

Oscoda, MI
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Lion Tracks

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October Meetings

October 5: Executive Board Meeting – Oscoda High School Commons – 6:30 p.m.

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

Chicken parmesan speciale served with pasta marinara, salad and dessert will be the meal for this meeting. The price remains \$16.00. RSVP your attendance to Lion Connie if you haven't already done so – 989-739-4459 or e-mail pappaeddie@charter.net.

The business meeting will include updates on the Arts and Crafts Festival, the Blood Drive and other pertinent information locally and around the district.

You can look forward to a delicious meal, enjoy the camaraderie of the club members and have a chance to win some cash in the Progressive 50/50 which is up to \$525 with thirteen cards remaining. Lion Chuck will enjoy his free meal.



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

BBQ pork ribeye, mashed potatoes, vegetable, salad and dessert will be the meal for this meeting. Be sure to let Lion Connie know if you are attending.

Our guest will be DG Steve Murch who will help us celebrate the club's 60th anniversary.

Special Lion Thoughts

Expressions of sympathy are sent to the family of Lion Julie Burrell who passed away recently after a battle with cancer.

Thanks go to Lion Nancy Howse who has agreed to step in as the club's 2nd vice president and Bill Bickel who is the new Lion Tamer.

Five K Raffle

The Paul Bunyan “Five K Raffle” was a tremendous success with all but 97 tickets sold. Lion members sold 25% of the total (\$3,020) and Over-the Counter sales added \$10,018. The donation jar added \$1,129. The many sponsors, both business partners and individuals added an additional \$3,900. All of this adds up to \$18,067. After prizes have been awarded and expenses deducted, \$12,792 will be added to our activities budget to support our many community projects.

The drawing was held on September 16th at the Paul Bunyan Festival. \$1,000 checks were mailed to Jon Langley of Oscoda, Pat Mullen of Oscoda, Marge Simmert of Greenbush, Ian Allan of Oscoda and Mary Kucha of Fremont, Ohio.

Thanks go to all the Lions who helped make this a super success, especially Lion Chuck who organized the event and kept us all on track. Special thanks also go to Lion Von’s grandchildren for drawing the winning tickets.



Fall Festival Arts and Crafts Show

The 22nd annual Lions Club Fall Festival Arts and Crafts Show is set for Saturday, October 7th. The commons area, hallways and the gym of Oscoda High School will be filled with vendors offering a wide variety of crafts and food along with many non-profit groups participating. The event runs from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The following is a schedule for the event:

Thursday, October 5: Lions will measure booths in the commons and hallways after the board meeting

Friday, October 6: Lions will measure and label booths in the gym. Arrive at 3:00. Check in for vendors begins at 6:00.

Saturday, October 7: Vendors will begin checking in at 7:30. Workers should arrive before that time. Kitchen helpers should be in the kitchen by 9:30 unless informed otherwise.

River Road Cleanup

The final River Road cleanup of the season was held on September 21st. Several Lions worked to put the beauty back in the byway. Thanks to everyone for your efforts throughout the months, especially Lion Tony who chaired the project.

Handicap Ramp Completed

A ramp was completed on September 27th for a Tawas woman with diabetes and confine to a wheelchair. The ramp will help her get in and out of her home to visit doctors. Lions Tony Priebe, Tony Bol, Ann Bovan and Chuck Andrina constructed the 16-foot ramp and platform.



Club Business

Ramps: Cards of Appreciation have been received from happy homeowners who have received ramps. The Hale Lions Club has provided \$1,650 for the two ramps recently completed there and the homeowner who had the metal ramp installed sent a \$100 donation to the club.

Lions Mints: Lions Nik, Tony P., and Pat have agreed to co-chair this project and get it started again.

Eye glass collections boxes are located at Northland Credit Union, Fraser Optical, AACU and the Methodist church. Collection boxes will soon be placed in the Tawas area.

The following fund disbursements have been approved:

\$1,600 to provide transportation for the food give-away program. Jim Heldt of Grace Presbyterian Church oversees the food distribution program.

\$600 for Natural Disaster Relief to LCIF for help with the catastrophic problems in Hawaii and Florida because of the fires and hurricanes.

The board approved the purchase of a First Aid Kit for the ramp crew. Lion Tony has ordered the kit.

With regret the board accepted the resignation of Jim O'Farrell.

Mark your calendars: The Souper Supper will be Friday, February 6, 2024. \$500 has been provided to purchase the clay and supplies for the student artists.

The high school Robotics Team will have a booth at the craft fair and also have a can drive. They would appreciate your empty returnable cans on Saturday.

The FISH Christmas Gift House requests items for the Bonus Room. Sheets, towels, dishes, small appliances, children's toys and other household goods, all in usable condition, are needed. Donated items will be accepted until the end of November. Contact Lion Jane (989-559-3040) or Joyce Dault (989-739-1369).

**Consumers Energy Hydro Strategy Public Meeting
AuSable River Dams
Cooke and Foote Dams
October 24th at Oscoda High School auditorium
Doors open at 5:30 – Meeting begins at 6:00**



**Lions Leadership Institute
November 3-5, 2023**

Training is held at the R.A. MacMullen Center on beautiful Higgins Lake. The conference provides participants with leadership tools and confidence which benefits you and our club. Let Lion John know if you are interested in attending the institute. They also serve great food!



October 5: Executive Board Meeting - 6:30 / Marking Booths for the Craft Fair – OHS

October 6: Booth Marking – 3:00 / Vendor Check-in - 6:00 – 8:00

October 7: Fall Arts and Craft Fair - OHS – 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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

October 14: District Cabinet Meeting – Central Lake or Zoom – 10 a.m.

October 26: Lions Club 60th Anniversary Celebration – Tait's Gathering Room 6 p.m.



October 31:



November 2: Executive Board Meeting – Methodist Church – 6:30 p.m.

November 3-5: Lions leadership Institute – Higgins Lake

November 5: Daylight Savings Time Ends – *FALL BACK*

November 9: Club Thanksgiving Meeting – Methodist Church – 6:00

November 11: Veterans Day



November 23: