2009 ANNUAL REPORT

Cover art created by the campers at our 2010 Camp Discovery
A YEAR OF BUILDING

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan is dedicated to ensuring that people with epilepsy are able to participate in all that life has to offer. We are committed to not just fighting the fight, but LEADING the fight against epilepsy and the devastating effects it can have on someone’s life. In 2009, in spite of the challenges in the Michigan economy, our commitment maintained closing the gap between what can be done for people with epilepsy and their families and what is being done.

We believe that our most important activity is to be a reliable resource for people: offering the best and most current information about epilepsy including its diagnosis and treatment, and assisting in finding ways to overcome the challenges epilepsy presents. In 2009, in an effort to eliminate transportation as a barrier we initiated a new program, Learn and Share Conference Calls. Using a conference call system, the Foundation hosts a call each month on a different topic with an expert on that subject, and the people we serve can participate from the comfort of their own home.

Legislative advocacy continues to be a major focus for the Foundation. We continued our work on the Patient Protection Legislation, which would prevent a pharmacist from interchanging an antiepileptic medication without the consent of a prescribing physician and the patient. While it has been difficult to get a hearing on this important issue, we have built awareness through our media campaign, and made policy makers aware of the new research that supports the dangers of switching from one form of a medication to another for some people with epilepsy.

The Foundation continued to build support for a number of other legislative issues. We supported legislation for mental health parity. This would ensure no greater burden on coverage for brain disorders than exists for other medical care. We became part of a coalition of mental health advocacy groups, and will continue to work on this issue until we succeed. We also worked to limit physician liability for driving licensure for people with epilepsy. By limiting the risk of physicians who fill out medical forms for the Secretary of State, we hope to enable more people with epilepsy who should be able to drive to keep a driver’s license. Finally, we continued our struggle to maintain Michigan’s Mandatory Motorcycle Helmet Law.

In establishing the Michigan Epilepsy Research Fund, we continue to recognize the importance of finding a cure for epilepsy. We will continue to support research through the Epilepsy Foundation or the Epilepsy Research Foundation, a partnership of the Epilepsy Foundation and the Epilepsy Therapy Development Project.

Because the stories of people with epilepsy and their families build public awareness, we created Epilepsy in Our Own Words, a theatrical epilepsy awareness program developed conceptually in collaboration with Matrix Theatre Company. Stories were solicited from people with epilepsy which were then transformed into performance pieces by people with epilepsy who had theatre experience. This program was performed around Michigan, at conferences and on college campuses.

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan is committed to changing lives and making our community better, but we can only do it with the ongoing support from organizations and people like you. We are grateful to all of you who have demonstrated their commitment to helping people with epilepsy and we look forward to creating new possibilities in the future.

ABOUT CAMP DISCOVERY...

“...the only place I have been able to send my son where he could just be a normal kid! He needs to be around others with epilepsy! He felt very alone with his disease. Thank you to all who have supported this program.”

“Thank God for the Epilepsy Foundation, Camp Discovery, the donors and volunteers. After his first trip to Camp Discovery, I witnessed an angry, scared boy evolve into a patient, caring young man with a great sense of humor.”

Arlene S. Gorelick, MPH
President

James Madaus, CPA
Board Chairman

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WHO WE ARE…

Established in 1948, the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan is the only statewide non-profit organization focusing on epilepsy.

OUR GOALS
- Close the treatment gap between what is being done for people with epilepsy and what should be done.
- Improve how people with epilepsy are perceived, accepted and valued in society.
- Empower people with epilepsy and their families to have access to full life experiences.

OUR MISSION
The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan will ensure that people with seizures are able to participate in all life experiences; and will prevent, control and cure epilepsy through services, education, advocacy, and research.

OUR VISION
The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan values all people with epilepsy. We commit our resources to empowering their independence and inspiring productive lives. To the extent of our capabilities, we offer our services to every individual without regard to artificial barriers.

WHAT IS EPILEPSY?
Epilepsy is a neurological condition producing brief disturbances in the normal electrical functions of the brain and is the general term for a variety of seizure disorders characterized by recurring, unprovoked seizures. A seizure is a brief disturbance in the electrical activity of the brain that causes temporary changes in movement, awareness, feelings or behavior. Up to thirty million Americans (one in every ten) have had, or will have, at least one seizure at some time in their lives. Epilepsy is the third most common neurological disorder in the United States after Alzheimer’s disease and stroke. It is equal in prevalence to cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis and Parkinson’s disease combined. Nearly three million people (one percent of the population) in the United States have some form of epilepsy. The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan estimates that more than 100,000 people in the state have the disorder. In addition, a large number of adults and children have undetected or untreated epilepsy. Anyone can develop epilepsy at any time.

ABOUT LEARN & SHARE CONFERENCE CALL PROGRAM…

“Thank you for putting on tonight’s call. I was listening for my daughter who had to work this evening. I think you are correct about being able to reach a much broader number of people with the conference call technology – especially good for those that are unable to get out readily and may be most in need of support.”
WHAT WE DO… We Change Lives!

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan leads the fight to stop seizures and overcome the challenges created by epilepsy.

EDUCATION & CONSULTATION
Information and guidance, through both one-on-one and group interactions, that promotes effective management of epilepsy and related issues. Services include toll-free phone counseling, monthly Learn & Share Conference Calls and the annual Epilepsy Today Conference. As needed, advocacy with third parties is offered to resolve conflicts in areas such as employment, education, healthcare, public benefits, and legal matters.

CAMPS AND RETREATS
Multi-day, overnight camping experiences that promote personal growth and development of lifelong friendships. Sessions are available for both youth and adults. Also available is the Family Weekend Retreat, which strengthens family relationships and facilitates problem solving through sharing of ideas.

SOCIAL PROGRAMS
Opportunities for networking, informal learning, and recreation; programs include Epilepsy Entertainment Gatherings and Peer to Peer Support Network.

ADVOCACY
Ongoing efforts to protect the rights of people with epilepsy and promote public policies that benefit them; public policy priorities include access to medication and specialty healthcare services, patient safety, and mental health parity; the Foundation’s public policy agenda is promoted through grassroots efforts, regular communication with policy makers, and the annual Legislative Recognition Breakfast & Michigan Kids Speak Up! events.

SEIZURE SMART
Tailored epilepsy awareness & first aid workshops for students, educators, school nurses, law enforcement officers, and other public and professional audiences.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
Youth and adults that support the Foundation’s efforts and develop leadership skills via the Winning Kids & Terrific Teens programs, Teen Action Council, Young Adult Leadership Council, and Community Action Council.

RESEARCH
Support for local research through the Michigan Epilepsy Research Fund and national research through the national office of the Epilepsy Foundation.
Thank you for your support. Your contributions change lives every day; thank you for doing what you can to lead the fight against epilepsy.

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as prepared by The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan

(The complete financial statements, including related notes and the independent auditor’s report, are available upon request and at www.epilepsymichigan.org.)

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

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STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES – YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

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“Everyone did an outstanding job. We are blessed to have Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan here! Thank you for all of the handouts from each session! Thank you for this wonderful conference!”

ABOUT SEIZURE SMART...

“Best presentation in 5 years. Thank you – an important topic and one that has largely been overlooked.”

2009 Actual Expenses - $766,352

2009 Actual Revenues - $748,553