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Happy Holidays!
Wishing you Peace and
Years of Needed Service
in your Communities!!!



Recent Eyeglass Mission trip to Mexico see story p. 22

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Lion Patty Harrison from Springfield Lions Club gives new meaning to "We Serve"... see story p. 11



Estacada Lions Club



Portland Oaks Bottom Lions Club

See what more District O clubs are up to on p.6

ANNIVERSARIES

December 2017 marks the anniversary of another year in Lionism. It's great to be a part of a network of Lions who are recognized as the greatest service organization worldwide! Indeed, your club continues in the excellent tradition of service and pride under the banner of Lionism.

December

Portland Downtown	December 2, 1921
Mill City	December 11, 1947
Eagle Point	December 16, 1951
Garibaldi	December 7, 1953
Halfway	December 8, 1965
Estacada	December 15, 1966
Hood River Eye Openers	December 29, 1975
Bonanza	December 21, 1977
Mount Angel	December 19, 1980
Eugene Cascade	December 26, 2001

January

Grants Pass	January 18, 1928
Powers	January 30, 1942
North Bend	January 14, 1947
Philomath	January 13, 1948
Beaverton	January 16, 1951
Grants Pass Redwood	January 9, 1952
Brookings Harbor	January 10, 1953
Madras	January 30, 1970
Island City	January 14, 1974
Union	January 15, 1974
Mitchell	January 27, 1975
Cedar Hills/Sunset	January 11, 2011

MD and District Websites

Find out what's happening in your District by going to the web and typing in your District website address listed below. You will be amazed at the amount of information located on the site.

MD36: md36lionsclubs.org

District O: www.lionsoforegon.net
District R: www.lionsclubs36r.org
District E: www.districtelions.org
District G: www.oregonlions36g.org

MONTHLY CALENDARS

MEETINGS

December

TBD OLSHF Exec.Comm mtg. Portland

- OLSHF Trustee mtg. Littlebrook Clubhouse, 200 Littlebrook Lane, Roseburg @9am Council of Governors mtg. Littlebrook Clubhouse, 200 Littlebrook Lane, Roseburg @1pm
- 13 OLSHF Patient Care Comm. mtg. Portland

January

- 10 OLSHF Patient Care Comm. mtg. Portland
- 29 SOLSHC Board mtg. @6pm

EVENTS

December

- 4 Eyeglass Sorting Party Keizer Lions Halls, 4100 Cherry Ave., NE @ 6pm
- 10 The Oregon Lion article deadline (for January issue)
- 12 Hanukkah begins
- 25-26 Christmas Holiday observed HQ office closed
- 31 New Years Eve Observed

January

- 1 New Year's Day Observed HQ closed
- 10 The Oregon Lion article deadline (for February issue)
- 15 Martin Luther King Day Observed HQ closed



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Mighty MD-36 Lions! The rains have come! The wind! It blows! Snow is falling and still ... you're out in your communities doing astounding service!!!

It's early November as I write this and I just spent some time perusing the Lions International website (www. lionsclubs.org.), an interesting place to spend some time! I looked at the service reported by every club in the Multiple District for the month of October. 2017. Here's a sampling of what you strong, happy Lions have been up to: Recycling cans and bottles; working with other service organizations to build in communities; participating in SMART reading, washing dishes, doing wildfire clean-up, supporting food banks and clothes closet; volunteering in schools, libraries and on our highways; planting trees, mowing lawns, installing smoke detectors, delivering meals and filling school kiddos backpacks with weekend food, not to mention selling burgers, apples, sausage and sauerkraut, steaks and prawns for fundraisers and providing exams, glasses and hearing aids and, of course, doing thousands of school vision screenings!

Like the pamphlet says ... what would Oregon be like without Lions? Well, there wouldn't be as many opportunities for students. There wouldn't be as many quality, nutritious meals for youth, seniors and others in need. There'd be longer lines at libraries and hospitals, with less service for those in need at the end of those lines. There'd be fewer literate students because of the lack of reading help. There'd be students who can't learn because they can't read and they can't read because they can't see. There'd be innumerable adults who couldn't work or even function in society because they can't see or hear. You mighty Lions make such a huge impact in your communities! It just can't be measured.

Well ... some of it can. Please, please report your hard service work to Lions International (the website I mentioned earlier!) via MY LCI. Also, publicize your great service in your local media. The Multiple District PR team has produced an easy-to-use PR manual that'll help you communicate better in your communities. Please use this wonderful tool and get the word out about what you're doing.

Your District Governors, DGs Debi, Bob, Tom and Bert, have all been working hard, making visits to your clubs and spreading the word and greeting from our International President, Lion Naresh Agarwal: Namaste! "I salute the divine in you!" MD36 Lions, we, your servants, your District Governors and I salute you in so many ways!

With every smiling act of service in your community, you make Oregon and Northern California a better place to live! You lead your clubs, zones, districts and communities to be the better places we envision. A big part of those smiles is from the fellowship we enjoy with our fellow Lions and everyone else who is a potential Lion! And we're getting better and better about communicating the great things we do, both internally, (MY LCI reporting) and externally, (PR/media efforts).

The holidays are approaching so quickly! Please, follow what we say when we induct new Lions, particularly at this hectic time of year: Always keep your family first. Sometimes those we love the most are the ones we most easily ignore. Enjoy your fellow Lions, enjoy your community service, but hold your loved ones close and share the best with them!

As our calendar year comes to a close, remember, we still have until June 30th, 2018, to complete our Centennial projects! There's still time!

As I've said before ... Be the source in your community of SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, FELLOWSHIP and COMMUNICATION ... Do it ... Lead it ... Enjoy it ... Tell about it!

Let's keep "MOVING MD36 FORWARD"!

As always, I'm honored to serve you, so proud of your confidence in me and humbled to be counted among you great Lions of MD36!

