

<u>March Meetings:</u>

March 14: Club Meeting/Executive Board Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

Come to enjoy a meal of barbequed pork ribeye, baked potatoes, something for St. Patrick's Day vegetables, salad, dessert and beverages. The price remains \$14.00 including tax and tip. Lion Eileen will be taking care of reservations while Lion Connie is in Arizona. Please RSVP your attendance to her if you haven't already done so. Lion Eileen can be reached at 739-9309 or email at <u>epalmer270@aol.com</u>. Lion President Bob gets the free meal.

This will be a membership meeting where we will discuss on-going Lion activities and have information presented about Lion business locally, in the district and at the state level. The Executive Board will be meeting following the general membership meeting. All members are welcome to stay and attend this meeting.

The Progressive 50/50 will be over \$100 at the next meeting and Lion Carole will be happy to sell you tickets. You only have to find the Joker to take home the cash.



March28: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo will be served along with the salad bar, vegetables, bread, dessert and beverages. Our guest will be Gerry Wilfong who will share information about the losco Cares Committee.



Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 10th at 2 a.m.

Don't forget to SPRING FORWARD!



Blood Drive sponsored by the Lioness Club Tuesday, April 2 at the American Legion Hall Noon - 5:45 Workers are needed at 10:00 a.m. to help set up. Donors are welcome all afternoon.

8th 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. The sale of these bowls raised an estimated \$700. Half of the funds will be donated to the homeless shelter and the rest will be used to purchase art supplies... The 5th grade art students sold the bowls, assisted at the admissions table and assisted the Lions throughout the evening.

Club members served 29 difference soups, biscuits, drinks and desserts to 307 happy diners. The club grossed \$1,284 from the sale of the meals and an additional \$85 from the 50/50 sale. An estimated 400 volunteer hours went into the event.

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 club activity.

Nominations for Club Officers

Lion members are asked to consider becoming club officers and board members for 2019-2020. Lion Bill Palmer will be asking you to participate.

President	Bill Palmer
1 st Vice President	Yvonne Mallak
2 nd Vice President	
Secretary	Eileen Palmer
Treasurer	Julie Burrell
2 Year Directors	/////
1 Year Directors	Lewis Moeller, Dustin Clare, Sean Clarke
At-Large Director	Humanitarian Chair
At-Large Director	Mary Jo Rehberg – Newsletter/communications
Tail Twister	
Lion Tamer	
Membership Chair/	IPP Robert Tasior
Programs Director	Jane Meyer

Homeless Shelter Shower

The Emmanuel Mission Homeless Shelter is in need of many supplies. Their budget is limited and we can help. The shelter is one person away from capacity and in great need of many items. We'll collect items at the club meeting on March 14th. The following are on their wish list: <u>Tide Pods, dryer sheets, toilet bowl cleaner, toilet paper, disinfectant spray,</u> <u>disinfectant wipes, Lysol cleaner, trash bags, window cleaner, ice melt, envelopes, stamps,</u> bus tokens, napkins, facial tissue, lunch sacks, hygiene products for both men and women.

Bring an item to the meeting and help the shelter. In addition, the club will donate \$500 to the shelter from the Humanitarian fund.



Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes Update

The annual Sight and Hearing Sweepstakes project for the Lions of Michigan Foundation is progressing as 360 tickets have been taken by members to sell. Tickets are available for \$10.00 each with a chance to win the grand prize of \$5,000. Nine additional cash prizes are being awarded. The drawing will be on May 18th at the state convention in Pontiac, MI. There is also a Ticket Sellers drawing with cash prizes awarded on May 4th. Tickets are available for sign out at all club meetings and can be turned in to Lion Wayne there as well.

Over-the counter ticket sales are planned for April and early May at Family Fare and Neiman's Market. Lion Wayne will be asking you to help out with the sales.



Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

Our last poker tournament is scheduled for April 18, 19 and 20. There will be no Sunday poker because of the Easter holiday and poker will end at midnight on Saturday, the 20th. Lion Craig is looking for workers for the three day tournament. Sign up at the meeting or give Lion Craig a call (739-8702) or email at <u>pegandcraig13579@gmail.com</u>.

We need <u>three</u> Lions for each shift.

Thursday, April 18: 4 – 9 p.m	9 p.m. – 2 a.m
Friday, April 19: 4 – 9 p.m	9 p.m. – 2 a.m
Saturday, April 20: 4 – 8 p.m	8 – Midnight

Correspondence:

Thank you cards were received from Madonna University for our \$100 donation to support their program for the blind, God's Children Haiti for our \$400 gift of support, the losco County Sheriff for our donation to the Children's Safety Program and the library for the \$100 donation to support the summer reading program.

<u>Summer Meeting Survey</u>: We have one meeting each month in July and August. Many different activities and meals have been planned. We've had picnics and games, field trips to Kalitta, the Riverboat Queen and the Maritime Museum, and catered indoor meals at various sites. Lion Bob Tasior would like to hear your opinion as to meeting locations and meals for these two meetings. Let him know what you would like to do.

The District 11 E-2 Convention is being held at the Alpena Ramada Inn on May 3, 4, and 5. Information will be forthcoming about the convention. Tickets for the Saturday afternoon raffle can be purchased from Lion Newana at club meetings. Tickets are \$5.00 each or three tickets for \$10.00. There are lots of great prizes and you don't need to be present to win.

The board approved \$100 sponsorship each to Olivia Reed from Bellaire and Hayla Buell from East Jordan to participate in the Lions All State Band. The band will participate in festivities in Milan, Italy during the International Convention in July.

Lion Wayne announced that Lion hats, vests, pins and jewelry will be for sale at the March 14th meeting.

**** Nominations for special Lion awards are due by March 14th.

\$500 from the Humanitarian Fund was donated to F.I.S.H to help rescue a family from a tragic situation involving four children younger than ten.

There is a food give-away program scheduled at Eagle Point Plaza in Hale on March 15th. If you know of residents who could benefit from this please let them know.

Lion Bob is planning to have an Oscoda Lions display on the kiosk at the beach park. Your suggestions and help will be appreciated.

Lion Jim reports that there have been two requests for vision screening and one request for hearing aid assistance.





March 10: Daylight Savings Time Begins

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March 17:

Happy St. Patrick's Day

March 19: NCAA Basketball Tournament Begins

March 20: Spring Equinox – 5:58 p.m.

March 28: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.



April 2: Blood Drive – American Legion – Noon – 5:45 p.m.

April 6 – 8: NCAA Basketball Final Four

April 11: Club Meeting / Executive Board Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room 6:00 p.m.

April 13: Oscoda Boosters Reverse Raffle – American Legion Hall

April 18-19-20: Texas Hold 'Em Poker – Vista Lanes

April 18: Volunteer Appreciation Day



April 25: Club Meeting – Tait's Gathering Room – 6:00 p.m.

May 3-5: 11 E-2 District Convention – Alpena Ramada Inn