, and events like this simply don't happen without dedicated community partners like Deerfield Township Fire & Rescue Dive Team. Their support allows us to host this event safely while keeping the focus on what matters most: supporting Bear Lake Camp and the children and families we serve. They don't just show up once. They come back every year. That kind of commitment speaks volumes. To the Dive Team at Deerfield Township Fire & Rescue, thank you for standing in freezing water, for helping prepare the lake, for protecting our participants, and for being such strong supporters of camp. Your dedication makes a real difference, and we are truly grateful. We are proud to name you this month's Camp Champion.





CAMPFIRE CRUMBS

Welcome to our little corner of fun! Each month we'll share something lighthearted from around camp – from quirky facts to favorite recipes and surprises along the way. You never know what you might find here, but it's always sure to bring a smile.

FUN FACT



Over 3,500 people experienced Lions Bear Lake Camp in 2025 through programs, retreats, school trips, and events.

Camp Word Scramble

Unscramble the words below:

PMAC → _____

KELA → _____

UOPS → _____

NIPCE → _____

RTEATRE → _____

SPIDHS → _____

JUPM → _____

ENTRWI → _____

(Answers at the bottom!)

Word Scramble Answers:

CAMP, LAKE, SOUP, PICNIC, RETREAT, DISHES, JUMP, WINTER

STAY CONNECTED AND GET INVOLVED

FUNDRAISING & EVENTS

- **April 11th, 2026**- Buffalo/Boar Wild Game Dinner
- **May 9th, 2026**- Annual Workbee
- **June 8th, 2026**- Golf Outing
- **June 12th, 2026**- Baseball Game Fundraiser
- **June 28th, 2026**- Open House
- **September 26th, 2026**- Clay Shoot



Your generous support helps us continue providing exceptional experiences for our campers. Every donation makes a difference, ensuring we can offer top-notch programs and maintain our beautiful camp facilities. Thank you for helping us make a positive impact!

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CHECK OUT OUR CAMP
WISHLISTS!



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

LIONS OF MICHIGAN CAMPER SPONSORSHIP CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE DATES

JAN 1ST -

MAY 1ST, 2026



**HELP SEND A CHILD TO WEEKLONG RESIDENTIAL CAMP FOR \$995
OR A FAMILY WEEKEND CAMP FOR \$500**

Lions Bear Lake Camp provides life-changing outdoor experiences for youth who are blind, visually impaired, Deaf, or hard of hearing.

This year, we are challenging every Lions Club and District in Michigan to go above and beyond their annual giving to sponsor campers and engage their communities.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Sponsor one or more campers at \$995 each, or a family camp weekend at \$500 each for our Visually Impaired/Blind or Deaf & Hard of Hearing sessions.
- **Reach out to local vision & hearing centers to promote the camp and encourage sponsorship, each sponsorship will count towards your clubs total.**
- Engage local businesses and civic groups to sponsor.

RECOGNITION & AWARDS

- Top Club** – *Most camper sponsorships*
- Top District** – *Highest percentage of club participation*

Winners will be honored at the MD11 State Convention and featured in Lions Bear Lake Camp's statewide communications.

**EVERY SPONSORSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
TOGETHER, WE CAN ENSURE NO CHILD IS LEFT BEHIND FROM
EXPERIENCING CONFIDENCE, INDEPENDENCE, AND JOY AT CAMP.**

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LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Sponsor a Camper for \$995

Sponsor a Family Weekend for \$500



The Mission of Bear Lake Camp is to develop leadership skills, build confidence, and to provide premier outdoor educational and recreational experiences year-round to all persons, regardless of ability.

**Sponsor a Child for a Weeklong Residential Camp or
Sponsor a Family for a Weekend Camp**

Visually Impaired & Blind Family Camp \$500
July 3-5th, 2026
Visually Impaired Youth Camp \$995
July 5th-11th, 2026
Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth Camp \$995
July 12th-18th, 2026
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Family Camp \$500
July 24th-26th, 2026



Did a Lions Club refer you to this sponsorship?