Directory Corrections

- p. 38 Creswell Lions now meeting on first Tuesday. Everything else the same.
- p. 89 Carlin, Phyllis, 1st VDG has new email of pascarlin@gmail.com
- p. 96 Horsley, Stella now has email of mama.horsley@yahoo.com

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District O - Northwest - North Coast



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With the spirit of giving that characterizes this time of year, I'd like to take the opportunity to ask this question.

What would your community be like without **your Lions Club?**

Think about the many ways your club has contributed to your community across the years. How about all the used eyeglasses and hearing aids gathered; the thousands of pounds of canned food collected; the people who have been helped with new, free eyeglasses and hearing aids; the hundreds of thousands of dollars raised and donated and the many other benefits our local Lions clubs have provided.

This service is vital and immeasurable for our communities, but is it always recognized? I think we ought to shout out more about it to or local newspapers and TV stations.

Take these examples of great service in District O. The St. Helens Lions Club installs 160 American flags on their downtown streets on Federal holidays. The West Linn Lions collected, bought and donated to the homeless almost 3,000 sleeping bags over the last 9 years.

How can we express our gratitude to Joe Westin, Helen Honse and other members of the Portland Lloyd Lions Club when in the 1980s they pressured LCI via their lawsuit to admit women into our clubs. How indispensable was that!

The benefits to the community also include fundraising. Kudos to the many clubs like the Lions in King City, Beavercreek, Lake Oswego, West Linn, Gresham and other towns that donate thousands of dollars each year to LCIF, to the OLSHF, to fund high school scholarships, and to other noteworthy charities.

I ask again, "What would your community be like without your Lions clubs?"

Thank you for your individual volunteering and thank you to your Lions club for what it does. During this holiday season, please take time to show appreciation to your fellow Lions for their service and recognize the pillars in your club, those members who have kept your club going over the decades.

District R - Willamette Valley - Central Coas



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My previous four articles for the Oregon Lion have focused on some of the larger issues, goals and challenges facing the Lions as we begin our second century of service. It's time now to devote some attention to the Lions and Lions clubs that I have had the opportunity to visit and to acknowledge their accomplishments. To date, I have visited seventeen clubs around the District, and these visits have served to educate me about the amazing community service being performed by our Lions clubs, past and present.

All of our clubs are active in local sight and hearing assistance and most have done vision screening of children in one or more of their local schools. Most clubs have cleaned local highways, cemeteries and parks as part of their ongoing commitment to the environment. Food collections for local food banks and purchasing, preparing, and donating meals for local residents are frequently reported. Dimes for Diabetes fund- raising and support for Gales Creek Camp and campers are ongoing projects for a number of clubs. A few clubs are even ahead of the curve in the new emphasis on pediatric cancer with contributions to St. Jude and Shriners hospitals being reported. These projects all fall within Lions Club International's new service framework, which shouldn't be surprising, since Lions from all over the world chose the five areas of emphasis via the survey by conducted by LCI.

There is also lots of service being done by Lions outside the new service framework. Honor Flight has benefitted from Lions fundraising events in recent years. Days for Girls came on the scene two years ago, and at least one of our clubs has made that charity part of its ongoing commitment to service. A number of our clubs have made assistance to foster children part of their service, a badly needed focus in light of recent news stories about the plight of Oregon foster kids. Support for family and children services agencies is the focus of several clubs in the District and, in some cases, this support has produced partnerships which will benefit both the agencies and the Lions in the years ahead. The variety and nature of the service is limited only by the imagination of the Lions and the needs of the communities involved. My thanks to all of you for your efforts to improve the viability of your communities and the lives of the people in them.

Finally, to all of you who are reading this, please accept my best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season. Among other things, the season is a reminder of all the things for which we should be thankful. The ability and the privilege to serve others should be foremost among them. Thank you for caring enough to serve as Lions.

District E - Southern - South Coast



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District E is starting to Roar!

Believe it or not here it is December already and the holiday season is upon us. With that said, I would like to pass along Season's Greetings, Happy Holidays, Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas to all.

As December descends upon us, I find myself almost finished with my required visitations, having had the opportunity to visit 25 of the clubs within our District. One thing I can say with certainty is that I have enjoyed every visit. It is also my hope that through my visits I have been able to shed a little light and perspective on the future we have in store for District E over the next 100 years.

Our clubs, despite our census running in the negative, are doing great things and are continuing to add members and provide service to their communities.

There are a couple of instances throughout the District that I feel need to be made known across our Multiple District. First and foremost is that Medford Host has a new member and Jacksonville has two new members, one being the first woman in their club. Also, Cave Junction is adding new members, which warms my heart. Two years ago, this Club was on the verge of collapsing, but with the due diligence of a dedicated President and the guidance of one PDG Wes King this Club has come full circle and is on the rise. Certainly, there is still a lot of work to do, but they are definitely on the path to recovery and Roaring like never before.

These are the kind of instances we must embrace as Lion leaders. Sometimes we, as leaders, get caught up in the "politics" of Lionism and tend to forget about the grassroots level of things. It's where the rubber meets the road that matters and we leaders need to remember this. As I tell each of the clubs during my talks with them, it's not about me (the District) but about them and the incredible work and sacrifices they do. It's making every day for the sake of their communities that matters. Without them there wouldn't be a District, Multiple District or LCI.

Sometimes I feel we come into this with a stuffed shirt attitude....that 'Hey Look at Me' philosophy and forget why we are really here. It is at times like these that we need to take a moment to assess things and make sure that we are serving in leadership roles for the right reasons, i.e., to assist, guide and further Lionism in a positive manner.

If we can't say that about ourselves then we shouldn't be where we are. We have all had our A-HA moment as Lions and it is that passion that has driven us to where we are. Maybe we need to experience another A-HA moment to once again ground us.

Well enough of the negative. I would like to finish this on a positive note and say that I am very proud of the leaders and clubs of District E for taking to heart my goal of Restoring the Roar. We are working together throughout the District to insure that projects and fundraisers continue and we are reestablishing entities that have been neglected for several years such as Region meetings. So as we embrace the holidays and renew family ties, remember that all it takes to Restore the Roar to Ask and to Answer.

