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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: Cathi Williams**

**Lake Orion Lions Club Officers**

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2<sup>nd</sup> VP -

Membership Chair—Ron Hines

Secretary – Jim Leach, Jr

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Lion Tamer – Chris Ophus

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Jim Boomer

Dan Hartwell

Pam Kline

Jack Patton

Mike Pikelis

Rick Rice

Subra Sunderaswaran

JoAnn Van Tassel

Dear Fellow Members –

Whew! My term as the President of the most extraordinary Lions Club in the Lions International organization is ending. Time does fly when you are having fun!

We started this year by saying goodbye to Canterbury Village and the K of C Hall as our in-person meeting locations. Thankfully, our friends at the American Legion allow us to use their meeting room until we found a permanent location to hold our meeting. Thank you to Lion Mike Pikelis, for doing all the leg work and finding Johnny Black's Public House for us.

Along with a new in-person meeting location, the Club embraced new technology and opened up our meetings to people that could not make it to the meetings in person. The Club now has a Zoom Meeting Account and Meeting Owl Pro that provides 360-degree video conferencing for large groups of people such as our club.

As the year progressed and Covid restrictions lessen, the Club Members felt comfortable having fundraising events again. Last month, Lion Dan Hartwell and Lion Ron Hines were able to be the Chairmen and host The Lion Races. The fundraiser was a great success, with many new local Businesses participating in the races. Also, last month Lion Roger Brodeur chaired a successful White Cane Collection Campaign. This month, we are looking forward to the Lake Orion Lions' Jubilee and Fireworks Show. Lion Mike Pikelis and Lion Roger Brodeur have been hard at work making all the necessary preparations for the event. With this being one of the Club's biggest fundraisers, I would like to encourage everyone to sign up to volunteer and have some fun at the event.

This year we were also fortunate enough to be able to increase our membership by installing 7 new members. Bring our membership total to 101 members.

With a full heart, I would like to thank all the members for their support this year, and I look forward to seeing all the great things Lion Denise Zuke has in store for the Club next year.

President Cathi

*Think Positive and Positive Things Will Happen*



*You are invited to*

**The Lake Orion Lions  
Installation of Officers Dinner  
Wednesday, June 29, 2022  
6-6:30 Social Dinner 6:30  
Cost: \$25 per person**

**RSVP to Janet Mazzetti – [ocamaz@aik.com](mailto:ocamaz@aik.com) or text 248 343-4135 by Fri, June 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Mail your payment to Angie Boomer, 3250 Stacey Circle, Oxford, MI 48371**

# District 11 A 2 Doings

Shawn Blaszczyk, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor, has made the Lions Club International's **Campaign 100** his special project during his 2021-2022 term. He has sent out flyers and other information about **Friday Dimes & Friday Dollars** fund raising ideas.



The **Friday Dimes** idea was to take a 16 oz water bottle and fill it with dimes on a regular basis. By the end of the campaign in June, there should be \$50.00 or more in the bottle. A number of Lake Orion Lions took an offered water bottle to fill with dimes. So far, six of them have returned their bottles. Here's the results:

Name	Amount	LCIF	White Cane
• Jim & Lauraine Pettinato	\$71.40	\$50.00	\$21.40
• Cathi Williams	\$55.20	\$50.00	<u>\$ 5.20</u>
• Jack & Charlotte Patton	\$55.30	\$55.30	
• JoAnn Van Tassel	<u>\$57.50</u>	<u>\$57.50</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$244.30</b>	<b>\$212.80</b>	<b>\$26.60</b>

If you have a water bottle, even if it only has a few dimes, please turn it in. Every little dime helps. If you didn't take a water bottle, but still want to help, let Angie Boomer, Club Treasurer, know how much you want to donate to LCIF.

