

District 11 - A2
District Governor Rhonda Furby
Official Theme: "Serve to Live, Live to Serve"
1st VDG Mark Scicluna
2nd VDG Jamie Lucero
Region Chairperson Jim Lykins
Zone Chairperson Richard Rhoades
International President Fabricio Oliveira – Official Theme "Make Your Mark"

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LAKE ORION LIONS NEWSLETTER



**OUR NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE A
REGULAR MEETING & NOVEMBER BOARD
MEETING AT JOHNNY BLACKS ON
NOVEMBER 20TH. HOPE TO SEE YOU**



OUR PREZ SEZ: THERE!



I am inspired to see how dedicated our membership is to foster a supportive and positive environment. The value of experience and knowledge in mentoring new members, as well as the importance of embracing fresh ideas helps to drive our club forward.

Our membership really stepped up to support the Christmas for Everyone Charity Dinner and Auction. Many of our members purchased tickets while encouraging family and friends to attend. Others worked to gather up over one hundred auction items. Lion Sherry worked diligently to facilitate the cookie sales and wine basket raffles.

Lions Mike, Cathi and Jack tackled the challenging task of planning for the event to be held at a new location, the Eagle Creek Academy, while utilizing a first-time online ticket sale process.

I am so proud of our club and look forward to seeing our members supporting the upcoming Goodfellow Newspaper sales and the Christmas Basket program.

Yours in Lionism
President Pam

OUR 2nd VP SEZ:

Lake Orion Lions,

We are coming into our busiest time of the year. We have the Christmas Auction, Goodfellows collections, Lighted Parade, Christmas Baskets, Special Needs Christmas Party, and our Club Christmas Party to name a few. All these events need your support, please volunteer if you can. You do not have to chair the event, but there is plenty of work for everyone to participate. I know some of our members are new and may not know what is involved in pulling these events off so feel free to ask me, VP Lion Wendy, or President Lion Pam how you can get involved.

Also, there are District meetings and Kick Off Dinners to attend. These are fantastic ways to see the impact all of us make in our community and world. If you have not attended these please pick one and go to it this year.

Thanks, Lion Mike 2nd VP.

CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION:

Welcome, New Members: At our meeting in October, we installed Sherry Gillen and Kelsey Martin-Gardner. Sherry's email is servicereo@yahoo.com and her phone number is 248-842-4017. Kelsey's email is kelsey.gardner@leaderdog.org and her phone number is 810-449-7966. Please welcome our new members and when you see them, say hello! With the great new additions, our club membership is at 103!

Lake Orion Lions Charity Car Show: Here is a write-up from one of the Co-Chair's:
On Sunday September 1 the Lake Orion Lions Club hosted the 2024 Lake Orion Lions Club Charity Car Show at Canterbury Village. The fundraiser was chaired by Lion Joe Hildebrand and Lion Mike Pikelis. The weather was perfect, and many beautiful cars came to the show to support our club. Everyone had an enjoyable time and a very rare 1954 Kaiser Darrin (See picture below) won the "Best of Show" award. The event raised approximately \$3,000 for our club. Plans for next year have already begun. Please watch for details about next year's show in the coming months.



Special Trip: In October, Lion Ron, Lion Jim Boomer, myself and Lion Jacob, took a trip down to Kentucky to tour the bourbon distilleries. Now, I am not sure who knows this, but Ron knows A LOT about bourbon. Little did we know how much he knew and has "studied" bourbon for so many years. When we arrived at the Jim Beam distillery, they had pictures on the wall of some of their top buyers of their products. To all our surprise, Ron made the wall! The strangest part was, all the other pictures were of distribution centers and bars!! Congratulations Ron! Seriously, it was a great trip, if you get a chance to go down to Kentucky, there is a lot to do and see beyond bourbon. Here is Ron's picture:



CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION CONTINUED:

Michigan Lions Leadership Institute: The second weekend in November, three members from our club, Dan Hartwell, Kim Hartwell, and Chris Ophus, were able to attend the two levels of the institute offered this year up at Higgins Lake. Kim and Chris were in the first year, the Leadership and Dan was in the second-year level, the Graduate. All three of them successfully passed and they are pictured below with the institute chairperson, PID Jenny Ware. Lion Jim Boomer was there in his fourth year as an instructor, and I was fortunate enough to be there in my second year. There is discussion that hopefully next year, they will bring back the third year. If you have not been up there yet, or it has been a while, you really should consider attending as it is a fantastic program and, to make it even better, the club will pay for you to go. Next year's institute will be November 7-9, 2025.



