

District 11 - A2

District Governor Rhonda Furby

Official Theme: "Serve to Live, Live to Serve"

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Region Chairperson Jim Lykins

Zone Chairperson Richard Rhoades

International President Fabrício Oliveira – Official Theme "Make Your Mark"

Lake Orion Lions Club

Lake Orion, Michigan

President Pam Kline

Club Phone Number: 248-975-6378

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LAKE ORION LIONS NEWSLETTER



**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE OUR
ANNUAL "WELCOME BACK" PICNIC. SEE
BELOW FOR DETAILS**



OUR PREZ SEZ:



I hope everyone is enjoying summer as we enter the last 4 months of 2024. For our September 4th picnic, please sign up to bring a side dish if you have not done so yet. The club meeting, following the picnic, will address our end-of-year demand on our membership for help with our Christmas Auction, Charity Poker and Christmas for Everyone. "NEW" seems to be a theme to me as we enter our 2024-2025 term of service as Lake Orion Lions. I am new as your president, and we have many new board members. Sherrie Fitzgibbon is the new director and chair of Project KidSight. She recently coordinated a 3-day event at Dragon on the Lake checking the eyesight of 70 children as well as doing an ONTV Live interview about Kidsight.

Joe Hildebrand and Mile Pikelis created the first new annual Charity Car Show in Canterbury Village, which will be held on September 1. Our Christmas Auction will be coming up in November and has new chairs, Cathi Williams, Mike Pikelis, and Jack Patton with a new location for the event, the Eagle Creek Academy along with new ideas to manage the auction. Our next new member will be Kelly Kassin, daughter of Big Al Kassin. Angie Boomer recently proposed a new raffle for our club where every member is given a raffle ticket at a monthly meeting and the winner drawn monthly will choose a charity of their choice to have \$100 donated from our club. Our new budget was approved at our recent board meeting where we had 25 members present. I will continue to seek out, support and help implement new ideas from our membership to make our club shine.

Yours in Lionism
President Pam

OUR 1st VP SEZ:

As your current 1VP I am honored and grateful to have been elected as your new President 2025. To all the members, your confidence in me is both humbling and motivating. Your votes are a powerful reminder of the trust you have placed in me to lead our club with integrity and transparency.

I am excited to collaborate alongside with President Pam and 2VP Mike Pikelis.

I have been a member since April 2012 and yes, we have the best club in the Region. I have met awesome members who have become my friends as well.

Thank you to all our members who have volunteered their time. The enthusiasm and dedication in spreading the Lake Orion club message to our community is appreciated...keep up the excellent work! Thank you once again for your trust and support.

"A life worth living is a life lived in service to others"

Lion Wendy Siegle 1VP

OUR 2nd VP SEZ:

Lake Orion Lions,

Unfortunately, summer is quickly coming to an end. It seems like Jubilee was a long time ago but in reality, only 2 months have passed. Hopefully, everyone has had a great summer, and we are all ready to get back to our regular schedule of two meetings per month. We have a lot of work to do and from now until the end of the year is our busiest time. Please block out the first and third Wednesday of every month and try to attend our club meetings.

There are a lot of opportunities to get involved. The Christmas Auction and the Christmas Basket Program are both huge events and need everyone to help as much as they can for them to be successful. There are kick-off dinners that you can attend to learn about the various causes Lion Clubs support. All this time can add up to a lot so plan out it and attend as much as you can. If everyone gives a little it makes the events much better.

Most importantly, have fun while you volunteer. We have an excellent group of people in our club, take the time to get to know as many of us as you can and have fun helping out.

Thanks,

Lion Mike

2VP

CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION:

September "Welcome Back" Picnic: Here is the information on the upcoming picnic next Wednesday. This is from an email that was sent out to the club by Lion Steve Tobias.

Hello Lake Orion Lions. President Pam requested I get this sent out to help everyone plan for the upcoming picnic and meeting next month. She would like you to bring your spouse or significant other to join us for this annual event.