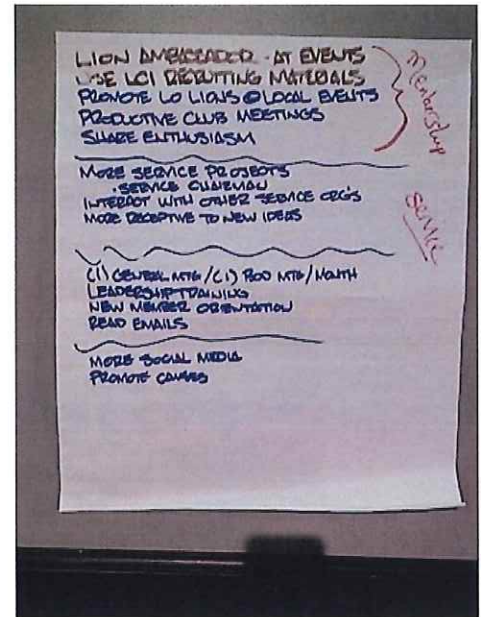
The FCIF Campaign 100 was for each Lions Club to raise \$100 per member over 6 years beginning in 2017. To date, the Lake Orion Lions Club has donated \$9,790 to the Campaign, and based on 82 members at that time, our Club has met the goal. However, our Club has added a few more members since 2017, so the Friday Dimes project raised enough to cover 2 more members.

Also, LCIF assigned the District 11 A 2 a goal of \$250,000.00, and currently it is at about \$193,000.00 towards the goal.

# Club Quality Initiative

The Lake Orion Lions began the process assessing itself in various areas of Club operations under the guidance of Lion Tammi Graber, GMT (Global Membership Team) for District 11 A 2. She led us through a series of exercises involving 1) membership, 2) service, 3) leadership, and 4) more social media. To the right is what the members came up with at the April 20th meeting.

Lion Tammi returned to the May 25th meeting to lead us in a series of goal setting activities. She split us into 4 groups, and each group worked separately on coming up with goals in four different areas.



## Membership

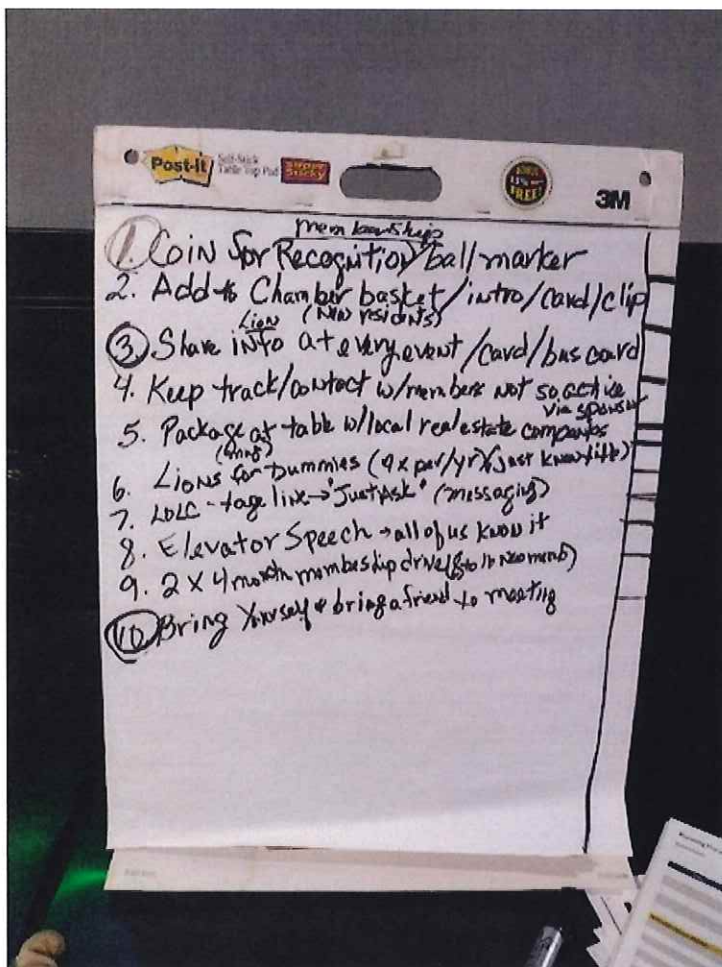
**Membership** was the first topic that was tackled, and a total of 10 different goals were suggested. You can see the wide range of ideas generated by the those in attendance at the meeting.

