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Lake Orion Lions Club

District 11 A 2

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Lake Orion, Michigan

[www.lakeorionlions.org](http://www.lakeorionlions.org)



**President: Barb English**

### Lake Orion Lions Club Officers

Immediate Past President – Denise Zuke

1<sup>st</sup> VP - Pam Kline

2<sup>nd</sup> VP - Wendy Siegle

Membership Chair—Sue Erickson

Secretary – Jim Leach, Jr

Treasurer – Angie Boomer

Tail Twister – Jimmy Childers

Lion Tamer – Chris Ophus

Directors— Rob Charlton

Dan Hartwell

Ron Hines

Janet Mazzetti

Rick Rice

Matt Sebastian

Peter Sharpe

Werner Siegle

Subra Sunderaswaran

JoAnn Van Tassel

Greetings,

While the Detroit Lions season is over, the Lake Orion Lions season for 2024 is just getting started. Here's what's on tap for February:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>
LO Lions Club meeting	Wed, Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>
Charity Poker	Fri-Sun, Feb 8 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup>
Bear Lake Camp Polar Plunge	Sat, Feb 10 <sup>th</sup>
Bear Lake Camp Kick Off Dinner	Wed, Feb 21 <sup>st</sup>
Michigan Lions Forum	Fri-Sat, Feb 23 <sup>rd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup>
LO Lions Club & Board meetings	Wed, Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>

There's more on these events in the February Newsletter.

The Lake Orion Lions need to keep the record of winning accomplishments of November & December 2023 in mind as we move into 2024. With lots of members participating, the Club had a very successful Christmas for Everyone. Dinner and Auction. That was followed by the Christmas Basket Program with members picking up food and toys. And then with members and lots of other helpers on Fri, Dec 15<sup>th</sup> filling the baskets and on Sat, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> delivering the baskets, the job got done earlier and quicker than in past years. Job well done by all!

The Open House on Jan 24<sup>th</sup> that Sue Erickson, Membership Chair, planned and organized was a great event to kick off the year. There were a number of new faces in attendance, and hopefully some new members. Ron Hines emceed the event and kept things going. Jack Patton told of the history of the Club since its founding in 1938 and of the Top Ten Award the Club won twice. Jim Leach spoke about Bear Lake Camp, Beth Slade presented the Leader Dogs for the Blind story. A short video about the Lake Orion Lions and its charities wrapped up the evening. Thanks to all who came, brought friends, and shared the evening with the guests. Lets keep up the good work.

**President Barb.,**

***"Alone we can do so little: together we can do so much"* Helen Keller**

## Meet the Newest Lake Orion Lions Club Life Members



**Ron Hines**

Joined in July 2007  
Past President  
2011-2012  
Melvin Jones

Ron makes it a point to greet everyone and welcome them with a hug.



**Jim Lykins**

Joined in May 2002  
Past President  
2008-2009 & 2012-2013  
Progressive Melvin Jones

Jim is always taking photos at Club events and promoting & working at Lions Bear Lake Camp.



**Margaret (Maggie) DeGoff**  
Joined in March 1988

Past President LO Lioness Club  
Maggie has served in various positions with the Lioness Club and helps in any way she can



**Pat Stoner Lauer**  
Joined in Sept 2002  
Melvin Jones

Pat is one you can depend on – she always volunteers to help at every event.

**They Have Served and They Continue to Serve**

**Here's Opportunities for You to Serve**

Charity Poker	Thurs, Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	10:45am-2:30pm	1 member needed
		2:30pm-6:00pm	1 member needed
	Fri, Feb 9 <sup>th</sup>	2:30pm-6:00pm	2 members needed
	Sat, Feb 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:45am-2:30pm	1 member needed
		2:30pm-6:00pm	1 member needed

**Call or email Secretary Jim Leach and let him when you can help.**

## Here's Opportunities for You to Serve & Learn

### **Bear Lake Polar Plunge – Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm**

\$50.00 plunge, dinner & T-shirt Bigger donation-more items  
\$25.00 Dinner for spectators **Dinner** includes soup bar, bread bowl,  
salad bar, hot chocolate bar, dessert.  
Prizes for - \* Best costume \* Best plunge \* Crowd pleaser

### **Bear Lake Camp Kick Off Dinner – Wed, Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00pm Fraser Lions Den**

Dinner includes 2 meats, pasta dish, tossed salad, potatoes dessert soft drinks  
\$30.00 per person 50/50 Raffle and gift baskets

**NOTE: This dinner is free for members who have joined in the past year.**

### **Michigan Lions Forum Fri-Sat, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Kalamazoo, MI**

If you haven't made your hotel reservation for this fun and educational event, you have another choice – **Best Western Suites, Kalamazoo** –(269) 350-5522  
Rate: \$117.00. The Forum Registration form is included in this Newsletter.  
Remember, the Lake Orion Lions will reimburse you for Forum registration fees and room rate for 2 members sharing a room.

