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Lake Orion Lions Club

District 11 A 2

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Greetings to LOLC members! Here we are now in May and spring has finally sprung. I get a kick out of seeing the buds on the trees, the lawns turning green, and the smell of freshly cut grass. Michigan is truly beautiful in the Spring. We are fortunate to have such a vital, vibrant club who truly gives back, and serves in our community any chance we are able to do so. Thank you all!

As I mentioned last month, about 15 of our club members were able to participate in the District Convention in Mount Pleasant from 3/31 to 4/2. I was so proud to represent the club as president. When I carried our club flag into the banquet hall with over 200 dedicated Lions I was thrilled to be given the honor. There were several informative meetings & activities during the weekend, along with a community service session to make fleece blankets for a local pediatric/ children's organization. Diane, the guest international president, inspired us, talked about what a difference and how pivotal our clubs are in our communities/towns. She wanted us to brag about ourselves, identify ourselves as Lions, and definitely have fun. She stressed to us that if young people are shown service, they grow up seeing community service around them, then service will be part of their adult lives. There were 23 first timers at the convention this year, that included our own Steve Tobias (thanks for Pam & Rick) from LOLC. At the memorial service on Sunday morning, I was able to speak about those LOLC members we lost during this last year, Vern Geek, Mark Lauer, and Mike Sweeney.

It was so fun & exciting to have the Waldon Middle School present to us on April 5th. They are pretty outstanding 6th to 8th grade kids! I truly enjoyed hearing what they had to say about their robot and the competition.

Have you had the chance to look at our new website? With the direction & guidance from Roger, who made the decisions (with a consultant & committee guidance) on our platform/domain and ongoing hosting. Roger worked with Steve Tobias, who then worked countless hours to get the site up, customized, and running. Steve is a quiet/humble guy, but wow o wow, he was able to get the tedious work done, with 100's of dedicated hours of time to customize our data. The LOLC website looks phenomenal now! Thank you Roger & Steve!!

Mark your calendars for our White Cane collection days coming up in May, with warmer weather for street collections. The dates this year are May 12 - 14, and May 19 - 21. See if you have a couple of hours that might be dedicated to assist the team those weekends. Roger will be setting up a Sign Up Genius for sign-ups. In addition, we will be giving out a new Loins postcard with a QR code for people to donate if they are not carrying cash. Possibly the QR codes donations will increase our collection dollars.

I will be servicing pizza at the Pine Tree Center Autism Awareness event on 5/4/23 at 2 PM. I need a couple of extra hands if anyone wants to join me!!

Here are the upcoming events to mark your calendars:

- **May 3 - Club meeting, guest speaker from Friendship Circle**
- **May 12 - 14, Weekend - White Cane street collections**
- **May 13 - Lions Bear Lake Camp Workbee, starting at 9 am**
- **May 14 - Mother's Day**
- **May 19 - 21, Weekend - White Cane street collections**
- **May 17 - Beaumont Silent Children's event, San Marino Club, Troy, 5:45**
- **May 24 - Club meeting & board meeting**
- **June 7 - Club meeting & board meeting**
- **June 18 - Father's Day**
- **June 21 - Lion Barb English's installation dinner, Oxford American Legion**
- **June 23 - 25 - Jubilee, downtown Lake Orion**
- **July 12 - Board meeting**
- **August 23 - Board meeting**

Let's enjoy the last couple of months in this Lion Year! We have a super club and it is awesome to see the fellowship, & how we enjoy serving/being together.

Kindness matters!
President Denise

Lake Orion Lions Enjoying the 2023 District 11 A 2 Convention



Front Row: Angie Boomer, Lauraine Pettinato, Denise Zuke, Charlotte Patton, Wendy Siegle, Pam Kline, Sue Erickson, Kim Leach **Back Row:** Jim Boomer, Ron Hines, Jack Patton, Jim Pettinato, Jim Leach (partially hidden) Rick Rice, Steve Tobias, Bob Erickson, Jim Lykins



PDG Jim Pettinato & ID Dianne Pitts



PDGs Jack Patton, Jim Pettinato & Jim Leach, Jr



PDG Jack Patton & First Lady Charlotte Patton



Lake Orion Lions being “social” at The Cabin while President Denise is busy at work or is it at play?



Lake Orion Lions always welcome guests wherever they are



Serious business being discussed

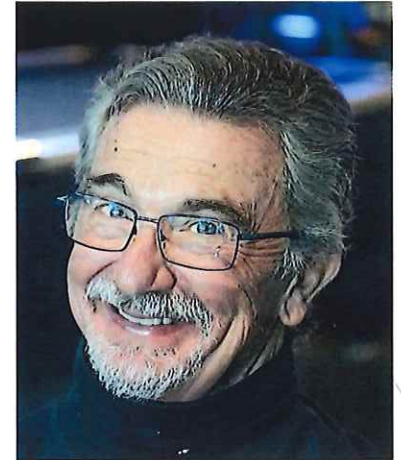
Photos thanks to Ron Hines, Jack Patton & Denise Zuke

All About the Lake Orion Lions

their charities, events & members

In this issue, the Newsletter returns to featuring two Past Presidents 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.

