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# Lion Tracks

Tony Bol, President June 2025 Mary Jo Rehberg, Editor

## June Meetings

**June 12: Club Meeting – Oscoda United Methodist Church – 6:00 p.m.**

**A POTLUCK extravaganza of our favorite dishes is planned for this meal. Please bring a serving utensil for your dish. The price remains $10.00 with a portion of the funds used to pay for the use of the church. RSVP your attendance to Lion Connie if you haven't already done so. 989-739-4459 or email pappaeddie@charter.net.**

**Last month PDG Bill Gaines provided information about Lions Clubs of Michigan state projects. PDG Bill will be installing Kristine and Matthew Handy. At this meeting Lion Bill will also give information regarding Lions Club activities in District 11 E2. The Progressive 50/50 continues to grow. Purchase the lucky ticket, find the Queen of Spades and take home the cash.**

**June 26: Installation Banquet – Oscoda United Methodist Church – 6:00 p.m.**

**The annual Lions Club Installation Banquet will be a catered buffet provided by Kat Bol. The dinner will include tossed salad, vegetables, baby red potatoes, Tuscan chicken with side pasta, smoked brisket with BBQ sauce on the side. The evening will begin with appetizers and finish with a special cake. Beverages will include coffee, tea, water and punch. Let Lion Connie know your attendance if you haven't already done so. The cost to members will be $16.00. The executive board voted to have the balance of the meal and the tip, a total of $11.00, paid from the administrative account. The administrative account holds the funds from the Progressive 50/50 and Tail Twister fines that are collected at each meeting.**

**The installation of Lions Club officers and board members will take place after the meal. District Governor Dennis Gocha of the East Jordan Lions Club will preside at the installation. He will also be installing our newest members: Diamond Alt and Dan Gross.**

## Summer Meetings

**July 10: Executive Board Meeting – Methodist Church – 6:30**
**July 24: Lakewood Shores Racquet Club – 6:00**
**August 7: Executive Board Meeting – Methodist Church – 6:30**
**August 28: Lakewood Shores Pavilion – 6:00**

***Club Dues are Due.*** **Club dues for July 1st to December 31st are $50 and should be submitted to Lion Ele before the end of the month. Checks can be mailed to Oscoda Lions Club, P.O. Box 38, Oscoda or given to Lion Ele at a meeting.**

## Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes Concludes

**The Oscoda Lions are "Number 1" again this year, the seventeenth year as top ticket sellers in the state. Club members sold 962 tickets, and the club will receive $5.50 for each ticket sold which will add $5,291 to our treasury for use with various community projects. Thanks go to all who sold tickets and a special thanks to Lion Wayne for all his efforts to make this a success again this year.**

## "Paul Bunyan Five K Raffle" to Begin

**Our biggest fundraiser is set to begin at Art on the Beach on June 28 and 29 and conclude at 5 p.m. on September 13th at the Paul Bunyan Festival. Lion Chuck is chairing the fundraiser and will need lots of Lions to sell tickets personally and to help at the various over-the-counter ticket sales that are planned. Along with Art on the Beach, sales ae scheduled at the Fourth of July picnic, at the finish line of the AuSable Canoe Marathon, at Neiman's Market and Family Fare and at a few Farmer's Markets. The goal is to sell all 3,000 tickets to maximize profits. Tickets for sale by club members will be available at club meetings. The prizes are fantastic again this year. Five $1,000 cash prizes be awarded.**

## Fourth of July Community Picnic

**The twelfth annual 4th of July Picnic at Oscoda Beach Park is sponsored by the Oscoda Lions and the Rotary Clubs. We will be selling hot dogs, chips, sweet treats and beverages at great prices from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be games for the kids and free tattoos for all who attend. Lion members will be needed to work with Rotary members to cook and serve the food and drinks. Holiday job opportunities include setting up at 4:30, helping with food service, assisting with games and tattooing and assisting with clean-up at 7:00 or earlier if the food is gone. Fall raffle tickets will also be sold. Come to help and to enjoy the fun. Check with Lion Mary Jo if you have questions.**