District G - Central - Eastern Oregon



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Greetings Fellow Lions,

I have been staying busy visiting clubs and learning so much about the true meaning of Lionism. 'Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service' does not come close to describing the Lions of District G.

These Lions are helping hundreds of people get glasses and hearing aids yearly; they donate food and paper goods to local food banks as well as hundreds of hours working at them; they spend hours cleaning miles and miles of roadways and they award thousands of dollars in scholarships each year to deserving students.

With Thanksgiving coming up, I ponder on what I am thankful for and my number one answer is being coerced by my Mother into joining the Lions. It has been a very unusual journey getting to where I am right now. I joined thinking I was going to help the Weston-McEwen Lions Club grow stronger and get a few new members, then I would fade into the background and let someone else keep it going. Little did I know that I would soon take over as President, Zone Chair and now DG. It didn't take long though for me to realize that joining Lions would be one of the best things that I've ever done and it will now be a lifetime commitment. The feeling I get whenever I help someone else is so satisfying. I wish I could feel that good all the time. Also, I've realized that I have gained a 'Family' of outstanding Lions who are dedicated to serving others. I know that wherever life takes me, I will be able to find 'Family'.

For now, I would like each club to email me all the pertinent information (e.g. how they are done) on one or two of your fundraisers and community service projects. I will work on getting an up-date booklet compiled and distributed so other clubs can get ideas of projects that they might like to try doing in their

I hope everyone is planning on coming to District G Convention, March 2-3, 2018, and that you are all working on decorating your boot. I'm letting everyone know ahead of time that Friday night is a "Sadie Hawkins" theme, so plan on having some fun!

Wishing you all Happy Holidays!

Wonderful Service of District O

On my visits in October as District Governor, I heard about the wonderful projects of these nine Lions clubs: the Oaks Bottom, McMinnville, Tualatin, King City, Hillsboro, Beavercreek, Amity, Estacada, and Portland Lloyd Lions Clubs. Here are some of what these clubs do.

The **Oaks Bottom Club** puts up 170 American flags on Sellwood neighborhood streets, meets Honor Flight recipients at the airport and sorts over 8,000 used eyeglasses for Mexico eyeglass mission trips. A Fly& Drive Pancake Breakfast is one of the **McMinnville Lions** fundraisers. They also loan out more than 50 hospital beds to individuals in their homes and earn a whopping \$15,000/year collecting newspapers. **Tualatin Lions** held their annual Oktobetfest fundraiser, holds two food drives a year at local Walmarts and they are the charter club for a local Boy Scout Troop. Along with that, each year this smaller Club helps about 30 people in need with free eyeglasses.

The **King City Lions Club** annually gives \$1,000 scholarships to 12-18 high school graduates. The Club plays bingo twice a month and holds a Christmas bizarre, a golf tournament and an October pancake breakfast. Christmas baskets are a big project for the **Beavercreek Lions**. They donate \$18,000 a year to local worthy causes, hold an annual auction and help with elementary school eye screenings. The **Hillsboro Lions Club** does a lot despite being a small club. They sell Christmas wreaths, give a \$1,000 high school scholarship and sponsor an annual health fair with Pacific University students.

Another smaller Club, the **Amity Lions**, gives American flags to first graders, collects refundable bottles as a fundraiser and partners with high schoolers on eye screenings. They also hold an essay contest for local middle school students and give a \$1,000 high school scholarship. Rebuilding wooden pallets is the **Estacada Lions Club's** ongoing fundraiser. They also co-organize a golf tournament with the Sandy Lions and donate their earnings to local charities. Free eyeglasses are especially important to the **Lloyd Lions** as they budget about \$7,000 a year for it. They also serve meals at a local dining hall for the homeless, sell mints where the club meets and collect money at Christmas time for the Salvation Army.

With all these nine clubs, that's a lot of community service and a lot of money raised at fundraisers! Go Lions!



Beavercreek Lions Club



Some off the Amity Lions Club



McMinnville Lions Club



DG Bert indicting two new members at a Portland Lloyd Lions Club meeting



Some of the Tualatin Lions Club doing a fun activity at their



Hillsboro Lions Club

submitted by DG Bert Diamond

Oktoberfest sind Wunderbar!!

On October 7th and 8th, Germany celebrated "Re-Unification Weekend" and the age-old Bavarian harvest celebration of Oktoberfest for 2017 ended in Munich and surrounding Bavaria. But ... Oktoberfest wasn't quite finished with 2017! It traveled to Tualatin, Oregon, and knocked on the door of the Tualatin Lions for the 4th year in a row and held its final party of the season on Saturday, Oct. 14!



Left side: DG Bert Diamond, PDG Garry Charbonneau, 1st VDG Dan Wolfl. Right side: PCC Joyce Anderson and Lion Wally Anderson. The other people at the table are all unidentified REAL Germans and everyone is enjoying dinner and Lion Victor Meindl (standing at the far back of the photo) on his accordion.



Lindsey & Carter King with Grandpa Lion CC Brad

It was "All Hands on Deck" for the Tualatin Lions that evening with upwards of 100 visitors dining on good German wurst and sauerkraut and drinking good Spaten Oktoberfest beer (supplied by the Tualatin Valley Elks Club). For the fourth year in a row, Lion Victor Meindl of the West Linn Riverview Lions provided non-stop authentic German music on his authentic German accordion with his authentic German fingers!

Merchants in the Tualatin/Sherwood metro-plex provided sought-after raffle prizes including dinners for 2, beer tasting, growlers and big pints, range time at a local firearms training center and, as a special gift, District Governor Bert Diamond provided a wonderful basket directly from Edelweiss Deli!

The kitchen crew worked extra hard cooking up Zenner's wurst, sauerkraut, Hamburg style fries (lots of vinegar and heavy salt) and delicious apfle kuchen (apple cake). The most asked question of the evening was: "Can I get the recipe for that amazing cake?". CC Brad's frau, Laura, has a hit

on her hands! The Dirndl girls, Lindsey, Jessica and Pua sold raffle tickets and helped the Tualatin Lions raise enough funds to cover

their humanitarian works for the coming year. They had a lot of help from Executive Chef Carter (Lindsey's 6-month-old son)!

