

# Lion Tracks

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## December Meeting

Santa's Visit is a Success

**Dec. 9: Club Meeting – Tait's Bill of Fare – 6:00 P.M.**

The reservations are made, the menu is planned and the festivities will begin at 6:00 to welcome the Christmas season. Our annual club Christmas party will be a fun-filled affair with lots of good conversation, good food, an auction and a few Christmas songs to conclude the evening. A cash bar will be available for cocktails.

The Lioness Club's holiday auction will begin after dinner. There are many magnificent items to be auctioned and the price is just 25 cents to bid. They guarantee that it will be lots of fun. If you have an auction item, white elephant or otherwise, to donate, bring it along.

So bring a good appetite, some quarters and your best singing voice. The 50/50 jackpot is over \$200. Winning that would definitely make the holiday sparkle!

**Dec. 23: No meeting is scheduled**



The 30<sup>th</sup> annual Children's Christmas Party ushered in the holiday season at the American Legion Hall. Santa arrived right on schedule to the delight of the 225+ children who waited patiently with their parents to have a chance to tell him their secret wishes. Santa and his helpers handed out gift bags to each child. The children and their families enjoyed games, face painting and lunch provided by McDonald's, Burger King, K Mart and the Lions.

Thanks go to the many Lion elves, friends of the Lions and Oscoda students who arrived early to get everything set up, served lunch and stayed to help with the various activities. Many Lions and Lioness made generous donations of stuffed animals, toys and candy to help fill our gift bags. Dr. Richardson provided toothbrushes. The fine people at the American Legion donated the use of the hall. We thank them for all of their assistance.

Special thanks go to Lion Joan who did a wonderful job of organizing and orchestrating this outstanding community event.

**Club Dues are due now!!!**

## ~~Board Business~~

The following thank you cards were received from:

Camp Warm Heart in Gladwin for our \$240 contribution and Welcome Homes for our \$500 donation.

Howard Pawley for the \$229 donation to the Loaves and Fishes Café. These funds were collected at the Thanksgiving dinner by all of you generous Lions and your guests.

Mary Donovan who appreciates all the help she receives from her fellow Lions and Lioness.

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St. Joseph Hospice has announced the annual Tree of Lights Campaign. Donations are welcomed.

The board approved a \$25 donation to the Lions of Michigan Foundation in memory of Region Chair Frank Illig of Standish. A \$25 donation has been sent to Mercy Hospice of Cadillac in memory of Elinore Hoyle, Lion John's mother.

The Senior Center in AuSable is looking for drivers to help with Meals on Wheels. There is reimbursement for mileage. Call 739-3668 and ask for Jackie.

A new vision machine to assist the visually impaired has been donated to the club. Contact Lion Jim if you know of someone who can use it.

Humanitarian funds were used to help an Oscoda family with five children. A new water heater has been installed.

The next Executive Board meeting will be held at Lion Craig's home on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.



## The Lights Do Sparkle!

For the fifth year the Northern Lights Parade illuminated the streets of Oscoda with an array of beautifully decorated floats, live reindeer and lots of participants. Santa was accompanied by two tiny elves who helped distribute candy to the large crowd gathered along the way.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Parade Committee are again to be congratulated for their superb efforts to make this a first class event.

The club greatly appreciates all of Lion Bob's efforts and the use of his barn and supplies. Thanks go also to those Lions who helped assemble and decorate the float.



Special Lion Thoughts

Expressions of sympathy are sent to Lion John and Lioness Ruth Hoyle. Lion John's mother passed away in late November.

Lions Wayne and Lewis are both recovering well from recent surgeries.

Keep Lion Chuck and Lioness Karol in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with serious health problems.

## December Calendar

Dec. 9: Club Christmas Party at Tait's Bill of Fare - 6:00



Dec. 21:  
begins officially at 6:38 P.M.



Dec. 25:

Dec. 27: National Fruitcake Day

Dec. 31. New Year's Eve

## January Calendar



Jan 1:  
Capital One Bowl Game  
MSU v Alabama 1 P.M.

Jan. 6: Executive Board Meeting at Lion Craig's home at 7:00

Jan 13: Club Meeting at Tait's Gathering Room at 6:00

Jan. 20-23: Texas Hold 'Em Tournament - Vista Lanes

Jan. 27: Club Meeting at Tait's Gathering Room at 6:00.

Jan. 29: District Cabinet Meeting in Grayling at 10:00 A.M.

