



Lion Tracks



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November Meeting

November 14: Oscoda Methodist Church Fellowship Hall – 6:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings is being prepared by Lion Kay and her crew of Lions. Club members and guests will enjoy this delicious meal that will include all your favorite Thanksgiving dishes. Several members have agreed to provide side dishes and desserts. The price of the meal is \$10.00 and reservations need to be made by November 11. RSVP your intentions to Lion Connie – 989-739-4459 or email pappaeddie@charter.net - if you haven't already done so. Lion Sean Clarke will enjoy a free meal.

Members are encouraged to bring items to support the Free Pantry at the church at this time rather than take them to Tait's for the Christmas gathering. It will save having to transport the items back to the church. Non-perishable food items, personal care items along with household goods including detergent, toilet paper, paper towels and dish detergent are all needed. Special awards will be presented.



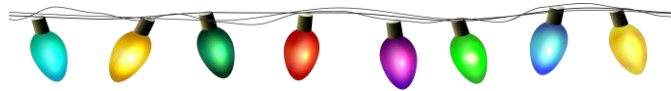
December Meeting

December 12: Lions/Rotary Christmas Gala – Tait's Bill of Fare – 5:00 p.m.

Festivities will begin with at 5:00 with a social gathering with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails with a cash bar. Dinner will be served buffet style beginning at 6:00. Lion Nancy will have the menu and the cost of the meal at the meeting on Thursday. The Northern Lights Chorus will provide entertainment.

Children's Christmas Party

The Lions Club Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Oscoda United Methodist Church on December 7. Santa will be there between 3:30 –5:30 to spend time with the children. Children will each have time to visit with Santa and share their secret wishes with him. Each child will receive a Christmas gift bag filled with lots of goodies. Lions Kay and Mary Jo are organizing Santa's visit and will be asking for your help in several ways. Gift bags will need to be prepared prior to Santa's visit and Lion elves will be needed to set up before the event and supervise the kids as they wait to see Santa. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting. The church hall will be a warming site prior to the parade and there will be cookie decorating for the kids while they wait to see Santa. Santa encourages you to join the fun.



Northern Lights Parade

The Lions Club float will once again provide Santa's transportation through Oscoda on the evening of December 7th. The Northern Lights Parade begins at 6:00 with lots of brightly lit floats and festive walkers to welcome the holiday season to our community.

Lions Club Shirts and Hats Available

Shirts and hats with the Lion insignia are available for purchase. Gildan crewneck sweatshirts, Port Authority polo shirts and Jerzee brand long sleeve tees are being offered. All shirts are navy blue. Orders can be turned in at the November 14th Lions Club regular meeting or can be mailed to Lion Wayne at 405 Ottawa Drive. The deadline for orders is December 5th and checks payable to Oscoda Lions Club must accompany the orders.

Gildan Crewneck Sweatshirt	sml \$27.00	2XL \$29.75	3X \$32.75
Port Authority Polo	\$27.00	\$29.75	\$31.50
Jerzee Long Sleeve Tee	\$20.00	\$22.75	\$24.50
Oscoda Lions Hat	\$12.00		

Blood Drive

Tuesday, November 26 at Oscoda United Methodist Church

Members are needed to help set p at 11:00 a.m. and to help disassemble and pack up the equipment at 6:15. Donors are always welcome. Appointments can be made www.redcrossblood.org.

Ramp Crew continues to be Busy

Two ramps were completed in October. A 19' ramp and platform were completed for a homeowner in the Villages of Oscoda. The resident had a stroke and the ramp will allow easier access to the home. Lions Tony P., Tony B., John, Rick and Chuck completed the project. On October 23 the crew completed the seventeenth ramp of the year for a homeowner with serious health concerns in Ausable Township by constructing a 4x4 platform and an 18' ramp. Lions Tony P., John, Rick, Ann and Chuck built the structure.



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+++++++ Board Business ++++++

Club Dues are Due. Dues for January 1 through June 30, 2025 are due to Lion Ele by the end of December. You can pay your \$50 dues at the club meetings or they can be mailed to P.O. Box 38, Oscoda 487

The OHS Robotics team made a presentation to the executive board on November 7 and provided information on the various aspects of the program and the need for funding. The board approved a \$1,000 donation to support the students as they build their robot and get ready for competition.

The Oscoda Toys for Tots organization is seeking volunteers to help with a fundraiser at Roger's/ACE Hardware on November 21,22,23,24. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting if you are able to help this worthwhile cause to provide a happy Christmas to needy children in Oscoda. State Farm Insurance has a collection box for new toys. The board approved a \$1,000 donation to Oscoda Toys for Tots.

The license application for the first Lions poker tournament has been submitted. The event is scheduled for January 9-10-11. Lion Von will be asking for your help. The second Lions poker tournament is February 20,21,22. It is an easy job; you don't have to know anything about the game and you collect money and issue chips.

After looking at District 11 E2's budget the board decided to revise our budget. \$500 will be added to the district emergency fund, but no other funds will go to the district as that budget is solvent. The board approved a \$1,000 donation to the Methodist Free Food Pantry with the previously budgeted funds.

If you are placing a Lions recruitment poster in a business it is suggested that you use the club gmail account rather than a phone number. Oscodalionsclub@gmail.com

The annual Lions Club/Richardson Elementary Super Supper to fight hunger will be held on the second Friday in February. The 5th grade students will have their handcrafted bowls for sale and the club will provide a variety of soups.

Veterans Day – Monday, November 11th

Celebrate the millions of veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



November 11:

November 14: Club Thanksgiving Dinner – 6:00 – Methodist Church

November 15: Happy Hunting. It's the last Super Full Moon of the year.

November 26: Blood Drive, Oscoda Methodist Church – Noon – 5:45



November 28:



December 5: Executive Board Meeting – 6:30 – Methodist Church

December 7: Children's Christmas with Santa – Methodist Church – 3:30-5:30
Northern Lights Parade – 6:00

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December 21: Winter Solstice It's officially winter!

December 25: *Merry Christmas*