The Tualatin Lions worked hard and had big, happy smiles on their faces all night for their guests, most from the community and many from other District O Lions Clubs. Look for the Tualatin Lions Oktoberfest next autumn!



Lion Victor Meindl playing the accordion

Lions Jackie Dannemiller & Ed Casey serving



February 15, 1944 – November 7, 2017 In memoriam

On November 7, 2017 the world lost a true pioneer in the world of eye banking. Barbara started her career at OHSU's Casey Eye Institute where she ran the Oregon Eye Bank from 1987 to 1998 at which time she took over Lions Eye Bank of Oregon (now Lions VisionGift). She co-Directed the two organizations until merging the programs in 2000. That in and of itself would be accomplishment enough for most of us, but not for Barbara. Barbara spent the next 16 years leading the eye bank through a continuous growth trajectory that has allowed us to contribute to sight saving surgeries, research and education at a level unfathomable in 1998.

Through increased regulations and rapid advances in technology that her organization helped pioneer, Barbara led Lions VisionGift to be the world class organization it is today. She is recognized as a leader and innovator in eye banking by colleagues throughout the US and even throughout the world. She was always a strong proponent of sharing knowledge and giving back to the community so that others may benefit from whatever skills and expertise we have locally. This sharing

of her knowledge and wisdom had a multiplier effect on the community as a whole.



It was her commitment to sharing our knowledge that provoked the strongest voices of sorrow from around the eye banking community. Barbara led the EBAA as Chairman in 2000-2002 and was recognized in 2004 with the Heise Award, the highest honor bestowed upon an eye banker for her tremendous contributions to the field. Barbara went on to lead LVG for more than 10 years after winning that award and has mentored many staff to follow her example of giving back to the community. It is through this mentorship and organizational strength that Barbara's legacy will live on in to the future and is perhaps her greatest gift to eye banking.

We would be remiss without mentioning Barbara's loving and supportive family. Husband Bud, daughters Michelle and Brenda, and son Tim have lost a wife and mother. We are thankful for the sacrifices and support they have given over the years to allow us to have Barbara's time dedicated to the work that she found so meaningful. In Barbara's own words when reflecting on her career, we hear about the simple motivation behind her dedicated service to the field:

"Throughout it all, I had some of the best times of my life and met many wonderful people from all over the world. Eye banking is one of the most rewarding of all careers. It's always challenging and fulfilling - at the end of the day, I played a small part in restoring someone's sight, and it can't get any better than that!" -Barbara Crow, August 2017

While eye banking has lost an icon, Lions VisionGift and our friends have lost our long-time former CEO who was so much more than a leader. She was a friend, a mentor, and an inspiration to be our best. Every recipient of a cornea from LVG, every family offered the option of donation, every "yes" that is honored through the gift of sight, is a tribute to her memory.

Submitted by Chris Stoeger

You, Me and the D!

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to my world! Won't you come on in?

Following is a great article written by Kara Mayer Robinson entitled "Stay on Course," that will help motivate you to do just that. In the second paragraph entitled "Just lace up" it simply states that once your shoes are on and laced up, your feet, with very little motivation, will start moving toward the door and when you return you will be mentally pumped up for the day. Years ago, I used to jog five miles every morning before breakfast and I always felt great afterwards. If I missed a day it was a big downer. Don't let this happen to you. Be ready for the New Year. Enjoy!

Stay on Course. Feeling your motivation wane? Try these tips to move forward.

By: Kara Mayer Robinson

You know exercise is great for managing diabetes, so you've made it a priority and settled into a groove. Congratulations! But what do you do when it feels like a drag? Conquer roadblocks with these solutions.

Just lace up. David Weingard, CEO of the diabetes coaching platform Fit4D, knows how it feels to want to bail on a workout. His trick: Simply lace up.

"Lots of days I wake up with a high blood sugar and just get myself out the door to exercise," he says. "By the time I get back, I've brought my blood sugar levels under control, and I'm mentally pumped up for the day."

Slip but don't slide. Expect days when you want to slack off. Highs and lows are normal. The trick is to accept them and get back on track tomorrow.

Avoid the trap of focusing on negative thoughts. Tell yourself one down day is fine -- if it doesn't become a string of them.

Have fun. If you dread exercising, you may be doing the wrong activity.

Find something you like. Cardio choices go beyond running and spinning. Try swimming laps or loading your video console with dance games. Not a gym lover? Walk, bike, or run outdoors. Love walking but ditch your plans whenever it rains? Drive to the mall and do laps indoors.

Try zigzagging. Doing the same thing day after day can be a slog. Change your patterns and choices. Exercise indoors one day, outdoors the next. Push yourself extra hard today, go easier tomorrow. Do an elliptical workout one day, a Zumba class the next.

Bonus: Switching it up works different muscles and prevents overuse injuries.

Join forces. "Having a good training partner will make workouts more fun and enjoyable," says Weingard.

Recruit friends, family, or others in your community to exercise together. Join a group and sign up for regular workouts. Next time you go walking, invite a neighbor to tag along.

Log it. "Detailed record keeping is a key factor in realizing the benefits of exercise and minimizing blood sugar swings," says Weingard.

As part of that record-keeping, start a fitness journal. Record when and how much you exercise, your blood sugar levels, and how exercise impacts them.

Then look for patterns and find what works best for you. Maybe you do better in the morning but not so great at night. Maybe you stick with certain workouts but not others.

Time travel. Remember how amazing you'll feel when your workout's in the bag. You'll carry a sense of accomplishment and pride with you all day -- and keep your glucose in check.

If that doesn't work, says Weingard, envision tomorrow. "Hang in there on the tough days. Easier moments are right around the corner."

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--small things, done in great love, bring joy and peace.-- Mother Theresa



Six District 36-E Lions Clubs Collaborate with the Southern Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Center for the Seventh "Recycle for Sight" Community Vision Clinic!