### **Lake Orion Lioness Scrapbooking Weekend Fri & Sat, March 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

This is a 17-hour scrapbooking & crafting event where you renew friendships, and make new friends learn new ideas and ways of putting items together while enjoying the whole experience. For non-scrapbooking LO Lions, you can help set up things for the Lioness members of our Club.

### **District 11 A 2 Convention Fri-Sun, April 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Grand Rapids, MI**

This is the business-social fun event that members recall for years. You'll want to be there to support LO Lion Jim Lykins as he runs for Region 1 Chair for the coming year. Remember the LO Lions host a hospitality room to support its candidate. The Registration form is included in this Newsletter. You'll want to register in February to get the less expensive rate. It's at the Doubletree by Hilton, 4747 28<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI

### **Lion Races Sat, April 20<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm Boulder Pointe Golf Club Oxford**

This is the Spring fun and fundraiser for the Lake Orion Lions Club. Dan Hartwell, Chair, and his committee have been hard at work on plans for another success with this event. There will be lots of opportunities for members to help – the tasks that need doing include people to sign in those who have already paid...someone to sell tickets at the door...people to change US dollars for Lion Dollars...members to move the Lions from the paddock to the track and back after the race...others to move the Lions down the track...members to sell betting slips for each race...and members to pay out Lion dollars for winning betting slips...and someone announce the races...and others to throw the fuzzy dice to determine which Lions move on the track... a couple to sell 50/50 squares. Start thinking now of how you can help.

### **Bear Lake Camp Wild Game Dinner Sat, April 27<sup>th</sup> Metamora Lions Club**

This is a major fundraiser for the Lions Bear Lake Camp, and Lake Orion Lion Jack Patton is chairman. He will be looking for members to help by donating a silent auction item...or watching over the silent auction items at the event... or selling 50/50 squares...or selling extra beverage tickets. There's various ways to assist Jack with this event. Look for more details in March.

# Lions Bear Lake Camp

## 2nd Annual "Sub-Zero Hero" Polar Plunge and Dinner

February 10th, 2024  
2:00 PM Jumper Check-In  
3:00 PM Polar Plunge  
5:00 PM Dinner

COME CHILL WITH US AND MAKE A SPLASH BY JUMPING IN THE LAKE TO RAISE MONEY FOR LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP. DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO AND ENJOY A FUN FILLED AFTERNOON. JOIN OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR A POLAR PLUNGE, FOLLOWED BY A DELICIOUS DINNER.

### Costume Contest

Prizes for  
Best Costume  
Best Jump (no diving)  
and Crowd Pleaser

Warming tent available  
with hot coffee, tea, cocoa, cider.

Alcohol available for purchase.

**\$25 Dinner for Spectators Only**

### Dinner Includes

Soup Bar  
Bread Bowls  
Salad Bar  
Hot Chocolate Bar  
Dessert  
Cash Bar

### FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

### ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

### JUMPERS WHO RAISE

\$50 WILL RECEIVE Jump, Dinner, T-shirt  
\$100 or More- Jump, Dinner, T-shirt, Tumbler  
\$250 or More- Jump, Dinner x2, Tumbler x2, T-shirt x2  
\$500 or More- Priority Jump, Dinner x2, Tumbler x2, T-shirt x2,  
Event Hoodie



Sign up online at  
[bearlakecamp.org](http://bearlakecamp.org)  
under the "Events" Tab



For More Information Contact  
Chrissy Andre 989-627-3808 [chrissyandre113@gmail.com](mailto:chrissyandre113@gmail.com)  
Traci Tribble 989-277-7437 [traci@bearlakecamp.org](mailto:traci@bearlakecamp.org)

**\*\*Costumes are encouraged, birthday suits highly discouraged.\*\***



# Lions Visually Impaired Youth Camp Kick-Off Dinner & Parade of Checks

*Hosted by the Shelby Township Lions Club  
Special THANKS to Fraser Lions*

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024 – 6 p.m.**

Fraser Lion's Den  
34540 Utica Road Fraser, MI 48026

**\$30 Per Person Includes:  
Dinner, Coffee & Soft Drinks**

**\*\*Cash Bar\*\*    \*\*50/50 Raffle\*\*    \*\*Gift Baskets\*\***

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**Make check payable to:** Shelby Township Lions Club  
**Mail to:** 12875 Boardwalk Drive, Bruce Township, MI 48065  
**No later than Friday February 17, 2024**

Group Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For questions and more info contact:**

