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Lake Orion Lions Club

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Lake Orion, Michigan

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Greetings as we move through these colder days, ice storms, electrical outages, warm days, colder days, and almost like spring days. I guess that is what it is like living in Michigan..."June, July & winter"!! Us Michiganders are tough and resilient.

For an entire two weeks this month I was able to spend from Feb. 3rd to Feb 16th in northwest Florida. I was in Bonita Springs, Fort Myers, Venice, Sebring and Naples visiting cousins, college roommate, best friend from childhood, and some new friends over the years. The warm weather and sunshine sure helped my disposition and I felt totally relaxed. I did spend many hours working on some Lion business that needed my attention too. Our editor asked me to add a few pictures for this newsletter.

We have had some great activities this month, with the Region 1 Meeting hosted by Jim Lykins at Johnny Blacks on 2/1, the Bear Lake Kick-off Dinner at the Fraser Lions on 2/15, and the First Annual Polar Plunge at Lions Bear Lake Camp on 2/18. The Lions Forum was hosted in Grand Rapids, on 2/25. I was able to attend the polar plunge, it was fun, fabulous food, and raised some money for the camp. My sincere thanks to those LOLC members & guests that were able to participate & attend these events during February.

Upcoming dates to remember:

Club Meeting - March 1st, guest speaker Jim Boomer, discuss 911 system

Club Mtg. & March Board Meeting - March 15th

Lion Races – Boulder Pointe – Saturday, March 25th, 6 PM

District Convention – Mt. Pleasant March 31st - April 2nd

Club Meeting – April 5th, guest speakers from Children’s Village & Waldon Robotics

Bear Lake Wild Game Dinner - Metamora Saturday, April 8th

District Cabinet Meeting – Sterling Heights – 6:45PM, Wednesday, April 12th

Club Mtg. & April Board Meeting – April 19th

Madonna Kickoff Dinner – Livonia – 7 PM, Thursday, April 20th

Club Meeting – May 3rd

Beaumont Silent Children Kickoff Dinner – Troy – 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 17th

MD 11 Convention – Muskegon - May 19th & 20th

Club Mtg & Board Meeting - May 24th

Hey everyone! **Do not forget the Lion Races at Boulder Point on 3/25/23!!** We need the sponsored wooden Lions to be sold & also people buy tickets to attend. The tickets are a pre-purchased price of \$30, and at the door \$40. I already bought my ticket. Anyone else going to bring family/friends? I am so looking forward to the event, we had a blast last year. Lion Barb’s dad won \$500 on the squares board event in 2022.

Jubilee Update, June 23 - 25th, 2023 - Lion Mike Pikelis presented the budget, led the discussion, and provided updates to the board last week for the recent changes for this year’s Jubilee. He & Lion Roger talked about changes for the beer tent too. The budget & changes that the club no longer sponsors fireworks were approved by the board. The beer tent will be open on Friday & Saturday night, with entertainment, and we will no longer have a Thursday night beer tent. Mike is going to need several members to assist him that weekend in many capacities, where he has had the entire load of responsibilities on him for the entire week from about Tuesday until Sunday in the past years. I am going to take over the Scavenger Hunt, so I will need some volunteers on 6/24, Saturday morning. Thank you to all the club members in advance for your assistance.

White Cane Collection - May 12 - 14, & May 19 - 21, Lion Roger will be providing updates, but the good news is that the weather in May should be warmer for us to collect money outdoors. We are going to use a QR code on the Lions postcard to

enable folks to donate online since so many people do not carry cash. Stay tuned for updates from Roger.

Good work ongoing at the **Lake Orion United Methodist Church** with the Matthew 25 ministry for recycling medicine bottles & also quarterly community meals. Many thanks to Lion Sue & Lion Jack for chairing these awesome service projects. The community meals are going on this evening, 2/27, at LOUMC.

Have a great March, and see you at our upcoming events & activities. Thank you for all you do, with our Motto, “We Serve”.

**BE KIND
UNLESS YOU CAN BE FANTASTIC,
THEN BE FANTASTICALLY KIND!**



Scenic photos of Bonita Springs, Fort Meyers and Venice Beach



Photos of Lake Placid, a city with a variety of murals that seem alive

All About the Lake Orion Lions

their charities, events & members

In this issue, the Newsletter returns to featuring two Directors of the Lake Orion Lions Club. It's one way to help get to know one another and to work more effectively to benefit others in the Orion area.