On Saturday, November 4, six District 36-E Lions clubs came together to help 101 low income residents of Jackson and Josephine Counties receive a pair of "Recycled for Sight" eyeglasses through the Center's ongoing annual Community Vision Clinic.



Clients waiting for exam with volunteer eye doctors

Referred by word of mouth and 40+ local agencies and businesses, the message was out about the Southern Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Center's Vision Clinic. Volunteer optometrists, opticians, community members, 22 Lions and Center staff worked clients through the stations, set up like a mission trip, to end up in the "Happy Room" where clients then were dispensed a pair of glasses that matched

their prescription. Numerous grants throughout the past 5 years have added to the ophthalmology equipment inventory used at the Clinics. The Center pays a fee to rent an autorefractor from OLSHF.

"These Community Vision Clinics are a great service opportunity for Lions club members. They gladly give up their time on a Saturday to really make a difference in a person's life," states Glory Cooper, Executive Director of The Center in Medford. "Additionally, the used eyeglasses donated by the Southern Oregon residents stay right in the community to assist those in need. We now have 8,500 pair of eyeglasses on hand for use at the annual clinics making for exact matches for clients. Our match rate is 97%."

The next Community Vision Clinic will be held sometime in the summer of 2018. Southern Oregon Lions clubs are welcome to fill a bus with potential clients and bring them to The Center in Medford. Just let Glory know in advance, please. Call 541-779-3653 or email solshc@riousa.com for more information.



Ashland Lion Don Johnson with client at phoroptor

submitted by Glory Cooper, Executive Director

Springfield Lions Recognize a Lion Who Gives New Meaning to "WE SERVE"

Since joining Springfield Lions Club in October of 2002, Lion Patty Harrison has been a tireless volunteer for a multitude of Lions community service projects and fundraisers and over the years

has been awarded the highest Lions Club International honors. She has been on the Club's Board for years, including serving as Club President. In addition to the Lions Club, Lion Patty volunteers many hours each month with Bags of Love and Days for Girls. She cooks and helps serve at the Ebbert Memorial Church weekly Wednesday dinners for the homeless, volunteers with Egan Warming Center, Community Supported Shelters, and a number of other organizations – including Honor Flight – where her efforts recently raised over \$3,000 to help send veterans back to Washington, D.C. Lion Patty's effectiveness in hosting garage sales raised more than \$40,000 for an individual who needed a kidney transplant. Springfield Lions Club is very fortunate to have Patty Harrison as an honored member – as is our community. Lion Patty Harrison, thank you for making a difference.



submitted by Henry Miller

Dallas Lions Club Contributes Benches to the Community



(I-r) Lions Board Member Jim Sevcik; Vice-President Royce Thorpe and President and PDG John Hamstreet standing by bench gracing the Dallas Central Bark, a park for dogs, constructed by PDG John Hamstreet.

Master carpenter PDG John Hamstreet of the Dallas Lions Club constructed two gorgeous benches that will benefit the Dallas community. Featured is one park bench dedicated to the City of Dallas. It graces the Dallas Central Bark, A Park for Dogs, where visitors can sit and watch their dogs of various sizes and shapes leap, run and roam in a fenced area of town. The second bench (not pictured) was

delivered to Dallas High School for students to gather and chat – or more likely text each other while sitting side by side. Using our talents is one of the things that Lions do best! Thank you PDG John Hamstreet. submitted by Susan Gartland

Lions Clubs Collecting Used Eclipse Glasses

Hello Friends,

The Lions Clubs are going to collect the used Eclipse Glasses. We learned that the Astronomers without Borders are collecting these used Eclipse Glasses and sending them to schools in South America and Asia, for use when the next Eclipses cross those areas in 2019. It makes a great service project and we will be helping kids around the world safely watch an Eclipse Event.

Feel free to contact me or any local Lions Club member and we will gather them up from you. Please let your groups know of our project. Thank you.

submitted by 1VDG Dan Wolf, 36-0

"We Couldn't Have Done It Alone!"

...said Lion Rich Correa of the Gresham Breakfast Club. The latest fundraising process for the Oregon Sight & Hearing Foundation (OLSHF) was the brainchild of Lion Rich, who is an avid supporter of the Portland State Viking football team. He found a way to marry his love of the Vikings and his support of the Foundation in an ingenious way. He got PSU to provide 280 prime tickets on the 45-yard line to the game on Saturday, October 14th when the Vikings hosted the Northern Arizona Lumberjacks -- and then the fun began.



Past President Glen White enjoing a hot dog & beer

This was the 6th year for this fundraiser and with the help of seven members of the Club as Co-Chairs, the members of the Gresham Club made 30 visitations to other Lions clubs in the greater Portland area and to 9 clubs in Vancouver. A total of 270 tickets were sold at \$24 each. One-half went to PSU to cover the cost of tickets and the other half (\$3,240) went to the OLSHF. But that's not all.

As an incentive, Lion Rich invited all ticket buyers to join him and his wife, Peggy, at the tail-gate party that he hosts at every PSU home game (luckily, he got 240 hot dogs from White's Meat and a keg of beer from Barley Sprout, two excellent establishments both in Gresham). Over 180 Lions and friends attended, and for



(I-r) Lions Cory Price, Rich Correa presenting check to Doug Thompson (Executive Director of OLSHF), Art Abbott, Glen White, Paul Haughom and Steve Solcz

two hours everyone had a great time socializing and enjoying a gorgeous fall day. At 1:30, everyone walked across the street to Providence Stadium to watch a well-played game (even though the Vikings lost).



Catch me if you can

Not only was this a win-win for PSU and the OLSHF, but it was a big win for the Lions in the Portland and Vancouver area. Visitations are always a good way to meet and greet and keep each other updated on the latest news from the various clubs. It was heartwarming for the members of the Gresham Club to get such a positive and generous reception at each club they visited. Who knows, they may do it again next year - stay tuned.

submitted by Steve Solcz

North Coast Lions Making a Difference for Students!