Lion Bob Bittner - (586) 212-1028 / [RLB1028@comcast.net](mailto:RLB1028@comcast.net)

Lion PDG John Wallace - (810) 602-0278 / [WallaceCompany3107@sbcglobal.net](mailto:WallaceCompany3107@sbcglobal.net)



# MICHIGAN LIONS FORUM

MICHIGAN LIONS CHANGING THE WORLD! Feb. 23-24, 2024

## NEW Location: Delta Marriott Kalamazoo

2747 S 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

**SOLD OUT! Reservations available at the**

**BEST WESTERN SUITES KALAMAZOO**

**269-350-5522 Room Rate: \$117.00**

[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.23163.html?groupId=8D6QX5G2](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.23163.html?groupId=8D6QX5G2)

Please complete the registration form and send it along with a check to: Lions of Michigan  
5730 Executive Drive • Lansing, MI 48911  
Telephone 517-887-6640 or Fax 517-887-6642

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Registrants

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Register online at [www.lionsofmi.com](http://www.lionsofmi.com)

# \_\_\_\_\_ Registrants at \$50.00/person\* = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Registration includes lunch, Forum, and proceedings booklet.

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

**Lions of Michigan**

**5730 Executive Dr., Lansing, MI 48911**

List food allergies or dietary requirements:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTER EARLY

To help us plan, prepare materials and guarantee lunch!

### FRIDAY EVENTS:

- Service Project at Delta Marriott Conference Center
- Hospitality Suite – 9:00 p.m.

### SATURDAY SESSIONS: Please note some sessions

may change due to last-minute scheduling Conflicts.

7:00 a.m. – Registration Delta Marriott Conference Center  
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions - Lunch to follow

#### Session 1 Breakout Session - 8:30 a.m. (Check One)

- Harnessing the Power of Leadership – Lion Beth Slade
- Demystifying Dementia & Brain Health – PDG Bert Sexton
- Zone Chair Training – PCC Jeff Mayuiers
- Lions and Service – PDG Terri Huffman

#### Session 2 Breakout Session - 9:30 a.m. (Check One)

- Eversight – Lion Alex Teska
- Lion Traditions – PDG Julie Mayuiers
- Building Healthy Clubs – VDG Carl Webster
- Lions All-State Band – Lion Deborah Davis

#### Session 3 Breakout Session - 10:30 a.m. (Check One)

- Lions Bear Lake Camp – Executive Director Lion Traci Tribley
- Childhood Cancer – Lion Darlene Anderson
- Servant Leadership – PDG Brent Beracy
- Hope to Walk -Kristen Staples

#### Session 4 Breakout Session - 11:30 a.m. (Check One)

- Diabetic Retinopathy Screening - LMF
- Michigan Forestry and our Environment – DG Michael O’Lonergan
- Social Media & Marketing Your Club – Lion Doug Klein
- Membership 1.5 – PID Patricia Vannett, Area 1 Leader

**12:30 p.m.: Lunch, Scholarships, Keynote Speaker VDG Carl Webster: Autopsy of a Deceased Lions Club-Why Lions’ Clubs Die. Raffle Drawing after!**



**Attention scrapbookers/ crafters!!!**

**The Lake Orion Lioness-Lions Club**

# Hosting 17-hour Scrapbooking/Crafting Events

**Where:** Rochester 1st Church of Nazarene  
 1799 Walton Blvd  
 Rochester Hills, MI 48309

**Time:** Friday 5 pm—10 pm  
 Saturday 8 am—8 pm

**Cost:** \$50

**Includes:** 8 feet of table space per scrapper  
 Outlets available  
 (PLEASE bring extension cords & surge protectors)  
 Brunch  
 Snacks, Drinks  
 Early Dinner  
 Only Snack & Beverages will be served  
 on Friday night

**March 1-2, 2024**  
**July 12-13, 2024**

Make checks payable to  
Lake Orion Lioness-Lions Club

Maggie DeGroff  
 1728 Shaker Heights Dr.  
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

All proceeds will benefit  
 the Lioness-Lions Charities




**\*\*Raffle Prizes\*\***  
**Vendors on site Saturday Only\*\***  
 Questions: Call or Text Maggie @ 248 342-0133

Please send in Coupon below with your check

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of event: **July 12-13, 2024**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Seating Preferences: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send in Coupon below with your check

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of event: **March 1-2, 2024**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Seating Preferences: \_\_\_\_\_

# LO Lions Club Monday Meals Project at Lake Orion United Methodist Church Monday, March 4th

This is a fun service project of the Lake Orion Lions Club. Members volunteer to prepare a meal for about 150 people and then serve them in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church.

Here's how the project operates.