Then the members voted by making a check mark next to the 3 ideas they felt most strongly about. The top 3 ideas were:

- A coin for recognition or ball marker**
- Share Lions information at every event with a card telling what we do**
- Bring yourself & a friend to meetings.**

The challenge is to follow through and implement these goals.

Lion Sue Erickson is the incoming Membership Chair. Talk with her if you like to help in these areas.



# Club Quality Initiative

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## Service Impact

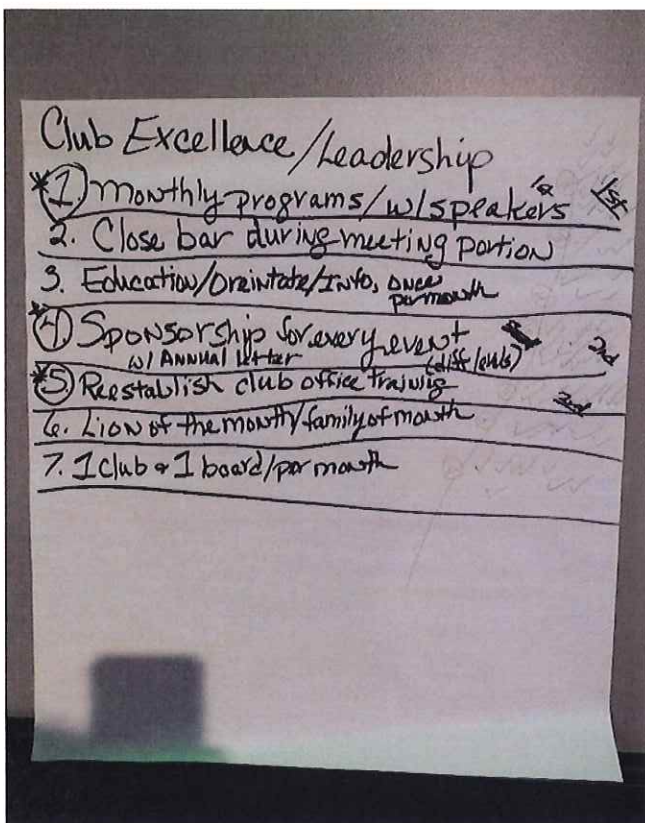
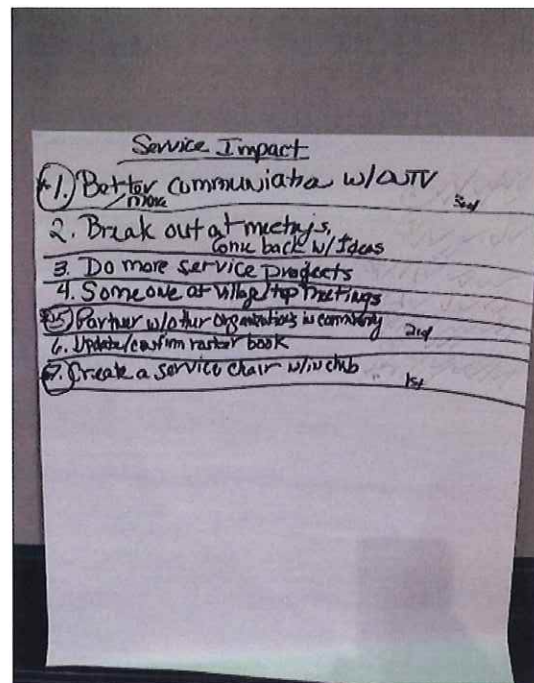
**Service Impact** meant different things to the members, and they identified a total of 7 things to be considered. After some discussion and members putting check marks by the ideas they favored, the ones that gathered the most support were:

**Better/more communication with ONTV**

**Partner with other organizations in the community**

**Create a Service Chair (position) within the Club**

Creation of a Service Chair position would require an amendment to the Constitution. And there would need to be committee to help the Service Chair meet the challenges of the position. Here's where "We Serve" can really come to live. Let incoming Prez Denise Zuke know if you're interested in helping.