Jack Patton
PDG & Director

Jack Patton is a very active and contributing member and has been since he joined the Lake Orion Lions Club in 1996. After being with the Club for 6 months, he was asked if he and Charlotte (his wife and Partner in Service) would take over the Christmas Basket Program from PDG Larry Termarsch and his wife Bonnie. We accepted the challenge and the rest is history. He has served as the Club's President two different times – 2004-05 and 2009-10. In addition, he is a past District Governor – 2018-19. Jack was chairman of the Lions Jubilee for a number of years in the early 2000s and helped raised large sums of money to support the Lions charities.

Since he retired from his sales job, he has become very active at the Lions Bear Lake Camp for blind and visually impaired youngsters. He is the State and District Chair for the Camp. And you can count on him to help out with the work projects there. And for past 2 years, he's chaired the very successful Wild Game Dinner to raise additional dollars for the Camp. Because of his many activities and contributions to Lionism, he was awarded Life Member status in 2017.

As an outreach service to the community, Jack arranged for and recruited LO Lions to join with him in providing Monday Meals to about 140 people in the Orion area once a quarter. This was a part of the Lake Orion United Methodist Church's mission program. He was a Melvin Jones Awardee in 2005 and a Progressive Melvin Jones Awardee in 2008. Jack and his wife Charlotte have two sons and a daughter and numerous grandchildren who are the delight of their lives.

Bear Lake Camp Polar Plungers from Lake Orion Lions Club



With that wardrobe, Rob Charlton must have thought the Polar Plunge was in Hawaii

Even Spiderman (Bob Erickson) found the water wet and cold and the wooden dock a welcome site



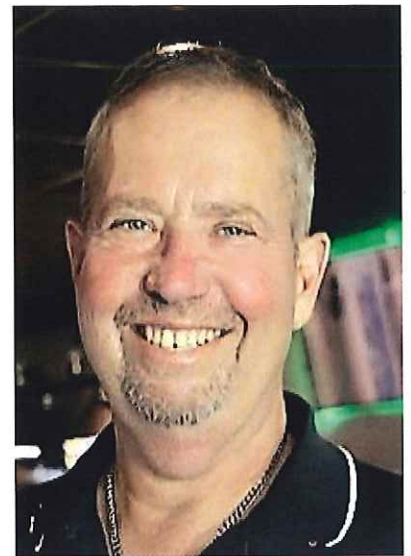
A local businessman, Rick Rice owns two Wonder Cleaners & Laundries on M-24 with one in Lake Orion and the other one in Oxford. He also owns and operates Wash Me Car Wash and R L Rice Properties & Development Company, Inc.

He has a talent for helping others which became apparent when he joined the Lake Orion Lions Club in 1999 and pitched right in. He and Pam Kline co-chaired the annual golf outing for a number of years to raise significant funds for the Club. He was President for the 2005-06 term and has served many terms as a Club Director. He is a Life Member of LCI. Rick also is an Oxford/Lake Orion Eagle and works to be a liaison between the Clubs and other local organizations.

A special interest of his is Flare Night held each year on July 3rd. Rick with help from Pam and others sell flares to

residents living on Lake Orion. At dusk the flares are lit and soon the Lake is outlined in red. He has worked diligently to have the Guinness Book of World Records recognize this flare display as the largest one in the world. He has photos of the Lake on Flare Night to document the accomplishment. The sale of those flares benefits the Club also.

While the Lake Orion Lions are raising funds to provide a variety of fresh food and other staples for the Christmas Baskets, Rick and Pam work to collect toys and games. Their efforts help guarantee that the Baskets that go to a family with youngsters will have gifts for them in addition to the food. The Christmas season would not be complete without Santa (Rick) and Mrs Claus (Pam) coming to Lake Orion to celebrate with the Special Needs youth at Pine Tree School. And Santa and Mrs Claus have been known to greet the children at other places in the community such as Opas. For all of his many contributions, Rick has received the Melvin Jones Award from the Club.



Rick Rice
PP & Director

Lion Races Help is Needed Now

Lake Orion Lions are needed immediately to round up more Racing Lions for the Big Event on **Saturday, March 25th at Boulder Pointe**. Lion Roger Brodeur is seeking members to contact local businesses who have sponsored a lion in the past or who have never entered a lion this event and sign them up for this year. An entry form and a flyer for Lion Races is included with this Newsletter. Use them to capture a Racing Lion.