It's been a cold, rainy and windy autumn along the northern Oregon Coast! That's generally how we picture the fall season in Tillamook and Clatsop Counties. But ... this fall, the warm hearts of the Lions clubs in this



2VDG Terry Bowman helps with the screening

area could be felt at almost all of the elementary and middle schools (and one high school) in the area, where the hard-working local Lions joined their Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation Mobile Health Screening Program staffers to do student vision screening! Here's the run down ... On a windy, rainy September 29th, the Cloverdale-Nestucca Lions turned out in force at Nestucca Valley Elementary and, in less than an hour, whipped through vision screening for all 219 students in attendance that day! There were smiles all around as it was "Crazy Hair Day" at Nestucca Valley and some of the teachers had the craziest hair. Less hair was seen among the mature male members of the Cloverdale-Nestucca Lions in attendance.



Nestucca Lions at Nestucca Valley

Next, during the week of October 16th through October 20th, members of the Astoria Lions Club traveled all over Clatsop County, screening students' vision at Astor and Lewis and Clark, Astoria Middle School as well as traveling to Warrenton and Knappa where all the kids from grade school through high school were screened. The Lions were ably assisted by Medical Assistant students from Tongue Point Job Corps. In all, the Lions and Job Corps Students screened 2,619 students that week!



(I-r) Lions LuLu Bowman and Dave Jaffer assisting with the screening

Then, on October 4th, members of the Rockaway Lions Club traveled all the way to Tillamook! Beginning at the early hour of 8:15, the Rockaway Lions screened the kindergarteners and 1st graders at Liberty, then the 2nd and 3rd graders at South Prairie, followed by the 4th to 6th graders at East, for a whopping one-day total of 1,124 student vision screenings, all before the busses came and the school bell rang!



(I-r) Lions Mary Reynolds and 2VDG Terry Bowman

Last but far from least, on October 26th, those Rockaway Lions stayed a little closer to home when they helped with vision screening at Nehalem Elementary School and Garibaldi Elementary School, both in the Neah Kah Nie School District. Those Lions made quick work of 171 kiddos at Nehalem and 168 at Garibaldi, (and even had time for a cup of coffee and to let the dog out between screenings!)

All told, the dedicated Lions from Cloverdale-Nestucca, Rockaway and Astoria did vision screening for 4,301 students along

the northern Oregon coast ... and never mentioned the wind or the rain ... just how much fun they had doing this important work!

submitted by one very happy MHSP guy AKA Brad King

French Prairie Lions Club Continues Its Work with the Schools



Stocking caps for the Giving Tree

French Prairie Lions Club President Sue Jaggers delivered 5 boxes of items for the Giving Tree at the North Marion School District. "This is the second year in a row we have been able to provide new hoodies and s`tocking caps for the program," she stated.

One hundred, fifty (150) stocking caps in three different sizes were delivered. In addition 30 new hoodies were given to the program.

Almost 70% of the students attending the North Marion School District are on free or reduced lunch programs. This created a need which French Prairie stepped in to help fill.

Plans are in place for the annual vision screening in the school district December 15. The Club also is a partner in the Back Pack Buddy program, providing 140 lunches on weekends.

submitted by Sue Jaggers

Portland Bentham Lions Help with Halloween

Over 3,000 parents and kids, most in costumes, walked the streets of Multnomah Village on Halloween. Why? You know the answer. CANDY! Village businesses were ready with buckets and buckets of candy to hand out. Eight members of the Portland Bentham Lions Club were also there to help as crossing guards at four of the corners at the event. Cars can still go through the Village streets and that's why we are there.

This is the 8th year we've done this. We join about 15 other volunteers who also help at other street corners. It's a great event and we don't want anyone hurt. That's why the crossing guards

come in handy.



(I-r) Bentham Lions DG Bert Diamond and PCC Steve Thomson



(I-r) Bentham Lions Kelvin Atkins-Heljison and PDG Don Roach



(I-r) Bentham Lions Keith Nieuwoudt and Bill Loos



(I-r) Bentham Lions Isaac Tevet and Dale Rollins

submitted by DG Bert Diamond, Bentham club member

LIONS QUEST UPDATE

Many Lions of Oregon are unaware of Measure 98, which was passed by the voters of Oregon two years ago. This measure had three major features: The reinstatement of career technical programs, improving college prep programs and strengthening dropout prevention programs.

Lions Quest can work with any of the three components of this measure.

Several school districts have used the program, K-12, to develop or improve a dropout prevention program. A number of districts with alternative schools make use of *Lions Quest* as an introductory program for alternative schools.

Lions Quest is designed to improve positive youth development. The high school segment is centered on community service programs.

Many local school districts have received grants from the State of Oregon under the guidelines of Measure 98. This presents a great opportunity to introduce *Lions Quest*. **Oregon has one of the top** *Lions Quest* trainers in the world.

There are several ways to fund the *Lions Quest* Program. District E still has an unused Community Partnership Grant for \$10,000. Districts O, R and G along with District E can also make use of the Core 4 Grant from Lions Club International Foundation. Core 4 grants are unlimited and must be supported locally by a ¼ local matching fund. There are several endowments around the State willing to provide this ¼ match to a local Lions Club. Sometimes grants under Measure 98 will provide these funds as well.

MD 36 is just completing one Core 4 grant in District O. This was a two-year program sponsored by the Forest Grove Lions Club for \$33,000.

submitted by PDG Jim Jaggers, Chair

SMART? Recognize this?

It is a unique Oregon program to improve literacy, the foundation for success in school, work and life. Lions of Oregon had a hand in starting the SMART Program over 30 years ago. By the way, SMART stands for Start Making a Reader Today.

A list of local SMART offices was printed in an earlier edition of the Oregon Lion. Any local Lions Club can become involved in the SMART by having members take some time to read to and read with children in the early grades.

Another way of giving the gift of literacy all year long is for your club to give paperback books to children. This program is easy to start and the costs are minimal. Clubs usually give books away twice per year.