Yes – Club Name: _____ District: _____

No

Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Sponsorship Session(s): _____

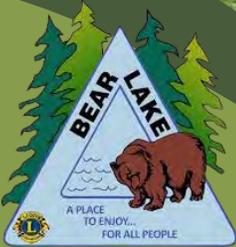
Number of Sponsorships: _____

Total \$: _____



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A place to enjoy... for all people



Lions Bear Lake Camp

Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner

Saturday, April 11th 2026

Doors open @ 5p. Dinner is served @ 6:30p.

NEW VENUE: Boulder Pointe Golf Club, 1 Champion Dr. Oxford, MI 48371

Join us for a night of auctions, raffles, drinks, and a gourmet Wild Game Dinner! Ticket prices include dinner buffet and an open beer, wine, and mixed drink bar. All proceeds will benefit the Lions Bear Lake Camp for children with disabilities!

\$70 per person OR \$480 for reserved table of 8

Order your tickets online TODAY at www.bearlakecamp.org under the event tab, or purchase tickets via mail.

Mail to 3409 N. Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, MI 48448.

Make checks payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!



Platinum
\$2,500

Gold
\$1,000

Silver
\$500

For More Information Contact:

Jack Paton japlapelp@gmail.com 248-535-9011

Traci Tribley traci@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Spring Workbee

May 9th, 2026

Registration 8:00 AM

Cleanup 9:00 AM



LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Easy, Medium, and
Advanced Tasks available
Please bring your own gloves and tools



PLEASE RSVP TO:

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

traci@bearlakecamp.org
jwalling@bearlakecamp.org

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP



21st Annual GOLF CLASSIC



*Boulder Pointe
Golf Club*

Ranked #1 public golf course in the metro Detroit area

June 8th, 2026

**Boulder Pointe Golf Club
1 Championship Drive, Oxford, MI**

Please join us for the 21st Annual Lions Bear Lake Camp Golf Classic.

Boulder Pointe Golf Club, ranked the #1 public course in metro Detroit, features three distinctive 9-hole layouts—Bluffs, Peaks, and Dunes—offering endless 18-hole combinations ranging from just over 5,000 to 7,000+ yards, perfect for both relaxed play and serious competition. that will make for a fun and challenging event.

Proceeds from this event will support blind and visually impaired children at Bear Lake Camp. Together, we can make this a great event for such a wonderful cause.

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Use of Driving Range
18 Holes of Golf with Cart
Course Contests
Buffet-Style Awards Dinner
Door Prizes & Raffles

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Registration 9:00am
Shotgun Start 10:00am
Awards Dinner 3:00pm

EVENT FEES

Player \$125
Foursome \$500

Register Now



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bearlakecamp.org

EVENT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A great way for your group or business to do a bit more!

Event Sponsorship \$2,000

Sponsor's name will be part of the official title of the golf event and all aspects of the event's activities, such as course signage and recognition on event materials.

Includes golf for eight players and awards dinner.

Dinner Sponsorship \$1,500

Sponsor's name will be featured at the awards dinner, on course signage, and on event materials. Includes golf for four players and awards dinner.

Platinum Sponsorship \$1,000

Sponsor's name will be featured on event materials and hole signage. Includes golf for four players and awards dinner.

Beverage Cart or Special Event Sponsorship \$500

Sponsor's name will be featured on multiple beverage carts or special event hole signage throughout the day.

Hole Sponsorship \$100

Sponsor's name will be featured on signage at one hole.

Donations Welcome!!!