## Club Excellence/Leadership

**Club Excellence/Leadership** elicited 7 suggested goals that covered a wide range of ideas. Some ideas such as closing the bar during the meeting was a non-starter. The ones that received the most check marks were:

**Monthly programs with speakers**

**Sponsorships for every event with different levels of support**

**Re-establish Club officer training**

Some clubs & organizations in the Orion area raise a large amount of their annual budget with sponsorships. The Lake Orion Lions should learn what they do and how we could do the same thing. Maybe some thought should be given to a Sponsorship Committee.

# Club Quality Initiative

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## Club Image

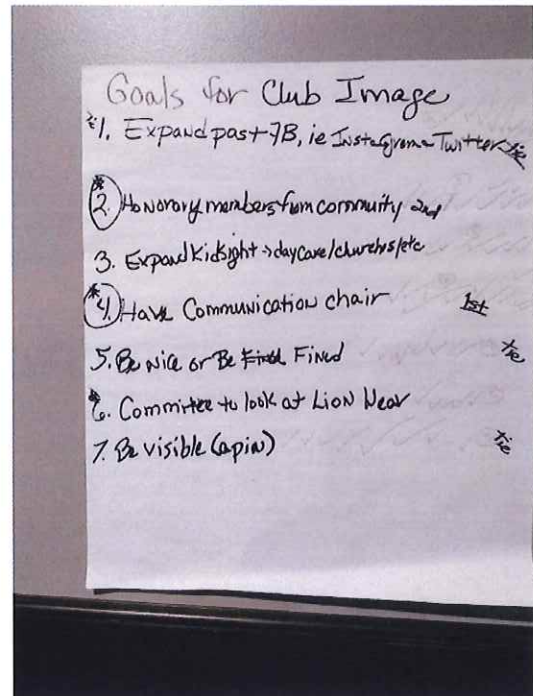
**Club Image** was the last topic considered, and the members had 7 ideas but only 2 of them got meaningful check marks. Those were:

**Honorary members from the community**

**Have a Communications Chair**

The idea behind a Communications Chair is to have someone who follows with members who take charge of 1 form of messaging—for example, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, ONTV, Orion Review & Oakland Press, the website.

The members who currently chair various events & committees could benefit by having others take care of getting the press releases, flyers and other information to the general public.



All of the effort put forth by Tammi Graber and members of the Lake Orion Lions Club will come to fruition only if the Club members buy in to what has been proposed, roll up their sleeves and actively participate in Club activities. July 1, 2022 marks the beginning a new Lionistic year. We can make it a great year, but each of us has to do our part.

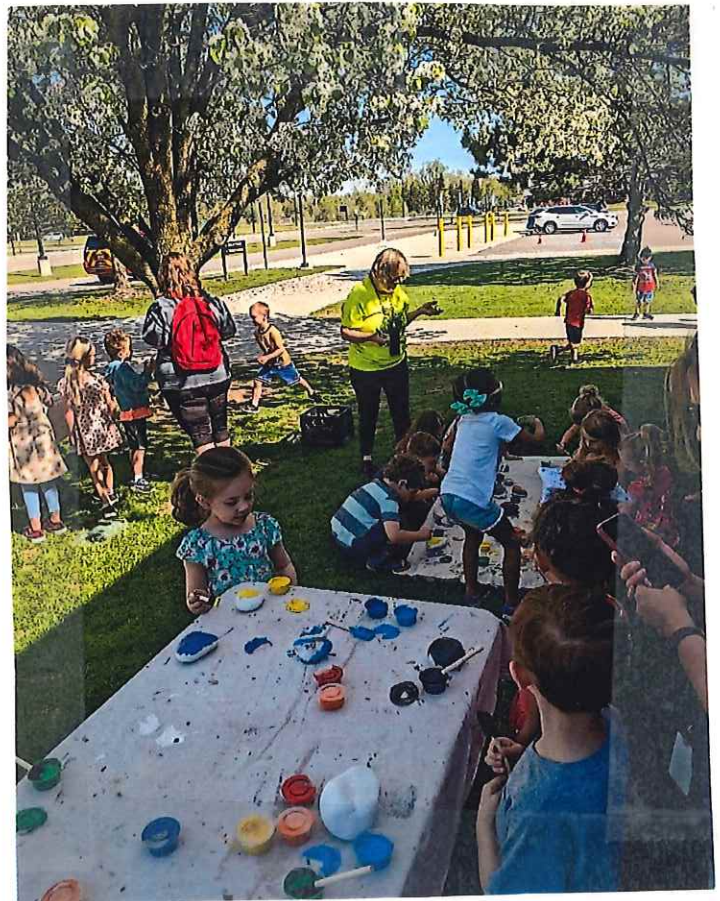
**May you have a fun-filled summer and ready to come back on August 20th and help with the Family Fun Fest**