When: Wednesday, September 4th

Set-up 5p-5:30p

Picnic/Social Hour 5:30p-6:30pm

The club meeting starts at 6:30pm

Where: Orion/Oxford Eagles at 317 W. Clarkston Road in Lake Orion

(@Pavilion in the Rear with a Cash Bar)

Please sign up on the signup genius, created by Roger, to bring a side dish listed or a specialty dish you may be known for. We wanted to avoid too many of the same side dishes this year, so we created some side dish categories. We do not necessarily need every side dish listed but wanted you to see what others are bringing and leave sufficient options open for each of you to bring a dish if you are able and willing. There are tables with electricity for crockpots if anyone needs to keep something warm. There will be a cash bar outside at the Eagles for refreshments.

CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION:

Lake Orion Lions Charity Car Show: Brand new event this year! Below is some information that was sent out in emails to the club. If you can come out and help, that would be great.

OK, we are 2 days and a few hours away from our First Car Show! The weather is cooperating, my phone's been ringing, emails and texts so all those fence sitters are now falling our way!! We need help, the busiest time is going to be from about 8am until probably 9-9:30 for the start of the show. If you haven't signed up yet on the Signup Genius but still plan on coming, please email or text me.

For those with mobility issues you can drive in from the south and park behind my yellow building, others park in the dirt lot by the old C Pub or on the south end the Yates parking lot and walk in. In the early morning most of the activity will be at the north end by the C Pub area. The registration will be in front of the Yellow Building in the middle.

Below is the original email from Lion Mike!

Thanks,

Lion Joe

248-762-1393

Lake Orion Lions,

The Lake Orion Lions Club Car Show is coming up and we need your help! The show is Sunday September 1, 2024. The link to Signup Genius is below along with descriptions of the volunteer positions. If you can help, please sign up, if you have any questions let me know.

Entry Table - Responsible for collecting cash for the car show entrants. We will only be accepting cash.

Registration Table - Responsible for checking in preregistered cars and getting day of cars registered.

Car Show Parking - Directing cars where to park (Part of a team of volunteers).

50/50 Raffle - Sell raffle tickets.

Ballot Counting - Assist in counting ballots for class winners.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4DAEA62DA20-50818505-lions>

Thank you,

Lion Mike Pikelis

Mpikelis@charter.net

(248) 390-9002

September "Welcome Back" Picnic:

Two members have volunteered to cook hamburgers and hot dogs on the gas grill to start to serve at 5:30 pm and continue to serve until the meeting kicks off.

[Lake Orion Lions Club: Picnic \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4DAEA62DA20-50818505-lions)

If you have never used sign up genius or need a refresher here is what you do:

- Click on the link to open up the Signup Genius
- Find the category you want to sign up for and click Sign Up
- (left side shows the number of dishes requested and the slots already filled)
- Click on Save & Continue at the bottom of the page
- A new page will open for you to comment on your selected dish and to enter your name and email address
- Click on the Sign Up Now button
- You will receive an email confirmation where you can review and edit your selection

If you still have a problem navigating the sign-up genius, you can call/text another member or Roger or Steve to go in and sign you up.

Roger Brodeur: rtbrodeur@gmail.com 248.897.2312

Steve Tobias: stobias317@gmail.com 719.313.7128

CLUB NEWS & INFORMATION:

Meeting Schedule Changes: We have some changes to our regular meeting schedule that you should be aware of. In September, our second club meeting and September Board meeting will be at Johnny Blacks on Wednesday September 25th. In October, our club gets the wonderful opportunity to host a District Cabinet Meeting. This will be on Wednesday, October 2nd and takes the place of our normal club meeting. Our second club meeting and October Board meeting do not change and will be at Johnny Blacks on October 16th. In November, our club gets the wonderful opportunity to host a Region Meeting. This will be on Wednesday, November 6th and will take the place of our normal club meeting. Our second club meeting and November Board meeting do not change and will be at Johnny Blacks on November 20th.