Donated raffle and prize items are appreciated.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Captain _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Player 2 _____

Player 3 _____

Player 4 _____

Sponsorship Level _____ Total \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp

To Register Online: Scan QR Code
or visit bearlakecamp.org under
the "Events" tab



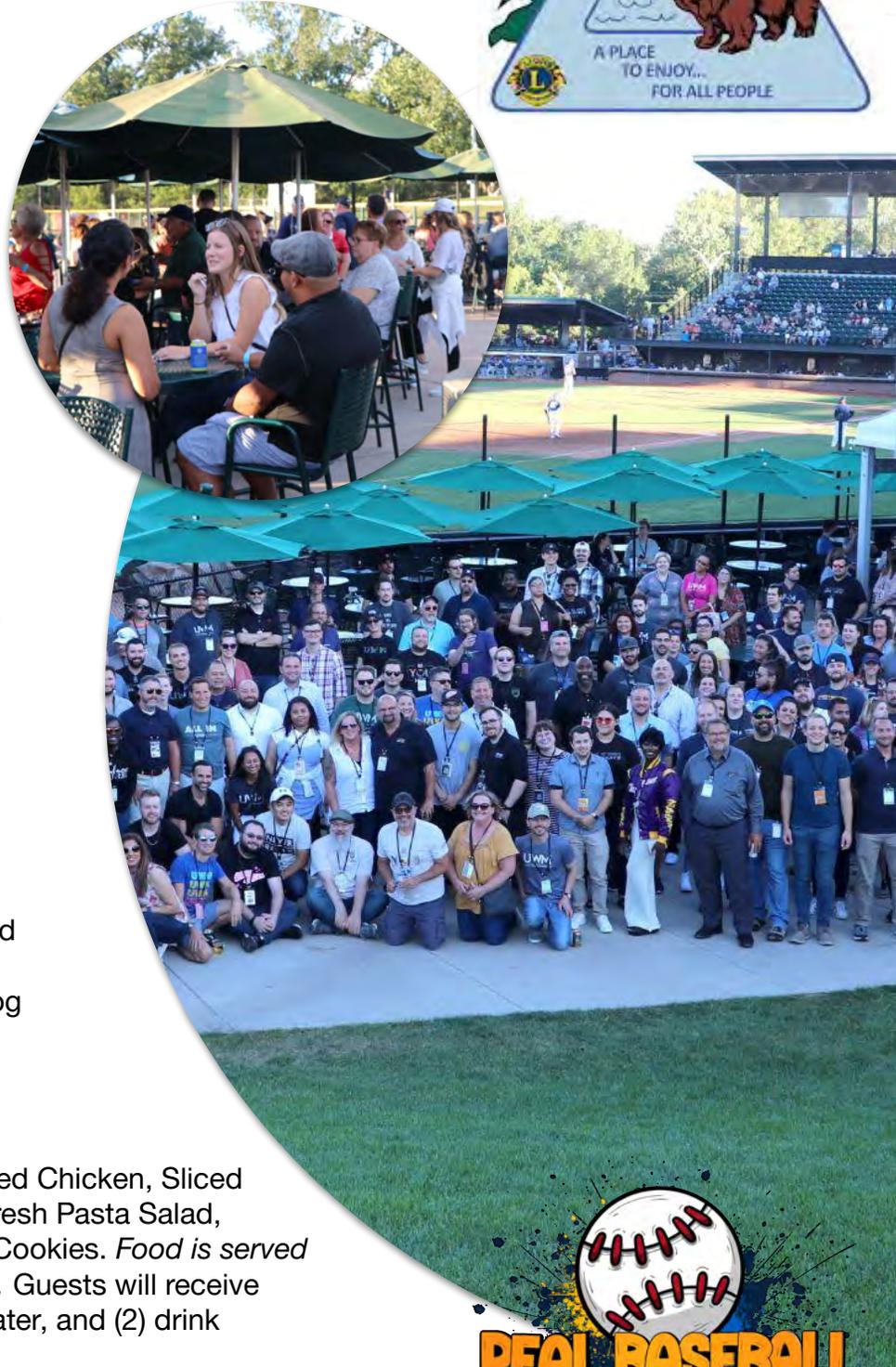
Mail Registrations & Payments to: Rick Fleming 1 Championship Drive Oxford, MI 48371



Join us for a night of fun,
entertainment & baseball
at Jimmy John's Field!