"A Christmas for Everyone" Auction: The 2024 auction is in the books! Many changes took place this year as far as this event is concerned. They were all positive ones that can be built upon next year to make this even bigger and better. Fantastic new location with so much more room, great food, great turnout and so much more! I am sure the Co-Chair's will have a report on how everything went at our next meeting. GREAT JOB to all involved.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Meeting Schedule Changes: We have some changes to our regular meeting schedule that you should be aware of. In December, the Leader Dog Kickoff Dinner is being held on Wednesday, December 4th so we will move our annual Club Christmas Party to December 11th. Our second club meeting and December Board meeting do not change and will be at Johnny Blacks on December 18th. Then, in January, we will move our first meeting to January 8th due to January 1st being New Year's Day. Finally, in February, the Bear Lake Kickoff dinner is on Wednesday, February 19th so we will move our second club meeting and February Board meeting to February 26th.

Goodfellow Papers: Lion Roger has sent out a sign-up genius for all interested members to get involved. We will be selling papers Friday, November 29th, Saturday, November 30th and Saturday, December 7th. Roger will be at the next meeting with more information.

Christmas Baskets: Chairperson Dave has had a committee meeting and everything is in high gear as the entire club needs to get involved in our biggest service project of the year. We will be packing baskets at the CERC building on Friday, December 20th and delivering on Saturday, December 21st. If you have any questions, contact Lion Dave.

UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED:

Lions of Michigan Forum: This will be held Friday, February 28th and Saturday, March 1st in Kalamazoo. This event is not for a few months, but I thought I would mention it now if you are interested in attending, you could have it on your calendar. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to meet other Lions from around the state while learning about many topics, many are Lions related but there are also ones that cover other parts of life as well. There are four one-hour sessions, and you pick which topics/sessions you want to attend. There is also lunch and a keynote speaker. This year, the speaker is Past International President Brian Sheehan from Minnesota. If you have ever had the chance to hear him speak, you know how wonderful he is. After listening to him talk, you will be so excited about Lions and motivated, you will come back and take on the world! It is usually over by 2 p.m. on Saturday. Last year, the club covered the registration fee and one night hotel stay for any club member to attend. It has not been approved yet to do that this year, but I think it would be. We had some members attend last year and they were impressed with the forum and the selection of sessions to choose from.

Well, that is all I have for this Issue. See you at the Meetings. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please let me know. This is your newsletter and if you want to see something here, I need to know about it!

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Yours, In Lionism, Jim Leach, Jr.

EXTENDED UPCOMING EVENTS:

Club Meeting & Nov. Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

Charity Poker – G’s Kitchen, Shelby Twp. 6:30pm - 2am

Thanksgiving

Goodfellow Papers – All around Lake Orion – 10am – 1pm

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Leader Dog Kickoff Dinner – Somerset Inn, Troy – 6p.m.

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Orion Area Lighted Parade – Downtown – 6p.m.

Club Christmas Party – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

District Christmas Party – Fraser Lions Den – 7p.m.

Club Meeting & Dec. Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s 7p.m.

Christmas Basket Packing – CERC Building – 9a.m.

Christmas Basket Delivery – CERC Building – 9a.m.

Past President Kim’s Birthday – All Day

Christmas

New Year’s Day

Club Meeting – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

District Cabinet Meeting – Royal Oak – 6:45p.m.

Club Meeting & January Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

Club Meeting – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

Region Meeting – Rochester – 6:45p.m.

Bear Lake Kickoff Dinner – Fraser Lions Den – 7p.m.

District Euchre Tournament – Fraser Lions Den – 12p.m.

Club Meeting & February Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s – 7p.m.

Michigan Lions Forum – Kalamazoo

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

Thursday, November 28, 2024

Fri - Saturday, November 29 & 30, 2024

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Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Saturday, December 7, 2024

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Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Friday, December 13, 2024

Wednesday, December 18, 2024

Friday, December 20, 2024

Saturday, December 21, 2024

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

Wednesday, December 25, 2024

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Monday, January 13, 2025

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

Monday, February 17, 2025

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Sunday, February 23, 2025

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

Fri & Sat, February 28 & March 1, 2025