Bob Erickson grew up in Muskegon, Michigan, and was introduced to Lionism at an early age since his dad was a Lion. Bob was a member of the Lake Orion Lions when and his wife Sue lived in the area 1998-2002. His position in sales took him to various locations around the country. When he returned to Michigan, he moved to Oxford and re-joined the Lake Orion Lions.



Bob Erickson

Not one to sit still, Bob has served as a Director, Vice-President and then as President in 2014-2015. At the District level, he has been a Zone Chair and a Region Chair. When the District brought the KidSight program to the area, he volunteered to learn how to use the camera and do the testing. The Lake Orion Lions worked with the Oxford Lions and the District to purchase a camera for its own use. As the technology has improved, the Club bought the newest camera and a printer to produce the test results report that's given to the child's parents

.Bob and Sue with the help of volunteer Lions do vision testing each month at the Orion Township Public Library...a local schools when requested...and at special events such as the Jubilee and the Oakland County 4-H Fai. He also serves on the KidSight governing board for the District. Their daughter Erica and her husband both work for Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester. The Erickson's son and family live in the Lansing area



Ron Hine

Ron Hines has been an active Lake Orion Lion since 2007. He has been a Director, Vice-President and then as President in 2011-2012. Most recently, he served as Membership Chair for 2 years. In addition, he's been a Zone Chair for District 11 A 2. He's known as the "Godfather". He earned that title when he was elected Club President. Many of the members of the Board of Directors, like Ron, were of Irish descent and became known as the "mafia". Where there's a "mafia", there has to be a "Godfather", and that's how he acquired the title. He continues to wear it proudly.

Ron continues to be active in a variety of Lake Orion Lions activities. He's always willing to help and do the little things that help make the event a success. He reminds you of the slogan a Detroit area builder uses – "No job's too big, no job's too small. Just ask Ron, he'll do it all."

Ron and his wife Elaine (a Lioness) have two children. His daughter lives in Vermont, and each year Ron and Elaine venture eastward to visit her and the grandkids. When he's not involved with a project for the Lake Orion Lions, you can find him working on something for the Father Carey Council of the Knights of Columbus.

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The BIG Story in May is the Lions Bear Lake Camp Spring Clean Up

Check the next 3 pages and decide how you want to help and then register by emailing

traci@bearlakecamp.org



APRIL 2023

Lions District 11 A-2 Flyers



"SERVING OAKLAND AND MACOMB COUNTIES"
WWW.LIONSDISTRICT11A2.ORG

LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP

Spring Workbee

May 13th, 2023

Registration 8:00 AM

Cleanup 9:00 AM



LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Easy, Medium, and
Advanced Tasks available
Please bring your own gloves and tools



TO PRE-REGISTER & SIGN UP FOR YOUR FAVORITE
TASK AHEAD OF TIME CONTACT TRACI OR JESSE

Lions Bear Lake Camp
3409 N Five Lakes Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446

traci@bearlakecamp.org
jwalling@bearlakecamp.org

Come Welcome Spring

to the Lions Bear Lake Camp for Blind Children

There's lots to be done to get the Camp ready for the children who will be coming to Camp this year. There's cleaning and sprucing up the property both inside the buildings and outside, there's trails to be maintained and there's the Lake to be made ready. Below is a list of the tasks – Just pick what you want to do and sign up.

Mostly Inside Tasks

Task	Supplies	Teams
Clean screen windows – all buildings	Window cleaner, rags, brush, extension pole	2 teams of 2
Clean Dining Hall chairs & tables	Cleaning soap, water, rags	4 teams of 2
Sweep cabin basements & wipe down furnace room	Brooms, dustpan, rags	2 teams of 2
Pressure wash mats in each building	Pressure washer, carpet cleaner	1 team of 2
Wash with scrub brush all ramps	Scrub brushes, soap, bleach	2 teams of 2
Scrape railing & gate – touch up paint	Scrapers, small brush, paint	1 team of 2
Paint Lodge interior & exterior doors	Paint brushes, paint tarp	1 team of 2
Deep clean Bathhouse including ceiling	Cleaning products, rags	1 team of 4
Deep clean Dining Hall	Cleaning products, brushes, rags	1 team of 4
Deep clean Activity Center	Cleaning products, brushes, rags	1 team of 4

Bring your own plastic gloves. The other materials will be supplied by the Camp.