Lions Bear Lake Camp FUNDRAISER



**MAMMOTHS VS. BEAVERS
FRIDAY, JUNE 12 - 7:05 PM
GATES OPEN 6 PM**

Group Perks Include:

- Game seating in party patio area
- Group photo on the field
- Welcome message on the scoreboard
- Kids Run the Bases after the game
- Meet JJ the Field General, the bat dog
- Meet & Greet with a team mascot
- Free Parking

Enjoy an All American BBQ!

Premium Hot Dogs, Slow Roasted BBQ Pulled Chicken, Sliced Smoked Sausage with Peppers & Onions, Fresh Pasta Salad, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Potato Chips, and Cookies. *Food is served starting when the gates open for 90 minutes.* Guests will receive unlimited soft drinks, lemonade, iced tea, water, and (2) drink vouchers for 12oz. Domestic beer or wine.

**[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE
YOUR TICKETS](#)**



"Your exemplary team made our night smooth and effortless. It was an amazing event and everyone went home happy. Jimmy John's Field is a true field of dreams." - Stewart

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP OPEN HOUSE



JUNE 28TH, 2026
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Tour Camp
Meet the Staff
Family Friendly Event
Snacks Provided

RSVP Online or contact:



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LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

VISUALLY IMPAIRED & BLIND FAMILY CAMP

JULY 3-5TH, 2026



Visually Impaired & Blind Family Camp is a weekend where families can experience the joy of camp together. Whether one or more family members are visually impaired or blind, the whole family is welcome to join in accessible activities, shared adventures, and meaningful connections.

ACTIVITIES

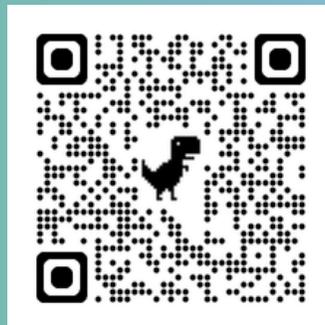
- ✓ Swimming & Boating
- ✓ Archery
- ✓ Climbing Tower & Zipline
- ✓ Arts & Crafts
- ✓ Making Friends
- ✓ Much More!!

PARENTS WILL ENJOY

- ✓ Informative sessions about current issues
- ✓ Networking & sharing with other parents and families
- ✓ Family activities & bonding
- ✓ Creative break from the daily grind!

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

3409 N Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446
www.bearlakecamp.org



Register Online
starting January 1st, 2026

More Info info@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726



LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP VISUALLY IMPAIRED & BLIND YOUTH CAMP

Join us for a week long overnight camp for blind and visually impaired youth ages 6-16. Kids enjoy a jam packed week of fun while making friendships, developing independence, and learning life skills.

**July
5-11, 2026**

**Ages
6-16**

Activities Include:

- Archery
- Swimming, Boating
- Fishing
- Camping and bonfires
- Challenge Course
- Climbing Tower/Zipline
- Team Building
- Nature Exploration
- Evening Programs
- Arts & Crafts
- Much More!



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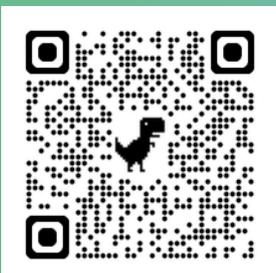
**JULY
12-18th,
2026**

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP
**DEAF & HARD
OF HEARING
YOUTH CAMP**
Ages 6-16

**This program is for children who use listening and spoken language as their primary mode of communication. Our camp focus is building speech, language, and audition skills while participating in traditional camp activities and making positive social connections!*



Register Online
Starting January 1st, 2026



- ACTIVITIES:**
- Archery
 - Swimming, Boating
 - Fishing
 - Camping and bonfires
 - Challenge Course
 - Climbing Tower/Zipline
 - Team Building
 - Nature Exploration
 - Evening Programs
 - Arts & Crafts
 - Much More!

