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Howard Lake Lions Club



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Darren McAlpine

UPCOMING

January 1 – NO MEETING - Happy New Year!

January 12th – Ice Cream Social at The Lodge at 2:00 p.m.

January 15th – Lions Christmas Party Social Hour at 6:00 p.m., Potluck meal at 6:30

February – Valentine Breakfast Buffet

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Our Lions Club will be serving ice cream to the residents at The Lodge. If you can help, come to The Lodge on **Monday, January 12 at 2:00 p.m.** to help serve ice cream. The residents love ice cream! Thank you to Lion Gary for chairing our ongoing event.

OUR RESCHEDULED LIONS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our Lions Christmas Party will be held on Thursday, January 15th. It was postponed last month due to the weather. Social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. followed by a potluck meal at 6:30 p.m. We will also have a gift exchange which is optional. Ladies bring a gift for a lady and men bring a gift for a man. The value should be around \$20.00. We will also play Bingo for a quarter. Spouses and significant others are invited. If needed, we will have a short meeting before the festivities begin.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the Howard Lake Lion members who are celebrating their birthdays in January: Tom Sullivan (2), Terry Thorson (19), Becky Frank (24).

MEAT RAFFLE

The meat raffle at Troubles Bar and Restaurant is in full swing every Saturday starting at 3:00 p.m. We are setting up a schedule for you to work. If you know of a Saturday when you can help, please let Lion President LaNette or Lion Craig know. Text messages will continue to be sent out as a reminder. This is an awesome volunteering opportunity that the Maple Lake Lions has asked us to help out with. Thank you to the Lions members and non-Lion members who have already stepped up to volunteer.

MID-WINTER CONVENTION

There is still time to register for the convention. The deadlines to register have been extended. It is **January 24th & 25th**. The convention is a great way to learn more about Lionism and is always a lot of fun. We also will be having three members honored at the Memorial Service on Saturday afternoon. Contact President LaNette or Secretary Terry if you need help registering. So far we have four members signed up to attend.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Thank you to Lions Peggy and Jeff for co-chairing our Breakfast with Santa. We would also like to thank Santa and Mrs. Claus for taking time out of their busy schedule from the North Pole to listen to the children's wish list and to the Howard Lake Royalty for assisting Santa and Mrs. Claus. Thank you also to the Buffalo Toy Shop for donating the wooden toys that were given out to the children.



DONATIONS



Our Lions Club presented donations to the City of Howard Lake, the Waverly Food Shelf, and the Winsted Elementary. The donation to the City of Howard Lake was partnered with the **Maple Lake Lions** to donate towards the Giving Tree for people less fortunate than us. Lions Donald and Tammy presented Tammy, coordinator for the Waverly Food Shelf, a donation from the Howard Lake Lions. Lion President LaNette presented a donation to teachers, Laura and Coriena, from the Winsted Elementary, a donation towards their Talk. Read. Play. (It is their goal to encourage talking, reading, and playing games at home instead of using technology.)



HLWW STUDENT COUNCIL

The HLWW Student Council Winter Carnival took place on Saturday, December 13th. Our Lions Club, along with other businesses and individuals, decorated a tree on Friday, December 12th. The decorated Christmas trees were given to families who were in a state of need and joy for the holiday season. The Christmas trees were given away at the Winter Carnival. Pictured are Lions LaNette and Terry who decorated the Christmas tree for the Howard Lake Lions. Thank you to Lion Peggy who purchased the lights and ornaments.



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**NO MEETING
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