A very easy way for a club to get this program started is to become registered (at no cost) in the Scholastic Literacy Partnership Program. This is the non-profit arm of Scholastic and twice per year clubs can purchase books for 10-15 cents on the dollar.

Remember, encouraging children to read is a part of the Reading Action Program of Lions Clubs International. To help children develop a love for reading, put a great book in their hands, then watch in amazement as their world changes.

submitted by PDG Jim Jaggers, SMART Chair



Another Centennial Worth Celebrating!

As most of us Lions are aware, 2017-18 marks the 100 year anniversary of Lions Clubs International, and a host of events and projects have been held and are planned to celebrate the milestone during this Lions year.

Happy Birthday Marguerite!

Another Centennial celebration much closer to home pertains to the 100th Birthday of our very own Marguerite Hofferber. Oregon Lions that were active in the 1980's and earlier remember Marguerite as the first woman Chair of the Foundation, leading the organization in 1988-89. Marguerite was honored for her lifetime accomplishments with the Foundation by being inducted into the OLSHF Hall of Fame in 2010. Marguerite is as modest as she is amazing, telling the audience that evening "When I think of all of the fellas that have done such an outstanding job for the Foundation, and how I see this award that you have presented to me, all I can feel is...flabbergasted."

A Life of Service

Here at OLSHF we're not the least bit flabbergasted that Marguerite has made it to the age of 100. Up until just a few years ago, Marguerite continued to volunteer on a weekly basis at the OLSHF offices, sorting eyeglasses and hearing aids and helping out in the office. She even drove herself to OLSHF and to her daily workout, staying in shape and keeping her sharp wit. "Staying active keeps me out of trouble" Marguerite says, with a twinkle in her eye.

A Way to Honor Marguerite

Something else that would give Marguerite and her family joy is having Lions honor her 100th Birthday by making a donation to OLSHF. To commemorate the Centennial Birthday, gifts of \$100 are encouraged although donations of any amount are appreciated:



Keith Price Board Chair



Doug Thompson Executive Director



"I've always believed every little bit helps!" declares Marguerite.

There are a variety of ways to make your "Marguerite 100 Gift" and all gifts will be recognized in next month's edition of the Oregon Lion. To make your gift, please choose from the following:

- 1) Mail your gift to OLSHF at 1010 NW 22nd Ave, #144, Portland OR 97007 and put "Marguerite 100" in the memo line, OR
- 2) Go to our website DONATE section to make your gift securely online, OR
 - 3) Text "Hoff100" to #41444

Thanks in advance for your gifts in honor of Marguerite and most importantly,

Happy Birthday, Marguerite!

Gifts & Memorials

Contributions list includes gifts received 10/16 through 11/15 only. Every effort is made to ensure accuracy and we appreciate you bringing any issues to our attention by emailing Info@OLSHF.org.

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Donna Penny

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"We believe in the work of the Foundation and found that the PRIDE monthly recurring gift program works great for us. PRIDE is a convenient way for us to support OLSHF and the great sight and hearing programs they offer."

- Sharon Rollins (PRIDE member since 2017)





Toin the PRIDE today!

Go to www.OLSHF.org/pride or call (503)413-7399

MHSP School Screening Program Receives New SPOT



Lion Donna provided OLSHF with an early Christmas present: a donation, enough to purchase a new SPOT!

We are so grateful for our MHSP Field Staff Member **Donna Penny**. In addition to screening thousands of students this school year, Donna - a Coos Bay Lion - made a generous and unexpected donation covering the cost of a new Welch-Allyn SPOT vision photo screener.

We are so grateful for Donna and all of our MHSP Field Staff!

ROAR! Hearing Assistance Holds Event in Eugene



Thank you Dr. Todd Landsberg and Staff Jordan Ryder, along with Volunteer Kent Calvin, Bethel Lions

Dr. Todd Landsberg works with Bre from Roseburg at the ROAR! Mobile Hearing Assistance event at Bethesda Lutheran Church in Eugene on Nov 17th. Special Thanks to Eugene Bethel Lion **Kent Calvin** and Eugene Cascade Lion **Zella Haussler** for volunteering and to OLSHF Field Staff Member **Jordan Ryder** for assistance at the event. Dr. Landsberg helped 13 people in need with hearing exams and new hearing aids.

Gresham Breakfast Lions Host the Civil War Dinner



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OLSHF Spokesperson **Ella Osborne** and OLSHF Staff **Tracy Brown** attended the Gresham Breakfast Lions Civil War Dinner on November 9th and helped raise over \$3,200 to help Oregonians in need of new eyeglasses through the events paddle raise.

Thank you **Gresham Breakfast Lions!**

2018 Hall of Fame Nominations



OLSHF Hall of Famers and Executive Director Doug Thompson, at the 2017 Hall of Fame event in Pendleton.

Nominations are open for the 2018 Induction, to be held at the Valley River Inn on May 18th at MD-36 Convention.

Contact Doug Thompson at DougT@OLSHF.org for OLSHF Hall of Fame nomination information.

In Loving Memory of OLSHF Past Chair Walt Trandum



Rockaway Lions Club President John Luce accepts a memorial plaque in loving memory of Lion Walt Trandum.

Walt Trandum, 1948-2017 OLSHF Chair - 1987-88 OLSHF Hall of Fame Inductee - 2013

It's Hard to Forget Someone Who Gave So Much to Remember

For years, Walt Trandum focused his passion for service into his local Lions Club and the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation. Whether it was securing no cost occupancy for OLSHF into perpetuity or being a founding committee member of the Lions VisionGift eye bank of Oregon, Walt's leadership echoes throughout our communities.

Walt expanded OLSHF's mission to include hearing assistance while also changing Oregon laws to allow technicians to perform enucleations and increasing the availability of donor tissues.

Camp Taloali is able to continue serving children with diabetes each year thanks to Walt's attentive support.

Walt embodied the Lion's motto of "We Serve!"

