



Lion Tracks



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August Meeting: August 22: Lakewood Shores Pavilion

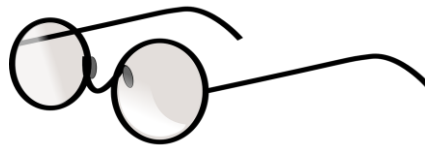
5:00: Executive Board Meeting

6:00 Club Meeting: The club meeting will begin at 6:00 and the meal will be sandwiches, chips with condiments. Bring your own beverages. If you can provide a dessert, please let Lion Connie know. The price of the meal will be \$10.00. Remember to RSVP to Lion Connie 989-739-4459 or email pappaeddie@charter.net if you haven't already done so.

Following the meal and short meeting we will have a service project to sort the collected eyeglasses and get them ready to be sent on for donation.

Often when selling tickets people will ask about locations of eyeglass collection boxes. Following is a list of box locations: Oscoda: Oscoda AuSable Senior Center, Alpena Alcona Federal Credit Union, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, Fraser Optical, Floyd's Barber Shop, Revolve by Hope Shores, Methodist church.

Tawas Area: Huron Community Bank (both locations), Neiman's Family Market, New Vision Family Eye Care, Chadwick Optometrist, Tawas Senior Center.



Many Lions enjoyed the picnic meal at the Lakewood Shores Racquet Club on July 25th. No one went home hungry as there was an abundant assortment of food and a variety of desserts. Thanks go to our organizers, Lions Connie, Pat and Nancy.

September Meetings

6:30 September 5: Executive Board Meeting – Oscoda United Methodist Church

6:00 Club Meetings. The club will return to two regular meetings on the second and fourth Thursday's beginning on September 12th. These dinner meetings will be held at Tait's Gathering Room.



Paul Bunyan “Five K’ Raffle Updates

Our annual fundraiser is underway and will conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 14th at the Paul Bunyan Festival at Furtaw Field. Community business partners and individuals have given sponsorships totaling \$3,100 to date and 370 tickets are checked out to members. This is well below the usual number of club members’ participation. There were great sales at Family Fare on July 12-13. The two days there added \$1,456.88 from tickets and donations. The Canoe Marathon crew, Chuck, Tony P., Cindy Wellen and Heather Griffith did a terrific job and sold 418 tickets bringing in \$1,842. Lion Chuck reports that we are \$2,500 in the black at this point in the raffle.

Over-the counter- sales are planned for this weekend (August 9-10) at Neiman’s Market. Two Lions are needed to complete the schedule of workers, again at Neiman’s Market on August 23-24, at Family Fare on September 6-7, at the Oscoda Rockfest and September 7 and at the Paul Bunyan Festival on Saturday, September 14th.

There are lots of tickets yet to be sold and club members are encouraged to sell tickets to family, friends and as many others as possible. Everyone needs to get involved for us to have a successful fundraiser. The goal is always to sell all 3,000 tickets. Contact Lions Chuck (989-335-3267) or Lion Nancy (989-493-9371) to sign up to help or to get tickets to sell.



Lions Club Fall Arts and Crafts Show

Saturday, October 5th – Oscoda High School 10:00a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The craft fair committee will be looking forward to many Lions signing up to help. There are a variety of jobs prior to, during and after the event for you to participate.

It’s not too early to begin advertising as there are still spaces available for additional vendors. If you have a yard sign, please begin displaying it.

103 and Counting

The ramp construction crew remains busy having completed four ramps in July. On July 9 Lions Tony B., John and Chuck constructed a ramp for a Harrisville homeowner's daughter who is confined to a wheelchair. The homeowner has not been able to get her daughter in and out of the house for appointments and travel. The completed ramp was greatly appreciated. The owner paid for the materials.

On July 14th Lion Tony P. and Lion friend Bob Drogosch constructed a ramp in Whittemore for the homeowner who has stability issues and lives alone. The made repairs on the deck and built a 16-foot ramp.

July 17th took the crew to Tawas City to build a much-needed ramp. Two members of the household are in wheelchairs and the other is undergoing cancer treatments. The cancer patient has been getting the wheel bound residents out of the house on makeshift steps. Crew members Tony P., Tony B., John, Ann, Chuck and Bob Drogosch and Rick Stanley constructed this ramp. The homeowner donated \$100.

The July 31st ramp was constructed by Lions Tony P. and B, John, Bob Drogosch and Jeremy Maynard. This 21-foot ramp with a 4x4 platform was constructed for an elderly lady who has been using a wheelchair and a walker while dealing with back issues. When completed she was able to go up and down using the walker with help from her in home physical therapist. The \$1,300 AuSable ramp was paid by the homeowner.



Harrisville Ramp – July 9th



Whittemore Ramp July 14th



Tawas City Ramp – July 17th Before and After



AuSable – July 31st.

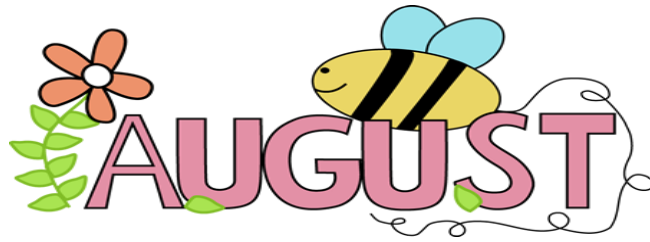
Board Business

Lion Tony reported that River Road Clean-Up #2 was completed on July 18th. Only six members participated so let's do better on Road Clean-up 3# on September 19th.

After discussion and changes the Executive Board approved the club budget for 2024-2025. The budget will be presented to the membership for approval on August 22nd.

Planning ahead, Lion Nancy announced that the annual Lions/Rotary Christmas celebration will be at Tait's Bill of Fare on December 12th. The Lions Club Children's Christmas Party will be held on December 7th. The float committee has been making repairs and refurbishing Santa's sleigh for his appearance at the parade the same day.

The Humanitarian Fund in July provided \$500 to help with the cost of brake repairs for a woman who is undergoing cancer treatments at U of M. The funds were paid to the business doing the repairs.



August 6: Michigan State Primary Election – Remember to VOTE

August 9-10: 5K Raffle Ticket Sales – Neiman's Market

August 9: Smokey the Bear 80th Birthday Party 6-9 p.m. Vet's Park

August 22: Executive Board Meeting – 5:00 Lakewood Shores Pavilion

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August 23-24: 5K Raffle Ticket Sales – Neiman's Market



September 2:


September 5: Executive Board Meeting – 6:00 – Methodist Church

September 6-7: 5K Raffle Ticket Sales – Family Fare

September 7: 5K Raffle Ticket Sales – Rock Fest – Veteran' Park

September 12: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

September 14: 5K Raffle Drawing – Paul Bunyan Fest – Furtaw Field – 5:00

September 19: River Road Clean-Up #3 – OHS Parking Lot – 6:00 p.m.

September 22: Fall Equinox – *Happy Fall*

September 26: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.