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

DEAF & HARD OF HEARING

FAMILY CAMP

JULY 24-26TH, 2026



Come enjoy a fun themed weekend for families of deaf & hard of hearing children. It is geared to meet the unique needs of children who use listening & spoken language as their primary mode of communication.

ACTIVITIES

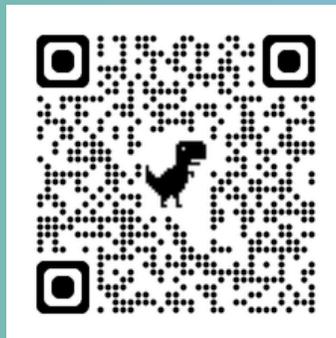
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Lions Bear Lake Camp YOUTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM 2026



Our Leadership Development Program is specifically designed for teens aged 15 to 17, providing them with the opportunity to take on entry-level leadership roles within our camp community. Through hands-on experience and mentorship, participants will:

Learn valuable leadership skills, gain practical experience in leading camp activities, serve as role models for younger campers, develop a sense of responsibility and teamwork

**Session 1 (VIB)
July 5-11th, 2026**

**Session 2(DHH)
July 12-18th, 2026**



2nd Annual LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP BUSTING CLAYS FOR BEAR LAKE FUNDRAISER

**BREAKFAST
&
LUNCH
PROVIDED**

2026

SATURDAY

SEPT 26

**8:00AM REGISTRATION
9:00AM START**

**FENTON SPORTSMAN CLUB
1140 BUTCHER RD.
FENTON, MI**

Test your skills in friendly competition while supporting our mission to provide transformative outdoor experiences for individuals of all abilities.

REGISTRATION FEE

\$75

PER PERSON

**LOCK & LOAD
FOR A DAY OF
PRECISION &
THRILLS!**

Secure your spot by visiting:
BEARLAKECAMP.ORG

Limited slots available, so don't miss your chance to be part of this shooting extravaganza!

ONLY MEALS: \$20

For More Information: Kurt Stromlund
stromlund@comcast.net 810-923-4252

**Gun Raffle
&
Squares**



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

\$100 SHOOTING STATION SPONSOR

- Your business name displayed at one of the shooting stations
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements

\$250 D.J. SPONSOR

- 1 Free Shooter
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements

\$325 TABLE/CHAIR SPONSOR

- 1 Free Shooter
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements

\$500 BREAKFAST SPONSOR

- 2 Free Shooters
- Your business name prominently displayed during breakfast
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements
- Special shout-out at the start of the day

\$500 LUNCH SPONSOR

- 2 Free Shooters
- Your business name prominently displayed during lunch
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements
- Special shout-out before awards ceremony

\$1000 TENT SPONSOR

- Four Free Shooters
- Recognition on event materials and during announcements
- Special shout-out before awards ceremony



Lions Bear Lake Camp

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2025

Trail Markers:

Our Year in Impact



1982

Founded by Big Al Kassin and the Lake Orion Lions Club. Camp opened in its current location in 2000.



15,000+

Number of campers & visitors since 2000.



25,500+

Total number of meals served by our food service team in 2025.



85%

Percentage of our summer camp staff who are returning campers that have been through our leadership development program.

2025 Campers and Visitors



3500+

Number of Individuals Served in 2025.

11

Weeks of summer kid camps.

1,506

Kids served.

Lions Sponsored Camps

25

Years of providing mission focused residential camps.

Visually Impaired & Blind Youth Camp

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Youth Camp

Camp Life

120

Acres of trails, nature, & adventure

160

Individuals we can house at full capacity in 10 cabins

250

Dining Hall Capacity

Partnerships

We have many partnerships allowing us to host several summer camp opportunities

- o Camp Quality- Kids with Cancer Sibling Camp
- o MSU Kesem- Kids with Parents who have Cancer
- o PBJ- Foster Kid camp ages 6-12
- o Jack and Jill Motor City Chapter, Youth Leadership Development
- o MASTA String Camps
- o Sterling Heights Marching Band Camp

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