Deciding on Best Dressed



Reacy to Race on the Track



Place Your Bet Now



Throw the Dice

Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner

to benefit Lions Bear Lake Camp for Blind & Visually Impaired Youngsters

Saturday, April 8, 2023 5:00pm



Chairman Jack Patton and his crew of hunters have been out exploring the wilderness for buffalo and wild boar. They are leaving no stone unturned or bush unsearched. They are working diligently to provide the most tantalizing meal possible including delectable veggies and salads. The cost is worth the experience - **\$60 per person or \$400 for a table of 8 people**

Further back in this Newsletter you will find flyers that provide more details and information on all the prizes that will be available to you.

However, to make everything run smoothly, Jack needs some help the day before the Wild Game Dinner and additional assistance the night of the Dinner

Here's how you can help: **Call Jack at (248) 535-9011, and let him know**

Friday, April 7 – Time TBD

- Members with vehicles who can carry items from Lake Orion to Metamora
- Members who can help set up the tables and decorations, etc so things are ready for Saturday night.

Saturday, April 8 starting at 4:30pm

<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Have</u>	<u>Need</u>
• Check in – Reserved & Pay at the door –	0	1
• Check out silent auction items - -	1	3
• Sell decks of cards for gun raffle#–	2	2
• Sell Prize Board Squares#	0	4
• Sell Mega Raffle Tickets#	2	2
• Sell extra drink tickets –	0	2
• Oversee the Bucket Raffle area –	1	1
• Oversee the Silent Auction area	0	2

Selling any Raffle tickets, Squares or Mega tickets requires a 2-person team



LO Lions who helped at Feb Meals program at LO United Methodist Church are: Jim Boomer, Melissa Bowers, Rob Charlton, Virginia Ciaramitaro, Denise Zuke, Ron & Elaine Hines, Pat Stoner Lauer, Charlotte & Jack Patton and Subra Sunderswaran



Lions Bear Lake Camp Buffalo & Boar Wild Game Dinner

Metamora Lions Club House, 3790 N. Oak St. Metamora, Mi. 48455

Saturday, April 8, 2023

Doors open at 5pm-Dinner at 6

Gourmet Wild Game Dinner Catered by Metamora Country Club!
3 Drink tickets! Cash Bar for Mixed Cocktails!
Door prizes! Win a Ruger 10/22! Hourly Drawings!

SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

Platinum \$2,500

Gold \$1,000

Silver \$500

See the second page for sponsorship and event details.

Order your tickets today online

www.bearlakecamp.org "under the event tab"

Or to purchase tickets via mail send check payable to Lions Bear Lake Camp

Mail to: 3409 N. Five Lakes Rd. Lapeer, Mi 48448

For More information Contact

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Traci Tribley traci@bearlakecamp.org 810-245-0726

Rick Fleming rick.metamoracc@yahoo.com 248-969-2120



EVENT SPONSORSHIP

Platinum \$2,500.00

Logo placed on event banner & program
Sponsor recognized throughout the event
Table of 8 with 3 drink tickets each
Golf for a foursome at the Lions Bear Lake Camp Golf Classic and the awards dinner.

Gold \$1,000

Logo placed on the event banner & program
Sponsor recognized throughout the event
Table of 8 with 3 drink tickets each

Silver \$500

Logo placed on the event banner & program
Sponsor recognized throughout the event
Table of 4 with 3 drink tickets each

Contact Jack Patton for more details

248-535-9011 or japlapelp@gmail.com

\$100 MEGA Ticket Raffle

CHANCE TO WIN 1 of 3 BIG GUNS

Smith & Wesson M&P Sport II

Ruger American Go Wild 450

Ruger American 350

Clock 19 Gen.5

Sig Sauer P365

1 CHANCE TO WIN A 30 GUN SAFE WITH MYSTERY GUN

\$20 Mystery Gun with Gun Safe Raffle

Silent Auction Items

Kayak

Fishing Rod Combo Kit

Gas Grills

Camping Tent

Booze Baskets

Trail Cams

And More

Live Auction Items

\$500 Value or More

Fishing Charters

Pheasant Hunts

Play & Stay Golf Pkg

Weekend Stays

\$20 Card Gun Raffles

Combo of Guns & Crossbows

Gun Mfg. like Glock, Henry,

Smith & Wesson, Savage,

Ruger, etc.

