

Oscoda, MI

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Lion Tracks



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March Meetings

March 12: Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 P.M.

The meal for this meeting will be chicken especialle, baked potato, salad, vegetables, bread, dessert and beverages. The price remains \$14.00 including tax and tip. RSVP your attendance to Lion Connie if you haven't already done so. {739-4459 or pappaeddie@charter.net.} As previously announced, if you indicate that you will be at the meeting and not attend, you will be charged for the meal. You can cancel until 5:00 p.m. on meeting days by contacting Lion Connie. Lion Lewis will enjoy the free meal at this meeting. The Progressive 50/50 continues to grow and will be approaching \$300. Maybe you will be the one to find the Joker and take home the cash.

This will be a membership meeting where we will discuss on-going Lion activities. The Executive Board meeting will follow the general membership meeting. All members are welcome to attend this meeting.



March 26: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 P.M.

Roasted pork loin, vegetables, stuffing, salad, bread, dessert and beverages will be the meal for this meeting. Be sure to let Lion Connie know if you will be attending.

Our speaker will be Scott Moore, superintendent of OAS, who will discuss the importance of the backpack program at the schools.



Special Lion Thoughts

Congratulations to Lion Wayne for his award from LCI and Lions Jane and Carole for their chevrons for 35 and 40 years of service to Lionism.

Continue to remember Lions Nik, Craig, and Rick as they continue to deal with serious health concerns. We wish all of them a return to good health.

9th Annual Souper Supper is Super!

The Oscoda Lions and Richardson Elementary art students worked together honoring the “No More Empty Bowls” concept to raise funds to feed the hungry and to assist the homeless. Under the direction of art teacher Jamie Merdzinski the students created bowls using clay and supplies donated by the Lions Club. Half of the funds raised by the sales will be donated to the homeless shelter and the remainder will be used for a class field trip. The 5th grade art students sold the bowls, assisted at the admissions table and helped the Lions throughout the evening.

Club members served 27 different soups prepared by 25 Lions and four friends of the Lions. Along with the soups, biscuits, crackers, drinks and desserts were served to 235 happy diners. The sale grossed \$1,150 from the meals and an additional \$175 from the 50/50 sale. We thank the two 50/50 winners who donated their winnings back to the club.

Thanks go to our business partners PNC, Neiman’s Market, KFC, Family Fare and Roger’s. Special thanks go to Lions Bill Gaines and Andrea McCaffrey for all of their efforts to make this a very special community activity.



*Happy Lion soup servers!
Thanks to Lion Lewis for all of the pictures.*



Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes Continues

Lion Wayne reports that the annual Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes project for the Lions of Michigan Foundation will continue with over the counter sales in April, first at Family Fare on April 3rd - 4th and at Neiman's Market on April 17th-18th. Sales are also planned at Family Fare on April 24th-25th and Neiman's Market on May 1st-2nd. He has sign-up sheets for each location. These sales usually generate about half of the tickets sold by our club so it is important to have each shift filled with cheerful Lions. Contact Lion Wayne if you haven't already signed up. Tickets are always available at club meetings for individual club members to sell. Sold tickets and money can be turned in to Lion Wayne at meetings also. We plan to sell all 1,000 tickets this year so get involved.



13th Annual Bowling Tournament

The annual Lions Club Best Ball Bowling Tournament is set to go on March 14th at Vista Lanes. Lion Janes reports that both the afternoon and evening shifts are filled with keggers of all ages and bowling abilities.

Lions Jane, Ann and Eileen have been busy obtaining door prizes so that all bowlers will receive a prize. A few members will be needed to work the sign-in table, sell 50/50 tickets and pass out prizes. This tournament is a lot of fun whether you are bowling or helping.



**GIVE BLOOD
SAVE LIFE**

Tuesday, April 7th

American Legion Hall

Noon - 5:45

Sponsored by the Lioness Club

Workers are needed to help set up at 11:00

*Help is also needed during the drive. Let Lions Jane or Carole know if
you can help*

Donors are welcome all afternoon.