## Orion Oaks Elementary School Paint a Rock Day

Who says Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> can't be a lucky day? It certainly was a lucky day for a few members of the Lake Orion Lions Club. Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> was Day of Service for the students at Orion Oaks and the Early Learning Center located north across the parking lot from the School. It was bright and sunny with a light breeze – a perfect Spring day – just right for being outside.



The 3 & 4 year olds from the Early Learning Center marched over to Orion Oaks and wondered what was going on. We helped each of them pick a rock out of the box and then put their name on the back of their rock. The cups of paint were opened, the paint brushes handed out, and then the fun began.

Each youngster could use whatever color paint he or she wanted...and there were 8 different colors from which to choose. Most of the tots used only 1 color and put it all over their rock. A couple of more creative ones used 2 or 3 colors on their rock.

As expected, many of these young artists got almost as much paint on their hands and arms as on their rock. But they each had fun. They also had a chance to see and touch some farm animals that had been brought to the school that day. And for some of the children meeting and talking with Orion Township firefighters was a big treat. They had an opportunity to touch some of the equipment. It certainly was a fun-filled day – even if it was Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

All photos were taken by PDG Lion Jack Patton.

## 2022 Scholarship Winners

Again this year, the Lake Orion Lions Club provided a \$1,000 scholarship to two Lake Orion High School students. 10 seniors applied for the scholarships and submitted an essay on community service along with their record of such service.

The essays were reviewed by Lions Jill Baker, Marilyn Gaskins, Janet Mazzetti, Mike Pikelis, JoAnn Van Tassel and Denise Zuke. They turned their essay and community service ratings into Marilyn who then tabulated the results and sent the names of the top students to the Lake Orion High School counselors who then selected the 2 students who earned the scholarships. They are:

**Emily Inch** = who will be attending Michigan State University and majoring in Environmental Studies & Sustainability. She plans to be a college professor.

**Taylor Trenta** – who will be attending Calvin College in Grand Rapids pursuing a liberal arts curriculum. She plans to become an attorney.

Each of these young ladies received additional honors at the **Senior Academic & Honors Ceremony** on May 24, 2022. They each received the Gold Cord to be worn with their cap and gown indicative of graduating Summa Cum Laude with a grade point average of 3.9 or better during their high school years. They also earned the Lamp of Learning Gold Pin by having at least a 3.5 grade point average or better each year.

Emily Inch and Taylor Trenta along with their parents will attend the Installation Dinner and receive their scholarship at that time.



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**Installation of Officers Dinner**  
**Wednesday, June 29, 2022**  
 6-6:30 Social Dinner 6:30  
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*Johnny Blocks*  
**PUBLICHOUSE**  
 3575 South Baldwin Rd Lake Orion, MI 48360  
*Baldwin & Maybee Roads*

*We will be installing  
 new officers,  
 new members &  
 honoring our  
 scholarship winners.*



**Menu**

- Chicken Piccata**
- Penne Alfredo**
- Steamed Broccoli**
- Whipped Potatoes**
- Tossed Salad**
- Pop, Coffee, Ice Tea**
- Cake**
- Cash Bar**

**RSVP By**

**Friday June 17, 2022**

RSVP to Janet Mazetti  
 Text: 248 343-4135  
 Or [ocamaz@aol.com](mailto:ocamaz@aol.com)

*As with all our events when you RSVP "Yes" you  
 will attend, you are obligated to pay whether  
 you attend or not.*

