



Lions of Michigan District 11-C2 Program Sharing System



**I have heard from other Lions and experienced it myself.
“Good program help make good meetings.”**

To help share “Programs” that can be presented at Lions Club meetings, we are introducing a “Program Sharing System” for all Clubs of District 11-C2 of Lions International.

The traditional program at a Lions Club meeting fits into a specified period of time and is of interest to the Clubs members. This of course covers a very wide range of topics and is not just “Lions” only subjects.

We hope this Program sharing will benefit our Clubs in several ways.

1. Since there is continuing pressure to get programs for the Clubs meetings by the Program Chairperson(s) or whoever is assigned that task within the Club, this should make it easier to find good programs for your Club.
2. Membership Retention, if some Club members think the Club meeting is just the same old thing over and over, then the idea of a fresh and interesting program at meetings may help keep them showing up.
3. Membership Growth, if you have guests that see your meetings are interesting and enjoyable it might lead to some new members. (A guest just sitting and hearing reports and eating dinner with a bunch of strangers isn't very impressive.)

To help with that task of finding quality programs that are of interest to Lions and anyone else visiting your Club, we want all area Lions to **Share** the good programs they have already seen or programs that you have presented. If you have had a quality program presented to your Club, please **Share** with the rest of us. When you have a new program at your Club, **share** it with the rest of us.

Fill out the **Program Sharing Form**; then save the word document file using a short descriptive file name. Example: for an e-clubhouse website program save it as “Program e-clubhouse.doc”. Then email that file to our District Webmaster. The file/form will be looked at and a title or heading will be assigned to it. Finally it will be posted on a new page of our district website for access by all Lions.

When you need help finding a program for your club or activity and can't find it otherwise you can search the **Program Listing** page, select the link that will pull up the **Program Sharing form** with the information about the subject matter, who presents it, how to contact them and what is needed to do the presentation. Finally, information about who posted the Program File and how to contact them if you need to find out more about the will be listed.

Last you will contact the Program presenter to make arrange about having it at your Club. Be sure to provide them with dates, times and phones numbers so they can call you back if they have questions or need directions.

We hope this tool will help you and your clubs have a better Lions experience. See the blank “Program Sharing Form” file and a sample Program Sharing Form. Email your completed program files to the district webmaster at acee44@msn.com.