CASH Square Boards

\$10 per square / 100 squares

1st Drawing \$250

2nd Drawing \$150

3rd Drawing \$100



Lion Race
Registration Form



Saturday, March 25th, 2023
Sponsored by Lake Orion Lions Club

Proceeds to benefit Lake Orion's Scholarships and Lions Bear Lake Camp

Register New Lion for the races at \$150.00 _____
Register Returning Lion for the races at \$100.00 _____
Tickets for the event at \$30.00 each _____
Total _____

Organization Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____
Contact name: _____
Phone Number: _____
Email address: _____

General Information: Sponsors decorate the large wooden Lions to represent their business or organization. Award will be given for best dressed / most creative Lion as voted on by attendees. Trifecta drawings will be conducted throughout the evening with 100 tickets being sold for each Trifecta raffle.

Lion Race Format: The number of heats will be based on the number of Lions adopted with six Lions in each heat. Lions will be placed in the starting blocks and identified with a number representing the lane they are in. Two large dice will be thrown and the Lion with the number on the top of the dice will advance one spot. If the dice come up with the same number that Lion will advance two spots. First Lion to reach the number ten is declared the winner. If two Lions tie, they will both be returned to the number nine spot and the dice will be thrown again until there is a winner. (All other Lions will be removed from the racetrack at that time)

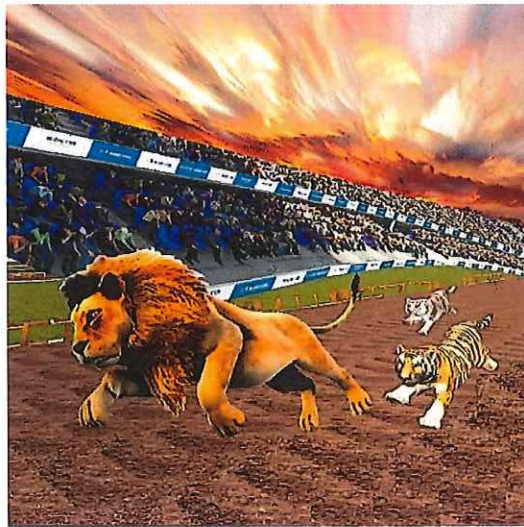
Betting Process: Betting slips will be identified by lane and different color betting slips per race on pre-numbered slips. All betting slips will cost \$1, the odds of winning are based upon the dollars bet and will be announced before the end of each race, to keep the night flowing. All bets and payouts during the races will be by "Lion Money". Lion Money will be available for purchase during the event. Lion Money will be turned in after the event and paid out at face value in Cash.



Info:



Payment:



A NIGHT AT THE RACES

Join the Lake Orion Lions Club for the 7th Annual "Lion Races"

Saturday, March 25, 2023

Boulder Pointe Golf Club, Oxford

\$30.00 per person in advance, \$40 at the door

Taco Bar included, Cash/Credit Bar

Doors Open at 6:00 – Races start at 7:00

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



Payment



Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00pm Regular Club meeting	2	3	4 10:00am KidSight at Library
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 	13	14	15 7:00pm Regular Club & Board meetings	16	17 	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 6:00pm Lion Races Boulder Pointe
26	27	28	29	30	31 11 A 2 District Convention	

- | Date | Event & Location |
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| 3-1 | LO Lions Club – Lake Orion, Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads |
| 3-4 | LO Lions KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library |
| 3-4 | Penrickton Pancake Breakfast – Lathrup Village Lions -27400 Southfield Rd, Lathrup |
| 3-12 | Daylight Savings Time Starts |
| 3-15 | LO Lions Club & Board Meetings – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads |
| 3-17 | St Patrick’s Day – everyone is Irish today |
| 3-25 | Lions Races – Boulder Point, Oxford, MI |
| 3-31 | 11 A 2 District Convention, Mt Pleasant |

Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar **April 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 11 A 2 District Convention
2 11 A 2 District Convention	3	4	5 7:00pm LO Lions Club Meeting	6	7	8 10:00am KidSight Library 5:00pm Wild Gan Dinner
9 	10	11	12 6:30pm District 11 A2 Cabinet Meet Sterling Hgts	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 7:00pm LO Lions Club & Board Meeting	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Date	Event & Location
4-1 & 2	District 11 A 2 Convention – Mt Pleasant, MI
4-5	LO Lions Club Meeting – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads
4-8	LO Lions KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library
4-8	Bear Lake Camp Wild Game Dinner – Metamora Lions Club – Metamora
4-9	Easter
4-12	11 A 2 Cabinet Meeting – Sterling Heights Lions -12828 Canal Rd – Sterling Heights
4-19	LO Lions Club & Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s, Baldwin at Maybee Roads