**Send your checks to:**  
 Angie Boomer 3250 Stacey Circle  
 Oxford, MI 48371

*Dress to Impress!  
 Dress for Success!*



**Yes, I am attending the Lake Orion Lions Installation on June 29, 2022**

Names of attending: \_\_\_\_\_

How many attending: \$25 per person

Total of check: \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Send check to: Angie Boomer 3250 Stacey Circle, Oxford, MI 48371*



## 2022 LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB JUBILEE

**We Serve**

**JUBILEE CARNIVAL  
DOWNTOWN LAKE  
ORION**

**THURSDAY JUNE 23<sup>th</sup> -  
SUNDAY JUNE 26<sup>th</sup>**

- THURSDAY 5PM - 10PM
- FRIDAY 12PM - 11PM
- SATURDAY 12PM - 11PM
- SUNDAY 12PM - 6PM

**FIREWORKS SATURDAY  
NIGHT AT DUSK OVER LAKE  
ORION**





**Event Sponsors**







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## 2022 LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB JUBILEE

**We Serve**

**MEET A FUTURE LEADER DOG**  
SATURDAY NOON - 4 PM  
LEARN ABOUT RAISING A FUTURE LEADER DOG! LEADERDOGS FOR THE BLIND IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO RAISE PUPPIES TO HELP THE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED.

**LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB PROJECT KIDSIGHT**  
FRIDAY NOON - 4 PM    SATURDAY NOON - 4 PM  
FREE VISION SCREENINGS FOR CHILDREN FROM 6 MONTHS OF AGE AND UP  
EARLY VISION SCREENING CAN PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT LONG-TERM BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN.  
VISION PROBLEMS ARE PREVALENT IN 25% OF ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN IN THE US.

**LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB CANNED FOOD DRIVE**  
SATURDAY NOON - 11 PM  
DROP OFF CONTAINERS AT THE BEER TENT

**LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB CHILDREN'S SCAVENGER HUNT**  
SATURDAY 12 PM  
KID FRIENDLY SCAVENGER HUNT WITHIN THE VILLAGE - AGES 6 TO 12  
MEET AT FLINT AND BROADWAY IN FRONT OF ED'S BROADWAY GIFT AND COSTUME

**LAKE ORION LIONS CLUB JUBILEE FIREWORKS**  
SATURDAY DUSK








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# Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar **June 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 7:00pm Regular Club meeting	<b>2</b> LCI Convention Montreal	<b>3</b> LCI Convention Montreal	<b>4</b> 10:00am Kid Sight at Library
<b>5</b> LCI Convention Montreal	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Flag Day	<b>15</b> 7:00pm Regular Club & Board meetings	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 5:00pm Jubilee opens	<b>24</b> Noon Jubilee	<b>25</b> Noon Jubilee 10:00pm Fireworks
<b>26</b> Noon Jubilee	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 6:00pm LO Lions Installation Dinner	<b>30</b>		

Date	Event & Location
6-1	LO Lions Club – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads
6-2-5	LCI Convention in Montreal
6-4	LO Lions KidSight Testing – Orion Public Library
6-14	Flag Day – fly it proudly
6-15	LO Lions Club & Board Meetings – Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads
6-23	LO Lions Jubilee opens
6-24-26	LO Lions Jubilee continues with Fireworks at 10:00pm on Sat, May 25 <sup>th</sup>
6-29	LO Lions Installation Dinner = Johnny Black’s Baldwin at Maybee Roads

# Lake Orion Lions Club Calendar **July 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1 10:00pm</b> LO Lions Flare Night	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  HAPPY 4TH OF JULY	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 6:00pm</b> Jimmy John's Game for Bear Lake	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20 7:00pm</b> Board Meeting	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24 1:00pm</b> Picnic & Cabinet Installation	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30/31</b>

**Date**            **Event & Location**

**7-1**                **LO Lions Flare Night on Lake Orion**

**7-4**                **Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July – celebrate with fun and safety**

**7-15**              **Ballgame at Jimmy John's Field in Utica for Bear Lake**

**7-20**              **LO Lions Board Meetings – Johnny Black's Baldwin at Maybee Roads**

**7-24**              **District Picnic & Cabinet Installation – Romeo Lions Den, 269 E Washington, Romeo**