**3:00pm – 5:00pm**      **4-5 Lions prepare the food and wash the dishes**



**5:30pm-6:30pm**      **4-5 Lions serve the meals to people who come in**



**6:30pm-7:00pm**      **4-5 Lions to pack meals for Heritage Place and clean up**



**Mark your calendar now & tell Jack Patton that you'll help**





**Lions District 11-A2 Convention**  
**Come Party with Governor Kelley Unruh**  
*Let's Party at the Hardrock*  
**April 12 - 14, 2024 @ Doubletree by Hilton**  
**4747 28<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Timer \_\_\_\_\_ (1st Convention Attended & Lion less than 5 years)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Timer \_\_\_\_\_ (1st Convention Attended & Lion less than 5 years)

Phone: Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: \_\_\_\_\_

**Hotel Reservations MUST be made directly. Call 616-957-0100 and ask for the Lions of Oakland and Macomb County rate. Room rates are \$125.00 per night + tax, (Standard King or 2 Queen Room) the reservation deadline is March 15, 2024. Standard room rates apply after March 15.**

Quantity		Amount
_____	Registration: Lions, Guest @ \$25 each.	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Jan 31 @ \$35 each	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Feb. 28 @ \$45 each	\$ _____
_____	Registration: Children under 16 @ \$5 each	\$ _____
_____	1st <b>TIMER</b> (Instead of normal registration) \$5.00	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Jan 31 @ \$15 each	\$ _____
_____	AFTER Feb. 28 @ \$25 each	\$ _____
_____	Saturday Awards Breakfast @ \$25 each	\$ _____
_____	Saturday Night Governor's Banquet: @ \$35 ea.	\$ _____

***(Number goes to LEFT of meal selection)***

\_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Fish \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ Gluten Free

Other Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL DUE** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed registration form, with checks payable to Lions International District 11-A2

REGISTRATIONS AND CHECKS ***MUST BE RECEIVED*** BY DATES ABOVE, ***NOT IN MAIL*** BY THESE DATES

*mail to:*

Lion Dick Maxwell  
 18701 Walmer Lane  
 Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Questions: 248-642-9561



# A NIGHT AT THE RACES

Join the Lake Orion Lions Club for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual "Lion Races"

**Saturday, April 20, 2024**

Boulder Pointe Golf Club, Oxford

**\$30.00 per person in advance, \$40 at the door**  
**(Venmo @lakeorionlions or scan code below for Paypal)**

Taco Bar included, Cash/Credit Bar

*Doors Open at 5:30 – Races start at 6:30*

Place your bets like horse races. Local businesses decorate lions to "race" with the roll of dice to move the lions down the track until we have a winner.



2018 "Best Dressed Lion" winner



Information



Paypal Payment



# Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar

## February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7 7:00pm</b> LO Lions Club Meeting	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10 10:00am</b> KidSight Testing - Library Polar Plunge
<b>11</b>	<b>12 6:00pm</b> Region II Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 	<b>20</b>	<b>21 6:00pm</b> Bear Lake Kick Off Dinner	<b>22</b>	<b>23 Mich Lions Forum</b>	<b>24 Mich Lions Forum</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27 Presidential Primary Election</b>	<b>28 7:00pm</b> LO Lions Club & Board Meeting	<b>29</b>		

Date	Event & Location
2-7	LO Lions Club– Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads
2-10	KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library
2-10	Polar Plunge Fundraiser – Lions Bear Lake Camp 3409 Five Lakes Rd, Lapeer, MI
2-12	Region II meeting – Berkley K of C Hall, 2299 12 Mile Rd, Berkley, MI
12-14	Valentin’s Day – Remember your special someone
2-21	Lions Bear Lake Camp Kick Off Dinner -Fraser Lions Den 34540 Utica Rd, Fraser, MI
2-23-24	Michigan Lions Forum - Delta Marriott – 2747 S 11 <sup>th</sup> Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009
2-27	Presidential Primary Election – Polls open 7:00am to 8:00pm GO VOTE
2-28	LO Lions Club & Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads

# Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar **March 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4 3:00pm</b> Monday Meal Methodist Church	<b>5</b>	<b>6 5:00pm</b> LO Lions Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9 10:00am</b> KidSight Testing - Library
<b>10</b> Daylight Savings Time 	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20 7:00pm</b> LO Lions Club & Board Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24 Palm</b> Sunday 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> Easter 						

Date	Event & Location
3-4	Monday Meal at Lake Orion United Methodist Church – LO Lions prepare & serve meal
3-6	LO Lions Club Meeting, Johnny Black's Baldwin at Maybee Roads
3-9	LO Lions KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library
3-10	Daylight Savings Time begins
3-20	LO Lions Club & Board Meeting – Johnny Black's Baldwin at Maybee Roads
3-24	Palm Sunday
3-31	Easter Sunday