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January Meetings

January 12: Club Meeting - Tait's Gathering Room - 6:00 p.m.

The first meeting of 2023 will begin with a delicious meal of Chicken Especiale served with risotto potatoes, vegetables, salad, dessert and beverages. The price remains \$16.00. RSVP your attendance to Lion Connie (739-4459 or email pappaeddie@charter.net) if you haven't already done so. Two desserts are needed for the meal so let Connie know if you are able to provide one.

This will be an informational meeting about the many events that we have planned and is also an opportunity to bring up topics that are important to you. The Executive Board will be meeting following the general membership meeting if necessary. All members are welcome to stay and attend this meeting.

We will restart the Progressive 50/50 at this meeting. There are many good reasons to attend the meeting – good conversation, good food and a chance to win some cash.



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

The menu for this meeting will be a club favorite, barbecued ribs served with baked potatoes, baked beans, salad and beverages.

The special guest for this meeting will be Amanda Bergeron who will present information about food pantries.

Club dues for January 1 – June 30 were due to Lion Ele by December 31st. Have you paid yours? Checks can be mailed to the Oscoda Lions Club, P.O. Box 38, Oscoda

Upcoming Club Activities Will Keep Us Busy Sign up to help with these projects

Support the Sweepstakes

The Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes tickets from the Lions of Michigan Foundation are now available. Lion Wayne will have them at club meetings. Tickets are pre-packaged for you to pick up. Tickets are \$10 each and the drawing will be held in May.

Last year we again led the entire state in sales. Remember that we receive \$5.50 for every ticket we sell so the sweepstakes is a good fundraiser for both the foundation and our club.

Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

The first Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament at the American Legion is this weekend and Lion Von has indicated there is a full slate of workers for the three days. The second tournament is scheduled for February. Two workers will be needed for each shift. Lion Von will have a sign-up sheet.

Blood Drive
February 7, 2023
American Legion Hall
Noon – 5:45

Members are needed to help set up at 10:30 a.m. and to help disassemble and pack up the equipment at 6:15. Donors are always welcome, and appointments can be made with the Red Cross.

Help save a life. Donate blood

2023 Lions of Michigan Forum – February 24-26
Together We Can Make A Difference
Double Tree Hotel Airport, Grand Rapids

Additional information and registration forms are available in the Lion Pride Magazine.





It's Souper Supper Time

The Oscoda Lions Club will be hosting its 11^{th} annual Souper Supper including the traditional Richardson Elementary School Art Bowl Sale on Friday, February 10^{th} from 5-7 p.m. in the Oscoda High School commons area. The Oscoda Owls JV and Varsity basketball teams will play the Charlton Heston Academy Patriots that evening in the gym.

The Lions Club will be serving homemade soups and desserts accompanied by biscuits, crackers and beverages. The meal will cost \$3.00 for children ages 5-12 and \$5.00 for ages 13 and up with a maximum charge of \$20.00 per family.

The Richardson Elementary students' unique handcrafted ceramic bowls will be sold during the meal with the proceeds donated to a charitable organization of the students' choice.

Twenty-five soups and desserts to serve approximately 300 people will be needed. Check out your favorite soup and dessert recipes. Lion Bill will have a sign-up sheet at the January 12th and 26th meetings.

This project is always a tremendous success. Get involved to support the students, to help raise funds to fight hunger and to show how Lions work in the community.



15th Annual Bowling Tournament

The annual Lions Club Best Ball Bowling Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 11th at Vista Lanes. There will be twelve four-person teams for afternoon (4:00 p.m.) and evening (7:30 p.m.) shifts and lots of great prizes to be awarded. Bowling is open to keglers of all ages and all bowling abilities. Get your family, friends and neighbors to join the fun and organize your own team. The tourney entry fee is \$20 per person.

Along with bowlers, volunteers are needed to help organize this event. As always it takes a lot of hands to have successful fundraisers. Lion Jane is again chairing this event and will need members to obtain prizes, to work at the sign-in table, to sell 50/50 tickets and to pass out prizes. Sign-up sheets will be passed around at the club meetings.



January 6,7,8: Texas Hold 'Em Poker – American Legion

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

January 16: MLK, Jr Day – A National Day of Service

January 26: Club Meeting - Tait's Gathering Room - 6:00 p.m.



February 7: Blood Drive - American Legion - Noon - 5:45 p.m.

February 9: Club Meeting - Tait's Gathering Room - 6:00 p.m.

February 10: Souper Supper – Oscoda High School – 5 – 7 p.m.

February 9,10,11: Texas hold 'Em Poker Tournament – American Legion

February 14: Happy Valentine's Day

February 20: Presidents' Day

February 22: Ash Wednesday

February 23: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

February 24-26: Lions of Michigan Forum – Grand Rapids