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Hospice of Michigan to Hold Volunteer Training Workshop in March

Ludington, Michigan, March 4, 2015 – Hospice of Michigan will hold a volunteer training workshop on Friday, March 20 in Ludington.

New volunteers are asked to go through a training course where they learn more about HOM, the principles of hospice, the grieving process and how to help patients, families and staff. The session will be held from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The session will take place at the HOM Ludington office located at 5177 U.S. 10. Advance registration is required.

Hospice of Michigan is looking for volunteers to provide patient companionship and grief support to clients and families in Mason County.

“Our volunteers make a real difference in the lives of our patients,” said Deb Davis, volunteer coordinator. “In just a couple of hours, by making a cup of tea or reading the newspaper, volunteers can provide a sense of normalcy to hospice patients. This short time also gives caregivers a brief – but valuable – respite.

“We deeply appreciate our volunteers, who all have a passion for helping others. Some come with a specific skill to share, while others simply have the time and willingness to make a difference in the life of patients and their families.”

Interested parties should visit <http://www.hom.org/get-involved/getting-started/> to learn more and apply. For more information and to register after submitting an application, please contact Davis at 231.845.3422 or via e-mail at ddavis@hom.org.

For those who have experienced a loss, HOM encourages a waiting period of one year before becoming a volunteer in order to allow for the processing of grief.

About Hospice of Michigan

A nationally recognized leader in end-of-life care, Hospice of Michigan is the original – and largest – hospice in the state. The nonprofit cares for more than 1,700 patients each day, raising more than \$4 million each year to cover the cost of care for the uninsured and underinsured. HOM offers a broad range of services to enhance the quality of life at the end of life, including At Home Support™, our advanced illness management program, community-based palliative care and pediatric care programs. HOM provides grief support and counseling, caregiver education and support, and education programs for physicians and health care professionals through its research, training and education arm, the Hospice of Michigan Institute. For more information, call 888.247.5701 or visit www.hom.org.

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