All it Takes is a Good Idea and Lions Answer the Call to Action

There are many Lions who are always devising projects that will help others. Eugene Downtown Lions Club Immediate Past President Sharon Newton is one of those Lions. Even when she's down with a broken wrist and recuperating from shoulder surgery, Lion Sharon is thinking about ways for the Eugene Downtown Lions Club to serve. She read an article in the *Register Guard* newspaper about how the Active 20-30 Club was behind in reaching its goal of collecting 2,000 coats for needy kids (Coats For Kids project) before winter sets in.

Lion Sharon decided that the Eugene Downtown Club could fill the gap and, at the same time, forge another link in the chain we are trying to create between our Club and theirs. As they age out of the Active 20-30 Club, we would love to have them join us! After getting an O.K from Lion President Craig Ford and from Community Services Chair, Lion Jim Origliosso, Sharon reached out to our Club members with the help of her temporary secretary Lion Jim Newton. Members were asked to contribute new or gently used coats or donations.



(I-r) Holly Jones, from Active 20-30 Club with Lion James Newton



Lion Newt helps Holly load the items into her car

Tuesday, October 24th, Holly Jones of the Active 20-30 Club picked up the more than 20 coats and \$200 in contributions from twelve members of the Eugene Downtown Lions. Our newly organized UO Campus Branch Club also pitched in with three coats.

This was a quick and easy project for our Club and a good chance to serve the community while cooperating with another service organization. It shows that good works don't always have to be on a large scale. Small projects can also be very beneficial.

Submitted by Tim Chuey

Elgin Lions Continue to Usher

The Elgin Lions continue to usher at the Opera House as a part of a service for the community. The latest play, "The Adams Family," ran September through October.



(I-r) Lions Jacob McClury, PDG Gerald Hopkins, Kathy Oliver, Caitlin O'Brien, Bryn Moore and Emily Johnson

submitted by PDG Gerald Hopkins

Students Reap the Benefits of Lions Club's Service

Lions Club International is celebrating 100 years of service. As a Centennial Challenge, all Lions Clubs are being asked to devise service projects that will both celebrate the founding of Lions Club International in 1917 and benefit the people that "We Serve."

Serving children is one of the main goals established in this effort and Eugene Downtown Lions are meeting that challenge by performing vision screenings at local elementary schools. One such screening took place at Edgewood Elementary School in South Eugene on Monday November 6th.

The youngsters were brought into the screening area in small class groups and already had identification papers with them. They lined up to have their vision checked with a modern digital scanner. Those performing the tests had been trained on how to operate the user-friendly piece of hand-held equipment called the Welch Allyn Spot photo screening device.

All the students had to do was look straight at the screen on the device and hold still. The reading was recorded in the Spot device and uploaded to a computer. Those students whose vision was at all questionable would have their parents notified that the child should go to a vision professional for further testing.

According to Jordan Ryder, event coordinator from the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation, the Lions screened 372 students from grades 1-5 during the one-day morning session. He reports that about 80 such screenings were performed over the State last year. That is about 50% of the total number of school students in Oregon and the hope is to increase that percentage over the next few years.

Eugene Downtown Lions Norma Barbisan, Joan Vaughan, Diane Landon, Karen Norton, Mary Fechtel, and Tom McCann worked along with OLSHF event Coordinator Jordan Ryder to perform the screenings.



Lion Karen Norton tells youngster to hold still as she readies the device



Tom McCann and Mary Fechtel



Here's what it looks like from the tester's position



Students line up to be tested



Students and testers (I-r) Lions: Norma Barbisan, Jordan Ryder OLSHF, Joan Vaughan, and Karen Norton are ready

Bet Your Bottom Dollar on Oaks Bottom Club

Many clubs go the extra mile to serve their communities but the Portland Oaks Bottom Lions Club's reach is to Sandy, Oregon and even Tepit, Mexico.



Some of the members of the Portland Oaks Bottom Lions Club giving a good Lion ROAR!

This Club's regular service projects include putting up 170 American flags on federal holidays, sponsoring an annual Easter Egg Hunt and helping three local women's shelters. In addition, many of the Club members help at the Oral Hull Camp for the Blind and Low Vision as well as with the Eyeglass Mission trips to Mexico.

PDG Sharon Elder, the camp director and mission trip coordinator, is an active member of the Club. "These mission trips are very worthwhile yet expensive. It costs about \$5,000 for the freight to take 42 bins of used eyeglasses, diabetes supplies and eye drops. Often, Lions

clubs donate money if they send members on the trip. We also have 15 Lions from Canada and usually their clubs are very generous," said PDG Sharon.

Members of the Club help sort and package about 8,000 used eyeglasses for the mission trips. About 6,000 eyeglasses are cleaned and the lenses verified by women at the Coffee Creek Correctional Institution. Another 2,000 pairs are collected and cleaned by this Club. Lion Stella Brown, Club President, explained part of the process. "One of our Club members, Kay Freeman, donated an older Lensometer and Lion Ron Shaw, another member, spends many hours identifying the prescription of about 2,000 pairs of glasses. With five sorting days, the Club puts eyeglasses into correct boxes and bins for the trip. Lion Stella thinks this Lions Club is one of the best around. "The first day I visited this Club I knew this was where I belonged. I quickly asked them to transfer me from my old club in Alaska," said Lion Stella.



PDG Sharon Elder noted that they saw over 2,000 people in five days and all received vision care, diabetes screening and blood pressure testing. There were 40 Lions and non-Lions from Oregon, Alberta Canada, Montana and we worked alongside the Lions from Manzanillo, Colima, Mexico.

Oaks Bottom Lions Club also regularly volunteers closer to home, at the Oral Hull Camp. "Lions Edwina Swart, Dick and Mary Hankins, Ron Shaw and others are at the Camp a lot," said President Stella. "Club members help in the office, rebuild porches and perform yard clean up."

Kudos to all the members of the Oaks Bottom Lions Club. Their bottom line is dedication, big hearts and a lot of rewarding hard work.

submitted by DG Bert Diamond pictures of mission trip provided by PDG Sharon Elder

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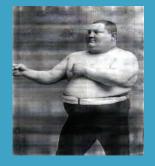






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