A club garage/yard sale is planned for Memorial Day weekend at the Vissers' barn. Friday, May 22, Saturday, May 23 and Monday, May 25 are the days we hope to sell all of our valuable treasures with profits going to the club's administrative fund. Other than clothing and shoes/boots, all items are welcome and can be dropped off at 200 Harbor Street on May 16th, 19th or 20th. Sales representatives will be needed to assist customers. Any remaining items not sold will be donated to the Salvation Army. Start gathering your treasures!!!



**District 11-E2 Convention
April 24, 25, 26, 2020
Quality Inn, West Branch**

Friday night's gathering will have a Roaring Twenties theme and will include table top horse racing and a corn hole contest. Costumes are optional. On Saturday there will be a variety of interesting sessions planned along with some very good meals. Sunday will include a morning memorial service, the Lioness breakfast and voting for district officers. Our club can have five voting members so let Lion Bill Palmer know if you are attending.

The convention is hosted by the Rose City Lions and you are encouraged to attend. Information will be forthcoming.



Hillman Lions Vidalia Onion Sale

The Hillman Lions are again offering great deals on quantities of Vidalia onions. Lion Wayne has order forms which must be turned in to him by April 9th. Checks should be made out to the Hillman Lions Club.

The April 9-10-11 Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament has been CANCELLED.

~~~~~**Board Business**~~~~~

**Communications:**

- Thanks you cards have been received from the American Diabetes Association Camp Midicha and Emmanuel Mission for our recent donations.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Humanitarian:** The club approved \$850 donations for both February and March to support the local Food-Give-Away program in cooperation with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan. The committee also approved a \$300 donation to pay the patient portion of new hearing aids because the patient was not able to provide the funds.
- **Sight and Hearing:** Lion Jim reports that hearing aids have been provided for two individuals and one application has been made for an eye exam and glasses.

The board approved a \$100 donation to support the summer reading program of the Iosco-Arenac District Library.

New Lions Dave Schaeffer, Nadia Hollenbeck, Darryl Hollenbeck and Dirk Hunt were inducted on February 27<sup>th</sup> by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Rod Leathers of Central Lake. Lion Ron's theme for his term as District Governor in 2020-2021 will be "One Lion Can Make a Difference". The many examples he gave to support this theme were very inspiring.



The board approved a letter to be sent from our club to the district officers endorsing Lion Bill Gaines as the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor for 2020-2021.

**Cancellations:** No club meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup> because of Holy Thursday services.  
No poker tournament on April 9- 10-11.

The club would like to present special awards in June. Along with the Lion of the Year, consider possible candidates for the Ken Lautzenheiser, John Noel and Melvin Jones awards. Previous recipients of these awards are asking for nominations.



**March 8: Daylight Savings Time Begins -**

**March 12: Club Meeting – Tait’s Gathering Room – 6:00 P.M.**

**March 14: Best Ball Bowling Tournament – Vista Lanes – 4 and 7:30 P.M.**



**March 17:**

**March 19: Vernal Equinox – 11:49 P.M. Earliest first day of spring in 124 years.**

**26: Club Meeting – Tait’s Gathering Room – 6:00 P.M.**



**April 3-4: Sight and Hearing Ticket Sales – Family Fare**

**April 4-6: NCAA Basketball Final Four – Atlanta**

**April 7: Blood Drive – American Legion – Noon – 5:45**

**April 9: Holy Thursday – NO CLUB MEETING**



**April 12:**

**April 17-18: Sight and Hearing Ticket Sales – Neiman’s Market**

**April 23: Club Meeting – Tait’s Gathering Room – 6:00 P.M.**

**April 24-26: District 11- E2 Convention – Quality Inn – West Branch**

**April 24-25: Sight and Hearing Ticket Sales – Family Fare**