## Humanitarian Committee Recognized for Outstanding Service

**At the District 11 E2 convention in April T-the Oscoda Lions were presented with a certificate of appreciation for providing ramps for handicapped individuals with mobility issues. Lion President Tony Bol presented the award to Lion Tony Priebe, chairman of the Humanitarian Committee, at the club meeting on May 8th. The ramp crew has built over twenty ramps this club year.**

## And the Ramp Requests Continue

**Two ramps have been completed in the last month. Tony P., John and Scott started a project on April 17th and with Chuck joining them, completed the ramp on May 7th. The project consisted of two ramps 8 and 20 feet long with two platforms. The homeowner tested the completed ramp with her rolling walker and found it much easier than the steps. Materials cost - $976.64. The homeowner paid for the materials.**

**On May 28th Tony, John, Scott, Rick and Chuck built two 4X4 platforms and ramp sections of 22 and 8 feet. The ramp will help a homeowner get in and out of the house while recovering from an accident. He can have no weight bearing on the injured leg for twelve weeks and is currently in the hospital. Materials cost - $845.**

## Board Business

**Ten Lions participated in the River Road clean-up on May 15th. Thanks to those of you who participated. The next By-Way Bash is set for July 17th. More Lion members are encouraged to join the fun. Meet at the high school parking lot at 6:00 to get started.**

**Unfortunately, there was not free fishing program this year. This has been a great activity in association with the Forest Service and the Wildlife agency.**

**The Lions Club International Convention is being held in Orlando, Florida July 13-17.**

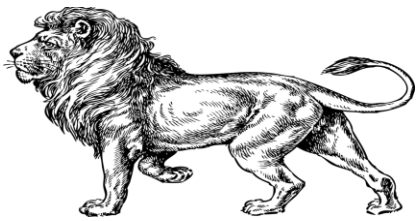
**The executive board has made a reservation for DG Dennis Gocha and his wife Linda to stay at the Holiday Inn Express after the Installation Banquet. They reside in East Jordan.**

***** The reindeer are looking for a new home. The float requires a twelve-foot door, and it needs to be a dry facility. If you are aware of a storage facility that can house the float and other Lions materials stored in the Visser barn, let Lion Tony B. know. Lion Bob Visser has indicated that he will be selling the house.**

**The board approved moving $2,500 from the poker account to the activities account. Also approved was a renewal of the three-month CD at PNC. $5,433.27**

**The board approved the membership of Kristine and Matthew Handy and Dan Gross Kris and Matt will be installed on June 12th. Diamond Alt and Dan Gross will join on June 26th. Give all of them a warm welcome.**

**The Food Bank of Eastern Michigan is building a distribution center in Gaylord. It will service the northern part of the food bank's counties. A grant has been requested from Lions Clubs International Foundation. This grant requires matching funds. The district can provide some funding. It was approved that our club add a $2,000 donation for the distribution center to the new budget should the grant funding be approved.**



**June 12: Club Meeting – Oscoda Methodist Church – 6:00**

**June 15:**


**June 20: Happy First Day of Summer**

**June 26: Club Meeting/Installation of Officers and New Members**

**Oscoda Methodist Church – 6:00 p.m.**

**June 28-29: Art on the Beach – 5 K Raffle Ticket Sales**

**July 4: Fourth of July Parade 11:00; Lions/Rotary Community Picnic 5-7 p.m.**

**July 10: Executive Board Meeting – Oscoda Methodist Church – 6:30 p.m.**

**July 17: River Road Clean Up #2 – OHS Parking Lot – 6:00 p.m.**

**July 24: Club Meeting – Lakewood Shores Racquet Club – 6:00 p.m.**

**July 29: AuSable River Canoe Marathon Finish Line - 5 K Raffle Ticket Sales**