

Oscoda, MI
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Lion Tracks



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January Meetings:

January 9: Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

The first meeting of 2020 will begin with a delicious meal of light and delicious chicken casalinga served with linguine along with Kat's salad bar, vegetables, bread, dessert and coffee/soft drinks. RSVP your attendance to Lion Connie (739-4459 or email pappaeddie@charter.net) if you haven't already done so.

After dinner Lion Von will bring us up to date on local Lions Club affairs, our monthly business and information about future projects and plans. The Executive Board meeting will follow the regular meeting.

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



January 23: Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

The menu for this meeting will be cod, baked potatoes, salad, vegetables and dessert.

Our special guest for this meeting will be Rev. Michael Viera, pastor of the Presbyterian Church on the base and an interesting speaker. He'll share stories concerning his life's journey.

Special Lion Thoughts

Lion Rick has one more chemo treatment, Lion Wayne is home and steadily improving, Lion Craig, at Lakeview, continuing to make progress and Lion Dave is on the mend. Remember all of them in your thoughts and prayers and we wish all of them a return to good health.

Safe travels to Lions Chuck and Nancy as they head to Florida.

As the New Year begins we wish all Lions a happy and healthy 2020.

Christmas Gala Enjoyed by All

Members of the Lions and Lioness Clubs celebrated the season with a delicious meal, Christmas carols presented by a trio of music students from Oscoda High School and lots of conversation. Lion Von prepared a special prayer and a Christmas story that she read. Both are worth sharing again.

A Christmas Prayer to the tune of "O Christmas Tree"

O Jesus Christ our Heavenly Lord
We thank you for our blessings.
O Jesus Christ our Heavenly Lord,
We thank you for our blessings

Give Us Strength to be of service
And bless this food now before us.
O Jesus Christ our Heavenly Lord,
We thank you for our blessings.

We gather now and bow our heads.
Thank you for good deeds we spread.
O Jesus Christ our Heavenly Lord,
We thank you for our blessings.

Be with those who can't be here.
Let them know we hold them dear.
O Jesus Christ our Heavenly Lord,
We thank you for our blessings.

Twas the Week Before Christmas – Oscoda Lions Club Style

Twas a couple weeks before Christmas and all through the town
The Oscoda Lions were busy – no chance of slowing down!

Lion Tony, Bill, Chuck and the gang
Worked diligently on the ramps, their hammers gave a BANG!

And then across town, President Bill and Secretary Eileen
Were busy preparing agendas so the board could convene.

New programs were being planned by Lion Jane
And, of course, Foundation tickets were being passed out by Lion Wayne.

Lions Gary and Bob were discussing Humanitarian requests,
As they knew many more would soon need to be addressed.

Lion Lewis was buffing his latest camera lens
So he could take more pictures of all of our friends.

Nest year's Craft Show plans were well underway
And the Bowling Tournament crew was checking who wanted to play.

There was word being whispered of another Super Bowl Supper
And another 5K Raffle that would be like no other!

The white canes were being shined for another collection
And the road clean-up dates were being set without objection.

Treasurer Julie presented her budget reports
While Lions Dave and Dustin made motions to show their support.

Lion Jim was checking the eyeglass applications
Just in case we needed to contact the Lions Foundation.

Lion Andrea was packing bags for the children's party
And Lion Connie was making sure all the menus were good and hearty.

Lions Von and Bobbi were setting up the Christmas tattoos
And Lions Carole and Ann prepared other games that the children could choose.

Lions Devon and Bob helped prepare the Christmas float sleigh
That would bring Santa Bob before he flew away.

And finally it was time to pause all of our business
So that all of the members could have a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!



It's "Souper Supper" Time

The ninth annual "Souper Supper" project is underway featuring Richardson Elementary art students creating bowls to sell along with the soup the Lions Club will provide on Friday, February 7th. The purpose of the project is to bring awareness of the many people who go without adequate food every day in our community and around the world.

The "Souper Supper and Sale" will be held at Oscoda high School from 5 – 7 p.m. Lions Bill Gaines and Andrea McCaffrey are chairing the project again this year.

There are many opportunities to get involved:

- Volunteer to help in Mrs. Merdzinski's classroom. Contact her at merdzinskij@oscodaschools.org to help.
- Make a roaster-size batch of homemade soup. Let Lion Bill know what kind of soup you'll be providing so we're sure to have a variety of soups available.
- Provide a dessert for the supper. A variety of desserts will be needed.
- Work at the event: help in the kitchen, help serve soup, sell admission tickets, wait tables, clean up. There's something for everyone.

This project has been 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.

The cost of the meal will be \$3.00 for children ages 5-12 and \$5.00 for ages 13 and up with a maximum cost of \$20.00 per family.

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.

Again last year we led the entire state in sales, our eleventh year to do so. 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 second Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament is scheduled for February 6, 7, and 8 at Vista Lanes. Two workers are needed for each shift each night. There will be sign-up sheets at the next two meetings.



February 4, 2020

American Legion Hall

Sponsored by the Oscoda Lioness Club

Workers are needed at 10:00 a.m. to help set up.

Donors are welcome all afternoon.

Help save a life. Donate blood!

Lions Michigan Forum 2020

Enjoy the statewide fellowship of Michigan Lions by attending the Michigan Forum on February 22nd at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Grand Blanc. There is an optional session for early arrivals on February 21st to work on a service project. Admission to the Friday session is a six pack of men's, women's or children's socks. Saturday's sessions provide a wide variety of selections within the four sessions beginning at 8:30 a.m. Additional information is available in the recent *Lion Pride* newspaper. Hotel reservation information can also be found in the paper.

Club Dues are Due!!!

Club dues were due to Lion Eileen by December 31st. Have you paid yours?



January



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

January 20: MLK, Jr. Day - National Day of Service

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FEBRUARY

February 4: Blood Drive - American Legion - Noon - 5:45

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

February 7, 8, 9: Poker Tournament - Vista Lanes

February 13: Club Meeting - Tait's Gathering Room - 6:00 p.m.

February 14:



February 17:



February 26: Ash Wednesday

February 27: Club Meeting - Tait's Gathering Room - 6:00 p.m.

February 29:



March 14: Bowling Tournament