NOTE: The tasks listed go from easier ones at the top to harder ones at the bottom of this list



Recruit others to join in the Spruce Up effort at Bear Lake – this includes family members...older children...friends

Outside Tasks

Task	Supplies	Teams
Clean out tent camping area & fire ring	Blower, rakes, shovels	1 team of 3
Weed flower beds, plant flowers at house and the Road Sign	Hoes, trowels, shovels, water jugs	2 teams of 2
Clean out flower beds & weeds around the Lodge and stairs to Cabins	Hoes, trowels, shovels, water jugs	1 team of 2
Spread mulch around challenge course, trees, play areas under signs around Camp	Garden rake, pitch fork, large coal shovel	2 teams of 4
Clean out waterfront & add sand	Garden rake, large coal shovel, wheel barrow	2 teams of 5
Walk trails and cut back brush	Saws, hand pruners	2 teams of 2
Trim bushes along lakeside retaining wall	Pruners, trimmers	1 team of 3
Trim all bushes around all buildings	Pruners, trimmers	1 team of 2
Split firewood and re-stack	Axe, wood splitter	1 team of 2
Remove Autumn Olive tree	Axe, shovel	2 teams of 4
Rake rocks out of grass along drive	Rakes	2 teams of 2
Put launch in the water	Possibly waders	1 team of 4
Clean boats, canoes & kayaks	Cleaning materials, rags	1 team of 4
Rake volleyball court, remove weeds, add sand	Garden rake, large coal shovel	1 team of 4
Repair brick pavers around Camp	Tamper, level, flat shovel, rake, rubber mallet	2 teams of 3
Finish canopy on Dining Hall (install clips on poles to secure canvas)		1 team of e skilled carpenters
Remove stumps on trail near climbing tower	Shovels, axe?	2 teams of 2

Bring your own work gloves and any tools you will be using. The other materials will be supplied by the Camp.

NOTE: The tasks listed go from easier ones at the top to harder ones at the bottom of this list

Bring your buddies to help at Bear Lake Camp Clean Up



Joker Poker



News Flash

According to the LO Lions Joker Poker sales representative, there are only 20 envelopes with a playing card inside each one left to be selected. One of those 20 contains the Joker.

To win the Joker Poker jackpot you must select the envelope with the Joker. To have a chance to select an envelope, you must purchase a ticket. Those tickets are 6 for \$5.00. Tickets are sold only at official Lake Orion Lions Club meetings. The remaining meetings for the 2022-2023 Lionist year are on Wed, May 3rd and May 24th and on Wed, June 7th. The Wed, June 21st meeting is the Installation Dinner, and Joker Poker tickets will NOT be sold at that meeting.

If no one has selected the envelope with the Joker after the first 3 drawings on June 7, members may be given an opportunity to purchase more tickets for the drawing. Then tickets will be drawn that evening until there is a winner.

The last Lake Orion Lions Monday Night Meals program with the Lake Orion United Methodist Church is Monday, May 22nd. Volunteers are needed.



Look at the fun these Lake Orion Lions are having fixing food and putting it in the bags for for people to pick up at the Church. The final "Meal" session will be Mon, May 23rd. The Chef will be Matt Sebastian. Tell Jack Patton you'll help, too.

Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar **May 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 7:00pm Regular Club Meeting	4	5	6 10:00am KidSight Testing – Library
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 7:00pm Beaumont Silent Children Dinner	18 6:00pm MD 11 Kickoff Picnic on LST 393	19 6:30pm Dinner & Lions Got Talent Show	20 2:00pm Lions Parade 6:00pm Dinner, S A Dodge Award, Speaker
21	22 LO Lions – LOUMC Meals program	23	24 7:00pm Regular & Board Club Meetings	25	26	27
28	29	27	30	31 		

- | Date | Event & Location |
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| 5-3 | LO Lions Regular Meeting - Johnny Black's Baldwin at Maybee Roads |
| 5-6 | KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library |
| 5-17 | Beaumont Silent Children Diner – San Marino Club, 1685 E Big Beaver Rd, Troy |
| 5-18 | MD 11 Kickoff Picnic – Muskegon harbor – LST 393 |
| 5-19 | MD 11 Breakout sessions – VanDyke Mortgage Convention Center
MD 11 Dinner & Lions Got Talent Show |
| 5-20 | MD 11 Parade downtown Muskegon
MD 11 Awards Dinner and Keynote Speaker |
| 5-22 | LO Lions-& LO United Methodist Church Meals Program – at the Church |
| 5-24 | LO Lions Club & Board Meetings – Johnny Black's Baldwin at Maybee Roads |
| 5-31 | Memorial Day
9:00am Memorial Day 5K and 5 Mile Runs – Children's Park
11:00am – Parade in downtown Lake Orion
1:00pm Memorial Ceremony at Orion Veterans Memorial |

Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar

June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 10:00am KidSight Testing - Library
4	5	6	7 7:00pm LO Lions Club & Board Meeting	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 6:00pm Installation Dinner	22 Lions Jubilee	23 Lions Jubilee	24 Lions Jubilee
25 Lions Jubilee	26	27 6	28	29	30	

- Date** **Event & Location**
- 6-3 KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library
 - 6-7 LO Lions Club & Board Meeting – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads
 - 6-21 LO Lions Installation Dinner – American Legion Post 108, 130 E Drahner, Oxford, MI
 - 6-22-25 LO Lions Jubilee – downtown Lake Orion