Charity Poker Event: We have our first charity poker event of the year out at One Eyed Jacks (48922 Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Twp, 48317 - At the corner of 22 Mile and Van Dyke) coming up this month. It will be held Thursday, September 26th through Sunday, September 29th. Our time is from 10:45 - 6pm. If you are working the 10:45 shift, please enter the building at the back as they do not open the front doors until 11 and you need to be in place before then. Look for door #3. Just look for all the cars parked behind the strip mall. I will be there in the morning and at the close of each day. Last year, we raised over \$26,000 from doing this and what an effortless way to do it! If you can spare some time, please consider volunteering for an open shift. Here is the link to the sign up and I will have the spreadsheet at the meeting next Wednesday also.

Lake Orion Lions Club Charity Poker

If you have any questions, or have trouble signing up, please let me know.

Christmas Auction: This magnificent event will take place on Saturday, November 2nd at a new location, Eagle Creek Academy. This is located at 3739 Kern Road in Lake Orion, at the corner of Silverbell and Kern. The first committee meeting was held last night and sounds like a lot of great, new ideas are coming forward to make this event outstanding as ever! Please try and get involved in this project as we need as many members helping as possible. Information on the next meeting will be coming soon. The money raised at this event funds our Christmas Basket program every year.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Region 1 Region Meeting: This is a great meeting for Lions from around our Region, a chance to hear what other clubs are doing for projects, fundraisers, and service. You never know what another club is doing, it could be something that interests you and you can start it for our club. This meeting will be on Wednesday, September 18th at Shield's Pizza on Maple Road in Troy. Meeting will start at 6:45. Cost for members to go is \$10 unless you are a new member (joined within the last year), then it is free. Let Treasurer Angie know if you want to attend. Flyer is included with this newsletter.

Penrickton Center Kickoff Dinner – This is a wonderful way to learn more about one of the charities we support. The dinner takes place on Friday, October 18th at the Henry Hotel in Dearborn. Social hour starts at 6:30. Cost is \$45 per person. If you are a new member of the club for less than a year, the club will cover your cost. Flyer is included in this newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute: This is a fantastic weekend of learning and networking with Lions from around the state. It is November 8-10 in Roscommon. There will be two levels offered. The first level is for any Lion who has not gone to the institute yet. It offers great opportunities to gain experience about Lions but also teaches you about public speaking, leadership tools, mentoring and so much more. The second level, which is now taking the old 2nd & 3rd level and combining them, expands on everything from the first level. This is for those Lions that have already attended either the first or second year. Our club will pay for you to attend regardless of what level you are at. Many members have attended in the past and I am sure all of them will tell you how much they got out of it and how worthwhile it was. Flyer is included with newsletter for more information. If you plan on attending, fill out the application and then give it to Treasurer Angie and she will send in all the applications with one check.

Lions of Michigan Forum: This event does not take place 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! This will be held Friday, February 28th and Saturday, March 1st in Kalamazoo. Friday night there is a service project and then the forum and sessions take place Saturday. 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. There is not a flyer available yet, but I will get one for you as soon as it comes out.

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!

Address: 557 Thurber Drive, Troy, MI 48085

Phone - (248) 561-3203

Email: jamesleachjr@yahoo.com

Yours, In Lionism, Jim Leach, Jr.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Lake Orion Lions Car Show – Canterbury Village – 8a.m.

Club Meeting/Picnic – Lake Orion Eagles

USA/Canada Forum – Louisville, Kentucky

Region Meeting – Troy – 6:45p.m.

Club Meeting & Sept. Board Meeting – Johnny Black's – 7p.m.

District Cabinet Meeting – Johnny Black's – 6:45p.m.

JDRF Walk – Belle Isle – 8a.m.

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Penrickton Kickoff Dinner – Dearborn – 7p.m.

A Christmas for Everyone – Eagle Creek Academy – 5:30p.m.

Region Meeting – Johnny Black's – 6:45p.m.

Lions Leadership Institute – Higgins Lake

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Sunday, September 1, 2024

Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Thur-Saturday, September 5-7, 2024

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Sunday, October 6, 2024

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Friday, October 18, 2024

Saturday, November 2, 2024

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Fri-Sunday, November 8-10, 2024

Wednesday, November 20, 2024



DISTRICT 11-A2 REGION 1 MEETING



“Serve to Live, Live to Serve”

September 18th, 2024

Hosted by

ZC Patrick Wojas & the Beverly Hills Lions Club

Location:

SHIELD’S PIZZA

1476 W Maple Rd.

Troy, Mi 48084

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Meeting starts at 6:45 PM

Meal Cost: \$20 per person with cash bar.

Please R.S.V.P. by Sept. 10th

***Send reservations to: Patrick Wojas
35058 Valley Forge Dr.
Farmington Hills, MI. 48331***

Please Make Checks Payable to the: Beverly Hills Lions Club

Person Name(s): _____

Club Name: _____

Number attending at \$20.00 per person: _____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____

***All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal.
Sorry, no phone reservations.***

Annual Kick-Off Dinner



Friday, October 18, 2024
The Henry, Autograph Collection

300 Town Center Drive, Dearborn 48126



We're celebrating
72 years
of service!



Our annual Kick-Off Dinner is a gathering of friends who support the mission of Penrickton Center:

To help children who are visually impaired with multiple disabilities reach their potential.

The evening features an update on our work this year, a musical/visual presentation introducing the children in our care and a personal story from one of our parents.

6:30 p.m. Social Hour
(cash bar)

7:30 p.m. Dinner

Parent reflection

Entertainment

Silent Auction

Raffles and Door Prizes

Parade of Checks

Tickets are \$45 each and available now.

To order yours, call Sheila at 734-946-7500

Penrickton Center for Blind Children, 26530 Eureka Road, Taylor MI 48180 734-946-7500

2024 Lions Leadership Events

Two training opportunities, one location

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Michigan Lions Leadership Institute is a highly regarded leadership skills development event for Lions who are emerging leaders at the club, zone, region, and district levels.

GRADUATE INSTITUTE

This Program expands on the topics you have learned at the Leadership Institute and gives you a few more.

EVENT INFORMATION

Dates **November 8 - 10, 2024**

Location R. A. MacMullan Center
104 Conservation Drive
Roscommon, MI 48653

Questions? Email Lions@lionsofmi.com
Phone (517)887-6640 ext. 103



More Information!

Lions Leadership and Graduate Institutes

There is a \$300 fee. This includes registration, course materials, two nights of lodging, and six meals. Arrival Friday morning, November 8, 2024. Registration between 10:30 and 11:30 followed by lunch.

Classes actively involve participants in the learning process and enable them to experience the concepts presented. The skills acquired can be used not only in Lions, but also at work and in everyday life.

When participants aren't in class, they make new friends, network, and exchange ideas from across the region.

Here's a sampling of classes:

Team building	Conflict resolution
Managing change	Leadership
Presentation skills	Effective listening
Action plans and goal setting	

Application form Lions Leadership and Graduate Institutes



Deadline: October 4, 2024

Send completed form and payment to:
Lions Leadership Institute
5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911

Applicant information

First name _____
Last name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____
Club name _____
District _____ # years in Lions _____
Highest Lions office held _____
Have you previously attended a Michigan Lions Leadership Institute? yes ____ no ____

Which Institute do you plan to attend (check one)?
Leadership Institute _____
Graduate Institute _____

Payment Information

Make checks payable to Michigan Lions Leadership Institute

Enclosed is my check for \$300
for Leadership Institute _____
Enclosed is my check for \$300
Graduate Institute _____

Pay by credit card online:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-lions-of-michigan-leadership-institute-tickets-952906668497?aff=oddtcreator>

Signature _____

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 4, 2024

**A CANCELLATION FEE OF \$150.00 WILL APPLY AFTER
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